



DR. TREACY'S SILVER JUBILEE

The Rev. Dr. Treacy, pastor of St. Cecilia's Church, Toronto, celebrated his silver jubilee in the priesthood on Tuesday, the 12th June. The Solemn High Mass was said by the Jubilarian, assisted by Rev. Father Jas. Walsh and P. Coyle. His Lordship Bishop McNally, of Calgary, was present in the sanctuary. The sermon was delivered by Mgr. Kidd, President of St. Augustine's Seminary. An address of congratulation was read on behalf of the priests of the archdiocese by Very Rev. Dean Hand to which Father Treacy feelingly responded. Amongst those in the sanctuary were Mgr. Whelan, V. G., Monsignor Kidd, Very Rev. Dean Hand, Morris, Moyna and O'Malley and fifty-four other priests of Toronto and the neighbouring dioceses. Representatives of the religious orders were: Very Rev. Dr. N. Roche and Father Coughlan, superior of the Redemptorist Fathers. In the afternoon the school children gave a pleasing concert to the rev. guests in the basement of the church. In the evening musical vespers were chanted by Right Rev. Bishop McNally, assisted by the priests of the parish. Very Rev. Dr. Brophy, of Montreal, an old Roman classmate of the pastor, preached the sermon. Messrs. Henderson, McGovern and other gentlemen of the parish presented an address and a well filled purse of gold. The Rev. Father replied, thanking them for their kindness and gratitude to himself.

The Rev. Dr. Treacy was born in Tipperary, Ireland, and came to this country at the age of twelve. He lived with his aunt in Adajala and after some years in the school there went to St. Michael's College. From there he went to Castletown College, Co. Dublin, where he remained five years. In 1888 he went to Rome and entered the Canadian College where he remained until 1893. He received the B. A. in 1891 and was ordained on the 12th June, 1892, by Cardinal Parocchi. In 1893 he received the S. T. D. at the Propaganda. After some time passed at St. Paul's and St. Mary's, Toronto, he remained nine years at St. Michael's Cathedral. He became Rector of Dixie in 1894. In 1909 he was appointed assistant secretary of the First Plenary Council of Quebec. After nine years service he was transferred from Dixie to St. Cecilia's parish in 1913.

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

(Communicated) The Ancient Order of Hibernians have again manifested their interest in education in a practical way by a generous donation to St. Thomas College, Chatham, N. B. During the present year they have given the College over \$400 in cash besides assisting in other ways. This last act of generosity is only one of the many instances by which the officers of this great Order, both in Canada and the United States, have evinced an intelligent interest in Catholic education. They recognize that the proper training of youth is at the basis of all social uplift and the strongest antidote to the evils so rampant in our day. They may well be proud of their achievements and of a policy which aims at the greatest good, not only of their order but of society in general. No one who has observed the work of the Hibernians can fail to remark the far-seeing prudence and broad sympathy that characterize all their labours. Ever loyal to the Celtic spirit and influenced by a thoroughly Catholic outlook, they have extended their help to every noble cause with unsparing hand.

TWO MODERN "CATHOLIC PIONEERS"

That Catholic missionaries have rendered no inconsiderable services to the cause of science is a fact not generally known, says the editor of the Field Affair. We have been especially pleased, therefore, to receive from Bishop Berlioz an appreciation of one of his priests, the late Father Faurie, written by a non-Catholic Japanese professor.

Father Faurie was a botanist and his spirit may be seen by the following extracts from the article referred to above:

"In making botanical collections he traveled throughout all Japan, striking into many unbeat paths. His assiduity was almost incredible. He would climb any mountain, however difficult, if he thought it botanically interesting. Quite alone, with his preservative and very simple provisions on his back, he would travel and work for many days in the mountains, sleeping at night, perhaps, in a tree or under a crag. His collections were very extensive, his

herbarium at Aomori being by far the largest in Japan. Father Faurie was a cheerful, amiable man, much beloved by us. Still working for evangelism and botany even at the point of death, and at last when he found his powers fading away, lying down to sleep quietly in the arms of Him whom he served, he died as he had lived, a man of sincere piety and lofty ideals."

Plans are being made for the erection of a monument which will commemorate Father Faurie's distinguished labors for the extension of botanical knowledge. This work has been undertaken by his friends and admirers, especially among botanists.

We learn from Bishop Berlioz that Father Faurie discovered hundreds of new species and, what is more rare, a new genus, which bears the name of Fauria Japonica. The Bishop also tells us that the camellia is called after a missionary, Father Camelli, S. J., who was the first to make this flower known in Europe.

MERCHANTS BANK

MADE WONDERFUL PROGRESS DURING THE PAST YEAR

Annual statement for April 30, 1917, shows increase in Total Assets amounting to close on 25 millions. Very strong Liquid Reserve, and Current Loans steadily expanding. Profits for the year were at a satisfactory level, and with enlarged volume of business the outlook is most gratifying.

The Merchants Bank of Canada during the year ending April 30, 1917, established a record of progress which is exceptional even in these days of generally expanding bank business. In those twelve months the total assets of the bank increased by 25%, rising from \$96,361,363 to \$121,130,558—and this on top of substantial though less spectacular increases in every preceding year without any break as a result of the war.

This brilliant expansion was brought about by equally remarkable advances in all classes of deposits and in note circulation. The non-interest bearing deposits advanced about ten million dollars, from \$17,101,959 to \$27,101,587; the interest-bearing deposits advanced about the same amount, from \$54,995,069 to \$65,000,484; and the note circulation took on an additional two million dollars; while a three-million-dollar growth in the balances due to correspondents abroad made up the total of 25 millions which roughly represents the addition to the funds of the public placed in charge of the Merchants Bank during the year.

Among these public liabilities, which now total about \$108,530,000 there are held liquid assets (consisting of cash, call loans, bank balances and high-grade securities) to the extent of \$52,041,624, an increase of eleven millions during the year; so that the proportion of liquid assets to liabilities is 48.9%, while no less than 15% of the liabilities is held in the form of actual cash, current coin, Dominion notes and coin or Dominion notes deposited in the Central Gold Reserve.

On account of the very strong position in which the Bank found itself last year, it is evident that a large proportion of the new funds at its disposal was quite properly available for the purpose of assisting Canadian business activity. It is not, therefore, surprising to find that the current loans and discounts in Canada have increased during the year by nearly fourteen millions, from \$48,835,565 to \$62,737,958; but the figures show the extent of the service rendered by this Bank in financing Canadian business operations, and also the increased confidence in the situation and outlook which is felt by its extremely careful and conservative management. Another token of the Bank's share in the increased commercial activity of the time is the item of cheques on other banks in process of return to their makers, which has risen from \$2,754,968 to \$5,674,828.

Among the liquid assets the chief change is the addition of six million dollars, presumably of British Treasury Bills, to the team of Canadian municipal, and British, Foreign and national public securities, other than Canadian. This item, representing chiefly the aid accorded by the Bank to the financing of Imperial munition orders in Canada, now totals \$11,268,196.

Profits for the year much exceeded those of recent years, amounting to \$1,120,308.84, thus allowing for the payment of war taxes, Pension Fund contribution and several donations, the dividend of \$700,000 and an appropriation of \$100,000 for writing back loan promises, and still leaving nearly \$170,000 to add to the profit-and-loss balance. The whole report must be a source of great gratification to Mr. D. C. Macarow, the general manager, and to the board of directors.

BUILT UPON THE ROCK OF PETER

Here is what the Calvinistic paper De Heraut, published in Holland, has to say in favor of the Catholic Church: "Whilst the War has broken asunder all ties of social life, as well as those of science and arts, the Catholic Church, and she alone, has preserved her international unity absolutely intact; she has thus given a brilliant proof of the solidity of her organic life. In contrast, con-

sider how Socialism, of which one of the essential dogmas is the international solidarity of the toilers of the world, has been shattered by the War, while not a stone of the world-wide Church has been in the least degree loosened. . . The outcome of it all is the fact that Catholicity stands forth as a World-Church, and Protestantism as a set of national churches. . . Protestantism at its very beginning made the awful blunder of reducing the one World-Church into many national churches, standing apart from one another, and with no bond of union among them; each having its inalienable national character, each tying itself indissolubly to a racial state."

OBITUARY

MRS. MARY MCGEY RYAN Mrs. Mary McGey Ryan, mother of the late Archbishop of Toronto, died at her home, Dufferin street, Toronto, May 14th, in the eighty-sixth year of her age. The late Mrs. Ryan, whose maiden name was Lehane, was for over thirty years a resident of Toronto. She was born in Limerick, Ireland, and came to Canada with her parents when but one year of age. Her parents were among the first to go into the neighborhood of Lindsay, Ont., where her father, Michael Lehane, took an active part in the early settlement. Her mother, whose maiden name was Simcox, was a member of a family well-known for several generations in Drogheda, Ireland, different members of the family having occupied the position of Mayor.

The funeral was conducted from St. Helen's church to Mount Hope cemetery, Massena Regnum High Mass was celebrated by Rev. M. J. McGuire, parish priest of Douro, in the diocese of Peterborough, a nephew of the deceased. Rev. James Walsh, pastor of St. Helen's church, acted as deacon and Rev. Father O'Connor sub-deacon. In the sanctuary were also Rev. Mgr. Kidd, President St. Augustine's seminary, Rev. J. J. McGrand, St. Anthony's Church and Rev. Father (Major) Kelly.

Many friends and relatives from different parts of the Province were present at the funeral including a number of the Sisters of St. Joseph, amongst the members of whom are a number of the deceased's relations. A niece of the latter being Mother Antoinette of the Sunnyside Orphanage who is a first cousin. The deceased is survived by one sister, Mrs. Corkery, of Lindsay. The late Sister Philomena, who for a generation was well-known to the people of Toronto, was also a sister of the deceased. The late Mrs. Ryan was greatly admired by a host of friends during her long life time for her sterling Christian character and kindly and retiring disposition. Her late years were saddened by the death of her two sons, Most Rev. Fergus Patrick McGey, Archbishop of Toronto, and James McGey, of His Majesty's Customs, a well-known Toronto citizen, who both died at middle age.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

DEATH OF BISHOP CHATRON

News of the death of Bishop Chatron of Osaka, Japan, has reached the American Foreign Mission Seminary at Maryknoll. Bishop Chatron will be remembered most kindly by many bishops and priests in this country, which he visited some thirteen years ago in a quest for alms. His simplicity, quaint humor, and never-failing good nature made for him and for his missions many friends. Bishop Chatron was nearly seventy-five years old. He was an alumnus of the Foreign Mission Society in Paris and went to Japan while the last edict of persecution was in force. Loved by his priests and people and by his bishops in the hierarchy of Japan, Bishop Chatron's death is a severe blow to the struggling Church in that Island Empire.

ANTI-CHRISTIAN FORCES

The increasing efforts of anti-Christian forces to hamper the influence of that Church, which of all others is loyal to the Master, are manifesting themselves in many ways. In Michigan an attempt was made last month to get a bill before the legislature which would make attendance at the Public school obligatory on all children, a bill whose direct intent was the abolition of the parish school.

For the Colorado legislature's consideration a lengthy bill was drafted whose purport was to place Catholic colleges under the control of a State Board.

Bills for "Convent Inspection" are being presented to the law-making bodies now in session in several States. [If these developed into laws, they would only evoke new latent beauty in the Church; but they are inimical in intention, and tend to arouse suspicion in the unformed.]

But who are behind these and other un-American movements? Not merely enemies of Rome, but of Christianity itself.

Rationalist, socialist and professing anti-Catholic forces are working hand in hand for the removal of religious restraint from the rising generation, hoping in this way to annul the influence of Christianity itself in the generation to follow. While their greatest apostles are the unsuspecting periodicals of

several Christian sects and the pulpites who strive to promote Protestantism by a fight on growing Catholicity, these are none the less digging around the foundation of the Church. Curtail the influence of the Catholic Church and other forms of Christianity will be the first and worst sufferers. Humanitarianism is the religion which appeals most to the unchurched among Americans, and which even now is stressed more than the service of God in churches other than Catholic. Silence the voice of that Church, which, in season and out of season, preaches "seek ye first the kingdom of God," "The Lord thy God alone shalt thou adore," and even humanitarianism will dwindle away, for true love of neighbor bears an intimate relationship to the love of God, the second greatest commandment is dependent on the first. Selflessness, greed, the quest of Heaven here is everywhere dominant outside the old Church. This is Socialism, this is rationalism, this is anti-Christian. —Our Sunday Visitor.

Mr. Cuthbert de Houghton, eldest son and heir to his father, Sir James de Houghton, Bart., of Houghton Towers, near Preston, Lancashire. Lieutenant Robert Coningsby Clarke, of the British Army; song writer; brother of Miss Isabel Clarke, the concert novelist. Sergeant G. Holder, of the British Army, and his wife, Toronto, Ontario. Robert Spencer, Denver, great-grandson of Daniel Boone. No fewer than seven Protestant theological students at Lausanne have been received into the Church. The late George Frederick Mudie, Philadelphia; received on Good Friday. James S. Muzzy, Arthur J. Gleason and Harry A. Trumbull have been received at Denver. Five nurses at Providence Sanatorium, Waco, Texas, were received on April 21.

BOOTLESS PRAYERS?

As the Christians of every land have now for nearly three years been pleading with Heaven to give the world peace, many find a severe trial to their faith in God's seeming delay in hearkening to their petitions and are disheartened by their prayers' apparent ineffectiveness. "Cry! Cease not!" should be the patient Christian's watchword. For in answer to the unremitting intercession of the Church's holy ones, peace will surely come at last. An early peace, indeed, may not be a part of the Divine plan. For the world which has so long rejected His claims, needs perhaps to be purified still more by suffering, and all the nations must be chastened and humbled by war before they will return to Him. With his usual felicity and penetrating Shakespeare reminds us: "We ignorant of ourselves, Beg often our own harms, which the wise powers Deny us for our good."

So that peace which so many Christians throughout the world are praying for Heaven perhaps is delayed until America by entering the war has found her soul. Too early a peace will probably leave us quite as materialistic and unbelieving a nation as we were before the call to arms was sounded. But the long and patient practice by all our citizens, young and old, at home and in the field, of the soldierly virtues of fortitude, faith and obedience may restore to the American people the moral qualities they now need most. Thus, before giving us a permanent peace God in His wisdom may teach us how to make the best use of it—America.

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

In the dearth of priestly vocations in many dioceses, every pastor of souls, even in the smallest parishes, ought to look upon it as a duty and an honor to prepare at least one pupil for the sanctuary. The love of souls, and a high opinion of the priestly character will overcome all obstacles in this noble task. But quality and not quantity ought to be kept in the forefront, quality composed of profound virtue, serious piety, and genuine talent. It is not necessary that those chosen should be intellectually brilliant, but it is indispensable that they display a love of study, joined to docility, humility and energy. And their teachers must be gentle, self-sacrificing and devoted, in order to produce the best results in the spiritual no less than the scientific order.—Cardinal Vives.

SOME RECENT CONVERTS

Kenedy's Catholic Official Directory for 1917 shows that over 25,000 converts were received into the Church last year, although many dioceses are not represented by convert statistics.

Rev. Father Bresnahan of Tallahassee, Florida, recently received two prominent persons into the Church: Hon. John Still Winthrop, a leading vestryman of the Episcopal church in Tallahassee; and Mrs. Sydney Patterson Vernon, wife of Commander Walter Newhall Vernon, of the M. S. S. Cassin, now at sea, of Lake City, Fla.

William Fink, of Chicago, who had been studying for the Episcopal ministry, is a recent convert to the Catholic Church.

Rev. W. J. Scott, for twenty years vicar of St. Saviour's Sunbury, England, and curate at various London churches.

Lady Olive Douglas, wife of Lord Alfred Douglas, son of the late and brother of the present Marquis of Queensbury; born Miss Olive Custance, daughter of Colonel P. Hamilton Custance, of the British Army. She is a noted poet, as is her husband, a convert like herself, as well as his brother, the Marquis of Queensbury. Guy Thorne, author of "When It Was Dark," "When the Wicked Man," etc.

William Wheatley, a Wall Street broker, Orange, N. J.

Miss Helen Douglas Irvine, of the International Bureau of Agriculture, Rome, Italy.

Miss Emily Becham, London, daughter of the late Sir Joseph Becham, of "Becham's Pills" fame.

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