

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Ireland.

At a meeting of the National League at Dublin, Michael Davitt said Parrellite members of Parliament had done their duty in voting against the censure of the Government in the division on Sir Stafford Northcote's motion.

The reason why the Irish party voted against Government was the continued refusal of the latter to take any effective steps against the Orangemen.

The chances of the Franchise Bill will not be in the least affected by this line of policy. Government gives it from fear, not love of the Irish party, and this motive remains as strong as ever.

Bradlaugh has been again elected for Northampton, receiving a larger vote than ever before.

The recent visit of the Prince of Wales to the slums of Holborn district, to collect information in regard to the life of the poor, to assist him as a member of the royal commission on the Dwellings of the Poor has been sufficient for the purpose.

Egypt.

The Austrian Consul at Khartoum has forwarded to El Mahdi £2,000 to secure the release of Catholic missionaries. The clause regarding slavery in Gordon's proclamation is: "I desire to restore your happiness, and so have decided to permit slave traffic."

BRANTFORD LETTER.

We are mostly interested at present in the coming lecture on St. Patrick's Day by the Very Rev. Father Dowling of Paris, Administrator of the diocese of Hamilton on "Irish Poetry and Irish Eloquence."

Our city is to have a general hospital through the generosity of John H. Stratford, Esq. Some time since this gentleman made a proposition to the city, in which he proposed to erect and furnish such an hospital, to be given as a present to the city, and which was gratefully accepted by the Council.

The young men of St. Basil's are running a debating society, and though they were late in starting this season, have the prospect of many profitable evenings before them this winter.

Rev. Father Crinnon is here during the absence of Rev. J. F. Lennon in Ireland.

Mr. Patrick Griffin recently paid a visit to Mr. R. A. Purcell, in Lincoln, Nebraska, and while there purchased 320 acres of land.

Mr. Patrick Lynagh, who has been living in this city for some two or three years past, left for the Western States this week.

Wedding Bells at Mt. Elgin, Ontario.

On Wednesday, the 20th ultimo, Mr. Joseph Muggan, son of Mr. Patrick Muggan, of Mount Elgin, Oxford Co., and Miss Frances Kirwan, daughter of Mr. Joseph Kirwan, of the same place, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. M. Brady, in the Norwich Catholic Church.

The bishop added a few brief remarks touching some separate school matter; and the Office closed with the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, given for the first time, by Father McCluskey.

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C.M. B.A.



Received from the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) in full for beneficiary due on the death of my late husband, Mathias O'Flaherty, of Branch 4, of London, Ont. MARIA O'FLAHERTY.

Witnesses:—Alex. Wilson, Pres.; P. F. Boyle, P. O'Dwyer, Sec. pro. tem. S. R. Brown, Esq., Grand Rec. C. M. B. A.

Dear Sir and Bro.—As the time for holding our Grand Council is fast approaching, I take the liberty of suggesting to the different Branches of our Association in Canada, to take up and discuss the advisability of issuing policies of \$1,000 each for the benefit of a large class of our Catholic people, who are not able to pay assessments on a two thousand dollar Policy, and, consequently, are left in such a position that they cannot provide for their families a Policy of Insurance.

It is a well known fact that fully one third or more of the Catholic people are of the laboring class, who receive on an average not more than one dollar per day wages, and, taking into account bad weather, sickness, and other obstacles, do not, on an average, work more than nine months of the year, also having an aged father or mother, or both, to keep, or perhaps a family of their own, they do not feel able to take upon themselves the additional expense of from \$1,800 to \$2,200 per year for a Policy in our Association, as it now stands, consequently as Catholics I feel that we are in duty bound to make some provision whereby they may become members of our association, not alone for the benefit such a policy will give them, but for the sake of our holy religion and the feeling of brotherly love and unity it will give us, in this age of infidelity and fanaticism.

There can be no doubt that many of our people have drifted and are drifting into other societies such as the Workmen and Chosen Friends (Protestant Associations), the latter society granting policies of one, two or three thousand dollars, and by that means catching many Catholics. I would further suggest that the Canadian Branches take this matter up themselves, and that all members in Canada be allowed to take out a policy of one thousand dollars in addition to their present policy, by paying one-half the present rate of assessments, and that new members taking out \$1,000 policy pay the same examination, initiation and branch fees as other members. Trusting that the different branches will take this matter up at once and fully instruct their G. C. Delegates so that the Council may be able to take definite action on the matter. We are yours fraternally, BRANCH NO. 11, DUNDAS.

ORDINATION AT PETERBOROUGH.

The humble cathedral of Peterborough was the scene of an imposing ceremony at 10:30 a. m. on Sunday, February, 17th inst. The occasion was the ordination of the Rev. Deacon McCluskey by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Jamot. The cathedral was crowded to its utmost capacity, the altar was richly adorned, and the ceremony very impressive, more so than usual on account of the facility with which all in the cathedral could see and hear the solemn proceedings.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop was assisted by his Very Rev. Vicar General, Father Laurent, for some time resident at Saulx St. Marie, and the Rev. Father Keating. The Rev. Father Conway acted as assistant to the candidate for the priesthood. At the close of the Mass, the Rt. Rev. Bishop delivered a short instruction on the necessity of having more priests for the work in this diocese; he said he was glad to be able to testify to the good character of the young priest he had just ordained; young men and women who lived pure and innocent lives, and who afterwards became priests and nuns, were the chosen of God.

In concluding he announced that according to a pious custom, Father McCluskey would give his blessing to those who desired it; but would first give it to his mother and then to his two brothers, who had come a long way, from Chesterville, to be present this day. Accordingly the whole congregation remained and approaching the altar-railing, received one after another this young priest's blessing. The ceremony was very impressive and during its continuance the choir sang the Te Deum, and other selections, with commendable ability. In the evening, at 7 p. m., Father McCluskey celebrated vespers and the very Rev. Father Laurent preached a very eloquent and logical sermon, showing how all created beings were so created by God for some particular purpose that man being the most perfect of all beings possessed the highest destiny and was capable of the highest perfection.

That God had given to parents certain duties toward their offspring from which they cannot be relieved, and their children were dependent upon them. They were bound to lead them to know God, and to save their souls. It was deplorable to see in so-called Christian governments, men who were called great geniuses doing all in their power to drive God from the schools, and from the hearts of men.

In this happy Canada of ours we were free, however, to teach our children what the Church taught was God's law; in fact the state aided the parent in this work; and it was the parent's duty to make all necessary sacrifices to secure for his offspring an education in those schools where they would learn to know God, and to know what is necessary for them to do to attain the end for which God created man. If they did less than this they failed to do their whole duty, which was to bring up children to love and serve God.

Those who thought the time lost which was spent in learning religion made a very great mistake. The bishop added a few brief remarks touching some separate school matter; and the Office closed with the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, given for the first time, by Father McCluskey.

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Quite a flutter of excitement was caused at St. Peter's Cathedral on Tuesday, the 19th ult., by a large assemblage of the young ladies of the congregation, to witness the nuptials of Miss Rose Dibbs, for some years one of the leading sopranos of the choir, to Mr. Geo. W. Russell, late of this city and now filling an important position in Woodstock. Miss Pollie Birmingham and a brother of the groom were in attendance on the happy couple.

Wedding Bells.

The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Chancellor Tiernan, and the choir in full numbers, assisted by Messrs. Coles, Jones, Dalton, sang selections during the Mass, Mrs. Cruickshank presiding efficiently at the organ. The selections were from St. Cecilia's Mass by Toles, viz: the Kyrie, Sanctus and Agnus Dei, also the Veni Creator at the offertory. We have never heard the choir to better effect, no doubt the incentive being the happy occasion which was to change for ever the life of one of their esteemed and popular members.

Let us hope that the praises of God so ably sung on that day may ascend on high as so much incense, beseeching the Almighty that he may shower upon the young couple His choicest blessings. The happy pair left on the 11.40 a. m. train for New York where they will enjoy a short honeymoon before settling down to the stern realities of life.

MUGGS VERSUS BUGGS.—The City Hall last night was crowded to its utmost capacity to hear the thrice adjourned breach of promise case of "Muggs versus Buggs." From the appearance of things towards the close of the case, an application will likely be made for a new trial. The evidence was of a most contradictory nature. The defendant caused the court any amount of trouble by his conduct in not only interrupting witnesses but actually trying to bribe the jurymen. On several occasions His Honor came very near committing the old baldheaded sinner for contempt of court. Buggs, the defendant, from Caradoc, looked if anything ten years older since last court. The following gentlemen comprised the court, all of whom acquitted themselves most creditably: The Judge, Mr. John Miller; counsel for plaintiff, L. J. Payne; counsel for defendant, Alex. McDonald; clerk, J. C. Judd; crier, R. N. Dignam; J. C. Judd, jr.; constable Mr. Hugh O'Neil; the weeping plaintiff (in ladies' attire), Mr. George Forsyth; the hardened defendant, Mr. Geo. C. Davis; the witness, Mr. John Burns. The incoherent jury were comprised as follows: James Egan, foreman (Brigham Young); O'Mara (John Bob up Serenely); P. Cook (Daniel O'Connell); Mr. Harrarty (John L. Sullivan); J. P. O'Byrne (THE Dude); P. F. Boyle (Alphonso Dolomino Cassalto); O. B. Graves (Oscar Wilde); Dr. McGugan (Jonas Suredeth); John Dromgole (John Raise the Roof); Robt. McLaughlin (O'Donovan Rossa); Henry Beaton (Michael Mulcahey); John M. Keary, (Dr. Tanner). While the jury retired to confer on their verdict, the Rev. Father Tiernan gave a recitation in excellent style, which was loudly applauded. The jury entering, upon being asked by His Lordship as to their verdict, responded, through the foreman, "No damages." The plaintiff's counsel moved for a new trial. Credit is due Messrs. B. C. McCann and J. B. Vining for their timely arrangement of the success of the affair.

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MARKET REPORT.

MONTREAL. FLOUR—Receipts 300 bbls. Quotations are as follows: Superior, \$5 50 to \$5 80; extra \$5 35 to \$5 45; superfine, \$4 00 to \$4 25; spring extra, \$4 30 to \$5 00; superfine, \$4 00 to \$4 25; strong bakers, \$3 00 to \$3 75; fine, \$3 60 to \$3 70; middlings, \$3 40 to \$3 50; pollards, \$3 00 to \$3 25; Ontario bags, \$2 00 to \$2 50; city bags, \$2 30 to \$2 45 GRAIN—Wheat, No. 2 white winter, \$1 10 to 1 15; Can. red winter, 1 20 to 1 22; No. 2 spring, 1 18 to 1 20. Corn, 72 to 75c. Peas, 80 to 90c. Oats, 37 to 38c. Rye, 60 to 62c. Barley, 55 to 75c. PROVISIONS—Butter, creamery, 35 to 36c; Eastern, Townships, 19 to 21c; B. & M. 19 to 20c; Western, 15 to 18c. Cheese, 12 to 14c. Pork, 20 00 to 22 50. Lard, 12 to 13c. Bacon, 13 to 14c; hams, 13 to 15c.

TORONTO. Toronto, Feb. 25.—Wheat—Fall, No. 2, 1 07 to 1 07; No. 3, 1 04 to 1 04; spring, No. 1, 1 10 to 1 11; No. 2, 1 08 to 1 09; No. 3, 1 08 to 1 09. Barley, No. 1, 71 to 71c; No. 2, 67 to 67c; No. 3, extra, 62 to 63c; No. 3, 52 to 52c. Peas, No. 1, 75 to 75c; No. 2, 73 to 74c. Oats, No. 1, 38 to 38c; No. 2, 31c; Corn, 00 to 00c. Wool, 00 to 00c. Flour, Superior, 5 00 to 5 10; extra, 4 75 to 4 75. Bran, 12 00 to 12 00. Butter, 12 to 13c. Hogs, street, 7 50 to 7 50. Barley, (spring), 60 to 60c. Rye, street, 60 to 60c. Wheat, street, 1 05 to 1 11; fall, 1 01 to 1 03. Oatmeal, 5 00 to 0 00. Cornmeal, 3 75 to 3 75.

OTTAWA. Correct report made every week for "The Catholic Record." Spring wheat, \$1 10 to 1 15 bush; Oats, 40 to 42c bush; Peas, 25 to 28c bush; Beans, 1 25 to 1 30 bush; Rye, 00c to 55c bush; Turnips, 40 to 80c bush; Carrots, 30 to 40c bush; Parsnips, 50 to 60c bush; Beets, 50 to 60c bush; Cabbage, per doz., 30 to 35c; Onions, per peck, 20 to 25c; Potatoes, per bag, 50c to 60c. Dressed hogs, per 100 lbs., 7 00 to 8 00; Beef, per 100 lbs., 5 75 to 6 00. But-ter, 7 50 to 7 50. Barley, (spring), 60 to 60c. Rye, fresh print, 22 to 25c. Hams, 14 to 15c. Eggs, fresh per doz., 24 to 30c. Chickens, per pair, 40 to 50. Fowls, per pair, 60c. Ducks, wild, per 100 lbs., 5 00 to 6 00. Turkey, each, 1 00 to 1 50. Hides 6 00 to 8 00. Hay, per ton, 8 50 to 9 50. Straw, per ton, 6 to 7 00. Lard, per lb., 15 to 16c. Apples, per bbl., 2 50 to 3 50. Sheep, 4 00 to 4 50 each. Lambs, 7 00 to 8 00 each.

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