

General News.

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

Toronto Priests Retreat

The annual retreat for the clergy of the Archdiocese of Toronto will be held this year at the Hospice of Mount Carmel, Niagara Falls, Ont. The exercises will commence July 9 and will be conducted by Very Rev. Prior Macdonald. The retreats for Catholic teachers will be held in August. As on former occasions, a special train will leave the New York Central depot on July 16th to convey Buffalones to the Spaulter festival. Very Rev. Father McHale, C.M., of the Niagara University, will be the preacher on the occasion. The Hospice is now open, equipped with every modern convenience. The Carmelite Fathers cordially invite intending guests and retreatants.—Union and Times.

St. Helen's.

The closing exercises and distribution of the prizes of St. Helen's School took place last week and were largely attended. The pupils acquitted themselves with credit and received the congratulations of their pastor and a hearty wish for pleasant holidays and a return to school with an increased appetite for study.

St. Paul's.

The closing exercises of St. Paul's Schools took place last week and were very successful in every respect. The program of entertainments furnished by the pupils for their relatives and friends was exceedingly well given and reflected great credit on themselves and their teachers.

Our Lady of Lourdes.

There were married at this church last week by the Rev. J. M. Cruise, Mr. Michael Martin and Miss Orla McGuire. Miss Alice McCarron was bridesmaid and Mr. James Wright acted in the capacity of best man. A reception was held, after the ceremony, at the residence of the bride's parents, 97 Wood St., at which a large number of the immediate relatives and friends were present. In the evening the newly married couple left on a trip to Buffalo and other cities.

De La Salle.

The closing exercises of this institution were held on Thursday, June 28. There were present Rev. Fathers Ryan, Cruise, Hand, Finnegan, Walsh, Lalor, Richardson and Messrs. D. A. Carey, chairman of the Separate School Board; Eugene O'Keefe, J. G. O'Donohue and many other relatives and friends of the pupils. Rev. Father Ryan presented the prizes, and at the close of the exercises congratulated the pupils on their success, and the Christian brothers on the state of efficiency to which they had brought the pupils, and the parents on being so fortunate as to have such a system of education for their children—a system, the aim of which was to establish first of all a foundation with religion as its basis—the only true, lasting and real education, and in this the Separate differed from the Public Schools. The Rev. Father took occasion to thank Mr. Eugene O'Keefe and others for the practical interests they had always taken in the furtherance of Catholic education, by generally donating medals and prizes. Mr. Carey, for the Separate School Board, regretted that they could not afford to give prizes as they could, and spoke of the interest always taken by Rev. Father Ryan in the encouragement of the boys in their studies, and the generosity of Mr. O'Keefe, in giving medals. The entertainment, provided by the pupils, was extremely good.

THE PRIZE LIST.

The following is the prize list: Gold medal, donated by Eugene O'Keefe, for general proficiency, awarded to Daniel Murray. Prizes for general proficiency, Form III, commensal course, awarded to Edward Byrne. Prizes for general proficiency, Form II, awarded to James Oostello. Prize for general proficiency, Form II, commensal course, awarded to Francis Ryan. Prizes for general proficiency, Form I, Section A, awarded to Walter Oates. Prize for general proficiency, Form I, Section B, awarded to George O'Donohue. Prize for best junior essay, awarded to John Doyle.

Distribution of Proficiency Rewards.

Chorus, "The March of the White March, 'Topsy in Town,' Clarke Orchestra.

St. Joseph's.

The Triduum given by the Rev. Dr. Treacy at St. Joseph's Church was a complete success. Devotions were held in the church for three consecutive evenings, which were more than usually well attended. Dr. Treacy preached on the Thursday and Friday evenings and Father Kelly on Saturday, at which there was a large congregation. After the devotions there was a rush for the confessional and it was evident that the priest could not hear them all. One of the collectors, Mr. Conroy, knowing that Father Howard, of St. Basil's, was at the French church, sent for him about half an hour and did not come back till 11. It took Father Kelly half an hour to give Holy Communion at the 9 o'clock mass on Sunday. All the masses were largely attended. At the High Mass a beautiful and touching discourse was given by Father Kelly on devotion to the Sacred Heart. The attendance at Vespers for the Solemn Act of Consecration exceeded any act in the history of St. Joseph's, the church was actually packed.

The half yearly collection for paying the interest on the debt was taken up on the two masses and was gratefully responded to, so that the Rev. Father in charge should be perfectly satisfied with the results of his labors of the last few days.

At the 9 o'clock mass on Sunday last about 40 children received their first Communion and at Vespers in the evening renewed their Baptismal Vows and were invested in the Spaulter.

There were married at the 7 o'clock mass Mr. Fred Beed and Miss Bertha Dolan, of Hogarth Ave. two well and favorably known young people of this parish.

St. Mary's.

The closing exercises of St. Mary's Convent, Dabhurst St., were held on Wednesday, the 28th inst. Very large numbers were present, prominent among who were: Vicar General McCann, Rev. Fathers Wm. McCann, and O'Leary, Trustees D. A. Carey and Dr. McMahon. The pupils did themselves and their teachers credit by the manner in which they executed the different numbers of the programme which we give below, and elicited frequent and well merited applause from the audience. At the close of the exercises Vicar General McCann addressed the pupils, congratulating them on their success, referring particularly to their proficiency in music, and wished them a pleasant vacation. Mr. Carey spoke on behalf of the School Board, and spoke in the same strain. There are about 400 pupils now attending this school, which speaks well for the work done.

PROGRAMME.

Part I. Chorus, "The Rose of the Holiday," Fischer; Holy Angel's Choir. Recitation, "The Message," Mary Lane. Song, "The Man Behind the Gun," St. Mary's Cadets. Instrumental, "Duo Galop," Behr. Cantata, "The Fairies' Revolt," Donald Pat Song, "Moonlight on the River," The Choral Class. Recitation, "A Bunch of Daisies," Miss Ida White. Instrumental Duo, "Selections," Geobel. "Way Over Under the Hill Top," Moore, Junior Boys. Japanese Fancy March; Senior Girls. "Magnificent," Millard; Holy Angel's Choir.

St. Mary's School.

On Friday, the 29th June St. Mary's School held their closing exercises in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends and acquitted themselves with much credit.

PROGRAMME.

Part I. Opening Chorus, "Pleasant Glee." St. Mary's Choral Union. Recitation, "Don't Run in Debt," J. Cozens. Song, "Children's Voices," J. Hagerty. Dialogue, "Our Boys," J. McMahon. O. Violin Solo, Selected, B. Brown. Chorus, "Give Me My Own Native Isle," Promotions. Part II. Song, "If The Waters Could Speak As They Flow," B. Brown. Recitation, "The Everlasting Church," W. LeRoux. Chorus, "Last Rose of Summer," St. Mary's Choral Union. Dialogue, "Whose Turn?" E. Cahley. H. Axworthy and L. Dancho. Part Song, "Soldier's Death Bed," Prizes. Closing Chorus, "Twinkling Stars," St. Mary's Choral Union. God Save The Queen. We have to chronicle two more weddings celebrated last week. In the first, the principals were Mr. James J. Bailey and Miss Mary A. Brown, the bridegroom Mr. James Niven. In the second Mr. George Carley took the leading role with Miss Rosa Egan as the partner of his joys and sorrows, assisted by Miss Lena Wilson. Mr. Thomas Carley performing the same offices for the groom. Vicar General McCann officiated.

St. Patrick's.

The closing exercises of this school were held on Wednesday the 27th June, and in order to save time, the

boys and girls separate entertainments were combined, thus forming a very lengthy and excellent program. One of the chief features of which was the presentation of an address to the rector, Rev. Father Ward, O.S.B.

PROGRAMME.

Part I. Chorus, "Long the Lily Bells," Suda. Recitation, "A Legend of Spain," Johnston. Welcome Chorus, "Little One," Loch. Recitation, "Quo Vadis Domino," Cass. Fancy Drill. Recitation, "Angel and Soul," E. Leveque and E. Ford. Drama, "Little Sunshino and the Fairies," Dramatic Personae: Sunshino, (Who is bewitched by the fairies and joins in their nightly revels), E. McHugh. Madam Javotte, Sunshino's Aunt, A. Butler. Entry Queen, M. Fletcher. Madam, M. Fletcher. Beatrice and Angelique, Maids to Madam Javotte, K. Hill, E. O'Mahoney. Fairies, E. Ford, E. O'Grady, M. Grant. L. Fair, M. Seitz. Epilogue. Feast Day Greeting (Adapted) Part 2. Chorus, "Piano Glee." Dialogue, "Whose Turn?" J. Crosby, J. Walter, F. Corrigan. Duett, "Oh, Tell Us Merry Birds, II Clark, J. Crosby. Recitation, "Little Jim," A. Finsigan. Chorus, "The March of Knowledge," Boys' Choral Union. Dialogue, "Remember Boston," E. Malone, J. Halloran, H. Clark. Drill, St. Patrick's School Drill Corps. Quartette, "The Bugle Song." Boys' Choral Union. Chorus, "The Last Rose of Summer," Boys' Choral Union. Address to Rev. Father Ward, C. St. B. Musical Director, Professor Donville. Pianist, Miss Nellie Costello. Distribution of Prizes. National Anthem.

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Canadian News.

Rev. Father Monroux, O.S.B., of Sandwich college, officiated at Ridgeway Sunday Morning.

Rev. Father O'Donohue said farewell to his parishioners at Ridgeway on Sunday. He goes to Raleigh. His successor will be Rev. Fr. Boubat.

Rev. Father Logarty last week married Miss Cecilia Rooney to Mr. Frank Melady, both of Hibbert. The affair was happily conducted and was a very pretty wedding.

A very pretty wedding took place at Kinkora when Rev. Father O'Neill officiated at the marriage of Miss Louise Stook, daughter of James Stook of Elliot and Mr. Wm. O'Callaghan of Irish Church.

The White Church will be held at Eriau, Ont., on July 26th. A strong committee has the matter in charge and with the experience gained last year will be able to provide for the comfort of the thousands that will attend.

At St. Michael's church, Ridgeway, on Sunday, was announced the first publication of the bands of marriage of Miss Edna Palmer, Middleton, Norfolk, and Mr. L. O'Connor, of this town.

John Warren, of T. Hazell & Sons, was married in Hamilton last week to Miss Sylvia Fair, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Brady in St. Lawrence church in presence of a large number of friends. Miss Mabell Fair attended the bride, her sister, and the best man was the groom's brother, Thomas Warren.

Among those present from a distance to attend the closing exercises of St. Jerome's College were: The Rt. Rev. J. J. Dowling, D.D., Bishop of Hamilton; Rev. J. Donovan, Guelph; Rev. C. W. Brodhan, Galt; Rev. W. Gehl, Galt; Rev. E. Agnew, O.R.N.; St. Anastasia; Rev. J. Walter, D.D., Montreal; Rev. S. Forster, New Germany; Mr. J. Day, Guelph; Mr. F. Buelhelt, Buffalo; Mrs and Miss Honnessay, Hamilton; Mr. J. Hamilton; W. J. Fischer, Waterloo.

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The 30th annual meeting of this growing company was held in its new and elegant room on Tuesday, May 24th, 1900, at 11 p.m. The attendance was as usual large and the proceedings were characterized by the most correct harmony and unanimity. The President, Mr. Robt. Melvin, of Guelph, occupied the chair, and among those present, in addition to Mr. T. Earl, Superintendent, and the Company's agents, we noticed: Messrs. Hoskins, Dec. R. 1899, Britton, Q.C., M.P., F. C. Bruce, J. Kerr Fisher, G.C., E. P. Clement, W. J. Kidd, D.A., Geo. A. Somerville, Hon. J. T. Garbutt, C. W. Munro, J. J. Preston, Dr. Webb, Rev. M. Gilchrist, A. Miller, E. C. George Moore, D. Bean, Geo. G. Dichel, Mayor, Frank Haight, L. Graybill, and others.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

Your directors respectfully submit for your consideration their report of the business for the year ending December 31st, 1900. We are pleased to inform you that the business was of the most gratifying character, and in volume exceeded that of any year in the history of the Company. Our surplus was sufficient to enable us to continue the same liberal scale of surplus distribution to policyholders as in the past. The death rate was light, and much below the rate for the year 1899, the mortality in proportion to new business and that already in force still continue to decrease. Applications numbering 3,313 for \$5,454,702 insurances were received, of which \$1,400,000 were accepted and policies issued, and 1,011 for \$13,250 declined. The number of policies in force is 13,918, amounting to \$26,916,441.20; the reserve, actuarial 4 per cent, on amount of policies in force is \$4,309,640.00 premium and annuity income \$853,897.19, interests and rents \$107,509.06, sundries \$9.43. Total income \$1,051,396.10, total assets \$1,400,000.00. The total amount paid to policyholders for 1899, including death claims \$169,174.71, matured endowments \$64,441, purchased policies \$51,467.66, surplus \$76,859.23, annuities \$2,028.15.

The surplus over all liabilities on the Company's standard actuaries 4 per cent. \$302,855.28, and the Government standard 110.43 per cent. \$491,394. As the last year's surplus was not included in the Dominion Parliament the Government amended the insurance act, giving much larger scope for the investment of money and raising the standard of reserve from 4 to 3 1/2, the latter for 1899, the standard, and to be accomplished within fifteen years. The amendments we believe to be in the right direction and in the best interests of policyholders. We have at present a bill before the House in force for the purpose of amending the act by changing the date of the annual meeting from the 1st of May to the 1st of January.

Mr. George Davidson, who had been one of our auditors for some years and who performed the duties of that office to the complete satisfaction of the directors and the board, resigned his position early in the year, and the board appointed Mr. A. J. Brewster in his stead. In consequence of the fact that the business of the Company's business has become necessary to have a monthly audit. This is now being done, and a report is submitted to the board at each meeting.

Reference was made by the President to the liquidation of the estate of the late standard of valuation, about which I desire to say a few words. The new Act requires all business written from and after January 1, 1900, to be valued on a liquidation basis, and interest. Necessarily, the premium rate of all companies were required to be adjusted on a new standard, and nearly all Canadian companies had to raise their rates, and in view of this change, no difficulty will, therefore, be experienced in complying with the law, so far as new business is concerned.

As to the business issued prior to January 1, 1900, the higher basis may be made in two steps. (1) From and after 1910 all such business must be valued on a four per cent. basis, and (2) From and after 1915 on a three and one-half per cent. basis.

The law, therefore, allows fifteen years in which to bring all the old business to the ultimate standard of three and one-half per cent., and it is anticipated that any of the existing Canadian companies will have, or ought to have, any just ground for the objection to this important change in the law.

E. P. Clement, Esq., barrister, Berlin, moved, seconded by W. J. Kidd, B.A., Ottawa, the following resolution: "That the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Ontario be authorized to purchase the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada, and the change of the date of the annual meeting, and requests that the members of both Houses of Parliament will support the passage of the bill."

Messrs. J. M. Scully, O. A., Waterloo, and A. J. Brewster, Respector, were elected auditors of the Company for the ensuing year. The retiring directors, Messrs. Melvin, Borden, Kidd and Snider, were re-elected for the ensuing term of three years.

The Directors met subsequently and re-elected Mr. Robert Melvin, President; Mr. Alfred Hoskins, Q.C., Vice-President; and Mr. B. M. Britton, Q.C., M.P., Second Vice-President of the Company for the ensuing year.

SEVERAL TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and lodged with the Board of the Dominion Buildings, will be received until the 24th day of July, 1900, at the office of the Board of the Dominion Buildings through the Dominion.

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