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NOTES FROM THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF THE CITY.

FEAST OF CANDLEMAS.

On Sunday last the feast of the Purification, or Candlemas Day, was appropriately celebrated in all the Catholic churches of the city. After the blessing of the candles a procession was held around the church. During the procession the choir sang "Lumen ad Revelandum Gentium" and "Nunc Dimittis," the members of the congregation holding lighted tapers meanwhile, as well as at the Gospel, making the scene one of grandeur.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH.

At the high Mass the pastor, Rev. Father M. Callaghan, read the financial and general report of the parish for the past year. There were 271 baptisms, 154 marriages and 165 deaths. The sum of \$28,521.54 was received from all sources, and the expenses amounted to \$28,166.89, leaving a surplus of \$354.65, which being added to last year's surplus of \$4,469.73, leaves a balance of \$9,821.38 in the bank.

In the afternoon the Holy Name Society held a meeting, at which Rev. Father James Killoran presided.

In the evening the Sacred Heart League held a reception of promoters under the direction of Rev. Father Peter Heffernan. A very eloquent sermon was preached by the Rev. Thomas Heffernan. A procession was held around the church. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament closed the proceedings.

Next Sunday afternoon the members of the Total Abstinence and Benefit Society will hold their monthly meeting.

ST. ANN'S PARISH.

Rev. Father Rioux, P.P., C.S.S.R., officiated at the blessing of the candles, assisted by Rev. Father Fortier as deacon, and Rev. Father Trudel as sub-deacon. In the evening the sermon was preached by Rev. Father Strubbe.

The Ladies' Sodality of the Blessed Virgin, under the direction of Rev. Father Fortier, now numbers four hundred members. Meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each month.

The Total Abstinence and Benefit Society will meet on Sunday afternoon when the election of officers will take place.

ST. MARY'S PARISH.

The postponed debate of St. Mary's Young Men's Society will take place on Wednesday evening, Feb. 15th, at 8 o'clock. The subject of the debate will be: "Resolved, that straight insurance is preferable to fraternal organization insurance."

A special class of boys under the direction of Rev. Father McDonald is busily engaged practicing dumb and bell exercises, fancy drills and calisthenics for the annual concert, which will be held on the evening of March 17th and which promises to eclipse anything of the kind ever held in the parish.

ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH.

Immediately after high Mass on Sunday the Total Abstinence and Benefit Society met and transacted considerable routine business. A communication was received from St. Patrick's Total Abstinence Society, congratulating the St. Gabriel's Society on the formation of the juvenile body. The date of the society's annual religious celebration was changed from January 6th to a date to be hereafter named by the pastor.

A grand opening of the amusement rooms in connection with the older members of the juvenile society in the form of a euchre party, will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 24th.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

The Redemptorist Fathers of Saratoga, N.Y., will give a mission during Lent.

The euchre held on Tuesday evening was attended by a large crowd, and a nice sum was realized for the benefit of the Church fund.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME.

The Home was photographed by P. Gordon, of St. Catherine street, last Sunday, and made a handsome picture.

Many applications were made for admission since last issue, and all were accepted.

The salve made at the Home has been doing excellent work, and the demand will far exceed the supply. Since our last issue the following donations have been received:

Donations for gas meter:—F. Carbray, Quebec; Eileen, J. J. Milloy; Dr. Hornbogen, Marquette, Mich.; Leo Girard, Mrs. P. Kelly, Bray's Crossing; George Pujos, Miss Elsie Guinea, Mrs. P. Doran, Miss Bridget Healy, Buffalo.

The following contributed \$1 each: Miss A. Ryan, P. Kannon, P. Milloy, B. Feeney, Mrs. Thompson, Patrick Stock, \$5; Mrs. McKeown, \$5; A friend, \$4; another friend, \$3; Christopher Doherty, \$10; Mr. P. Milloy, Jer. Coffey and R. P. Stuart Brown sent books; Mrs. Scott, P. Milloy, Mrs. Gallagher, Mrs. Coonan, Miss Lynch, Miss Roach sent clothing. Capt. Labelle gave a bag of flour, James McCrory a tub of butter, F. H. Carlin a quarter of beef, and John O'Connor two bags of hen food.

GENERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST AROUND THE CITY.

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS.

Father Dowd Court, C.O.F., will hold a grand euchre and social on February 24th in the Conservatory Hall, St. Catherine street.

ST. BRIDGET'S NIGHT REFUGE.

Report for week ending Saturday 4th February, 1905: The following people had a night's lodging and breakfast: Irish 249; French 177; English 19, other nationalities 22. Total, 467.

WILL CELEBRATE HIS SILVER JUBILEE.

On March 17th Rev. Father Fahey the popular curate of St. Gabriel's, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

ST. ANN'S HOCKEY TEAM.

The hockey team of St. Ann's school has been very successful this season, and the boys have covered themselves with glory by their fine playing, succeeding in defeating every team they have played against.

ILLNESS OF MR. T. CALLAGHAN.

We regret to have to announce the very serious illness of Mr. T. Callaghan, father of the Rev. Father Martin and Father Luke Callaghan. The True Witness extends the hope that he may yet be spared many years.

LEFT FOR CUBA.

On Sunday evening Rev. Fathers Martin Callaghan, P.P., St. Patrick's; W. O'Meara, P.P., St. Gabriel's; and W. J. Casey, P.P., St. Agnes, left for New York en route to Cuba. They will be absent about five weeks.

IN HARD LUCK.

The Shamrock hockey team, it appears, have struck a bunch of hard luck. In last Saturday night's match against Westmount they lost by 3 goals to 2, and in the previous matches with Quebec and Victoria, though having the better of the play in both cases, defeat came as on Saturday in an unexpected moment.

MONTHLY CONCERT.

On Friday afternoon the first monthly concert for 1905 took place at the Belmont School, Guy street, and was attended by over 400 pupils. The programme was a long and varied one. The singing of the special choir, and the recitation of Master John Duggan, "The Psalm of Life," called for special mention. Medals, prizes and merit cards were awarded to several of the pupils.

AN EXCITING CHASE.

On last Sunday afternoon a spirited horse took fright and bolted near the Grey Nunnery on Guy street. A little east of Guy street on Dorchester street the occupants of the sleight, a gentleman and a lady, were thrown out. The horse continued its mad flight until a special mounted constable, who was doing duty on Dorchester street, gave chase, and an exciting one it was. Crossing St. Lawrence street the horse narrowly escaped being killed by the street cars. At St. Hubert street the mounted officer of the law brought the runaway to a standstill.

SUCCESSFUL EUCHRES.

On last Wednesday evening the ladies of St. Patrick's parish held a very successful concert and euchre in Drummond Hall. Great credit is due Mesdames McNamee, Boud and O'Brien for the success of the proceedings.

St. Patrick's Cadets held a large-

ly attended euchre party on Friday evening in aid of their funds.

The Young Irishmen's Literary and Benefit Association held a successful concert and social on Friday evening at Drummond Hall. A comedy, "Miss Civilization," was given in a very creditable manner, besides several instrumental and vocal solos.

ST. PATRICK'S CHARITY CONCERT.

The rehearsals for St. Patrick's charity concert are being well attended, and everything bids fair to prove that Prof. Fowler will produce his best effort in this line on Feb. 14th. Ladies and gentlemen in handsome costumes, and Mr. Victor Occollier, late baritone of the N. Y. Grand Opera, presenting the Toreador scene from Carmen, will form a handsome setting for this year's concert. Instrumental vocal solos and choruses will make up the balance of the programme. The members of the choir are very enthusiastic and Prof. Fowler is loud in his promises of a really fine entertainment.

There should be a banner attendance on the 14th to help along and encourage this charitable work.

COLUMBIANS AT KING'S HALL.

On Wednesday evening last, in the King's Hall, an "At Home" was held by the members of the Columbian Students' Club, and the progressive card party which it included, contributed to make it a unique and brilliant event. The guests were received by the students themselves, who also personally directed the various arrangements, and contributed most satisfactorily to the mirth and success of the evening.

Amid the decorations the crest of the club, enshrined in smiles and club colors, occupied a prominent position. Palms banked the dais for the orchestra, and graced the prettily arranged tables in the banquet hall.

Euchre was played for an hour and a half, the unique tally card, designed by themselves, with its pretty etching and acrostic, being generally admired. Supper was then served, after which the prizes were presented by Mr. Chas. F. Smith.

The students are to be complimented upon the large and distinguished number of friends present, and as for the popular Columbian Girl, there was mirth and cheer in abundance for her, as well as for her parents of maturer age and tastes, and her debut may be considered a most creditable one, in the fullest sense of the words.

Sister of Charity Gets Unexpected Feast From Civil War Veteran.

The Boston Herald relates the following incident of a Sister of Charity who was returning to Boston from New York on a Round steamer recently:

"As tea time was about to be announced, the colored waiter approached her and suggested that perhaps it would be pleasanter for her to go to the table before the general rush of passengers. She assented and took her place at the table for a very simple tea. The waiter left her without waiting for an order and was gone so long that the sister wondered what had become of him. At last he appeared with a large tray loaded with all the luxuries of the season and set it down before her. Of course, the modest Sister was quite taken aback, and said to the waiter:

"You must have made a mistake; that is not for me."

"Oh yes, Sister," said he, "it is for you."

"But I did not order such a supper as that; it certainly must have been ordered by some one else and you have brought it to me by mistake."

"No, Sister, there is no mistake, it was ordered for you."

Convinced at last, the Sister ate all she wanted. Before she could leave the table, the waiter appeared with a second course of sweets, ices, fruits, etc.

"My dear man," said the Sister, "that is too much. Who has ordered all those things for me?"

"There is the gentleman who gave the order," said the waiter.

"Then go and express my grateful thanks to him, and ask him for the pleasure of his name."

The waiter conveyed the message to the gentleman, and returned with this reply:

"Tell the Sister that my name is of no consequence. I am a stranger, and may never see her again; but say that I am always happy to avail myself of every favorable opportunity of testifying my profound respect for the Sisters of Charity, whom I first learned to venerate and love in our late war."

COLONIAL HOUSE, PHILLIPS SQUARE. GREAT ANNUAL DISCOUNT SALE.

Boys' Clothing Department

Children's Norfolk Suits, in Scotch and English tweeds; sizes 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27; price \$6.50 and \$7.50, for \$2.99.

Boys' Norfolk Suits, in Scotch and English tweeds; sizes, 30, 31, 32 and 33; prices \$7.50, \$8.50, for \$2.99.

25 Children's Raglanette Overcoats, in dark gray overcoating, in sizes 24, 25 and 26; prices \$8, for \$2.99. 1 lot of 25 Boys' Nap and Frieze Reefers, tweed lined; sizes 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35; prices \$5 and \$6.50, for \$2.99.

Custom Tailoring Dept

500 yards of English Worsted Suiting, 27 inches, at \$1.25 per yard, less 20 per cent.

200 yards of Scotch Tweed, 38 in., at \$2.50 and \$3, less 20 per cent.

200 yards Worsted Pantings, worth \$6.00 and \$7.00, for \$5.00.

200 yards English Worsted Suiting, 27 inches, at \$1.25, less 20 per cent.

200 Suit Lengths best West of England, to be sold less 10 per cent.

All Winter Overcoatings, less 20 per cent.

All Vestings, less 20 per cent.

Pant Stretchers, 25c, 30c, less 20 per cent.

Foxe's Puttee's, navy and black, \$2.50, less 20 per cent.

Men's Furnishing Dept.

SPECIALS FOR THE BALANCE OF SALE.

30 doz. Fine English Ties, worth 75c each, made in reversible Derbies and Flowing Ends, new colors and shapes, to clear at 25c each.

PYJAMAS—1 lot of Fine Pyjamas, made of imported Madras, zephyr, and Oxford, with large pearl buttons, frogs and girdles. Regular \$2.50, for \$1.90 cash.

COLLARS—1 lot of American Double Collars, nearly all sizes in stock, assorted heights, for 50c per doz.

BOYS' SWEATERS—Boys' High School Sweaters, and other colors, made of fine fingering yarn, long collar, double skirt. Regular \$1.50 each, for \$1.00.

SPECIAL PRICES IN MEN'S SWEATERS.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR—Special price in Men's Underwear in cotton, balbrigan, hile thread, silk, silk and wool and Saxony wool.

Men's Dressing Gowns.

All Dressing Gowns, assorted colors and sizes, \$6.50, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, less 20 per cent.

All Turkish Robes, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00, less 20 per cent.

Eiderdown Bath Robes, \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00, less 33 1-3 per cent.

Japanese Department.

Bronze Vases, Lamps and Jardinieres 75 per cent.

Entire stock of Glaze Vases, half price.

Special lines, 66 2-3 off.

China Decorated Jardinieres, half price.

Paper Umbrellas, Banners, Screens, etc., half price.

Bamboo and Bead Portiers, 33 1-3 off.

Artificial Flowers, regular \$1, for 50c.

Bronze and Clock Dept.

TWO SPECIAL TABLES 66 2-3 OFF.

Consisting of Clocks, Vases, Ornaments, Frames, Jardinieres, etc., etc.

TWO SPECIAL TABLES, HALF PRICE.

Consisting of Fancy Tables, Clocks, Wine Sets, Clocks, Mirrors, Ornaments, etc.

CLEARING PRICES OF PLATED SPOONS, FORKS AND LADLES.

Balance of Silver Plated Ware from our over stocked manufacturers, to be cleared on tables of \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5, consisting of Pudding Dishes, Fern Dishes, Cake Baskets, Cream Jugs, Trays, Sugars, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Fruit Bowls, Salads, Biscuit Jars, greatly below cost.

LAST WEEK OF SALE.

As the present sale closes on SATURDAY, the 11th instant great inducements will be offered during the week to clear out all odd lines and broken lots, and all discounts already advertised will be good till that date.

Linens and Cottons

Lot Table Cloths, 2 to 5 yards long, extra value, less 33 1-3 per cent.

Lot 5-8 and 3-4 Napkins, 33 1-3 per cent.

Special Lines all through Linen Stock, 20 per cent.

3000 yards English White Cotton, 25 per cent.

200 pieces English Cambrics in 12 yard pieces, less 20 per cent.

Down Quilts, Blankets, Etc.

The whole of our Down Quilts, including goods already marked under regular price, less 20 per cent.

Special lot Down Quilts in panels and borders, very fine coverings, worth \$6.00, for \$4.00.

Special Table White Quilts, less 20 per cent.

Silver Department

Entire Stock of Silver Plated Tea Sets, Coffee Sets, Pudding Dishes, Fern Dishes, Jewel Cases, Soup Turkeys, Trays, Crumb and Scrapers, Salad Bowls, Candlesticks, etc., etc., all regular stock, to be offered 25 per cent.

Sterling Silver Novelties, Brush, Comb and Mirrors, Manicure pieces, Hat Brushes, Hair Brushes, etc., etc., 25 per cent.

Sterling Silver Flat Ware, such as Spoons and Forks, all sizes, 10 per cent.

Sterling Silver Bon-Bon Spoons, Berry Spoons, Pickle Forks, Cream and Sugar Vases, Salts and Peppers Mustards, etc., etc., 20 per cent.

Mantle Department

Ladies' Dressing Jackets, in opera flannel, eiderdown and flannel-ette, less 50 per cent.

Ladies' Bath Robes and Dressing Gowns, in Moleton and eiderdown, less 50 per cent.

Ladies' and Maids' Covert Cloth Jackets, in different shades, less 75 per cent.

Ladies' Fur-lined Capes, less 33 1-3.

Ladies' Silk and Velvet Coats, less 50 per cent.

12 Colored Ladies' Fur-lined Capes, less 75 per cent.

40 Children's Coats, in small sizes, less 75 per cent.

100 Children's Long Paletots, less 50 per cent.

Ladies' Dress Skirts, less 50 per cent.

Ladies' Costumes, less 50 per cent.

100 Ladies' Underskirts, less 50 per cent.

Ladies' Muslin Dresses, less 50 per cent.

Hosiery Department

Ladies' Black Wool Overhose, prices 50c, 65c, 75c, 90c, \$1 and \$1.25, and \$1.50, less 15 per cent.

Ladies' Natural Ribbed Wool Combination Suits, long sleeves, ankle length, sizes 3, 4, 5 and 6. Prices \$2.65, \$2.75, \$2.85 and \$3.00, less 15 per cent.

All Boys' Scotch Lamb's Wool Underwear, less 20 per cent.

Special line of Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, at 40c a pair, less 15 per cent.

Ramie Underwear, Ladies' Vests, two weights, long or short sleeves. Price, \$2.50 each, less 33 1-3 per cent.

Drawers to match at same price as Vests.

Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, embroidered fronts, 84 only. Prices, \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.35, less 50 per cent.

Entire Stock of Ladies' Ribb Swiss Silk Under Vests, all shapes and sizes, at 15 per cent. discount.

Wool Tiques, assorted colors, at 75c each, less 10 per cent., 68c.

Scarlet Wool Sashes, 65c, less 10 per cent., 59c.

10 per cent. off all Staple Goods in this department.

Coloured Dress Goods

80c per yard Navy Suitings, for 40c per yard.

80c and \$1.25 per yard Black and White Mixed Voiles and Etamines, for 50c per yard.

80c Black Serge with white stripes, for 40c per yard.

55c Black and White and Navy and White Mixed Voiles, for 27c per yard.

Fancy Suitings, choice lots, at half price.

Also for balance of this week. Embroidered Sheer Pine Apple Cloth, worth \$2 to \$3 per yard, for 65c per yard.

Fancy Silk Gauze, worth \$1.50 per yard, for 60c per yard.

Glassware Department

25 Per Cent. Off.

Entire stock of American Cut Glass, English Cut Glass and Baccarat Carved Glass Wine Sets, Wine Set Stock Patterns, odd lines Tumblers, Belgium Cut Glass, Austrian Cut Glass, consisting of Pickle Jars, Cream and Sugars, Knife Rests, Salts and Peppers, Vases, etc., etc.

Roemer's Glass Jugs, of all descriptions; Water Bottles, Oil Bottles, etc., etc.; Canadian Cut Glass Less 10 Per Cent.

Smallwares and Notions

Special line of Fancy Silk Belts in black, white, red, navy, sky