

CORPUS CHRISTI.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL.

Someone has said that the interior of St. Michael's Cathedral is "a sacred canticle in exquisitely blended colors." The beautiful Church is seen at its best only when solemn feast service gives sound to the artist's illustrated song—and the Cathedral was seen at its best last Sunday. It was the solemnity of Corpus Christi, and never perhaps before was the beautiful Feast celebrated in St. Michael's with such impressive pomp and splendor. The only thing needed to make the celebration in every way perfect was the presence of his Grace the Archbishop, who was administering Confirmation in a suburban church.

Solemn High Mass was sung by Vicar-General McCann, assisted by Rev. J. J. Carberry as deacon, and Mr. James McGrand as sub-deacon. Immediately after Mass the Blessed Sacrament was borne in solemn procession, and all who witnessed it seemed to agree that St. Michael's had never seen such a procession before. First came the girls of the First Communion and Confirmation classes, bearing pretty banners. Then followed the members of the Young Ladies Sodality, with their beautiful banners. After these came the boys of the first communion and confirmation classes, with their neat decorations and Sacred Heart badges. Then the Altar Boys, with their well-trained choir enlivening the procession with choral hymns. Six little fellows, splendidly attired, and carrying baskets of flowers, walked gracefully backwards, strewing flowers before the Blessed Sacrament, which was borne by Vicar-General McCann, assisted by Deacon and Sub-deacon, under a gorgeous white-plumed canopy carried by four Christian Brothers. Led by the cross-bearer and acolytes the magnificent procession moved slowly through the side and centre aisles of the great Church, the celebrant and his ministers returning to the Altar, where the ceremony ended with Benediction.

The singing of the Mass (Haydn's No. 2) with orchestral accompaniment was exceptionally fine, even for St. Michael's magnificent choir. Father Rohleder, their able and exacting leader, is not easily surpassed; but he certainly had reason to be pleased with the singers on Sunday—and he was. The immense congregation followed the impressive ceremonies with reverent attention and piety. Father Ryan preached at morning and evening service. At Mass he gave a very beautiful little sermon on the celebration; and at evening service he delivered a rather lengthy and eloquent discourse on the Priesthood of the People, as exercised in that grand organization, the Apostleship of Prayer. This was the opening sermon of a little retreat for the Men's League of the Sacred Heart. The exercises continue on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30 and end with a general communion at 7 o'clock Mass on Sunday.

AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

After the eleven o'clock Mass, which was celebrated by Rev. Father Coyle, a procession was organized, consisting of the Sanctuary boys, the children who have recently made their First Holy Communion, the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin and about a score of little girls bearing flowers to scatter before the Blessed Sacrament. The procession, headed by Cross-bearer and acolytes, went out Bathurst Street to the south side of McDonnell Square. In the grounds of the church an altar had been erected, tastefully decorated by the Sisters of St. Joseph. At this altar, on the arrival of the Blessed Sacrament, which was carried by Father Coyle, Benediction was given. Rev. Father Lynch acted as deacon, Father Cruise as sub-deacon. Monsignor Rooney assisted at the Benediction, though not sufficiently recovered to take part in the procession. A vast crowd was present, in which were many Protestants, who did not show the least sign of disrespect. The procession was re-formed, and, passing by the same way, entered the Church, when Benediction was again given.

AT ST. BASIL'S.

This Church always solemnizes the Feast of Corpus Christi with becoming pomp and devotion. Sunday last proved no exception. The altars were fittingly decorated, the Sanctuary was filled with students, who took part in the procession, and the excellent choir, supported by full orchestral accompaniment. Solemn high Mass was sung by the Very Rev. Father Marjion, as celebrant. The Rev. Mr. Maguire acted as deacon, and Mr. N. Roche as sub-deacon. The choir sang Gonoud's "Messe Solennelle," the soloists being Mrs. J. D. Ward and Miss Amy Borthon, sopranos; Messrs. J. F. Kirk and J. D. Wade, tenors; and Messrs. H. T. Kelly and G. Forbes, basses. At the offertory "Lambillotte's" "Lauda Sion" was sung, with Mrs. O'Hara, Miss Todd, Messrs. Ward and Kelly as soloists. After Mass the Blessed Sacrament, which had been exposed upon the high altar from the seven o'clock Mass, was carried in solemn procession around the Church. Nearly one hundred students took part, giving the most solemn effect as they passed slowly through the aisles clad in dalmatic or cope. A large number of school children also joined, and sang an appropriate hymn before and after the procession. The "Pater Noster" was chanted by the clergy, and all credit is due

to Father Dumouchel, who conducted the ceremonies throughout, while the decorum of the young children bespoke the care with which they had been trained by the zealous pastor, Father Bronnan. The musical part of the service was under the direction of Rev. Father Murray as leader, and Mr. P. A. Moore as Organist.

AT ST. PAUL'S.

Corpus Christi was fittingly celebrated in St. Paul's Church on Sunday. A vast congregation attended at the 11 o'clock Mass. At the proper time a procession of the Sanctuary boys, school children, Sodalties and League of the Cross was formed and marched around the aisles of the Church. The Blessed Sacrament was borne by the celebrant, Rev. Father Reddin. The sermon of the Feast was preached by Father Hand. Millard's Mass was rendered in good style by the Choir. Miss McDonald presided at the organ.

Farewell Address to Father McCarthy.

The young men of the St. Alphonsus Catholic Association held a meeting Sunday afternoon, the 28th ult., in their club rooms for the purpose of presenting Father McCarthy, their spiritual adviser and director for the last three years, with a farewell address. The father has by his geniality and the interest he has taken in the welfare of the club won the respect and admiration of all its members, as was evidenced by the presence of nearly all the club at this gathering. Father McCarthy, as a member of the holy order of the Redemptorist Fathers, is subject to changes at any moment. He has been called back to his old station at Quebec, where he was domiciled for 13 years before he came to Toronto. Not to be outdone by the young men in expressing their sincere sorrow at Father McCarthy's departure, the Young Ladies' Catholic Literary Society also presented the departing father with an address, and in addition a box of cigars. It is contrary to the customs of the order to accept a present of any considerable value, which accounts for the somewhat modest but thoughtful donation offered by the ladies.

Father McCarthy left Tuesday, the 30th ult.; being met at the station by a large number of the members, who had assembled to see him off. The Club has lost a good friend whose place it will be hard to fill, and that that is recognized was evident from the many expressions of regret at his departure.

Sunday Baseball.

For the past two Sunday afternoons the divinity students of Trinity College, in the West End, have been playing baseball on the lawn in Queen street, in full view of the residents thereabout and passers-by. They wore blazers, black and red, and knocked the ball vigorously across the field.

The man first to protest was the undertaker at the opposite corner. His feelings were so shocked a week ago that he complained to the police. They promised to watch for the next offense.

The *World* inquired as to why the students played ball on Sunday, and was told that they could do it because they were High Church; that the students of St. Michael's College, which was more highly "high," did the same thing, and that many years ago it was the practice in England for the rector or vicar of the parish to put the local eleven through their facings on Sunday afternoon. It is on record that in England in old days the fox-hunting parson not infrequently said evensong with his hunting dogs beneath his surplice.

The *World* can well understand that the undertaker should be greatly concerned over this impiety. It is his duty to be constant in solemnity, and baseball on Sunday afternoon is not conducive thereto. The Lord Bishop should at once interfere and order the Reverend Provost to put up a "high" board fence about the baseball ground.—*World*.

Condolence.

At the last regular meeting of Division No. 3, Ancient Order of Hibernians, the following resolution of condolence was unanimously adopted:

Whereas it has been the decree of our heavenly Father in his all-wise judgment to call to her reward the beloved daughter of our esteemed Brother, Patrick Clancy, be it therefore

Resolved that the members of Division No. 3, Ancient Order of Hibernians, tender to Brother Clancy, his wife and family, their very sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this hour of their affliction.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Brother Clancy, and copies thereof sent to THE CATHOLIC REGISTER and Catholic Record papers for publication.

Geo. J. OWEN,
Secretary.

"Is this hot enough for you?" is a silly question; but if you meet a man who complains of suffering from the heat, ten to one you will find, on inquiry, that he does not use Ayer's Sarsaparilla to tone up his system and free his blood from irritating humors.

James A. Sadlier.

The following particulars concerning the late Mr. Sadlier are taken from the *American Catholic News*:

Mr. James Sadlier was a nephew of Denis and James Sadlier, who, in 1836, founded the old publishing house of D. & J. Sadlier at 33 Barclay street. He conducted for a number of years, a branch of this house, in Montreal, finally succeeding his uncle James as proprietor of the main house. When his brother, William H. Sadlier, died in managing the concern at 11 Barclay street which is devoted exclusively to the publication of Catholic school books. Mr. Sadlier got his early education at the School of the Christian Brothers in this city, and was graduated later from St. Mary's College, Montreal. He became intimately acquainted with many of the prelates of the Church in the United States and Canada. He was 48 years old and unmarried.

Although he was head of the Montreal firm of Sadlier & Company, he has lived for many years at the Metropole Hotel, Forty-first street and Broadway.

His large fortune will go to his cousins. The funeral was held on Friday, May 20th, from the residence of Patrick Cassidy 1,119 Madison avenue, and thence to the Church of St. Lawrence, where a solemn Mass of requiem for his repose was celebrated by Rev. Pius Massi, assisted by Rev. David B. Walker as deacon, and Rev. Philip Cardelli as sub-deacon.

There were also present in the sanctuary Archbishop Corrigan, Abbot Alexius Edelbroch, O. S. B., Rev. John Edwards, Rev. James H. McGean, Rev. Francis J. McCarthy, Rev. Matthew McDonald and Rev. Patrick Gleason. After the Mass the absolution was given by the Archbishop. The interment was at Calvary Cemetery.

At the meeting of the Catholic publishers held at the office of Benziger Bros., 38 Barclay street, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas by the death of James A. Sadlier, Divine Providence has removed from among us a worthy and respected member of our body; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That we the Catholic publishers of this city, do hereby express our sympathy with the bereaved members of his family, and shall, as a mark of respect to his memory, attend his funeral.

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The following tribute of respect paid Mr. Sadlier by the New York *Catholic Review* is echoed by all the Catholic press of America:

It is difficult to speak with due appreciation of the high qualities of him, who has passed to his eternal reward. Death has unsealed the lips of many in this regard and made known the many beautiful deeds, the more beautiful that they were hidden, which he has carried with him into the after life. Innumerable were the acts of truly noble and always delicate charity, which marked each day of his busy and useful career. Truly his right hand knew not what his left hand did. Nor was he less charitable in word than in deed. Never was he heard to pass an uncharitable judgment on any one. His piety, always unostentatious, was deep, fervent and sincere. He was a daily assistant at Mass and a frequent communicant. It may be said of him:

"His faith was as the tested gold,
His hope assured, not overbold,
His charities past count, untold."

The phrase has been on many lips since death, "he was one of the best men I ever knew." And, if we are to take the criterion of holiness given us by the apostle, to visit those in tribulation and to keep "one's self unspotted from the world," truly was the late Mr. Sadlier a model Christian.

In business circles his name was a synonym for unimpeachable integrity, and the work that he has done for Catholic education by the preparation of Catholic School-books, particularly in the Dominion of Canada, cannot easily be estimated. He devoted his fine business abilities to the highest ends, ever having in view, the good which might be accomplished, and the aids given to the Catholic cause.

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