Written for the Record. A Christmas Chaunt.

Ring in the memories; of olden days, And the joys of bright Christmastide. A wreath of song for the hearts that live, A prayer for the souls who died. Ring in the love of a mother's heart, The failto of a father's tear-These bind the links of sweet Christmastide, A golden chain for the year. O hearts that love, Ye feel the cheer, The wreath of song, But hides a tear.

Around the hearth we miss each friend, Around our joys fond memories blend The broken strings-ah who will place? Life's tuneful iyre recalls each face, The old-the young-the loved ones dear---Bloom in our heart through memory's tear.

Ring in the starry songs of heaven, The flame-lit hours of happy home, Across the sky in distant dreamland, Sweet voices fill the starry dome. The heart of June is fill d with throbbings, Hark to the laughter of sweet May, Around the fire each month of roses Clasps hands and welcomes Christmasday. O hearts that sizg, And know not sorrow, Ye dream of hopes That light to-morrow. before all this there must be a staff of men fit to impart instruction. The income of a million dollars is not enough to sup-port the University of Toronto, what supports the other half dozen we have in this Province is not clear, but it is not difficult to draw an inference if the in-

Come let us welcome at the door, The friends our hearis have known of yore. Give to our boards good Christmas cheer, And crown with flowers the closing year, Bing 'round the merry merry song, The wine of life—in deeds prolong.

The wine of life-in decds prolong. This morn-O Faith, and Hope, and Love. The rainbow seal in heaven above. The stars chant forth a glorious bymn, The New Born dwells in Bethlehem, The fills rejoice, the seas proclaim, The glory of a Saviour's name. Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Rings the heavenly song, Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Chants the heavenly throng, Gloria in Excelsis Deo, From the starry sky, Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Perls the hymn on high.

This morn—O sinless souls of grace, Kneel at the crib in lowly place, Before the altar of the heart, Let incense pure in prayer depart, O peace on earth ! O peace from heaven ! Sweet flower of peace at B-thilehem given. Gioria in Excelsis Deo, Sings the Angels' choir, Et in terra pax hominibus, Strikes the heavenly lyre, Gioria in Excelsis Deo, Hark the notes afar, Bethlehem's heavenly star ! Christmas Morn, 1883. THOMAS O'HAGAN.

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE RECORD.

DEAR SIR,-I have read your articles on the Separate Schools, and have read also the Separate Schools, and have read also the communication in your last issue on University matters. As to the Separate School demands or reforms I think it is neeless to ask what we can never get, and what, if we did get, would be impracti-cable. If you mean to ask any Legislatare to construct a Catholic school system on the same footing as the public schools, then it is a sufficient answer, as it seems to me, for the Legislature to say you must provide the ratepayers and the revenue. The Protestant, by no theory of govern-ment that I know of, can be fairly called upon to support their own and a Separate school system. The government must answer for the fapplication of all moneys ment that I know of, can be fairly called upon to support their own and a Separate 1 school system. The government must answer for the fapplication of all moneys drawn out of the public chest. If you 1 think that the taxes of Catholic ratepay-ers is sufficient for a distinct Separate school system (aided in the same way as the public schools are) well and good ; let that arrangement be worked out. It does not seem to me, however, that their taxes would pay for a tithe of what you ask. I agree with you as to the changes in the Education Department. I made a similar suggestion in a letter to the Mail when the Marmion question was being discussed, and I have reason to believe the sugges-tion met with the approval of the Catho-lic hierarchy in this Province. The Sep-arate school act is not a very good one, perhaps, but it never got a fair adminis-tration. It goes without saying that a defec-tive act, if well carried out, is more benefic-ial than a perfect one if allowed to become a deed letter. The public school system, I need scarcely say, bezins with the public wishes of their numerous friends. The presents to both couples were numerous and costly, and comprised almost every imaginable object.—St. Paul, Minn., North Western Chronicle. PRESENTATION OF MARY. Progress of the Order in this Province. The following is a brief sketch of the remarkable progress of the Roman Cath-olic nuns of the Presentation of Mary since their establishment in this Province,

C. M. B. A. NOTES.

CATHOLIC MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION AT OTTAWA.

University find means of support, even assuming there were good reasons for its existence? and how can we oppose state aid to a University to-day and demand it for ourselves to morrow? A Catholic university is an impossibility in Octario. Have we not heard of Kensington, of the failure in Dublin under a Newman and Woodlock, the talk about a United States University? I think that a power to CATHOLIC MUTUAL RENEFIT ASSOCIATION ATOTIAWA. On Wednesday evening. December 19th, 1858, in the basement at & R. Patrick's Church, 1859, in the basement at & R. Patrick's Church, 1850, in the basement at & R. Patrick's Church, 1850, in the basement at & R. Patrick's Church 1850, in the basement at & R. Patrick's Church, 1850, in the basement at the par-ish, numbering 30 petitioners for charter which is somewhat above the average of charter members in new Brauches, and there yet remain a large number of equally prom-iment when in the parish who will become members before long; a very large Brauch may be expected in this parish in time. THE FOLLOWING ARE ITS FIRST OFFICERS. President: Rev. T. J. Cole 184 Vice President J. A. McCabe 2nd " " P. E. Ryan Recording Sceretary : E. T. Smith, J. C. Bar-Marshai: Henry Higgarty Guard: Thos. Toble Trustees for I year : Rev. M. J. Whalen, J. Trustees for I year : Rev. M. J. Whalen, J. " 2 " : E. T. Smith, J. C. En-right Representative to Grand Council : Rev. T. Woodlock, the talk about a United States University? I think that a power to confer degrees is one not to be handed over except to fully equipped and wealthy institutions, and that to others it is as useless as the club of Hercules to an ordinary mortal. A degree in Arts should mean something, it presupposes a library, solentific apparatus, a museum, &c.; and before all this there must be a staff of men fit to impart instruction. The income

A. McCa<sup>\*</sup>e, Alex. Grant right Representative to Grand Council: Rev. T. J. Cole Alternate Spiritual Director: Rev. M. J. Whalen McCabe Spiritual Director: Rev. M. J. Whalen Medical Examiner : E. J. Keily, M. D. The same were also chosen for the year 1884. On motion of Rev. Father Whalen, sec-onded by J. C. Enright, a vote of thanks was moved 10 H. W. Deare, the Special Deputy, for his valuable services in organizing this Branch. The Special Deputy thanked the Branch and the Rev. Father for the kind and hearty manner in which the vote w.s The following officers were elected at the election of Amherstburg, Branch No. 3, C. M. B. A., held on Friday, Dec. 7th, 1883. Representative to Grand Council: H. W. Deare Alternate ' : D. F. Reamme Rec. Secretary : H. W. Deare Statures T. John Burns Rec. Secretary : H. W. Deare Treasurer : D. Barron Marshal: G. Bertrand Guard : P. Benner T. Tomilinson, Alexander Reaume of FICERS of BRANCH NO. J. P. ARIS, ONT., FOR 1881. Spiritual Adviser: Very Rev. T. J. Dowling, V. G. difficult to draw an inference if the in-come be wanting. As a University man I oppose the con-tention of Principal Grant and those who follow him on the question of denying state aid to the Toronto University. As a Catholic I admire the spirit of fairness which that University has shown to our Catholic college here when we were nego-tiating for a basis of affiliation. I have no reason to regret the part I took in that negotiation. If it is inconvenient or im-possible for any College in Toronto to teach the natural sciences or any other department in an arts course, it is surely

department in an arts course, it is surely open to them to take advantage of the means the University college has for that purpose. When the difficulty is removed then the question is open for considera-

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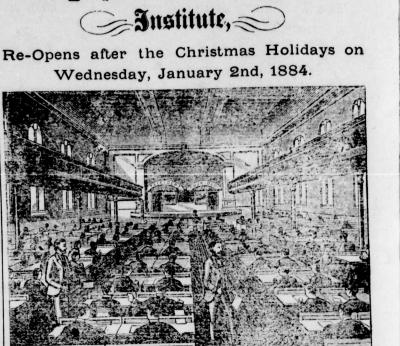
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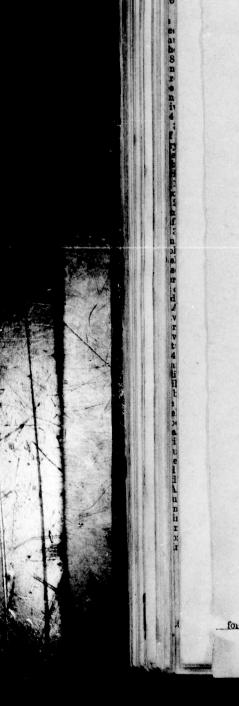
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LOCAL NOTICES

matter I hasten to subscribe myself yours, &c., D. A. O'SULLIVAN. Toronto, Dec. 10th, 1883. TWO NOTABLE WEDDINGS. The Cathedral was the scene of two notable weddings during the past week. On Monday Mr. Arthur H. Rogers, sales-man at Lindekes, Warner & Schumier's was united in marriage to Miss Margaret King, daughter of ex-Sheriff and Mrs. James King. The nuptual mass was celebrated by Rev. Father John Shan-ley, and the charch was crowded with the relatives and friends of the happy of the Marga Theor. Do O'Paim and

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ial than a perfect one if allowed to become a dead letter. The public school system, I need scarcely say, begins with the public or common schools, as they were called, and rising by gradation through the High Schools and Collegiate Institutes and ends with the University of Toronto. The efficient source of students to this last presentation of Mary since their establishment in this Province, over a quarter of a century ago:--Mgr. Prince, first Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, be-ing unable to obtain any Sisters from the diocese of Montreal at that date, wrote to the Mother House of the nuns of the Presentation of Mary the Mother House of the nuns of the Presentation of Mary in France, founded by Rev. Mother Mary Rivier during the French Revolution. His request was not granted at first, but after an appeal to Rev. Mother, Arsene, Superior-General of the Order, his efforts were finally crowned with success. A few months later, five Sisters, who were to act as teachers, ac-companied by a convert, sailed from Havre for Canada, which they reached after an eventful voyage. On their ar-rival, the good nuns set to work, and were soon established in the convent of Ste. Marie de Monoir. which was consenamed institution is University College. There are some affiliated colleges, but these do not share in the public moneys. The public school system, whether as seen in the rural school or in the University college, looks to the state for support, and without such support must fall to the ground. Now, whether there be misap-plication of funds or improper husbandry of resources is, so far as the University of Toronto is concerned, a matter of govern-ment mal-administration. This is a legitimate charge, but not at all to be confounded Ste. Marie de Monoir, which was conse-crated by Mgr. Prince. At the close of with the question whether or not the University is to be adequately supported or whether one state institution is to be sup-ported in one way and another—a part of this same system—to be supported in anthe following year the novitiate included eleven teachers and 104 pupils. Rev. L. M. Archambault, parish priest borted in our way, and the supported in an-other way. In the letter of your corres-pondent I judge he would seek to put University College on the same footing as Queen's or Victoria or Trinity. All I can say is that neither the publicat large nor the friends of the University have taken that stand. The public must support the University or it "must go." It is night for Mr. Grant and other heads of denom-inational colleges to go around and collect funds for the support of their own insti-funds for the support of their own instiinitional colleges to go around and collect funds for the support of their own insti-tutions; but I would as soon think of passing round the hat to build a court house for the county of York as to assist tinue the course of education at the cradle of the order in the Dominion. To-day, the establishment is conducted by eight Sisters, who have charge of upwards of in collecting funds to maintain University College: I see nothing different in prin-ciple for doing this or raising a subscrip-tion to assist the tax collector. Your cor-respondent begins with the Presbyterians and Mr. Grant, but he will not have failed to notice that at the meeting we held in Moss Hall on Thursday last Dr. Caven 164 pupils. The convent of St. Aime was founded immediately after that of St. Hugues and to day it has an attendance of 160. In the I see nothing different in prinmonth of September, 1857, the Sisters of the order of the Presentation opened an Moss Hall on Thursday last Dr. Caven seconded a resolution directly opposed to Principal Grant's contention. That reso-lution was proposed by Senator McMas-ter, who has founded, 1 may say, the Baptist Colleges in this city, so that two of the demoinational colleges are grown. The cherne of five of the set and the set been established, viz. : St. Cesaire, and their efforts in the great cause have been ex-ceedingly successful, about 204 pupils being in attendance at present. Since last, the following new missions have been established, viz. : St. Alexandre, in establishment at St. Cesaire, and their been established, viz. : St. Alexandre, in charge of five Sisters and 130 pupils ; St. the denominational colleges are gone. The President of St. Michael's college and charge of five Sisters and 130 pupils; St. George, five Sisters and 88 pupils; Acton Vale, eight Sisters, 178 pupils; Farnham, 10 Sisters, 138 pupils; Drummondville, six Sisters, 144 pupils; St. David, diocese of Three Rivers, five Sisters, 88 pupils; Upton, six Sisters, 148 pupils, and the Prince Academy, of St. Hyacinthe. In 1876, the Mother House of the order was completed at St. Hyacinthe. and is a Father Teefy were present, and they cannot be counted as opposed to state aid to the University. The other colleges in Toronto, except Trinity, are in favor of it, and especially the one opposed to Trinity, so that Trinity may be counted out. I so that Trinity may be counted out. I see that a prominent Methodist and well known University man, Mr. Casey, disa-grees with the Victoria authorities. I don't see, therefore, how the religious bodies in question can be held by the utterances of the heads of the three colleges named. 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