

FATHER McCARTHY PUBLISHES FATHER LESTANC'S NOTES WITH COMMENTS

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harangue of their superior officer. Those were the same "Banditti" for whom Col. Wolseley expressed so much confidence, in his letter to Archbishop Tache (Thunder Bay, June 30, 1870). I mention this matter to show that opprobrious, undeserved epithets are not only dishonorable, but extremely dangerous, as the "noble" Lord Wolseley must by this time realize, considering the brutal nature of the murder of Goulet which was so cleverly hushed up.

Dr. Bryce says Fr. Lestanc is "my care." Well, any other man whose maligned character I can defend is also my care. If anyone told me that Dr. Bryce was the calumniator of Christian missionaries, a score of years ahead of him in this country, bunching together "Rev. Father Ritchot, Lestanc and Giroux, as thoroughly implicated in the rebellion," I would do all I could to clear the Doctor's good name of such a charge.

I am proud to say that in the early days, I had friends and helpers among the Protestant clergymen such as Dr. Young, who helped me to find out my Roman Catholic people in the starting of Winnipeg; Dr. Black, and Archdeacon McLean, men of brains and common sense. We do not wear the "cassock" to which Dr. Bryce refers, to screen us from just criticism, but it should not cause us to be singled out for calumny and injustice.

Truth, and the Golden Rule, made all classes and denominations good neighbors in the old Red River Colony.

JOSEPH McCARTHY, O.M.I. St. Mary's 17 April, 1905.

St. Pie Letellier Notes.

Last week three of our young ladies received the habit at the noviciate of the Mission Sisters at Ste. Rose du Lac. They were the Misses Delima Manseau, Mary Jane Barnabe and Rosianne Derosiers.

Mr. and Miss Diana Manseau, Mrs. Bouchard and two little daughters, and Mrs. Derosiers went to Ste. Rose du Lac for the occasion.

Father Fillion and his vicar came to help hear confessions for the Easter duties on the 10th, and 11th, Father Juras had arranged this to give his parishioners a chance of approaching the sacraments while the roads were good and also before the busy time of seeding commenced. Nearly all those residing at some distance from the village availed themselves of the opportunity.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Parent and children have returned from their trip to California.

Mr. Jos. Parent contemplates erecting himself a thoroughly up-to-date and comfortable house on his farm near Letellier. He has sold his old house, and building operations will begin after seeding.

We welcome an addition to the English speaking part of the congregation of Letellier. A farmer from Ontario, cousin to the Frazers, has come to live among us with his wife and family. At present he is residing on a rented farm rather far from the village, but we hear that he intends buying land when he has had time to look round.

One of our merchants, Mr. Gravelines, is thinking of getting a fresh coat of paint on his store and buildings.

The Sisters are desirous of buying an Altar for their chapel, and tickets are being sold for chances on a gold watch, the proceeds to go for this purpose.

MASONRY

The Editor of the Northwest Review. Winnipeg.

Dear Sir,—Re "Freemasons and the Franciscans"—your most esteemed Review of 8th inst., quoting the "Catholic Times" of London, England, is referring to a pamphlet just issued by R. F. William, O.S.F.C.—being a translation with an introduction and notes of a "Speech made in the Chamber of Deputies (of France) by 'M. Prache, the Grand Master of the French Freemasons,' etc."

Would you have the kindness to allow me, an old journalist, to warn you that there must be some mistake in the "Catholic Times" concerning said M. Prache. This Nationalist member of the Chamber of Deputies, not only is not a Freemason, nor a Grand Master of said Freemasons, but he is the proper author, of

an interpellation in the said Chamber addressed to the Freemasonic government of France (then and there B.B. Emile Combes and tutti quanti) concerning the rule and power of Freemasonry in the government of the Republic.

The "interpellation" was issued and discussed on the 18th of June, 1904, and produced a deep "sensation" in France. It was the real beginning of the further revelations made in the same Chamber by M. de Villeneuve concerning the occult and irresponsible power of the "Grand Orient of France" as real ruler of the French Republic. M. Prache was fully equipped and qualified for such interpellation, which I would call a preliminary investigation. He had in hand secret documents from the Masonic Lodges of France, he quoted such a quantity of said documents, and of such good quality that the majority of the members of the said Chamber all Freemasons, made a terrific noise about their "temple," and occult work being actually and audaciously "uncovered"—or discovered—by an execrable "profane." Some of them yet made in open Chamber the great sign of Masonic alarm and "detresse." (Historic.)

And then, from one of the benches of the Masonic majority the proper Grand Master of the "Grand Orient" of France, one W.B. Lafferre—not Prache, please,—delivered an "oratio pro domo"—or "pro templo"—which speech, full of revelations also, offered a sort of defence of the French Freemasonry. And it is that defence of said Grand Master Lafferre (not Prache please)—which was translated and commented on very ably by R.T. William. In fact said plea was a plea of glorious guilt made in the name of the "Grand Orient of France."

That W. Lafferre is a friend, brother and Master of that famous and infamous B. Vadecart—Grand Secretary of said "Grand Orient" organizer of the vast system of delation worked out by the secret masonic "mouchards" (in French "Casseroles") which conspiracy the Nationalist deputy, M. de Villeneuve, has recently caused to explode in open Parliament—These revelations stirred the French army from top to bottom—and also the cabinet of B. B. Combes et al.—But it did not move enough poor France to pull out of any political power the same Freemasonry—which is always at the top there, alas! with B.B. Rouvier, Berteaux, Bienvenu-Martin and Co.

Now returning to R. F. William's pamphlet, I may say that, in fact, W. B. Lafferre did really and seriously try to show amidst a real gale of laughter that the Third Order of St. Francis was a real secret Catholic Masonry. Being myself a "tertiaire," I understand quite well the sneers and jokes raining from the benches of the Chamber of Deputies itself upon the sacred head of W. B. Lafferre, owing to such farcical analogy. But we must also acknowledge that such cynical and audacious analogy was truly swallowed by a lot of low or weak-minded Frenchmen. It is a real pity that the said poor people did not meditate very seriously the following public tatements, far more important for the welfare of France, made on the 18th of June 1904, in the same Chamber of Deputies by the same W. B. Lafferre replying to M. Prache: (Literally translated, from the French official stenography.—all the French papers of 1904.)

"Freemasonry has never had anything concealed to the Republican government. In France Freemasonry is free. . . . It escapes any influences. M. Prache is reproaching Freemasonry with being a 'secret association' . . . The French government will not destroy Freemasonry because this would be suicide. . . . Freemasonry is the spirit animating the Republic, the day when the Republic will no more be animated by the Masonic Spirit, the Republic will perish, because the Republic will have no more reason to exist."

I think, Mr. Editor, that such a fine document concerning the Masonic occult power ought to produce not only in France, but also in Canada—owing to the actual orange, masonic agitation re "school question," a very deep stir in the minds of our people at large—I fear that the Canadians sooner than they believe it, will have to struggle for their religious and political liberty against that occult and irresponsible power as well as the poor French people now lying under the tyranny and the cat-nine-tails of W.W. B.B. Rouvier, Lafferre, Vadecart and other "Casseroles."

If the school neutrality or "masonification" succeeds in Canada, our W.W. B.B. of the occult power will try to impose on Canada the compulsory "masonification" of the popular school also. You know, perhaps, that they have yet in France already a long prepared Bill

ready to enforce said compulsory masonification of the youth and children by any means: that is to say: jail, fines, and finally by snatching the children from the proper hands of their parents in the name of the State, under pretence of national education and national unification. Then will follow and be enforced logically the "Separation of State from Church."

Such was the plan of the Freemasonry in Belgium, such it is in France, such it is in Italy, such it is in Germany, such it is in Spain, such it will be in United States—and in Canada—The occult "hierarchy" is only waiting for an occasion to catch the power in proper time owing to the actual partisan divisions of the Canadian people, specially of the French Catholic Canadians. And as the said occult power has now hands and feet in both partisan or political parties it will handle the circumstances and some political men of both parties in such manner to secure stealthily, by a secret, long, and noiseless pull, the real "ascendancy" to which W. T. Stead is alluding, and which that radical writer is so highly and so justly condemning in the March 'Review of Reviews' re Ireland.

Weak characters, weak statesmanship, weak federal policy, will hasten quickly the advent of that occult, secret irresponsible and irrepressible Masonic power in Canada—like in France.

From concession to compromise, from compromise to compression, from compression to submission, from submission to abjection and persecution—that is the real masonic "golden rule." Divide et impera.

I hope John "Canuk" will awake and understand that friendly warning.

AN OLD JOURNALIST.

P.S. I think that no one of the English Protestant "Conservative" or "Liberal" newspapers of Canada will reproduce nor comment on any part of this letter. I know why . . . I bet!

Notes from St. Rose.

Seeding, which began so well a fortnight ago, has been delayed by frost every night and cold winds by day, so we have been getting on with our scrubbing instead whilst living in hopes of a happy Easter to set things straight. All the dormant, beautiful creations, flowers, buds and blossoms seem to wait till the Alleluias of the Resurrection awaken them once more from their long sleep, and so we say it is always Spring at Easter.

His Grace of St. Boniface, who came here last week for the Reception of four novices (3 of whom are from Letellier) had also another object in view when he honored Ste. Rose with his presence; he took a journey hence to the East of the Lake to investigate a region lying between the two Lakes of Dauphin and Manitoba where he found a large tract of fine land suitable for homesteads; the beginning of a Catholic colony is there already and should more of the household of the Faith bend their steps in that direction their spiritual needs will not be neglected. His Grace was much impressed with what he saw of this country which was quite a revelation to him, he told us, and then he was kind enough to say a few nice things about Ste. Rose which always smiles and beams in his presence.

We had not the privilege of being present at the interesting ceremony which took place in the Convent on Tuesday and we did not hear the beautiful words Mgr. Langevin addressed to these new Sponsae Christi and how he encouraged Christian mothers to instil into the hearts of their daughters a great desire to embrace the religious life, for indeed we have to learn here below, that wondrous canticle that only the white-robed train that follow the Lamb where-soever He goeth know how to sing.

All this we missed, for the carpet of snow that the angels let down to adorn this feast of heavenly brides, so fit and appropriate for them, hindered poor pilgrim feet from the outside world from entering therein.

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