

THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR ENGLISH-SPEAKING BOYS.

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and by all the lay members of the Council, and it was resolved that for this of Public Instruction would do for this of High School anything that it will be in its power to do in the future, (applause). In this house, this college, be blessed for the glory of God and for the day of the Catholic children of Monongahela. (Loud applause).

His Grace then made a few congratulatory remarks in French, after which, Mr. Doran, who is the architect of St. Joseph's Church, Ottawa, justly considered one of the finest in the capital. This and his success in the renovation of our own St. Patrick's, have established his reputation as an ecclesiastical architect.

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at St. Henry, the West End Abattoir, and the re-construction of that at the East End, just completed on the newest principles.

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generation of English-speaking Catholics, in order to mark their appreciation of "striking" the corner stone after the ceremony, deposited their cheques for a good figure in the collection box. More the pity that others equally able to do so did not follow their example. It is not yet too late.

The pastors of the four English-speaking Catholic parishes were present at the ceremony, he fifth, the able head of St. Anthony's parish, Rev. J. E. Donnelly, being absent from the city.

The fair sex did their share nobly in making the demonstration a memorable one. Despite the inclemency of the weather they turned out in thousands and gave their mile towards the project.

The area of land purchased for the site of the new school is 28,000, and it cost

abrupt, interferences of the brass band, which however had every excuse for its action, as it was heralding the advent of His Grace the Archbishop. Mr. Quinn, nothing daunted, continued, utterly regardless of trombone and big drum, and being a leather-lunged Christian of the Stentorian order, he made himself heard above the sounding brass and tinkling cymbals and the band did not 'play on,' but gave in to the muscular oratory of the member of St. Ann's.

The elements were evidently in full sympathy with the occasion, for though most unruily during the early part of the day and being largely responsible for the thin attendance at church in the morning they held up about noon and were on their best behavior till the ceremony was over and the crowd had dispersed; then feeling themselves at liberty to run riot, they came down with a vengeance and Sunday the 18th September will go on record as not only witnessing the great event of the laying of the corner stone of the Catholic High School but as the stormiest Sunday of 1898.

Hon. Dr. Guerin, the representative of St. Ann's district in the Legislative Assembly, Quebec, and member of the administration, delivered a capital speech. His reference to the great work of the Order of St. Sulpice in the cause of education was as graceful as it was timely.

One enthusiastic spectator of the ceremony unobtrusively contributed \$500 to the fund, to be paid in instalments. At his own request we refrain from publishing his name.

OUR OTTAWA LETTER

OTTAWA, Sept. 21.

Opening of the Central Fair—The Improvements to St. Patrick's Church—The Archbishop Received at the Rideau Street Convent—The General Hospital—Mount St. Anthony's Boarding School—The Ottawa University—The Congregation Convent on Gloucester Street.

The Central Canada Exhibition was opened on Monday, September 19th, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon by His Excellency the Governor General. His Excellency arrived on the 12.45 p.m. C.P.R. express, and was met at the Central Station by the Reception Committee and attended by an escort of the Princess Louise Guards, was driven to the Russell House for luncheon. After the luncheon the toast to the Queen was honored in the usual way, and the health of His Excellency was the only other toast proposed. The distinguished guest replied in felicitous terms. After luncheon His Excellency was escorted to the Exhibition grounds and formally dedicated the new Aberdeen pavilion and declared the exhibition open to the public. The inscription "Aberdeen Pavilion" was stretched across the main entrance, and as His Excellency rose to speak the inscription was disclosed.

Mr. Sheriff Sweetland, in introducing the Governor General, delivered an eloquent address. His Excellency, upon rising, was greeted with enthusiastic applause. He acknowledged the compliment paid him in giving his name to the building, and said: "It is a tribute to the people of this country, that it takes a great deal of care and trouble to make a fair pay even under the most favored conditions." (Applause). Speaking of the improvements of the park and in the city generally, His Excellency said: "It is gratifying to note the progress and care taken to develop the advancement of the city in such a way as to have it an attraction, and to give it a permanent advantage and also adornment. I might allude to the improvements of Rockcliffe Park. I think it is a matter of credit to His Majesty the King and those connected with him in the Council, that they have taken the best methods of fixing up those grounds. I am confident that there might be a magnificent esplanade or drive along the Ottawa parallel to Sussex street. It would be an ornament to the city, something worthy of the Capital of the Dominion. In drawing my remarks to a close let me allude to the strictly agricultural resources of this country. What do we find? A magnificent opening in the British markets for our products. The Minister of Agriculture coming back from England after looking into matters tending towards the development of the agricultural resources of the country. Such an exhibition as this must have an influence in this direction."

Referring to President Hutchison, His Excellency said: "He likes work, and to carry on the affairs of the enterprise, whether anybody knows it or not, and we must give him praise for the success which has attended his untiring efforts in this work." (Applause).

His Excellency was loudly applauded upon resuming his seat. Speeches were also made by Hon. Sydney Fisher and Mayor Bingham. Visitors are here in large numbers. This year's exhibit will be the finest on record.

The improvements on St. Patrick's Church are being vigorously pushed ahead. The following work is being done: Two transepts, 40 x 16 each, and a baptistery and sacristy, 37 x 19 are to be added to the church. The tower is to be completed, a graceful spire surmounted by a cross will rise to a height of 198 feet from the ground. In the interior, the cross beams connecting the pillars are being removed, the ceiling altered and a new series of double windows built in. The pews are being more advantageously re-arranged so as to increase the accommodation. The north transept will be occupied by the Lady chapel and two confessionals; the south transept will contain the chapel of the Sacred Heart and two more confessionals. The plans and specifications for the work have been prepared by Mr. L. Z. Gauthier of Montreal, and the contract for the execution thereof has been entered into with the well known church

builder, Mr. Joseph Bourque, for the sum of \$25,500. When completed the leading Irish Catholic Church of Ottawa will present a very fine appearance, and will be a worthy monument to the great zeal of the worthy pastor, Rev. M. J. Whelan.

His Grace Archbishop Duhamel visited Rideau Street Convent on Monday morning, September 19th, and celebrated the Mass of the Holy Ghost, assisted by Rev. Father Froe. A reception was afterwards held at which 300 pupils were present. An address was read in French by Miss M. L. Page, of Ottawa, and one in English by Miss Ida McMorrow. His Grace replied in suitable terms. During the vacation the building was renovated and electric light put in. The building looks very bright and attractive. This year the number of pupils has considerably increased, and the convent still maintains its high standard, and ranks as one of Canada's leading institutions for young ladies.

The General Hospital situated on Water street, under the charge of the Grey Nuns, is being considerably enlarged by the addition of a new wing. It is nearing completion and will be opened towards the latter part of October. The cost will be about \$35,000. The building is a piece of architectural skill, and ranks with the finest in Canada. A full description of this Healing Probatica will appear in a future issue of the TRUE WITNESS.

A new boarding school for junior boys has been opened at Mount St. Anthony. The building is 200 x 65 feet. One part is to be occupied by orphans and the right wing is set apart for boys under twelve years. This building is a gem, and another monument of Catholicity in the capital. The building is situated on an elevation and a commanding view of the whole country can be had. It is not yet completed. Here the poor orphan children will be tenderly cared for by the good Sisters, the Grey Nuns, and everything in the line of comfort and happiness will be provided. The boarders will be trained for the Ottawa University. Your correspondent visited the class rooms and examined the children in spelling and arithmetic. The answering in these subjects were very good and speaks volumes for the knowledge imparted by the devoted Sisters. Particular mention must be made of the answering of Allan Fleming, a young boy from the States. He is very bright and gives great promise for the future. The building will cost about \$45,000.

The Ottawa University reopened on September 7th. The number of pupils at present is 400. This is the largest number registered for the past eight years. The former Rector, Rev. Father McGuckin, G.M.I., has been changed and his place is filled by Rev. Father Constantine, O.M.I. The building has been considerably repaired during the holidays. The sports at the College are not forgotten. This year they have great hopes of again capturing the Football championship.

The Gloucester street convent, under the charge of the Congregation nuns, has a very large attendance of pupils this term. One hundred boarders, and one hundred and fifty day scholars. Among the pupils are many from the States.

R.J.L.C.

ADVERTISING CANADA.

The G.T.R. Display at St. Louis Exposition.

Mr. H. R. Charlton, advertising agent for the Grand Trunk Railway system, has just returned from St. Louis, Mo., where he has been superintending the display of a collection of photographic views illustrative of the general localities in Northern Ontario, the St. Lawrence River, and points on the eastern division of the system. The views, over fifty in number, which were taken in a special car from Toronto to St. Louis, are displayed in the east gallery of one of the wings of the St. Louis exposition, and are attracting a great deal of attention from the thousands who daily visit the fair. On the opening night 17,000 people passed through the doors, and it is estimated that during the life of the exposition nearly a million of people will have visited the building. The display will thus prove a great advertisement for Canada, and is expected to divert a large portion of the tourist travel to Canadian territory next summer.

The Liquor and Drug Habits.

Father Quinn's Testimony.

The writer of the above has been well known to me for years, and I can fully and conscientiously substantiate all he affirms. His case appeared to be one of the most utterly hopeless. All self-control and self-respect appeared entirely gone. Though an excellent worker when sober, his sole purpose in working appeared to be the earning of what would procure drink. I induced him to take Mr. Dixon's cure, and the results are correctly set forth in his letter. I am therefore anxious, fully believing in what is claimed for it by Mr. Dixon, to see this remedy brought to the notice of victims of the liquor habit, temperance workers and friends of humanity in general, who seek a means of relieving such victims.

The good points of the remedy, in my opinion, are the following:—

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Fourth—Its very moderate cost places it within the reach of everyone. All other liquor cures I have yet heard of are very costly, operate slowly, are doubtful as to effect, and often impair the health and constitution of the patient.

If therefore look upon this remedy as a real boon, recommend it heartily to all concerned, and bespeak for it here in Montreal and elsewhere every success.

J. QUINN, Pastor of St. Patrick's.

The St. Thomas Times, of September 6th, says that on Sunday in the Church of the Holy Angels the Rev. Dr. Flannery had said to his congregation in St. Thomas: The occasion was quite a

memorable one, and the church was crowded to the doors, the audience being composed of Catholics and Protestants alike. After the celebration of High Mass, Dr. Flannery was presented with an address and a purse of \$200.

A despatch from Madrid to the New York Herald, on Monday, says:—Admiral Cervera and a large number of the personnel of his fleet are expected to arrive at Santander in a few days. The Naval Department has organized a great demonstration for his arrival. His first visit will be to the Queen Regent.

Senor Canelejas had a long audience with the Queen Regent today, in the course of which he advocated the advantages of General Polavieja coming into power as soon as the Paris conference is concluded. The Queen Regent, who studies minutely the political chess-board, was very amiable with Senor Canelejas, who left expressing himself as much pleased at the success of the Polavieja party, which is rapidly gaining ground and is a serious thorn in the side of the Silvela.

Senor Salmeron, the philosophical politician of Spain, said in summing up the results of the war:—

"War is science and capital. We had neither one nor the other. That is why we lost."

General Fando has arrived in Spain and is suffering from fever. He is the bearer of a report as to the true state of the army in Cuba.

The Peace Commissioners will leave here the 25th inst.

BARBADOS, B.W.I.—Full reports of the damage wrought by the recent hurricane at Barbados, B.W.I., have been sent to the authorities here. They show that the destruction to property was not over-estimated, though the loss of life was somewhat smaller than was supposed at first.

As it was the reports show one hundred and sixty fatalities. Fifty thousand persons were made homeless by the great storm. The full damage is estimated at more than a million dollars.

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LAYING OF CORNER STONE OF NEW CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL.
REV. P. F. O'DONNELL, Pastor of St. Mary's Church, one of the speakers at the great demonstration.

the contractors, Messrs. Hughes & Brison. The other contracts let are as follows: Brick work, D. J. Riordan; carpenter work, Lambert & Son; roofing, Montreal Roofing Co.; steel beams, F. A. Walberg. The contracts for interior finishing, plumbing and heating not being let as yet.

The plan, however, includes the most improved methods of sanitation and ventilation, every attention having been given to the minutest details regarding the health and comfort of those who will attend the same.

The building will be three stories in pressed brick and terra cotta above the stone basement. All the interior walls will be of brick. The staircases will be of iron and steel and are situated in a fire-proof corner. The toilet rooms will also be entirely separated from the main building. The heating will be by steam or the direct indirect system. By this a constant stream of fresh air will pass through the radiators in each department, and being heated will diffuse through the rooms displacing the vitiated air, which will descend through brick flues to the basement and thence by ducts to the main shaft—the air in which being expanded by the heat from the boiler flue will cause an upward draft. In the summer months, this flue will have a special heater, thus drawing in ten flues in the different rooms, causing a thorough ventilation on the vacuum system, as fresh air will be constantly coming in to supply the place of that drawn away.

There will be twelve class rooms affording accommodation to six hundred pupils. It is the expectation later on to add a large assembly hall on the ground floor at rear, with additional class rooms above—the basement is intended for classes in manual training. In the meantime a portion of it must serve the purpose of an assembly hall.

NOTES.
The silver trowel used by His Grace the Archbishop in laying the stone was the gift of Mr. Bernard Tansey.

His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. Irwin, of Belmont Park, during the progress of the ceremony, where he robed preparatory to delivering his address and performing the ceremony of blessing and

Representatives in Parliament: Sir William Hingston, Hon. James O'Brien, Senators; Hon. James J. Guerin, M.D., member of the Cabinet, Province of Quebec; M. J. F. Quinn, Advocate, member of the House of Commons, Ottawa.

Judges—Hon. Marcus Doherty, retired; Hon. Charles J. Doherty, Superior Court; Hon. John J. Curran, Superior Court; Hon. John D. Purcell, Circuit Court.

The following societies came in solemn procession to the ceremony: St. Patrick's National Society, St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society, Irish Catholic Benefit Society, Young Irishmen's Literary and Benefit Society, St. Ann's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society, St. Ann's Young Men's Society, St. Gabriel's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society, St. Mary's Young Men's Society, St. Anthony's Young Men's Society, Catholic Mutual Benefit Society, Grand Council of Canada; Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, Grand Council of Quebec; Catholic Order of Foresters, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Catholic Benevolent Legion, Knights of the Order of Columbus.

Mr. DORAN, the architect, brings to this part of the work, a long experience, practicing his profession since 1878; he has during that time designed and supervised the construction of many public and private buildings here and elsewhere, and always with marked success. Amongst his works are included the Town Hall and Discontent School

\$1.25 per foot. The size of the lot is 228 feet x 122 feet. Considering its central location it can be safely said the purchase was a good one.

The estimated cost of carrying out the plans already made for the building is \$40,000.

In order to have the school ready for occupation at the beginning of the school year of 1899 it will require not less \$30,000.

The presence of Mayor Prefontaine and other leading French-Canadian citizens was a proof of the hearty sympathy felt



MR. W. E. DORAN—Architect.

in the great undertaking of the nationality they represented.

Hon. Dr. Guerin's hint that the Quebec Government would endorse the project in a substantial manner was enthusiastically received.

One of the striking features of the day's proceedings was the large attendance of parishioners from all the districts of Montreal.

The spirited address of Rev. Father O'Donnell the able and highly esteemed pastor of St. Mary's Church, was the effort of his life, and it was deservedly cheered.

It is the intention of the promoter of the school to have a scroll of honor placed in the principal hall of the establishment upon which will be inscribed the names of the subscribers to the building fund.

Amongst the most interested onlookers at the cornerstone celebration were several Protestant ministers, who, from the balcony of the St. Andrew's Home, had a bird's-eye view of the whole proceedings and were attentive and respectful listeners to the several speeches, following the whole ceremony, and closely noting every circumstance and incident from the opening remarks of His Worship the Mayor to the closing prayer of His Grace the Archbishop.

It is a coincidence that the Catholic High School is sandwiched in between two eminently Protestant institutions—the St. Andrew's Home on the west and the Normal School on the east.

It is to be hoped the future High School will comprise all Belmont Park, already occupied by the handsome dwellings of several leading Catholic families.

Mr. M. J. F. Quinn was heavily handicapped during the latter part of his excellent speech, by the unexpected, if not



The Laying of the Corner Stone of the New Catholic High School.

MR. M. J. F. QUINN, M.P., one of the speakers at the great demonstration

Patrick's; Rev. E. Strubbe, pastor of St. Ann's; Rev. P. F. O'Donnell, pastor of St. Mary's; Rev. William O'Meara, pastor of St. Gabriel's; Rev. J. E. Donnelly, pastor of St. Anthony's; Rev. M. G. Casey, in charge of the English-speaking congregation of St. Jean Baptiste parish.

William E. Doran, architect of the building.

Provisional High School Committee: Patrick McCorry, Frank J. Hart, Felix Casey, John Meagher, John Kiloran, Thomas Heffernan, Patrick O'Brien.

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