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Three packages of No. 10 Assessment cards have gone astray in the post office. Should a repetition of this take place, Bro. Brown intends having an investigation.

Hereafter, we will publish the list of Branches paying Assessments within 30 days from date of issue. The following are the Branches that have paid No. 10 Assessment up to this date, August 27th, and the date on which the assessment was received at the Grand Secretary's office:

Branch No. 23, Seaforth, August 18 " 60, Dublin, " 19 " 9, Kingston, " 20 " 39, Newstead, " 20 " 58, Ottawa, " 23 " 46, Walkerton, " 24 " 25, Cayuga, " 24 " 55, Mount Forest, " 24 " 51, Barrie, " 25 " 7, Barrie, " 28 " 14, Galt, " 27

If the Toronto Brother will kindly send the Grand Secretary his name, said official will be pleased to answer the questions through this paper as desired.

At a special meeting of Chatham Branch No. 8 of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, held Aug. 3rd, 1887, the following resolutions of condolence were moved by Bro. Jas. H. Kelly, seconded by Bro. McLaughlin, and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased almighty God to remove from our midst by the hand of death our worthy Brother Stephen Drew, Resolved, That by his death this Branch has lost a good and generous member, his wife a faithful husband, his children a kind and affectionate father, and the community a respected citizen.

Resolved, That we hereby tender Mrs. Drew and family our most heartfelt sympathy in their sad affliction.

Resolved, That our prayers be directed, that the members mourning for thirty days, that a copy of the above resolutions be presented to Mrs. Drew, that they be entered on the minute book of this branch and printed in the official organ of association.

Signed on behalf of the branch: W. A. Dumas, President. F. W. Rossier, Secretary.

Barrie, Aug. 27th, 1887. DEAR SIR AND BRO.—On Monday, the 16th of Aug., the President and Secretary of Branch 51, C. M. B. A., Barrie, called on Mrs. B. Hinds, and presented a check for two thousand dollars (\$2,000) and received the following receipt:

Received from John Rogers, Esq., Sec. Branch 51, C. M. B. A., Barrie, the sum of two thousand dollars, due me from the same Council by the death of my late husband, Bernard Hinds.

AMAL HINDS, Witness, Peter Kearns and E. F. Moore.

ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL. This magnificent monument of the piety of our Catholic ancestors originated in a small church built by the first Christian in Britain, St. Augustine, Archbishop of Canterbury, in 597 A.D., consecrated all this building under the name of Christ's Church, St. Augustin, in 740 A.D., and Archbishop Ode, Lanfranc, and St. Anselm, at later dates, enlarged and added to the noble work of their predecessors. In 1174 part of the church was destroyed by fire, and a man of remarkable genius, named William of Lens, was employed to rebuild it. To him and another wonderfully gifted man, the same name, who succeeded him, we owe the present unique choir and the circular chapel (now called St. Thomas a Becket's choir).

In the fourteenth century the nave and transept were transformed into the perpendicular style of that time, and the central tower, known as the Angel Steeple, was carried up to double its former height. It is 224 feet high and 35 feet in diameter. The north-west tower, which was 113 feet high was taken down in 1834. The eastern part of the present building is remarkable for the mingling of the Norman and Early English styles of architecture. The chapel which our Catholic ancestors named the Lady Chapel, is now known to the Protestant world as the Dean's Chapel; this was built in 1468. The north transept is called the "Martyrdom," for the venerated St. Thomas a Becket was martyred here on December 29, 1170. Fifty years later his sacred remains were translated from the crypt to a shrine in Trinity Chapel, eastward of the choir. A Protestant writer tells us that "A curious mosaic pavement still remains in front of the place where the shrine stood, and the stone steps which lead up to it are worn by the knees of countless pilgrims; but the shrine itself was demolished in 1538, and the bones of the saint burned by order of Henry VIII. In 1643 the building was further 'purified,' as it was called, by order of Parliament."

The total exterior length of the cathedral is 445 feet and the extreme breadth is 150 feet. The crypt is the loftiest and most extensive of any in England. This magnificent work of Catholic hands was from the first rich in relics. The body of the martyr Blaise was brought from Rome and buried within its walls. It also contained the remains of St. Wilfred, St. Dunstan, and St. Eilgeff. But it is most sanctified in Catholic memory by the recollection that St. Thomas a Becket gave up his life within its walls in defence of Holy Church. We are told that "on the west side of the north transept is a door leading into the cloisters—the actual door by which the knights who murdered a Becket entered. The Archbishop himself was standing in the transept in front of a wall (which still remains) between what was then the chapel of St. Benedict and the passage leading to the crypt, and here it was he fell, despatched by blows of the knights. The pavement in front of the wall is believed to be the identical pavement on which a Becket fell."

Canterbury Cathedral will ever be dear to Catholics as a magnificent memento of the faith of their forefathers. The world has many stately and beautiful churches erected by those who do not belong to the fold of our Lord, but only a long succession of noble men, with the splendour of their genius illuminated by the heavenly brightness of the Faith can produce so noble a building. It is only when saints and other holy men, after long meditation upon the beauty and sanctity of God, turn their thoughts again to the world, and hasten, as if inspired by Heaven, to raise some House to His glory, that such sublime churches arise on God's earth at Canterbury Cathedral.

THE WESTERN FAIR.

A COMPARISON SHOWING THE PROGRESS MADE BY THIS LIVE INSTITUTION. Mr. Geo. McBroom, Secretary of the Western Fair, has issued a circular as follows:

This worthy institution held its first exhibition in 1868—twenty years ago when the modest sum of \$2,000 was offered in prizes. Its growth and progress up to the present time is something marvellous. This result has been obtained almost wholly by the push and enterprise of its promoters, and the fact that London is the centre of one of the finest agricultural districts in the Dominion. The nominal sum of \$700 is all the Association has received annually from the Government. The entries have steadily advanced from less than 2,000 in 1868 to over 10,000, and the prize list has steadily increased until the sum of \$17,000 has been reached. The Directors while highly gratified with the results secured, have been impressed with the fact that the time had arrived for placing the Fair on a much broader basis, in order that the resources of the Province in agriculture, manufactures and arts should be more successfully developed and encouraged. To this end an Act was applied for at the last session of the Ontario Legislature, giving the Agricultural Societies, the Dairy men's Association, the Creameries Association, the Fruit Growers' Association

POVERTY AND SIN IN LONDON.

THOUGHTS EXPRESSED ON THIS SUBJECT IN A SERMON BY CARDINAL MANNING.

Speaking at the formal opening of the sale of work at the Convent of the Sisters of Charity, Callicott place, Westminster, on Thursday, July 14th, the text of St. Vincent de Paul, the Cardinal, in referring to the poverty, misery and sin to be found in Westminster, said:

There is one sin which I will name, though you must all know it. There is a menacing poison which men and women are now drinking until they become beasts, and the image of God is effaced, and fathers and mothers lose their nature, their own children do not know them, and sometimes they slay one another. And all that happens in the midst of us here. There is not a commandment of God that men and women may not break one by the control of their will. Look, too, at the condition of the houses of our people. It would seem almost impossible that the domestic life of parents and children should be preserved in "homes" which are single narrow rooms.

More than this, there is a poverty also very great, but nevertheless, a poverty which need not exist if people would only use rightly the hard-earned wages of the week; but for want of the knowledge of God, and themselves, and of love for their own children, parents waste their hard-earned wages, and the poverty is kindled and quickened again by the loss of the good Sisters of Charity who toil in the midst of this wilderness of sin and death, know what is the depth of this degradation and what is the almost hopeless condition in which souls are found. Nevertheless, let us not be out of heart. The hearts of us even the most lost may be kindled and quickened again by the love of God, and therefore, let us labor on, believe you whom I see before me can control very little of this world's substance. But St. Vincent possessed nothing when he began his work, and the Sisters of Charity began in absolute poverty and poverty was their strength and poverty was their wealth.

MR. DIXON'S RETURN HOME.

Mr. A. H. Dixon, senior member of the firm of A. H. Dixon & Son, the celebrated specialists for the cure of catarrh, hay fever and catarrhal deafness, 303 King St. West, Toronto, has just returned home from an extended trip through California, where he has been introducing his remedies. The press of that country teem with glowing notices of the wonderful results of his new treatment, vouching for the fact that a cure for the above diseases is next to miraculous. Cases of catarrh and catarrhal deafness of thirty years' standing were cured by one application of his remedy, and the fact vouches for by men whose names are known all over the American continent, among whom are prominent Masons, and who are in the highest esteem. Mr. W. M. Petrie, of Sacramento, California, showing that Mr. Dixon's remedies which are applied only once in two weeks, stand alone in the cure of catarrh and its attendant evils. The doctors fall in curing these diseases for the simple reason that they insist on following the antiquated method of making applications of an irritant remedy weekly, and weekly and even daily, thereby keeping the membrane in a constant state of irritation, thus forming a nidus very inviting to small-pox, typhoid fever, cholera and other epidemics, and as a natural result of these daily and semi-weekly applications not only the permanent cure has been recorded, and the patient left in a worse condition than before. Since the discovery of this remedy by Mr. Dixon seven years ago, the best physicians of Great Britain and France have endorsed his method, and unite in saying that it is impossible to cure catarrh, hay fever or catarrhal deafness, but by application made often than once in two weeks, from the fact that the membrane must get a chance to heal before another application is made. However that may be, Mr. Dixon's remedy has proved successful where all other remedies have failed, and cured affected by him 7 years ago and cured still, the best of which not only immediate, but permanent, of which many of our Canadian brethren are already well aware. Mr. Dixon sends a pamphlet describing his new treatment to any enclosing stamp to pay postage. The address is 303 King St. West, Toronto. A CARRIAGE LOAD OF ROSES AND CAMELIAS IN WINTER—A REVELATION TO MR. A. H. DIXON. From the (Sacramento) Record-Union.

Mr. A. H. Dixon, of Toronto, Canada, who has been treating catarrh and its attendant evils on this coast for the past few months, paid his final visit to this city yesterday, previous to his return home, and the very many here who have been treated and permanently cured by him called upon him and bade him goodbye. His patients in San Jose when bidding him farewell gave him quite an ovation, as also in other cities where he had been doing the good work, in one of which, at his farewell visit, his carriage was filled with choicest flowers, and at a season of the year when at his home the snow was 6 feet deep. At another city a beautiful diamond ornament was presented to him by those whom he cured. Mr. Dixon's success in Sacramento has been extraordinary, and the climate of California suits him so well that he intends to return next winter. Many who failed to consult him will be glad of this, as they learned too late that he is not of the class denominated "quack," and that his remedies will stand the test of time.—The Freeman.

THE NEW BELL FOR COLOGNE CATHEDRAL.

Made of French Cannon.

The inauguration of the great bell for the Cathedral of Cologne took place some days ago with great pomp. The bell weighs 27,000 kilos, or about 36 tons 13 cwt. The clapper alone weighs 800 kilos, or nearly 107 cwt. Its perpendicular height is almost 144 feet; its diameter at the mouth nearly 114 feet.

Twenty-two cannons taken from the French were assigned by the Emperor William for its transportation. Five thousand kilos of tin were added. It was cast by Andreas Hamm, of Frankenthal, and 21,000 £, 0/0 were paid for the casting. It will be known as the Kaiserlocke, or Emperor's bell, and as the two other large bells in the cathedral, were the epithets respectively of Pretiosa (precious) and Speciosa (beautiful), this one is styled Gloria.

It bears the above inscription recording that "William, the most august Emperor of the Germans and King of the Prussians, mindful of the heavenly help granted to him whereby he conducted the late French war to a prosperous issue and restored the German Empire, caused cannons taken from the French to be devoted to founding a bell to be hung in the wonderful cathedral then approaching completion." A likeness of St. Peter, the name patron of the church, is on the

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