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**CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK.**

**MARCH.**

- 14 Second Sunday in Lent.
- 15 Monday—Votive office of the Holy Angels
- 16 Tuesday—Votive office of the Apostles.
- 17 Wednesday—St. Patrick, Apostle of Ireland.
- 18 Thursday—St. Gabriel, Archangel.
- 19 Friday—Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of Our Lady. Anniversary of the consecration of the Archbishop of St. Boniface.
- 20 Saturday—St. Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, Doctor (transferred from the 18th).

**CITY AND ELSEWHERE.**

St. Mary's court, No. 276, of the Catholic Order of Foresters, held a regular meeting in Unity hall on Friday evening.

His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface held an ordination service at St. Norbert last Sunday, and is expected back to-day.

Rev. Father Cherrier will be absent from the city the whole of this week, in connection with his duties as superintendent of the Catholic schools of the province.

Rev. Father Leduc, O. M. I., went to Montreal last Monday to consult a medical specialist on his heart trouble. He was accompanied by Rev. Father LaCombe, O. M. I.

Rev. Father LaRue preached a most touching sermon on the Gospel of the day, before a large congregation at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, on Sunday morning last.

Next Wednesday being the 17th March and also the night for the regular meeting of Branch No. 52 of the C. M. B. A., the members of the branch decided at their last meeting to adjourn until the first Wednesday in April.

Hon. Hugh John Macdonald has announced that, in accordance with the wishes of the Conservative party, as expressed at the recent convention, and on the advice of Sir Charles Tupper, he will step out of Dominion politics for the time being, and take the leadership of the party in provincial affairs.

The session of the local legislature drags along, and the members are earning their sessional indemnity and doing little else. When the second reading of the Educational bill comes up, an interesting time may be expected, as the rumour gains ground that the changes are meeting with opposition from quarters where the government least looked for it.

For the first time in many years St. Patrick's day is going to pass by, apparently, without the annual concert in aid of the poor of the city, and the only arrangement so far made public for the celebration of the festival of Ireland's patriot saint is a banquet, under the auspices of St. Patrick's society—which if it does nothing else during the year, generally manages to make its existence known by meeting around the festive board every 17th March.

On the eve of the anniversary of His Grace's consecration, Thursday, the 18th inst., the students of St. Boniface college will present a three-act tragedy in French verse, by Pere Delaporte, S. J., entitled "La Foi Juree," the theme of which is the heroism of a soldier who braves death rather than break his word. This entertainment will be for the benefit of the Manitoba Catholic schools. Reserved seats may be chosen at Mr. J. Frud'homme's store in St. Boniface, where the plan of the hall may be seen. Tickets are for sale there and also at Mr. E. Guilbault's, Mr. J. B. Leclerc's and Mr. T. Pelletier's, St. Boniface.

**The "Seven Words" at St. Mary's.**

Lovers of good music enjoyed a feast of harmony last Thursday evening in St. Mary's Church, when Dubois' classical work, "The Seven Words of Christ" upon the cross was rendered by the choir of thirty voices under the able leadership of M. Louis Bouche, the choir-master of St. Mary's. A little before 8.30 His Grace Archbishop Langevin, accompanied by several priests, took his seat in front of the reserved seats facing the organ-loft. Rev. Father LaRue, S. J., was the lecturer of the evening. He introduced each of the eight numbers, i. e., the Introductory Invocation and each of the Seven Words, with most fitting developments on the liturgical significance of music as an expression of the highest spiritual emotions and with an exegetical and

moral explanation of Our Lord's words upon the cross. These prefatory comments were both beautiful and touching, and singularly enhanced the unique religious character of the performance.

It is no small credit to the musical taste of the large audience, which completely filled the spacious edifice, that they listened with marked attention. But they did more. Many of them were evidently deeply moved and impressed, some even to tears. Who knows what seeds of faith and devotion may have been sown in that reverent assembly, more than half of whom were our separated brethren, by the tender pathos of the Divine plaints echoing in majestic numbers? The inspired words of the Holy Volume were sung together with the marvellously tender comments of Holy Church, as, for instance, in the "Fourth Word": "My God, why hast thou forsaken me? All my friends have forsaken me; they have prevailed who laid snares for me; he whom I loved has betrayed me; my chosen vineyard, it was I that planted thee. Why didst thou turn so bitter as to crucify me?" And again, the translation of the "Stabat Mater" added to the scriptural text "Woman, behold thy son": "Deep in sorrow stood the mother, by the cross, in tears lamenting, while her son in torture hung. Who is there could keep from weeping if he were to see Christ's mother bowed in agony so great?"

The solos were taken by Miss Barrett, Mr. H. M. Arnold, tenor and Mr. Arthur Crick, basso, who were all in good voice and sang out their words with much distinctness and feeling.

The musical critic of the Tribune, who is generally so fastidious, has not a word of blame and says among other things:

"The music is in many instances very beautiful and expressive. It is also difficult and full of chromatic passages for soloists and chorus, which, for the most part were very creditably executed, the fine baritone solo, 'My God, why hast Thou forsaken me,' being well sung by Mr. Arthur Crick.

The keynote of the whole cantata was struck by Miss Barrett, in her pathetic introductory solo. Mr. H. M. Arnold also sang a beautiful solo to the sixth word.

It was fitting that such a service should receive devout attention, and Monsier Dubois' music was evidently appreciated by the majority of those present, a remarkable feature, when the scholarly character of the composition is taken into consideration.

Mr. Evans had no easy task in playing the organ accompaniments. However, he acquitted himself very well indeed. The choir had also been well trained by their conductor, Mr. Louis Bouche, and as before remarked, the whole of the singing was highly creditable to himself and the members of his chorus, as well as the leading soloists.

Mr. Bouche deserves the warmest thanks, not only of all Catholics, but of all true musicians for having been the first to set before a Winnipeg audience a composition of such rare merit and of so highly educative a character.

**Pre-Reformation England.**

At the regular weekly meeting of the Catholic Truth Society, held at St. Mary's schoolroom on Monday evening, Vice-president Bro. D. Coyle in the chair, a very interesting paper was read by W. J. O'Brien, on the subject: "English pre Reformation Catholicity." Commencing with the landing of Augustine in 596, he spoke of the rapid progress the missionary made in converting the Anglo-Saxons, and of his meeting with the remnant of the old British church, which had been planted during the Roman occupation, and which, whilst differing from Augustine on certain minor points, was absolutely at one with him in matters of doctrine. Proceeding, he related incidents of the reign and life of the great Alfred, and then gave a rapid sketch of the conflicts between the church and the barbarians, which ended in full victory for the former. Tracing the progress of events, he showed how, after the struggle between the church and the barons had been completed, the crown was gradually allowed to have more and more voice in the selection of bishops, and as a consequence it came about that men who had less of the martyr about them than the old bishops, and more of the politician, were appointed, and this, do doubt, explained why only one bishop, Fisher, withstood Henry VIII. Mr. O'Brien gave an interesting account of the monastic system, showing how it originated, and monasteries obtained their endowments, the good works done by the monks, and their general effect on the country, and he concluded by quoting some stirring lines, showing how, prior to the time of the reformation, the church had struggled for, and obtained the liberties of the people.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. O'Brien, on motion of Mr. F. W. Russell, seconded by Mr. J. J. Golden and supported by Mr. A. H. Kennedy and Bro. Lewis.

Next Monday evening a paper will be read by Mr. F. Smith, on "The Mineral Wealth of Canada."

**A REPRINT.**

Two selected articles, one on "Vanity, Vanity, all is Vanity" and the other on "Women in Public Life," got so hopelessly mixed up in our last issue that we feel bound to reprint them in our next.

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Seemed Doomed to Torture and Continual Misery—Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather Had Died From the Troubles—Released Comes in Old Age—The Cure Looked Upon as a Miracle.

From the Whitty Chronicle.

For years stories of famous cures wrought by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have appeared in the Chronicle. During this time we have been casting about for a local case of such a nature as to leave no doubt of the efficiency of these pills. We found several, but in each case it proved to be a sensitive body who could not bare to have his or her name and disease made public. Recently, however, a most striking case came to our ears.

Mr. Solomon Thompson lives on a beautiful farm on the west shore of Mud Lake in Carden township, North Victoria. He has resided there for 40 years, being the first settler around the lake. He was reeve of Garden and Dalton townships 35 years ago, before the counties of Peterboro and Victoria were separated, and he used to attend the counties' council at Peterboro. Mr. Thompson has been a victim of asthma for forty years or more. However, we will let him tell his own story on that head.

On October 15th, 1896, we took a trip to Mud Lake to visit the haunts long familiar to us, and make it a duty and found it a pleasure to call upon Mr. Thompson and learn from seeing him and hearing his account of it how he had been cured. For 25 years we had known him as a gasping, suffering asthmatic, the worst we ever knew who managed to live at all. We often wondered how he lived from day to day. On calling he met us with a cheerful aspect and without displaying a trace of his old trouble. Being at once ushered into his house, we naturally made it our first business to inquire if it were all true about the benefits he had received from using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. "Beyond doubt," said he. "How long have you used them, and how many boxes have you used?" he was asked. "I started a year ago, and took eight boxes." We next asked him if he felt that the cure was permanent. "Well," said he, "I have not taken any of the pills for three or four months. Still I am not entirely satisfied yet. You see my father, grandfather and great grandfather died of asthma. My people all take it sooner or later and it always ends their days. I have lost three brothers from the fatal thing. Knowing my family history it is hard for me to gain faith, but I can tell for nearly thirty years I never slept in bed until I took Pink Pills. As you must have known, I always slept sitting in the chair you now occupy. I had a sling from that hook in the ceiling and always sat with my head resting in it while I slept. I now retire to my bed when the other members of my family

do." "How old are you, Mr. Thompson?" "Seventy-six," was the reply, "and I feel younger than I did thirty years ago. I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism and other miseries, probably nervous troubles arising from want of sleep, but nearly all the rheumatism is gone with the asthma."

During the conversation Mrs. Thompson, a hale old lady, the mother of thirteen children, came in and after listening to her husband's recital of these matters, she took up the theme. "I never expected that anything could cure Solomon," said she. "We were always trying to find something which would give him relief, so that he would be able to sleep nights, but nothing ever seemed to make much difference. At first, he took on of the pills after each meal, but after a time he increased the dose to two. We noticed he was greatly improved after taking two boxes and began to have hopes. Later on, when we saw beyond doubt that he was much better, I recommended the pills to a niece of mine, Miss Day, whose blood had apparently turned into water and who had run down in health and spirits so bad that she did not care to live. Why, she got as yellow as saffron, and looked as if she would not live a week. You would hardly believe it," said Mrs. Thompson, "but that girl was the healthiest and handsomest girl in the neighborhood before three months had passed, and all from taking Pink Pills." Mrs. Thompson was called from the room at this juncture to attend to some household duties, and Mr. Thompson resumed the subject of his marvellous cure. "You can have no idea," said he, "what it is to go through twenty-five years without a good night's sleep without pain. I can find no words to make plain to you the contrasts between the comforts I now enjoy and the awful life I had for so long. I had a big family of mouths to feed and had to work when at times I felt more like lying down to die. I would come in at night completely tuckered out, but even that was no guarantee of rest. There was no rest for me. I seemed doomed to torture and continual misery. When my folks urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I thought it would be useless, but I had to do something or die soon, and here I am as right as a fiddle." The old gentleman shook his head to add emphasis to his last sentence, and looked like a man who felt joyful over a renewed lease of life, with all his old miseries removed.

After congratulating our old friend on his divorce from the hereditary destroyer of his kindred, we drove away. At many places in the neighborhood we opened discussions upon the case and found that all regarded it as a marvellous cure. Where the Thompson family are known no person would have believed for a moment that anything but death would relieve him from the grip of asthma. Every word that is written here can be verified by writing Mr. Solomon Thompson, Dalrymple post office, and in intimate acquaintance of twenty-five years enables the writer to vouch for the facts narrated above, and for the veracity of Mr. Thompson in any statement he may make.

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