

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

His Lordship Bishop McFaul Names the Location for the National Convention.

To be Held at Trenton, N. J., During the Week Commencing June 27.

RIGHT REV. BISHOP MCFAUL, of Trenton, N. J., in accordance with the power vested in him, by the United Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, has decided that the next National Convention of the Ancient Order shall be held at Trenton, N. J., the sessions of the united body of delegates commencing on Monday, June 27, 1898.

Bishop McFaul's circular, calling the Convention, is addressed to the National Officers of the Ancient Order, of both sections, and is as follows:—

GENERAL.—In my decision of December 11, 1897, I reserved the right to designate the time and place of the National Convention, to be held by virtue of the said decision, in the following words:—

"The National Delegate and the National President shall conjointly sign and issue a call, countersigned by the Arbitrator, to those under their jurisdiction, for a National Convention to be held, during the month of June, 1898, on such day, and in such place, as the Arbitrator shall decide."

This clause was accepted and ratified by your honorable Committees. In pursuance of this part of the decision, I have weighed the reasons which should be considered in relation to the time and place of holding the National Convention,—bearing always in mind the interests of both organizations, and especially the cause of unity and harmony.

Before the selection of an arbitrator, each branch of the Order had selected an American city for holding its own National Convention, and, after arbitration had been resorted to, it became at once perfectly clear that only one National Convention could be held, and that this must necessarily be one of the points on which the Arbitrator should exercise his judgment.

Besides, after so cordial an acceptance of my decision by your honorable Committees, acting for both bodies, and its unanimous ratification—without even one discordant note from the organizations throughout the country—covering, as it did, principles which have been discussed with such divergence of opinion during many years—it is evident that the question of time and place is of minor importance. Nevertheless, I have carefully considered this question, and I find that it would be imprudent and prejudicial to the interests of unity and harmony if either of these cities designated, previous to my selection as arbitrator, for National Conventions, this year, were selected. I must, therefore, choose a neutral city, and be guided by its accessibility as a railway centre, and its capability for accommodating the delegates. Moreover, I think it will be granted—after my long and arduous labor in behalf of unity—since I am to be temporary chairman, and my personal supervision, as arbitrator, will be needed until the close of the National Convention—that my convenience should also be considered. For I am required [in a very busy season of the year for me] to devote a great part of my time to the interests of the Order; and should not be asked to leave his diocese.

It has been urged that certain American cities are replete with Revolutionary memories, and that this entitles them to consideration in making a selection. Gentlemen, I most willingly concede the force of this argument. It will, indeed, be a glorious day when Irish-born men and Irish-Americans—meeting here in America, on soil rendered sacred, in Revolutionary days, by the blood of our fathers—will lovingly entwine the memories of the heroic deeds of Erin and America—deeds crimsoned with their heart's blood, and performed for "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Therefore, I feel that Providence guided the steps of your honorable committees, seeking for union, to New Jersey. For here are the historic battle fields of Princeton, Monmouth and Trenton. I love, indeed, to think that New Jersey was among the first of the sturdy Colonies to raise the standard of independence; that her hills and valleys have been hallowed by the blood of Revolutionary heroes; that, when the destinies of this country were shrouded in darkness,—when the spirit of the Fathers hung heavy and dejected—when defeat had tried their patience and taxed their endurance, the victory at Trenton gave them new strength and courage; and that, in this city, was seen, for the first time, the bright star of hope rising above the darkened horizon of America's brilliant future.

Familiar as we are with these glorious deeds, must not I and my devoted flock be proud of the fact that my Cathedral in built on the ground first dedicated to freedom and then to religion by the Lord of Hosts, and that its Gothic spire, while pointing the way to heaven, is alike a

monument to civic and Christian virtue! Yes, gentlemen, be assured Providence guided you to Trenton. Here the work of union was begun, and here let it be enduringly cemented.

Therefore, I hereby decide that the National Convention, to be called in pursuance of my decision, dated December 11th, 1897, shall be held in the city of Trenton, New Jersey, and begin on 27th day of June, 1898.

The decision shall be forwarded to both organizations, by their National Secretaries, and a call for the said National Convention shall be issued later, in the manner directed in my former decision.

With my best wishes for the new year, and my blessing to every member of the A. O. H.

Done at Trenton, N. J., this 11th day of December, 1897.

Wm. J. McFaul, Bishop of Trenton.

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DOINGS OF CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

The C. M. B. A., Branch 26, has begun a series of open meetings, which promise to be very successful in every respect.

They are held in their hall, St. Alexander street. At the first of these gatherings there was an admirable programme of vocal and instrumental music, and addresses were delivered by Bro. Martin Callaghan, President Egan, Grand Chancellor Finn, and Chancellor Joseph E. Morrison. Father Callaghan paid an eloquent tribute to the members of the C. M. B. A. for the good work in which they are engaged, making special mention of Messrs. Finn, Nicholson, Reynolds, Feeley, McGillis, Ward and Sharkey. The branch, he said, could not have chosen a better president than the one they had just selected, Mr. Martin Egan, who was the right man in the right place.

The Contest Between Societies. A very striking indication of the result of an organized effort on the part of our young men's organizations is to be found in the Inter-Society tournament which commenced about two weeks ago, and which is now in course of progress. There are three organizations entered: The St. Ann's, St. Mary's and St. Anthony's Young Men's Societies. The following is the schedule of games:

January 10. Pool, Whist and Euchre, St. Ann's vs St. Anthony's, St. Ann's Hall.

January 14. Billiards and Checkers, St. Ann's vs St. Mary's, St. Ann's Hall.

January 17. Pool, Whist and Euchre, St. Anthony's vs St. Mary's, St. Anthony's Hall.

January 22. Billiards and Checkers, St. Anthony's vs St. Ann's, St. Anthony's Hall.

January 24. Pool, Whist and Euchre, St. Mary's vs St. Ann's, St. Mary's Hall.

January 28. Billiards and Checkers, St. Mary's vs St. Anthony's, St. Mary's Hall.

January 31. Billiards and Checkers, St. Ann's vs St. Anthony's, St. Ann's Hall.

February 4. Pool, Whist and Euchre, St. Ann's vs St. Mary's, St. Ann's Hall.

February 7. Billiards and Checkers, St. Anthony's vs St. Mary's, St. Anthony's Hall.

February 11. Pool, Whist and Euchre, St. Anthony's vs St. Ann's, St. Anthony's Hall.

February 14. Billiards and Checkers, St. Mary's vs St. Ann's, St. Mary's Hall.

February 18. Pool, Whist and Euchre, St. Mary's vs St. Anthony's, St. Mary's Hall.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT. St. Ann's—P. T. O'Brien, Chairman; R. Byrne, J. Whitty.

St. Anthony's—T. King, Secretary; W. J. McGee, W. Ferrigo.

St. Mary's—J. O'Neil, Official Scorer; J. Gean, E. Kearns.

So far honors are even, and the interest in the various matches are exciting the greatest enthusiasm.

A. O. H. Entertainment.

On Thursday evening the third annual concert of the A. O. H. was given in St. Mary's Hall, corner of Craig and Panet streets. An excellent programme of song, piano selections and recitations was provided. The President, Mr. N. T. Kearns, delivered an interesting address, in which, having spoken of the aims and objects of the A. O. H., he dwelt upon the necessity of unity amongst the Irish Catholics of Montreal. Mr. Kearns is deservedly popular in St. Mary's parish, where he is not only a tower of strength in the A. O. H. circles, but a true friend of the TRUE WITNESS. Dr. Devlin also delivered a stirring speech.

Y. I. L. & B. Concert.

A most enjoyable musical and dramatic entertainment was given last week by the Young Irishmen's L. & B. Association in their hall, Dupre street.

The programme, which was varied and admirable, included a classical selection—the quarrel scene between Brutus and Cassius, from Shakespeare.

Those who took part in it deserve great credit for the manner in which they acquitted themselves of their task. The entertainment concluded with the farce "The Widow's Victim."

At the first shareholders' meeting of the Tombyll Upholstering and Frame Manufacturing Company (Limited), held at the office of the company, in St. Henri, at 3 p.m., on Jan. 18, the following were elected directors:—R. N. Tombyll, George H. Labbé, Thomas Tombyll, A. A. Bernard, M. D., and M. J. Harney; legal adviser, F. X. Choquet, Q.C. At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. R. N. Tombyll was elected president and managing director; Mr. George H. Labbé, vice president, and Mr. M. J. Harney, secretary and treasurer.

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