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# The Montreal City and District Savings Bank.

## SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT.

Montreal, May 5, 1908.  
To the Shareholders,  
Gentlemen:  
Your Directors have pleasure in presenting the Sixty-first Annual Report of the affairs of the Bank, and the result of its operations for the year ending December 31st, 1907.  
The net Profits of the year were \$158,046.98, and the balance brought forward from last year's Profit and Loss Account was \$7,690.49, making a total of \$165,737.47. From this amount have been paid two dividends to our shareholders, leaving a balance of credit of Profit and Loss of \$65,667.42 to be carried forward to next year.  
The number of open accounts on December 31 last was 94,309, and the average amount due each depositor was \$211.15.  
For the convenience of our Depositors in St. Henry, a new branch was opened on the 7th January last at 2010 St. James street, and its progress is satisfactory.  
It has also been decided to open a branch in St. Cuneo, for the accommodation of our Depositors in that district, and premises have been secured at the corner of St. James and Vinet streets for the purpose. This branch shall be opened during the course of the present month.  
In order to provide for the ever-increasing volume of business, and for the comfort and convenience of the public, it has been found necessary to remodel the banking room of your Head Office, and the work is now in progress.  
As usual a frequent and thorough inspection of the books and assets of the Bank has been made during the year.  
The report of the Auditors and the Balance Sheet are herewith submitted.  
J. ALD. OUMET,  
President.

Statement of the affairs of The Montreal City and District Savings Bank, on the 31st December, 1907.

ASSETS.	
Cash on hand and in chartered Banks	\$1,664,432.34
Dominion of Canada Government Stock and accrued interest	2,547,845.83
Provincial Government Bonds	462,918.80
City of Montreal and other Municipal and School Bonds and Debentures	8,112,277.02
Other Bonds and Debentures	918,352.33
Sundry Securities	291,586.47
Call and Short Loans, secured by collateral	7,216,440.84
Charity Donation Fund, invested in municipal securities approved by the Dominion Government	180,000.00
Bank Premises (Head Office and ten Branches)	\$475,000.00
Other Assets	\$18,542.25
	\$21,907,395.65

LIABILITIES.	
To the Public:	
Amount due Depositors	\$19,913,914.92
Amount due Receiver-General	93,341.86
Amount due Charity Donation Fund	180,000.00
Amount due Open Accounts	154,471.45
	\$20,341,728.23
To the Shareholders:	
Capital Stock (amount subscribed \$2,000,000) paid up	\$600,000.00
Reserve Fund	900,000.00
Profit and Loss Account	65,667.42
	\$1,565,667.42
	\$21,907,395.65

Number of open accounts 94,309  
Average amount due each depositor \$211.15  
Audited and found correct.  
JAS. TASKER, A. P. LESPÉRANCE,  
A. CINQ-MARS, Auditors. Manager.

## Parish News of the Week

### ORATORICAL CONTEST AT LOYOLA COLLEGE.

The elocution class at Loyola College held a contest on Monday evening in the College hall. The judges were Mr. Justice Curran, Mr. J. C. Walsh and Mr. T. J. Shawlow. The winner of the first prize, Mr. Jean Masson, '11, spoke on "Caesar before the Roman Senate." The second and third prizes were awarded respectively to Mr. Albert McDonald, '11, "Quebec Tercentenary," and Arthur McGovern, '09, on "A great American citizen."

The contest reflected great credit upon those who had coached the pupils, the judges experiencing some difficulty in awarding prizes owing to the standard of excellence attained by all of them. Many parents were in attendance and evinced a keen interest in the contest. Professor John P. Stephen occupied the chair. Instrumental solos, a trio with violin, 'cello and piano added to the pleasure of a very enjoyable evening.

### RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

At a meeting of the St. Gabriel T. A. B. Society, held on Sunday, April 5th, 1908, the following resolutions of condolence were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased the Almighty God, in the exercise of His infinite wisdom, to remove from our midst, by the cold hand of death, Mr. C. P. Monahan, father of our esteemed member, Mr. Patrick Monahan;

Be it resolved, That we, the members of St. Gabriel's T. A. & B. Society, in meeting assembled, do hereby tender Mr. Patrick Monahan and the other members of the family our sincere sympathy in this, their sad hour of affliction;

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, spread upon the records of the society, and sent to the True Witness for publication.

W. H. O'DONNELL,  
R. J. LOUIS OUDIHY,  
E. J. COLFER,  
Committee on Resolutions.

### FIRST CATHOLIC SAILORS' CONCERT OF THE SEASON.

As time rolls on and the last vestige of winter disappears, we are tangibly reminded of the fact that our port has again opened its doors to the commerce of the world, the beginning of which was proven last night by the first concert of the season.

About the usual hour the doors of the club-room were thrown open, and in comparison to what was usually seen, a small but very friendly audience put in an appearance. The

programme was a good one. In this connection mention is due to Misses Renighan, Lynch, a tiny tot of presumably five years old, and Messrs. Lenely, Ryan, Fox, Palmer, Rodden, Dennison, Burce, the boys of St. Patrick's School choir and others. It is expected that the next concert will be in the hands of Mrs. P. S. Doyle, and let us hope that the spirit of former years will again show itself in this great and noble cause.

### AUXILIARY BISHOP NAMED FOR QUEBEC.

The Rev. Paul Eugene Roy, director of the "Action Social" in Quebec, has been appointed auxiliary to His Grace Archbishop Bégin. The consecration is fixed for next Sunday, May 10. The newly named auxiliary is not yet fifty years of age. He was born at Berthier, and his family has given five sons to the priesthood, and one sister is a religious in the Hotel Dieu, Quebec.

### CENTENARY CELEBRATION IN NEW YORK.

A full account by our representative of the grand celebration which took place in New York last week in honor of its centenary will be given in our issue of next week.

### MR. DEVLIN TO SPEAK.

The Hon Mr. Devlin has accepted an invitation of the Rev. Abbe Marcous, of Fitchburg, Mass., to deliver an address there, on the occasion of the St. Jean Baptiste celebration, which will take place on July 4.

### SLEEPING DRAUGHTS AND SOOTHING MIXTURE.

A wise mother will never give her little one a sleeping draught, soothing mixture or opiate of any kind except upon the advice of a competent doctor, who has seen the child. All these things contain deadly poison. When you give your baby or young child Baby's Own Tablets you have the guarantee of a government analyst that this medicine does not contain one particle of opiate or narcotic, and therefore cannot possibly do harm—but always do good. Mrs. Geo. M. Kempt, Carleton Place, Ont., says:—"I have given Baby's Own Tablets to my baby since he was two weeks old. He was a very small thin baby, but thanks to the Tablets he is now a big, fat, healthy boy." Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## History of the Church.

(Continued.)

It was not because Holy Church found fault with her children for studying heavenly bodies, she simply wished to banish superstition and replace it by a real science.  
The Council of Trent, while forbidding the reading of superstitious astrology, made exception of natural astrology or astronomy, which would treat not only of the course of the stars, but also of their natural influences on the seas, the temperature of the air, the return of certain diseases—observations useful to navigation, agriculture, and medicine. The Church, more than anybody else, had a special interest in desiring that the course of the sun, the moon, and the stars should be exactly known; for it is upon this knowledge that she regulates her feasts, principally the most solemn of all, Easter. Thus we see that the greatest popes, bishops and councils were extremely interested in this important question. It is a pope, Gregory XIII., who has rendered service to all peoples by correcting the errors and uncertainties which crept into the calendar and giving them an exact one. It is a cardinal, Nicholas de Cusa, who was the first among modern scientists to revive the ancient opinion that the earth moves around the sun. Again, a canon of the Church, Nicholas Copernicus, will establish this system on both figures and experiment, and so become the father of modern astronomy.

It might, perhaps, be asked at what place and in what season of the year the two great luminaries, the sun and the moon, first made their appearance. We will give the most probable opinion in answer to this question. We have seen that the lesser luminary, that is to say the moon, was made to preside over the night. Now, she presides literally over the whole night only when she rises at the moment the sun sets; that is to say, at the time of full moon. It is most likely, therefore, that she appeared for the first time in that phase. Again, we have seen in another conference, that God made two great luminaries, the sun and the moon, to separate light from darkness, day from night, and that by even halves as the Septuagint version has it. Now the night and day are equal only when the sun's light falls directly on the middle of the earth's surface, which is the equator, or in other words, at the time of the equinox. We may believe, then, that the sun and the moon were created, or at least made brilliant, at that epoch. But there are two equinoxes, one in the spring and the other in the fall. At which of these periods did the great luminaries appear? It was said just before this passage in Genesis: Let the earth produce the green herb and the trees bearing fruit, each one according to its kind. Now vegetation belongs to Spring more than to any other season of the year; we have reason, then, to conclude that the sun and moon were given light, that they shone for the first time at the time of full moon in the spring equinox. At least this was the opinion of the bishops of Palestine and surrounding countries assembled in council at the end of the second century at Cesarea, by order of Pope Victor, to regulate the question of Easter tide in the very spot where Christ Himself celebrated that feast. The acts were preserved for us by a holy astronomer of the seventh century, who has lately been canonized, St. Bede. He made the observation that at the same time of the year, that is to say the spring equinox, great events took place: the children of Israel came out of the slavery of Egypt, from a dark prison, under the guidance of Moses and Aaron, two heavenly bodies, to become a free nation and take possession of the promised land; Christ, God and Man, prefigured during so many centuries by the paschal lamb, having been sacrificed for the deliverance of mankind, cries from the tomb and the darkness of death, calling all men to the freedom of God and to the promised land of heaven.

Thus the great feast of Christians, Easter, which always comes when nature is being renewed, calls to our minds the early youth of the world, the freeing of the children of Israel by Moses, and the freeing of all nations by Christ.  
The two great luminaries placed in the expanse of the heavens, indicate to us the epoch of this feast. They served as a sign for the new month and the feasts of the new moon. But there is to be a final solemnity, announced by the sun, moon, and stars, to all peoples of the earth: the great Easter, the grand passage from time to eternity. The powers of the heavens shall be moved, the stars shall fall from heaven, the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give her light, the elements will be dissolved, not to be annihilated but to form new heavens and a new earth. When we shall see the first sign of this last solemnity then we must raise our heads, then our redemption will be at hand, then will appear the Sun of justice to be darkened no more, then we shall see, by the eternal light, the divine harmony of the Catholic history, the human fragments of which we are trying to assemble.

At the voice of God the earth was clothed in a mantle of green, starred here and there with flowers, the heavens were clothed with a mantle of blue, flowered with stars. Must the sea alone remain sterile? Listen. "And God said: let the waters bring forth the moving creature that hath life and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament. And it was so done."

Few words certainly, but who will tell us the marvels without number that they contain? Who will go down into the river beds and into the abysses of the sea and there study the inhabitants? We only know a few of them, but in those few how many things there are that surpass our understanding and confound us. That sponge, for example, which we use for many purposes, do we know who made it for us? It is the moving house which certain seaworms build on the side of the rocks. And the coral whose beautiful hue we so much admire is the ruin of a stony hive built by little insects in the form of a tree trunk at the bottom of the sea. And those precious pearls are the drops of sweat from an oyster left after forming its shells which are at the same time its house, its clothing and its bones. And that mantle on which the royal mantles pride themselves, is distilled in the shell of a little snail. Solomon owed the purple of his royalty to a reptile, and with all his magnificence he will not compare with the flowers of the field. The inhabitant of another shell will teach navigation. The nautilus, a reptile with eight arms, builds out of its own substance a couch in the shape of a boat, puts enough water in it to serve as ballast, raises two of its arms, spreads the skin that joins them to the wind, lengthens two others to serve as oars, puts out another for a rudder, and so sails the seas, he, his boat, pilot and crew, all in one. This is not all. Is there a storm coming? Is there an enemy near at hand? This industrious argonaut furls his sails, unships his oars and rudder, fills his boat with water and sinks into the sea. When danger is past he capsize his boat, forms a vacuum and ascends again to the surface, where he again sets sail and continues at the wind's pleasure. When will man find a way of escaping from the tempest!

## WEAK TIRED WOMEN

How many women there are that get no refreshment from sleep. They wake in the morning and feel tired than when they went to bed.

They have a dizzy sensation in the head, the heart palpitates; they are irritable and nervous, weak and worn out, and the lightest household duties during the day seem to be a drag and a burden.

## MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS

are the very remedy that weak, nervous, tired out, sickly women need to restore them the blessings of good health.

They give sound, restful sleep, tone up the nerves, strengthen the heart, and make rich blood. Mrs. C. McDonald, Portage la Prairie, Man., writes: "I was troubled with shortness of breath, palpitation of the heart and weak spells. I got four boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and after taking them I was completely cured."

Price 50 cents per box or three boxes for \$1.25, all dealers or The T. T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

After being evicted twenty years the Coolidge, County Wexford, tenants have been restored to their holdings. The tenants have received free grants with which to start farming anew. It is said that their rents are greatly reduced.

### Pilgrimage Party Nearing Completion.

Only a few more berths remain open on the steamship Carpathia carrying the Pilgrimage party leaving New York, July 16.

Any person desiring an audience with the Holy Father and to see Europe in a substantial manner, should lose no time in addressing the management, McGrath's Catholic Tours, 187 Broadway, N. Y. City.



## TENDERS.

TENDERS addressed to the undersigned at Ottawa, and marked on the envelope "Tender for illuminating Oil," will be received up to the 11th day of May, 1908, for the delivery of 136,600 Imperial gallons, more or less, of lightest illuminating oil, according to the specifications for the season of 1908.

Some of the oil must be delivered in cases and some in barrels, as required by the Department; the case to contain two 5 gallon cans. The oil, cans, cases and barrels must be in accordance with the specifications.

The tenders should state their prices per Imperial gallon in cases and in barrels, delivered at the following places:—Sarnia, Ont., Port Dalhousie, Ont., Kingston, Ont., Montreal, P.Q., Quebec, P.Q., St. John, N.B., Halifax, N.S., Pictou, N.S., Charlottetown, P. E. I., and Prescott, Ont.

Specifications and forms of tender can be procured from the Collectors of Customs at Petrolia, Sarnia, and at the Department here.

Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit cheque equal to 5 per cent. of the total amount of the tender.

Papers copying this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid.

F. GOURDEAU,  
Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries.  
Department of Marine and Fisheries,  
Ottawa, April 27th, 1908.

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## NOTICE.

Tenders for Chain for Marine and Fisheries Dept.

## TENDERS.

THE time for receiving tenders for Chain Shackles and Swivels required by the Marine and Fisheries Department for which tenders have been invited to be received up to the 15th of May, will be extended up to the 15th of May next. Revised specifications can be seen at the offices of the Agents of the Marine Department at Halifax, N.S., St. John, N.B., Charlottetown, P.E.I., Montreal, P.Q., and Quebec, P.Q., and at the Department, Ottawa.

F. GOURDEAU,  
Deputy Minister.  
Ottawa, 23rd April, 1908.

## TENDERS FOR DREDGING.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Dredging," will be received until Friday, May 15, 1908, at 4.30 P.M., for dredging required at the following places in the Province of Quebec:

Becancour River, Blanche Shoals, Batiscan, Chateaugay River, Dorion, Fraserville, Godefroy River, Hay Island, Hudson, L'Assomption River, Maskinonge River, Nicolet, Port St. Francis, Rivière Ouelle, Rivière du Loup (en haut), River Jesus, St. Francis River, St. Pierre les Jacques Landing, St. Maurice River, St. Lambert, St. Macle, Saguenay River, Vaudreuil, Yamaska River, Yamachiche River.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

Combined specifications and form of tender can be obtained at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa. Tenders must include the towing of the plant to and from the works. Only dredges can be employed which are registered in Canada at the time of the filing of tenders. Contractors must be ready to begin work within twenty days after the date they have been notified of the acceptance of their tender.

An accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for six thousand dollars (\$6,000), must be deposited as security for the dredging which the tenderer offers to perform in the Province of Quebec. The cheque will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,  
FRED. GELINAS,  
Secretary.  
Department of Public Works,  
Ottawa, April 23, 1908.

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## Tenders for Bending Machine Store.

TENDERS addressed to the undersigned at Ottawa, and endorsed on the envelope "Tender for Bending Machine, Sorel," will be received at the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, up to noon of the EIGHTEENTH DAY OF MAY, 1908, for the furnishing of one machine for bending steel boiler plates, to be delivered at the Government Shipyard at Sorel, P.Q.

Specifications and detailed information can be obtained from the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, from the Director of the Government Shipyard at Sorel and from the Agent of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Montreal, P.Q.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered Canadian bank, for the sum of \$300 to the order of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. This cheque will be forfeited if the party whose tender is accepted declines to enter into a contract to deliver the bending machine, or fails to carry out the contract. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

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F. GOURDEAU,  
Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries.  
Ottawa, Canada, 21st April, 1908.

## SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Public Building, Magog, P. Q., will be received at this office until 4.30 P.M. on Monday, May 18, 1908, for the construction of a Public Building at Magog, P.Q."

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained on application at this Department and at the Post Office at Magog.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, made payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the tenderer tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,  
FRED. GELINAS,  
Secretary.  
Department of Public Works,  
Ottawa, April 29, 1908.

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