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PARISHES OF THE CITY. The Feast of the Circumcision was

attingly celebrated in all the Catholic churches on Sunday. The Veni Greator was sung before High Mass. was for the most part plain chant, and the sermons were on how the New Year should be spent with profit. The usual calls by the oners and others were made at the presbyteries, colleges, nts, etc., for the purpose of wishing the pastors and superiors happy New Year.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH.

Rev. Father Polan officiated at High Mass, and the Rev. Father Martin Callaghan, P.P., preached. He began by saying that many who saw the first day of 1904 did not see the last, that our years are like the vessels that quit the harbor in the fall and return in the spring. He then dwelt upon the transitory character of life with all that may be possessed or enjoyed, upon the unchangeableness of God, the permanency Truth and the imperishableness of the soul. He concluded by wishing all his listeners as well as all those who were connected with them any way a happy New Year through Sacred Heart of Jesus. In the afternoon solemn Vespers

and Benediction were sung. St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and

Benefit Society will hold their regular monthly meeting on Sunday af-

ST. ANN'S PARISH. .

High Mass was sung by Rev. Father Rietvelt, C.SS.R., assisted by Rev. Father McPhail, C.SS.R., on, and Rev. Father Trudel, C. SS.R., as sub-deacon. Rev. Father Flynn, C.SS.R., acting pastor preached the sermon. The music was of the highest order, and the voices of the youthful singers were heard to advantage, showing the careful training of the Christian Brothers and Prof. P. J. Shea.

In the evening solemn Benediction was held.

Next Sunday the choir will render Kalliwoda's Mass.

On Sunday afternoon St. Ann's T. A. & B. Society will meet and nomimate officers for 1905.

+ + + ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH.

High Mass was sung by Rev. Father Fahey. The choir rendered 'Messe Royal," and the pastor, Rev. Father O'Meara, gave a short discourse on the past year and the work for the new one. He said: "It is customary to wish one another on this day a happy New Year. I wish He you a thrice happy Yew Year." feelingly alluded to the many who were in the congregation last year, but who now are numbered with the mighty dead, and hoped that they were to-day enjoying eternal rest. He told the congregation that this day should be a day of thanksgiving to God for the many favors bestow ed on them during 1904. "God allows us," said the preacher, "to have trials and difficulties here on earth, so that our hearts would not become too much attached to this world, since it is not our true In reference to 1905, trusted that all would spend it with profit and enjoy temporal and spiritual blessings. In conclusion, he wished them the joys of a devoted people, and prayed God specially to

In the evening solemn Benediction was imparted.

> + + + ST ANTHONY'S PARISH.

High Mass was sung by the pastor, Rev., J. E. Donnelly, who also preached on the duties of the parishioners during 1905. In the evening Vespers and Bene diction were held.

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ST. MARY'S PARISH. Rev. Father McDonald sang High Mass and Rev. Father Cullinan preached. The musical portion of the service was ably rendered under the direction of Prof. James Wilson, organist, and Mr. T. C. Emblem,

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

Rev. Father Robert E. Callahan omciated at High Mass, and Rev. Father Kiernan, P.P., preached. The choir rendered a plain chant Mass under the direction of Prof. Daoust, the organist. In the evening Very and Benediction took place.

ST. AGNES PARISH.

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NOTES FROM THE CATHOLIC at High Mass on Sunday. Rev. Fa- St. Lambert's Branch C.M B A. not its weekly organ, and some of ther Casey, P.P., preached.

On next Sunday evening a special rvice will be held in honor of the sacred Heart. The sermon will be The young ladies' choir recently re-organized will have charge of the

Great preparations are being made for the feast of the parish, which will be celebrated on the 22nd instant. The choir, under the direction of Prof. J. McCaffrey, is preparing a musical Mass

Rev. F. Singleton is organizing a grand euchre party to be held on the 24th inst., in St. John Baptist Hall, corner Sanguinet and Mary Ann streets.

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL.

Right Rev. Mgr. Rasicot officiated at solemn High Mass, assisted by the canons of the Cathedral and John McBride, E. A. Bernard. two Seminarians. Rev. Canon Gauthier preached.

NOTRE DAME CHURCH

The old historic church enjoyed Mass. This privilege was granted to the members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society by His Holiness Pope Pius X., at a request presented by His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi. From eleven to twelve the members of the above society made an hour's adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. At the close of Benediction the pastor, Rev. Abbe Troie, P.S.S., mounted the pulpit and wished that God's name might be blessed, that His kingdom reign in all hearts and that His will be done on earth as the angels do it in Heaven by all during thes coming year. He wished peace and prosperity to Canada, and each family God's choicest blessings. Then the aged pastor, white and venerable, lifted his hands to bless his people, while the congregation fell to their

The pastor then returned to altar and began low Mass while the simple and sweet strains of "Angels Rev. Father Wulstan, O.F.M., We Have Heard on High" and "Ve-

Notre Dame is the only church in the city, if not in America, enjoying a special favor. This privilege was only recently obtained from Pope Pius X. by His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi. His Grace presented to the Holy Father a petition from the members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society setting forth that the mem bers of said society, numbering over five hundred, spent in their turn the night in adoration before the Bless ed Sacrament at Notre Dame Church. They prayed that the Holy Father. its appropriateness considering would grant them the blessing of as sisting at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the first hour of the New Year and partake of Holy Communion His Holiness signed the document:-

"Granted according to petition." "Given at the Palace of the Vatican, this seventh day of December,

"PIUS X." The document is kept at the Archbishop's Palace, prized for the autograph and the great favor.

In past years Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given Notre Dame Church at the dawn of

LOYOLA COLLEGE.

A remarkable philosophical disputation took place on Tuesday week in the large study hall of Loyola church warden for St. Anthony's College. The participants were all Church for 1905 on New Year's day. students of the class of philosophy and their work showed a carefu training in scientific debate. Gerald Murray, speaking in fluent Latin, successfully defended eleven theses in Ethics and natural theology. The chief objectors were J. Descarries and E. Emery. Several of the Jesuit Fathers took part in the syllogistic encounter. Besides the disputation, essays on Duelling, Leo XIII. on the "Condition of Labor," and the Argument from Design were read by G. Murray, E. Emery Ch. Regan. The Rector, Father Tur-geon, warmly congratulated the stu-dents on the brilliancy of their dis-

St. Gabriel's Temperance Societies. St. Gabriel's Temperance Societies.

St. Gabriel's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society will hold its annual religious celebration at St. Gabriel's Church on the Feast of the Epiphany, Jan. 6th, at 7.80 in the evening. The junior society will hold a special meeting at 2 o'clock, and will again meet at 6.80 in the hall in the basement of the church. The young members will receive their piedges in the church. Rev. Father Gregory O'Bryan, S.J., of Loyola. College, will preach a the occasion.

The annual meeting of the Lambert's Branch of the C.M.B.A. of America was held in St. Lambert ched by Rev. F. Connolly, S.J. last week, when every member was present with the exception of The annual reports were submitted and approved of, after which the election of officers took place with the following result:

Spiritual Adviser-Rev. Father Ra-

beau, P.P. Chancellor-W. A. Archambault. President-E. L. Patenaude, B.C.L. 1st Vice-President-R. C. Barnes. 2nd Vice-President-O. A. Potvin. Rec.-Secretary-M. Bermingham. Fin. Secretary-M. M. Condon. Treasurer-E. C. Bender. Marshal-Joseph Brosseau.

Guard-Edmond Lallemand. Trustees-Thomas Donohue, A. M Archambault, J. H. Archambault, Medical Examiner-Dr. E. M. Des

aulniers.

The newly elected officers will installed at the first meeting of the new year, when Supreme Deputy Archambault, Supreme Marshal Nehin. privilege, that of having midnight Supreme Guard Flannery and a large delegation from the Grand Council and Branch officers of the Montreal Branches will pay the St. Lambert brethren a fraternal visit. The Branch decided by a unanimous vote to receive Holy Communion in body at midnight Mass on Christmas. After the meeting the members were entertained by Councillor W. Archambault at his residence Lorne Avenue.

Mon h's Mind at the Franciscau Church.

On Monday morning at 8 o'clock a solemn Requiem Month's Mind Mass was celebrated at the Franciscan Church for the late Mrs. Fitzmaurice mother of Rev. Father Christopher, The altars and sanctuary. were heavily draped. Rev. Father Christopher officiated, assisted by deacon, and Rev. Father Ethelbert, nite Adoremus" resounded from the O.F.M., as sub-deacon. The choir, organ loft. Belmont boys, rendered the service feelingly. At the Offertory "0 Christe Salvator Mundi.' was sung in unison, while Mr. Cuddihy sang as a solo the De Profundis. At the Communion Mr. Page rendered "Miserere Mei." At the conclusion of the Mass the Libera was sweetly sung by St. Ann's choir, and at the end "Nearer, My God, to Thee," Impressively, the full choir singing the chorus. Prof. J. A. Archambault presided at the organ. A large congregation assisted at the ser-

The Catholic Emigration Association.

The annual re-union and Christmas party will be held at St. Vincent's Home, 386 St. Antoine street, on Friday, January 6th, 1905, from 3

Speeches will be made in the evening. Those having young children in attendance, will call for them between the hours of 7 and 8 p.m. Mr. Cecil Arden will preside at the re-union, assisted by several friends of the institution.

NEW CHURCH WARDENS.

Mr. Jas. McCarthy has been elected church warden for St. Gabriel's Church.

Mr. T. J. O'Neil was elected acting

THE CATHOLIC PRESS.

The following we have taken from the January number of the Canadian essenger. The special intention for as we could not reproduce the entir article, which is both wise and timely, we take a small extract:

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY.

If we cannot escape altogether the poison of secularism, there remains but to take an antidote, and this we cossess chiefly in the Catholic week ly. If we cannot cover so extensive a ground or exert such power as the a ground or exert such power as the daily journal, it is at least a pro-tection "for the household of the faith." It will assert the teachings of faith as occasion requires, refute proot prejudice and state in their rue light facts that have been dis true light facts that have been dis-torted against truth and religion. It is thus the great preservative of the Catholic family, and by the feeling of fellowship which it fosters, it dis-poses and prepares the way for Ca-tholic union. We are blessed with excellent Catholic weeklies. There

that they support and encourage Lordship; I am a knight by mistake their weekly. The head of a family of the Emperor's, and-not so very who can afford it, or who takes his long ago I was herdsman of three secular daily, and neglects to subscribe to a Catholic weekly, fails in my father." a solemn duty towards his family. He fails to provide an antidote against the many errors with which the sir is rife, and against the contagion of secularism which he introduces into his home. It would amount almost to a miracle, if his children grew not up worldly and secular and should not be addicted to those vices which generally follow in the wake of a decline of faith, if not the total rejection of it.

THE DAY AFTER XMAS.

Oh, the paint is on the baby, And the baby's on the floor ! Oh, he's wriggling hard, and maybe He's not setting up a roar !

All the paint is off the camel And the yak and kangaroo, And the wombat's gay enamel Lines the youngster through and through.

He has chewed the sheep and shep herd.

And he's munched the Hottentots, And he's dined upon the leopard 'Till his stomach's full of spots.

Oh, he whirls in fiendish frolic 'Till he like a pinwheel flies. In a knot of painter's colic That no peppermint unties.

And from Frisco to Atlantic You can hear him through the night Yelling things about old Santa That are rude and impolite.

Wishing he'll ne'er turn a calm leaf In his book of life below, Where a premium's on the palm leaf And there isn't any snow

-Philadelphia Press.

THE CURE D'ARS. ment that the beatification of the Venerab e John Baptist Vianney, better known as the Cure of Ars, is fixed for Sunday, January 8, 1905, one is reminded. says the Ave Maria, of the spirit in which the saintly cure accepted earthly distinctions. In 1855 Father Vianney was named by Napoleon III. Knight of the Legion of Honor. Of insignia proper to the rank, the cure sold the mantle in order to assist the poor, and begged M. Toccannier, who was commissioned to invest him with the cross, to accept that bauble himself. The Bishop of Belley

upon such honors one day at a meetthem are edited with an ability are cleverness that are a credit to jour-cleverness that are a credit to jouralism.

What is required of Catholics is canon by the inordinate grace of His sheep and a donkey by the will of

ACTRESS BUYS FURS.

Yesterday a well-known actress paid a visit to some of the large stores of our city and admired especially the furs, the value of which she possesses a practical knowledge. At the house of Messrs. C. Desjardins & Co., she purchased a handsome hos of Silver Fox This hos was made of two separate skins united by a clasp. Each of these skins was valued at \$500-the great actress paid \$1000 for her boa.

She also bought a cloak of Canadian Seal for her daughter, trimmed with Golden Martin, for which she paid \$200

Such sales as the above mentioned reflect great credit upon the house capable of commanding their patronage, and we cannot speak too encouragingly of their efforts.

FOR THAT TIRED FEELING.

"So they are out in California

"Yes, and they write that it's great place. It's spring there all the ear round."

"Well, well! that must be a great territory for the sale of sarsaparilla.'

ENGRAVING ON DIAMONDS.

Diamonds can be engraved in a very artistic manner. This development of the diamond cutting art brings into existence a new class of jewellery, for which a considerable lieved that the diamond could not be engraved with safe or satisfactory results. A few stones roughly engraved were found in India, and a diamond was exhibited at the Paris Exposition in 1878 on which the portrait of the King of Holland was scratched. But the work was imperfect, and the stones were rather depolished than engraved. Some of the finest specimens of engraving on diamonds are the work of Bordinet, a Paris jeweller. One is a scarfpin representing a yataghan, which the blade is a slender diamond and the handle a ruby. Another is a large circular stone on which a pansy with its foliage is engraved. In another case the design is a knife made with two diamonds. An elaborate piece of work is a bicycle, of which the wheels are two circular diamonds. The spokes are represented by lines engraued on the 'diahad also appointed M. Vianney one the axle. Another diamond is carv- Government, and the methods of his canons. Conversation turning ed like a fish. A handsome brooch ployed in apportioning them.

is a scarabeus, surrounded by sape phires and brilliants. The most remarkable is a ring made of one diamond, the interior

surface being polished and the exterior elaborately engraved. Other examples are brooches, representing flies, of which the wings are thin engraved diamonds, and two diamonds engraved with armorial bearings, the imperial arms of Russia being used in one instance on shirt and cuff buttons. Formerly it was only possible to produce the polish on flat surfaces, but Bordinet has been able to do this on concave portions, as on the body and tail of a fish and the interior of the ring. His tools produce not only straight lines, as in the wheel, the racquet and the flies' wings, but a free modelling, as in the pansy, the Russian arms and the scarabeus. He has invented these tools himself, and intends that his son alone shall have the use of them. They are exceedingly delicate and He has spent difficult to handle. thirty-five years bringing them perfection. It is comparatively but a few years since it was possible to pierce holes in diamonds. This feat made possible the placing of diamonds on a string, alternating with pearls. This work is now done generally in diamond cutting establishments.

DONAHOE'S MAGAZINE FOR JANUARY.

The January number of Donahoe's Magazine opens with "A Song Cheer," by Amadeus. This feature is followed by a paper on Frances Wynne-a delightful description by the Rev. Matthew Russell of the poet. her home, and work-one of the most charming of his series "Poets I Have Known."

Katherine Tynan contributes story, "Desiree's Friend," and Ella. demand is expected. It was long be- McMahon has a study of "The Duchess de Gontaut."

"Midwinter Fishing on a Summer. Sea," by James Connolly, gives a bright account of a holiday outing in midwinter. cusses "Parsifal in English"; and

the Rev. J. N. Rosa has an interesting article on "Pico, the Barome ter of the Azores." "The Mission of the Social Secretary," by Virginia Tatnall Peacock,

The Rev. John Talbot Smith dis-

tells of life in Washington and the women whose services are indispensable in directing social functions. The copper war and the men engaged in it form the theme of an article by Christopher P. Connolly, of Butte, Montana, who discloses some

Frank H. Sweet, in "The World's Greatest Real Estate Company," tells monds. A small hole is pierced at of the lands in the possession of the

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