

CHISHOLM MEMORIAL MONASTERY

An event of a moving significance was the formal opening on Armistice Day of the Chisholm Memorial Monastery in Alexandria.

The following extract from the address read by the Rev. Dr. J. E. McRae indicates the origin and significance of the Chisholm Memorial: "The Chisholm Memorial Monastery of the Precious Blood is the realization of a long standing and oft expressed desire of one of Alexandria's own sons, Archbishop Mark Chisholm of Duluth, to erect in the town of his birth a religious monument to the memory of his father and mother, whose main object in life was to rear a family, whose members would be actively and fervently Catholic and conscious of the worth of true citizenship."

"It is a token of this family's loyalty to religion, of their deep mutual family affection and of their readiness to share with others the blessings placed within their reach. It is a testimony of faith in intercessory prayer and a thankoffering for many favors received from Almighty God.

This historic event opened with a Solemn High Mass in St. Pius's Cathedral, in the presence of a great throng of people. Promptly at 10.30 the choir sang the hymn "Ecce Sacerdos Magnus" as preceded by the crossbearer and acolytes, His Grace Archbishop M. J. Spratt, Metropolitan of the Archdiocese of Kingston, accompanied by Revs. E. J. Macdonald and J. A. Huot entered the Cathedral and duly took his seat on a specially erected throne, in the sanctuary to the right.

The Bishop of Alexandria followed almost immediately, having with him Right Rev. Mgr. D. E. McDonald and Rev. A. McRae, joining at the foot of the altar Right Rev. Mgr. George Corbet, P. A., V. G., celebrant of the solemn High Mass, with Rev. J. J. MacDonell, as Deacon and Rev. A. L. Cameron, Sub-Deacon, also Rev. D. A. McPhee, Master of Ceremonies.

In the sanctuary were Revs. Father Bartlett, S. J., Rector of Loyola College, Montreal; Dr. J. E. McRae, Rector, China Mission College, Scarborough, Rev. D. J. McDougald, C. S. S. R., Rector, St. Anne's Church, Montreal, Rev. L. Staley, P. F. Chesterville, Very Rev. M. J. Leahy, Rev. D. W. Campbell, Duncan MacDonald, J. W. Dulin, Corbet McRae, A. L. MacDonald, C. F. Gauthier, Chas. Bishop, D. Secours, and H. Bougie of the Diocese of Alexandria.

The main and side altars were profusely decorated with chrysanthemums, ferns, etc., and the Cathedral was never seen to better advantage.

The centre aisles were reserved for the Reverend Sisters of the several Religious Orders represented at the ceremony, invited guests and visitors from neighboring parishes. During the course of the modest and manly reply to the address Mr. Chisholm said:

"From my parents I received those happy counsels and examples that measure the true worth of life. Religion was at the root of the directing purpose. The generation that surrounded me in Glangarry lived by a faith for which their forefathers sacrificed much. Because of these influences one always found it easier to keep nearer the true balance in life. Therefore, if I have had some measure of success and found some happiness in life, I do feel that this is due, after God, to my good parents and to the surroundings of my youth in old Glangarry. If, then, this institution be, in any way, a recognition of the debt that I, in my turn owe to God, to my parents and to Glangarry I am content and happy."

CANON SHEEHAN MEMORIAL

A bronze memorial on a limestone pedestal representing in life size and in familiar attitude the famous Irish priest-novelist, Very Rev. Canon Sheehan, was recently unveiled at the entrance to the church grounds at Donerale, County Cork, where the author of "My New Curate" and other well-known works was pastor for many years.



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The actual unveiling was performed by the Right Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Cloyne, following a Solemn High Mass at which His Lordship presided and of which the Rev. Father Browne, S. J., of Dublin, was the celebrant.

Father M. J. Phelan, S. J., who spoke at the public meeting which followed said Canon Sheehan was too large a personality to be confined to one parish. The four shores of Ireland were scarce wide enough. His reputation as a writer was a national asset. The entire nation was proud of her brilliant son, and jealously watched their efforts to do justice to his memory and safeguard his fame. He had linked the name of Donerale to immortality. Canon Sheehan laid hold of the novel and made it an instrument to elevate and spiritualize the lives of men. He made all his characters subordinate to the grand purpose of flinging on the canvas the inner life of the entire nation, Ireland, in sunshine and shade, smiling through her tears out from every page.

NEW BOOKS

"Mary Rose Keeps House." By Mary Mabel Wirries. Cloth. Frontispiece. Net \$1.25. Postage paid.

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Because this is the story of Mary Rose at home it will be of special interest to parish school girls. Unlike boarding-school books, the incidents told here are close to their own experience.

"The Home Virtues." More Friendly Counsels on Home Happiness. By Francis X. Doyle, S. J. 12mo, cloth. Frontispiece. \$1.50. Postage paid.

This is a companion volume to the same author's "The Home World," but more helpfully suggestive and practical in treatment. The rights and obligations of every member of the family, the means of insuring mutual love and lasting peace, the necessity of avoiding the perils peculiar to our own times, all these are developed to excellent effect.

That such a book should be written is obvious. But to write a book that would be read by those to whom it is directed is another matter. Father Doyle met the problem squarely. "The Home Virtues" is an intimate, friendly book; it starts with a smile that is lost only temporarily when the seriousness of the subject demands it. Generalizations are consistently avoided. Solutions are offered and suggestions are made indirectly by the characters in the various family scenes described.

Because of the good humor and clarity and abundance of illustrations, the book is ideally suited to the average layman or woman. For the same reason priests will find it valuable in preparing sermons on the many practical subjects treated here.

"Whisperings of The Caribbean." Reflections of a Missionary. By Joseph Williams, S. J. Cloth. Illustrated. Net \$2.25.

Jamaica, the "Isle of Springs," the "Garden of the Indies," discovered by Columbus on his second voyage, after a century and a half of Spanish rule seized by Cromwellian soldiers, the home of pirates, and the locale of nature's most appalling catastrophes, the land of weird and grotesque customs transported from African jungles—this is the subject of this remarkable story.

So terrific and sudden are the atmospheric changes and disturbances in this tropical land that one would naturally wonder how anyone could cling to it as a habitation, did one not learn, from the author's intimate acquaintance with them, of the natives' innate buoyant spirit. For many years he lived the life of the "bush," and is able therefore to share sympathetically their hopes and expectations no less than their trials and difficulties.

"The Living Presence." By Rev. Hugh O'Lavery. Cloth. \$2.00. This welcome addition to Eucharistic literature incorporates reflections which will do much to encourage a greater love for the Blessed Sacrament, a deeper understanding of its intrinsic value, and a keener appreciation for the beautiful ceremonies of the Church—in particular, Benediction and the Holy Hour. Also, it will arouse the reader's desire to attain ultimate sanctification through the grace of heartfelt prayer.

Father O'Lavery is a firm believer in early and frequent Communion for children, maintaining that waywardness in youth is no sign of immorality, but rather a case of spiritual starvation. A book such as this, the keynote of which is the comparative "easiness of salva-

tion," will be of interest to the over-scrupulous; for, as the author affirms over and over again, if we consistently nourish our souls with the heavenly food of the Holy Eucharist, the Great Reward is practically assured.

To those engaged in the training of the young, and to the confessor guiding the precious souls of his penitents, this book will prove a source of inspiration. Chapters worthy of particular attention are: The Blessed Eucharist, A Perpetuation of the Life of Christ; The Saints and the Blessed Eucharist; Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament; and the four fruits of Holy Communion: Supernatural Fortitude, Strength, Nourishment and Increased Efficacy of Prayer.

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CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY

DELEGATES MEET AT RENFREW FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION

Renfrew, Nov. 10.—Catholics were gathered here today from various parts of the Dominion for the annual meeting of the Catholic Truth Society. The program of the convention which occupied the day consisted of a pontifical High Mass at ten o'clock in St. Francis Xavier church, a business session in the Knights of Columbus hall and a luncheon in the Hotel Renfrew.

The business session of the convention, which was presided over by Rev. Father F. J. O'Sullivan of Port Hope, was devoted to the election of officers and receiving reports. Archbishop McNeill, of Toronto, in an address recommended the course of action for the year in order to accomplish cooperation and united effort. The president, in a short address outlined the work of the past year and stated that now the society is in the best standing of its history. He stated that a debt of \$4,000 which the society carried at the first of the year had been completely wiped out.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The officers elected for the ensuing year are:

Spiritual director: In each diocese, the bishop of the place; honorary president: Sir Bertram, C. A. Windle, M. D., F. R. S., K. S. G., Toronto; president: Rev. F. J. O'Sullivan, P. P., Port Hope, Ont.; vice presidents: Mrs. B. C. McCann, pres. C. W. L., London, Ont.; Mr. Justice N. D. Beck, Edmonton; Herbert Cottingham, Winnipeg; A. R. W. Pimms, Toronto; C. J. Gihlooly, Toronto; honorary secretary: Mr. J. F. Boland, Toronto; honorary treasurer: Mr. Thos. Costello, Toronto; recording secretary: Mr. M. S. Kelly, Toronto.

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Publication committee: Sir Bertram C. A. Windle, M. D., F. R. S., K. S. G., Toronto, (chairman); Right Rev. Mgr. J. A. O'Sullivan, president. St. Augustine's seminary; Rev. Father McCorkell, C. S. B., president. St. Michael's college, Toronto; Rev. J. J. O'Gorman, D. C. L., Ottawa, Ont.; Rev. E. J. Devine, S. J., editor Canadian Messenger of the Sacred Heart.

The pontifical Mass with which the convention was opened was chanted by Bishop Ryan, of Pembroke. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. R. O'Gorman, of Cobalt, while in a few well chosen words Bishop Ryan welcomed the convention to his diocese and promised the cooperation of both his clergy and laity in furthering the aims of the society.

Close to a hundred delegates attended the luncheon. Right Rev. Mgr. F. L. French, parish priest of Renfrew, extended his welcome to the outside delegates.

OTTAWA SCRIPTURE WEEK

To prepare for the convention and also to meet the Canadian president at a special meeting of the executive of the Ottawa branch of the Catholic Truth Society was held in the Blessed Sacrament Glee-house, Ottawa, last night.

At this meeting it was announced that the Ottawa branch would conduct its second annual Holy Scripture Week in January and that it had secured Rev. Francis J. Carroll, of St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto, to give the lectures. The great success of last year's Holy Scripture Week has determined the Ottawa branch executive to make it an annual event. The annual meeting of the Ottawa branch will be held in December.

When introducing Father O'Sullivan Dr. O'Gorman remarked that yesterday had been the 84th birthday of the Catholic Truth Society of Ottawa. It had been organized on November 8, 1891, under the presidency of Sir John Thompson. Of the first executive three members were present at last night's meeting, Mr. W. L. Scott, K. C., now

president; Mr. E. L. Sanders, secretary, and Mr. William Kearns. An instructive address was given by Father O'Sullivan and matters to be decided at the convention in Renfrew were discussed.

It was decided to propose to the convention, that each Branch of the Catholic Truth Society should contribute to the Head Office one dollar for every member—a resolution which the convention adopted unanimously.

LOUVAIN UNIVERSITY BEGINS 500TH YEAR

By Rev. J. Van der Hayden (Louvain Correspondent, N. C. W. C.)

The five hundredth year of the existence of the University of Louvain was inaugurated with the Solemn High Mass of the Holy Ghost and the other elaborate ceremonies which always mark the opening of the scholastic year. The opening of Louvain is one of the great annual events in Belgium. This year in the rector's address some of the innovations announced are: the establishment of courses of lectures on Greek Orthodox Theology in line with the Pope's interest in the reunion of the Christian Churches and lecture courses on art, history, and political economy for medical students, as a means of developing their general culture. It was also announced that due to the generous response by the Belgian people, the buildings which will house the Cancer Institute established in connection with the Medical Department of the University, are now under construction. The radium pavilion which is to be placed in charge of Professor Mainis, is near completion.

DIED

WALSH.—At his late residence, 431 Piccadilly Street, London, Ont., on Monday, November 16, 1925, Patrick Walsh, in his eighty-third year. May his soul rest in peace.

JORDAN.—At St. Joseph's Hospital, London, on Wednesday, November 4, 1925, Mrs. Mary Jordan, beloved wife of Michael Jordan, and only daughter of Timothy Toohy of Detroit. May her soul rest in peace.

MACDONALD.—At Ottawa, on Oct. 30th, 1925, Elizabeth Ann Flanagan, widow of the late John A. MacDonald, in her seventy-eighth year. Funeral from her late residence 73 Daly Ave. to St. Joseph's Church, interment at Alexandria. May her soul rest in peace.

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