

OBITUARY

SISTER MARY DRUSILLA

After a lingering illness of several months' duration, Sister Mary Drusilla (Quigley) passed peacefully away at St. Joseph's Hospital, on Tuesday, November 17th.

Born at Douglas, Ont., where she received her early education, she completed her teacher's course at Renfrew Collegiate and Ottawa Normal School. Five years ago, in response to the desire to devote herself entirely to the service of God, she entered the novitiate of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Peterborough. Prior to her failure in health, she laboured zealously in the work of education in St. Mary's Convent, Peterborough, and in St. Mary's Separate School, Almonte.

Of a quiet, gentle disposition, Sister Drusilla endeared herself to all her associates by her spirit of self-forgetfulness and unwavering fidelity to her friends. During her long illness, the heroic patience she displayed under severe suffering edified all those who assisted at her bedside.

Besides a sorrowing father, she is survived by one sister, Mrs. James Quilly of Douglas, and three brothers.

On Thursday morning at 8.30, a solemn High Mass was sung in Sacred Heart Chapel, Mount St. Joseph, by Right Rev. M. J. O'Brien, D. D., Bishop of Peterborough, assisted by Rev. J. J. O'Brien, Rev. P. Costello, and Rev. P. P. Butler.

In a brief address, His Lordship referred to suffering as one of the greatest mysteries of life and stated that it could not be satisfactorily explained except as a means of attaining sanctity and acquiring resemblance to Christ. During His life upon earth, our Divine Model chose suffering as His portion and has ever used it as a supreme bond of love and union with His intimate followers. As evidence of this, His Lordship spoke in touching terms of the beautiful life of the Little Flower of Jesus pointing out at the same time the resemblance of Sister Drusilla to this youthful saint. Like her prototype, she too had thrived in a soil of self-abnegation and complete abandonment to the will of God, and after a brief sojourn upon earth she too had been transplanted to bloom eternally in the celestial garden of the Master.

MRS. ELIZABETH KENNEDY

On November 7, at Edmonton, Alberta, God called Mrs. Elizabeth Kennedy to her eternal reward after prolonged illness and suffering, patiently and cheerfully borne. The late Mrs. Kennedy, who was born in Ireland, came to this country in childhood, passing the greater part of her life in Warkworth, Ont., where she was highly esteemed for her nobility of character and her truly Christian virtues.

About sixteen years ago, the deceased went to live with her daughter in Edmonton, and it was here that she passed peacefully away, in death, as in life, perfectly resigned to God's Holy Will in her regard,—an unfeeling passport to life eternal.

The funeral took place from the Cathedral, Edmonton, November 9. Mrs. Kennedy leaves three daughters and one son to mourn her loss: Rev. Sister M. Thecla, St. Joseph's Convent, Toronto; Mrs. Mary Shea, St. Catharines, Ont.; Mrs. D. J. Gilmurray, Edmonton, Alta.; and Wm. Kennedy, Ponoka, Alta. May her soul rest in peace.

CHINESE SOCIETY TO DEFEND RELIGIOUS THOUGHT

Pekin.—The Bolshevik and anti-foreign movement instigated in China by former Chinese students in Europe has caused a rallying of the forces of conservatism and order, resulting in the constitution of a Chinese Society for the Defense of Religious Thought. The opening session of the society, just held here, was attended by representatives of Buddhism, Taoism, Mohammedanism, Slav "Orthodoxy," Protestantism and Catholicism.

The spokesman for the Catholics was an orator of rare power, Mr. Paul Wang, well known in Peking. It was Mr. Wang who, thirteen years ago, led the fight of the Cath-

olics when an effort was made to impose upon them Confucianism as the State Religion. Likewise under the Empire, when any innovation was apt to expose its author to police measures, it was Wang again who opened a popular lecture hall in Peking and founded a penny paper in the vernacular, a very audacious venture in those days.

Paul Wang, like all Chinese Catholics, is also an ardent patriot, and as such he was a leader in the so-called "popular tax" movement which sought to reimburse the debts of the Chinese Government. There is every reason to believe that his participation in the league for religious defense, combined with the deeply religious temperament of the Chinese people, will contribute greatly to the success of the new campaign.

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The author's recent appointment as Archbishop of Tarsus increases the interest in this book, and arouses admiration for the tireless arduous work that permits him to continue writing and working as he does.

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THE SCOPES TRIAL AND LOGIC

Webster Groves, Mo.—The intellectual freedom of Catholic scholastic education and the spectacle presented by the Scopes trial at Dayton, Tenn., recently, were contrasted by the Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M., chaplain of Webster College in his address at the annual Cap and Gown investiture here.

"You, my dear colleagues, who breathe with the scholastics the pure air of academic freedom, could look with pity on such circus stunts as that staged in Tennessee last Summer," Father Donovan said. "The romanticists of science were pitted against the romanticists of religion. Fables of zoological science clashed with fables of biblical science. Ill-equipped defenders of Christianity were not scientific enough to expose science fakers. Combatants on both sides had been woefully under-nourished in formal and fundamental logic. Worse still, they relied more as a test of truth on emotion than reason."

In contrast, Father Donovan said: "The schoolmen because of the added illumination of divine faith had a reliance on human reason uncommon with either their pre-Christian predecessors or with their post-Christian successors. They never thought of denying the reliability of reason within the sphere of the intelligible; of challenging reason as a creditable witness to facts and their explaining principles which fall within natural cognition."

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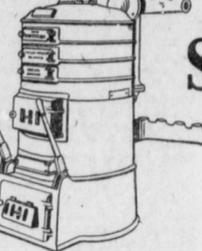
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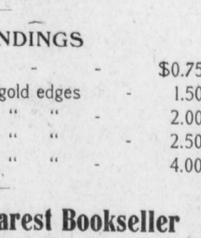
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