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Parliamentary Notes

Here is another week of sameness. The budget debate has dragged its length along, with the understanding that it would come to an end on Tuesday. Here and there a bright flash illumined the monotony of statistics and of counter-statistics. On Friday an especially able and certainly new in form and matter speech was delivered by Mr. Demers, member for St. John and Iberville. There was a ring of genuino patriotism in the address, and as a piece of carefully set logic it suffeed to stamp the young member as one whose future career may be of the most brilliant. I may add that Mr. Demers possesses a rare purity of diction that lifts his public utterance into the realm of letters. It is always encouraging for the serious observer to note such tendencies in the representatives of the people; they indicate an optimistic spirit, a hopeful nature, and an ambition to give to the country the very best of which they are capable.

The announcement by the Premier that henceforth Thursdays would be taken as Government days, is another sign of the approaching end of the session. Still it is not at all probable that the House can be prorogued before the 8th or 15th of May. One member passed a very curious remark the other day. He said that the increased sessional indemnity was granted because of the exceedingly long sessions. Members only received \$1,000 each for sessions that lasted four months and often longer. Now that an indemnity of \$1,500 has been accorded it would seem very strango that the very first session under tho new regulation should be one of the shortest on record. There may be something in the remark; but the coronation of the King and not the increase of pay for members has to do with the shortness of this session. But if that member has any qualma of conscience regarding the acceptance of the extra \$500 he is at perfect liberty to decline drawing his allowance. Moreover he may rest perfect- or even a moment's hesitation in rely assured that next year he will | gard to this subject. Even the Anglihave no cause for complaint on that score. If the signs of the times are to be trusted, we may anticipate a the production of the "Passion Play" genuine old-fashion session in 1903 one like the old-time winters, that will be both continuous and stormy, of whose temple are a standing pro-But it is no province of mine to anticipate the future; I am merely expected to dot down whatever of in- demption, no Christian, with a ray terest takes place during the present of faith in his bosom, could see, session, and the task is no easy without feelings of distrust the reone, for so little has occurred to ex- production on the common stage, cite the curiosity of the reader that the writer is at a loss. A session of this class is a fearful temptation, it makes one inclined to let loose the reins of imagination and to dash into and the only place wherein such the realm of political invention. No- events can be fittingly commemoratthing to write about; a public that ed. And it seems to me, that the

the situation is miserable. The result is that I very frequently leave the House of Commons aside, and march off to some- other field, wherein I can, at least glean enough straws to form a presentable sheaf of news. I will therefore, turn to Montreal and to the learned and able Archbishop of that important See. During the past week a new version of the "Passion Play" has been upon the boards in one of the leading, theatres of that city. Without pro-

stances that will supply no new facts



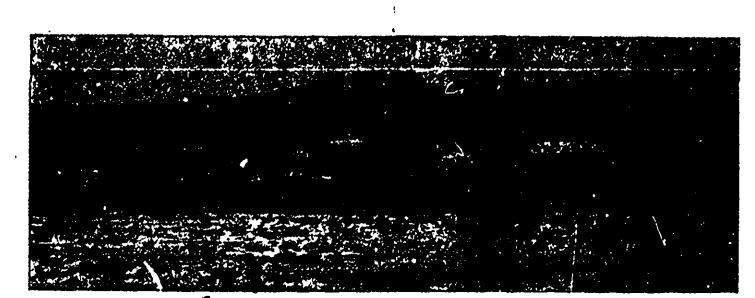
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nouncing upon the merits or demerits of the drama, either from a theological or an histronic standpoint. His Grace found it necessary to forbid the continuation of the representations, and to ordain that the faithful should not attend. Moreover, this action of the Archbishop is simply a carrying out of a like decision on the part of his illustrious predecessor, the late Mgr. Fabre. To his great credit, be it said, Mr. Beaulien, author of the drama, despite Whatever loss he sustains, submitted at once and heartily to the desires of the Archbishop. In a very clear and characteristically able article in La Semaine Religiouse, Mgr. Bruchest gave the strong reasons and motives which impelled him to take this course. It was only alter careful investigation into all the details, and the allowing of sufficient time for all interested parties to avoid financial loss, that His Grace gave public expression to his judg-

ment in the matter. It seems to me that no Catholic should have any secondary thought, can Bishop Potter, of New York, protested with Mgr. Corrigan against in that city. Apart from the Catho-Ito, whose ritual and the very walls test against aught that savors of secularizing the scared tragedy of Rethose events that marked, from the Garden of Olives to the summit of Golgotha, the terrific passage of the Son of God. The Church is the place

expects something fresh; circum- more realistic the representation the more dangerous its character. Still this does not argue either bad faith or a wrongful aim on the part of the composer, the manager, the actors, or others who may be called the promoters of the play. Quite possibly their idea is to elevate the stage, to purify it, to remodel it, and to bring the great truths of religion home to the minds of hundreds who might otherwise remain forever ignorant of them. Still there is the ever-present danger of blasphemy in more than one form, and even of sacrilege, in at least one acceptation of that term. Hence the wisdom of the gifted Archbishop's judgment and the general approval of the course he has seen proper and timely to take. It

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is another illustration of the import-

ance of giving to Caesar what be-

longs to Caesar, and to God what

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THE CORONATION AND THE

OATH. Rome, April 8.—In spite of the opposition of Cardinal Rampolia, the Papal Secretary of State, the Pope has decided to send important special missions both to the coronation of King Edward and to the festivities in Spain, attendant upon the coronation of King Alfonso. The Cardinal's opposition to the seeding of the mission to England was based on the fact that the British Parliament did not change the anti-Catholic formula of the accession oath, and Mgr. Merry Del Val, whom the Pontiff designed to be chief of the mission, openly refused to go while the present wording of the oath is maintained. Nevertheless, the mission will be sent, and will probably arrive in London a few hours after the religious ceremony. This will be a repetition of the diplomatic manueuvres carried out at the coronation of Czar Nicholas II. at

Moecow.

The Papal Jubilee

Baltimore, Md., April 7.-The silver jubilee of Pope Leo XIII. was observed with solemn and unusually elaborate services at the Cathedral yesterday. The ceremony was marked by the presence of two Cardinals. Cardinal Martinelli, the Apostolic Delegate, who came over from Washington Saturday night to take part in the services, officiated, and Cardinal Gibbons preached the sermon. At the conclusion of the Pontifical Mass, Rev. Father O'Donovan, of Cardinal Gibbons' household, read a Papal brief extending special plenary indulgence to all Catholics of the archdiocese who attended the Triduum.

At 7 o'clock this morning. Cardinal Gibbons celebrated Mass at a special service for the Cathedral sodality, at which 1,000 persons received communion and the Papal blessing.

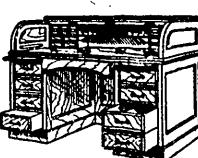
His Eminence said, in part: "For nearly two thousand years the Pope of Rome has been the most conspicuour figure in the theatre of public life. The name of the Sovereign Pontiff is indelitly marked on the pages of ecclesiastical history. It is inti-mately and inseparably associated with the progress and enlightenment. and the Christian civilization of the world. The Pope ever stands before us as the commander-in-chief of the army of Lord of Hosts. You might as well shut out the light of day or the air of Heaven from your daily walks as exclude the Roman Pontiff from his legitimate and permanent sphere in the hierarchy of the Chirch. The history of the United States with the President left out would be more intelligible than the history of the Christian religion with the omission of the name of the vicar of Christ."

His Eminence then briefly outlined the personal and ecclesiastical history of Leo XIII., dwelling especial-

ly on his encyclicals. Speaking of the encyclical on the condition of the workmen, Cardinal Gibbons said: "A conflict between labor and capital is as unreasonable as would be a contention between the head and the hands. The interests of capital and labor are-corelative. Capital without labor would be unproductive. Labor without capital would be unprofitable." The Cardinal related a number of incidents which had come under his personal observation in the course of his association with the Pope, tending to show his striking personality, his courtly manner and marked ability as a younger man, and the wonderful clearness of his intellect and excellence of his memory at the present time, in spite of

his 93 years. He concluded as follows: "I know not whether Providence will spare me to pay homage to other supreme Pontills, but whether my life is short or long, or whatever may be the future line of Popes sitting on the chair of Peter, I shall always cherish special fillal affection and the tenderest memories of Leo XIII."

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Breynat took place in the Cathedral

at St. Albert, Saturday. The conse-

crating bishop was Mgr. Girouard, of

Athabasca, assisted by Hishop Clut

and Bishop Pascal. The consecrating

and assisting bishops have all been

missionaries in the Athabasca-Mac-

kenzie diocese. Archbishop Langevin

occupied the throne, attended by

Bishop Douterville, of New Westmins-

ter. Venerable Bishop Grandin was

unable to take active part in the

proceedings. He was obliged to per-

form his portion of the service in his

bed. His health has not improved

during the last few days, and his con-

dition is very precatious, causing

On Monday the newly consecrated

bishop will celebrate Pontifical Mass

On Tuesday, Rev. Father Vegreville of Stony Plain, will celebrate his

golden jubilee of priesthood. This ven-

erable priest came to the Northwest

Father Remas, who died a few months

Late Father Ryan-

At the last monthly meeting of the

tion was ananimously adopted ex-

members on the death of their belov-

ed Spiritual Director, Father Ryan,

who was the founder of the Men's

Branch of the League in Toronto, and

who labored zealously for the last

ten years for the promotion of the

League and the welfare of its mem-

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Ranger Lee, seconded by Provincial

That, whereas, this Court has learn-

ed with deep regret of the sad demise

of the Rev. Father Ryan, rector of

St. Michael's Cathedral, Toronto,

who for many years took a very deep

interest in the welfare of our order;

ther Ryan this order has lost a val-

ued counsellor and spiritual adviser

and this diocese has lost a priest be-

and kindly qualities of heart and

Be it therefore resolved that this

Court in meeting assembled desires

devoted son and brother, and he it

further resolved that the De Profun-

dis be said at each meeting of this

Court for a period of three months

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pressive of the deep regret of

in the Cathedral of St. Albert.

great anxiety to those around him.

Edmonton, N. W. T., April 7.-The

London, April 7.-The testimony of some French-Canadians who have just been-received in private audience by the Pope, says the Rome correspondent of The Morning Post, throws some interesting light on his present condition. The Canadians had not been to Rome for fourteen years, and were naturally very anxious to compare the condition of Leo XIII.'s mind in 1888 with its present state. They report that the Pope has, as they expected, aged greatly, and that his body seems to have shrunk to an incredible extent, but his mind is perfectly lucid, his memory as keen as ever, and his rapidity of understanding surprising. The father of the family received, who holds an important position in one of the chief Canadian cities, had no sooper mentioned his name, than the Pope, after reflecting an instant, nald: "I remember you perfectly well; you were here fourteen years ago, and Monsignor - has frequently spoken to me of you in high terms. You were here with your little girls. Are they married?" On receiving an affirmative reply, and being told that one of the daughters (who was present at the audience) had lost her husband at the beginning of the South African war, in which he took part with the first Canadian contingent, the Pope c lated: "Ah, cette guerre! C'est mon dernier grand-chagrin!" Then turning to the widowed daughter, the Pope took her head between his hands

benis." (The reference is evidently to Judge Routhier, of Quebec, and to his widowed daughter, Mrs. Sutton.)

and said: "Ma pauvre petite, je te

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tion has been called to the article in your issue of April 3rd on the C. M. B. A., in which it is stated the C. M. B. A. is the only Catholic Assessment Society included in the official report of the Dominion Government Insurance Inspector. While this is true in the main, yet because there are no other Catholic societies mentioned by the inspector, it might be inferred that all other Catholic insurance societies are not recognized by the Insurance Department of the Dominion Government. In so far as the C. M. B. A. and the Catholic Order of Foresters are concerned (both of which are doing practically the same work), permit me to state that the C. M. B A. being purely a Canadian organization, and holding a charter under the Dominion Government, | number of visitors. necessarily comes within the scope of the Department, while the Catholic Foresters, being an international organization, and having its charter granted under the laws of the United States, does not come within the province of the Dominion laspector, hence cannot be included in the re-

la the report of the Inspector of friendly societies for the Province of Ontario, and also the Province of Quebec, it will be found that the Catholic Order of Foresters is included as a practically sound and safe organization and fully up to the standard as required by the Department of Insurance. Both the C. M. B. A. and the C. O. F. are doing splendid work in the interest of the Catholic people and are deserving of their strongest support.

The Catholic Order of Foresters now numbers 100,000 members, 24,006 of which are in the Dominion of Canada. During the nineteen years of its existence it has paid out to the widows and orphans the munificent sum of \$4,212,525. During the year 1991 alone it has paid out the sum of \$708,650. Its manner of assessments Territories in 1852 with the late are the same as the foremost fraternal orders of the day, being known as the graded assessment, rated according to age, and these are practically the same every moath during the life of the members. Two years ago the C. O. F. inaugurated a "Reserve Men's League of the Sacred Heart, Fund," and since that time has ac cumulated for this purp mearly \$400,000, which has been invested in Government securities, both in the U. S. and Canada pro rata according to membership.

The Catholic population of the Dominion is increasing rapidly, and if the Catholic people would give the proper support to the two great Catholic insurance organizations of the Dominion their influence would not only be felt in the homes, but in the Councils of the municipalities and the nation.

If a branch of the C. M. B. A. or a court of the Catholic Foresters were established in every parish in the Dominion and all the able-bodied members of our church were attached to it, and as a result the widows and orphans and aged dependents were, on the death of a member to receive the St. Vincent de Paul Society is Ryan, now constantly taxed to aid would be avoided? How much of the time, patience and purse of our clergy would be turned to other charitable objects! How many orphans would be loved by all for his noble, brilliant saved to the church, who now on account of poverty fall into the hands of other denominations? These are facts which the father of every family should take into his serious conto convey to the Archbishop of To- sideration and become at once an acronto and the clergy of the diocese its tive member of either of these or-

deep sympathy in the loss of such a ganizations. Any information concerning rates for membership in an established court or for organization of new courts of the Catholic Order of Foresters will be cheerfully given by the undersigned. Thanking you, Mr. Editor, in advance.

Sincerely yours, M. F. Mogan, Provincial Organizer C. O. F., 25 Sackville street, Toronto. Toronto, April 5th, 1902.

ST. HELEN'S SANCTUARY SO-

CIETY.

At the meeting held on the 5th inst., the following resolutions of condolence were passed unanimously: Whereas, the beloved mother of our esteemed companion and fellow-member Emmet McCann, has been called to her reward;

Be it resolved, that we, the members of St. Helen's Sanctuary Society, tender our sincerest condolence to our companion, and we earnestly pray that the Girer of every good and per-fect suit to console him and the other members of the bereaved fam-

lly; Be it further resolved that the Holy Secrifice of the Mass be offered at 7

o'clock on Tuesday morning in St. Helen's Church for the respose of tha soul of the late Mrs McCann and that all the members of the society, who can conveniently attend be present thereat, each calling to mind there consoling words "It is a holy and a wholesome thought to pray. for the dead that they may be loosed

John Boland, President; Francis Mulhall, Secretary-Treasurer. Toronto, April 6, 1902.

BLANTYRE BOYS ENTERTAINED.

from their sing."

The boys of the Industrial School, Blantyre, were entertained one evening last week to a supper and concert by the ladles of St John's Church, East Toronto. The evening passed off very pleasantly and tha logs were much pleased with the entertainment, especially the copilo songs by Mr. Schinnick, and the recitations by Mrs. Lottic Fitzgerald and Master Walter Schinnick. In addition to the Brothers and the boys of the school there was a goodly

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MRS. PATRICK McDERMOTT.

The Milton Champion of April \$ says: Mrs. Patrick McDermott died on Sunday after a long illness. She had been a resident of Milton for over thirty years, and her death in mourned by many old friends, who sympathize deeply with her beareaved husbond. She left no children. The funeral took place yesterday from her late residence on Mill street to St. Andrew's Church and thence to Evergreen Cemetery. Rev. Pather O'Rollin conducted the services and preached an impressive sermon.

MRS. ELLEN McCABE.

Mrs. Ellen McCabe, widow of the late Michael McCabe, undertaker, dies last Thursday after a brief illness, For some time she had been procestible of vomiting, and succembed after a severe attack. Mrs. McCabe was about 40 years of age, and well known in the west end, having subsequently to the death of her husband four years ago carried on the undertaking business at 319 Queen atreet west. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Norwood, whose husband is a veterinary surgeon with the United States forces in the Philippines.

DEATH OF MR. WARDELL, M.P.P. Mr. T. A. Wardell, M. P. P., Dundas, died in the Hospital at Hamilton while under chloroform for a minor operation. The funeral was held on Tuesday last and was largely attended. Mgr. Heenan officiated in St. Augustine's Church. The newspapers had stated that deceased was a Mason. Mgr. Hoenan makes the statement that Mr. Wardell had declared his withdrawal from the society some Tears ago.

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