

The Bishop-elect of the new diocese of Baker City, Oregon, the Right Rev. Charles J. O'Reilly was born in St. John, N.B., and is therefore a Canadian. He studied theology at the Grand Seminary of Montreal and was ordained priest in Portland, Ore., on June 29, 1890. Lately he has been pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Heart, Albina, Ore., and editor of the "Catholic Sentinel" of Portland, in the same State.

Rev. Father Cherrier left last Tuesday for Letellier, where he preached the next day for the grand celebration of St. Jean Baptiste Day.

Rev. John McDonald, S.J., took the Imperial Limited last Wednesday for Montreal, where he is to give the annual retreat to the Christian Brothers of Mount St. Louis. Later on, he will give another retreat to the Sisters of St. Joseph, at Chatham, N.B.

Rev. Fathers Cloutier, Trudel and Blais went to Letellier last Tuesday; the Very Rev. A. Dugas and Rev. H. Hogue, left for the same place on Wednesday.

The Indians of the Industrial School gave a nice entertainment last Tuesday evening, in honor of the patron saint of their kind director, Rev. John Baptist Dorais, O.M.I.

## Persons and Facts

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Piche stopped over here last Sunday on their way to Lethbridge to visit Mr. Piche's family and friends.

A party of some 80 French Canadians under the direction of Rev. Fathers Blais, Vachon and Laganiere, O.M.I., arrived in the city last Saturday by the second section of the express from the east. Father Blais stays here to organize the settlement in Manitoba of about fifty of the party. Father Laganiere went on by the same train with a full car of his colonists to the Edmonton district. Father Vachon remained till the next day and then went to Prince Albert with those who intend settling in that district. Among these are Dr. Labrecque, who contemplates practicing his profession at Prince Albert, and Dr. de Martinquy, who will practise at Battleford.

The Czar, in an autograph letter, dated June 6, authorizes instruction in the Catholic religion to be given in the Polish language in all the middle-class schools of Poland. Hitherto this instruction has been limited to six schools and had to be given in the Russian tongue.

Ninety per cent. of all the building operations in New York City are now in suspension because of labor strikes.

Father M. A. Kelly violated a law one night last week by deliberately entering a quarantined house in Springfield, Mass., in order to baptize a child dying of smallpox. The gentlemen of the A. P. A. can point proudly to the fact that no minister of any other church was ever caught in any such crime as that.—The Pilot.

Rev. Mr. Barr is still at Battleford attending to the settling up of his affairs. As he is at the head of the several syndicates including the store transport and farm it will be some time yet before he has his business straightened up and ready to return. The colony under the supervision of Colonization Agent Speers, is making very good headway towards their reserve. About a hundred families are already settled in the district and the entire body are nearing the finish trip.—Saskatchewan Times, June 15.

The Department of Education has announced that the annual departmental examinations for teachers

will be held at Prince Albert, commencing July 2nd. Candidates who take French, Latin or German will write on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of July. The examinations on other subjects commence on the 6th July.—Saskatchewan Times.

E. F. Hutchings, of Winnipeg, who has been visiting Prince Albert, thinks that town occupies a more favorable geographical position than any other town in the North-West Territories. He says it has one of the best water courses on the continent, and a line of light draft steamers put on the river, at a cost of \$25,000 for building two, could land freight from Winnipeg at half the present rate. The railways would then be tumbling over each other to get into Prince Albert. With the completion of the St. Andrew's locks on the Red river this year steamers will ply from Winnipeg to Grand Rapids on the Saskatchewan without breaking bulk, and there is an excellent uninterrupted watercourse from Grand Rapids to Prince Albert.—Calgary Herald.

General O'Connor, who has been distinguishing himself as a servant of France, is a Parisian born, and is at present about fifty-six years old. He originally belonged to that crack corps of the Second Empire called the "Guides," and fought in the Franco-German war.

The Bishop of Salisbury, says the "Daily Dispatch," has lately descended upon the vicar of a "Low" church at Devizes, in his diocese, with a peremptory demand for the removal of an altar covering, lately presented to the church, on the ground that it is ornamented with a Fleur de Lys and a crown, which the Bishop professes to identify as "the emblem of the Virgin Mary." The aggrieved parson has an effectual revenge ready to his hand, for it is now pointed out that the episcopal seal of the Salisbury diocese, which accompanies the Bishop's signature on all official documents, bears as its device "the crowned figure of the Virgin with her Child on her arm and a sceptre in her left hand."

Mr. Cortelyou, whose name first became public property when he was private secretary to the wounded President McKinley, and who is now a cabinet official, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws on the 10th of this month from Georgetown University. He formerly graduated, after examinations, from the Georgetown University Law School.

King Edward intends visiting the church with the crooked spire at Chesterfield. This spire, 228 feet high, is a curiosity. It was built straight; but, whether through the warping of its wooden framework or through the clinging pressure of the lead, it has got twisted six feet out of the perpendicular and looks like a giant corkscrew.

We beg to tender our sympathy to our friend, Mr. J. W. Heric, in the loss he has just sustained by the burning of his store at Wetaskiwin, Alta., in the early morning of June 23. Seven or eight other buildings were destroyed. Mr. Heric's loss is put at \$34,000, covered by \$14,000 insurance.

### STE. ANNE DES CHENES.

Sunday morning (the feast of Corpus Christi) broke fair and sunny. We were all delighted to think that we should have the privilege of having a procession, and that the Blessed Sacrament would bless us all by His presence in the open. We all hurried to church, Mass began at half past nine. Rev. Father Giroux sang High Mass and he also carried the Blessed Sacrament. The order of the procession was as follows:—First, the nuns and the boarders, followed by the banner of the Children of Mary; then all the ladies of the congregation with the banner of Ste. Anne in their midst. Following the ladies came the Blessed Sacrament, the dais being carried by four of the principal family men of the parish, who were replaced by four others on the return.

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The reposing altar was beautifully decorated; two little girls dressed in white, with veils, knelt at each side and gave just the necessary finishing touches to the tableau, as I only caught a passing glimpse of the altar, I cannot enter into details.

We are sorry to state that the pilgrimage which we announced for the 16th of July will not be held this year, because the railway company profess themselves unable to supply the necessary coaches except on a Sunday, and the ecclesiastical authorities have agreed that it is better not to have a pilgrimage on such a day. However, the feast of Ste. Anne (26th of July) will be celebrated with its customary solemnity in the parish, and any person wishing to be present will be heartily welcome. The novena which always precedes the feast begins on Friday, the 17th of July.

There are fifteen pupils who will write for the non-professional examinations here, which begin on the 30th of June. The convent closes this year on the 26th of June. There will be a grand distribution of prizes on the morning of that day. The examinations, which will take two days, begin on the 24th.

We expect to have our new national flag for the feast of St. John the Baptist, which will be celebrated here to some extent.

On the 28th inst. Rev. Father Dufoy will give a lecture, in the music room of the convent, on his journeyings. The boarders will supply some music. We expect to have a very pleasant and instructive evening.

Rev. Father Cavena, of St. Francois-Xavier, accompanied by his brother, Rev. Father Cavena, of the parish of St. Vincent de Paul (Montreal), paid Father Giroux a visit last week. He was overjoyed to see them. They are old college chums of his.

Father Blais also paid us a flying visit, arriving on Monday morning and leaving on Tuesday. Father Giroux also had, quite lately, a visit from his honor Judge Dubuc. Rev. Father Dufoy is paying a

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visit to all the schools in the parish this week. It is his first visit, and he is a complete stranger to the children.

### STE. ROSE.

The weather was beautiful, and all day Saturday we were busy making the temporary altars and preparing the church for the procession of Corpus Christi on the morrow. I think our church never looked so beautiful, ornamented throughout with fresh green trees, and any amount of wild flowers on Our Lady's altar; a bower of green before each open window, causing a dim religious light to fall on the crowded aisles. There were 12 in the sanctuary, three priests, three brothers of the Cross from the Home Makinak, and six altar boys, in red and white as usual, two of whom made their first communion, there being 28 first communions on that day, at the 7 o'clock Mass, said by the Rev. Father Lecoq. High Mass was sung by the Rev. Father Beau regard, who carried the Sacred Host in the long procession, under a splendid canopy of crimson gold, borne by eight of the principal members of the congregation, the road being lined throughout with green trees. The first benediction was given at the altar, erected in front of the convent, tastefully decorated by the nuns, and then the beautiful banners waved along the village road, the boys of the first communion carrying one, of the Sacred Heart, the Children of Mary, in

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