

I. C. B. U.

EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The Eighth Annual Convention of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union of Canada, was held in Stratford, in the hall of the Catholic Literary and Benevolent Society, (No. 26. I. C. B. U.) on the 11th and 12th of August.

Before the delegates assembled in Convention High Mass was celebrated in St. Joseph's Church, by the Rev. Father Roman, Chaplain of the Stratford Society.

After Mass the delegates having met in the hall of the Catholic Literary and Benevolent Society, the Secretary, Mr. John Corkery, said that owing to the unavoidable absence of the President, Mr. E. McMahon, it became necessary according to Sec. 5 of Art. IV. of the Constitution, for the Convention to elect a chairman to preside until the election of officers took place. Mr. John Coughlin, of Belleville, was then upon motion elected chairman.

The chair having been taken by Mr. Coughlin, Mr. E. O'Flaherty, read the following address—

To the Delegates of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union of Canada, in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—With deep feelings of pleasure the members of the Catholic Literary and Benevolent Society greet you with a cordial welcome. We are happy to receive you as brothers, and as representatives of the societies divided by distance in the different cities and towns of our country, but linked together by our Union.

Inspired by feelings arising from the common aims which unite us, it seems to-day in receiving you as our visitors that we are all so many friends assembled together. You have come as delegates of the various societies of our Union to promote their interests and the principles which they have at heart, and to preserve the bond which unites them together. We trust that, under divine guidance, your deliberations, governed by prudence and wisdom, will be fruitful in the direction of increasing the welfare and prosperity of all our united societies.

We are proud as members of a society which is one of the youngest in the Union, to possess the honour of having our hall as the seat of the Convention of 1880. From our hearts we welcome you among us, and we hope that having spent the short time of your sojourn in our midst, your recollections of these few days will be happy and long remembered. On our part we know that we will always look back to them with pride and pleasure, and they will be forever treasured as among the most cherished of our remembrances.

On behalf of the Society, E. O'FLAHERTY, President.

The reading of the address was greeted with applause by the assembled delegates.

The Chairman responded in appropriate terms on behalf of the visiting delegates.

THE CONVENTION.

The Convention having been called to order, the credentials of the several delegates were presented and found satisfactory.

THE SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented his annual report, which, on motion, was received and referred to the auditors.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

The following amendment to Art V. was made, making it section 5.

"Any Society not represented by a delegate at a Convention of the Union shall pay in addition to its per capita tax the sum of five dollars, this sum to be payable at the date of the Convention. In default of payment of this sum such Society shall be liable to the same penalties as are provided in regard to non-payment of per capita tax by Sec. 3, Art. VII.

COLONIZATION.

On motion, the Executive were instructed to gather as full information as possible in the matter of colonization, with the object of forming a Bureau of information on the subject and also to prepare a scheme for colonization, to be submitted at the next Convention.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Auditors presented a report showing the financial report of Secretary Treasurer as being correct.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected with the following result: President, J. James, Kehoe, Stratford, Vice-President, J. Coughlin, Belleville, Secretary-Treasurer, John Corkery, Peterboro.

NEXT CONVENTION.

The time and place of the next Convention were brought up, and it was decided to be held in Toronto on the third Tuesday in Aug., 1881.

300 copies of amendment to constitution were ordered to be printed and placed in copies of Constitution at present in hands of Secretary. The balance to be sent pro rata to the several societies. After votes of thanks to local Society and to the chairman, the Convention adjourned.

The above is a synopsis of the chief matters brought before the Convention, and the delegates having concluded their labors remained over to enjoy the festivities prepared by the local Society.

THE PIC-NIC.

The picnic on the afternoon of the 12th, was held in Avondale grove, a beautiful retreat in the suburbs of the town, a lengthy list of games was contested to the seemingly entire satisfaction of all, even those who had lost the prize appeared to take things in good part, and were satisfied that if they were not the winners, their friends were more fortunate.

The dancing pavilion was, however the centre of attraction, and kept its crowds driving the greater portion of the afternoon. The music supplied was excellent.

THE ASSEMBLY.

In the evening the members of the Society and their friends, numbering some 75 couples assembled in Princess Hall and thoroughly enjoyed themselves until the " wee sma' hours." About midnight an excellent supper was served in one of the rooms of the Liberal Club.

To the management placed in charge must be attributed the success of the days' entertainment. A single hitch not occurring to mar their pleasure.

The delegates will have reason to look back with pleasure to the enjoyable time they spent during their stay in the "Shakespearean City."

REV. BROTHER ARNOLD.

We had the extreme pleasure of grasping the hand of the best-known and most beloved Irishman in the Dominion of Canada on Thursday morning last—Rev. Brother Arnold, now of Montreal, but formerly of Toronto. During the residence of Brother Arnold in

Toronto he did more than all other men to instill a patriotic spirit into the Irish element in that city. He takes pride in seeing Irishmen united the world over, and wherever he is located, he looks upon it as his duty to unite them. Brother Arnold is a native of the historic Glen of Aherlow, in the county of Tipperary, Ireland, and belongs to a family which has given priests to the church and patriots to Ireland; and we say it without flattery that there is no Irishman alive who loves his native land better or works harder for her independence than does this religious son of gallant Tipperary. Brother Arnold established the De LaSalle Institute in Toronto a college widely known and patronized by the best people of Canada and the United States, and which is in a flourishing condition. Brother Arnold has been offered and has accepted for his Order one hundred acres of land at the Gore of Toronto, by his Lordship Bishop Lynch, where he is about to establish a novitiate for the training of young men who have a desire to consecrate their lives to the glory of God and the Catholic youths of the country. We wish Brother Arnold and the saintly Order of De LaSalle success in all their undertakings.

Brother Arnold is accompanied on his Western visit by Brother Halward, the Director of the Order in Kingston, Ont. We hope their sojourn will be pleasant while in the Metropolis of the West.—Western Catholic.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION.

The Citizens of Ogdensburg to Brother Cregan.

On Sunday evening, August 15th, the Rev. Brother Cregan, now of Montreal, but formerly Principal of the Cathedral school of this city, was the recipient of a hearty oration, tendered him by his former pupils, on the occasion of his visit to the Maple City.

It was a tribute of love and gratitude by those generous youths, whom he had for years aided in their struggles to literary honors and classical distinctions. At a quarter-past seven, the reception room of St. Philip Neri's Academy was thronged with young gentlemen from all quarters of the city and adjacent country, who came to enhance, by their presence, the solemnity of the occasion. The following beautiful and touching address was then read by Master William Murphy.

REV. JAMES CREGAN.—With cheerful promptitude we avail ourselves of this occasion, your thrice welcome visit, to give utterance to the cherished feelings long glowing in our breasts. The fruition of such favors, as marked your sojourn in our midst justifies the attempt. This we shall do briefly, and with a sincerity, precluding all mean adulation.

The burning zeal with which you were animated for our physical training, our mental and moral culture, but, more than all, the unswerving fidelity to promote and quicken our love of God and national patriotism, will disprove any imputed shallow sentimentality. We distinctly remember the many good advices and wholesome counsels, you formerly gave us, when the mission of Ogdensburg, was but in its infancy.

We assure you, Rev. Brother, the priceless pearls, which then fell from your lips, evoked a sympathetic echo in the golden recesses of our hearts. And there is no Catholic mind, nor Irish heart, in this city, which does not feel a voluntary impulse of gratitude towards the well known name of Brother Cregan. Was it not you, who, seated at your desk, in the little parlour, taught us to respect and cherish the Irish blood which flows so purely through our veins? Yes, and a burning zeal to promote the welfare of our imperishable monuments of the burning zeal and melting generosity of your truly Celtic heart, and the unquenchable love which blazes within your noble bosom.

Oh! why were you destined to leave us? What did we do to merit passing through such a cruel ordeal? Lovingly did we back in the swiftest of our feet, and listen to the merry ripple of your silvery laughter, but a dark day came when you were snatched from our midst, and we were left to mourn your loss. Oh! your tutor of old, the rapid passage of years may soothe the passage of an aching heart, may ease the oppressed bosom, but on the fleshly and mortal remains, your memory shall forever remain engraved. For the short period you were allowed to remain in our midst was most fruitful in good works of all kinds. You were our benefactor, and we thank kind Providence for having raised up such a man, to defend our name and our rights.

You have worked unceasingly for the good cause, and the result, an inestimable amount of moral good has been effected through your salutary influence. We therefore beg leave to thank you, we are deeply indebted to you, and we solemnly affirm we love you as grateful hearts alone can love, and now that you look upon us with that benevolent smile, so encouraging and affectionate, it both deepens our love and brightens our esteem for you, and recalls so vividly to our minds, those happy days of yore, when that illustrious and so distinctive of your character, united to an enlightened zeal, always asserted itself over obvious difficulties sufficient to dismay many a brave heart, served best to elicit your stout powers.

We shall not dilate on all the good qualities which you possess even to an eminent degree. You must know, how strikingly it exemplifies our glorious motto, as he stood through the green isle, where lies the ashes of our forefathers.

Like unto him, the personal interest, vigor, and discretion thrown into every enterprise, proclaim themselves the certain results demonstrating that your energetic vitality was not inoperative.

Those instances often manifested themselves in our behalf, too clearly, too luminously, to be unperceived even by the dullest eye. You were the benefactor of our fellow citizens, no less prominent, we your former pupils, delight in being able, on this propitious day to tender you our most heartfelt thanks, and humbly beg God to shower down His cherished blessing on one we love so tenderly, and as a mark of our sincerity, accept, Rev. Sir, this slight donation we make in the name of your former pupils.

The Rev. Brother Cregan rising responded as follows:—I appreciate deeply the sentiments you have just expressed; I thank you most sincerely for the congratulations which you are pleased to address me on my visit to the former field of my labours; I feel flattered by that mark of esteem, coming from such a source as it does I cannot doubt its sincerity. After so long an absence it is with great pleasure I see around me so large a number of those sprightly youths of whom I have never ceased to think. The recollections of the happy years I spent in Ogdensburg, awakens in my bosom very touching reminiscences, I shall look upon them as the brightest period of my life. But as God was pleased to call me elsewhere I bow my head to His divine will.

He then slightly, but with evident emotion, touched on all the points of the address, and in conclusion expressed his deep sense of gratitude to those who had come so far to greet him. As soon as he had resumed his seat, a young gentleman, Mr. J. Cantfield, detached himself from the group, and gravely and slowly advanced towards him bearing a handsome present, the object of their donation, orally a few appropriate remarks. Rev. Bro. Cregan responding, received the precious gift from his admiring and loving friends.

Then, after a few remarks from Messrs. G. Mulligan, J. H. Amos and T. Conroy, this interesting ceremony closed.

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THE ARGARIAN OUTRAGE NEAR NEW ROSS.

A CROWN SOLICITOR AND HIS SONS SHOT.

Whilst Mr. Thomas Boyd, Sessional Crown Solicitor, and his two sons, with a Mr. Gladwell, were driving along the high road near New Ross, on Saturday, they were confronted by a party of men with blackened faces, and with guns and bayonets, who fired several shots. Two of the Boyds—the father and the eldest son—were seriously wounded, and the latter is not expected to recover. The youngest son was uninjured, though a bullet passed through his clothing. Mr. Gladwell also escaped. Three men named Whelan were arrested on suspicion of complicity in the outrage.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

(Abridged from the Irish Times.)

On Monday afternoon 9th Aug, Mr. Charles Boyd, twenty years of age, one of the four gentlemen shot at on the public road on the previous day, about two miles outside the town of New Ross, died at his father's residence, Chilcomb, from the effects of the wounds he had received. Mr. Thomas Boyd, a landed proprietor and Crown Solicitor for Tipperary, accompanied by his two sons, Mr. Evan Boyd, twenty-six years of age, and the deceased, and his nephew, Mr. Gladwell Boyd, of Kilkenny, about twenty-two years of age, were driving, shortly after four o'clock in the afternoon, along the road from Chilcomb to a small farm belonging to Mr. Boyd situated about two miles and a-half from the town, which it was his custom to visit every Sunday after luncheon. When the car on one side which sat Mr. Boyd and his nephew, and on the other side the two sons, arrived about a hundred and twenty yards from a thicket on the left side of the road, a young woman was seen standing on an eminence on the right-hand side with a large red handkerchief in her hand, which she waved, apparently as a preconcerted signal of the approach of Mr. Boyd's car, while pretending to wipe her face. Suddenly from the midst of the thicket a man attired in a strange costume and wearing a mask sprang forth on the road. His face was concealed by a mask covered with a piece of red cloth, while he was clothed from foot to throat in a complete set of overalls made of canvas and in fashion of a fisherman's dress. Hardly more than a minute elapsed till two other men similarly dressed, with the exception that one of them was only concealed to a little below his waist by the canvas, emerged from the thicket, and, jumping over the ditch that divides it from the highway, ran across the road, and took their station on the opposite side, just as the car, which was being driven rapidly, came up. It was then seen that the men all carried rifles with fixed bayonets. Instantly they raised their guns, and, running forward till they were close to the Boyds, took deliberate aim and fired. So closely did the men approach the car that the point of one bayonet almost touched Mr. Evan Boyd's hip. He struck it downward, and so escaped certain and instantaneous death, for at the same moment the bullet left the barrel of the rifle and lodged in his right foot. His brother Charles was not, however, so fortunate. Disconcerted by the suddenness of the attack, he was unable to make any movement for self-defence, and received a shot in the left breast, the bullet penetrating the lung and stomach and coming out near the spine. In the meanwhile the third member of the waylaying party, who had remained on the side of the road facing the seat on which Mr. Boyd and his nephew sat, fired at the former, taking close aim point blank at his breast. Mr. Gladwell Boyd dashed the muzzle of the gun to one side, and his uncle, whose life was probably saved by this opportunity, leaning too far over as he struck the car, fell off the ground. Quickly rising to his feet, he ran back along the road for about a dozen yards, followed by one of the assassins, who, as he ran, reloaded. Finding he was pursued, Mr. Boyd cleared by a jump the dyke that bordered the roadside, and ran at full speed across the fields. Although pursued was soon given up he continued to run for assistance as swiftly as he could in order to obtain assistance, and almost breathless he reached a cottage, and fearing that if he were captured he would be murdered, he hastily disguised himself in a suit of clothes belonging to a fisherman who lived there, and again fled as swiftly as he was able towards Chilcomb for the purpose of procuring assistance. Meanwhile, the car, which had not stopped throughout the attack, was pursued by the two remaining men who unloaded their rifles. Mr. Boyd, senior, and his son Evan, loudly shouted "Murder," but though the cottage of one of his gamekeepers was within a short distance no attention was paid to the cries for assistance, it being believed that the gentlemen were calling to dogs, while the noise of firing was ascribed to their shooting rabbits. Soon becoming distanced the pursuing party relinquished their murderous intent, and turning off the road were perceived by a milkmaid and several other persons leisurely walking through the fields in the direction of an old graveyard, in which they disappeared. Mr. Boyd, finding that they had ceased to pursue, was congratulating himself upon so fortunate an escape, when, looking round, he beheld his son Charles leaning back ashy pale, while his clothes were stained by the blood that welled from the wound in his breast. Driving rapidly forward, the farmhouse which they had originally intended to visit was soon reached, and there both the deceased and his father remained till help arrived. Besides the wound in the latter's shoulder, he, as soon as the excitement of the attack was over, perceived that he had received a gunshot wound in his back, and, as he sat on the car directly opposite his son, he believes that the bullet which passed through the deceased's body afterwards lodged in him. Later in the day Mr. Charles Boyd was removed home, carried on a door borne on men's shoulders, and, never rallying, expired at half-past one o'clock on Monday afternoon. When his clothes were examined a second hole was seen in the front of his dress, caused either by a bullet or a stab of a bayonet. The deceased, who would have attained his majority next month, had recently passed a brilliant examination in preparation for his becoming a barrister.

To-day three guns and bayonets were found hidden under some bushes, within a comparatively short distance of the scene of the outrage, and at the same place two battered masks, the torn fragments of another, three canvas slaters, and two pairs of canvas trousers were discovered. The guns were military rifles, and bear the Tower mark. On

the road where the men fired two unused cartridges were found.

Eight prisoners, respectively named John and Michael Whelan, brothers; Anastasia Whelan, their sister-in-law; Walter Whelan, first cousin; Thomas Murphy, brother-in-law; James Holden, Patrick Thompson, and Thomas Power, were in the afternoon brought before Mr. Davoren A. Milward and Colonel Molin, C.B., R.I.C., who held a private investigation. The prisoners were remanded Mr. Colfer appeared for the defence.

EASTERN AFFAIRS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, August 26.—The Sultan is somewhat alarmed. His conviction that the European concert has broken down and a naval demonstration abandoned has been shaken by the intelligence of the last few days. He still hopes the danger will somehow be averted, and is very reluctant to take any decisive step until quite certain the Powers will employ coercion. Some naval authorities declare confidently that the danger is already past, for the united squadron can hardly be got ready before the time of the equinoctial gales, when it would be very hazardous for large men-of-war to visit the Albanian coast. This is probably one of the motives which induces the Sultan to refrain from a decisive step.

LONDON, August 27.—The new collective note says the decisions of the Berlin Conference being unanimous, admits of no discussion of modification.

LONDON, August 26.—A despatch from Constantinople says the fleet are assembling for the naval demonstration on the Albanian coast.

EDUCATION.

La Congregation de Notre Dame.

The holidays of the young men and maidens who are students of the several schools and colleges are approaching their termination. At a quarter past seven, the various educational establishments were by their most advantageously send their children. It is therefore an opportune time to call the attention of those who are interested in the educational institutions known as the Congregation de Notre Dame, on Gloucester street, that the classes for the scholastic year will be opened on the 1st of September next. This institution is now entering on the twelfth year of its establishment in this city, and during this period has given the utmost satisfaction to all who have patronized it. The numerous ladies who form the teaching staff are highly accomplished, and prepared for the responsible duties of their position. The numerous pupils which they belong—La Congregation de Notre Dame—has always been devoted to the noble and arduous work of training and educating the young. They form one of the oldest teaching orders in Canada, who by long experience have arrived at great efficiency in their special mission. One of the reverend ladies of this convent prepares and supervises the drawing perspective and principles of map drawing, which has been approved by the Council of Public Instruction, and is the first work of the kind published in this country. The numerous qualities of the reverend teachers, combined with the course of instruction and discipline of the institution, elevate the minds and souls of their pupils, who, on having completed their studies, are enabled to go forth from their Alma Mater to make their debut into the world of business, and to be the support of their parents, who are enabled to see their children, who are large, cheerful, and furnished with all the acquirements of the liberal professions, and respect to the studies of the institution, it may be observed that the French language, like the English, forms no extra charge, and is taught in the same manner as the other languages, and that a resident teacher of the German language will be this year attached to the institution. The high rank which this convent has taken in an educational point of view, the numerous pupils which it has yearly instructed during the long period of its establishment in the country, and the distinguished names who are graduates throughout the Dominion, are circumstances very encouraging to all who are interested in the subject of education, and who seek a first-class establishment for the education of their daughters. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the parents and others who feel an interest in this convent, and would continue or extend their patronage, will be glad to send their daughters immediately at the commencement of the first term. It is most important that children who intend to pursue a course of studies should do so at the very beginning of the scholastic year, otherwise they cannot make such progress as may be expected from the classes with which they will be associated.—Quæra Civitem.

INTERESTING SURGICAL EXPERIMENT.

CHICAGO, August 25.—An interesting surgical experiment of transplanting a piece of skin of a lamb to the thigh of a little girl named Agnes Sheehan, who was severely burned in a prairie fire, has just been made in the county hospital. The burn would not heal, and the little girl has lain at the point of death for seventeen months. Almost every expedient known to surgical science has been resorted to save her life. A piece of skin from her brother was at one time grafted on the sore, but did not grow. In this last instance sufficient cuticle was raised from the side of a healthy lamb, four months old, to cover the wound on the girl's thigh, which is twelve inches long and four inches wide. The skin was carefully sewed on, and left attached at one end to the lamb. Both the lamb and the child are securely fastened in a frame or box, so that they cannot move. They are carefully fed and watched. In ten days it is expected, if the operation be a success, that the lamb's skin will have grown fast to the little girl's.

EMIGRATION OF ROMAN CATHOLIC FAMILIES TO CANADA.

LONDON, August 24.—Cardinal Manning, who has upward of 2,800 orphans under his care, is making arrangements with the Canadian bishops to obtain situations for such as are able to fill them in Roman Catholic families, where they would be under the supervision of the clergy. The demand is already great, and it is expected that a number will shortly leave for their new homes.

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