

THE JESUIT METHOD.

At the banquet of the alumni of the St. Louis University on Monday evening, the Reverend Rector brought out a very suggestive point in his address. It was to the effect that the alumni of Jesuit Colleges were the intellectual offspring not of any merely local college, but of the great teaching order of the Society of Jesus founded three hundred and sixty years ago. This leads me to a reflection, that is too often forgotten: It is that the greatness of an educational institution does not lie in fine buildings, much apparatus and large endowments, though this is a current fallacy quite in keeping with the superficial notion of education now a days. Catholics possess in the Society of Jesus what money and fine buildings cannot give—the greatest and best equipped teaching society the world has ever seen. Its system is the best ever devised and its corps of teachers the best trained and most efficient the ancient or the modern world has ever known. Their method has preserved, amidst all the vagaries of modern pedagogy, the true purpose and end of education, the training of the powers of the mind and the building-up of character. Whilst Modernism has wandered away into all manners of pedagogic follies and crude theories, the Jesuits have anchored sure and safe in a solid and substantial conservatism, which even modern experience is fast demonstrating to be the only sound and successful method of education. It is not money but brains that makes a true educational institution, nor can money buy brains. The secret of the immense educational power and virtue of the Jesuits' system lies in the fact that its members devote their lives to their work not for pecuniary remuneration, but through the higher motives of the love of God and of intellectual labor. — Church Progress.

AN ORIGINAL POPE.

Clement XIV., was a strong-minded, original character. The Catholic World Magazine for May gives some striking quotations from his letters. Among the many we cull the following:

To a Lady (January 2, 1774):

"True devotion, madam, neither consists in a careless air nor in a brown habit. Most pious people imagine, though why I don't know, that clothes of a dark color please Heaven more than those of a lighter and livelier hue; yet we find angels are always painted either in white or blue. I do not love plety which proclaims itself. . . . Observe, moreover, that the lady who talks scandal in company, or appears peevish or in an ill humor against mankind, is generally dressed in brown! Singularity is so little allied to true devotion that we are ordered in the Gospel to wash our faces when we fast, that we may not appear remarkable. . . . The world would not have ridiculed religion so much had not its devotees given room for it. Almost always inflamed with bitter zeal, they are never satisfied except with themselves, and would have every one submit to their whims because their plety is often the effect only of caprice. . . . False devotees do little less injury to the cause of religion than the openly profane: . . . they have a restless, impetuous, persecuting zeal, and are commonly either fanatical or superstitious, hypocrites or ignorant.

When you had no rancor in your heart, nor pride in your mind, no singularity in your actions, and that you observe without affectation or trifling the laws of God and the Church, then you may believe you are in the way of salvation."

NO TWO UNBELIEVERS AGREE.

There is a well-marked characteristic of all unbelievers. No two of them agree. One is a scoffer of the Ingersoll type, who finds Christianity a composition of imbecility, cruelty, hypocrisy, rapine, murder, theft, tyranny and oppression. Others, like Rousseau, might preach their creeds from many so-called Christian pulpits and be termed liberal and progressive. Some, like Renan, might subscribe to the Unitarian Confession of Faith, and be received without scruple into full membership in that body. Others, again, are evangelists, occupying evangelical pulpits, preaching a diluted infidelity to congregations which are not yet fully prepared to cut loose from the moorings of orthodoxy. They have perhaps discarded "eternal punishment," the "story of Jonah," the "gospel miracles," but they still choose for propriety sake to be termed "Christians."

Our arraignment of unbelief is directed against the whole generation of unbelievers, whether they occupy the Christian pulpit, the listener's pew, the professor's chair, the editorial sanctum or the tribune of self-constituted apostle of Irreligion. They are all the same to an honest believer. They are enemies of the cross of Christ, and all the more dangerous if they employ the mask of religion to play the role of "The Pharisee." Every time I hear of a minister of religion preaching a distinctly infidel doctrine the terrible words of St. Mark come to my mind: "Hail Rabbi! and he kissed him."

"Few things so inspire us with the desire of greatness as the reading of the lives of great men. Why should not we do great deeds like those which other men have done—be they deeds of heroes, saints or sages?"

No man is weak except by his own choice. God's strength is at every obedient man's command.

The prince of darkness is pleased with sadness and melancholy because he is and will be sad and melancholy for all eternity, and desires that every one should be like himself.

CHESTERTON WILL BE NEXT.

This busy and thriving town is at last to have a branch of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association. St. Mary's church congregation having decided to follow the advice of His Grace, Archbishop Langford, and their zealous pastor, Father Quinn, who warmly commended the Association to the large congregation present at High Mass on Sunday, the 24th inst., urging them to attend a meeting held in Grady's school on Monday afternoon.

Bro. W. P. Kinney, J., organizer of the C. M. B. A., addressed the meeting, of which a full attendance was made. The branch will be organized with probably 100 charter members early in June, and from the zeal manifested by those interested in its formation it should become one of the most successful branches yet organized.

Arrangements are being made for a monster picnic here on the 11th June, in aid of St. Mary's church, when Hon. Chas. F. Fitzpatrick, Solicitor General, D. C. Fraser, Esq., M. P., and others will deliver addresses.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Ottawa, Can., May 17th, 1899.

Editor CANADIAN:

A letter of thanks from Mrs. E. A. Mara, widow of the late Edward A. Mara, of Branch 28, Ottawa, and addressed to the editors of said branch, has not, through an oversight, appeared in your columns. It related to the very prompt and satisfac-

tory settlement by your Association of the amount of the beneficiary certificate of the deceased.

Mrs. Mara is especially anxious that your prompt action should be publicly acknowledged, inasmuch as it shines in brilliant contrast to that of another Catholic organization which makes great parade of its promptitude, but which, in her case at all events, was only forced, through threat of legal proceedings, to make a tardy payment.

Yours truly,

JOHN O'MEARA,

Solicitor for Mrs. Mara.

Valcourt, Que., May 15th, 1899.

S. R. Brown, Esq., Grand Secretary C. M. B. A. London, Ont.

Sir and Brother: I gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the benefit of \$200 on the life of my late son, Joseph Louis, and I pray the officers of the Grand Council to accept my sincere thanks for the prompt payment of said claim.

I also offer my sincere thanks to all the officers and members of Branch 194 for the zeal and devotion they showed during the illness of my regretted son and for the large attendance at his funeral.

Yours fraternally,

L. V. BEAUDRY,

President Branch 194.

INITIATIONS IN MAY.

Initiations on May.

Br. No.	Location.	
1	Kingston, Ont.	15
2	Hamilton, Ont.	9
3	Quebec City, C. B. N. S.	9
4	Hamilton, Ont.	9
5	Windsor, Ont.	1
6	Killbuck Station, Ont.	1
7	Richmond Hill, Ont.	1
8	Toronto Junction, Ont.	1
9	Halifax, N. S.	1
10	Montreal, Que.	1
11	Hamilton, Ont.	1
12	Joggan Mines, N. S.	1
13	Angers, Lorette, Que.	1
14	St. Thomas, Ont.	1
15	Ottawa, Ont.	1
16	Barrab, Ont.	1
17	Winnipeg, Man.	1
18	St. Mary's, Ont.	1
19	Toronto, Ont.	1
20	Westport, Ont.	1
21	Bellefleur, Ont.	1
22	Waterloo, Ont.	1
23	Sandwich, Ont.	1
24	Halifax, N. S.	1
25	Montreal, Que.	1
26	New Castle, N. B.	1
27	St. Catharines, Ont.	1
28	Chatham, N. B.	1
29	Grand Falls, N. B.	1
30	L'Assomption, Que.	1
31	Souris East, P. E. I.	1
32	Brewers' Mills, Ont.	1
33	Truro, N. S.	1
34	Thurso, Que.	1
35	Wellington, P. E. I.	1
36	Oakville, Ont.	1
37	Bellevue's Cove, N. S.	1
38	Cape Breton, N. S.	1
39	Pulmer Road, P. E. I.	1
40	Nabesee, Ont.	1
Total		99

BRANCH OFFICERS FOR 1899.

Branch No. 104.

Spiritual adviser Very Rev. Dean Masterson, president Edward Weekes, 1st vice-president Thomas M. Sawyer, 2nd vice-president A. D.'Brien, financial secretary Wm. J. Emend, treasurer Wm. Emend, recording secretary J. F. McGarrett, assistant recording secretary H. E. Brennan, marshal F. Brennan, guard Ben. Tye, trustees Ben. Tye, Alex. King, Ed. Rogers, A. D.'Brien and W. J. Emend.

Branch No. 232.

Spiritual adviser Rev. Father Duhaut, president Andrew McDonald, 1st vice-president Rev. Father Duhaut, 2nd vice-president E. Rivest, financial secretary C. de Lagorgnerie, assistant secretary G. W. Lacroix, financial secretary Henry Lacroix, treasurer G. W. Lacroix, marshal B. Rowan, guard John Roby, musk.

Branch No. 258.

Spiritual adviser Rev. A. Roy, C. S. C. president Augustin D. Sullivan, 1st vice-president Jean B. Gaudet, 2nd vice-president C. F. Cormier, recording secretary E. T. Gaudet, M. D., assistant secretary Arcade V. Landry, financial secretary A. M. Leger, treasurer A. J. Gaudet, marshal A. M. Lacroix, guard V. A. Leger, trustees P. A. Gaudet, D. J. B. Lacroix, J. J. Gaudet, D. S. Gaudet and A. M. Leger.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

Branch No. 44, Arnprior, Ont., on the death of Patrick Cunningham, father of Bros. Patrick and David Cunningham.

Branch 52, Winnipeg, Man., on the death of Mrs. Michael Sanders, sister of Brothers Nicholas and William J. Bawli.

Branch No. 65, Aylton, Ont., on the death of Bro. Chas. Keis's wife.

Branch No. 254, Kensington, P. E. I., on the death of Bro. M. A. Driscoll's brother.

Branch No. 27, Cartier, Ont., on the death of Bro. J. W. Fortin's wife.

Branch No. 26, Brant's Mills, Ont., on the death of James Carey, brother of the Rev. Father Carey.

Branch No. 12, Richmond, Que., on the death of Bro. C. Leonard's mother; also on the death of Bro. C. Gerard's sister.

At a regular meeting of St. Joseph's Branch, No. 11, Arnprior, Ont., held on 14th May, 1899, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas our respected brother, Patrick Mullin, departed this life on the 14th ultimo, be it

Resolved that we, the brothers, wish to record our heartfelt sympathy for his wife and relatives in the loss they have sustained by the death of a kind husband and dutiful neighbor and friend. We ever pray that God will have mercy on the soul of our departed brother; and be it further

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Mullin and published in THE CANADIAN and local papers.

At the last meeting of Branch 52, held 14th May 1899, it was moved by Brother R. Murphy, seconded by Brother G. Gargan, and unanimously adopted that the Recording Secretary draft a resolution of condolence to Nicholas and Thomas Bawli, sons of our late Brother, John Bawli.

That whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove by death your beloved and affectionate father

Resolved that we, the officers and members of this branch, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by you and extend our most sincere sympathy and condolence in your sad affliction; also

Resolved that the charter be draped for the usual time, and a copy of this resolution be sent to Nicholas and Thomas Bawli, also to THE CANADIAN and Catholic Record for publication.

At the regular meeting of Branch No. 72, 4th April, 1899, the following resolutions were adopted:

Moved by Bro. John Schuur, seconded by Bro. George Strause, that the Recording Secretary notify the members of this branch of all deaths of C. M. B. A. brothers of this district, and request that as many of this branch as possible shall attend such funerals.

Moved by Bro. Leo Kraemer, seconded by Bro. A. A. Schwartz, whereas the members of Branch 72 have heard with regret that Bro. Geo. Strause will leave our fair Dominion to settle in Breighton, Michigan;

Whereas Bro. Strause, during his long residence in the Township of Carrick, has been a good and active member of this branch since 1888, working for its best interest, and that of its members, be it

Resolved that Branch 72 place on record its high appreciation of Bro. Strause as a member and of his many good qualities of true friendship, and its regret at his removal from our midst; and we wish Bro. Strause and his family every prosperity in their new home, and we are happy to hear that Bro. Strause intends to continue to be a member of our branch. Our loss of such a good citizen will be a gain to Breighton, and the Recording Secretary shall spread above resolution in the minutes and mail a copy to THE CANADIAN for publication and also a copy to Bro. Strause.

Windsor, Ont., May 27th, 1899.

Onisme Marontette, Esq., Windsor, Ont.

Dear Sir and Brother—At a regular meeting of Branch No. 1, on motion of Brother John H. Connolly, seconded by Bro. J. N. Pepin, and unanimously carried, that the recording secretary be instructed to tender the sympathy of our members to you in this sad hour of your affliction, through the loss of a fond and loving wife, whose voice is forever stilled and whose loving heart is now cold in death. She was held in the highest esteem by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance; nor could it be otherwise, as a practical Catholic her conduct bore no uncertain sound. She was always to the front to advance the interests of the true faith which she held so dearly—that faith which grew with her from childhood's years a part of her very being. Many and noble were her deeds in life, and long will it be before the beautiful traits of her character will fade from the memory of those who knew her intimately and who loved her because of her well-known piety, zeal, charity and benevolence. May her soul enjoy that eternal bliss promised to those who have loved and faithfully served in this life our Blessed Lord and Saviour.

With sincere sympathy and kindly feeling, I remain, yours fraternally,
P. M. KEOUGH, Rec. Sec.

We are more conscious that a person is in the wrong when the wrong concerns ourselves.