

Warkworth and its Picturesque Surroundings.

A Word About Catholic Plunkers.

WORKS FOR THE CATHOLIC REGISTER

In pursuing my journey throughout Ontario, I struck the picturesque village of Warkworth two days ago, having been carried there from Hastings in less than one hour, by the speed of Mr D E Thompson's fine trotter. When it is known that the gentleman named is the respected veterinary surgeon of the place it will be readily conceived that he should own a swift pacer. On the way between the two villages my eye caught sight of many very commodious looking farm homesteads and well cultivated lands, and judging from the number of milk pails displayed on the stands I concluded I was passing through a district noted for its large production of cheese. On hearing the village itself I saw its favorable situation and picturesque surroundings. It has high sheltering hills on all sides of it, the peaceful inhabitants nestle in a calm repose in the valley. On the following day after my arrival in company with my respected and obliging host, Mr Patrick Gallagher, I climbed to the highest point of the nearby hill top, and was rewarded by a view that delighted the eye and the senses. The outlook in one direction led over rolling fields towards (Ampthillford), in another to Hastings and Norwood, and viewing some points we could discern the path that runs to Burnley. In this extended view we noticed many fine orchards, some in full bearing maturity and others young, but full of promise in the future. But while we saw many fields and farms of well tilled soil we could not help thinking that the stumpy and stony plots would afford exercise for the strong arms of this present or next generation of toilers. From the great care given to cultivation of fruit and the manufacture of cheese it is evident that the farmers hereabout expect rich returns from these two branches of industry. In discussing agricultural and commercial affairs with my keen witted and practical friend and host, I learned that Warkworth and its neighborhood are very much in need of railway accommodation to carry the products of the farm and factory to the open market, as well as for the development of the village and district generally. All live, practical business men know that in this age of rapid progress railway communication is a necessity. Mr. Gallagher and the other substantial mercantile men of this place are anxiously looking forward to the time when the projectors of the proposed railway from Cobourg will give effect to the enterprise, and thus afford a chance to energetic merchants of Warkworth and to the industrious farmers of the locality to make proper use of the advantages that nature and Providence have put in their way. As it is they are progressive and hard-working, and are not deterred from going ahead, but to get a fair market for their grain and cattle, hogs, horses and all kinds of farm produce they have to haul them over a ten mile road either to Hastings or Campbellford. Such locomotion is slow and out of keeping with the active progress of the age. The railway project referred to has been spoken of for some years past and as the urgent need of it becomes more evident every year, it is to be hoped that it will not be much longer delayed. Turning from the physical features and other aspects of the place I made close enquiry as to the history of the pioneers and early settlers, and found the names of Humphrey and Buzzard among the very first residents. The respected post master of today is a descendant of the first named, and I think most of all the original founders have perpetuated their name and race. I did not ascertain the names of the first Catholics here, but that they gathered at an early period of its history is quite certain for as we viewed the sacred edifice in which the Roman Catholic congregation worships we found the venerable building still standing and in active use after the wear and tear of some eighty years, according to the estimate of our intelligent host. Sometime in the future, however, the old church building will be replaced by a structure more in keeping with the needs of the congregation and the spirit of the present, for Mr. Gallagher told me that there is a substantial bank deposit already standing to the credit of the fund for the purpose.

It must be remarked with some regret that the congregation suffers from lack of spiritual service, for the zealous and kind hearted pastor, Rev. T. B. O'Connell, P.P., has to attend also to the congregations of Harwood and Burnley, the latter being his place of residence, and each of the three districts being separated by a distance of several miles, when this fact is considered the pastor may easily imagine what some priests have to undergo in carrying the consolations of religion to their scattered flock, but in Father O'Connell's case the travelling part is made easier by the wonderful speed of his famous trotter. Among the active and prominent members of the congregation may be mentioned Mr. Patrick Gallagher, Mr. Michael Lameran and Mr. John Leonard, the two last named being hotel keepers. Of course all of those who have helped, by the example of virtuous lives, to strengthen

the true faith should be named in divinity, but this cannot done in the space allowed me for a mere news paper article.

Let us, therefore, take the family of Mr. Patrick Gallagher as a typical example of what Irish Catholic pluck, energy, thrift and sterling honesty can do in Canada or in any land wherein true merit gets its due. As near as I can get to the facts, Mr. Patrick Gallagher left his native County of Tyrone, Ireland, about the year 1861, when he was a mere boy, and came to try his fortune in Canada. What led to his settling in Warkworth at that period I don't know, but this was the place of his choice, and let us briefly glance at his career. Although not very sure of the details, he must have had years of toilsome struggles and labors in the beginning, and it was then he acquired the self-confidence and firmness of character that have since raised him to a leading position among the merchants and commercial men of this part of the province. He is a store-keeper and general merchant, license inspector, landed proprietor, stock raiser. As I viewed his 200 acre farm, orchards, cattle, hog pens and agricultural arrangements generally, I saw clearly how method, neatness and foresight contribute to prosperity in farming as well as in other occupations.

Then Mr. Gallagher is president of the cheese factory interests, an industry which is large and profitable now with promise of great expansion in the future. Whenever the marketable product has to be sold to best advantage, of course, Mr. Gallagher has to go to the chief commercial centres to negotiate the sale. And in all other matters alluring the good of the locality his opinion and advice are sought for. Thus he has amply justified for a man who succeeds in his own private business is an apt adviser in large public concerns.

It is always a delicate thing to venture remarks about the privacy of the domestic hearth, but in the case of a family so interesting and typical I can hardly refrain. Nevertheless I did not have the hardihood to ask in what year Mr. Gallagher assumed his matrimonial duties, but the issue of the happy marriage is twelve interesting children, five boys and seven girls, the eldest of whom is the devoted wife of Dr. Clemonie, the able practitioner of this locality. The other eleven, the youngest being a little maiden of five or six years, live under the paternal roof, except Charles, who teaches school near Norwood, and Emmet, who is pursuing his studies in the University at Ottawa.

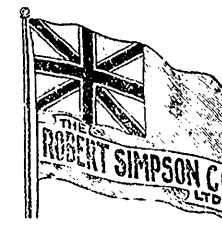
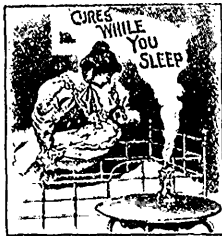
To see the happy parents and their charming offspring assemble in their commodious parlor is a soul-inspiring sight, and the innocent recreations indulged in are both healthful and mirth-provoking, and when sacred song is the theme or Moore's melodies are interpreted through the tones of the Chickering piano, the tones are simply delightful and enough to move the coldest heart to feelings of joy and gladness. Under its soothing influence last evening I forgot whatever aches and wounds the rough outside world may have inflicted upon me in the past. But at the end of the evening's social amusement I witnessed a still more pleasing spectacle in the Christian reunion of the well trained family for religious devotions. From the devoted father and mother down to very youthful members, each one in turn took part in the holy functions, and as I joined my voice in the good work, my mind reverted to the days in Ireland when I also was one of a group joining in such acts; and from the occurrence I drew the conclusion that the faith planted by St. Patrick is also in Canada as long as the true Irish Catholic people inculcate such moral and religious precepts in the bosom of their families.

I am writing under inspiring influence, for I can hear the hilarious voice of innocent children and sweet music down stairs, the coo of the doves and chatter of the parrot, and from the windows of my room upstairs I can see the towering hills about the village and hear the rippling of the brook that flows past on its way to the Trout river below, and upon the walls I see a picture of St. John the Evangelist, with scroll and pen in hand, the dove at his feet, and him self with fixed, earnest gaze, appealing, as it were, to the world to listen to the purport and meaning of the sacred words he was inditing.

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