

DIOCESAN NEWS.

THE LOCAL CALENDAR:— Sat. May 8.—Apparition of St. Michael. Sun. 9.—Fourth Sunday after Easter, St. Gregory. Mon. 10.—St. Antonin. Tues. 11.—St. Francis of Jesus. Wed. 12.—St. Neri and his companions, Martyrs. Thurs. 13.—St. Athanasius. Fri. 14.—St. Boniface.

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION.—Saturday, St. Eusebe; Monday, St. Isidore; Wednesday, St. Lambert; Friday, St. Charles; Sunday, May 16, Montreal College.

FORMAL OPENING.—It is announced that the formal opening of the Catholic Sailors' Club will take place in the Club premises, St. Peter street, on the afternoon of Saturday, May 15.

FIRST SOD TURN 50.—On Monday last work was commenced upon St. Michael's new presbytery. This is to be pursued rapidly, so that the Rev. Pastor may be able to take possession by the end of August.

THE MONTH OF MAY.—The devotions of the month which are taking place in the various churches of the archdiocese, have been faithfully attended by large congregations, which is quite fitting in the metropolitan city of Ville Marie.

REV. MARTIN CALLAGHAN HONORED.—An invitation has been extended to the Rev. Martin Callaghan, S.S., to address the Missionary Congress to be held at the Catholic University of Washington early in June. Father Callaghan has numerous friends in the United States who will be pleased to learn of his acceptance.

HIS LORDSHIP BISHOP RACIOT was received in private audience by the Holy Father, to whom he presented \$10,000, the Peter's Pence offering from the diocese of Montreal.

ST. MICHAEL'S JUVENILES.—This organization of young folks in St. Michael's parish is increasing rapidly, both in membership and enthusiasm. While its object is mainly religious, yet a spirit of sociability is being fostered within its ranks which must broaden and strengthen the bonds of unity so necessary for the well-being of a parish.

NEW ORGANIST AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS.—On Sunday last Miss Lynch assumed for the first time her duty as organist at St. Thomas Aquinas. Miss Lynch's well known ability makes it a foregone conclusion that a very high standard will be reached by the choir of the youngest parish in the city.

CONFIRMATION IN CITY PARISHES.—The very busiest season of the Archdiocese is at hand. Almost daily His Grace is holding Confirmation services. The following has been the order of his visitation: in the English-speaking parishes: Saturday, May 1, St. Agnes, sixty communicants; Monday, May 3, St. Aloysius, fifty-one communicants; Tuesday, May 4, St. Michael's, fifty communicants; Thursday, May 6, St. Patrick's, 125 parish children; 30 orphans from St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, Outremont; 10 adults, converts to the Faith.

CATHOLIC SAILORS' CONCERT.—The first concert of the season was given last night, and an exceptionally large audience was present. The entertainment was in the hands of the members of the St. Ann's Five and Drum Band, and their selections, together with the several other items of a well-arranged programme, made up a very enjoyable evening. The chair was occupied by Mr. H. Hyland. Mention is due to Misses Maloney, Mott, Lavallée, Broderick and McKeown; Messrs. Foraz, Walton, McMullin, Walters, Smith, O'Brien, Norris, Holland, Masters Latimore and Lavallée and the pupils of Mount St. Louis, in their special exercises, in physical culture under Prof. Charlton. The band was under the direction of Prof. Smith and Prof. H. I. McCaffrey acted as accompanist. Next week's concert will be given by the Sailors' committee.

OPENING OF MONTH OF MAY.—Last Sunday night St. Ann's Church was thronged with devout clients of Mary, anxious to manifest their filial devotion to their august Mother. The opening of the May devotions assumed a spectacular phenomenon for a very imposing ceremony of the evening was the procession of the numerous children, who, last Thursday, approached the Holy Table for the first time. The magnificent statue of our Lady enthroned above the high altar amid elaborate decorations of electric candelabra and brilliant colored flowers, appeared to smile down on those innocent children assembled to do homage. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Rev. Edward Walsh, C. S.S.R., professor in the Juvenile at

St. Anze de Beaupré. He elucidated in a very able manner the various motives for our devotion to the Most Blessed Virgin. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by the Rev. Pastor. During the procession and Benediction Prof. McCaffrey's choir was heard to good effect. Throughout the entire month of May the splendid ladies' choir, under the efficient leadership of Miss M. Mahoney, will charm the church-goers with their fine singing, during the 7 o'clock Mass. The evening devotions will consist of the Rosary, a short sermon and benediction. The instructions this week will be delivered by Rev. Father Walsh.

Correspondence.

AN INDEPENDENT VIEW.

To the Editor, True Witness: Yours is evidently the classic age of exaggeration. Every talker and rhymer considers some supposed idol of his—one for the necessary passing hour—the master of his century, and preaches or prates of him as such from the rooftop.

Much has been said and written about the poetry of the late Dr. Drummond; and it were only just, I think, that people who cannot claim to be students or professors at the ecstasitic school, should be given a hearing or a reading, as freely as those with whom they differ.

Given Dr. Drummond's qualities of mind and heart, no man will seriously question his noble character or belittle his aims, ideals, and purposes; while, given his poetry just as it is, not everyone is willing to say that Ireland has not had a sweeter singer or French Canada a truer artist for its pen-pictures of national life.

First of all, the author of "The Habitant" cannot strictly be called a poet; he himself would have been the first to concede this. Then, as a versifier, it is hard to rank him with any singers of note, notwithstanding outbursts of heartfelt, tear-begotten enthusiasm to the contrary, and in spite of all Grub-street. That he wrote very acceptable verse, that his stanzas contain real sentiment, and that none of the sentimentalities of those who draw a giant-sized picture of him, every man should readily grant. But more especially has his rendering of French-English poetic effusions been praised: whereas, to be frank and truthful, the critic, who he only a little conversant with French idioms and locutions, must necessarily admit, even if tamely, that Dr. Drummond strains his strings, and places expressions on the unskilled Frenchman's lips and pen which are altogether far-fetched and unreal. My short letter is sweeping; yet it contains all the elements of a good debate, I think.

PADRAIG.

When Holloway's Corn Cure is applied to a corn or wart it kills the roots and the callosity comes out without injury to the flesh.

OBITUARY.

FUNERAL OF P. F. COLLIER. Three thousand persons, of whom 800 were employees, attended the funeral services of Peter Fenelon Collier, publisher of "Collier's," in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York. The employees acted as a guard of honor as the coffin was carried into the church, and they afterward entered the church and were seated on the right and left aisles of the cathedral during the service. Many present in the cathedral were from the East Side and the poorer districts of the city, who had been helped by Mr. Collier for many years. After the funeral services the body was taken to Eatontown, N.J., and buried on the highest hill on his farm at Wickatunk. Dunsandle, the horse Mr. Collier rode only a few minutes before his death, was at the grave side with a pack of hounds from the Eatontown kennels. Three huntsmen also attended the services.

DR. JAMES McMAHON.

Dr. James McMahon died suddenly in Toronto. He was born at Dundas, Ont., July 1, 1830, a son of the late Hugh McMahon, who came to Canada from County Cavan in 1819, and was one of the first licensed land surveyors for the Province of Upper Canada. Dr. McMahon studied medicine at the medical school of the late Dr. Rolph, Toronto, and was a licentiate of the Medical Board of Upper Canada and M.D. of Victoria College at Coburg.

In religion Dr. McMahon was a Catholic. He was very highly respected and much liked, both in business and public relations and in his private life. He successfully contested North Westworth for the Ontario Legislature five times, always with a good majority and sometimes with a very large majority and was never defeated, being elected in October, 1875, June 1879, February, 1883, November 1886 and May 1890, always as the candidate of the Liberal party, and represented North Westworth at Toronto for nearly 19 years, when he was succeeded by

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7.30 A.M. St. Hyacinthe, Drummondville, Lévis, Quebec and Riv. du Loup. Except Sunday.

12 NOON Maritime Express St. Hyacinthe, Drummondville, Lévis, Quebec, Rivière du Loup, St. John, Halifax, and Campbellton, Moncton, Sydney, Through connections to Newfoundland.

4.00 P.M. St. Lambert, St. Hyacinthe, Drummondville, St. Leonard and Nicolet. Except Sunday.

Saturday Only. 12 Noon St. Hyacinthe, Drummondville, Lévis, Quebec, Rivière du Loup and St. Flavie.

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Mr. Platt. He was not always a blind supporter of the Liberal Government either, but occasionally showed a disposition to be somewhat independent and to criticise. His first wife was Miss Julia Maria Ball, of Niagara on the Lake, and she died about 1893 in Dundas. Some years after he married Miss Martha McKee of Brantford, who survives him. He was an elder brother of Mr. Justice McMahon, and of the late Judge McMahon of Simcoe, also a brother of Mrs. Margaret Brennan, now of Dundas.

AT THE ACADEMY. After a week of darkness the spring season of stock was inaugurated at the Academy by the Cummings Comedians on last Monday with a good measure of success. The company has won the approval of the patrons of this theatre in the production of "The Mysterious Mr. Bugle."

"Lady Windermere's Fan," the great epigrammatic comedy by Oscar Wilde, is down for performance next week, and the company promises to give a satisfactory account of this charming play on the theme of London smart-set society, which was as much talked about at the time of its first performance at the St. James Theatre, London, in 1892, as is the case at present with "An Englishman's Home."

CONSECRATION AT KINGSTON. The religious retreat of eight days conducted at the House of Providence, Kingston, by the Rev. Father Ethelbert, O.S.F., Montreal, closed on Saturday morning by a very sa-

CANADIAN PACIFIC Summer Train Service

Trains will commence running, Monday, May 3rd, 1906, and will run daily except Sunday only, except where otherwise indicated.

From Place Viger Station

Table listing train routes and fares for Canadian Pacific Summer Train Service, including destinations like Bordeaux, Park Laval, and Ste. Rose.

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NEWS FROM CATHOLIC ENGLAND. (Continued from Page 1.) whole. The chalice is believed to date from the fourteenth century and its antiquity and the numberless years it must have been in use are vouched for by certain marks upon it, as, for instance, where the bowl is almost worn through, just opposite the cross upon the base, by continual purifications. The Catholic Art Company which now possesses it are using it as a model for silver chalices for use to-day, which are most perfect and beautiful replicas, and are offered at a very moderate price for what is really a work of art in addition to its historical value and its use.

A GLASGOW INSTITUTION. One of Glasgow's finest Catholic institutions is that of St. Elizabeth's Home, which employs a staff of Catholic trained nurses to visit the sick poor in their own homes, and bring them the assistance, skill and comforts which they so much need. The value of the work done is incalculable, for it often happens that these poor people have no one to prepare for them, should they desire to receive the Blessed Sacrament during their illness, or in the event of its fatal termination. Here a Catholic nurse can render aid beyond that of the body and many a poor soul has been brought back to the Church and the Sacraments, who might have otherwise "gone out with the tide" which had swept them far away from the safe anchorage where rides the Barque of Peter.

PILGRIM. THREE SISTERS AND THREE FLAGS. The verses which appeared in the issue of April 22 under the above title were written by Mrs. Margaret Scullion, Westfield, San Antonio, Texas.

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