General News.

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO.

RETREAT OF THE CLERGY.

The annual retreat of the clergy of the diocese will begin on Monday, the 9th July, at Niagara Falls, and end on the Saturday following.

MEETING OF CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

St. Vincent's Hall was the scene of a very important gathering on last Thursday evening. It was a meeting of the representatives of all Catholic societies, called by the Knights of St. John Federation Committee to take action towards forming a local federation board. The matter has been quietly but steadily worked up by the Knights in this city, acting in conjunction with the Supreme officers of that order. Local unions have already been formed at Baltimore, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, and a number of other principal cities in the United States. The local federation will take no part in politics whatever, but confine itself to uniting all Catholic societies for their mutual social and temporal interests, to facilitate their workings, and improve the condition of their members whenever and wherever possible.

Thursday's meeting which was the second one which has been held, was called to take action. At the first one in April, the idea was placed before the societies' representatives, and formally discussed. The delegates then reported to their societies and re-assembled on Thursday last.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John P. McCarthy, representing the Knights of St. John, after which Secretary M. F. Mogan, of the Catholic Order of Foresters, read a resume of the last meeting's proceedings. Those present, among others, were: J. J. Murphy, president; and T. B. Winterberry, treasurer, of the Central Council, Society of St. Vincent de Paul; J. J. Lundy, Wm. Winterberry, W. J. Boland, Farrell and Smith, representing the C. M. B. A.; James E. Whelan, the Catholic Truth Society. Charles J. Read, the St. Mary's Catholic Lit. and Ath. Association; Stephen Hallet, the League of the Cross; J. O'Neil and Robert Scollard, the I. C. B. U. The chairman read a number of letters from those unable to be present, who had been appointed delegates.

After some discussion it was decided to form a local federation of Catholic societies, and for that purpose a strong committee of twelve was appointed to take the necessary steps.

The committee is composed of one representative from each of the following bodies: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul; the Catholic Order of Foresters; the Knights of St. John; the Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association; the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union; the Emerald Beneficial Association; the League of the Cross; the Catholic Truth Society; St. Mary's C. L. and A. A.; St. Michael's L. and A. A.; St. Basil's Union; and St. Clement's Catholic Club. At a subsequent meeting of this committee, Mr. McCarthy was chosen chairman, and Mr. Mogan secretary. A sub-committee, composed of Messrs. J. P. McCarthy, T. B. Winterberry and C. J. Read, was struck off to draft a constitution and set of by-laws for submission to the general committee. General approval of the idea was expressed by the various representatives present, and the majority were instructed by their societies to assist in forming a federation.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL.

Last week a novena, in honor of the Sacred Heart, was held in St. Michael's Cathedral. The Rev. Father Ryan preached at both morning and evening services. On last Sunday morning large crowds of people of both sexes received Holy Communion. The members of the men's league of the Sacred Heart assisted in a body. His Grace Archbishop O'Connor was present at the High Mass. In the evening, His Grace pontificated at vespers, assisted by Rev. Fathers Ryan, Rohleder and Canning. There was a very large congregation present. After a short discourse by the Rev. Father Ryan, His Grace read the act of consecration to the Sacred Heart, and gave benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The electric lights, which were seen for the first time in the Cathedral, were very attractive and lent an air of great devotion and solemnity to the religious scene which will be treasured in the memories of the parishioners in one of the grandest outbursts of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Our Lady of Lourdes.

The closing exercises of Loretto Academy, 2 Wellesley place, were held on the 23rd inst., the premiums and medals being distributed by Rev. J. M. Cruise. A short musical programme was rendered, and, as usual, the pupils acquitted themselves very creditably. The most enjoyable numbers were "The Night Wind," by Eugene Field; "The Garland," by Villa, and Gounod's well-known composition, "Praise Ye the Father." At the conclusion of the exercises Rev. Father Cruise addressed the pupils, congratulating them on the good work accomplished during the year and wished them all a very pleasant vacation. Classes will be resumed on the first Tuesday of September.

There passed away last week, at her late residence, 498 Parliament street, Mrs. Catherine O'Malley, wife of Peter O'Malley and daughter of the late Patrick Conlin. Mrs. O'Malley was a member of this parish, a good, practical Catholic, and highly respected by all who knew her.

St. Patrick's.

A triduum, by way of preparation to the act of consecration to the Sacred Heart, commenced on Friday evening last, was continued on Saturday and concluded on Sunday evening. Rev. Father Miller, C.S., preached on the devotion to the Sacred Heart each evening. On Sunday afternoon the children of the League of the Sacred Heart received their badges from the hands of Rev. Father Ward and the promoters their diplomas. In the evening Rev. Father Hayden sang the vespers, at which Rev. Father Miller preached, and delivered the act of consecration to the League of the Sacred Heart. He also spoke of the benefits that have followed the devotion to the Sacred Heart, and exhorted the members of the League to further the object of the devotion as much as opportunities offered. Father Hayden presided at the organ, and performed for the vespers and sermon. Yesterday at 10 o'clock, the school closing exercises—the entertainment and distribution of prizes—took place.

A very pretty wedding took place on Tuesday between Miss Theresa McGann, daughter of the late Capt. John McGann, and Mr. Robert J. Thompson. Father Hayden officiating. The bridesmaid was Miss Dollie McGann, sister of the bride. Dr. J. Loftus acting in the capacity of best man. The singing was of a high order, Miss Alice McCurron rendering the solo very acceptably. The newly-married couple left in the afternoon for a trip to Montreal.

St. Peter's.

The closing exercises of this school consisting of an entertainment by the pupils and the distribution of prizes are being held this (Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. The promotion list will also be read at the same time. The children will have an excursion to Munro Park to-morrow (Friday), at 1 o'clock.

On Wednesday, the 20th inst., there were married at this church, by Rev. Father Minehan, Mr. David J. Doucett of Beaverton and Miss Agnes O'Connell, youngest daughter of the late Michael O'Connell of Toronto. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr. William Bray of 266 Farley avenue, and looked charming indeed in a gown of white organdie over white satin, trimmed with mousseline de sole, with hat to match, and wore a bouquet of bridal roses.

DISTRIBUTION AT ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE.

The forty-eighth annual commencement of St. Michael's College was held on Wednesday, the 20th inst. There were present a large number of local and visiting clergy—chiefly alumni of the College—besides very many of the relatives and friends of the students. The entertainment, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, addresses and recitations, was exceedingly good. In the absence of His Grace the Archbishop, the prizes were presented by Very Rev. Father Marijou and Rev. Father Teefy. At the conclusion of the programme Rev. Father Teefy complimented the boys on their success and wished them a pleasant vacation, not, however, without reminding them that in enjoying themselves they should not transgress the laws of propriety. To remember who they were—students of St. Michael's College—and to conduct themselves accordingly. He also thanked the donors of the prizes for their generosity, and, although last was as successful as any previous year, he would like to see more student taking up the higher education, as such was very necessary where positions, requiring men of culture, were to be filled and could not be filled without.

Medals—Campbell medal, classics—M. Gibbons. O'Connor medal, mathematics—M. O'Leary. Dawling medal—J. P. McCluskey. A.O.H. gold medal, Irish history—J. Hehir. Maddigan medal—R. P. Blewett.

Scholarships—Natural theology — J. Hayes. Christian doctrine—L. Staly. Mental philosophy—James Hayes. Athletic championship—E. Anglin. Memorial cup—Myles A. Gibbons.

The honor list, containing the names of all who obtained an average of 60 per cent. in the weekly competitions of their classical and commercial classes, was as follows:

Rhetoric—M. Gibbons, D. O'Connor, J. E. Kelley, M. Wedlock, J. Hehir, L. Staley.

Belles-Lettres—W. Sheehan, A. McAllister, A. Morley, J. Boland, A. McCaffrey, K. Morow, H. Boland, P. Hopkins, M. O'Leary.

First Latin—T. Redmond, J. W. Kelley, D. McMillan, J. Shanahan, J. L. Gibbons, H. Sheridan.

Second Latin—T. Dixon, W. Brady, J. Dooley, George Taschereau, Louis Hopp, Edward Moriarty.

Elementary Latin — Cyril Costello, Stan. Culliton, Geo. Howarth, Arthur Miller, Fred O'Leary, Arthur Brenn, Joseph Reeder, John Callanane, John McGuire, M. Kehoe.

First commercial—N. Brady, James Carter, R. P. Blewett, P. C. Murphy, Bert Devaney, Sydney Croker, John Brady, Henry Rogan, Joseph McCann.

Second commercial—John Cassidy, Thomas McDermott, T. O'Connor, L. O'Rourke, W. Dockeray, A. Taschereau, B. Flaherty, W. Stormont, T. Moran, A. Gore.

Third commercial—E. Foy, N. Zammers, C. Warner, W. Murphy, J. Connelly, J. Kirkwood.

First mathematics—W. Sheehan, M. O'Leary, L. Staley, A. McCaffrey, A. McAllister.

St Joseph's Academy.

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JUNIOR "B" GRADE.

Prizes in Junior "B" Grade:

—Senior Division.—

Prize awarded to Miss Helen Leonard—1st in English, 2nd in Mathematics and 3rd in Catechism.

Prize awarded to Miss Iona McLaughlin—1st in Catechism, 1st in Mathematics and 2nd in English.

—Junior Division.—

Prize awarded to Miss Viva Healy—1st in Catechism, English and Arithmetic; Improvement in Music.

Prize awarded to Miss Gladys Cleghorn—1st in Arithmetic, 2nd in English.

SECOND CLASS.

—Senior Division.—

Prize awarded to Miss Gabriel Costen—1st in Arithmetic and Catechism, 2nd in English.

Prize awarded to Miss Myrtle Ross—1st in English, 2nd in Arithmetic.

—Junior Division.—

Prize awarded to Miss Alice Mason—1st in English, Catechism and Arithmetic, Improvement in Music.

Prize awarded to Miss K. Foy—2nd in English, Catechism and Arithmetic; Improvement in Music.

Prize awarded to Miss M. Cleghorn—3rd in English and Arithmetic, 1st in Catechism.

Crown for Observance of Rule awarded to Miss Iona McLaughlin.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

Prizes in Junior Department awarded to the pupils who obtained the highest marks in English and Mathematics.

First prize in Senior "B" Class awarded to Miss Hope Thompson.

Second prize awarded to Miss Ada Fogg.

Prize in Modern Music awarded to Miss Dorace Ashwell.

Prize in Modern Music awarded to Miss Mary Dowd.

Prize in Modern Music awarded to Miss Clary Anglin.

Special prize in Modern Music awarded to Miss Jeffrey and [illegible]

Special prize in Modern Music awarded to Miss Rey. J. Cruise, obtained by Miss [illegible]

Special prize in French awarded to Miss L. Wilson.

Special prize in German awarded to Miss M. Brazenor.

First prize intermediate grade instrumental music awarded to Miss Reeves.

Special prize for drawing and water colors awarded to Miss M. Jaffray.

Special prize for Mexican drawn work awarded to Miss F. Meehan.

Special prize for elocution awarded to Miss L. Wilson.

Prize for Christian doctrine in Day School awarded to Miss Reeves.

JUNIOR "A" CLASS.

Prizes awarded to pupils obtaining 60 per cent. in final examinations.

—Senior Division.—

Prizes in English awarded to the Misses M. Ingoldsby, G. O'Connor, A. Sedgwick, M. McDonell, A. Corti, E. Church, E. Phillips, L. Benus Flannigan, and Murray.

Prizes in Mathematics awarded to the Misses A. Corti, G. Phillips, E. Church, M. Ingoldsby, A. Sedgwick, R. Creighton, L. Jenkins, A. Ingoldsby, Flannigan and Murray.

—Junior Division.—

Prizes in English awarded to the Misses N. Maguire and F. Foy.

Prizes in Mathematics awarded to the Misses N. Maguire and F. Foy.

Special prize for Latin awarded to the Misses E. Church, G. Phillips and A. Corti.

Special prize for Geometry awarded to Miss G. O'Connor.

Special prizes for French awarded to the Misses M. Martin, N. Kane and N. Maguire.

Prize for Application to Study equally merited by the Misses Sedgewick, McDonell, Creighton, Church, Foy, Corti, Phillips, F. Martin, Murray, Flannigan, Maguire, N. Kane, Nyman and M. Ingoldsby; obtained by Miss Kane.

Prize for Improvements in Mandolin awarded to Miss M. Martin.

Prize for improvement in Violin awarded to Miss C. Murphy.

Prize for Instrdumental Music awarded to Miss A. Corti.

Prize for Instrumental Music awarded to Miss F. Martin.

Prize for Vocal Music awarded to Miss V. Poulin.

Prize for Darning and Mending awarded to Miss M. Martin.

Gold Pin for Art Needle Work, obtained by Miss M. Ingoldsby.

Prize for Drawing and Water Color awarded to Misses A. Collins and M. Flannigan.

Certificate of Promotion in Music awarded to Miss Reta Creighton.

Prize for Drawing and Water Color awarded to Miss E. Church.

First prize in Junior Division awarded to Miss Camilla Sullivan.

Second prize awarded to Miss Belle Heinrich.

First prize in Senior Fourth Class French awarded to Miss G. Murphy.

First prize in Junior Fourth Class French awarded to Miss Maria Kew.

Special prize for Art Needle Work awarded to Miss Lottie Rosar.

Silver Thimble for Plain Sewing awarded to Miss Maggie Ryan.

Prizes for Improvement in Instrumental Music awarded to Misses Hanley, Gilkes and Ward.

Special prize for Observance of Rules awarded to Miss Alice Power.

Certificate of promotion to Junior Grade Theory of Music and Practical Work awarded to Miss C. McKinnon.

—Junior Department.—

First Prize, Junior "C" Class, awarded to Miss F. Foy.

Second Prize awarded to Miss K. Dean.

Third Prize awarded to Miss M. Clarke.

Prize for Regular Attendance awarded to Miss B. Kelly.

First Prize in Part II. awarded to Miss M. Albertier.

Second Prize in Part II. awarded to Miss A. Sullivan.

Third Prize in Part II. awarded to Miss M. McIntosh.

Prize for Regular Attendance awarded to Miss M. Hurst.

Prize for Spelling awarded to Miss Marie Curtis.

Prize for Number awarded to Miss C. McLaughlin.

Prize for Drawing awarded to Miss Annie Devine.

Prize for Observance of Rules awarded to Miss O. De Gray.

Prize for Writing awarded to Miss G. Foy.

Prize for Sewing merited by the Misses B. Kelly, O. De Gray, F. Post, G. Foy, M. Hurst, K. Dean, M. Clark, M. Albertier; obtained by Miss M. Albertier.

Prize for Good Little Girls awarded to the Misses M. Post, R. McKeown, M. Colleron, F. Kelly, R. Martin, M. Grogan, M. Chisholm, D. Forbes, R. Ferris, G. Stringer, R. Grogan, I. Abbott, M. Cummings, H. Grogan.

SENIOR THIRD.

First Prize, Catechism, Reading and Mental Arithmetic, awarded to Master Fred Kelly.

First Prize, Spelling, Second Grammar and Third Writing, awarded to Master Bob Miller.

First Prize, Written Arithmetic, Freehand Drawing, Geography and Second Grammar, awarded to Master Frank Leonard.

First Prize, Composition and Second Arithmetic, awarded to Master Jack McLaughlin.

First Prize, Map Drawing, Second Reading and Composition, awarded to Master Percy Foy.

Prize, Canadian History and Geography, awarded to Master Fred Foy.

JUNIOR THIRD.

First Prize, Reading, Second Improvement in Writing and Arithmetic, awarded to Master Ernest Moncrieff.

First Prize, Catechism, Freehand Drawing, Writing and Composition, awarded to Master Newman McIntosh.

First Prize, Map and Freehand Drawing, Second Arithmetic, Composition and Improvement in Reading and Spelling, awarded to Master Francis Coste.

First Prize, Writing and Canadian History and Second Geography, awarded to Master Dillon Coste.

Prize for Good Conduct, Writing, Improvement in Reading and Geography awarded to Master George Madden.

Prize for Catechism, Reading and Writing awarded to Master Willie Falbey.

SECOND CLASS.

First Prize, Catechism, Arithmetic, Reading, Spelling, Application and Regular Attendance, awarded to Master Charlie Beecka.

First Prize, Regular Attendance and Arithmetic, Improvement in Writing, awarded to Master Lyme Layton.

First Prize, Reading, Spelling, Geography, Composition and Regular Attendance, awarded to Master Gerald Corme.

First Prize, Regular Attendance, Improvement in Arithmetic, Spelling and Reading, awarded to Master Thomas Kirkwood.

First Prize, Geography, Improvement in Reading and Spelling, awarded to Master Frank Callaghan.

First Prize, for Improvement in Catechism, Reading, Spelling and Arithmetic, awarded to Master Howard Moncrieff.

Prize for Catechism, Improvement in Writing and Arithmetic, awarded to Master Edmund Clarke.

FIRST CLASS.

First Prize, Reading, Spelling and Number, awarded to Master Murray Jones.

First Prize, Catechism, Second Reading and Number, awarded to Master M. J. Ellard.

Prize, Reading, Spelling, Number and Regular Attendance, awarded to Master Frank Kirkwood.

Prize for being Good Little Boys, awarded to Masters Ashton Jones and Cyril Brady.

Special Prize for Observance of Rule and Politeness, awarded to Bob Miller.

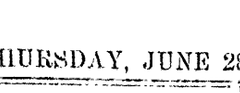
Special Prize for Observance of Rule, awarded to Masters Charlie Burke and Lyme Layton.

Special Prize for Neatness in Work, awarded to Masters Norman McIntosh, Frank Leonard, George Madder, Jack McLaughlin, Bob Miller, Gerald Corme, Frank Coste and Tom Kirkwood.

ST. MARY'S.

The closing exercises of St. Francis school, Manning avenue, were held yesterday (Wednesday) and those of St. Mary's will be held to morrow afternoon. The children have been busily engaged for some time past in providing an entertainment for their relatives and friends.

Two more marriages took place last week, Rev. Vicar-General McCann officiating, the principals, in the first, being Mr. Morris Fleming, and Miss Alice Langdon of 110 Manning avenue, and in the second, Mr. Charles Barlow Ritchie and Miss Nellie Flynn, daughter of Mr. James Flynn of 136 Portland street.



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