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Parliamentary Notes

The session is gradually, or rather rapidly approaching the inevitable end. In many cases, long looked-for bills, or rather, long looked-for amendments, are yet a couple of weeks or maybe more of rough-and-tumble fight over estimates that await voting and bills that have not been reported or passed. The past week has been a little more stirring than was expected, on account of Mr. Charlton's now famous resolution in favor of asking the British Government to extend an amnesty to the Boers, or rather, since one clause of the resolution was dropped, to extend favorable, merciful and humane terms of peace to the defeated South Africa. The second of this resolution was Mr. Bourassa. It may be said that the spirit of the resolution was accepted and participated in by both sides of the House, and by every member in it. I do not think that there was a single member who did not feel in harmony with the sentiments expressed by that resolution. It was almost unanimously considered as being both inopportune and dangerous. That is to say, that in this particular juncture, and in view of the uncertainty regarding the situation in South Africa, and the terms about to be agreed upon, it would be unwise for the Canadian Parliament to give expression to any opinion or to suggest any measures. The speaker of the mover and seconder of the resolution indicated how there are always grounds upon which the wide-
opposed can come together and make common cause; and it is pleasant to note that one of these grounds is that of generous sentiment.

However, while every person approves of the manner in which the resolution was disposed of, we must be gratified on account of some of the immediate results of its having been brought in. One of these results was the brief debate which it entailed; and that debate, though short, was one of the most attractive of the whole session. It gave rise to a speech by the Premier, which was a gem—a model of diction, sentiment and logic; and to a speech by Mr. Monk, who spoke as the Opposition leader, in the absence of Mr. Hordean—a speech that was rich in feeling and really grand in expression and illustration. I will not occupy space with any quotations from these speeches. Moreover, I can say, like Eschyles of old when reading one of the orations of Demosthenes, his own rival, "You should have heard him deliver it." Yes, speeches of this class are cold in type; they must be heard to be appreciated. There was, however, one dominant note in Mr. Monk's address to which I cannot but call special attention. He spoke of how the passing of such a resolution at this hour might embarrass the Premier when, next summer, he goes to London to confer upon Colonial, and especially Canadian, interests. He then added that while men of both sides of the House differ, agree to differ, and combat each other on principles applied to our domestic or some political, yet, when a grand question affecting the whole Dominion and the Empire arises, and when heaven is the selected of the country to represent every section of that country on such an important occasion, it becomes the duty of every good citizen to help him in his mission or at least, not to place any impediments in his way or shackles upon his hands.

On his hands. I may not be using the exact words of the speaker, but I am giving, as well as I can, the idea he wished to convey and the sentiments he wished to express. I will add that speeches such as that of the Premier and that of Mr. Monk are highly calculated to elevate the tone of debate, to give an impress of lofty ideals to the utterances of public men and to rebound to the honor and glory of Canada. I have always contended that, while the debates and other public expressions of our representative men should be eminently practical and useful, still there is much to be gained in prestige, in dignity, in force and in polish by having a little of the academic blended with the utilitarian. The result may not be apparent at the moment, but it is inevitable in the long run, and it must be for the greater good of the entire country, as soon as it is felt, and above all acknowledged and appreciated abroad.

At this moment of writing I am only able to state that which I have been assured is to take place, and which may take place before this letter is in type; still I am only giving expression to a rumor that seems well founded when I mention the coming Home Rule resolutions that the veteran Irish-Catholic patriot and statesman—Hon. John Costigan—proposes to bring in during the coming session. I will not attempt to forecast what may be said in support of such a series of resolutions; in fact, it is easy for any person to surmise the line of argument to be adopted. No more will I enter into the history of the former resolutions of a like nature, passed in this House. I will reserve to myself the privilege of commenting at length upon the whole subject as soon as Hon. Mr. Costigan has put his intention into execution. Meanwhile I can only say that, from my humble point of view, it would be far more important at present, and in view of the conditions in Ireland, than at any time in the past that such an expression should come from Canada.

The most important general matter before the House at this moment, is Hon. Mr. Blair's Intercolonial Railway estimates. If I am to judge by the length and very elaborate introduction that the Minister of Railways and Canals prefaced his submission of those estimates with, I must conclude that the details will cause a very protracted and possibly warm discussion. Still, the matter is only on the eve of its consideration and I am not in a position to form any estimate of the time it will occupy. All I know is that the day of protraction will greatly depend on the length of the debate about to be commenced.

As long as the weather keeps cool and the summerlike heat does not intrude upon the deliberations of the House, members—despite the hurry to get through, on account of the June ceremonies in London—will keep on talking; nor do I think the Ontario elections will in any way materially affect the curtailing or prolongation of the session. But being neither a weather prophet, nor a political seer, I must await like all common mortals, the turn of events.

DEATH OF REV. WILLIAM BRENNAN.

We have to chronicle this week the death of a Canadian priest, Rev. W. Brennan, which took place in his parish of Middletown, California, on the 18th of April. Father Brennan was well and favorably known all through this Province. He made his classical course at St. Michael's College in this city and went to the Grand Seminary, Montreal, for his theology. Ordained priest by the late Bishop Farrall in 1872 he was at once appointed to the Cathedral staff in the city of Hamilton. There he labored with zeal and success for many years. As superintendent of schools his influence and organization gave a great impetus to Sunday School work. Under his direction the board erected their first high school, St. Mary's. Failing health forced him to retire from the active work of the ministry and he came back to college among his old friends where, after a few months rest, he joined the college staff and taught for a couple of years. Again his health gave way, hemorrhage set in, and the doctors ordered him off to a milder climate. In 1882 he left Toronto for San Francisco and since that time he has been attached to that diocese. Though all along in weak health he did not abandon work altogether. This remains were laid to rest in Holy Cross Cemetery Monday, April 21st, amongst the people of the parish over which he presided for the last two years. Father Brennan was a true sample of the blameless devoted priest, who from the day of his ordination made the faithful discharge of his clerical duties the one ambition of his life. He leaves many friends among the clergy and laity of Ontario, who will not forget to offer a prayer for the repose of his soul. R. I. P.



MR. J. V. McBRADY

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS.

Catholic Forestry has taken on a new lease of life throughout the Province, as is evidenced by the large and steady growth each month. The Provincial Organizer has been making a tour through the northern part of the Province, visiting Midland, Orillia, Victoria Harbor, Uptergrove, Brechin and Oshawa. The foundation for organizing new courts has been laid in Midland, Uptergrove, Oshawa and Toronto. St. Paul Court, Toronto, is about completed, and will have a charter list of about 45 members, and it is expected the court will be instituted on Sunday, May 4th. An invitation to install the officers has been sent to the Provincial Chief Ranger, and he will in all probability accept. Oshawa, will also have a charter list of about 10 members. Midland and Uptergrove have splendid material and will be heard from in a short time.

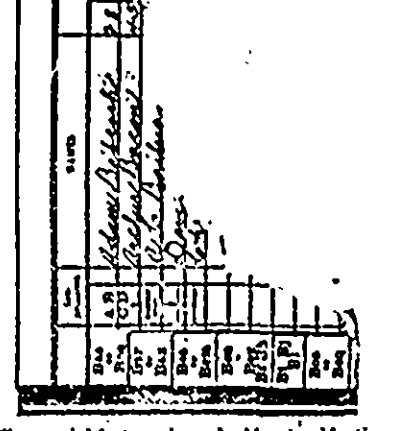
An effort will be made in the near future to organize in Hamilton, St. Catharines, Guelph, Galt, etc. St. Joseph's Court, No. 370, Toronto, is to be congratulated on the fact that its Chief Ranger, Bro. L. V. McBrady, is an aspirant for Legislative honors in East Toronto, the home of St. Joseph Court. The members of the Court have every reason to be proud of their energetic and enthusiastic young Chief Ranger. Bro. McBrady is recognized as the foremost platform speaker in the Province. If not in the Dominion, and if he does not succeed in being elected, it will not be because of his opponent's being the better man. Bro. McBrady was tendered the unanimous nomination by the Liberals of East Toronto. M. F. Mogan, Provincial Organizer.

THE FRENCH ELECTIONS.

Though it is still impossible to express a definite opinion about the result of the French elections, it appears from the cable despatches telling of last Sunday's voting that M. Waldeck-Rousseau and his varied Ministerial following will be retained in power by a large majority, though they met a Waterloo in Paris. The

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note in Paris is the chief surprise of the elections, because the Ministry raised the cry that the Republic was in danger, and such a cry was calculated to meet its most ardent sponsor in the Capital. The Radical majority will therefore, speaking broadly, be furnished by the Province, which would appear to have put religion out of view and accepted the protection of an anti-clerical dictator, supported by a heterogeneous Parliamentary force which is the strangest creation of an electorate ever seen in the modern world. That these things should happen in a country like France, among an educated people, may look astonishing. But the truth is that political organization, based on the spoils system, only goes on making a mockery of popular judgment. The Catholic people of France, as such, have no political organization whatever, and the Church is misrepresented with all the more ease by her enemies, so much so, indeed, that her own children are not free from the unworthy suspicion that she opposes the Republic. It now remains to be seen what further mischief M. Waldeck-Rousseau may make of his power for the heavier oppression of the Church.

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Ottawa Correspondence.

One of the most interesting features in the ceremony of presentation recently made to Mr. D'Arcy Scott, in this city, was the hearty and well-worded address read to him by Mr. James Bennett, whose clarion voice appears to be still as resonant as when he bid adieu to "McGill-Cuddy's Reeks" many years ago. Subjoined you will find a copy of that address, which you will be kind enough to publish.

D'Arcy Scott, Esq., President of St. Patrick's Literary and Scientific Association, Ottawa, Canada:
The members of the St. Patrick's Literary and Scientific Association desire to express to you, the President of the Society, their heartfelt congratulations, in the unqualified success of your endeavors to provide for young Irishmen in Ottawa, a building worthy in every way of the object for which it was designed.

Your untiring zeal in the interests of the St. Patrick's Literary and Scientific Association, and of every good movement tending to promote in our midst the National cause so dear to the hearts of Irishmen, has been, we assure you, warmly appreciated by your fellow countrymen in this city, and in particular by the members of our organization, and the erection of our magnificent hall, of which we are all so proud, is a truly patriotic work, undertaken by you in the face of many difficulties and carried, we are proud to say, to a most triumphant issue.

To you the credit and honor mainly belong, that we have in the Capital of the Dominion, a meeting place where all Irishmen may assemble, and derive the innumerable benefits that flow from fraternal association with a common and noble National ideal in view. That we profit materially in future by the splendid opportunities and advantages that you have so largely instrumental in placing in our hands, we have not the shadow of a doubt, and we firmly believe that the good work you have so generously and ably performed will remain forever an inspiration and an incentive to future generations of Irishmen in Ottawa.

The renewed interest and enthusiasm of our members in everything pertaining to each department of our society give at present the most promising indications that the grand work so auspiciously begun will be faithfully continued. During the forty-six years of the existence of this organization, we have encountered many difficulties and experienced numerous trials and various executives from time to time have battled unsuccessfully with the problem of securing appropriate and adequate accommodation in some convenient central locality for our society. That you have succeeded, where so many others have failed, is a flattering tribute to your executive ability, and places you in a proud position for pre-eminence among the many prominent and able Irishmen, who have been your predecessors in the Presidency of our Association.

To your amiable wife, who has shown such a cordial sympathy in our progress, and who has frequently honored our entertainments with her presence, and contributed so substantially to their success by her musical talent and ability, we wish health and happiness in all their fullness, and to you personally, we beg to convey our most hearty assurance of warm respect and earnest admiration, and at the same time express our sincere and steadfast desire that you may be long spared to fill with credit to yourself and honor to our nationality the position you now so acceptably occupy.

As a mark of the earnest appreciation and high esteem in which you are held by the members of our Association, we desire to present you with this portrait in oil of yourself, which you will please accept along with our best wishes for your future success and prosperity.

Signed on behalf of the St. Patrick's Literary and Scientific Association: Dr. Freeland, chairman; committee; J. Bennett, vice-president; J. Daly, secretary.

St. Vincent de Paul's Children's Aid Society.

The annual meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Children's Aid Society was held on Tuesday evening in St. Vincent's Hall. Mr. Matthew O'Connor, one of the vice-presidents, took the chair in the absence of the president, Mr. R. Emsley. There was a fairly large attendance, including Father Hand, Rohleder, L. Meehan and Treacy. Mr. O'Keefe moved and Father Hand seconded a sympathetic resolution on the death of the late Rev. Frank Ryan, a member of the Advisory Board of the Society. Father Brennan moved and Mr. J. J. Murphy seconded a similar resolution on the death of the late Mr. Edward Murphy. Both resolutions were adopted. The seventh annual report was laid before the meeting in printed form.

The agent's quarterly reports to the Board of Management, and his frequent reports to the Advisory Board, show that during the year 276 cases were brought to the notice of the Society, affecting the interests of 377 children. Of these cases, 152 were from the Children's Court, and 151 were private cases reported to the office.

His Worship the Police Magistrate disposed of the Children's Court cases as follows:

Made wards of the Society	14
Committed to St. John's Industrial School	8
Committed to St. Mary's Industrial School	4
Committed to Penetanguishene Reformatory	1
Fined	23
Discharged	29
Withdrawn till called on	21
Discharged on suspended sentence after short confinement in Blantyre Shelter	16
Sent to the Good Shepherd's Home	6

Total

The report was adopted. The financial statement of Mr. D. Miller, treasurer, was of a satisfactory nature and was also adopted.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—Matthew O'Connor.
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General regret was expressed that Mr. Emsley had declared himself unable to stand for re-election as president. It was unanimously of opinion that he was the best available man for the position.

IRISH EMIGRATION.

Mr. William Healy, of this city, who with his family spent the winter in Ireland, has just returned home. He says the saddest sight that can be witnessed in Ireland is the continuous rush of young men and women to the ports for emigration to the United States. He sees little prospect of effectively checking this movement, which threatens disaster to the future of the country.

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American Profit [From] War

To the Editor of The Register:

Recently there was an investigation into the working of a depot located at Chalmette, Louisiana, which has been used for some time as a base of supplies for the British Army in South Africa. The report of Colonel Crowder, the American officer who conducted the investigation, contains the following paragraphs:

"During two and a half years these officers have paid out the sum of about \$18,000,000 for horses and mules, and about \$15,000,000 for forage and other supplies, all of which have been shipped to the army in South Africa, most of it upon British transports, owned or chartered. "Since this depot was established late in 1899, about 175 ships have been cleared from New Orleans for South Africa, carrying a total of about 95,000 horses and hundreds of thousands of tons of hay and provender."

During the time that this war has been going on in South Africa the British Government have spent about \$5,000,000 for supplies in Canada and the Canadian Government have probably spent a like amount in fitting out and transporting Canadian troops to South Africa. Yet the appeal has been made to Canadians in the columns of all the responsible journals of Canada, that no serious objection ought to be taken to this war because it has been the means of so much money being spent in Canada. It is to be hoped that in future appeals to the patriotism of Canadians will be made on a higher basis than the financial profit involved. The amount spent by the British Government in Canada for the prosecution of this war is equalled by the amount spent by Canada for the same purpose, so we are even on that score. Some of the citizens of the United States have received thirty-three million "treasons" why a base of supplies should be maintained in that country for the British Army. So long as the "treasons" continue to flow in, just so long will the official United States regard with favor the source of supply. Citizens of the United States have profited thirty-three millions of dollars in two and one-half years by the war in South Africa. Canada (if we account the expense incurred as an offset to the money spent) has profited nothing. The financial argument, besides being mean, sordid and degrading, is untrue. CANADIAN.
ST. MARY'S C. L. & A. A.

At the last regular meeting, held in the rooms of the Association, the president, Mr. C. J. Read, was in the chair, and Mr. J. J. Henry acted as secretary.

After the reading of minutes of previous meeting and report from Athletic Committee, Rev. Father Fraser gave a description of St. Peter's Church, at Rome, which was very interesting and much appreciated.

It was decided to hold the meetings once a month during the summer months as heretofore. The senior baseball team will play their first game in the City Amateur League on Saturday, May 3rd.

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