

Ceremony at Presentation Convent.

PROFESSION AND RECEPTION. Sunday last the Feast of St. Bernard will be long and sweetly remembered by all those who were present at the religious ceremony of profession and reception at the Oratory of the Immaculate Conception, Presentation Convent, Cathedral Square.

At 8.30 a.m. His Grace, Archbishop Roche entered the Sanctuary, accompanied by Rt. Rev. Monsignor MacDermott, V.G., and Rev. P. J. Kennedy (Master of Ceremonies) and having blessed the various articles of the religious dress destined for the novices and aspirants asked the questions and received the answers prescribed in the ceremonial for such an occasion. Then having exchanged the cope for the chasuble he commenced the Holy Sacrifice. The "Gloria in Excelsis," "Ave Maria" and "Sanctus" were sweetly rendered by the Convent Choir. At the Communion ten young sisters kneeling at the Altar Rail made a generous, a complete oblation of themselves and all that was theirs to God and vowed to Him poverty, chastity, obedience, seven taking on them obligations which will bind them as long as life shall last. Six years ago this same happy group came in all the love and fervour of their young hearts to pay their first religious vows to the Lord and assume the responsibilities of holy profession for one year only according to the wish of Holy Mother Church. And each year since then, when the day of renewal came round and they lovingly repeated their promise for one year they longed for the day when they would be permitted to consecrate themselves irrevocably to the love and service of God alone. Now their wish has been granted them, their promise made until the end of life, they are "brides of Christ until death—Nay for the ages of eternity, V.G. who will in the Heavenly courts follow the Lamb wheresoever He goeth.

Three young novices were then admitted to the first profession, the white veil was exchanged for the black one and the ring the symbol of consecration was given to them.

The Holy Sacrifice being concluded, five young ladies who had heard the sweet pleading invitation "Come follow Me" came in their shimmering robes to receive from the hands of His Grace the Holy Habit of the Presentation Nun. They had found the pleasures of the world hollow. Its joys false, its attractions broken toys and now their lot is cast in with those who are dead to the world and all the world holds dear and their lives henceforth will be lived for God alone. Having laid aside forever their worldly apparel they now are clothed in the humble garb of the Daughters of Nano Nagle. At the conclusion of the ceremony His Grace in choice words addressed the newly-professed and newly-received Sisters, explained to them clearly and succinctly the duties and obligations of their high calling exhorted them to be ever faithful to their vocation, to strive daily for personal holiness which is the primary end and aim of every religious order and to persevere to death in their holy calling and so they shall be worthy to receive the reward promised to those who instruct many unto justice—"They shall shine as stars for all eternity." The Sisters who made their final profession on Sunday are:

Sisters Mary Teresa Tobin, Teresa Power, Margaret Keane, Philomena Leamy, Columba Peddie, Madeline Malone, Rose Northcott.

The Sisters received to the first holy profession are Sister Mary Ursula Croke, and Baptista O'Keefe both of St. John's and Sister Mary Bernadine Maher, of Flatrock. The young ladies who received the religious habit are Miss Margaret Roche,

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Coal Strike Notes.

"LET THE MINES FLOOD," SAID U. M.W. OFFICER.

When the employees of Farquhar & Co., North Sydney, attempted on Friday evening last, to load a car of slack coal aboard the steamer Sable L., they were prevented from doing so by the presence on the wharf of several hundred strikers whose attitude showed that they were not going to allow any such thing as coal to be put aboard. In order to avoid trouble, the coal was not put aboard and the steamer having sufficient bunker without the extra coal, sailed.

Owing to the scarcity of coal the ferry service between the Sydneys has been curtailed. The Peerless has been taken off the day schedule, and will run only at night, making her regular trips then, leaving North Sydney at 7, 9 and 10.45 o'clock. The afternoon trips will only be those made by the Electric, leaving North Sydney at 1 and 3.30 o'clock. It is possible that next week the service may be further curtailed by taking off the night boat and making fewer trips in the day. The company has only a small supply of coal, and as much of this as possible will be conserved for the light and power plant.

"A lot of bunk this rumination the officials are talking about in their efforts to get the sympathy of the public with them," Mr. McLachlan, Secretary of the U.M.W., told a Sydney Post reporter. The mines may be flooded and we are going to let them flood for any help we will give, but don't believe what the officials are telling you about a little water and a little gas putting the pits out of working order forever. Let the mines fill up with water and fill up with gas. Then hand the worst one of them over to the U.M.W. and in two weeks time we will put it back into better working shape than the Dominion Coal Company ever had it."

Mr. McLachlan emphasized the point that although the mines were being flooded they were not being destroyed. He said that a little water would not hurt them and the company knew it as well as the men.

An official of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company has expressed the belief that Sydney will not be long without a supply of fuel. When sufficient troops arrive at Glace Bay to ensure protection, men will at once be engaged to load coal for Sydney, he forecasted.

A report was prevalent in Sydney on Thursday that the Sydney and Louisburg trainmen had refused to have anything to do with the troop train which arrived in the city with the 22nd regiment aboard, and that the train had to be taken to Glace Bay by the C.N.R. trainmen. The report is entirely without foundation,

according to H. J. McCann, who says that the troop train was taken to No. 2 by the C. & L. trainmen.

The immediate outlook in Cape Breton is not re-assuring, says the Sydney Post in a recent article on the strike. Organized labor is proved up to the time of writing incapable of controlling so large a body of its followers that the great industries of this community have been brought to a standstill. Notwithstanding this revolt, so serious in its immediate consequences, this condition is a temporary one, and it is not to be believed that a community such as this can be permanently disabled by such a movement which, for the time being, has dislocated the normal movements of industry, which by its untoward but not unexpected appearance, has spoiled what would have been increasingly prosperous times, bringing benefit not only to the immediate workers, but to the whole community.

U. M. W. SECRETARY INTERVIEWED.

Interviewed in his office by the Sydney Post, J. B. McLachlan, re-elected Secretary of district 26, gave a short concise statement of the stand he has taken with his men. "When our people starved last winter nobody took any interest in us," he said, "and now when they hear of an old piece of iron rusting in a flooded mine they are alarmed. If they saw a starving miner's child alongside a rusting pump, they would exclaim at the loss of the pump and not notice the child. That's why we are striking—we want a living wage, nothing more. We will stick to our decision now even if it means starvation. We won't starve. There are tons of fish off shore and we have the boats and the best fishermen in Nova Scotia to catch them for us. And the farmers will supply us with vegetables."

NO MONEY FOR STRIKE PAY. "We haven't got a cent in the U.M.W. treasury," Mr. McLachlan continued, "and the men are striking without strike pay or hopes of any. But many of them are eating chicken and fruit salads."

What the miners want is \$2.50 per day minimum and \$4.50 per day maximum—eighty-three cents a ton for undercutting the coal and placing it in the cars in the pits. They are getting fifty-nine cents, Mr. McLachlan said, and he showed how in his opinion he had conclusive proof the company was in a good position to pay the 1921 rate. Mr. McLachlan said there was forty thousand cubic feet of explosive gas in No. 2 colliery, and it was certain death for untrained men to attempt to enter the pits. It took only forty cubic feet to cause the New Waterford tragedy some years ago, he said, and there is enough there now to blow Glace Bay off the map. "Any scab that enters that mine is going to sure death," he said.

Personal.

Mr. E. A. Payn, Secretary of the Board of Trade, who was spending a two weeks' vacation with friends in Carbonere, has returned to the city.

Mr. Charles M. C. White, of New York, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Philip D. White, 48 LeMarchant Road, returns to the States next Saturday on the S.S. Silvia.

Mrs. L. Cheeseman of Port aux Bras, who has been ill here for some time past, is being taken home by the revenue cruiser Daisy. Miss Alice, and Mr. Erna V. Cheeseman who will enter business with his father and brother, will accompany their mother.

Dr. W. E. Jones, M.H.A., for Harbor Main District, is making a trip to England to visit Mrs. Jones who some time ago preceded him and who has been ill since arriving on the other side. Dr. Jones expects to return in about six or eight weeks.

Mr. J. F. Lacey, travelling auditor of the Reid Nhd. Company, Ltd., left by yesterday's train for Argentina, to pay off the crew of the coal ship "Tuna."

Mrs. Capt. Wiltshire, who has been spending a vacation at Bonavista, has returned to St. John's.

Theme by Local Writer.

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