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The Rev. Father Jones, S. J., a distinguished antiquary and the archivist of St. Mary's College at Montreal, who is at present visiting the Jesuit community at Eighty-third street and Park avenue, has with him a collection of rare old manuscripts pertaining mainly to the Society of Jesus and its work in the Western World. The history of this collection is not without interest. When the English Government issued an order against the Jesuits in Canada the society was allowed to retain its existing propexty, but the government would not permit the Jesuits to receive any novices, hoping that when the last member of the society died that its property would come into the possession of the British. The last of the Jesuits in New France was Father Cesut, who died in March, 1800. Before his demise Father Cesot succeeded in passing many documents of almost priceless historical value to the Sœurs Hospitaliers, and they stored them with great care in the vaults of their convent. The decree permitting the Jesuits to return to Canada was issued in 1843. Almost their first thought was for the manuscripts and writings of the early fathers, which they had intrusted to the sisters. Fortunately, the nuns had been impressed with the importance of the collection, and the priests who were sent to recover it found the manuscripts intact.

Or the documents which Father Jones has brought to this city, probably the most important is the original map, drawn by Father Marquette, of the Mississippi River, or, as he called it, the "River of the Conception." This map is drawn on heavy paper, with consider able skill, and its outlines are apparently as clear to-day as they were when first made by the distinguished missionary explorer. Father Marquette mapped out only that which he had seen during his famous explorations. The river, as shown on this map, extends from Prairie du Chien to the mouth of the Arkansas River. Accompanying the map is the autograph journal kept by Father Marquette during the voyage. This journal is beautifully written and it contains much of interest concerning the wild country which he traversed. The last entry was made scarcely a month before the death of Father Marquette, and the book was directed in the explorer's own handwriting to the Rev. Father Claud Dablon, Superior of the missions of the Society of Jesus in New France.

For a long time there was considerable doubt about the authenticity of the journal, arising from the fact that there was written on it an entry which stated that it was the writing of "the late Father Marquette." The entry was made in exactly the same bandwriting as the body of the journal, and those who examined the document with a critical eye pointed out the apparent absurdity of Father Marquette's reference to himself as a dead man. This apparent inconsis whose individual labors the authenticity of the journal was established, as being perfectly natural. He says that the journal was entrusted to two Indians to be delivered to Father Dablon At that time Father Marquette was almost in the valley of the shadow of death. He evidently realized that by the time his precious journal reached the hands of him for whom it was intended he would be no longer numbered among the living. Moreover, Father Jones says, the endorse ment so written by Father Marquette was probably repeatedly shown by his messengers, who used it as a sort of passport on their journey toward Quebec Father Jones finally established the au thorship of this journal beyond question by comparing the handwriting with the baptismal record in the little town of Boucherville, just below Montreal, of the intant daughter of an Indian named Victor Kioventaone The ceremony was performed on May 20, 1668, and the record of it was made by Father Mar quette, who attached thereto his own signature.

Another extremely valuable manu script is the original description of New Netherland, written by the Rev. Father Isaac Jogues, who suffered martyrdom at Aureaville, in Montgomery county, N. Y, in whose memory a shrine has been erected at that place. Father Jogues was put to death on Oct. 16, 1646, by the Iroquois Indians. He was first captured by them at Quebec, They then brought him down Lake Champlain and Lake George and during the voyage he was subjected to incessant and cruel tortures, two fingers of one of his hands being bitten off by squaws. He was released however, by the Dutch of Fort Orange, and he finally made his way to France. The mutilation of his hand by the Indians disqualified him, according to the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, from saying mass. But so great was his zeal, and so distinguished his services to the early church of America that Urbain VIII., the then reigning Pope, granted him a dispensation by which he was able to resume his priestly functions. In conferring this signal distinction upon the missionary, the Pope said that it was not proper that a priest who had suffered martyrdom for Christ should not be allowed to drink His precious blood. Shortly afterward Father Jogues returned to America and resumed his missionary labors with increased ardor, which finally resulted in his death at the hands of the Indians to whom he sought to bring the teachings of Christianity.

In his description of New Netherlan! Father, Jogues refers to "Man hatte-Island" as being seven leagues in circuit. He says that it contained a fort that was to serve as the commencement of the of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Thousands of the introduction to be built in the future. Concerning the inhabitants, he said: "There cases have been perfectly CURED.

men of different less and a permitted exercise of no religions was permitted except that of the Calvinista. In fact, the
corders were to admit none but Calvinista
to the island, but; these orders. Father Jogues says, were not striptly observed. was made from the shells of oysters, of which great quantities were taken out along the shores.

The collection also contains the attending the entertainment. originals of the Jesuit Relations from 1672 to 1679. These manuscripts are contained in two bound volumes, and accompanying them are detached duplicate originals of the relations, thirteen in number, and written in the handwriting of Fathers Jean de Lamberville, Claude Dablon and Vaillant de Gueslis. They are mainly valuable because they contain the history of the missionary work of the Society of Jesus during that period, and the duplicate originals which go with them are important because they show the handwriting of various priests engaged in compilation of the work. In 1672 the Jesuit Fathers ceased to publish the story of their missionary work.

This was done because the Pope decreed that no writings of that nature should be put forth until they had been approved by Bome. The French Government objected to the exercise of such an authority by the Pope, and rather than bring a clash between that Government and the Vatican, the Jesuits ceased to publish their Relations, but kept on writing them. Probably the most complete set of the Relations now in existence is in the Lenox Library. It is said to be far superior to the collection in the British Museum.

Father Jones's collection also contains the original of the grant of certain indulgences by Pope Urbain VIII. to the Jesuit Mission of St. Mary's in Huron county. The grant is merely a brief. Part of the ruine of the little church which it conerned are still standing.

No. 16 in the collection is a bound volume of manuscript concerning the death of Father Jogues, Anne de Noue, Antoine Daniel, Jean de Brebeuf, Gabriel Lalemant, Charles Garnier, and Noel Chabanel; also the captivity and death of Rene Goupil, martyred by the Iro quois on Sept. 26, 1642, and a manuscript written by Father Paul Raguencau, who was compiler of the Relations from 1648 to 1652, concerning the martyrdom of Father Jogues.

These documents are beautifully written, in a clear, bold hand, and here and there throughout the book, more particularly at the end of chapters, are attached affidavits certifying to their truth. This was done because it was the intention of the early missionaries that these documents should be used at some time for the purposes of canonization. No. 15 in the collection is a Huron

grammar, ty Father Pierre Potier, which is in itself a most remarkable book. Father Potier was the last of the old Jesuit missionaries of Ontario. The grammar is a most elaborate work, written in a fine, but legible hand, and it contains besides the syntax, declension of verbs, &c., a complete directory of the Indian settlement in which Father Potier labored. The census gives the name and a description of the location of the residence of every man, woman and child in the village, as well as those who lived in the neighboring forests. At the end of the directory, in separate places provided, are tabulated the names of the chiefs of the Indians who dwelt thereabouts and the Indian names of the missionary priests who were their spiritual guides. Among the names in Father Potier's directory are many which are still familiar to the present residents of Detroit. As a companion piece to this grammar, is a book of sermons in Huron delivered by the various priests of the mission. These sermons are all in the handwriting of Father Potier, who must have spent many months in compiling them. His handwriting is so fine and the characters so small that it was said of him that he wrote with a crow's quill. Other valuable manuscripts were brought with him by Father Jones.

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Concert and Social by St. Patrick's Court.

President Fosbre Outlines the Work of the Organization,

St. Patrick's Court No. 95, of the Catholic Order of Foresters, held their annual concert and social in the Armory H Il, Catheart street, on Wednesday, Nov. 26, Thankegiving Eve.

There was a large attendance of members and their friends Bro. James F. Fosbre, the Chief Ranger of the Court, presided, and on the platform were Bros. A. A. Gibeault, Provincial Chief Ranger, X Bilodeau, Provincial Secretary, J. P. Jackson, memner of Provincial Board, John Davis, P.CR., St. Patrick's Court, J. Pierson Cuief Ranger of St. Anthony's Court D.H.C.R., F. Feron, C.R. Sarsfield Court, Thos Cummings, C.R., St. Mary's Court, M. M. J. Flanagan, C.R., St. Lawrence Court; Thos. Croke, C.R., Emerald Court; M. J. Walsh, M. O'Toole; P. T. O'Brien, President St. Ann's Y.M. S.; J. Kilfeather, President St. Ann's Temperance Society; J. Barden, President C.B.L., and C. Ritchot, ex-Vice-

High Chief Ranger. Chief Ranger Fosbre, in his opening remarks, gave a short history of the Crepons in the daintiest colors. Come Order in Canada, St. Patrick's Court and have your choice of a Dress Length being the first Court organized in this at \$1.00. country with a charter membership of 22, and having at present a membership of over 200, while now there are over 6 000 Foresters on the Island of Montreal alone, and over 12 000 in the Province of Quebec. He stated that the Order was open to every Catholic young man who was a practical Catholic and in sound physical health, there being an insurance of \$1000, \$2,000 or \$3,000, as de sired. The Order also paid sick and funeral benefits, gave a free doctor and other advantages to its members. The Order was always ready to lend a help ing hand to members out of emplo.

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ment or in distress. He appealed to the

Mr. Fosbre drew his remarks to At that period deer were abundant in close by thanking those present for their the fall on Manhattan Island, and lime attendance and assuring them that they would be amply repaid by the pleasure they would receive from the programme for any sacrifice they may have made in

Among the ladies and gentlemen who took part in the entertainment were Miss Ella Walker and Miss Louisa Morrison and Mrs. Parratt; Mesers. T. C. Emblem, H. P. Betty, M. C. Mullarkey. Wm. Fogarty, G. Geary. Edward Quinn, J. H. Cleland, Edward Watt, E. Geary, Jack Lyle and St. John and Gregory, whose instrumental duo brought down the house. The songs of Miss Ells Walker were, of course, warmly applauded, and the chaming young vocalist had to respond to a well-merited encore.

The concert was under the direction of Mr. P. J. Shea, who also acted efficiently as accompanist.

During the intermission Bro. Gibeault, the Provincial Chief Ranger, delivered a very instructive and pleasing address on the benefits of the Order, which was

warmly received. Letters of apology were read from His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Connaughton and several other distinguished citizens. About 150 couples remained for the social, dancing being kept up till early Thanksgiving morning, and everybody went away charmed with the most successful entertainment ever given by St. Patrick's Court, No. 95, Catholic Order

of Foresters. Committee of Arrangements :- Messrs W. Murphy, James Easton, James F. Fosbre, G. Murray, H. P. Betty. D. Cahill, M. Rochford, M. M. Daly, Ed. Genry, Alex. Patterson, W. Jarvis, E. J. E. Murray, John Davis, L. Z. Boudreau.

THE FIFTY-FIFTH MILESTONE

Passed by Mr. Thomas H. Waddell-A Aumber of Friends Do Honor to the Occasion.

A pleasing event took place last Friday evening, when a number of friends assembled at the residence of Mr. T. H. Waddell and celebrated the 55th anniversary of his birthday. Among those present were: Messrs. James Morley, ex-Deputy Warden Mc-Carthy, St. Vincent de Paul, M. Tison, A Rice, W. McElroy, J. Tayler, E. Quivron, T. Earl, M. Robert, J. Ryan, M. O'Flaherty, M. J. Cunningham, R. Dow, E. Halley, John Dwyer, P. Carroll, S. Crevier, and others.

Mr. James Morley occupied the chair in an able manner.

After full justice had been done to the good things provided, Mr. Morley proposed the health of the host, and spoke of his many sterling qualities, his long connection with St. Patrick's Parish and its people. He closed by calling on Mr. Waddell, who feelingly responded. He stated that on occasions like the present he was reminded that he was rapidly passing the milestones of life, drawing closer to that sphere where many of those who were near and dear to him had gone. Yet it was a pleasure to see around him so many friends of lang syne, and may it be long before any more links be severed from life's chain. He proposed "The Old Friends and the New.

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Mr. A. Rice then sang in splendid tyle. "A man's a man for a' that " and Father O Flynn," and afterwards | r. posed "The Music of Our Land." which was responded to by Mr. Timp, Presi dent of the Victoria Band, and by Mr Quivron, Bandmaster. "The Preas" which was also proposed, called forth an eloquent speech from Mr. E. Halley. The Ladies" was proposed by Mr. Crevier in a witty speech, and a selec tion of Irish airs by the Victoria or chestra brought a most agreeable night

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The Pairiot Priest Lectures Before a Large Audience,

Home Eule at the Masthead-He Wints Young Women to Remain in Ireland.

The Rev. Father Sheehy lectured be fore a large audience at Boston, on Sun. day last. His subject was "Picturesque Ireland-Scenes and Incidents of Her History." The lecture was for the purpose of raising funds to build a church in Bruree, Limerick, Ireland, and was held under the auspices of the A O. H. of Massachusetts and other Irish societies. A reception was tendered the patrict priest previous to his lecture. Father Sheehy's name is a hausehold word among Irishmen the world over.

The Hon. John F. Fitzgerald presided. and introduced the lecturer in a most fitting manner. He told the audience how the priest was identified with the struggle for liberty which Ireland is making, and how he incurred the dis pleasure of the English government by his patriotic utterances, and was imprisoned for nine months in Kilmall ex

Father Sheehy said he had been iden tified with the Irish cause since he was a boy, and was particularly active in the land league movement, which was organized in County Mayo in 1879, when Parnell, Dillon, Sexton, Eagan, Brennan and others took the initiative. The lecture was illustrated by 200 stereopticon views, and filled with words of encouragement for the home rule movement.

The parliamentary party, the speaker said, is fast closing up its work, ready for another supreme effort for home rule, and when hat time comes, which will be in the next general election, the party will be united, as it was in the days of

Previous to the lecture, a Post reporter interviewed Father Sheeby. He said-"That the Irish movement in the decade of years to come would reach a partial,

if not a complete, solution.
"We want our young men and women to remain at home, for there are good times coming, and certainly their condition cannot be improved by living in the already overcrowded cities here Our people are in a large degree an agricul tural producing class and if they can make a veritable paradise out of Ireland by improving the land, certainly with some assistance they can be more productive where the great agricultural belt

"Had we the opportunity at home as the Irish people have here, our manufac tures would rank high in the record of nations, and it is this we are striving for, and we need the moral support of all liberty-loving Americans, like your noble Senator Hoar, President Capen, and many others whom I could mention.

"The Irish leaders, while partially divided, are beginning to realize the necessity of union, and I look for great results from the visit of thousands of Irishmen and Americans to Ireland next year as a unitying force. There is no time for quibbling, but all men who have ti e cause of ireland at heart snot ld, and I have no doubt will, get tog- ther, as we did in days of old, and once more put the cause of home rule at the mastheau. We may have our differences, but no Irishman will, I am confident, b so blind to the welfare of his race as to place any obstacle in the path of self-government. It is a cause of the people and not of leadership, and the command of the people will be for unity all along the line, and certainly that mandate coming from the people must and shall be obeyed."

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Irish News.

The subject of the reduction of the force of the Irish Constabulary is a familiar theme. Just now it is said that the decrease in the number, according to a recent decision, will not be less than 600.

The number of district inspectors is also to be materially reduced. At pres ent there are over 250 such officers, but when full effect is given to the new ar rangement they will number only eighty, and not more than four are to be as signed to any one county, the general number being two. The annual saving to be effected will amount to nearly half

A peculiar condition of affairs is said Receive Our Prompt and Careful Attention to exist in regard to Kilmallock Castle, a reputed residence of the Desmonds, which some few years ago would have been demolished but for the intervention of the County Limerick Grand Jury. The structure is now in a dilapidated condition and, overhanging as it does the public road to Limerick, is dangerous to traffic. The necessary repairs, however, cannot be executed owing to the action of a tenant who is in posses sion of the basement of the tower, using it as a smithy, and refusing, in the spirit of the times, to quit the premises unless he gets £500 compensation. The tenant will accordingly have to be evicted unless -of which there seems no likelihood at present he can be induced to give 1661 Notre Dame Street. up peaceable possession. The Board of

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Public Works will, it is understood, take charge of the min, which is interesting only from its historical associations.

The Mest Rev Dr. Browne, Lord Bishop of Ferns, in a recent sermon at Ennis corthy, speke on the subject of athletic sports on Sunday. His Lordstrip said it was his duty to say a few words on the abuses that fr quently resulted. Some few years ago a great impetus was given to athletic sports, and from his knowl edge he was aware that the clergy gener ally were opposed to them; not that they were wrong or bad in themselves. but on account of the many abuses which they led to. He regretted very much to say that those games which came off on Sundays were the fruitful sources of great sins; therefore, they ought all try to guard against the The Catholic Courch com danger. manded all to hear Mass on Sunday, sb stain from servile works, and to devote a portion of it to the works of piety; but rational amusements were not contrary to G d a Law. In this country, however from a sad experience, the clergy had found that these Sanday sports had led to great abuses. Many young men who participated in them returned to their homes in a state of intoxication, and not alone did they sin against temperance but were, likewise, guilty of cursing, brawling, and sometimes of wounding and stabbing each other. He exhorted those people who had influence to use it with a view to preventing young men from falling into the sins he had mentioned.

CAPITAL PRIZE.

At the drawing of the 17th instant, of The S ciety of Arts of Canada, 1666 Notre Dame street the first capital prize, a collection worth \$2,000,00 has been won by Captain James Williamson of Grenville, county of Argenteuil. At the same drawing, Miss M. A. Grenier, 87 St James street, has won a prize worth \$120 00.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.

The demand for eggs is fair and the market moderately active and steady. We quote :- New Laid 20c; choice can dled, 14c to 15c; Montreal limed 14c to 15c, and western limed, 121c per dozen. The market for beans was quiet and steady at 80c to 90c for primes, and at 95c to \$1 for choice hand-picked per

bushel

There appears to be an active enquiry for partridge, of which the efferings were small and prices firm at 80c for firsts, and at 50c to 55c for seconds per brace. A fair trade was transacted in poultry

and prices were without change. Turkeys sold at 71c to 9c; chickens 7c. to Sc; ducks, 8c to 9c; and geese at 5c to 6c

The market for honey was slow and featureless. We quote as follows:—Ulover comb at 10c to 11c; bright extracted at 7½ to 8½; and dark at 5c to 5½

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