

PASTORAL LETTER OF HIS GRACE ARCHBISHOP ROCHE

ALSO REGULATIONS FOR LENT

The Pastoral Fathers who will conduct a mission for the Catholic people of the City will arrive here on the Stephano, due the 15th inst. The first mission will be for the women of the Cathedral Parish and will begin the second Sunday in Lent, March 19th. The men's mission will begin at its conclusion, after which the Fathers will preach missions for men and women respectively at St. Patrick's Church.

It was announced at all the masses in the Cathedral yesterday that on Sunday next a special collection will be taken up in the Catholic churches for the Ecclesiastical Students' Fund. This will be separate and distinct from the weekly offertory collection, and the congregations were asked to give liberally to this important and deserving fund.

The following is the text of the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter together with the Lenten Regulations:—

Dear Beloved Brethren: The approach of the Holy Season of Lent renders it incumbent upon us in the exercise of Our Episcopal Office to speak for the first time—by means of a Pastoral Letter—to the Clergy and Laity of the Archdiocese.

Considerably more than twelve months have passed since We mourned the death of the late illustrious occupant of this See. With the death of the late Archbishop Howley there passed away one of the most illustrious of the long line of distinguished prelates that for more than one hundred years have ruled this ancient Diocese. He was not only a great Churchman, but he was also a great patriot. For the last fifty years few of our public men stood more prominently in the civil and ecclesiastical life of the Colony than did Archbishop Howley. He laboured unceasingly to promote the interests of the country and the interests of the Church. The monuments of his episcopate abound upon every side, but perhaps that with which his name will be forever associated was the elevation of Newfoundland to the dignity of an Archepiscopal Province. For more than fifty years successive prelates had been endeavouring to secure this recognition for our venerable Church of Newfoundland and that this signal favour was bestowed upon us was due to the untiring energy and agitation of the late Archbishop.

Solicitous for the spiritual welfare of the faithful We have arranged for Missions in the Cathedral and St. Patrick's during the coming season of Lent and in several other Parishes after Easter. We feel sure that these Missions will be productive of abundant fruits amongst Our people. On every previous occasion, in which We have had the privilege of a Mission, Our people have always entered heartily into its spirit and have gone through the various exercises with edifying piety and devotion. We trust that the same spirit will animate Our people during the coming weeks, that they will avail of the rich spiritual advantages offered to them and that the Missions will produce lasting good in their lives.

Nothing tends so much to quicken and vivify the spiritual life of the faithful as devotion to the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. The Holy Eucharist is the source and the origin of all grace, of all spiritual strength, of all resistance to temptation, and hence it is that this devotion is ever impressed by the Church upon the people. With a view to fostering still more devotion towards our Lord in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar, We have arranged for the Forty Hours' Adoration to be held in every Parish in the Archdiocese during the year. In this way every month of the year this beautiful public veneration of the Most Holy Sacrament will take place in two or three Churches, and it cannot but be that this solemn Exposition will bring blessings in its train as month by month it is held in the various Churches of the Archdiocese.

We cannot conclude without a brief reference to the terrible World War which is now being waged by the great nations of the earth. Viewed from the Christian standpoint, it can only be regarded as a punishment from God for the sins of men. It is the logical outcome of the increasing materialism of the present day. The world has forgotten God and the spiritual is subordinated to the material. Unfortunately, the tendency of modern times everywhere is towards a sordid materialism and away from high and spiritual ideas. In the great world at large God and religion are disregarded or denied, morality and virtuous living count for far less than commercial success and material prosperity. Everywhere the great struggle of the Church is to stem the ever-swelling tide of materialism, to foster the spiritual life of the people, to keep God, religion and the hereafter before their minds, to impress upon all men that virtuous, upright, moral living means more than anything else in the world. These are the ideals for which the Catholic Church is contending the world over to-day, ideals which it is becoming increasingly difficult to get to the world to accept and to live up to as the years and the centuries go by. Nothing, perhaps, could be a better object lesson on the materialistic spirit of the age than the dreadful war which is being waged on the other side of the Atlantic to-day. In the Old World to-day nation is arrayed against nation and people against people in fratricidal strife. The fair plains of Europe are being devastated and deluged with human blood; human beings made into the image and likeness of God even as we are, are being slaughtered in their hundreds of thousands and their millions to satisfy the greed of gain and lust of power. In vain does the one representative of the spiritual order in the world raise his voice, in vain does he appeal to nations to stop their carnival of carnage, his voice is unheard, his appeal is disregarded in the din of the armies and the clash of arms. The dread shadow of this world disaster has fallen over us here in Newfoundland. Too many families are mourning the loss of those dear to them who have perished in the line of duty. To those others who are suffering with such heroic fortitude the agonies of anxiety and suspense We would say to cease not in their prayers but to place all their trust in God. As for Us, dearly beloved Brethren, We must only turn to the God of battles, in prayer. When the Lord has sufficiently chastised his people, when He has taught the world once more to look towards Him as the Supreme Arbiter of nations, then only may we hope for the blessing of peace.

In conclusion We earnestly exhort you to avail of the graces and blessings of the coming Lenten Season, to abstain from amusements and recreations of a profane nature, to attend regularly the devotions of the Church, and above all not to allow this Holy Season to pass without sanctifying your souls by the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion.

"The grace of Jesus Christ be with you. My charity be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen."—(1st Cor., XVI. 23-24).

† E. P. ROCHE, Archbishop of St. John's.

Given at St. John's, this Quinquagesima Sunday, 5th March, 1916.

REGULATIONS FOR LENT

1. Every day in Lent, except Sunday, is a fast day, on which one meal only and a collation are allowed. A slight refection, however, over and above, may be taken by those who need it, by advice of the Confessor.

2. By an Indult from the Holy See, renewed April 24, 1914 (ad decennium), i.e. until 1924, permission is given to use in cooking the lard or fat of animals on all fast days throughout the year, except Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

3. Also by the same Indult the use of flesh meat is allowed on all Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays of Lent, except Saturday in Ember Week (March 18) and Holy Saturday (April 22nd).

4. On Sundays, flesh meat may be eaten as often as desired, but it is forbidden to eat fish and flesh meat at the same meal.

5. Milk, butter, cheese and eggs are allowed on all days, also at the collation, except on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

6. The Faithful are exhorted to make some compensation for these Apostolic Indulgences by other pious works and by giving alms to the poor.

7. All persons under 21 years of age and over 60 are exempt from the fast. Also all engaged in hard labour, or who have to earn their living by daily work of a difficult kind, and all who are in a delicate state of health.

8. All dances, parties, balls, &c., are strictly forbidden during Lent.

DEVOTIONS: During Lent there will be devotions at the Cathedral every evening, except Saturdays, at half-past seven o'clock. The devotions will be as follows: On Mondays, Tuesdays and Thurs-

ed from the Christian standpoint, it can only be regarded as a punishment from God for the sins of men. It is the logical outcome of the increasing materialism of the present day. The world has forgotten God and the spiritual is subordinated to the material. Unfortunately, the tendency of modern times everywhere is towards a sordid materialism and away from high and spiritual ideas. In the great world at large God and religion are disregarded or denied, morality and virtuous living count for far less than commercial success and material prosperity. Everywhere the great struggle of the Church is to stem the ever-swelling tide of materialism, to foster the spiritual life of the people, to keep God, religion and the hereafter before their minds, to impress upon all men that virtuous, upright, moral living means more than anything else in the world. These are the ideals for which the Catholic Church is contending the world over to-day, ideals which it is becoming increasingly difficult to get to the world to accept and to live up to as the years and the centuries go by. Nothing, perhaps, could be a better object lesson on the materialistic spirit of the age than the dreadful war which is being waged on the other side of the Atlantic to-day. In the Old World to-day nation is arrayed against nation and people against people in fratricidal strife. The fair plains of Europe are being devastated and deluged with human blood; human beings made into the image and likeness of God even as we are, are being slaughtered in their hundreds of thousands and their millions to satisfy the greed of gain and lust of power. In vain does the one representative of the spiritual order in the world raise his voice, in vain does he appeal to nations to stop their carnival of carnage, his voice is unheard, his appeal is disregarded in the din of the armies and the clash of arms. The dread shadow of this world disaster has fallen over us here in Newfoundland. Too many families are mourning the loss of those dear to them who have perished in the line of duty. To those others who are suffering with such heroic fortitude the agonies of anxiety and suspense We would say to cease not in their prayers but to place all their trust in God. As for Us, dearly beloved Brethren, We must only turn to the God of battles, in prayer. When the Lord has sufficiently chastised his people, when He has taught the world once more to look towards Him as the Supreme Arbiter of nations, then only may we hope for the blessing of peace.

OUR THEATRES

THE CRESCENT. Mr. Dave Parks sings a classy sea ballad "Asleep in the Deep" at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. The Crescent programme is an all-featured one, the foremost artists in the profession are presented, Richard C. Travers and Ruth Stonehouse feature in a two-act society drama: "The Romance of an American Duchess." An Essanay melodrama full of pathos is "The Secret Price." A great drama of the underworld is "Hillida of the slums" with Natalie de Lontan, and one of the best of George Ade's comedies is "The Fable of the two unfettered Birds." Don't miss seeing this big show to-day, its great.

THE NICKEL.

The attendance at the matinee at the Nickel Theatre was so great Saturday afternoon, that hundreds of children were not able to gain admittance. To-day there is another delightful programme, including the 14th chapter of "The Goddess." There is a beautiful four-part Broadway-star feature film entitled, "The Man Behind the Door." The settings in this are most elaborate, and the acting is by the best artistes of the Vitagraph Co. We have much pleasure in announcing that commencing on Wednesday and lasting throughout the Lenten season the Nickel, following the custom inaugurated last year, will devote the net proceeds of each performance to the two recognized city charitable institutions. The same high-class programmes will be continued, and the general public will be enabled to help along the good work of our charitable societies and at the same time enjoy the best amusements. This kind act on the part of the Nickel will be appreciated by all.

Weather Report

LaSalle—Moderate N. winds, fine with some frost, bay covered with thin sheet ice, no heavy ice in sight. Seal Cove—Wind E., weather fair and cold, lots of slob in bay, no heavy ice, no seals taken. Tilt Cove—Calm, clear, cold. No report of seals. Nipper's Hr.—Moderate northerly winds, fair and cold, no seals to be seen in the water. Twillingate—Wind E.N.E., light, fine, moderately cold, bay clear, only bay ice and slob under shore. No seals. Change Islands—Light N.W., fair and cold. Fogo—Wind N.W., moderate, fine, warmer; ice in. Greenspond—Light W. winds, bay full slob ice. Bonavista—Light N. wind, fine, cold bay full of slob, but apparently no heavy drift ice. Catalina—Light N.E. wind, fine. No ice in sight. Codroy—Winds N.E., ice moved off from land a little. Flower's Cove—Moderate winds, a little warmer; Straits still blocked. (March 3rd.—From Quebec) Magdalen Islds—Clear calm, clear water S.E., no water in sight elsewhere. Money Point—Clear N.W. heavy close packed everywhere. Cape Ray—Clear strong N.W., light close packed everywhere. Flat Point—Cloudy strong N.E., light close packed everywhere. Point Amour—Clear calm, heavy open everywhere.

LOCAL ITEMS

LEAGUE HOCKEY—Championship Game—To-night, Victorias vs. Terra Novas. Play starts at 7.30 sharp.

Matters were abnormally quiet in police circles Saturday night and not a solitary arrest was made.

Cape Race yesterday reported a W.S.W. wind with slob ice pressing on the land. There was no report of the Diana passing there.

Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. On Wednesday—Rosary Sermon and Benediction.

On Fridays—Stations of the Cross and Benediction, with the relic of the True Cross.

Saturday evenings will be given up entirely to Confessions. Confessions will also be heard after devotions on the other evenings of the week; in the mornings during the Masses and at any other time by appointment with any of the Priests.

† E. P. ROCHE, Archbishop of St. John's.

Aquinquagesima Sunday, March 5th, 1916.

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

Pte. H. Raynes Writes Brother

Parcels Sent Him by Friends Months Ago Only Reached Him on Feb. 11—Is Enjoying Good Health

Suez, Egypt, January 25, 1916

My Dear Brother,—Just a few lines to let you know that I am well and also glad to see that you and Katie are the same. I received your letter a few days.

You say, you and all my friends have sent me parcels, but up to the present I have not received them. In fact I have not received a parcel from Newfoundland since I left Edinburgh and that was in May, so you can see how we get our parcels, but we got our letters. I must say, I was surprised yesterday, I received 100 cigarettes from Fred from dear old Scotland, but I got no letter. You may depend it was certainly a treat.

Well, I may say, we have given up the Dardanelles altogether. It was hard to see our poor boys left behind, but such must be. Since I started this life I was not a day sick than God, but Cousin Bill came from hospital when we arrived in Egypt. He had yellow jaundice but is grand now. Well, poor "Ginger" Dooley got sick after a few weeks in Sulva and he went to hospital. I have never seen or heard from him since, but I see by the papers that he is now in London Hospital. His brother Jack, during the storm in Sulva in Nov. got frost bitten feet. In fact there was a lot of our fellows fell by that storm, but you know no weather drops me, for "the best of stuff is in small parcels."

I could hardly stand to look at some of our boys' feet, they turned black, it was a hard sight to witness, but I stood to my post and thank God same through safe.

I was looking at a picture that Jack Caul had where you and the football crowd were taken when you were at Grand Falls. You must send me one, and Jack wishes to be remembered to you and Katie. He is quite well, I received your Christmas card, it is a beauty. If we get a chance to go to a city where we would get paid I will send you and Katie a nice present.

Well, we had a very poor Christmas, just a tin of bully beef and a biscuits; but "we should worry." I must say I can't understand what our people are sending money for, we don't get it. We are now in want of food and clothing. You see in Mr. Lind's letter everywhere it is true.

Poor George Knight was killed instantly by a bullet in the forehead. I am very sorry for poor old "Poge" as you used to call him, but such must be. Tell his father when I get paper and a good chance I will write him a long letter.

Phil it is no good to ask you to send me anything, for its a waste of money, for we get nothing unless we are in England or Scotland. If I see the parcels are coming all right and if I want anything I will drop you a telegraph message. So good luck and God bless you and Katie till I see you again.

From your brother, HARRY.

Suez, Egypt, February 11, 1916

Dear Brother and Sister-in-Law—Received your letter and parcel to-day and was glad to hear from you and get the parcel, but I did not get the cake and stockings, but there is great hopes yet. Phil, as I am on guard to-day I cannot write much. This is just a note of thanks for your parcel and cards. Also thank Sarah for what she sent me. We also got a parcel from the W. P. A., as to its contents I will tell you later. Write soon and send some papers. Your tobacco and cigarettes, boot laces and so on I got o.k. A happy and prosperous New Year to you and Katie.

HARRY.

Address—Pte. H. R. Raynes, 801 C. Co., 1st Nfld. Reg., British Med. Exp. Force.

Mr. Jas. White, agent of S. G. Carter at Twillingate Arm and Mr. Wm. Freeman, light-keeper at Twillingate, formerly mail clerk on the S.S. Clyde, are visiting the city, having arrived on Friday last.

B. I. S. WILL PARADE ST. PATRICK'S DAY

The adjourned annual meeting of the B. I. S. was held yesterday forenoon, President Hon. J. D. Ryan presiding. It was decided that the Society will parade as usual on St. Patrick's Day, attending Divine Service at the Cathedral, calling upon His Excellency the Governor and also upon Rt. Rev. Monsignor McDermott representing His Grace the Archbishop.

Courts Adjourn As Mark Respect

Supreme Court, March 6th, 1916

The Chief Justice.

We who were in this room with Mr. Justice Emerson last Thursday find it difficult to realize that since the adjournment of the Court he has departed this life. What his loss is to the Court, his brother Judges and practitioners can best appreciate, for they know what an essential part of it he has been during the twenty years he had a seat upon this bench.

Mr. Justice Emerson possessed qualifications which would have made him a valuable member of any tribunal. In questions of practice and procedure he had the advantage, not only of an acquaintance with the practice before the Judicature Act, but of the older practice which preceded the Common Law Procedure Acts and never satisfied himself with knowing the rule without tracing its origin and history, and the reasoning upon which it was founded. As a case lawyer he was widely read and his marvellously retentive memory made it easy for him to draw at will from the stores of legal learning. To this he added a rare facility for classifying almost intuitively the legal matters which came before him, grouping them under the proper head and applying to each the maxim or principle called for; yet he was careful not to trust to first impressions nor even to be carried away by a leading case, however seemingly in point, but his custom was to apply every test and to discuss the whole subject in all its bearings and from every point of view before arriving at a final decision, keeping his mind open to new light from the evidence or authorities and never hesitating to correct what, on further consideration, he perceived to be an incorrect or inadequate view. As a Judge he had a high ideal of his office and brought to it independence, impartiality and probity as well as legal acumen, forensic experience and clear and mature judgment.

On the opening of the Central District Court this morning, Mr. Morris, K.C., J.P., presiding said that it was his sad duty to announce to the Court the death of Judge Emerson of the Supreme Court which occurred early this morning. With the death of Judge Emerson the Supreme Court has sustained a great loss, in as much as the late Judge was probably one of the most gifted of any of the Judges who have sat on the Supreme Court Bench during the past decade.

Thirty-five years ago George Henry Emerson was a prominent member of the Bar and twenty-six years ago was appointed Speaker of the House of Assembly. Since then and until the Judge took the emine he was one of the leaders in political life of the country, and in his death Newfoundland has sustained a loss of one of her best and most qualified sons. To his bereaved widow and family I extend my sincerest sympathy, and I now adjourn this Court until 10.30 a.m. to-morrow out of respect to his memory.

SEASON TICKET HOLDERS

OBJECT. During the day a number of patrons of the Prince's Rink have spoken to us regarding the rink being reserved to-night so that season's ticket holders will have to pay additional to see the hockey match. We think that no one would complain about the rink being reserved occasionally for patriotic purposes, but it is intended to hand over any part of to-night's proceeds to the Patriotic Fund? If not we believe ticket holders have a just grievance against the rink management reserving the rink, and we venture to opine that if this continues there will be fewer season's tickets sold next season than usual.

SCHOONER RUNS ASHORE.

Saturday the Assistant Collector, Mr. Lemessurier had a telegram from Trepassay saying that the schr. Salandra, from St. Jacques to this port, fish-laden, ran ashore at Trepassay while beating in there and was expected to come off at high tide.

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Interesting Carnival

The Children's Carnival held in the Prince's Rink Saturday afternoon drew a large number of spectators and quite a gathering of youthful masqueraders. The costumes were in many cases quite original and very pretty and the ice being in splendid condition, thanks to the efforts of Manager Bulley and his men, the youngsters thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Among the girls, the winners were Misses Vinnicombe and McNeil and in the boy's class Masters Chaytor and Frazer. The costumes worn by the winners respectively were "Caribou Hall," "Miss Confetti," "Napoleon" and "Delayed Gifts for Dardanelles."

The winners received a chain and brooch respectively and the boys a knife and scarf pin. Miss Vinnicombe's costume, "Caribou Hall" was a conception which won much praise. The dress contained a representation of the scene of the famous exploit of our boys and realistically delineated the lads in khaki holding the top and peppering the Turks below.

TWO FIRE ALARMS YESTERDAY.

Shortly before 12.30 p.m. yesterday an alarm of fire was turned in from Box 34 for a fire in a chimney in a residence on George's Street West. At 3.45 p.m. yesterday another alarm was sent in from Box 117 bringing the Central and Eastern firemen to the Colonial Building, where the soot in one of the chimneys had blazed up, but no damage resulted.

With the gale of wind blowing, had a fire started and gained any headway, it would be difficult to control it.

Both fires were slight and Legislative Halls were filled with smoke, the only damage done.

In Aid of the City Orphanages.

COMRADES GLEE CLUB CONCERT.

(Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson.)

In the Meth. College Hall Shrove Tuesday Night, (MARCH 7th next), at 8 o'clock.

CONDUCTOR: F. J. KING, ESQ., L. R. A. M.

PROGRAMME.

Choruses and Quartettes by members of the Glee Club. Assisting Artists: Mrs. F. J. King, Miss Sybil Johnson, Miss Emily Mare, Rev. Mr. Thomas, Mr. King, Mr. Ruggles and Mr. Williams.

NOTE:—The Comrades' Glee Club consisting of twenty-four voices, was organized for the purpose of giving Concerts in aid of the City Orphanages. The first formal Concert will be held on next Tuesday night. The object is most worthy. The Concert programmes to be most excellent.

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Championship HOCKEY Match

VICTORIAS VS. TERRA NOVAS, Prince of Wales' Rink, Monday, March 6th.

Game starts 7.30 p.m. sharp.

General Admission, 20 cents; Reserved Seats, 30 cents; to be had at Grey & Goodland's.

(By kind permission Lieut.-Col. Conroy the C.C.C. Band will be in attendance.)