

In and Around Toronto

MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY.

The majority of our city Catholics have not yet visited the new cemetery of Mount Hope; nevertheless it is the ultima thule of the journeyings of most, and as such a word about it may be of interest. The annual meeting of the committee in charge suggested a visit to the spot, and the suggestion resulted in a trip on All Souls Day. The outing is quite an extensive one and those contemplating it merely as an outing, had better start early in the afternoon. If you are the fortunate possessor of a carriage your way will take you continuously up Yonge street for about two miles past St. Michael's, after which a turn directly east takes you along a smooth road right to the cemetery gate; entering you may continue along the broad walks of the interior and view your surroundings without once leaving your comfortable equipage. If you belong to the great army of the rank and file who have to depend on the street cars as a means of locomotion, the Yonge street car with a transfer to the Metropolitan, transports one the greater part of the distance, after which a smart walk of about ten minutes brings you to the new city of the dead. The entrance is quite attractive, a pretty white fence enclosing the large stretch of land known as Mount Hope. The gate is large and supported by tall white pillars each surmounted by a pretty cross; the fence, with its widely open gate, is seen from the street-car, and seems alluringly near. But the test journey finds the walk longer than appearances seem to promise. The first sight of the Mecca of our journeying is quite inviting; a neat and pretty house for the caretaker is just within the entrance. It contains two the office where all business is transacted, and transacted apparently in a very business-like way. The office itself is immaculately clean, bright and neat. The books in which the records are kept seem to offer no opportunity for adverse criticism, and a mistake or loss of location under the system adopted at Mount Hope seems an impossibility. When a new tenant arrives, an account is entered of everything relating to his identification, the name, age, date of death, cause of same, doctor in attendance, and so on, are all entered; a number is also given to each and an index book is on hand to which a moment's reference will give the number and page in the book containing the full details. In this manner, even after the lapse of many years, information can be got at a moment's notice. Another book is kept with the plan of each plot or grave; these are all measured and certified to by an authorized architect and the allotment of each may be ascertained to the very inch. Mount Hope contains fifty-two acres of land; a good deal of this is altogether devoted to trees and presents a pleasant, sunny slope, where, in keeping with popular sentiment the sunshine may rest lovingly on the lowly beds of the quiet sleepers. The general tendency of the land is that of a gentle incline and where nature was negligent in this respect, art came to her assistance, and a good deal of work in the way of leveling has been done by the committee in charge. Part of the ground is as yet a thick bush, much labor will of course be necessary before this part can be put to its proposed use. Some innovations are noticed by comparison with our older cemetery—St. Michael's. In the new one a uniformity of surface is everywhere seen; the old familiar mounds to which so much poetry and sentiment has attached itself in the past are no longer in evidence; no visible line of demarcation tells of the exact occupancy of the dear dead, the stone or mark, if their be one, of course gives some indication, but somehow the once familiar forms seem much further away and so much more intangible when covered by the unsuggestive though green and smooth surface. On the other hand this sameness of level has its advantages; all the graves will be uniform with regard to care and attention, no forgotten and neglected spot will form a contrast for another; a higher tariff will be charged at the beginning after which nothing more will be exacted for special care. In this way one is assured, even though many miles distant, and though years may have elapsed, that the graves of the always loved ones are not uncared for or neglected. There are at present four hundred and seventy-five graves in the new cemetery, but as it is several times larger than St. Michael's and as the latter formed a last resting place for about twenty-one thousand, it is easily calculated that unless some great epidemic overtakes Toronto it will not be within the time of the present generation, nor will it be within the jurisdiction of the present committee that the work of selecting a new God's Acre for the city will be accomplished. Many handsome and durable monuments are already at Mount Hope, chief of which is the beautiful Ryan Mausoleum, which to describe would take an article in itself. Most of the monuments are in line with the expressed wish of the Archbishop in the matter of bearing somewhere in their make-up the sign of Christianity, and if I am not mistaken in my instance there are many remains of paganism as typified by the urn and flowing crenelated of other cemeteries. If Mount Hope loses anything in the matter of pathos and poetic sentiment as compared with St. Michael's, it on the other hand gains much by the natural beauty of the situation and the up-to-date and business-like manner in which things seem to be conducted.

NEW MONUMENT AT ST. MICHAEL'S.

A monument has lately been erected on the plot of Mr. Matthew O'Connor at St. Michael's cemetery. The result is a very handsome piece of workmanship in grey granite, the pedestal being of smooth unpolished stone, while the upper one presents a finely polished surface on which are tablets with memorials of the departed members of the family, the whole crowned by a beautifully designed Celtic Cross. Quite a bit of history pertains to this monument, or under it, the remains of another Matthew O'Connor, the grandfather of the present well-known bearer of that name and the first of the family to make Toronto his home.

Here, however, his residence was not of long duration. Coming out in 1832, he shortly afterwards died of cholera. Eight years after, in 1840, the father of the present Matthew O'Connor followed with his family, and making search for the burial place of the first pioneer of the family, found it on the spot where St. Mary's church now stands. A sheet of tin bearing a rough inscription led to the identity of the grave and the remains themselves were still capable of identification. Under the new monument at St. Michael's the pioneer Matthew O'Connor is laid together with later members of the family, and with him is buried the sheet of tin which proved a useful though humble means to his recognition.

MISS MARGARET ANGLIN ILL.

The daily papers tell us of the illness of Toronto's talented actress, Miss Margaret Anglin. Nervous prostration brought on by overwork is said to be the cause; it is, however, thought that a few days rest will restore Miss Anglin to her usual health and that she will be able to continue her work as of old.

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE AGAIN WINS.

In the Rugby match between St. Michael's College team and the Denials, played a few days ago on the Varsity campus, St. Michael's were easy winners with the score of 13 to 0. St. Michael's team was: Pickett, Foster, Murphy, Buckol, Doolin, McGaw, Boyle, Gavin, Waters, Swaibe, Staley, Monaghan and McCoole.

THE EIGHTH OF THE MONTH.

The call for special devotions on Tuesday of this week, the eighth of the month, is the last before the great day for which all the others of the year have been but days of preparation. Even now bishops and prelates of every rank are hastening to the Eternal City to take part in the celebration which promises to be the most magnificent of modern times. We in Toronto shall only catch the echo of things passing and as we are creatures dependent to a great extent for a knowledge of things through our senses, it would seem as if it were altogether impossible for us to enter into the spirit of the time in the same way as those who will find themselves in the heart of Catholicity, where all things that can conduce to an understanding of the occasion will be presented to the ear and eye, and that, too, under the most intensely Catholic coloring possible. Even our neighbors in the Lower Provinces will see things differently, the citizens of Montreal being exhorted by their departing prelate to illuminate their houses and prepare as for a grand public holiday. Circumstances in Toronto prohibit a similar demonstration, at the same time the devotion with which the day of preparation has been remembered throughout the year augurs well for as zealous a participation as possible in the world-wide celebration of the semi-centennial of the great dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT OF ST. JOSEPH'S HIGH CLASS.

The Annual Commencement of St. Joseph's High Class for girls, took place in the hall of the La Salle Institute on Monday at 3.30 p.m. A large gathering of the parents and friends of the pupils had assembled to witness the exercises and amongst others were noticed the Very Rev. J. J. McCann, V.G., Rev. F. Bourke, Rev. A. Stubb, C.S.S.R., Rev. C. McGrand, Rev. J. Hand, Rev. C. Cantillon, Rev. P. Lamarche, Rev. T. O'Donnell, Rev. W. A. McCann, Rev. C. Creamer, Rev. R. Bourke, C.S.B., Rev. Bro. Odo, Rev. Bro. Michael, Mr. D. Carey, Mr. Power, and Government Inspector Prendergast. When the curtain rose it revealed about one hundred bright and lady-like young girls ranged in tiers upon the platform, a programme of instrumental and vocal music, interspersed by readings, was then presented by the pupils in a most creditable manner. A violin solo, "The Angel's Serenade," was executed by a young performer, Miss Elsie Kane, in a manner which gave much promise for the future, and the recitations "Matins" and "Ave Maria" by Miss Cecilia Johnson and Miss Mary Connors respectively, left nothing to be desired in the way of intelligent interpretation. Certificates for Junior Leaving and Matriculation awarded by the Education Department and Toronto University, and Commercial Diplomas awarded by the Dominion Business College, were then presented, the winners being the Misses Lillian Reilly, Charlotte Renzie, Zita Dickson, Julia McGue, Maggie Vahey, Annie McMan, Lizzie Donoghue, Josephine Vahy, Cecilia Muldoon, Irene Watson, Mamie Carter, Evelyn Brown, Lena Connolly, Nellie Currie, Edith Higginbottom, Mamie Fulton, Olive Henry, Emily O'Leary. The Gold Medal presented by Rev. W. A. McCann, for the highest number of marks obtained at the Entrance from the city separate schools was awarded to Miss Anna Dee of St. Francis' School. A special prize for the highest marks at Entrance from St. Mary's school, presented by Very Rev. J. J. McCann, V.G., was obtained by Miss Josephine McMurn. After the distribution of certificates and diplomas, Very Rev. Vicar-General McCann addressed the gathering. He congratulated the pupils on the most pleasurable entertainment they had provided and made special mention of their singing as a most satisfactory exhibition of what is being done in this direction in the schools throughout the city; in this connection he complimented Mr. Donville, musical Director, on the success attending his work and assured him of its appreciation by himself and the other members of the Board. The Vicar-General also complimented the teachers and parents of the pupils, saying they might indeed be proud of them and of the work they were doing as shown in the results that afternoon. Before closing he expressed his regret that better high school accommodation was not afforded under present conditions, and further stated that he believed the time opportune for the asking and obtaining of a Catholic high school for the city. Rev. Father Hand and Mr. D. Carey made each a short address in which the remarks of the former speaker were endorsed, the necessity for a new Catholic high school in particular being emphatically stated. Mr. W. Prendergast, Inspector of the

schools, also addressed the pupils. He spoke of the strenuous life which women were entering more fully upon day after day, and reminded the young girls whom he addressed that whilst this was quite legitimate it was necessary to remember that womanly dignity was never to be sacrificed and that home was the domain of which she was never to forego—the graceful and womanly superiority. Mr. Prendergast also stated that last year the attendance of Catholics at the university was eighty, and expressed a hope that this number would be yearly increased, and that more might be encouraged to go on for the higher education of the school. The chorus, "Our Immaculate Mother," followed by "God Save the King," brought the interesting event to a close.

CANADIAN CATHOLIC UNION EXHIBITION.

What promises to be an interesting and somewhat unique event at the exhibition of Reproductions of Religious Pictures to be held in the galleries of the Ontario Society of Artists, 165 King street west, from November 12th to 26th. The venture is under the auspices of the Canadian Catholic Union, and the object is "to present a collection of reproductions of superior quality in the hope of supplanting the too prevalent quality that now circulates. "Having annual exhibitions of this kind so frequently met with and which are often foisted upon well intentioned, though simple, people, who, because those so called pictures come to them under the name of religious representations, imagine they are bound to receive and respect them, it must be conceded that if the Canadian Catholic Union are able to remove this impression even in a small degree, that this in itself will be a recompense for their work. The exhibition will be opened by Very Rev. Vicar-General McCann on Saturday evening, when Professor Fraser of Toronto University will give a lecture with lantern illustrations on "Religious Art in Italy." This auspicious beginning ought to insure the patronage of the entire Catholic population of the city. Tickets for entrance are placed at the nominal charge of six for twenty-five cents and may be had either from the Secretary, J. P. Hynes, or at the galleries.

ST. PATRICK'S COMMANDERY ENTERTAINMENT.

St. Patrick's Commandery No. 212, and the Ladies' Auxiliary, No. 4, Knights of St. John, will hold their annual entertainment in St. George's Hall on Thanksgiving Eve, November 16th. The affair promises to be up to its usual pleasant and high class standing and an enjoyable hour is certain for all who care to avail themselves of the opportunity. Tickets may be obtained from the President, Mr. J. Neville, or from Miss E. Goeltke, Secretary.

THE LADIES WERE THANKED.

At all the masses on Sunday last at St. Patrick's church, mention was made of the new rules affecting the choir. Referring to the withdrawal of the ladies from participation in the musical services of the church, the different speakers from the pulpits expressed their appreciation of the work done by the ladies of the choir in the past; their fidelity and perseverance had made their choir such that it was surpassed by none in the city; great regret was experienced at dispensing with their services, but in accordance with orders it had to be done. The members of the choir are now under special preparation and at the beginning of Advent will take entire work of the choir.

WINNER OF SCHOLARSHIP.

Miss Evelyn O'Donoghue, who some time ago was a winner in a scholarship contest for vocalists at the Conservatory of Music, has now added to her laurels by becoming the winner of Miss Gordon's scholarship for piano given at the same institution. Excelsior!

MASON—MARTIN.

On Saturday, Nov. 5th, the marriage of Mr. Harry G. Mason, second son of Col. Mason of the Home and Savings Bank, took place at St. Mary's church, the bride being Miss Catherine Martin of that parish, and the ceremony being performed by the Very Rev. Vicar-General McCann.

REV. FATHER CREAMER TALKS ON CHILL.

Rev. Father Creamer, son of Mr. J. Creamer of this city, is here on a visit, after a period of nine years of work among the people of Chili. On Sunday last the Rev. gentleman gave the collectors and ALAE Society of the Donoghue, Josephine Vahy, Cecilia Muldoon, Irene Watson, Mamie Carter, Evelyn Brown, Lena Connolly, Nellie Currie, Edith Higginbottom, Mamie Fulton, Olive Henry, Emily O'Leary. The Gold Medal presented by Rev. W. A. McCann, for the highest number of marks obtained at the Entrance from the city separate schools was awarded to Miss Anna Dee of St. Francis' School. A special prize for the highest marks at Entrance from St. Mary's school, presented by Very Rev. J. J. McCann, V.G., was obtained by Miss Josephine McMurn. After the distribution of certificates and diplomas, Very Rev. Vicar-General McCann addressed the gathering. He congratulated the pupils on the most pleasurable entertainment they had provided and made special mention of their singing as a most satisfactory exhibition of what is being done in this direction in the schools throughout the city; in this connection he complimented Mr. Donville, musical Director, on the success attending his work and assured him of its appreciation by himself and the other members of the Board. The Vicar-General also complimented the teachers and parents of the pupils, saying they might indeed be proud of them and of the work they were doing as shown in the results that afternoon. Before closing he expressed his regret that better high school accommodation was not afforded under present conditions, and further stated that he believed the time opportune for the asking and obtaining of a Catholic high school for the city. Rev. Father Hand and Mr. D. Carey made each a short address in which the remarks of the former speaker were endorsed, the necessity for a new Catholic high school in particular being emphatically stated. Mr. W. Prendergast, Inspector of the

DEATH OF MR. EDWARD WALSH.

At 63 Gloucester street, the home of his father, Mr. James Walsh, on Monday, 7th inst., the death occurred of Mr. Edward Walsh, who, though ailing for some time, was not judged to be in a serious condition as resulting from the pneumonia of a few days' proved fatal. Mr. Walsh was the brother of Mr. James Walsh, real estate agent, and Mr. Frank Walsh of the city hall, also of Mr. John Walsh of Napanee and Miss Walsh of Toronto. Funeral from St. Basil's church, to St. Michael's Cemetery on Wednesday morning. R.I.P.

THE ART GALLERY.

Since writing the above notice of the exhibition to be held under the auspices of the Canadian Catholic Union an opportunity has arisen to visit the gallery where the collection of pictures is to be seen. Here things promise to be in a state of readiness for the Saturday opening. Many of the pictures are already hung and others lie ready for placing. A visit to the gallery will probably dispel many popular ideas on the subject; this is not so much an exhibition of pictures as an exhibition of art; it is not a gathering together of vivid colors and attractive frames, but a collection supposed to suggest what is true and beautiful in the conception of a subject. No picture is exhibited for its intrinsic value, but for what it is supposed to teach of correct and acknowledged rules of art, with particular application to Catholic doctrine and sentiment in the church and at home. Amongst the contribution are found some from the well-known Copley Prints, the Perry Pictures, and from A. W. Elson & Co., Mr. R. A. Cram and W. Wythe, all of Boston. Specimens of architecture and photos are also seen from John T. Comes, Pittsburg, and from Mr. B. Walker of this city. Copies of different Catholic periodicals are also on hand, and these while they serve to diversify things, may also introduce themselves into places heretofore unknown.

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SUDDEN DEATH OF THOMAS CASSIDY.

On Sunday last Mr. Thomas Cassidy, who resided with his daughter, Mrs. James Murphy at 17 Bellair street, died very unexpectedly. He had attended mass as usual, but shortly afterwards while in conversation with the members of the household, was seized by an affection of the heart which in a very short time terminated fatally. The funeral took place from the above address on Wednesday morning to St. Basil's church, thence to St. Michael's cemetery. R.I.P.

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ENTRY Entry may be made personally at the local land office in the District in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the Local Agent for the district in which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of \$10 is charged for a homestead entry.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plans: (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother. (3) If a settler was entitled to and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead.

(4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land. The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same township or an adjoining, or cornering township. A settler who avails himself of the provisions of Clauses (2), (3) or (4) must cultivate 30 acres of his homestead, or substitute 20 head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 80 acres substantially fenced. The privilege of a second entry is restricted by law to those settlers only who completed the duties upon their first homesteads to entitle them to patent on or before the 2nd June, 1889.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled, and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT Should be made at the end of the three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of his intention to do so.

INFORMATION Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg, or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the North-west Territories information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing lands to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba; or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or the North-west Territories.

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