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Honored Mr. Devlin.

Liberal Member for Nicolet
Banquetted.

Mr. Chas. R. Devlin, M.P. for Nicolet, was honored with a banquet on last Saturday evening at the Reform Club. Mr. Devlin's speech on this occasion was fully up to his best efforts in this city. In the absence of the president the chair was occupied by Mr. Peter Lyall, vice-president of the Reform Club, while a number of leading members of the party were present. Several of the speakers referred to Mr. Devlin as a coming minister, and seemed to take this for granted. Another feature of the gathering was the speech of Mr. E. M. Macdonald, M. P. for Pictou, Nova Scotia.

Lieut.-Col. F. W. Hibbard proposed the health of the guest of the evening following the toast to His Majesty. Loud cheers greeted the member for Nicolet as he rose to acknowledge the toast. After referring to the many campaigns in which he had been engaged in this city and district, he said he had been absent from the Dominion ten years, and, perhaps, he was better able to appreciate the splendid progress Canada had made under Liberal rule during those ten years than those who had lived in the country.

Mr. Devlin declared that they were accused of being idolaters when claiming credit for the wonderful change that had taken place in the affairs of Canada, for they were told that Providence did it all. He said he came from a country where one saw decay on every side, and generally when the Irish party wished to call the attention of the British parliament to Ireland's distress, they referred to the rapidly decreasing population. Hence he felt that the fact of Canada's increasing population was a sure indication of their splendid prosperity. He did not intend to weary them with figures, but he would like to say that while Canada's imports in 1896 were \$118,000,000, they had increased to \$260,000,000 two years ago. Ten years ago the exports were valued at \$121,000,000, and to-day they reached \$203,000,000. Ten years ago the total trade of the Dominion of Canada figured at \$239,000,000, while to-day it has reached the sum of \$500,000,000. But this was not the whole story, for he was in a position to say that in spite of a generous yet by no means extravagant expenditure the national debt had only swelled from \$261,000,000 to \$288,000,000 in ten years, and the credit of the Dominion was so high in the money markets of the world that to-day Canada paid less interest on the larger amount than she did on the smaller ten years ago.

Mr. Devlin could not but compare all these signs of national prosperity to the sunshine and poverty one met with on the other side of the ocean. He stated that the splendid condition of things in the eastern provinces was due in a large measure to the fact that the western provinces were being so rapidly filled up with settlers, and for this reason he felt constrained to give a hearty support to the immigration policy of the present administration. Commenting on the statement that the Liberals had declared before coming to office, that they would give Canada free trade, the speaker said that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had distinctly declared at Sommer Park on the eve of the elections of 1896 that he would give the people, if returned to power, fair and free trade, and this is what the Government had done, both in the tariff of 1897 as well as that of the present session.

Mr. J. C. Walsh proposed "Our Cause." He said that the recent events had left Sir Wilfrid Laurier stronger than ever with his party, and in the country, and more secure

ly entrenched in the hearts and affections of his supporters.

Hon. P. Roy and Hon. W. A. Weir also spoke.

Those present were: Messrs. Peter Lyall, chairman; J. A. Lamarche, vice-chairman; Hon. Robert Mackay, Hon. J. P. B. Casgrain, Hon. Dan. Gillman, Hon. P. H. Roy, Hon. W. A. Weir, Lieut.-Col. F. W. Hibbard, Lieut.-Col. F. S. Mackay, Raymond Chartrand, W. T. Castle, J. C. MacDermid, Joseph Fortier, J. C. Walsh, Honore Gervais, M.P.; Chas. Cushing, John Humphries, Jos. Archambault, Dr. E. Merrill Desaulniers, Alex. Robertson, Lyon Cohen, Leon Garneau, James Rogers, James Wright, D. M. Sexton, Arthur Ercment, J. B. A. Martin, J. N. Arcand, Edward Cavanagh, B. J. Coghlin, Theodore Rheume, P. R. Du Tremblay, Rodolphe Latulippe, Allan Brown, L. E. Simoneau, W. D. Lighthall, Peter Smith, E. M. McDonald, M.P. (Pictou, N.S.)

Baby Was Choking With Cold in Chest.

Parents in Great Anxiety, But
Quick Relief and Cure Resulted from use of

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LINSEED AND
TURPENTINE**

Mr. W. F. Smith, 364 Nepean street, Ottawa, Ont., writes: "My sister's little baby, Albert McDermott, four months of age, was so bad with a cold on the chest that we were afraid he would choke to death. Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine was obtained, and I am happy to say that it brought relief almost at once. "The baby was completely cured by the use of three bottles, and my sister and her husband are very grateful for this cure. We shall recommend this great medicine."

Under few circumstances does a mother feel herself so anxious and so helpless as when the child in whom her hopes are centered is seized with croup or bronchitis and struggles in vain to get its breath. It is then she asks, "What is the most effective treatment I can buy?" and probably remembers what her friends have told her about keeping Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine in the house for use in just such emergencies.

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He was Greek to the Galicians.

Brandon, Man., April 8.—A ludicrous incident occurred here yesterday when Archbishop Serafin, the eccentric ecclesiastic of Winnipeg, who claims to be head of the Greek Church in Canada and religious dictator of the Ruthenians, attempted to hold service in the Galician Catholic Church here. They refused to permit him to enter the building, and when he attempted to force his way in, he was picked up bodily, carried to the street and thrown in the mud. This decidedly tamed his religious ardor, and, after hurling anathemas upon his opponents, he departed.

Second Annual Pilgrimage of St. Anthony's to St. Anne de Beaupré.

The second annual pilgrimage of St. Anthony's parish will take place on Saturday, June 15th, and from present indications will surpass in numbers and fervent devotion the one of last year, under the direction of the Rev. clergy of St. Anthony's, Rev. J. E. Donnelly, P.P., Rev. M. L. Shea, Rev. T. F. Heffernan.

The Novena preparatory to the pilgrimage will begin on Wednesday, June 12th, the eve of the Feast of St. Anthony, and will terminate with the general Communion of the pilgrims at the holy shrine of St. Anne, at Beaupré, on Sunday morning, June 16th.

With arrangements similar in detail to those of last year, the steamer Beaupré will leave Bonsecours wharf at 4.45 p.m., and while gliding along under the loving protection of the Sacred Heart, devotional exercises will be conducted by the Rev. Fathers of St. Anthony's, and the choir of the League, under the direction of Miss Morgan, will furnish the programme of music.

A shrine at which the devotional exercises will take place may be found in the upper deck of the steamer, in charge of Miss Gethin and Miss Casey, president and treasurer respectively, of the League of St. Anthony's.

A repository of Catholic objects of piety may be found on the main deck, in charge of Miss Shaughnessy. A refreshment table on the lower deck will be operated throughout the pilgrimage under the supervision of Mrs. T. C. Lee and Mrs. T. Casey, Mrs. A. Ramsay, Mrs. Jas. Brady, Miss Lally and Miss Gaboury.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Saturday, 5 p.m., sharp, parting hymn, "Ave Maria Stella"; 5.10, recitation of the beads; 5.30, lunch; 8, hymn to St. Anne, instruction, night prayers; 10, arrival at Cap-de la Madeleine, procession to the shrine, solemn Benediction, return to the steamer; 10.45, all retire to rest. Sunday, 6 a.m., morning prayer and hymn to St. Anne; 6.15, arrival at St. Anne's Wharf, procession of pilgrims headed by crucifix and candles; recitation of the beads and hymn to St. Anne; 6.30, Holy Mass, Communion, confession if desired; 7.30, breakfast at the hotels, after which pilgrims may visit the shrines and holy places, or attend to their private devotions; 10 o'clock, Benediction, sermon, veneration of the relic; 11.15 a.m., procession to the steamer and departure from St. Anne; 1 p.m., arrival at Quebec, where a delay will be made, affording the pilgrims an opportunity to visit their friends and see the city; 4 p.m. sharp, under steam on our route homeward; 4.30 p.m., vesper hymns and musical programme; 5.30 p.m., supper; 8 p.m., hymn, night prayers, and the hymn "Magnificat"; 8.45, sacred concert; 10.30 p.m., all retire to rest, Monday at 5.30 a.m., morning prayer, hymn, "Laudate," and arrive in Montreal.

His Grace Deplores Ostentation

During the course of an address on a pastoral visitation to Outremont, on last Sunday, His Grace Archbishop Bruchési condemned as scandalous the vanity indulged in by certain parents in connection with the preparation of children for first Communion. His Grace said:

"The young communicant should be clothed in a simple manner. In certain parishes where I had occasion to administer confirmation, children were presented to me to whom I was tempted to refuse the sacrament because they were not suitably attired. This is the season when certain styles are coming in, such, for example, as sleeveless dresses. These dresses are not seemly."

"The child who is going to first Communion should not be subjected to follow what is called the style. There are also first communion presents. This has become a custom from which one cannot escape. Previous to first communion, several days are employed in going through the stores, shops and jewellery establishments in quest of presents. The tastes and desires of the child are consulted as well, and the presents flow into the young communicant; everybody trying to give the best—presents of \$5, \$6, \$20; watches, bracelets on collars of precious stones. They could not do better for a bride."

"Then, as in the case of the bride, the presents are displayed; they adorn the piano and the parlor table. Visitors examine and compare them,

reading on each of them the address of the donor. The parents are rejoiced. The mother counts up the presents, calculates the price of them, and says: 'My daughter has received thirty presents,' or 'My daughter has received \$150 worth of presents.' This is a scandal."

"I myself received a first communion present," continued His Grace. "It was a crucifix, which I still keep, and which is very dear to me. It cost forty cents."

"Why awaken in the child whose mind is only filled with piety, these frivolous and worldly ideas. 'A present which is suitable for a child who is going to first communion is a prayer-book, or a pious image, not a jewel, and I would like my words to be heard by all the diocese and have an end put to this tyrannical and deplorable custom.'"

WEIR SCORES RICH PROTESTANTS.

Hon. W. A. Weir, on Monday, sharply scored the course of rich men of Montreal and others who, in order to escape school taxation, had themselves classed as Catholics. He was addressing the Ministerial Association on the educational problems of this province, and pointed out at some length the impoverished condition of the rural schools and the increasing difficulty of keeping them up. This was frequently caused by the emigration of the English-speaking people to the west. But even more loss, he said, was caused by people who, to save the additional cost of 'having to help to keep up their public schools, took advantage of the law to withdraw their dissent from the Catholic assessment. The law provided that where the Protestants were in the minority, they had the right to 'dissent' and erect a school of their own, paying its cost out of their rates; but many did not do so, to save the extra cost. While severely blaming the farmers for thus avoiding their duties to save a few dollars, Hon. Mr. Weir took opportunity to remark that it was hard to censure these poor farmers when in the city of Montreal there were millionaires doing the very same thing.

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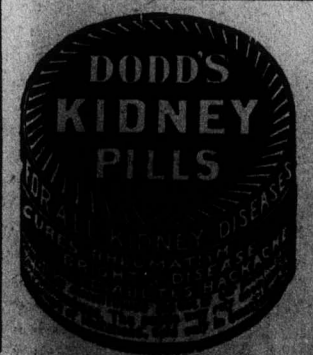
SOCIETY NEWS.

PRESENTATION TO C.M.B.A. OFFICERS.

Last Thursday evening the members of Branch No. 9, met in large numbers at their hall, which was the scene of a very pleasant rally. Grand President Butler, in the name of the Branch, made presentations to the following officers, and spoke highly of their faithful work: Financial Secretary A. Prevost, a cheque for \$25.00; Recording Secretary P. W. Phelan and Treasurer J. McKeown, each a handsome gold signet ring as tokens of esteem for their services to the Branch in discharging their various duties. Short speeches followed by President Prevost, Messrs. A. Purcell, G. Prevost, J. B. O'Hara and W. S. Neilan. The officers returned thanks to the Branch and assured them of their continued interest in its future success.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Thomas Murphy, formerly of St. Canute, P. Q., has left for Fresno, California, after an extended visit with his relatives in Montreal and Chicago. He is accompanied by his nephew, Mr. T. J. Phelan.



Death of Rev. Sister E. Curran.

On Saturday last Sister Elizabeth Curran, secretary-general of the Grey Sisters, at the mother house, Water street, Ottawa, died, aged 63. She was a sister of Mr. Justice Curran. Her eldest sister passed away at the Grey Nunnery in this city thirteen months ago. Only a fortnight since her second sister, Mary of the Immaculate Conception, died at Ottawa. All three were members of the Order of Grey Nuns and had careers of remarkable usefulness.

The Rev. Elizabeth Curran was born in Montreal on the 29th of February, 1844. She was educated at Ottawa, and entered the community there on the 7th September, 1858. She made her vows in 1861, and has since been an able, active and zealous worker. Rev. Mother Kirby, Superior-General, writing of her death, says: "Well may we mourn her loss; for it is surely an irreparable one for us."

The funeral services, which took place at Ottawa on Tuesday morning, were most impressive. Besides the brother of deceased, Mr. Justice Curran, there were present, the Rev. Luke Callaghan, D.D., representing the parish priest and clergy of St. Patrick's Church, Montreal; Rev. Sisters Donlan and Lynch, of the Grey Nuns, Montreal, as well as representatives from the Missions of Ogdensburg, Pembroke, Buckingham, Aylmer and of the houses in the Ottawa district. Sister Curran will long be remembered. For 28 years she was Secretary-General of the Order, and accomplished great work for her community. R. I. P.

MAYO NEWS.

On the eve of St. Patrick's day a large crowd gathered to enjoy a splendid concert. The programme itself, as here given, will amply prove how very apt the selections were, both from an aesthetic and a patriotic point of view: Welcome song, the choir; Welcome, recitation, Miss Vita McCoy; "We Little Boys," Master Anthony Burke; "The Little Doctor," play, Miss Della Burke and Master Fred McCoy; "Dublin Bay," song, local choir; "Cinderella," play, Misses Emma Doherty, Agnes Callaghan, Grace Love, Laura Burke and Mab Dunnigan; "The Convict's Escape," recitation, Miss Ruth Burke; "How She Made Him Propose," play, Mr. Dan. Maloney and Miss Annie Dunnigan; "When the Harvest Moon is Showing," song, Misses Sarah Garvey and Ethel McCoy; "Aunt Matilda," play, Misses Rosalee McCoy, Laura Burke and Edith McCoy; "Kitty Knew," recitation, Mr. Farrell Doherty; "How he Managed," play, Misses Mab Maloney, Ruth Burke, Sarah Garvey and Mr. Eddie McCoy; "Eight O'Clock," play, Misses Emma Doherty and Adelaide Burke; "Trials," recitation, Miss Ethel Love; "Worth, not Wealth," play, Misses Annie Dunnigan, Ruth Burke, Sarah Garvey and Maude Burke; "My Old Kentucky Home," song, Misses Laura Burke and Edith McCoy; "Michael Dwyer," recitation, Miss Rosalee McCoy; "Before and Behind the Scenes," play, Miss Maggie Dunnigan, Mr. Eddie McCoy, Miss Annie Dunnigan and Mr. Eddie Garvey; "Oh, Breathe Not His Name," song, Miss Mary Burke; "My Speech," recitation, Miss Della Burke; "The Way to Windham," play, Messrs. Mab Garvey and Dan. Maloney; "Who is the Blame," recitation, Mr. Edmund Doherty; "Grief Too Expensive," play, Miss Mab Maloney and Mr. Ed. McCoy; "Don't," recitation, Mr. Anthony Burke; "Shower of Old Hags," recitation, Mr. Ed. Garvey; "St. Patrick's Day," song, the local choir; "God Save Ireland," sung by the local choir, Messrs. Dan. Maloney, Mab Maloney, Ed. Garvey, Ed. McCoy and the Misses Sarah Garvey, Mary Burke, Ethel McCoy, Rosalee Garvey and Ruth Burke. Their rendering of the series of splendid Irish and patriotic songs was very well done, and the crowd that listened evidently appreciated their efforts, for every pause was well punctuated with hearty applause. The children are worthy of highest praise for the manner in which they acquitted themselves in their pieces. To their teacher, Miss Dunnigan, is due the credit for the training they have received, in this regard. Those who took part in the dialogues merited the loud applause they received from the audience. The splendid manner in which the national anthem of old Ireland was given went to show how well in touch are our people here with our kith and kin across the sea, in their heroic struggle for freedom.

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Entry must be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situated.

The homesteader is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

- (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.
- (2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.
- (3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon said land.

Six months' notice in writing should be given the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.
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