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Holds a Unique and Most Successful Entertainment in Honor of Their Excellencies the Governor General and Lady Aberdeen - The Commencement Exercises Fixed For the 21st Inst - Her Excellency to Deliver an Address on the Occasion.

OTTAWA, June 11, 1898.

The flag floating from the flagstaff of the Convent of the Congregation de Notre Dame, Gloucester street, on the evening of Monday, 8th inst, suggested to the representative of the TRUE WITNESS that something out of the ordinary was about to occur. At the Convent he was informed that their Excellencies the Governor General and Lady Aberdeen having been regrettably unable, owing to a previous engagement to accept the Rev. Sisters' invitation to the entertainment on Monday evening of last week, had expressed a desire to spend an evening with them and their interesting charges, and named the evening above mentioned for that purpose.

Accordingly, at 8:30 o'clock Their Excellencies, accompanied by a large party from Government House, including Lady Thompson and her two daughters, entered Distribution Hall and were received with a grand march played on pianos, harps and violins. The Cantata 'Jubilantes' was then sung in a remarkably excellent manner, excellent even for the pupils of the Congregation, after which an address to Their Excellencies, in English, was pronounced by one of the young ladies. This was followed by the presentation of the pretty and pathetic operetta, 'The Rose of the Algonquins'. The scene is laid in the days of the venerable Mother Bourgeois, the foundress of the Congregation. Amongst the children then under the venerable mother's care were several of the 'children of the forest' Coquina, an Algonquin, is a young Christian, and a general favorite with the Sisters as well as with her pale faced companions. Winonah, an Iroquois, is still pagan, and is jealous of the affection felt towards Coquina by the Sisters and pupils.

A dialogue takes place between Winonah and a number of her 'pale face' companions, in which the latter endeavor to dissuade the Indian girl of such an idea, and to some extent succeed. Having presented her with a bunch of white roses Winonah bursts forth in song expressive of her delight. Later, however, her feelings are changed by her Iroquois aunt, Altonina, who upbraids her with her association with the 'pale faces', setting forth in powerful, prophetic language how the 'white man' was destined to overcome and destroy their tribes; how their 'warriors' would lose their strength, and how where formerly their wigwams existed and their council fires blazed, the houses of the white men were being erected. Then, working on the already prejudiced mind of her niece, she pointed out how the 'white mothers' were cajoling her, and that she would eventually become their slave, as the Algonquin Coquina had already become. Thus insidiously stirred up, all her former feelings of envy and hatred became again aroused, and Winonah declared eternal enmity towards Coquina and towards the whites. The ruin of Coquina was then determined upon, and in order to effect it, the plot was formed that, previous to going to the chapel for her usual evening devotions, and where she was in the habit of remaining alone after the others had retired, a drug should be administered to Coquina which would throw her into a deep slumber, and Winonah was at the same time to sneak into the chapel and remove a certain jewel from the crown placed on the statue of the Blessed Virgin, and place it in the apartment occupied by Coquina, thus pointing out the latter as the thief. On the discovery of the supposed thief, Winonah triumphantly reproaches the white maidens with Coquina's ardent hypocrisy and ingratitude, who maintain her innocence, when Venerable Mother Bourgeois herself enters. She is in the act of reproaching the unfortunate Coquina, while Winonah declares that no punishment could be too great for the culprit when appears 'The Recluse,' who, unknown to Winonah, was also in the chapel at the time of the theft. After listening to Winonah's denunciations, she tells her she had witnessed the occurrence, and thereupon Winonah falls on her knees, confesses all and implores mercy. Finally the award of her punishment is left to the innocent Coquina, and she, approaching Winonah, embraces her, pleads for her pardon, and tells her that, much as she had always loved her, she loves her now more than ever. Struck with this heroic action of the Christian Indian maiden, Winonah declares that the religion which prompted such must be the true one, and she instantly demands to be baptized into the faith of 'the White Christ.' The interest in the piece was well sustained throughout, and the singing of the respective young ladies was simply perfection. But it is 'against

the rule" to particularize or to give names of performers. Between the acts was diversified with select instrumental music.

An address in French was then offered to Their Excellencies by a young lady, and was followed by a parting solo and chorus, the words of which were composed for the occasion and in which wishes for the welfare of their distinguished guests, and the hope of again seeing them in the future, were expressed in touching words and to a very pleasing air. His Excellency, in a few happy words, expressed the sincere thanks of himself and Lady Aberdeen for all their kindness on this as well as on former occasions. He made special reference to the beautiful operetta, in which all performed their parts perfectly. He added he would like to address them at length, but at that advanced hour he thought it would be detaining them unnecessarily. "God Save the Queen," sung by all present, brought a delightful entertainment to a close. Several bouquets, including one specially destined for Lady Marjorie, who was unavoidably absent, but which the little "tot" who presented it asked Her Excellency in her own childish way to give her in their names.

At the conclusion Her Excellency expressed her intention, with rev. mother's permission, to be present at the distribution of prizes, which will take place on the 21st inst., when she will address the pupils. The hall was decorated with great taste, while the pupils, who sat in rows and were dressed in simple white, presented a most pleasing appearance.

Before leaving the hall a magnificent bouquet was presented to Her Excellency by Miss Margaret Foran, daughter of Mr. T. P. Foran, Q.C., of Aylmer, Que.

On Thursday the boarder pupils to the number of about a hundred enjoyed a treat in the way of a trip to Victoria Park on the Ottawa, at Aylmer. Accompanied by their teachers, and provided with well filled luncheon-baskets, they proceeded on private cars of the Ottawa and the Hull Electric companies to the beautiful resort. After a day full of enjoyment they returned to their convent home at about seven o'clock. Immediately thereafter the day—Corpus Christi was fittingly closed with the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Rev. Fr. Antoine, O.M.I., officiating.

DOINGS IN ATHLETIC CIRCLES.

"The spirit of a nation never dieth." Neither does the interest which the people of a country take in their national game. Lacrosse is the game par excellence amongst Canadians, and no other line of sport can ever supplant it in the affections of our people.

Great efforts are being made this season to boom baseball, the favorite pastime of our neighbors to the south, in Montreal, and the professional games which are being played here draw fairly good audiences, thanks to wide and judicious advertising. The introduction of the game into Canada in its professional aspect is, of course, purely a business transaction, and one which may not prove successful, financially or otherwise, in the long run. It will, doubtless, have a short innings of prosperity.

The people of Montreal are bred to something more exciting and manly in the way of athletic sports. Baseball will come and go, but our national game will stay with us.

We have heard the ubiquitous croaker say that "lacrosse is dead." Well, perhaps it is, but it is a pretty lively corpse, with prospects of an excellent season in 1898. A portion of the populace, whose interest in the game is confined to and limited by their sympathies with the M.A.A., think because their pet star in the lacrosse firmament has been eclipsed, that the other stellar lights might as well go out of business. Everybody however, does not view the prospects under the disheartening influence of a shadow.

The fact of the Montreal Lacrosse Club not being a competitor in the senior championship ranks detracts much from the interest which a number of people take in the championship matches; but, while the absence of the old club is to be generally regretted, it does not follow that the game is irretrievably lost on account thereof. In the words of an illustrious gentleman, whose name slips our memory, "there are others."

The admission of the National Club into the senior ranks, followed by their brilliant victory in their inceptive match at Cornwall, has aroused the enthusiasm of the French-speaking section of the community, and, should they continue in their good showing, it is not beyond the bounds of probability that this season may see the largest crowd ever gathered to witness a lacrosse match or any other sporting event in Canada when these plucky, aspiring representatives of the French nationality cross sticks with the Shamrock players.

Come weal, come weal, lacrosse is too deeply and surely inoculated into our systems to be easily exorcised by a baseball evangelist or a reformer in any other guise.

The first championship match between the Shamrocks and Capitals was played on Saturday last in Ottawa. Many of the enthusiastic and inexperienced supporters of the boys in green were very confident that their favorites would win, but the more calm and equally as enthusiastic followers of the Shamrocks, who had at intervals witnessed the difficulties with which a visiting team has always to cope in the Sawdust City, realized that the Shamrocks had an uphill fight. The match was one of those of which it is a delight and pleasure to look at. The men knew the game thoroughly,

were beautiful stick handlers, and played with their whole heart in the contest. There was a vim and a dash about the struggle that would move a stoic to enthusiasm. It has been reiterated and asserted that the national game is dying, but it is hard to see how this conclusion is arrived at. Contests like that of last Saturday would ensure life to any game, and particularly such a manly and grand game as lacrosse.

The score of 5 to 4 in favor of the Capitals is the best evidence that the match, from start to finish, was a fast one. The superior condition of the home team in the final game secured to them the victory.

The most aggressive young gentleman in the way of demanding "his rights," whatever they may be, is the mushroom borrower of a wheel. He pays a more or less sum to a bicycle livery for the ostensible purpose of using a bicycle a given number of hours; and then he goes out with all the importance of a lamburine to mow down ruthlessly unsuspecting citizens, children too young to vote, and old ladies who do not exercise the franchise. Then he holds up his hands and says unto the assembled municipal wisdom, "What do I pay a dollar for? Does it not allow me to do homicide? Has anybody got a right to cross my path? How dare they think of such a thing? Was that deaf old lady hurt? I can't help that; didn't I ring my bell; must have done it; always do; anyhow, deaf old ladies have no business on the street; they don't pay a dollar as I do. Tell all deaf old ladies and children and staid business men never to live on a street where they have to cross it, and then we will consider them safe, unless the streets are too bad, and then we might have to ride on the sidewalks. In such an emergency as that it would be advisable for this class of people to stay in doors altogether, for the voice of the scourer is loud in the land, and he knows his rights and nobody else's, and there now! Whoop! And if that same scourer does not take care there will be something happen himself and his ilk, and when it comes it will come suddenly.

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MONTREAL City and District Savings Bank.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of Eight Dollars per share on the Capital Stock of this institution has been declared, and the same will be payable at the Banking House, in this city, on and after Saturday, the 2nd day of July next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 31st June next, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board, H. V. BARBEAU, Manager. Montreal, May 28th, 1898. 46-5

LA BANQUE VILLE MARIE.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of three per cent, for the current half-year (making a total for the year of six per cent) upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this institution has been declared, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House in this city, and at its Branches, on and after Wednesday, the 1st Day of June next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 31st of May next, both days inclusive. The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at its Head Office on Tuesday, the 21st day of June next, at noon. By order of the Board, W. WEIR, President.

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