

## SOCIETY HAPPENINGS.

## Other Items of Interest in Cities and Towns.

E. B. A.

## HONORING THE DEAD.

According to the annual custom of Sarsfield Branch No. 1 and St. Joseph's juvenile Branch No. 1 of Hamilton, the graves of their deceased members were decorated with flowers on June 2nd. The committee having visited the cemetery on the day previous to cut the grass and mark the graves. On Sunday the members of the Branches met at St. Mary's Hall at 1.30 p.m. and formed in procession headed by the chorists. Bro. W. S. being Marshal for Sarsfield Branch and Brother P. Curran for St. Joseph's, and proceeded to the wharf at foot of Simcoe street, where they boarded the steamer "Acacia" for the cemetery. Having arrived the procession reformed, the members carrying the flowers each having two plants, and proceeded to the resting place of their deceased brothers, at each of the twenty graves four plants were placed. Geranium stocks and forget-me-nots. The members then joined in prayer for the repose of the souls of the deceased the prayers being recited by W. J. Sullivan, President of Sarsfield Branch assisted by Brother T. Cheesman. The ceremony was well attended very few members being absent; and a large number of friends accompanied them to take part in the solemn act of respect for their dead. The committee return thanks to all who took part in the ceremony and likewise to the donors of flowers.

## St. Mary's Concert.

An unusually large audience assembled in St. Andrews hall last Wednesday evening to witness the programme given by the children of St. Mary's school. Mr. D. A. Carey, as chairman made the opening remarks.

Vicar-General McCann also spoke for sometime, in explanation of the operetta which was to follow. Where so many children are gathered together, it would be impossible to give individual commendation. The singing of the one hundred little girls who appeared on the platform spoke volumes for the excellence of their training. The instrumental numbers—pianos, violins and guitars, by the Misses Henry, Whelan, Bro, McMullen, McKay, O'Connor, Smith, Watson, and Cunningham, were admirably played showing great technical skill, and power of expression. The song "Papa's Message" by little Miss Aggie Curran completely carried away the audience. The operetta "Katydid" was a perfect masterpiece. The effective points, coupled with a charming grace of bearing, were very cleverly brought out. The little boys representing the soldiers and lawyers kept the audience in a paroxysm of laughter. Their old fashioned costumes and comical headaddresses, contrasting so strongly with the tiny little fellows, caused much merriment. Too much cannot be said in praise of the Sisters of St. Joseph under whose direction this entertainment was given. Their production in vocal, instrumental and dramatic work are of the very highest order; and, parents who are desirous of having their children cultivated in these branches, could not place them under more skillful and painstaking teachers. We hope these good sisters will favor us with many such excellent entertainments.

## St. Mary's Sanctuary Boys.

The following resolution of condolence were unanimously passed at a meeting of the St. Mary's Sanctuary Boys held in the school-room at 2.30 p.m., Sunday, June 2, 1895.

Whereas, since the previous meeting of the Society, Martin Kane, one of our esteemed members, at the early age of 18 years, has been called to his reward;

And whereas, while reverentially bowing to God's holy will in his regard, we cheerfully acknowledge that Martin was a great source of happiness to his family, and to our society an edifying and useful member.

Be it therefore resolved that we, the members of the St. Mary's Sanctuary Boys' Society, hereby tender our sincerest sympathy to the family of our deceased member.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the father and sisters of Martin Kane; another entered in the society's minute-book, and a third addressed for publication in the Catholic Register.

MICHAEL STAFFORD, Sec. Treas.

## St. Paul's Church.

On Sunday the Feast of Pentecost, nearly one hundred children of the parish made their first Communion. The altar was tastefully decorated for the occasion. Mass

was celebrated by the pastor Rev. Father Hand. The girls' choir consisting of one hundred voices sang Dumonto's Mass in a particularly pleasing style. At the offertory, Starn's Magnificat was rendered in a manner which testifies to the splendid vocal training given them by the sisters of St. Joseph. The soloists were Misses Ada Baxter, Eva Tromer, Maud O'Connor, and Katie Ryan. Miss Kate Rigney presiding at the organ. In the evening the children were enrolled in the scapular, and received into the society of the Holy Angels.

## St. Francis' School.

The following boys have merited testimonials for good conduct and application to study during May:

Form IV.—Excellent—C. E. Dorian, H. Duern, D. Drohan, J. Murphy, J. A. Callaghan, D. Glynn, F. McGuire, H. Oster, W. O'Brien, A. Drohan, R. Rocamora, F. Walsh, J. Glynn, T. Glynn, W. Oster, J. O'Neill, L. J. O'Connor. Good—H. Bourke, D. Kennedy, H. Haines, Jas. Ryan, G. Fogarty, L. Duern.

Form III.—Excellent—F. Murphy, Good—D. Garthan, J. Higgins.

Highest Standing, Form IV.—Senior Division—1. C. Dorian; 2. H. Duern; 3. D. Drohan. Junior Division—1. H. Oster; 2. W. O'Brien; 3. F. Walsh.

## Brockton.

On Ascension Thursday, special vespers were rendered at St. Helen's Church. There were present in the sanctuary some former college companions of Father Cruise, Rev. Dr. Baxter and Father Gardner of Brooklyn, N. Y. and Rev. P. Coyle of Dixie.

## Ottawa.

Mr. James Plunkett, a well known and highly esteemed member of the civic service died last week. Deceased was an able and trusted official and only a few days before his death was promoted to the honorable position of Chief clerk of the Post-office Department. Requiem high mass was sung by Father Constantineau at St. Joseph's Church, after which the funeral proceeded to Notre Dame cemetery. The pall bearers were the five sons of the deceased, who leaves also a widow and three daughters. Rev. Mother Ignatius, Superior of Loretto Abbey, Toronto, is a sister in law of Mr. Plunkett. The general respect in which he was held was evidenced by the large number of friends present at the funeral.

## Obituary

At 327 1/2 Hall street, Portland, Oregon, on the 19th of May, Mr. Vincent McCullough passed away to his eternal rest, aged 56 years.

The immediate cause of his death was paralysis, although Mr. McCullough has not been in good health for some years. He was born in Tayne, County Kerry, Ireland, and came to Canada in 1858 and settled in Ottawa. There he married Miss Maria Kennedy, daughter of an influential family who, together with his six children, survive him. In 1865 Mr. McCullough moved to Portland, Oregon, where he has resided ever since, following the business of contractor. His superior work and high character for probity secured him many large contracts. As a result of his industry and intelligence he leaves a comfortable competence to his family.

One brother, Daniel, at the old homestead, Ireland, one sister residing in Newcastle on Tyne, England, Felix McCullough, contractor, of Ottawa, Canada, and Henry, also of Ottawa, are brothers. These are the surviving members of a large family that at one time gathered around the hearth of that far-away home in Ireland. Mr. McCullough was a man highly respected by all and a truly Christian father, loved and mourned by his sorrowing family. His funeral was from St. Lawrence Church and interment at St. Mary's Cemetery. Requiescat in pace.

## A. O. H.

Div. No. 4, held their regular meeting Sunday last, there was a very large attendance, a large amount of business was transacted. One new member was initiated and three applications for membership received.

Under the heading of the good and welfare of the Order, Bros. Kane, Finlay and Gloster gave magnificent addresses to the members. The Literary Committee amused the members with Music and Song about an hour.

The President closed the meeting with congratulations to the members upon the great interest they showed for the Order.

The meeting adjourned with singing, God Save Ireland.

Division No. 3, and their friends, to the number of about five hundred, had a pleasant outing on Saturday last to the pretty town of Oakville. The trip was made by water in the palace steamer Garden City; and the party, while on board, had the full benefit

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of Purser Nihan's most considerate attention. Arrived at Oakville, the excursionists proceeded directly to the park, where the amusements were freely indulged in till the "shades of evening" closed in and warned the gathering that time was up.

The base ball match between the Wellingtons and Standards of the Junior League was keenly contested, and resulted in a victory for the former team. There was another interesting contest, but of a gentler character, upon which hinged the popularity of two young ladies—Miss Kelly and Miss Gleason, both of the West End. The larger number of votes declared in favor of Miss Kelly, who was awarded the prize—a valuable gold watch; but Miss Gleason is so highly esteemed that she also is to be presented with a suitable token of her friends' good-will.

The committee in charge of the excursion deserve credit for their management, which was efficient and satisfactory from the beginning to the end.

## Toronto General Trusts Company.

We reprint in another column the thirteenth annual report of the Toronto General Trusts Company, which is unusually interesting, as well to the general public as to those immediately concerned as shareholders. The sheet is balanced to the 31st of March, 1895, and shows net earnings for the year of \$32,575, which include \$4,308 carried over from 1894. Of the profits there were paid \$22,500 in three dividends at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum; the reserve fund—which now stands at a quarter of a million—has been increased \$10,000; and the contingent account has been strengthened by an addition of \$15,000, which brings that item up to \$43,576.

One of the advantages of the Trusts pointed out by Vice President Hoskin is continuity of service. Said Mr. Hoskin: "Individuals, fortunately or unfortunately, must die, but a company always lives. In its hands, therefore, a trust, no matter how long its duration, is not liable to be interrupted by death, or to have the personnel of the trust changed from other causes." The point made by the Vice President is an important one, and must tell with those having regard to the careful disposition of their last wills and testaments.

Managing Director Langmuir and his staff were referred to in the annual report in very cordial and flattering terms—and, we think, deservedly so. Those doing business with the office will heartily endorse every word in this connection expressed by Mr. Meredith.

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