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Synopsis of Canadian Northwest Land

Regulations.

Any person who is the sole head of
a family, or any male over 18 years
old, may homestead a quarter-section
if available Dominion land in Mani-
toba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The
applicant must appear in person at
the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-
Agency for the district. Entry by
on certain conditions, by father,
mother, son, daughter, brother or
sister of intending homesteader.

Duties.—Six months residence up-
on and cultivation of the land in
each of three years. A homesteader
may live within nine miles of his
homestead on a farm of at least 80
acres solely owned and occupied by
him or by his father, mother, son,
daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader
in good standing may pre-empt a
quarter-section alongside his home-
stead. Price, \$3.00 per acre. Duties.—
Must reside six months in each of six
years from date of homestead entry
(including the time required to earn
homestead patent) and cultivate fifty
acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted
his homestead right and cannot ob-
tain a pre-emption may take a pur-
chased homestead in certain districts.
Price, \$3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must
reside six months in each of three
years, cultivate fifty acres and erect
a house worth \$300.00.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the In-
terior.

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of
this advertisement will not be paid
for.

The "Holy Donkey"

At Exeter.

PROVOST HOBSON'S CHALLENGE.

Catholic Times, London.

The story of the "Holy Donkey" has
reached Exeter. Miss Emma Miller,
lecturing there, is reported to have
said that "the tradition of the Holy
Donkey was so seriously inculcated in
Italy that there is there a church de-
dicated to the Holy Donkey and said
to have been erected on the spot
whereon the ass which carried our
Lord into Jerusalem died, and Roman
Catholic tradition asserts that the ass
feeling it impossible to remain in Pal-
estine after the death of the Saviour,
made its way to Jaffa, and, anxious
to reach Rome, actually swam the
Mediterranean Sea, supported by the
power of the Holy Ghost. Having
landed in Italy, the poor animal suc-
cumbed at Legano, where, as already
stated, a church was erected in its
honour."

The reproduction of such a state-
ment in the local press elicited a cor-
respondence, which went to show con-
clusively that there exists neither
church nor oratory dedicated to the
"Holy Donkey." Father Meany sent
a letter to the "Express and Echo,"
saying he had read with disgust Miss
Miller's "Lecture on Mariolatry." To
say that it was an outrage on the
feelings of respectable people was, he
should think, to put it mildly, and he
utterly failed to see what good pur-
pose could be served by giving expres-
sion to such shocking nonsense.

Provost Hobson clinched the matter
on Saturday night when the following
letter appeared in the "Express and
Echo":—

Sir.—With one exception, Miss Mil-
ler was very explicit in all the de-
tails of her very edifying story of the
"Holy Donkey," of Legano. And it is
just that one detail that I call upon
her to supply, either in the columns of
the "Express and Echo," or at her
next lecture. She says the Church of
the Holy Donkey is in "Legano." That
of course, cannot be, as there is no such
town in Italy, but there is a town
called Legnano, and another called
Legnagon, and she may take her choice
of either.

Now, sir, being a poor credulous
Papist, I might wish to make a pil-
grimage to that wonderful and singular
church!—singular because it must be
the only church of the kind in the
whole world, unless Miss Miller would
wish her audience to believe that Our
Lord used four or five Donkeys
(capital D, please) on the occasion,
and all proved to be Holy Donkeys,
and thus merited to be canonized by
the Catholic Church. I call upon Miss
Miller to locate that wonderful Shrine
in Legnano or Legnagon; to tell the
readers of the "Express and Echo" the
name of the street, place, square, cres-
cent, or quarter where it is to be
found.

In case I should not be able to un-
dertake the pilgrimage, I will pay the
expenses of any one of her admirers
she chooses to nominate, to visit the
church, and bring back a good sub-
stantial relic of the Holy Donkey, to
be placed in the Royal Albert Mu-
seum.

If Miss Miller refuses to furnish me
with the whereabouts of the Holy
Donkey's Shrine, I fear it will only
remain for me to characterize her
whole story as "a frigid, calculated,
and blasphemous lie."—Yours faith-
fully,
George F. Hobson.

The Presbytery, South street, Ex-
eter. 25th February, 1910.

Miss Miller, speaking at the Frank-
lin Hall, Exeter, on Monday evening,
said she "gave the tradition of the
Holy Donkey" on the authority of a
paragraph in the "Monthly Record."
The Editor had been communicated
with, and if through him she could
get in touch with Frank M. Wells of U.
S. A., who vouched for the truth of
the story, as he has seen the church,
with the inscription, she ought to be
able to trace the town in which the
shrine was said to be.

We shall be much interested to know
whether the lady's search for the
"Holy Donkey" and Captain Frank M.
Wells will be more successful than
that of "Simple Simon," who has de-
scribed his vain quest to our readers
in prose and rhyme.

When the announcement was made
of the publication of "The Love Let-
ters of a Liar," did every man who
saw it feel a moment's apprehension?

DEATHS AND BURIALS.

The death took place on Saturday
morning, after a long illness, of Mrs.
Dorcas Anne Copp, widow of Mr. Wm.
Copp. The deceased was a native of
Devonshire, England, and when seven
years of age accompanied her parents
to Prince Edward Island. Later the
family removed to Shediac, and there
Mrs. Copp was married. Her husband
was for many years accountant with
Messrs. W. H. Thorne & Co. Mrs.
Copp is survived by one son, Mr. John
B. Copp, of the Postal Service, and
one daughter, Mrs. J. E. Toole, 46
Mecklenburg street, with whom she
made her home during the past ten
years. For more than six of these
Mrs. Copp had been an invalid. She
was a very estimable lady, and a large
circle of friends heard of her death
with regret.

The death took place on Saturday
morning at the residence of her son-
in-law, Dr. J. W. Daniel, M. P., 148
Princess street, of Mrs. Elizabeth En-
nis, widow of Mr. John Ennis, who
was a member of the former well
known firm of Ennis & Gardiner. She
was a native of St. John, of Loyalist
descent, and was 80 years of age. Mrs.
J. W. Daniel is her only daughter.
The death of Mrs. Ennis will be much
regretted by her many friends, and by
the workers of Centenary church, of
which she was a prominent member.

Mrs. John O'Neill, of Hardswoods,
Hardwicke, died on Wednesday, 9th
inst., aged 82 years. She is survived
by two sons and three daughters. In-
terment at Escuminac, Rev. Father
Savoy reciting the funeral service.

The death took place on Friday,
of Mr. Timothy Christie, third
son of Mr. and Mrs. John Callaghan,
12 Brussels street. Deceased, who was
only 19 years old, and very much es-
teemed, is survived by his parents,
three brothers and two sisters. The
funeral took place on Sunday after-
noon at 2.30 o'clock, and was largely
attended. The funeral service at the
Cathedral was read by Rev. A. W.
but do we stand together as we
Mehgan. Interment was made in the
new Catholic cemetery. The pall-
bearers were, Messrs. John McGuigan,
E. Walsh, Wm. O'Leary, T. Comeau,
H. Moore and T. Bowes.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Con-
don was held on Saturday afternoon
from her late residence, 270 Pitt St.
to St. John the Baptist Church. Rev.
J. W. Holland conducted the burial
services. Interment was made in the
new Catholic cemetery.

Mr. Arthur McPeake, son of Mr. F.
J. McPeake, and a well known rail-
way man, died at Fernie, B. C., Sun-
day, as a result of injuries received
while on duty. He sustained a frac-
tured skull by falling from his cab-
oose and was taken to the hospital
at Fernie for medical attendance. Mr.
McPeake was 29 years of age and un-
married. He commenced his Railway
career on the Shore Line Railway but
left St. John some time ago and for
the past year has been an engineer in
the employ of the C. P. R., running
east and west from Cranbrook. He
was very well known in Carleton and
his death was learned of with sincere
regret. The body will be brought to
St. John for burial.

Stricken with paralysis on Wednes-
day last, Mr. William Rafferty, a re-
sident of Coldbrook, passed away on
Monday at the age of 81 years. On
February 20th Mr. and Mrs. Rafferty
celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of
their marriage. The deceased was
born in Kingston, but removed to Cold-
brook in his young manhood and until
a few years ago conducted a large milk
route and farmed extensively. He is
survived by his wife, three sons—
James, Milltown; William, this city;
and Frank, at home. He also leaves
one daughter, Mrs. F. L. Peterson.

The funeral of the late John Casey,
whose death occurred early Wednes-
day morning, was held Friday morn-
ing, March 11th, from St. Bernard's
church, Moncton. It was largely at-
tended, there being many citizens fol-
lowing the hearse to the I. C. R.
depot where the remains were placed
on the Maritime express and taken to
Memramcook for burial. The services
at the church were conducted by Rev.
E. J. Savage. The pall-bearers were:
Messrs. William Walton, Michel
Wynn, D. Magee, Walter Donovan,
William Fogarty and Charles McHugh.

UNWHOLESOME PREDICTIONS.

When the Standard was established
the late esteemed Sun predicted for
it a short and troubled life. This
modest journal then admitted that it
was not given to men or newspapers
to know how long they might live,
but suggested that the Sun was much
nearer its end than the Standard. So
it has proved. But now comes the St.
John Times with the report that the
Standard may withdraw from the
morning field. Once more it may be
said that while all life is uncertain,
The Standard expects to outlive the
whole of its morning contemporaries as
it has the half of it. But the trou-
bled minds of the Telegraph and Times
should be turned away from unwhole-
some thoughts of newspaper mortality.
Perhaps their next newspaper pur-
chase—or sale—may be less disap-
pointing than the last.—Wednesday's
Standard.

FOUR CARDINALS COMING.

Four members of the Sacred Col-
lege of Cardinals will come to New
York next October to attend the cele-
bration of the centenary of the birth
of Cardinal McCloskey. Three of the
four cardinals who may be expected
at New York are Cardinal Vincent
Vannutelli of Rome, Cardinal Logue
and Cardinal Gibbons. An Italian
prelate will probably be the fourth
Cardinal. Archbishop Diomed, the
Apostolic Delegate at Washington, will
attend.

Cardinal McCloskey's centenary
birthday falls on March 20, but the
consultors of the archdiocese of New
York have decided to postpone the cele-
bration until next fall, when the 21st
International Eucharistic Congress
will be held in Montreal. Cardinal
Vannutelli will go to Montreal, which
is the first time in history that a Car-
dinal Legate has set foot on American
soil and the second time that a Roman
Cardinal has visited these shores. Car-
dinal Satolli was the first member of
the Sacred College to come here, says
a New York Paper.

THE LAETARE MEDALIST.

Dr. Maurice Francis Egan, Minister
to Denmark, is the Laetare medalist
for 1910. The University of Notre
Dame does not confer the honor with-
out careful investigation of the mer-
its of those upon its eligible list.

Casting about for the American Cath-
olic layman who is entitled to its
highest distinction in its giving, Notre
Dame makes choice of its old-time
professor who latterly occupied the
chair of English literature at the Cath-
olic University of America. Dr.
Egan's excursions into the field of let-
ters have been frequent and pleasant.
The popular writer avoids what is
recondite and dresses up his literary
ware in a style that is agreeable to
the eye and to the ear without making
too strong an appeal to the intellect.
Dr. Egan understands his readers and
they understand him.

Apart from his appearance in the
realms of literature Minister Egan has
had an opportunity to cultivate the arts
of diplomacy at the court of Denmark.
In that land where Shakespeare's fan-
cy found delight in laying the scenes
of one of his greatest dramas there
must be another world for one of Min-
ister Egan's temperament to conquer.
Great political changes are being
wrought in that northern land and
equally notable progress made in
other spheres. The Laetare medalist
of 1910 has for years been moving in
a charming social circle. He has made
friends by his interesting personality.
Into his life varied experiences have
entered. With honors thus multiply-
ing upon him the litterateur and dip-
lomast is fairly entitled to special
congratulation on this the latest award
from a distinguished seat of learning.
—Catholic Transcript.

HAPPY APART!

The bishop of London thinks that
the husbands and wives would be hap-
pier if they separated every year for
two weeks. If he is right, how happy
the commercial traveller and his wife
must be.

If the "Chantecler" hats become
fashionable over here, it is just as sure
as anything can be that some of the
girls who wear them will be no chick-
ens.