

In and Around Toronto

MONUMENT TO PATRICK BOYLE.

On Sunday afternoon, June 3rd, the closing scene in a work which had been in contemplation for some time was enacted when a large body of the Hibernians of the York Co. repaired to St. Michael's cemetery for the purpose of unveiling a monument to the memory of the late Mr. Patrick Boyle.

The monument soon to be unveiled rose in the midst of the gathering, enveloped in the silken folds of the Irish flag, and as this was raised and the glint of its green and gold flashed in the summer sunshine, there stood revealed the beautiful monument raised by love and gratitude to one whose time and talents had been ever devoted to Ireland and Ireland's cause.

Mr. Walsh said: We are assembled here this afternoon to honor the memory of Patrick Boyle, Catholic, Irishman, patriot and lover of his fellow-man. His life was linked with ardent devotion to the cause of Irish nationality, and no daughter of Zion wept by the waters of Babylon more longingly for restoration to her beloved land than did the heart of Patrick Boyle beat for the establishment of an Irish nation, which "Should be the glory of her sons throughout the earth and all the nations thereof."

He had been tested in the furnace of persecution and purified by a life of honorable freedom from wealth. Patrick Boyle died as he lived—poor in worldly wealth, but rich in the love and affection of those who knew him best; and those who left behind will possess the priceless consolation of knowing that no grave was ever watered by more genuine tears of love and sorrow than was the turf under which rests all that was mortal of Patrick Boyle.

Born in the County Mayo in the year 1832, he was brought to America when a boy of twelve, his family settled in Toronto, and Mr. Boyle took up the printing trade. He labored for years, first working with the Christian Guardian, then with the Toronto Globe, and later with the Catholic Citizen, which was afterwards changed to the Catholic Freeman.

without many trials and many sacrifices on his part, when at last he was forced to join forces with the Catholic Register.

I could recall many hundreds of incidents which appeared during many of these years in which he showed his unselfish devotion, to the cause that he loved so well, but it is enough to say that never during all these years he had control of his paper did he publish or allow to be published one line or article that he did not believe to be in the best interests of his people. I have been told by some prominent Catholic men, and by Mr. Boyle himself, that he had many offers from one Government and then another, where he might have a position of ease and comfort with a good salary, if he would only give up his paper. However, his whole heart, soul and his strength were bound up in battling for the rights of the Irish people, and for the uplifting of the Irish Catholics in this great Dominion, and so he spurned offers of ease, comfort and emolument rather than cease to be the champion of that which was greater to him than wealth. To those who know something of the difficulties he had to contend with through the publication of his paper, we know that anyone less optimistic than Patrick Boyle would have despaired of success, his genial optimism which threw that of Mark Tapley into the shade, would have availed little without the self-sacrificing efforts of his friends, and were the inner history of the Irish Canadian brought to light it would reveal many acts of friendship and devotion that would redound to the honor of our people.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians have felt that to allow the grave of Patrick Boyle who was truly our brother, friend and advocate, to remain unmarked, would be a standing rebuke to their order, and so the members of this organization have felt it their duty to erect this Celtic Cross in honor of his memory in the hope that the motto inscribed thereon "Ressurgam" would tell us that under this Celtic Cross there is a tongue that is now stilled in death which was to us all that was good, patriotic and true. There was best exemplified in him the three cardinal principles of our grand organization, friendship, unity and true Christian charity. Friendship was oozing from every pore of his heart, and where was there an Irish Catholic in this city who was not a friend of this great man.

I never knew a man so unselfish; he was constantly trying to do others good, in the hope that he might raise his people to the positions of honor and trust which were rightly theirs; he was constantly showing us by his example that in unity there is strength, and he has frequently told us with his voice and his pen that if we ever wish to accomplish anything we must be united. True Christian Charity, was it ever better exemplified than in Patrick Boyle? He was at the sick bed of the Brother, he was at the home of the distressed one, and wherever there was trouble, pain or suffering, Patrick Boyle was always at hand. He readily gave out his small dole to those in distress, and never did he refuse assistance of any kind that was in his power when by it he could uplift his fellow-men. Yes, he was truly the father of our organization, and his loss to us has been keenly felt, and where, oh, where, shall we find such another. We have placed upon this Celtic cross the inscription taken from his paper, the Irish Canadian (which was the boon of his life), the rising sun of Irish Nationality, and the word "Ressurgam," the meaning being that his people would be risen up, and that Ireland which was once the Island of Saints and Scholars, would again be Ireland the home of the happy, prosperous and free.

Mr. Walsh closed his address by reciting the following verses:

From life unto death! O how sudden and brief,
And sad is the awful transition!
Hearts joyous one moment, the next plunged in grief,
Well mirror life's transient position.
Thus, thus passed away like a morning's bright dream,
Our trusted, most dearly lov'd brother,
And sadly we think, as the future we gleam,
Where, O where, shall we find such another?
A Patriot noble, transcendently grand,
While his heart throbb'd with proudest emotion,
For his dear native isle, this, his own chosen land,
Shared fondly that heart's pure devotion.
Here sought he to win for his kindred and race,
With constant and earnest endeavor,
Their rightful position in power and place,
Too grudgingly yielded them, ever.
Here, too, led he oft every project, with real,
Unselfish devotion and pleasure,
That made for Hibernia's welfare and weal,
That land which he loved beyond measure.
Though he left there, a boy, yet the young exile's tears
Damp'd a sod that was never forgotten;
For with tongue and with pen, oft in life's later years,
He denounced her laws, harsh, unbegotten.
Ah! how little we thought as we saw him at eve,
To his home, looking happy, returning.

That the tidings of morn, we were loath to believe,
Would so soon make that home one of mourning.
Bright angels from high as next sun's morning rays
Lit the world with a splendor supernatural.
Wing'd downward their flight, and amid peacans of praise,
Bore his spirit where rest is eternal.

The monument is in the form of the Ancient Celtic Cross, twelve by five feet, on a solid double base, and the whole composed of light grey Troy granite. On the head of the cross is the Boyle coat-of-arms, while on the cross peaces are the harp and round-tower of Ireland. The first string of the harp is broken, signifying that the head of the family is no more. An ornamentation in Celtic scroll beautifies the upper portion of the foot, while at the base is a bronze cast of the motto and heading of the "Irish Canadian" paper of which Mr. Boyle was editor. On the face of the supporting base is the following inscription: Patrick Boyle, born April 5th, 1832; died Aug. 1st, 1901. A native of Newport, County Mayo, Ireland. Erected by the A.O.H. of York County, Toronto, June, 1906. The whole is the work of MacIntosh, Gullett & Co., and is excellent both in design and execution. The committee who had the work of the monument in hand were Michael Lacey, chairman; A. T. Herson, Treas.; Vincent McCarthy, Sec.; Patrick M. Kennedy, Patrick W. Falvey, John Hurst, Geo. J. Owen, Arthur Stuart, J. Walsh and M. J. Ryan.



THE BOYLE MONUMENT

OSTER—LEE.

The most interesting marriage in the history of St. Francis Parish was solemnized on Tuesday morning when Miss Mary Lee, daughter of the late M. Lee, was united to Mr. Andrew Oster, Rev. Father McCann officiating and saying the Nuptial Mass before which the ceremony took place. The interest attached to the event arose from the fact that the bride was late President of the Blessed Virgin's Sodality, and was in addition a member of the choir and one of the most popular young ladies of the parish, while the groom was also a choir-member and shared with his bride the liking and esteem of the people. The hour appointed was 10 a.m., when the church was filled with the friends of the contracting parties, and the altar, prettily decorated with colored lights and flowers, greeted the occasion. The strains of the bridal march heralded the coming of the bride, who was preceded by two dainty little flower maidens, Lucy Lee and Irene Carroll, wearing wreaths of white roses and carrying white blossoms. The bride, who was escorted by her brother, Mr. Patrick Lee, made a graceful picture, in a gown of white chiffon cloth over taffeta, beautifully trimmed with German lace. She wore a hat prettily trimmed with white plumes and carried a shower bouquet of roses. A touching feature of her apparel was the blue ribbon and medal of the Sodality of which she had been so faithful a member. Miss Theresa Lee, a sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. She wore a gown of white silk organdie with pink finishings, and carried roses. The groom was supported by his brother, Mr. Fred Oster, with Mr. Willie Oster as usher. During the Mass several English hymns were sung by the Sodality, the Ave Maria being excellently rendered at the offertory, the whole under the direction of Miss Corbett with Miss Breen at the organ. After the ceremony a breakfast was served at the home of the bride's mother, No. 9, Henderson avenue, after which Mr. and Mrs. Oster, accompanied by the good wishes of many friends, left for a two weeks stay in Muskoka. Among the gifts of the bride were a beautiful statue and picture of the Immaculate Con-

ception from the Sodality. On their return to Toronto Mr. and Mrs. Oster will be at home to their friends at St. Helen's avenue.
CONFIRMATION AT LOURDES.
The children of the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes were confirmed by his Grace the Archbishop on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.
AT ST. FRANCIS.
At the 8.30 Mass on Sunday the children of St. Francis made their First Communion. In the evening the class, numbering about sixty, were invested in the Scapular and renewed their Baptismal Vows. Hymns were prettily sung by the children and a sermon in explanation of the Scapular, preached by the Pastor, Rev. Father McCann.
AT THE CATHEDRAL.
The feast of Pentecost was marked at the Cathedral by solemn Mass and the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation by about fifty of the children of the parish. Rev. Father Rhoderer was celebrant of the Mass with Rev. Fathers Whelan and Ryan as deacon and sub-deacon, and Rev. Father Murray as master of ceremonies. The sanctuary and altar in keeping with the Feast were particularly brilliant and effective. The Archbishop administered the Sacrament and preached on its fruits and significance. He also referred as in other parishes, to the condition of St. Michael's cemetery, and his desire for the parishioners to work un-animously towards a permanent

ed members buried in St. Michael's cemetery were decorated. The afternoon was reserved for the unveiling of the Boyle Memorial.

ORDINATIONS AT ST. BASIL'S.
On Tuesday morning Messrs. Fitzpatrick and Burke received Minor Orders and Rev. J. P. McGrath deaconship. On Friday Mr. Burke will be made sub-deacon and about thirty of the boys of St. Michael's College will be confirmed, while on Saturday the ordinations will be as follows: Mr. Fitzpatrick will be made sub-deacon; Rev. Mr. Burke deacon; Rev. J. F. McGrath, priest. Rev. J. F. McGrath, who will be raised to the rank of the priesthood, has made his entire classical, philosophical and Theological course of eight years at St. Michael's College. He will leave Toronto on Tuesday morning to say his first Mass at Wallingford Conn. on Sunday, June 17th, and will afterwards work in Los Angeles, the diocese of Bishop Conaty.

The ordinations on Saturday will be in St. Basil's church at 8 o'clock, his Grace Archbishop O'Connor officiating.
DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM BLAIR.
Much sympathy is felt with the family and relatives of Mr. William Blair, whose death occurred recently at Port Arthur. Mr. Blair was the son of the late Postmaster of Stratford and was well and widely known. He was married about two years and leaves a widow to mourn his somewhat sudden end. R.I.P.

GENERAL INTENTION OF S. H. LEAGUE.
The General Intention of the Sacred Heart League for the month of June is "Frequent Communion." In the decree lately published with the approval and sanction of the Holy Father, is to quote the Canadian Messenger—a fresh expression of the desire formulated ages ago by the Fathers of the Council of Trent, that "at every Mass the faithful should communicate not only spiritually by way of internal affection, but also sacramentally, by the actual reception of the Blessed Sacrament."

St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton.
At St. Mary's Cathedral, Hamilton, on Sunday, a collection amounting to \$300 was taken up by the Sisters of St. Joseph in aid of St. Joseph's Hospital. This generous amount is in keeping with the well-known generosity of the people of Hamilton.

Re Douglas Hyde Lecture.
The Committee, believing that because of the season of the year and of the fact that neither the Gaelic League Movement nor Dr. Douglas Hyde, were generally known to the people of Toronto, a great many en-

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