

only says you are a demon of avarice." Whereat they both laughed and the pair departed without the pair of shoes.

I was sorry to miss seeing a message, that, I hear, the Regina correspondent sent to me, coming from her I am sure it was a kind one. I am doubly sorry not to have answered it, as I hear with grief she has lost a dear little child, I sympathize with her with all my heart.

Home Column.

THE INFANT KING.

They leave the land of gems and gold,
The shining portals of the east,
For Him, the woman's seed, foretold,
They leave the revel and the feast.

To earth their sceptres they have cast,
And crown by kings ancestral worn;
They track the lonely Syrian waste;
They kneel before the babe new-born.

O happy eyes that saw Him first,
O happy lips that kissed His feet;
Earth slakes at last her ancient thirst
With Eden's joy her pulses beat.

True kings are those who thus for-sake,
Their kingdoms for the eternal King,
Serpent, her foot is on thy neck,
Herod, thou writh'st, but canst not sting.

He! He is king, and He alone!
Who lifts that infant hand to bless,
Who makes his mother's knee his throne,
Yet rules the starry wilderness!

—Aubrey de Vere.

CHRISTMAS.

Love came down at Christmas
Love all lovely; love divine,
Love was born at Christmas
Star and angels give the sign.
Christmas is coming. Such is the thought in every mind, the word on every tongue. The glorious season of peace and good-will is almost here, and no true heart can be so self-absorbed as not to open its door to the Christ child, and bid Him welcome. Christmas should be for one and all, but especially for the children, a day of gladness. We should all be guided on that day, as were the "Wise Men" of old, by the star which shines forever over Bethlehem and be glad; this star will bring us to the Child and his Mother where we can lay our offerings of gold and frankincense, aye, even the purifying bitter myrrh of our very grief at His feet. Not one selfish notion or act should mar the beauty of the great day, it should be truly the festival of earth, in harmony with heaven. We should endeavor to make all around us happy, then, and then only, can we be truly happy ourselves. "Love came down at Christmas,"—into every home then, into the very darkest household, should the tender light of its glory and beauty penetrate. It is easy indeed, to keep Christmas, to be joyous and happy when surrounded by all our loved ones and when brightness reigns on all sides, but the manner we keep Christmas in our hour of trouble in the "days of our visitation" is not only a test of our love for Christ and our fellowmen, but also of our unselfishness and our true love for those who can no longer keep the feast with us as of old. It was my singular good fortune once to meet one who was the very truest exponent of what Christmas should be in the homes and hearts of the sorrowing. One by one she had laid to rest her dear ones till Christmas found her with not one of her own blood to sit at her Christmas board, but it was far from empty. This truly noble woman had found a way to Christmas brightness that nothing could quench. All the dear friends who would have been there had her dear ones been with her, were present, and she dispensed Christmas

cheer on every hand, seized the opportunity that Christmas affords of gladdening other lives, by the union of adoration for the new born Saviour, with the memory of her dear dead. And are not such sentiments and actions the ones we learn at the crib? The ones taught us by that model mother who leaves her home and goes to Bethlehem there to give us a Redeemer. It is selfishness on our part to indulge in our grief, here is where inherent nobility of character asserts itself. "The purest ore is produced from the hottest furnace," and they who can forget self, forget their own grief in their attempt to make others happy, to share the joys of those with whom they come in contact, are indeed living profitably and following in the steps of the great Mother who celebrated the first Christmas day. Let Christmas day then be to the sorrowful as well as to the glad the one day of all the year, let us be glad to link our dear dead with the dear living and to reengrave their names on thankful hearts, and the queen of Heaven will look down with love and pleasure and help us to be truly glad and joyful on that day—the birthday of her Son,—Our Lord.

THEATRICALS AT ST. BONIFACE COLLEGE.

Tragedy and Comedy Will be Presented Before the Christmas Holidays.

Two theatrical entertainments, in English and in French, respectively, will be given at St. Boniface College within the week preceding Christmas. "The Expiation," a French drama, translated and adapted for the occasion will be presented in English on December 22; and will be followed on December 23, by the "Malade Imaginaire" of Moliere. These entertainments are properly college exercises, and, as such, have doubtless a definite educational value of their own. It is hoped, however, that as in the past, they will offer a special attraction for all, in any way connected with or interested in the college. The casts are made up wholly of students in actual attendance; and the various roles have been so distributed as fairly to represent the whole body of the students. The scenery and costumes are in great part new and original, and nothing has been omitted that might prove of assistance to the students, in that most complicated exercise of their faculties, which is called for upon the stage. Suitable selections of the best music will be executed as interludes, thus preserving to the College entertainments their traditional characteristic of being "leasts alike of mind and of soul."

Of the pieces to be rendered, "The Expiation" has long been popular in the original, and no pains have been spared to render it acceptable in its new English dress. Like most other French productions of the kind, it abounds in passages of deep pathetic power, and develops as the plot advances, frequent climaxes of tragic feeling. The intrigue moreover, and the characters are sufficiently varied to maintain a high degree of interest throughout, and at the conclusion of the play, one cannot resist the final impression of having sojourned for a brief space in a higher and better world.

Of the "Malade Imaginaire" it will be enough to say that it is among the best of the minor pieces of Moliere. Sir Walter Scott, writing in the language of Shakespeare did not hesitate to characterize Moliere as being the "prince of the writers of comedy;" and his greater productions unquestionably rank with the best of their class in any language. The "Malade Imaginaire," though of a lower level than the "Misanthrope" or the "Bourgeois Gentilhomme," is not unworthy of the author's genius; and never fails, when well presented to "displace the very ribs" with merriment. Lovers of the classical, moreover, in these degenerate days, will rejoice at the opportunity there afforded them of tasting at their source the pure waters of the French Helicon. It is surely a treat for many when Shakespeare or Moliere is drawn at length from

the dry pages of books and made to stalk abroad for a time as living flesh and blood.

Finally, great pains have been taken to render these dramatic efforts of the students worthy of encouragement and patronage, on the part of all sincerely interested in the cause of higher education.

THE BOYS' BAND.

On Monday evening the Brandon Boys' Band celebrated their anniversary by giving a supper in the band room. Between thirty and forty of the band boys and their friends gathered in the spacious band room where tables were set with very dainty dishes. After justice had been done the entables an impromptu programme was gone through, consisting of songs by Messrs. Sullivan, Priest, P. McNeill, instrumental by Bro. Idesbald, Mr. McDonough, and a recitation by two small boys, Masters Allie Murphy and Charlie McFarlane. Rev. Father Charles addressed the gathering. He congratulated Bro. Idesbald on the rapid advancement of the band under his very able management and direction. The speaker also congratulated the president on the success of the band in point of financial management. In closing, the Rev. Father urged the boys to attend practices regularly, and strive to reach the highest point in musical attainments. On resuming his seat the speaker was heartily applauded. Speeches were also made by J. M. McNeill, Thos. Kinahan, Bro. Idesbald and others, all of whom spoke in the highest terms of the able management and training of the band to which so much of their success is due.—Brandon Times, Nov. 26.

BRITISH BARONETS WHO ARE PRIESTS.

While at the present moment there is no British peer of the realm who is in holy orders of the Church of Rome, says a writer in the New York Tribune, the last one having been the late Lord Petre, who died in 1893, as a domestic peclate of the household of Leo XIII., there are several British Baronets who belong to the Catholic clergy. Thus the present head of the ancient Scotch house of Hunter Blair, Sir David Hunter Blair, who was formerly a captain in the army, is now a monk of the Benedictine order, and has done missionary work in the wildest districts of South America.

Another is Sir William Heathcote, who has just succeeded to his father's baronetcy, and who is a priest of the order of Jesuits, one of the sisters being a nun of the order of the Sacred Heart. He is in remainder to the earldom of Macclesfield. As however, the present earl has no less than eight uncles, each of them with a number of sons, and the Heathcotes only succeed to the Macclesfield honors in default of the direct line, the prospects of Father Heathcote, S. J., ever becoming the earl of Macclesfield are, to say the least, remote.

The Heathcotes, who must not be confounded with the family of which Sir John Heathcote Amory is the chief, are descended, like the Earl of Ancaster, from an alderman of Chesterfield, one of the projectors of the Bank of England and Lord Mayor of London in the reign of Queen Anne. Father Heathcote was for a number of years the president of the famous Jesuit Beaumont College, at Windsor, where Don Jaime, the only son of Don Carlos of Spain, and other Bourbon princes, including the boys of Infanta Eulalie, have been educated.

NON-CONFORMIST CONSCIENCES.

The position of Catholics in England in the matter of education and the unreasonable attitude in regard thereto taken up by the Non-conformists, are all presented as follows by New Ireland, an Irish weekly review published in London. "The imparting of religious education to their children in the schools is quite as much a matter of conscience with them (the Catholics) as the withholding of it is a matter of conscience with Noncon-

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