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Resolution of Condolence.

C. M. B. A. Hall, Cornwall, Ont.

Having learned with regret of the sad affliction to the family of Bro. Titus Kuhn in the loss he has sustained by the death of his wife, and also of Bro. John Melaney in the death of his infant child,

Therefore be it resolved, That this Branch extend to Bro. Kuhn and Bro. Melaney their profound sympathy in the loss they have sustained, and may the All-Wise Being comfort them in their sorrow.

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the official organs of this Society for publication, the *C. M. B. A. Monthly* and CATHOLIC RECORD, and to Bro. Kuhn and Bro. Melaney.

JOHN LALLY,
Rec. Sec.

LORETTO ACADEMY.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The annual distribution of prizes at Loretto Convent, in Guelph, took place on Monday last, Rev. Father Dumortier, S. J., President, Rev. Father Plante, S. J., Rev. Father Synnott and Dr. Nunan were present.

Oral and written examinations of the various classes occupied the two last weeks, and gave satisfactory results; particularly in book-keeping, arithmetic and the other branches required in the practical walks of life, special attention being paid to the training of those young ladies who intend to adopt the profession of teaching. Several graduates of Loretto have been highly successful in that calling. At the end of every month oral and written examinations are held, which have proved of great benefit by fixing on the mind the lessons studied during that time. In like manner monthly reviews of vocal and instrumental music take place. The plain and fancy work of the young ladies elicited praise, and convinced the visitors that due attention is bestowed on the useful as well as the ornamental arts. The taste and precision with which the various pieces of music, vocal and instrumental, were rendered, and which enlivened the distribution, showed that careful and efficient training is given in these branches. The oil paintings, crayons, work in water colors, monodromatic paintings, pastille portraits, paintings on silk and velvet, which were displayed in the studio, excited admiration and proved that every possible advantage is afforded for the highest attainments in this department.

The expression of happiness beaming on the faces of the pupils indicated that, although the strictest discipline is maintained, yet they appreciate the maternal kindness bestowed by the devoted and accomplished ladies of Loretto on those entrusted to their care. The comportment of the young ladies showed that the greatest care is bestowed on all that pertains to a perfect education. The Convent is beautifully situated, and in a position highly conducive to health.

At the close of the distribution the Rev. Fathers present congratulated the pupils on the great progress made in their studies during the scholastic year, and addressed words of wise counsel as to the manner of spending the holidays.

HONOR LIST.

SENIOR DEPARTMENT.

Crowned for good conduct in boarding school—The Misses M. Duffy, Rochester, N. Y.; G. Morris, Ransomville, N. Y.; M. O'Connor, Guelph; L. Costigan, Preston, Ont.; N. O'Donnell, Arthur; M. Turner, Hamilton; H. O'Dea, Detroit; M. Farrel, Carson City, Na.

Gold medal for Christian doctrine, presented by Rev. F. O'Reilly, Macton, Ont.; equally merited by the Misses N. Heffernan, Guelph; L. McTague, Guelph; M. Crookall, Hamilton; obtained by Miss L. McTague.

Gold medal for English literature, presented by Mr. John J. Daley, Guelph, obtained by Miss Morris, Ransomville, New York.

Silver medal for order; equally merited by the Misses L. Costigan, Ryder, M Daly, L. Murphy, N. O'Donnell, M. O'Connor, M. Duffy, M. Turner, obtained by Miss Daly.

Gold penholder for penmanship, equally merited by the Misses G. Morris and M. Turner, obtained by Miss G. Morris.

Silver medal for history, English and Canadian, obtained by Miss G. Morris.

Crown and prize for lady like deportment, equally merited by the Misses J. Ricard, Utica, N. Y., G. Morris, L. Costigan, Mamie Duffy, N. O'Donnell, D. Crawley, H. O'Dea, obtained by Miss M Duffy, Rochester.

Crown and prize for charity in conversation, by vote of companions, merited by the Misses M. Turner, L. Murphy, L. Costigan, obtained by Miss M. Turner.

Crown for personal neatness, Miss J. Ricard, A. Ryder, M. Lowell.

Crown and prize for order, Miss C. Merihan.

Crown and prize for personal neatness, the Misses Nettie Duffy and L. Sleeman.

Crowned for good conduct, the Misses N. Duffy and Mamie Cherrier.

PRIZE LIST.

6th English class, crown and 1st prize, Miss Morris, 1st, the Misses Costigan and L. McTague, 2nd, Miss Julia Sweeney, 3rd, the Misses N. O'Donnell, A. Ryder, M. Riordan.

5th English class, crown and 1st prize Miss Nellie Heffernan, 1st, the Misses H. O'Dea, M. Crookhall, 2nd, the Misses. M. Turner, M. Farrell, 3rd, the Misses J. Ricard, M. McKenna, S. McGee, E. Crawley.

Division 5th, English class, crown and first prize, Miss L. Gay, 1st, Miss Strachan, 2nd, the Misses M. Duffy, E. Wait, L. Huxley, 3rd, M. Snider. Honorable mention—the Misses L. Murphy, S. Nolan, M. McKenna, M. Hayden, M. O'Connor, A. Keough.

4th English class, 1st prize, the Misses M. Daly, and A. Guy, 2nd the Misses M. Keating, G. Farrell, 3rd the Misses A. Walsh, M. Keough, E. Ryan, Doran, McLowell. Honorable mention—Miss Buchanan.

3rd English class, 1st prize, the Misses C. Hurley, M Lomasney, M. Gay, 2nd the Misses T. Heffernan, M. Hennessy. Honorable mention, Miss C. Herries.

2nd English class, 1st prize, the Misses M. Cherrier, N. Duffy, 2nd; the Misses L. Sleeman, B. Tracy, U. Doron. Improvement, the Misses Constance Merlihan and A. Merlihan.

1st English class, 1st prize, the Misses R. Cherrier, M. Carroll, 2nd, the Misses C. Hanlon, A. Parsons, C. Parsons, A. Kelly, H. Duffy. Improvement, the Misses M. Duffy, N. Hogan, S. Hanlon, M. Merlihan, Clara Merlihan, R Merlihan, E. Reinhardt, L. Tracy, J. Merlihan.

Prize for being good little girls, Miss C. Duffy and B. Coughlin.

3rd French class, 1st prize, the Misses H. O'Dea, M. Farrell, L Costigan, L. McTague, L. Gay, 2nd, Miss N. Heffernan.

2nd class, 1st prize, Miss E. Wait, 2nd, the Misses M. Duffy, M Snider, 3rd, Miss McKenna.

1st class improvement, Miss C. Hurley and N. McKenna.

Penmanship, 2nd prize, the Misses L. Costigan, M. Farrell, M. Duffy, M. O'Connor; 3rd prize, the Misses E. Crawley, L. Hurley, E. Wait; 4th prize, the Misses C. Hurley, M. Lomasney.

Arithmetic, 1st class, senior division, 1st prize, Miss Riordan; 2nd, Miss Ryder; 3rd, the Misses N. O'Donnell, L. Costigan.

2nd class, senior division, 1st prize, the Misses M. McKenna and M. Strachan, 2nd, the Misses S. Nolan, L. Nolan.

1st class, junior division, 1st prize, the Misses Snider, M. Hayden, L. Gay, M. Keating, N. Heffernan; 2nd prize, the Misses A. Keough, N. McKenna; 3rd, the Misses Ricard, E. Wait, S. McGee.

2nd class, junior division, 1st prize, the Misses A. Guy, L. Hurley, M. Gay; 2nd, the Misses M. O'Connor, M. Keough; 3rd, the Misses M. Duffy, L. Murphy, M Lowell, A. Welsh, G. Farrell.

Algebra, euclid, book-keeping, 1st prize, Miss M Riordan; 2nd, the Misses N. O'Donnell, Ryder; 3rd, the Misses Morris, L. McTague, J. Sweeney.

Instrumental music, senior section, crown and 1st prize, the Misses Reynolds, A. Ryder, M. O'Connor, Turner; 2nd, Miss Ricard; 3rd, Miss M. Duffy, M. Crookhall. Improvement — Miss M. Lowell.

Instrumental music, junior section, improvement, the Misses Brown, Hewer, L. Buchanan, G. Farrell, A. Guy, M. Farrell, M. McKenna, N. McKenna, A. Keough, E. Crawley, M. Strachan, A. Walsh, M. Lomasney.

Vocal music, 2nd prize, Miss Turner.

Oil painting, 2nd prize, the Misses Doran and Cotteral, W. Maitland.

Improvement—The Misses Daly and Snider.

Water colors, 2nd prize, painting on silk, Miss E. Crawley; 2nd, painting on landscape, Miss M. Turner, Improvement —Miss M. Duffy.

Pastile drawing, 1st prize, Miss Costigan, 2nd Miss H. O'Dea.

Perspective drawing, 2nd prize, Misses Ryder, G. Morris, L. Costigan, M McKenna, M. Riordan; 3rd, the Misses L. McTague, N. O'Donnell, N. Heffernan. Improvement—The Misses Turner, E. Crawley, M. Snider, M. Farrell.

Free hand drawing, 1st prize, Miss G Morris; 2nd prize, the Misses A. Ryder, L. Costigan; 3rd prize, the Misses N. O'Donnel, M Crookhall, M. Riordon.

Fancy work, 1st prize, Miss G. Morris; 2nd prize, Miss Keogh.

Plain sewing, 1st prize the Misses L. McTague, G. Crawley; 2nd prize, Miss M. Keating.

Calisthenic exercises, prize, the Misses H. O'Dea, M. Turner, N. Heffernan.

Domestic economy, prize, the Misses L. Murphy, M. Keating.

English prose literature, 1st prize, Miss Morris; 2nd prize, the Misses O'Dea, L. McTague; 3rd prize, the Misses J. Sweeney, Crookhall, L. Hurley, M. Turner, N. Heffernan.

MARRIAGE BELLS.

A joyous event took place in St. Mary's Church, West Lorne, on Thursday, 23rd inst. The occasion was the marriage of Miss Maggie Cahill, eldest daughter of Thos. Cahill, Esq., a leading member of the congregation, to Mr. Peter Cunningham of Wardsville. The Rev. Father Cummins performed the ceremony, assisted by Mr. J. J. Dougherty, Rochester, N. Y. and Mr. Archy Cahill. The bride was assisted by her sister Miss Annie Cahill, while Mr. Arthur Cunningham, performed a like service for his brother. The dress of the bride was of ecru satin with adornments of natural flowers and silk illusion veil.

The church choir was ably assisted by Miss Annie McKeon, Detroit, Mich., and Miss Pulaski of Thamesville. The little church, which was handsomely decorated, was well filled by the friends of the bride and groom from West Lorne and Wardsville, besides whom were the Misses Fitzgerald, Miss Minnie Lowrie and Mr. Jno. Amyot, M. D., St Thomas; the Misses MacInally, Thamesville; P. J. McKeon, Fletcher, and F. H. Gallagher, Simcoe.

After the marriage ceremony a large number of invited guests accompanied the bridal party to the residence of the bride's father, where a sumptuous repast was waiting them. After sufficient justice was done to the many delicacies, the following toasts were proposed and ably responded to "The health and life-long happiness of the bride and groom;" "The Host and Hostess;" "The bridesmaid and groomsman," and "The Ladies." Subsequently the newly married couple were escorted by a numerous party to Bismarck station, where, amid a shower of rice, they boarded an east bound express. Among the many presents of which the bride was the recipient were the following—:

Gold cross, Rev. Father Cummins; set of jewelry, the groom; darned net pillow shams, Misses C. and B. McKillop; silver pickle dish, Mrs. Fitzgerald; fruit dish, Miss M. Lowrie; set china dishes, Mrs. T. Cahill; one half doz. silver knives, forks, and spoons, Messrs D. and A. McKillop; linen table cloth, Miss Annie Cahill; white bed spread, Mrs. Cunningham; two sets lace curtains, Misses Cunningham; one half doz silver knives and forks, Mr. Duncan MacPherson; set of glass dishes, Mrs. H. McDonald; glass fruit dish, Misses Frasie and Ella McDonald; satin and orricine bannerette, Miss Selina McQueen; wall bracket, Miss Emma Cahill; pair woolen blankets, Miss E. Cahill; 1 doz. table napkins, Mr. Wm. Ward; cake stand, Mrs. Partridge; set glassware, Mrs. McCabe; set of lace curtains, Misses McInally; linen table cloth, Mrs. D McKillop; lamp, Mrs. P. Fitzpatrick; glass water pitcher, Miss M. Fitzpatrick; set of glassware, Miss O'Neil; 2 egg dishes, Miss M. Egan.

Correspondence of the Record.

CONGREGATION DE NOTRE DAME, ANTIGONISH, N. S.

An interesting event took place at the Convent of the Congregation de Notre Dame, Antigonish, on Friday evening, 24th June. It was in the form of an entertainment and distribution of prizes to the pupils of that excellent institution, and was intended as a tribute of gratitude offered to his Lordship Bishop Cameron on the feast of St. John the Baptist, the day being the patronal feast of his Lordship.

The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Over the platform was the Bishop's coat of arms, a work of no little merit, executed by one of the sisters, with the inscription, "May God our kind Bishop's days prolong." On another scroll at the side were the words, "Thrice welcome, honored guests," and on a third, "Let her who has won the palm bear it," and a medallion of St. John the Baptist, surrounded by maple leaves.

Not satisfied with bringing art to their assistance, the good sisters drew very lavishly on nature to express their love and gratitude to their dear Bishop. In the centre of the room was suspended a crown of natural flowers from which hung four garlands of the same that reached to the four corners of the room. Long before six o'clock the people began to assemble and by the appointed hour the hall was comfortably filled. At 6:30 his Lordship, accompanied by Rev. Drs. McNeil, McDonald, of the College, and Rev. John Chisholm, P. P., Hetherton, arrived.

The following is the programme, all of which was carried out in a manner that reflected great credit on both teachers and pupils:

Entree Duo, Pianos and Organ, Misses L. McDonald, C. Donoghue, K. Thompson, M. B. Chisholm.
Chorus,—"Welcome."
Salutatory, Miss Annie Ronan,
Inst. music, Trio, Pianos and Organ. Misses F. Chisholm, A. McKinnon, R. Landry, B. McInnes, M. Sears, S. Shaughessy, M. Murray.
Dialogue.—Search after Happiness."
1ST ACT.
Song.—Solo, "L' Ange de l' Esperance," Miss L. McDonald.
2ND ACT.
Inst. music,—Duo, Miss K. Thompson, etc.
3RD ACT.
Grand Chorus—"Festal Song."
Inst. music, Duo, Pianos and Organ. Misses L. McDonald, C. Donoghue, F. Chisholm, M. B. Chisholm.
COMIC DIALOGUE.
Operetta—"Grandma's Birthday."
Inst. music Duo, Miss E. McDonald, etc. "How little hearts express their love."
Piano Accompaniment, Misses K. Thompson, M. B. Chisholm.
Inst. music, Pianos. Misses F. Chisholm, M. B. Chisholm, Murray, M. B. McLeod.

Distribution of premiums by the Bishop.

PREMIUMS.

Distribution of premiums to the pupils of the Congregation de Notre Dame, St. Bernard's convent, for the scholastic year of 1887.

The silver medal of the institution designed for the under-graduating course, donated by His Lordship Bishop Cameron, was awarded to the young ladies who obtained grade C, licenses during the past year.

Misses Katie McGillivray, Bertie Graham, Mary Keating, Ellen F. McKenzie, Mary McIsaac, Maggie B. McLeod, Mary E. Dumphy, Mary McNeil, Catherine McDonald.

GRADE D.

Misses Honora McNeil, Symphosa O'Brien, Mary McInnis, Maggie Chisholm.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

Second Division—First prize, Misses Ellen McDonald, Lillian McDonald, Cassie Donoghue.

Third division—First prize, Misses Florence Chisholm, Katie Thompson, Mary B. Chisholm, Mary Murray.

Prizes for religious instruction, donated by Rev. Father Gillis:

1st department—Merited by Misses M. B. McGillivray, Cecilia McIntosh, Annie Whalen, Gertie McKenzie.

2nd department—Misses Maggie Fraser, Cecilia Fraser, Nellie McIntosh, Cassie McLean, and Laura Mills.

3rd department—Mary A. McDonald.

4th department—Alma Mills, silver medal for excellence of conduct donated by Rev. J. N. McLeod, merited by Misses M. B. McLeod, M. J. Cameron, M. A. Chisholm.

NEW SUMMER RESORT.

Mr. A. D. McDougall, of this place, has recently erected a hotel at Mahony's Beach, near the town. The site is one of the best in the province for fishing, bathing, boating, etc, and no doubt will become a very popular summer resort when it is better known to the general public. His address is Antigonish, N. S. L. K.

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IMPOSING CEREMONIES—BLESSING OF THE BELL IN AYLMER, QUE.

NUMEROUS CANDIDATES CONFIRMED.

Yesterday was a red letter day with the adherents of the Catholic faith in the village of Aylmer. The town was crowded with strangers at an early hour, and the children who were to be confirmed were handsomely attired, the little girls wearing white with veils and crowns of natural flowers.

His Grace Archbishop Duhamel administered the sacrament of confirmation at seven o'clock mass, and was assisted by Rev. Father Campeau, Rev. Father Langevin and Rev. Father Beauchamp, the parish priest of Aylmer.

The sacred edifice was elaborately decorated with flowers and evergreens. After mass his Grace preached a sermon to the children which was very instructive and interesting.

BLESSING THE BELL.

In the afternoon large contingents from Ottawa, Hull, and parishes surrounding the village by the lake drove in to attend the ceremony of blessing the new bell for St. Paul's church. The ceremony began shortly after two o'clock, his Grace Archbishop Duhamel officiating, assisted by Rev. Father Langevin. The sponsors for the new bell were:—Mr Cormier, M P P and Mrs Cormier, Mr and Mrs Devlin, Mr and Mrs Foran, Mr and Mrs Fogert, Capt. and Mrs Goulet, Dr and Mrs Woods, Mr and Mrs J M McDougal, Dr Duhamel, ex-M P P and Miss Q Devlin, Mr G B Pigeon of Ottawa, Miss Duhamel of Hull, Mr Laverdure of Ottawa, and Miss Devlin, Mr Charles Devlin of Aylmer, and Miss Devlin of Montreal, Mr and Mrs P Lomironde, Mr and Mrs F Grant, Mr and Mrs P Gravelle, and many other well known citizens of Aylmer.

After the ceremony the Archbishop delivered an address in English as to the meaning of blessing the bell, and its use in the tower of their handsome church. He said when they heard that bell on Sabbath days it was sounded as the voice of God to call together his flock.

Rev. Father Langevin spoke at some length in French.

After the ceremony in the church a grand banquet was held in the convent building at which over two hundred people participated.—*Ottawa Free Press, June 25.*

Correspondence of the Catholic Record.

BOURGET COLLEGE, RIGAUD, P. Q.

On Tuesday evening, at Bourget College, Rigaud, P. Q., particular attention and interest were lent to the praiseworthy proceedings of a dramatical and musical entertainment which was of a most agreeable nature. A considerable number of the surrounding clergy and gentlemen interested were present and the vast hall of the College was well filled with friends; over five hundred were in attendance. At 8.30 p. m. the capital programme began to be discussed with ability and exactness by all the respective actors. The proceedings were interspersed with a choice programme of music and quartette. The beautiful drama "St. Louis in chains," and the interesting comedy "Honor is satisfied" were executed in a laudable manner by all the actors. On the following morning Bourget College was the scene of the closing exercises of a successful term. The culture and refinement of the students reflected upon the management of the directors of the college. Besides the numerous premiums awarded by the college authorities for every branch of studies, several friends of Bourget college presented special extra premiums of which the following is a brief list: Silver medal, presented by His Holiness Pope Leo XIII., for philosophy, awarded to A. Prevost. Bourget premium for religious instruction, awarded to Z. Jelmosse. His Excellency the Governor-General Lansdowne's medal for excellence, awarded to A. Lapaline. Gold medal, presented by Father F. Adam, for eloquence, merited by V. Pilon. Mayor Kelly's medal for English literature, awarded to A. Houte Purcell; medal for mathematics, merited by J. McDermott. McDermott medal for excellence, awarded to P. Sabourin. Fogarty medal for commerce, merited by R. Gauthier. McGreevy premium for business branches and mathematics, awarded to P. Green. Quinn premium for religious instruction, merited by W. Brophy. Mongenais medal for Latin and Greek, awarded to D. Danis. Campeau premium for literature, merited by H. Houle. Dupont medal for Latin and Greek, awarded to L. Campeau. Belanger premium for Latin and Greek, merited by A. Lapalme. Chouinard medal for religious instruction presented to A. Lapalme. Dumouchel premium for piano awarded to A. Prevost. Derochie premium for French, presented to G. Girard. Browne premium for English, merited by Z Moisan. Sadlier medal for French, awarded to A. Bourke. The lucky winner of the $100 00 prize for excellent conduct was J. B. Bazinet and that of the $30 00 prize for excellent conduct was R. Gauthier, graduate of the English commercial course. Commercial diplomas were awarded to the following graduates of the complete English commercial course: J. McDermott of Eganville, Ont.; R. Gauthier of Carillon; A. Houle of Glen Nevis, Ont.; W. McDermott of Eganville; A. Brasseus of St. Lazaire. The following obtained degrees of Bachelor of Arts: A. Constantinault and A. Prevost. E. Quesuel obtained degrees of B. L. After the annual commencement the pupils started for their vacations with the hopes of returning to Bourget College on Thursday, September 1st.

WEDDING CHIMES.

MR. JOHN BONFIELD AND MISS J. O'DONNELL JOINED IN WEDLOCK.

The bells in the Irish temple of worship—St. Patrick's church—pealed joyfully at an early hour this morning, as it were to welcome in a bright morning in this month of roses and also to welcome to the altar the fair young couple who were to be made one forever. At half past six a large and select gathering of fashionable young people in holiday attire assembled in the sacred edifice, the altar of which was elaborately decorated with natural flowers and it was evident from the general appearance of the church that some event of unusual importance was about to take place.

A few minutes later the wedding party were ushered in. The bride, Miss J. O'Donnell, was escorted by her brother Mr. J. O'Donnell, of Lisgar street, and the groom. Mr. John Bonfield, of Eganville, son of the late James Bonfield, ex-M. P. P., was supported by his younger brother, Mr. James Bonfield. Miss Kate O'Donnell acted as bridesmaid. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Whelan, and among others noticed in the wedding party were Mr. and Mrs. F. Hanrahan, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Starrs, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanrahan, Mr. and Mrs. Power, Miss Hurley and Miss Birts.

The wedding breakfast was served at the residence of the bride's mother, after which the happy young couple left by the C. P. R. for Quebec. The number of presents were unusually large.

Mrs. Bonfield, mother of the groom, presented her son with the keys of a handsome new residence at Eganville, where he and his fair young bride will live in the future.—*Ottawa Free Press, June 27th.*

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Malcolm McNeil, Antigonish, N.S.

We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Malcolm McNeil, mother of Rev. Dr. McNeil, of St. Francis Xavier's College, Antigonish, and of Hon. David McNeil, M. P. P. for Inverness. The sad event occurred at her home in Hillsboro', on June 16th last, after an illness of only six days. Up to the attack that caused her death the deceased lady enjoyed excellent health. That circumstance and the fact that she was only about fifty-six years old, has caused a shock among the community in which she lived and her friends in general. The best evidence that the deceased was an exemplary mother and a good Catholic is the family she left to mourn her untimely end, and to whom we offer our heartfelt sympathy. Mrs. McNeil outlived her husband about ten years. Her oldest son, Rev. Dr. McNeil, celebrated the requiem Mass. Deceased leaves eleven children, all of whom were present at the funeral. *Requiescat in pace.*

Mrs. Catharine Carrol, Biddulph.

We regret very much to have to announce the death of Mrs. Catharine Carroll, late housekeeper to Rev. Father Connolly, P.P., of St. Patrick's, Biddulph, which took place at his presbytery at six p. m., on Saturday last, fortified by the rites of the Catholic Church, after an illness of six months. She was a native of Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal, from which place she emigrated some forty-four years ago, in company with her parents. She was sixty-four years of age, sixteen of which she had been a faithful housekeeper to the Rev. Father Connolly.

Her interment took place on last Monday at St. Patrick's church, Biddulph, in presence of a large concourse of people. At the Mass Rev. Father Kelly of Mt. Carmel was celebrant, Rev. Father Quigley, C. C., Stratford, deacon, and Rev. Father Connolly, P. P., subdeacon. The ceremony was most impressive. May she rest in peace.

LOCAL NOTICES.

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As standing at the station by,
To watch the coming train,
A parting scene there met my eye,
Which brought me back again
To many a hard, heart-rending scene,
Which my youth's vision saw,
In that dear Isle of Emerald Green
Where power is known as Law.

Three maidens fresh and young and fair,
With eyes like the gazelle,
And ways—those winning ways—that snare
The heart with powerful spell,
Were going off to regions where
They read and write and spell,
And many a charm of lovers rare
Maids unto maidens tell.
And as I saw the tender grief
Of parent, lover, friend,
The flowing tear that brought relief,
I prayed that God would send
A guides His seraphim-in-chief
Unto their journey's end.

But when alone, my mind gave way
To thoughts of mournful cast;
And many a sadd'ning rustic lay,
That mingled with the past,
Came crowding on my aching brain,
Until my vision clear
Brought out in bold relief again
Those partings sad and drear,
To which a helpless witness, I
In youth had often been;
And as the years roll tireless by,
Repeated is each scene.

I saw the husband part the wife
Upon the pillow's brim,
The pier all round was full of life,
But she saw none but him—
Him who was father of her child,
There pillow'd on her breast;
And now the ocean, wide and wild,
Would bear him to the West.
But that far West he never saw;
A thousand fathoms down,
Where huge sharks stare with gaping jaw,
And nameless monsters frown;
Down in the caverns of the deep
His bones lie whitening ever,
And she may wail and weep and weep—
She'll never see him—never.
Thou who wouldst fathom her deep grief,
Her utterance of woe,
Go seek a world's cold relief—
Then heartless tyrant, go—
And when its hollowness of heart;
Its baldness of resource,
Has dawn'd upon your mind; in part,
Go, and repent your course.

I saw the father part his son,
His last, his dearest boy—
Three others wealth and fame had won,
Where tyrants can't destroy
The noblest impulse of the soul—
The thirst for Liberty;
The pride Divine that scorns control,
They went, why should not he?
But that poor father, old and gray,
He tottered to the grave;
Nor could their wealth and fame allay
The longing Nature gave
To gaze once more upon those forms,
Which gives to life its rest—
He bow'd him gently to earth's storms,
His home be with the blest.
And those fond sons, whatever clime,
Where'er their footsteps roam,
They'll ne'er forget the happy time
They spent in childhood's home.
No never can life's choicest prize
Their joys of youth renew;
They'll never meet again those eyes,
So tender and so true,
That watch'd their course in manhood morn,
Advised, repressed, reproved;
But e'en reproof was mildly borne—
They knew how well he loved.

I saw the mother lead her child
Adown the paths of time,
Her steps with tenderest hopes beguiled
Until she reached her prime.
I saw the child the mother leave,
Both said 'twas for the best;
But how that mother's heart did grieve,
As one fond kiss she press'd
On these fond lips, once all her own,
But now claimed by another;
[God's grace be round the daughter thrown
The Virgin keep the mother.]
Both reel beneath the bitter pang
That smites their hearts amain;
Until Jehova's clarion clang
They ne'er shall meet again.

I saw a lover stand beside
A maiden fair and sweet;
To burning questions he replied:
"If spared on earth we'll meet.
I'll cross the sea to lands more free,
To countries young and fair;
And when I've earned a home for thee,
I'll take my sweetheart there."
He tore him from her circling arms—
Earth's beauties fade away—
But why this cause for fresh alarms,
Whence that pale cheek's decay?
Alas! how frail the human heart—
In southern's climes 'twas said,
O'ercome by Cupid's fiercest dart,
He wooed and won and wed.
And she, shut out from that one light
Which was her life and pride,
Withered as stalk before the blight,
And, broken-hearted, died.
All these I saw and many more,
Through sorrow's misty light;
And asked with dreary heart and sore:
"My God, is all this right?
Why should the innocent and true,
The guileless and the good,
Be made to roam the world through,
In this mere search for food,
When Plenty might be made to smile
In their own fruitful vales,
If only rescued from the wile
Which foreign ruin entails?
When shall this Niobe of lands
Stand forth amid her peers