

## OBITUARY.

## The Late Mr. James O'Hagan, J. P.

One by one the pioneer land marks in the valley of the Ottawa are disappearing. The few that remain are easily counted. Amongst the most highly respected citizens of that portion of Canada was the late Mr. James O'Hagan, of the Gatineau Village, whose death occurred the week before last at Hull. Mr. O'Hagan had long passed the allotted three score and ten; but so well preserved and healthy did he appear that an acquaintance might have given him a goodly number of years more in this world. But it was not to be so. The life of Mr. O'Hagan is the history of the Gatineau Village, of Hull and of the Ottawa. The deceased gentleman leaves a large family, all very well to do, and the members of which will accept the sincere and heartfelt sympathy of the TRUE WITNESS in the hour of their sorrow. Mrs. O'Hagan, the kind and refined lady who has been the faithful companion of her husband's declining years, deserves the condolence of all her vast circle of friends. Dr. O'Hagan of New York is one of the deceased's eldest children, who with three brothers and two sisters remain, to lament a good father. Of Mr. O'Hagan's other relatives there is his sister, the venerable and universally beloved superiors of the Rideau street Convent, Rev. Sister Theresa. A noble type of womanhood is not to be found in all the vast region of the Ottawa than that which the life and deeds of this energetic, devoted and really grand religious present. To her, also, do we offer our humble expression of a sympathy that she knows to be sincere.

Mr. O'Hagan came to Ottawa, or Bytown, in the days of his youth; he was a lawyer by profession, but in the new home where he set up his household goods he ceased to exercise that profession; he entered the great lumbering business, which flourished so vigorously in those days. He beheld the gradual rise of Canada's capital, the changing of Hull from a vast swamp into a city, and the birth and growth of the Gatineau Village, where mostly all his property was situated. His legal lore stood him in good need, and when appointed a Justice of the Peace for that new country, he became the "refuge of sinners," or in other words the counselor of all the country around. Every person that fell into legal difficulties went to Mr. O'Hagan to have the knot untied. He spoke the French and English language equally well, and he acted as a second father to hundreds of families in the surrounding district. He was a man of varied and wide erudition. He read constantly and with the aid of a powerful memory he retained and classified all the knowledge thus acquired; in the cells of his capacious mind his stock of information was assorted and stored away, to be drawn upon for the benefit of all who came his way. He was a man of a kindly heart and a loyal nature. The writer knew him well, and since childhood always felt as if he were one of Mr. O'Hagan's favorites. Even now, as this pen runs along the lines, and vainly strives to indite the feelings that arise when memory recalls his many acts of encouragement and kindness, the hours of pleasant conversation, of literary argument, of historical criticism and of poetic enjoyment spent in his company, come up like visions of the past, and the writer can only express his tribute in the words of the Quaker poet:

"Green be the turf above thee,  
Fieled of my better days;  
No one knew thee, but to love thee,  
None named thee, but to praise."

## Gratifying News.

We learn with great pleasure that Mrs. T. F. Moore, who has been most dangerously ill during the past few weeks, is now improving, and although still in a critical condition, is, however, better than had been anticipated a few days ago. We trust sincerely that Mrs. Moore's severe trial will soon be over and that God's greatness will restore to health and strength the good and devoted lady whose presence—even for a short time—has been so much missed by her host of friends.

## Honors Conferred on Two French-Canadian Botanists.

We learn, with great pleasure, the official announcement that two first-class medals have been nominally awarded by the eminent judges of the Columbian

World's Exposition, in Chicago, to two distinguished Canadian Naturalists—both Religious of the Order of the Holy Cross; one to the Rev. Joseph C. Carrier, C.S.C., the professor of the Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences in the College of St. Laurent; and the other, to the Rev. Sister M. of St. Amelia, the learned teacher of Botany in the academy of the same locality. The medals were awarded for the herbaria or collections of Canadian plants which these professors placed in the Canadian Catholic educational exhibits.

## "THE SUNBEAM."

Owing to the many complications, legal and otherwise, arising out of the recent difficulties of the TRUE WITNESS, we beg to announce that the Sunbeam will not appear again this year. But we can promise the many subscribers that they will get full credit for the numbers that have been unavoidably lost to them during these months of severe trial.—EDITOR TRUE WITNESS.

## C. M. B. A.

## Close of Election of Officers—New Charter for the Quebec Grand Council.

Branch No. 1 of the Quebec Grand Council, at their last regular meeting, on Monday evening, 11th inst., concluded the annual election of officers, as follows:—W. J. Kerr, president; J. Kavanagh, 1st vice-president; W. J. Innes, 2nd vice-president; F. C. Lawlor, recording and corresponding secretary; J. H. P. Saucier, assistant; W. J. Scullion, financial secretary; T. J. White, treasurer; J. Lappin, marshal; R. Lukeman, guard. Trustees: J. Lappin, chairman; H. G. Singleton, J. Tierney, L. Emond, P. F. McCaffrey.

P. Kelly, retiring president, will take the chancellor's chair, on the evening of installation of officers, which will be held on Monday, 8th January, 1894. James Meek, Grand deputy, a charter member of this Branch, was elected as representative to Grand Council Convention which will be held in the city of Quebec, next summer. P. Kelly, present president, was elected as alternate officer to Convention. Chancellor J. P. Nugent, an old member of this Branch, is also first grand vice-president of Quebec Council.

At this meeting 8 new members were initiated, 7 favorably balloted for, and one new application for membership was read. The membership is growing rapidly and now numbers 160.

President McDermott, of St. Ann's Branch No. 2, C.M.B.A., was present, and exhibited the beautiful new charter for the Quebec Grand Council, which was greatly admired.

The Branch is actively engaged in preparing for their ever popular Social and Banquet, to be held in the Queen's Hall, on Tuesday, 9th January, 1894.

## St. Mary's Bazaar.

A bazaar has been opened in St. Mary's hall in aid of the church and the poor of the parish. So far success has attended the efforts of the promoters. The display of goods is a very fine one, and it is of such a nature that it is sure to bring admiration from all those who see them. A feature of the bazaar is The Rainbow, an eight page sheet, published daily, giving the latest local news. Around the various stalls appropriate mottoes are displayed, including one "Welcome to St. Mary's Bazaar." The bazaar will be open till the 25th instant. The ladies in charge of the bazaar are the following:—

Refreshment table—Mrs. J. Street, president of the bazaar; Mrs. P. Ryan, Mrs. M. Laughlin, Miss Kehir, Miss Lane, Mrs. Duran, Miss Riley, Miss Jones, Miss Drumm.

Lottery table—Mrs. Kehir, Mrs. Hoolahan, Mrs. Singleton, Miss Singleton.

Children of Mary table—Miss Street, Miss Heffernan, Miss Donovan, Miss Cassidy.

Fancy goods table—Mrs. Phelan, Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. Logan, Mrs. O'Neil.

Fish pond—Miss Tucker.

Christmas tree—Mrs. Lawlor, Miss Lawlor.

Post office—Miss Altamas, Miss Smith.

Cigar booth and flower pagoda—Mrs. T. O'Connell, Miss L. Jordan, Miss L. McEntee.

The wheel of fortune will be in charge of Messrs. Murray and Smith.

The Rainbow is under the editorship of Miss Sutherland and Miss Harvey. A

series of concerts will be given during the bazaar. St. Cecilia's orchestra and St. Gabriel's band have consented to be present during the week. The first of the series was given Saturday evening and proved to be very entertaining. One of the features was the singing of the "Sentence of Death," by F. Butler.

## An Old Montrealer.

Richard B. Milloy, better known as "Dick," is a prominent member of the Boston Grand Opera House Company who are playing at the Academy this week. There is no actor as prominent in Montreal (Mr. Milloy's home) as he is. Whenever a charitable or dramatic concert was held Mr. Milloy was always in the front rank to render his services, and always sent the audience away pleased with the evening's enjoyment. Mr. Milloy was born in this city on the 23rd of February, 1873. His first professional engagement was with Chas. L. Howard's Apple Orchard Farm Co., where he originated the character of Dennis McNamara. We find him the season after as Bill Crimmims in "That Woman Co.'y" also as Smoke in "Fun on the Bristol." He has also played Dick Tipton in "Little Lord Fauntleroy," Tully Creagan in "Geraldine," Barney O'Flynn in "Hazel Kirke," etc. etc. Mr. Milloy is a member of St. Patrick's Young Men's Society, Branch 26 C. M. B. A., St. Mary's Young Men's Society, and St. Lawrence Court Catholic Order of Foresters. No doubt he is popular, and we wish him all the success he deserves.

SINCE we are touching upon the criminal law and criminals, we will reproduce a few remarks of the Liverpool Catholic Times on the subject of "Punishment of Crime." They are not inapplicable even in Canada:

"Mr. Hopwood, the Recorder of Liverpool, is a humane, well-meaning man, but whilst mercy in a court of law is under certain circumstances a most commendable quality, to display it on unheeding occasions may be seriously prejudicial to the interests of justice. This remark may, we think, be applied with great propriety to the action of Mr. Hopwood in what are known as 'The Great Tobacco Frauds.' Here was a case not of poverty-stricken persons who yielded to temptation under the stress of want, but of a systematic course of wrong-doing on the part of a tobacco merchant named Wishart and his clerk who swindled the North Western Bank out of a sum amounting to close on sixty thousand pounds. Yet Mr. Hopwood, as prosecuting counsel, took upon himself the responsibility of limiting the powers of the judge by accepting the plea of guilty on a single count of the indictment which carries the maximum penalty of two years imprisonment and tendering no evidence on the other counts. We are not surprised that the adoption of such a course should have excited the indignation of Mr. Justice Day and elicited from him a stern judicial censure. If crime is to be repressed, deliberate and hardened criminals must not count on clemency. The policy of the Recorder of Liverpool is condemned by all who have any knowledge either of police courts or the interior of the prison at Walton. If there has been a decrease in the criminal statistics of the city Mr. Hopwood must not lay to his soul the flattering unction that it is due to his light sentences; it is really attributable to the energy of those who are rescuing homeless and destitute children and thus lessening the raw material of crime."

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## The Russo-Turkish Alliance.

THERE is talk of a serious move on the part of Russia to secure a formal expression from Turkey of the alliance now tacitly existing between these two powers. Such would be a great misfortune as far as the Catholic Church goes, especially regarding our missions in the East. The following from the Catholic Times explains the situation very well:

"The day after the Treaty of San Stefano was signed a representative of this journal had an interview with Midhat Pasha, the ex-vizier. Asked what he thought of the new situation created by the surrender of the Porte to the Russian invaders, the Pasha replied in the remarkable words:—'Henceforth we are the allies of Russia, the involuntary allies, it is true, but the allies for all that.' Explaining his idea further the ex-vizier said that Turkey had looked in vain for help or protection from her former allies in the west, and she could not afford to throw herself again across the path of Russia and risk her very existence for the sake of the powers who had abandoned her in her hour of need. Ever since 1878 Turkey has been forced again and again to pay the utmost deference to the exigencies of Russian policy. Half the difficulties of the young Bulgarian State arise from the Sultan's inability to recognize formally the new state of things without the consent of his powerful northern neighbor. And now comes the news that Russia is making a great effort to have the alliance developed from the present tacit agreement into a formal treaty for mutual help. Such a treaty would be disastrous to the Catholic missions in the east, and at the same time would be a heavy blow to England's position in the Mediterranean. With Russian influence supreme in Asia Minor, there would be an end to the progress that is now being made towards the reunion of the Eastern Churches to the Holy See, and the schismatic prelate of Etchmiadzin would see his now weakening grasp on the Armenian communities rapidly strengthened by the aid of the Muscovite 'secular arm.' As for England, once a Russo-French alliance can dictate the policy to be pursued at Constantinople, there will be a very early message from the Sultan asking for the speedy evacuation of his province of Egypt. Such a message would be the herald of war."



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