

ITEMS OF INTEREST

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION.

Devotions in connection with the Forty Hours' will begin at the church in charge of the Oblate Fathers, Visitation street, on Sunday next.

TOOK HOLY HABIT AT PETERBOROUGH.

Two Montreal ladies, Miss Frances Whittaker and Miss Florence Dillon, were among the postulants who took the habit at St. Joseph's Convent, Peterborough, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Bishop O'Connor. Miss Whittaker is now known as Sister Mary Anselm, and Miss Dillon as Sister Mary Bertella.

THEFT IN A CHURCH.

On Sunday morning last, in St. James Church, there was rather a daring theft committed. A lady had with her a bag containing a large sum of money, and on leaving the church left it behind her in the pew. On realizing her loss she immediately returned to the church to find some one just coming from the pew she had vacated and who hurriedly left the church. She was able to take notice of what she is positive was the thief, and has given information which she hopes will bring the return of her money.

MGR. BERNARD RECEIVES PAPAL BULL.

The Papal Bull giving the official announcement of the raising of Mgr. Bernard to the bishopric of St. Hyacinthe, has been received by His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi, and the latter has gone to St. Hyacinthe to convey to the new Bishop his brief from the Roman Chancellor. Canon Dauth, of Laval University, accompanied His Grace. The consecration of Bishop Bernard has been set for February 15, and will probably take place in St. James Cathedral in this city.

DEATH OF A RELIGIOUS.

The death of Rev. Sister Francois de Paule, assistant superior of the Sisters of Providence, took place last Friday at the age of fifty years. She was born in 1855 at St. Jean Baptiste de Rouville, and entered the novitiate of the Providence community in 1874. Much regret is expressed by those who had the privilege of knowing her. The funeral service took place on Sunday in the chapel of the institution. The brother of the deceased, Rev. C. P. Gaboury, of New Bedford, Mass., administered the last rites to his sister, as well as officiating at the requiem. Burial took place in the cemetery of the order at Longue Pointe.

ARCHBISHOP VISITS PRISONERS.

As usual, Archbishop Bruchesi chose the feast of the Epiphany to make his New Year's visit to the prisoners of both jails. At 8 o'clock, His Grace said Mass in the chapel of the men's jail, which had been tastefully decorated for the visit, and the music prepared for the occasion was very impressive. His Grace also confirmed one of the prisoners.

In addressing the unfortunate inmates, the Archbishop spoke words of kindness and hope, giving them sound advice for the future. He referred to the temperance movement just inaugurated, and requested all to pledge themselves to never again touch alcoholic drinks after serving their term of imprisonment.

After the service, His Grace took breakfast with Governor Vallee and his family.

NEW YEAR'S DINNER FOR PAUPERS AT HOTEL DIEU.

Three hundred patients at the Hotel Dieu were treated on Saturday afternoon to a special New Year's dinner. Although the afflicted in all sections of the hospital were served alike, the reception and incidental ceremonies took place at St. Brigid's Ward, which is in charge of Sister Morrisey. After dinner a musical programme was given.

A recitation by Mr. E. Fabre Surveyor was highly applauded. Before the visitors retired from the ward Dr. J. J. Guerin extended the thanks of those in charge of the institution to Mrs. Bergeron, who was the initiator, and to those who had assisted her in contributing to the joy and comfort of the patients.

Speeches were delivered by Mr. J. O. H. Bergeron, M.P., and Rev. Father Ethelbert, O.F.M.

Those who subscribed to the fund making such a red letter day possible for the sick of the Hotel Dieu were: Mayor and Mrs. Laporte, Mr. Thomas and Lady Shaughnessy, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Lavergne, Mr. Justice Ma-

chier, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Curran, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Honk, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Graham, Mr. G. W. Stephens, M.P.P., Med. J. O. Villeneuve, Mr. and Mrs. R. Forget, Mr. R. B. Angus, Mr. and Mrs. S. Beaudin, Mr. and Mrs. R. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. A. Moehet, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Tarte, Miss Tarte, Dr. F. and Mrs. de Martigny, Rev. Father J. Lalonde, S.J., Ald. and Mrs. G. W. Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. A. Merrill, Dr. H. and Mrs. Merrill, Ald. and Mrs. G. DeSerres, Mr. and Mrs. Kelson, Hon. P. E. and Madame Leblanc, Dr. J. J. and Miss Guerin, Mr. and Mrs. E. Guerin, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hammons, Mr. and Mrs. P. McKenna, Miss McKenna, Miss M. Sexton, Mr. and Mrs. Grant, Dr. and Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. and Miss Fogarty, Miss Grant, Mr. and Mrs. T. Chase Casgrain, Dr. D. Hingston, Hon. F. L. and Mrs. Beigne, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Bisailon, Mrs. G. Andrews, Miss Coyle, Mrs. and Miss Gallery, Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Liddell, Mr. and Mrs. P. Thomas Ahern, Mr. G. Max Sinn, Mr. L. A. Simpson, Valleyfield, Mr. Stevenson, Mrs. D. Levy, Miss Blanche Levy, Miss Ste. Marie, Mr. Angus Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. E. Globensky, Miss A. Bury, Miss W. Bury, Mrs. Sharpe, Miss Kaine, Mr. E. Fabre Surveyor, Mr. Paul Lacoste, Dr. F. J. Hackett, Mr. A. Phelan, Miss Sheridan, Mrs. and Miss O'Hara, Mr. J. Ogilvie, Dr. and Mrs. dos Loges, Ald. and Mrs. Bastien, Mr. and Mrs. P. Cousineau, Mrs. Wall, Mr. H. Wall, Miss Wall, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. H. Bergeron, Dr. E. J. C. Kennedy, Rev. Father Wulstan, Rev. Father Ethelbert, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Murphy.

WE HAVE RIGHTS.

To the Editor of the True Witness:

Sor,—That Irishmen must begin to assert their rights and enter with more earnestness into the arena of civic government in Montreal is becoming more apparent every day.

During the course of last week the Council decided to add two more lawyers to the number employed in the civic law department, and as one of these would be an English-speaking gentleman, Mr. Boyd was offered but refused the position, whereupon Mr. Butler's name was proposed by one of the French-Canadian aldermen. Messrs. Stearns, Sadler and Carter offered objections on the ground that Mr. Butler was a French-Canadian. Of course this was proven to be incorrect, as a consequence the above named trio demanded that Mr. Butler's name be withdrawn and the English minority be given the right to make the choice. This meant that the man to receive the appointment would come from the ranks of the Protestant section of the Bar, although there were at the time two English Protestant advocates attached to the civic law department, while the Irish element have been completely ignored as far as this department was concerned.

Now, Mr. Editor, is this justice? The Irish people of Montreal beg no favors, they simply ask for a "square deal" to use a common expression, and yet we find people who are forever talking "fair play" who would ignore the just claims of the Irish Catholic electors at every turn of our civic affairs if they thought it possible. Messrs. Sadler, Stearns and Carter should understand that the population of Montreal is made up of three great sections, and each of these has rights which should be respected.

They must not consider that the French-Canadians are what they are pleased to term the English minority are the sole factors to be reckoned with when the City Council is making appointments.

The Irish Catholics, though in the minority here, are of sufficient numbers to have a voice in our civic affairs.

As to the complaint of the aldermen above named not receiving fair treatment, I do not think it is justified. Furthermore, I do not believe the Protestant section of Montreal have any grievance as far as their representation in council and in civic offices is concerned. I think their rights are respected by the majority. If they were not, I would be one of the first to offer complaint.

CONSIDERATION.

Montreal, Jan. 2, 1906.

PERSONAL.

The Rev. Louis Lalonde, S.J., spent the feast of the Epiphany with his friends at St. Hermas and St. Scholastique.

Ill-fitting boots and shoes cause corns. Holloway's Corn Cure is the article to use. Get a bottle at once and cure your corns.

OUR BUCKINGHAM LETTER.

Christmas time is with us again, and as all good people should do we are striving to lay aside the garb of darkness and to put on the armor of light. The angelic songs of this hallowed time gladden our hearts and make us feel a responsive echo therein to each sweet note of praise peeling forth from our sacred edifices. Nevertheless we are all aware that just as during the first great advent of four thousand years, just as on the first bright Christmas morning, a wicked Herod, a listless and wayward Jerusalem, and thoughtless mobs of cringing sycophants were then to be found, so now—alas for frail humanity—we have the children of night, we have the slayers of the innocent whose hands are red with the blood of defenceless infants, we have the merciless monopolist, we have the unscrupulous and heartless usurer, who crush the heart's blood out of the poor. We have the sycophants who, though willing to hail you yesterday with hosannas for the sake of the smile of the powerful, will cry out "crucify you" to-morrow. The peace message, then, of the angelic song is not for all men. It is not for Pilate, nor for Herod, nor for the slayers of the innocent, but only for men of good will. Men of good will are those who seek first the kingdom of God and His justice, and care little how the wealthy or the powerful regard their aspirations. Just watch the Pharisees during these days who have been ringing the bell to let the public know about their contributions to the poor. Keep your eye on him and see how he tries to pose as a man of good will.

Well, it seems some of our remarks in a recent letter, which, by the way, appeared some few weeks ago, have been misunderstood. The sycophant failed to recognize himself when he held the mirror up before him. This is not surprising, knowing as we do he had such few opportunities to have himself presented to himself as he is. It should have been well understood, however, that when we spoke of the sycophant we made no reference to any of our Protestant friends. Mr. Sycophant is an individual, but his name is legion, and very sorry we are to say he passes for a Catholic, and we must admit he belongs to the body of the Church. He is never so happy as when he meets a Protestant minister and receives a gracious smile from him. Sycophant is the fellow who hastens to tell his non-Catholic neighbors how priest-ridden is this province of Quebec and how free and happy are the people in dear old Ontario and in righteous and liberty-loving Manitoba. He is the fellow who loudly protests that the affliction of having to bow to the authority of the Catholic priest in these parts is a sufficient reason for him to turn a deaf ear to the appeals of the persecuted Catholics of Manitoba and those of the Northwest Territory who have recently been threatened with persecution. Mr. Sycophant watches the powerful monopolist and the men of money in general and he bows when they bow, cries when they cry, and he smiles when they smile. He is one of those who feel so bad about Sagart's cruel laying on of the lash. When this is read he will be watched and people will remark him and point at him and notice his sweet consoling countenance when big men of money smile at him approvingly. He is ready to blow hot or cold just as the fellow on top may express a desire to. Yet, after all, poor Sycophant, even the non-Catholic preacher does not in his heart admire you. The preacher is a man of more or less intelligence and knows your spineless back will bend too and fro with the superior force of tide and wind.

The mayor, the dear good mayor, has been pained at our reference to him. We understand that he denies that he had any sort of monopoly in supplying the hardware or any other sort of material for the new hospital. We shall be happy to give his denial all the credit that is due to it, and shall not dare to gainsay it, till the contrary is sufficiently evident. What would dare to gainsay what the dear, good mayor has said? We trust his kindly-disposed heart was not pained at our remark about his being a worthy citizen. For his own dear sake we would request his honor to allow that remark to stand. His zeal for the hospital was pure, disinterested (we were very nearly saying philanthropy, but no, we mean) Christian charity. Ah! Mr. Mayor, we are not much inclined to blame you very seriously for your shortcomings, whatever they may be. You have had so many flatterers, and in some cases where we would least expect it, that the wonder is that you are not worse than you really are. It is the sycophants who hang

(Continued on Page 8.)

COLONIAL HOUSE, PHILLIPS SQUARE

Great Annual Discount Sale

Liberal Discounts in every Department, and Five Per Cent. Extra for Cash.

LADIES' FUR JACKETS

Attention is directed to a limited number of Fur Jackets which, at sale prices, are exceptional values. Electric Seal, Plain. Electric, Trimmed Mink. Electric, Trimmed Natural Squirrel. Electric, Trimmed Sable Squirrel. Electric, Trimmed Alaska Sable. Persian Lamb, Plain. Persian, Trimmed Mink. Persian, Trimmed Alaska Sable. Alaska Seal, Trimmed Mink. Also Bocharan, River Mink and Raccoon. The above lines are made for our own trade, and are guaranteed.

LACE DEPARTMENT

Limerick Lace, 50 per cent. Limerick Insertion, 50 per cent. Fancy Guipure Laces, 50 per cent. Valenciennes and Point de Paris Lace, 50 per cent. Valenciennes Lace and Insertion, 50 per cent. Sequin Robes, 20 per cent. Chiffon Wrap Veils, 50 per cent. Veiling, assorted patterns, Black and Black and White, 50 per cent. Plain Edge Chiffon, 6 inches wide, 20c yard, 50 per cent. Buster Brown Frilling Muslin, Net and Chiffon, 50 per cent. Crepe de Chine, spotted, for Scarfs, 50 per cent.

RIBBONS, HANDKERCHIEFS, NECKWEAR, ETC.

Double-faced Satin Ribbons, all shades, suitable for Fancy Work. Cushion Frills, etc., 2c, 5c, 7c, 8c, 10c. Liberty Satin Ribbons, 4 inches wide, 25c, less 50 per cent. Taffeta Ribbons, large variety of shades, 27c yard. Colored Taffeta Ribbons (special values), 28c yard. Assortment of Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 50 per cent. Initial Handkerchiefs, 1-2 inch line, 33 1-3 per cent. off. Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 1/4 inch hem, 20 per cent. Wash Neck Wear, Stocks, Collars, etc., 75 per cent. Silk Stocks, assorted, 50 per cent. Silk Ties, assorted colors, 50 per cent.

MANTLE DEPARTMENT.

300 Black and Colored Cloth Winter Mantles, original prices from \$10.00 to \$50.00. Now \$4.00.

CORSET DEPARTMENT.

P. D. CORSETS AT HALF PRICE.

\$1.15 for.....	.58	\$2.50 for.....	\$1.25
1.35 for.....	.68	2.75 for.....	1.38
1.60 for.....	.80	3.25 for.....	1.63
2.00 for.....	1.00	3.50 for.....	1.75
2.10 for.....	1.05	4.25 for.....	2.13

CUT GLASS DEPARTMENT

Great Cut Glass Sale for 3 days only, entire stock of American and Canadian Cut Glass at 25 per cent., consisting of Ice Cream Trays, Bowls, Comports, Nappies, Jugs, Sugar and Creams, Wine Sets; also entire stock of Tumblers, Wine Glasses, Finger Bowls, Ice Plates, Decanters, Nappies, Vases, etc., in Etched and Engraved Glass.

SPECIAL TABLES OF AUSTRIAN CUT GLASS

Oil Bottles, Vases, Knife Rests, Sugar and Creams, Whiskey Bottles, Jugs, Nappies, etc., etc.: 50c for 25c. \$1.00 Articles for 65c. \$1.50 for 95c. \$2.00 for \$1.25. \$2.50 for \$1.50. 100 Cut Glass Bowls, \$3.50 each.

CURTAIN DEPARTMENT

Materials for Window Curtains, Portieres, Hall Hangings, etc., in silk, tapestry, velours and other fabrics, at discounts of 10 per cent., 20 per cent., and 25 per cent. All Table Covers, less 20 per cent. discount. All Tapestry Portieres, less 10 per cent. discount. Metal and Leather Borders for Velvet Portieres, less 50 per cent. discount. Sample pairs Lace Curtains, less 25 per cent. discount. Balance of Lace Curtain stock at 10 to 20 per cent. discount. Window Shades, Curtain Poles and Pole Telemings, less 10 per cent. Cushion Tops, less 20 per cent. discount. All remnants of Curtain Materials and Upholstery goods, less 25 per cent. discount. Curtain Loops, Fringes, Gimps, Cordes, etc., less 10 per cent. discount. Arabian Laces and Insertions, less 10 per cent. discount.

CHINA DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL SALE OF DINNERSETS

ENTIRE STOCK to be reduced from 20 per cent. to 33 1-3. Dinner Sets at \$37.50, \$40, \$45, for \$30 set. Dinner Sets at \$23, \$25 for \$18 set. Stock Patterns less 10 per cent. Entire stock of Tea Sets, 25 per cent. Special lines, less 33 1-3.

WALL PAPER DEPARTMENT

Wall Papers for Parlors, Dining Rooms and Sitting Rooms, less 20 per cent. discount. Wall Papers for Halls and Dining Rooms, less 25 per cent. discount. Wall Papers for Bedrooms, Dining Rooms and Halls, less 33 1-3 per cent. discount. Wall Papers for Bedrooms, Dining Rooms, Halls and Libraries, less 50 per cent. discount. Special lines Japanese Leather Papers for Dining Rooms and Libraries, less 75 per cent. discount. Special lines Room Mouldings, less 33 1-3 per cent. discount. Dyed Burlaps, in lengths of 5, 6, 8 and 10 yards, less 33 1-3 per cent.

SILVER DEPARTMENT

15 French Bronze Statuettes, regular \$8, \$9, for \$5 each. SPECIAL SALE OF FLAT WARE. Table Spoons, \$5 doz. Dessert Spoons, \$4.25 doz. Tea Spoons, \$2.50 doz. Table Forks, \$5 doz. Dessert Forks, \$4.25 doz. Also Cream Ladles, Orange Spoons, Berry Spoons, Oyster Forks etc., etc., less 25 per cent. 75 Fancy Gilt Clocks, less 25 per cent.

ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT

Special attention is called to a Table of Electric Parisian Bronzes, \$25 and \$20, now \$15. Also Special Table of Oriental Portables, less 50 per cent. Electric and Gas Fixtures, less 20 per cent.

STATIONERY DEPARTMENT

50 Per Cent. Off.

Photo Frames. Prices 25c to \$10. Bronze Desk Ornaments. Smokers' Sets. Ash Trays. Inkstands. Silver and Gun Metal Pencil Cases

33 1-3 Per Cent. Off.

Special lot Wrist Bags. Prices \$1 to \$15. Ebony Brush and Comb Sets. Prices \$4 to \$20. Pocket Diaries for 1906.

20 Per Cent. Off.

Leather Goods.

Desk Blotting Pads. Prices 50c to \$5.00. Tourist Writing Cases. Prices \$1 to \$20. Blotters. Prices 65c to \$10. Lap Pads. Prices \$2 to \$10. Fitted Dressing Cases, Lady's and Men's. Prices \$2.50 to \$40. Jewel Cases. Prices \$1 to \$25. Music Rolls and Cases. Prices 85c to \$7. Military Brushes in Case. Prices \$2.50 to \$10. Cuff and Collar Boxes. Prices \$1.50 to \$6.50. Stick Pin Cases. Prices 75c to \$4.00. Telephone Registers. Prices 75c to \$3.00. Calendars. Prices 45c to \$2.50. Travelling Ink Wells. Prices 35c to \$1.50. Razor Cases. Prices 50c to \$2.

MEDICAL HALL

Rheumatic Rings, for prevention and cure of Rheumatism and Gout, Remarkable results have followed wearing of these rings. See copies of testimonials with window display. Plain rings, \$2.00 each; Gold cased, \$5.00. Thermalite Bags, or self-heating Water Bottles. Advantages of this bag must be seen to be fully appreciated. Kindly ask to have bag demonstrated. Five sizes, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Special discount of 10 per cent. Hot Water Bags for those who prefer them. Only the best makers are represented. Goodyear bottles, 2 quarts, white or maroon color, \$1.50 to \$3.50 each, less 20 per cent. Davol Household Bottles, from 40c to \$1.75 each, less 20 per cent. Goodyear Fountain and Combination Syringes, from \$2.25 to \$3, less 20 per cent. Davol Fountain and Combinations, from \$1.25 to \$3.75, less 20 per cent. Invalid Rings, several sizes, from \$2.50 to \$5.00, less 20 per cent. Air Cushions and Pillows, for sickness and travelling, from \$2.50 to \$3.75, less 20 per cent. Shoulder braces, all sizes, from \$1.00 to \$1.75, less 20 per cent.

HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

A great offer of first quality white lined enamelled Stew and Saucepans. Enamelled Stew and Saucepans, with tin covers, regular 60c, for 29c. Enamelled deep Stew Pans, with enamelled covers, regular 60c and 80c, for 30c. Enamelled lipped Saucepans, regular 45c and 55c, for 20c. Enamelled belled stove and stock Pots, regular 65c to \$2.25, for 25c to 99c. Odd lines of Enamelled Ware, less 50 per cent. To close a line of Enamelled Ware, less 33 1-3 per cent. Chamois Skins, a few lines at half price. Carpet Brooms, 4 strings, best make, regular 35c, for 25c. Bake and Paste Boards, with rims selected wood, regular 75c, for 49c. Bake and Paste Boards, plain, regular 50c, for 30c.

SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO MAIL ORDERS.

Henry Morgan & Co., - Montreal

RAILWAY SYSTEM

LIMITED.

On above train

NEW YORK.

Best Service.

Sunday, each way.

10 a.m., 11:10 a.m.

1:30 p.m., 10:15 p.m.

1:45 p.m., 10:30 p.m.

1:55 p.m., 10:45 p.m.

2:05 p.m., 11:00 p.m.

2:15 p.m., 11:15 p.m.

2:25 p.m., 11:30 p.m.

2:35 p.m., 11:45 p.m.

2:45 p.m., 12:00 p.m.

2:55 p.m., 12:15 p.m.

3:05 p.m., 12:30 p.m.

3:15 p.m., 12:45 p.m.

3:25 p.m., 1:00 p.m.

3:35 p.m., 1:15 p.m.

3:45 p.m., 1:30 p.m.

3:55 p.m., 1:45 p.m.

4:05 p.m., 2:00 p.m.

4:15 p.m., 2:15 p.m.

4:25 p.m., 2:30 p.m.

4:35 p.m., 2:45 p.m.

4:45 p.m., 3:00 p.m.

4:55 p.m., 3:15 p.m.

5:05 p.m., 3:30 p.m.

5:15 p.m., 3:45 p.m.

5:25 p.m., 4:00 p.m.

5:35 p.m., 4:15 p.m.

5:45 p.m., 4:30 p.m.

5:55 p.m., 4:45 p.m.

6:05 p.m., 5:00 p.m.

6:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m.

6:25 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

6:35 p.m., 5:45 p.m.

6:45 p.m., 6:00 p.m.

6:55 p.m., 6:15 p.m.

7:05 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

7:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m.

7:25 p.m., 7:00 p.m.

7:35 p.m., 7:15 p.m.

7:45 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

7:55 p.m., 7:45 p.m.

8:05 p.m., 8:00 p.m.