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# ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY.

Reports at the Annual Meeting Show a Very Successful Year.



Re-elected President St. Patrick's Society.

T. P. Tansey; assistant recording se-T. P. Tansey; assistant recording scretary, Mr. M. E. Tansey; marshal, Mr. P. Lloyd; asst. marshal, Mr. P. Connolly; committee—Messrs. P. E. McCaffrey, Patrick Wright Joseph O'Brien, M. Delahanty, M. Dineen, B. Wall, T. J. O'Neill; F. Casey, B. Tansey, J. T. Coffey, T. Butler, P. A. Milloy, C. J. Hanratty, M. J. McCrory, Henry J. Trihey, Thos. M. Tansey, Patrick Mullin, J. Frank Cahill.

The following report was then read by Mr. T. P. Tansey, the re-

read by M. cording secretary.

The President, Officers and Members of St. Patrick's Society, Mont-

real:
It is always a pleasure to submit to you my report of the year's work and of the year's happenings,, in so far as they concern the Society, and I have that feeling of pleasure again, this year, inasmuch as it certainly has been a successful year.
To begin with the last item, you will be glad to know, if indeed it is necessary to tell you, that our dinner on last St. Patrick's night in every way equalled its predecessors and kept up the high standard set in past years, and for this success the Society is largely indebted to the hard and sincere work of its offers.

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Every Irishman present at that function must have thrilled at the good wishes and the emphatic uttrances, and the sound, the logical, the unanswerable arguments advanced by the speakers must have filled the hearts and minds of those present with the thought that all was well with Ireland, and if all was not perfectly and absolutely well with Ireland, it could only be a question of a short time before the goal sought for centuries was reached.

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It would be unkind and ungrateful not to thank Sir Thomas Shaugnnessy for the message that he sent circulating round the civilized world that night, a message of hope and comfort to every Irish heart, a message which has not yet ceased reverberating, and of which no mai can foretell the effect. We do thank him, and earnestly.

reverberating, and of which no mai can fortell the effect. We do thank him and earnestly.

Our charitable work has been carned on in the usual spirit, and with the usual good results. Again I must place before you the name of Mr. Jan. Hoolahan, as a man on whom we can always rely when we need his kindly offices. He has contributed in no small measure, this year as for many years past, a silent but effectual help for which your officers are very grateful.

At the annual meeting of St. Patrick's Society, held on Monday evening, Mr. H. J. Kavanagh, K.C., was re-elected president. Other officers were chosen as follows: 1st vice-president, Mr. J. C. Walsh; 2nd vice-president, Dr. Walter Kennedy; treasurer, Mr. William E. Durack; corresponding secretary, Mr. T. C. Bermingham; recording secretary, Mr. T. C. Bermingham; recor

deration.

It is for us, gentlemen, to appreciate at its true extent the feeling thus expressed, and to prove ourselves as worthy in the future of it as we have done in the past.

The Eucharistic Congress, which not yet estimate at its true

weight and importance, and in which we have been and will be called upon to play a prominent part, will be held here in Septem-

part, will be held here in September.

Our religion and our nationality both demand that we take a worthy share in welcoming and entertaining the distinguished prelates, clergy and laity who have done our city the honor of selecting it as the site for the annual demonstration of the Catholic world's devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. For us the honor and the glory and the work. Let no man fail to take his share. The veteran member of our Society is still with us in the person of Mr. Craven, and he would, doubtless, be able to go back to the time of our first Dinner in 1857. If he did so, he would find, as we found at a recent meeting of our dinner committee at which the President, the Hon.

cent meeting of our dinner committee at which the President, the Hon. C. J. Doherty, and Dr. Devlin, as-



DR. WALTER G. KENNEDY. Re-elected 2nd Vice-President of St. Patrick's Society.

sisted, that 53 years ago, their fathers, Mr. Kavanagh, the Hon. Marcus Doherty and Mr. Bernard Devlin were doing exactly the same Bevin were doing exactly the same work of preparing for the annual dinner of 1857, in O'Meara's Hotel, St. Alexis street. From father to son, our work goes on, and it is good that it should be thus.

The past year has been a sad one, however, in some respects. I refer to the deaths of several members,

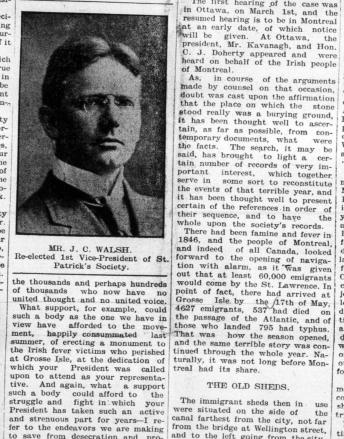
to the deaths of several members, whose loss to the community and to the Society will be felt for a long time to come.

I refer to the death of Mr. Jno. Hackett, for years a respected member; to the death of Mr. Patrick Reynolds, whose disposition and nature were such that it is doubtful if ture were such that it is doubtful if any man made and kept more friends; to the death of Mr. B. J. Coghlin, who counted with pleasure the occasions when he could attend our celebrations; to the death of Mr. the cocasions when he could attend our celebrations; to the death of Mr. Jho. Hoolahan, as a man on whom we can always rely when we need his kindly offices. He has contributed in no small measure, this year as for many years past, a silent but effectual help for which your officers are very grateful.

The Society has many kind friends, sentemen even outside its circle, and Mr. Chas. Byrd. following a custom which he inaugurated sevenal years ago, sent in his cheque for a contribution to the Society's charitable work. We thank him.

The meetings of the past year have been well attended by your officers and members.

The Society's financial position has been explained to you in full by the Auditor's report. During the year there has been a substantial increase in membership and the recepts in dues have been better than for many years past, and this fact beers testimony to the awakening increase in the state of the past year have been settlinony to the awakening increase in membership and the recepts in dues have been better than for many years past, and this fact beers testimony to the awakening increase in the state of the last annual meeting, referred to the Hish Societies existing in Canada, and suggested that there is should be a link between all these three our plant our celebrations; to the death of unit of Irish Societies, and who, during all that time, did his work and his duty in his own honest, thorough fashion; and the guite of Irish Societies, and who, during all that time, did his work and his duty in his own honest, thorough fashion; and the guite of Irish Societies, and who, during all that time, did his work and his duty in his own honest, thorough fashion; and the guite of Irish Societies, and who, during all that time, did his work and his duty in his own honest, thorough fashion; and this duty in his own honest, thorough fashion; and the guite of Irish Societies, and who, during all that time, did his work and his duty in his own honest, thorough fashion; and they fashion of Irish Societies, an



and strenuous part for years—I re-fer to the endeavors we are making to save from desecration and pro-fanation the ground where lie the remains of thousands of our unforremains of thousands of our unfortunate countrymen, at Point St. Charles. The spot is sacred to the memory of dead Irishmen, let every living Irishman, worthy of the name, strive to keep it untouched and unprofaned.

In conclusion, gentlemen, permit me to thank you for the courtesy and kindness with which you have always treated me, in the years I have occupied this office.

I have none but pleasant recollections in leaving the secretaryship, and it is gratifying to me to know that you have seen fit to honor me with such sustained confidence.

T. P. TANSEY.

Secretary,
St. Patrick's Society.
April 4, 1910.



MR. T. P. TANSEY Re-elected Recording Secretary St Patrick's Society.

THE IMMIGRANT CEMETERY.

After the reading of the annual report, Mr. J. C. Walsh, of the Herald, first vice-president of the Society, laid before the members the result of some painstaking investigation into, the history of the so-called "Immigrant Cemetery" in Point St. Charles, which the Grand Trunk wants to convert to railway uses. It will be recalled that, in the hearing before the Railway Commission at Ottawa on March I, the question was raised as to whether this spot was the actual burial ground of any considerable number of the ship fever THE IMMIGRANT CEMETERY.

we have corresponded with and been afforded proof of the existenceof Irish Societies in St. John's, Nid., Charlottetown, P.E.I., Halifax, N.S., Richmond, Que., Cornwall, London, Guelph, Ont., and Saskatoon, Sask. The correspondence has resulted in the formation of an Irish Society in St. John, New Brunswick.

The good that may result from this undertaking cannot be estimated, the good that has already resulted can easily be seen from the letters in our possession.

But there is one thing which stands out from all this, and that is, that if Irishmen are to remain true to the thought of the Old Land, that, if they wish to be Irish, in truth and in deed, and to constitute Irish National Societies. The lesson for us is plain. "Let us, then, be up and doing," let us get together from all over Canada, and perhaps in a few years we might have here a great reunion of Canadian Irishmen, representatives of madian Irishmen, representatives of the society, arly in the present term.

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By an application of the Grand Trunk Railway Company to the Railway Commission of Canada for the expropriation of the land which served as the burial place for some thousands of Irish and other immigrants to Canada, who perished of typhus fever in 1847, interest has very recently been revived in the controversy which began when the memorial stone was clandestinely removed from the spot, which has continued ever since, and in regard to which a meeting was held in this hall, under the auspices of this society, early in the present term.

The first hearing of the case was in Ottawa, on March 1st, and the resumed hearing is to be in Montreal at an early date, of which notice will be given. At Ottawa, the president, Mr. Kavanagh, and Hon. C. J. Doherty appeared and were heard on behalf of the Irish people of Montreal.

As, in course of the arguments made by counsel on that occasion.

were situated on the side of the canal farthest from the city, not far from the bridge at Wellington street, and to the left going from the city. This locality is well established by a map for the year 1846 which we were fortunate enough to obtain. To these sheds the unfortunates were taken on landing. They came in at these sheds the unfortunates were taken on landing. They came in at the island wharf, and so had quite a long journey across the front of the town. They came so fast, and many were so helpless, that it was decided to construct two sheds for temporary shelter, one for men, the other for women. This was about the third week in May, early in the season, for navigation was late in opening that year. The Gazette of May 21 reports that there was a meeting to demand that the sheds be moved further off. The Gazette of July 2 prints a report in which is mentioned the intention to meet this view, and it is mentioned, with unconscious relation of cause and effect "that there's the with the state of the the with the sheds be moved further off. The Gazette of july 2 prints a report in which is mentioned, with unconscious relation of cause and effect "that the with the sheds be the state of onscious relation of cause and efburying place, recently acquired from the Grey Nuns, would be a very ex-cellent situation for the new erec-tions." In the Gazette of July 14, centent struction for the new erections." In the Gazette of July 14,
again, there is comforting reference
to "Point St. Charles, where sheds
are now in process of erection. It
possesses high and dry ground, a
free circulation of air and a strong
current of pure water, at such a distance from the city as to secure a
complete isolation of the sick." Very
evidently this does not refer to the
vicinity of Wellington bridge. Invicinity this does not refer to the vicinity of Wellington bridge. Indeed, on the same day the Gazette notes that the immigrants are to be landed at Windmill Point, the sick to "be conveyed to Point St. Charles, more than half a mile further up, the healthy to be accommodated in the present sheds." Near the old sheds there was a rope walk, promptly pressed into service.

EMERGENCY MEASURES.

Reference to the Journals of Par-liament tell the like story, making allowance for the time it takes offiallowance for the time it takes officials and legislative bodies to move. For instance, on July 19 the House of Assembly petitioned the Governor-General against the installation of sheds at Windmill Point itself, to which the reply came on July 26 that "instructions have been given to discontinue the occupation of the sheds at Windmill Point." On July 24 there is a report of the medical commissioners that "the new hospitals at Point St. Charles are now nearly completed," and that "the distance of these hospitals from the city; the constantly changing current of air caused by the rapids in their front, and the prevailing winds totally preclude the possibility of

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# **COLORED MISSIONS**

Aid Asked to Help Along this Very Important Work.

The Rev. D. J. Bustin, of the Diocese of Scranton, Pa., has been appointed assistant to the Rev. John E. Burke, Director-General of the Catholic Board for Mission Work Among the Colored People.

Among the Colored People.

Father Bustin entened upon his duties on Jan. 1. He was ordained thirteen years ago at the American College in Rome, since which time he has worked with remarkable success in the Diocese of Scranton. Latterly he had established a parish in Jersey Shore, Pa., where he built a substantial church and rectory. He is admirably equipped for the misin Jersey Shore, Pa., where he built a substantial church and rectory. He is admirably equipped for the mission to which his superiors have assigned him. Bishop Hoban is warmly interested in the propaganda that has been undertaken to convert the colored population in the United States, and has given one more practical proof of his interest by lending one of his ablest priests to the Board far an indefinite period. The letter notifying Father Bustin of his appointment, and signed by Archbishop Blenk of New Orleans and Bishop Byrne of Nashville, Tenn., president and sceretary, respectively, of the Catholic Board for Mission Work Among the Colored People, is as follows:

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"Rev. dear Sir,—At the regular meeting of the Catholic Board for Mission Work Among the Colored People, held in the Cardinal's house, in Baltimore, on November 16, 1909 you were unanimously selected to assist the Rev. Director General, the Rev. John E. Burke, in our work for the colored missions. Under his direction your duties shall be similar to his, which are: To create and foster the missionary spirit among Catholics and others in favor of the colored people; preach on this sub-"Rev. D. J. Bustin: Catholics and others in favor of the colored people; preach on this subject in churches and elsewhere, collect funds in the various dioceses, distribute literature, form associations, and solicit subscriptions in aid of the work of the Board. Your duty shall also be to visit places in which there are churches, schools or missions, to gather statistics and other information as may be useful for the guidance of the board. "We heartily, therefore, recommend you and your efforts to the courtesy and co-operation of the bishops, priests and laity of the cour-

shops, priests and laity of the coungrants, duliest and stupidest people for Father Burke and his assistant are tireless in their work of raising. \$100,000, to be given to the Southern Bishops for the erection and maintenance of schools and churches for the colored people. Their pet scheme is a taking one. They are striving to secure 100,000 persons, each of whom will give just \$1.00 every year, to the colored missions. An appeal has been sent to all the pastors of the country, urging them to allow each parish society to subscribe simply an annual dollar to the fund. For this purpose, subscription blanks accompany the appeal. By this means this great Missionary work will be brought to the attention of the various societies, whose members will feel the missionary spirit, whilst the annual dollar appropriation from their funds will swell the Fund to be used in the saving-of-souls. Every Catholic society should assist in this easy and small way. Moreover, every Catholic family in the States should be represented among the 100,000 annual subscribers. Think of number of souls to be saved by the judicious disposition of this fund. Father Burke and his assistant are number of souls to be saved by t judicious disposition of this fund

# Divorce in England.

A Compliment to Members of the Catholic Church.

Testifying before the Royal Commission recently appointed to ex-amine the proposal to extend the facilities for the severance of the marriage tie in England, Sir John Bigham, president of the Divorce Di-vision of the High Court of Justice,

"Members of the Roman Catholic

said:

"Members of the Roman Catholic Church seldom come before—the Court, and I attribute that fact to the great influence which their priesthood have over their congregations and to the respect which is inculcated in Roman Catholics for the marriage tie."

He expressed his decided dislike for the law he administers: and, stating explicitly that he was rewarding the matter, not from the viewpoint of religion, but from that of public nolicy, he asserted that, if the welfare of the community at large be considered, the breaking of the marriage tie is a much greater evil than the enduring by individuals of many of those things on which pleas for divorce are based. He held that religion could make this sossible, as in fact it had been made possible among Catholics, concerning whom he testified as already quoted.

# STRATHCONA'S GIFT.

Archbishop Bruchesi Received Cordial Letter and Cheque From Canadian High Commissioner.

Archbishop Bruchesi has received the following letter from Lord

Archbishop Bruchesi has received the following letter from Lord Strathcona, dated at London, March 26, enclosing a cheque for \$5,000 for the entertainment of the guests to be accommodated in his lord-ship's residence on Dorchester street at the Eucharistic Congress:

My Dear Lord Archbishop—It is with pleasure I acknowledge your letter of the 7th instant, the contents of which have had my best attention. I am afraid my engagements will not permit of my being in Montreal at the time of the Congress, but in any case I shall feel honored in placing my house at your disposal and shall gladly make proper provision for the entertainment of your eminent guests. With this I am enclosing my cheque for \$5,000, and it is, I hope, hardly necessary for me to assure Your Grace that it is a real pleasure to me to aid you in so far as I can in the very important occasion of your Congress.—Believe me, with sentiments of esteem and consideration.

STRATHCONA.

### Forty-five More For Father Callaghan.

Says the "Missionary," Washington: Father Martin Callaghan, the veteran Sulpician convert-maker of Montreal, having been stationed less than two years at Notre Dame Basilica in that city, has already brought into the church there forty-five converts. His change from St. Patrick's to Notre Dame was made to give him rest. His rest is convert-making. Our readers remember his splendid paper read at our latest Congress of Missionaries. And they may also recall his past achievements in this holy warfare of divine peace, some years bringing in more than a hundred converts.

## Refinement and Religion in Ireland.

In a recent discourse in Manchester (England) Father Bernard Vaughan, S.J., referring to the refining influence of religion, said that he had seen men and women of the smart set who were the vulgarest, dullest and stupidest people on earth, and why—because they were without religion. They had nothing to refine them, and they had become materialized. They talk, he said, about people being dull, but they are the dullest themselves.

He had sometimes said to them what an extraordinary thing that they should talk about people being dull when there was no one as dull as they in their society. They could only talk about one thing; they could not even talk about art or literature, it was fashion and feasting, luxury and lust.

If they wanted refinement and religion, let them, go, to the fer west In a recent discourse in Manches

rather Vaughan knows from actual experience what he here talks about. He has been among the people of the far west of Ireland, he knows what the "smart set" are and can tell in which "set" the true refinement is to be found.

## Non-Catholic Judge

Convinced That the Cenfe sicual Supplies a Need of Humanity.

"My experience on the bench and in politics has convinced me that the confessional fulfils a need of humanity rthat is almost as instinctive as the need of religion itself," declares Judge Lindsay, of Denver, Col., the noted advocate of the Juvenile Court. "I have found that among young offenders the desire to 'snitch' of themselves is practically irresistible; on the slightest encouragement they will blurt out the truth as if their tongues spoke in spite of themselves. Strangest of all, the 'bad' politicians, like the 'bad' boys have come to my chambers in scores, even while they were publicly fighting me, and confessed their crimes (sometimes before they committed them!) with a pitiful eagerness that would soften the heart of the bitterest cynic who ever sneered at human frailty." "My experience on the bench and

A light heart and cheery face are the heritage of those who possess contented minds.—Father Hayes.