

expelled from France, are now in London. They arrived in the Metropolis almost destitute, but were carefully looked after, and their hotel as well as other expenses are being paid by their English brethren.

HAMILTON LETTER.

ECCLIASTICAL.

During the course of the next two or three months the Redemptorist Fathers of Quebec, will conduct a series of missions in Dundas, Brantford and Arthur, continuing three weeks in each place. Dundas will be visited first, then the Rev. Frs. Burke, Miller and McCormick will officiate. It is expected that they will also re-visit Hamilton soon after Christmas.

The following information with regard to the Hamilton diocese may be found interesting:—There are in the diocese churches and chapels 77; clergymen, including His Lordship the Bishop, 50; Convents 12; ecclesiastical students 12; Academies for young ladies 3; Charitable Institutions 4; Catholic schools 40.

The diocese extends from the mouth of the Grand River to Lake Erie, to the shores of Lake Huron and the Georgian Bay, and is composed of the counties of Haldimand, Brant, Wentworth, Halton, Wellington, Grey and Bruce. Its greatest length is about 200 miles, and its greatest breadth 75 miles. It has an area of about 8000 square miles, and a Catholic population of 50,000, of which the county of Wentworth, including the city of Hamilton, alone contains about 10,000.

It is traversed in part by the G. W. and the T. G. and B. railways and entirely by the W. G. and B. line. Other lines are in contemplation or progress, and when completed the railway system of the diocese will make all its chief points easily accessible.

Twenty five places have resident priests. In Hamilton there are seven, Berlin three, Guelph four, and in Arthur, Brantford, Cayuga, Dundas, Mt. Forest and Owen Sound two each.

The Sisters of St. Joseph have charge of the Orphan Asylum in Hamilton, the House of Providence, Dundas, and the Hospital in Guelph. The Sisters of Loretto conduct educational institutions both in Hamilton and Guelph, the former of which is referred to in the paper elsewhere. There are also convents and schools in Formosa and Walkerton, under the direction of the Sisters of Notre Dame. At Berlin is St. Jerome's College for young men under the direction of the congregation of the Resurrection, and enjoying a very high reputation. Besides these there are about 40 Separate Schools in various parts of the diocese, of which 6 are in Hamilton.

The county of Bruce heads the list in number of its churches, having no less than 12, next follows Grey with 10, then Wellington 9, Waterloo 7, Halton 6, Wentworth 5, Haldimand 4, and Brant 2. This estimate is exclusive of chapels.

The foregoing exhibit, together with the statements given in a former issue, show that the Hamilton diocese is well supplied with the requisites for the spiritual wants of the people. The necessary degree of activity prevails in the diocese, especially in the north, and the several points in the diocese are watched over with unflinching interest and zeal.

MT. ST. MARY.

The excellent institution for the education of young ladies, situated at Mt. St. Mary, King Street West, and conducted by the Sisters of Loretto, commenced its sixteenth scholastic year on Monday morning last. The attendance was fair for the opening, and it is to be hoped that it will largely increase in the course of time. Mt. St. Mary's Seminary should be well patronized. It provides the facilities for conveying knowledge, useful and practical, for the development of refined aesthetic tastes, and for the cultivation of those accomplishments that characterize the Christian lady. This will be briefly endeavor to show.

The building is situated in a healthy and agreeable part of the city and its various apartments are arranged and furnished with all due attention to the comfort, convenience and benefit of the inmates. The grounds are ample—some four acres in extent—and well provided with beautiful lawns, flower gardens, and well-wooded avenues. The building has the slightest exception in the matter of education will acknowledge the value of cheerful surroundings during the hours of study and of ample means for the recuperation of the mental and physical power during the period of recreation. That Mt. St. Mary's Seminary possesses all the requisites necessary for the education of any person who has observed the premises even for a short time, and the truth of this observation has been fully sustained by the numbers of pupils who have been educated within its walls during the past fifteen years.

The class rooms are all large, high-ceilinged and well ventilated; and the desks, maps, and other apparatus are of the most approved pattern. The system of conducting the classes would do credit to a university. Every branch has its own particular teacher, who, having made a special study of it is peculiarly adapted for the duties of her office. This, it will be seen, gives the pupil the advantage of a teacher fresh, vigorous and well drilled in her subject, whose teaching powers have not been weakened by a previous engagement in several dissimilar occupations, and whose knowledge has not been dulled by being scattered over an unlimited field of study.

The duties of the day begin at six in the morning. The inexorable bell rouses the sleepers from their comfortable couches to the performance of their daily tasks, and in twenty minutes they are ready for chapel. In that devotion-stirring department, decorated in that truly beautiful way that religion alone can teach, they spend one half hour daily, participating in the priceless benefits of that Divine Sacrifice whose sublime object teaches us that the reward of a useful and well-spent life, is an eternity of bliss in the home of the Sovereign Good. The spiritual wants thus properly attended to at first, those of a corporal nature are next provided for in a spacious and well-supplied refectory. Recreation follows, and then the assembly in the study and class rooms. Besides the various branches of an ordinary education

which receive thorough attention the curriculum includes music, drawing, painting, natural science, French, Italian, German and calligraphy. The facilities for acquiring knowledge of music are admirable. There are six pianos and two large harps in the establishment, and besides the usual lessons from very proficient teachers, close and regular practice is required, whose constant is enforced and regulated by systematic overseeing on the part of the teachers. The beautiful works in painting, drawing, and waxwork that have been executed by the pupils will prove the high capabilities of the institution for developing a taste for the fine arts. Edificence in French is more actually secured by causing pupils to devote regular periods to conversation in that language, the teacher being always present to suggest and correct. Chemistry and Botany are well taught; for the former there is a complete set of apparatus, and interesting experiments are regularly performed by a teacher who thoroughly understands his business. Honors are conferred for excellence in various subjects which have been selected with the nicest attention to the good and useful. One of them, Domestic Economy, being carefully taught, prevents the young woman from becoming a mere ornamental figure head to the household, and gives her the means of being more self-reliant as well as useful to others. Among the other honor subjects are ladylike deportment, amiability and condescension, all most admirable qualities to cultivate, and last but not least, charity in conversation. This in our opinion is the *somma bonum* of the honor list, for its general acquisition would tend more than any other accomplishment to preserve the happiness of the domestic circle and the entire cordials of society.

Physical exercise is attended to as carefully as mental. Besides the universal exercise of walking regularly practiced, there are croquet lawns and abundant apparatus for the practice of callisthenics which combine amusement with benefit. This is right and proper. Without such exercises the student would grow up with an enfeebled frame incapable of the slightest physical effort without fatigue, and in all probability ending in premature exhaustion. A strong body is no less necessary to a woman than to a man, and after all, of what benefit would the secular learning of even a Newton be, when the sword becomes too sharp for the scholar?

The class hours in the morning are from 9 till 12, then dinner and recreation, next classes again from 1 o'clock until 4. The time between that and bed is divide half. Here all assemble under the care of one of the teachers, whose supervision secures application. It might be observed here that the same watchful care is given on all occasions; whether in the study hall, the recreation ground, the refectory or dormitory, the same wise guardianship is strictly observed. After tea there is further recreation and study until 8 o'clock, when the inextinguishable bell announces the hour for retiring, and in a few minutes the day is entirely forgotten.

Thus it will be seen that this institution is admirably adapted for the education of young ladies. It is conducted in a most systematic manner, but with none of that sterner rigidity that in many cases makes academic life so disagreeable. It has all the comforts of a happy home; its teachers are efficient, affable and kind, its terms moderate, and its facilities unlimited for conveying true education—that education that makes the pupil a Christian lady and a useful member of society.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The stock of fruit in the market on Saturday last was something enormous. The peaches were especially plentiful in every variety, and selling at extremely low prices, 25c a basket. Apples and plums, too, were cheap, the former going for 50c. The latter for 75c per bushel. The Provincial Fair Committee are putting more vigor and energy into their preparations, and as a consequence the prospects of success are daily improving. The *Times* quotes a statement made by the Secretary that the entries already made are so numerous that "all previous years are thrown into the shade."

It is expected that the demonstration to be made here by the Firemen during the Exhibition will be a grand affair. Arrangements are being made with the different railways for cheap rates. Musical organizations are being engaged, and other preparations are rapidly going on.

The Gov. Gen. has signified that he will be present at the Exhibition, and a committee is making preparations to receive him.

CLANCAHILL.

SEAFORTH LETTER.

THE NEW PURCHASE.

Father O'Shea has purchased the residence and grounds of Mr. James Coventry, corner George Street and Victoria Street, for the sum of \$2500. The price is not considered exorbitant, as the property is very desirably situated on a rising ground with only one lot lying between it and the church. The house is an excellent frame building, good stone cellar, and having been erected only a few years ago possesses all the modern conveniences to make it a most comfortable residential residence. Very little repairs are necessary to put it in perfect order, and these will be effected during the present month, as Father O'Shea intends to take possession on the 1st of October. The new purchase seems to have given universal satisfaction to the parishioners and is heartily approved of. Besides providing a house for the Priest it adds a valuable piece of property to the Church, consisting of three lots which will form a splendid building site, on which in future time, if the congregation feel able, they can erect a handsome brick residence.

Our zealous pastor is constantly adding some useful articles to the St. James Church, and amongst others has recently purchased a new gown, beautiful silver tone, which, when touched gives forth a lovely sound, that edifies the congregation, and is especially at the elevation of the Host. He has also provided an Exposition Stand to be used at Benediction, which is a marvel of beauty and workmanship. It represents an angel standing on a pedestal of gold, supporting a platform on his head. He has also purchased a new Chasuble, a very magnificent one, richly embroidered in gold. Several other arti-

cles have been added which I have not space to mention.

Instead of common rosin, which served to do duty for incense, Father O'Shea now uses genuine Arabian incense, whose aroma surrounds the altar of our Lord and spreads its delightful perfume throughout the church.

EXCURSION AND PIC-NIC PARTY.

I understand it is Father O'Shea's intention to get up a special excursion and picnic for the choir and Sunday School teachers of St. James Church. Next Wednesday has been named as the day, and I hope it will be an auspicious one. Bayfield, a town on the shore of Lake Huron, will be the point of attraction. It is pleasantly situated and affords ample accommodation for boating, croquet playing, or any other games or exercises which picnic parties usually indulge in. Our choir here is a remarkably fine one, and competent musical critics have given their candid opinion that, outside the cities, cannot be equalled. Moreover, it is kept in a high state of efficiency by the untiring energy of its leader, Miss A. Downey, who leaves nothing undone to make it a credit to the church and a great benefit to the congregation; may it be always thus. Our Sunday School teachers are also a most deserving body of young ladies and gentlemen, and are entitled to all praise for their noble endeavors to inculcate the Christian doctrine into the minds of the rising generation. May they too enjoy themselves on Wednesday next and return with renewed vigor in health and spirits.

Rev. Father O'Shea is in London this week attending the ecclesiastical retreat of the Diocese. His place will be supplied here in the event of any sick calls by one of the priests from the Irishtown mission.

Yours, &c., MAPLE LEAF.

Seaforth, Sept. 5, 1880.

QUEBEC LETTER.

DEAR SIR,—For the past few days our streets have been quite lively; what between an unusually large number of tourists, our people returning from the seaside and the surrounding country places, and the youngsters entering the Seminary. The *Realine* and other convents and schools there has been quite a "hum" in the usually quiet streets of the "Ancient Capital." In speaking of the "Rock City," it has been very appropriately styled, I give you the following which appeared in the local columns of the *Chronicle* of Monday:

Said an American gentleman on board the tidy little steamer "Maid of Orleans" yesterday:—The Island is a beautiful, a very beautiful place and well worth the trouble of a visit; Quebec I don't think I could be induced to go outside of its surroundings in search of beautiful scenery."

The principal local event of the week has been the celebration of the

GOLDEN JUBILEE.

of Right Rev. Monsignor Deziel, P. P. of Levis, opposite this city, by the people of that place. Monsignor Deziel was born at Maskinonge on the 21st May, 1806, and was ordained on the 5th September, 1830, when he was appointed vicar of Riviere du Loup, transferred to Gentilly in 1831, and to his native parish in 1832. In 1835, he was appointed vicar of St. Patrick's of Riviere du Loup (on base), transferred to St. Pierre-le-Bequet in 1838 and to St. Joseph of Levis in 1843. In 1852, on the formation of the parish of Notre Dame de Levis, he was appointed its first curé, a position which he has continued to fill up to the present time, to the great advantage of his people. He has always taken an active part in the welfare of the town and to him it is in a large measure indebted for its splendid church, its college, its convent and other cognate institutions. He was amongst those who actively and vigorously pressed the direction of the parish of 1847. Some months since he was nominated to an honorary position in the Papal household which entitles him to his present dignified title. In 1865, he made a voyage to Europe for the benefit of his health. His reception by his parishioners on his return was a most gratifying one. In order to allow his conferees of the clergy who finished their annual retreat in this city on Tuesday the celebration of the anniversary has been anticipated somewhat.

The programme of the proceedings commenced on Tuesday afternoon, at 2.30, when the clergy proceeded in a body to the Hospital of St. Joseph, and there was another meeting in the College of Levis at 7 o'clock. There was a splendid display of fireworks in front of the College at 8.30 and a general illumination of the town on 9 o'clock. On Wednesday morning, the solemn Mass of thanksgiving was celebrated in the parish church by Mgr. Deziel, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Beaulieu and Deziel as deacon and sub-deacon. His Grace the Archbishop delivered the sermon. A choir consisting of a hundred and twenty voices under the direction of Mr. McNeil, sang, chanted the Royal Mass, harmonized by Mr. G. Gagnon. After Mass addresses from the parishioners of Levis, through Hon. Mr. Blanchet, speaker of the Commons, the parishes of St. Joseph, St. David, St. Pierre, Maskinonge and the Union St. Joseph, respectively, were presented. At one o'clock, a banquet was given to the clergy in the hall of the college. At 6.30 a choir of over one hundred voices sang in the open air a *cantata* composed in honor of the occasion by Mr. N. Legendre and set to music by Mr. McNeil. His Grace the Archbishop was present on Wednesday, as also were their Lordships the Bishops of Rimouski and Three Rivers and Monsignor Cazeau, V. G. Amongst others of the clergy present was Rev. Leandre Bussard, of the diocese of Montreal, who has also attained his fiftieth year in the Priesthood, and who occupied a seat near the Altar in the Abbey and Cope. Mgr. Deziel has received a number of presents.

TAKING THE WHITE VEIL.

At the Ursuline Monastery on Tuesday afternoon two young ladies made their preliminary vows and received the white veil and habit of the order at the hands of Right Reverend Monsignor Cazeau, V. G. Miss Coote, daughter of Mr. John Coote, of this city—in religion, Rev. Mother St. Ursula, and Miss Amanda Lacasse, daughter of Mr. Napoleon Lacasse, Professor in Laval Normal School, in religion, Mother St. Mary.

ligion, Reverend Mother Mary of the Presentation. The latter young lady graduated at the Ursulines in 1879, and on that occasion received the "crown of honor." Two lay sisters also made their vows at the same time. There were a number of clergymen present, including Rev. George Drolet, P. P. of St. Columba; Rev. Mr. Audet, Chaplain of Jesus-Mary Convent; Rev. Mr. Lacasse, brother of Mother Presentation; Rev. Mr. Lemoine, Chaplain of the Ursulines; Rev. Doctor Blais, and many others. The chapel was crowded with the friends and relatives of the newly received religious, and also a large number of American tourists now in town who seemed to be very much interested in what was to them, no doubt, a novel scene. Appropriate hymns and psalms were sung during the ceremony by the nuns; the chanting of the *Veni Creator Spiritus* whilst the newly professed lay prostrate on the ground, covered with the black mantle of the Order, was particularly impressive. The ceremony was particularly impressive.

AT THE SISTERS OF CHARITY CHURCH. On Sunday, the community mass in the beautiful chapel was celebrated with great pomp at six o'clock. The Blessed Sacrament was exposed and a grand musical service performed by the Rev. Sisters stationed in the organ loft. The chapel was densely crowded. It was the close of the annual retreat.

RELIGIOUS MISSION. The Rev. Fathers Hamon and Desy, S. J., left town on Friday evening for Old Orchard, in the State of Maine, for the purpose of preaching a mission to a colony of French-Canadians—some five thousand—who are located there. It has been stated that the famous "Bishop" McManara or some of his gang have been trying their hand in this locality.

OLD LANDMARKS REMOVED.

During the past week, Mrs. Green, (nee Johnson,) widow of Mr. Thomas Green, and aunt of Mr. James A. Green, surveyor of Customs, and an old resident of Quebec departed this life at the advanced age of seventy-two. Her funeral took place on Monday morning. The remains were conveyed to the *chapelle des morts*, attached to St. Roch's Church, where they were received by Rev. D. Gosselin and brought to the church. Mass was sung by Rev. Mr. Sexton, after which the *libera* was chanted, presided over by Rev. Mr. O'Leary, of the University. The interment took place at St. Patrick's (Woodfield) cemetery, in presence of a large and respectable assemblage of friends. Rev. Mr. Sexton having said the last prayers. Deceased as well as her late two brothers and sister were conveyed to Holy Church. The remains of Mr. C. F. Farnham, and arrived in this city about 1820. Another old resident, Mrs. McSweeney (nee Byrne), wife of Mr. D. McSweeney, Professor in Laval Normal School, departed this life on Tuesday. Her interment takes place to-morrow morning.

ARRIVAL OF THE FLEET.

The flag ship "Northampton" now in commission for the first time, and carrying the flag of Vice Admiral Sir F. Leopold McClintock, of Arctic fame, attended by H. M. S. "Blanche" and H. M. S. "Forster" arrived in port last evening. The "Northampton" is an armor plated screw vessel and carries four 18-ton guns and eight 12-ton guns. She is 7,323 tons, and 6,000 horse power. The *Ram*, a heavy triangular plate, terminates in a sharp point eleven feet in advance of the stem and is supported by two side plates three inches thick. The "Blanche" is a 12-gun screw corvette, 1,755 tons and 2,150 horse power. The "Forster" is a four-gun screw composite gunboat, 455 tons and 480 horse power. The Admiral and suite visited the flag ship this forenoon, and the visit was returned by His Excellency the Governor. The Admiral and suite were met by the General and the Mayor and City Councilors and principal civic officials also paid their respects on board the ship. The Commodore General of Spain, France and Belgium also visited and were received with salutes due to their respective places.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Rev. Mr. Marois, Master of Ceremonies of the Archdiocese, who has been suffering from typhoid fever, is now at the General Hospital, in a convalescent state.

The Dominion Government has purchased from the late proprietor, a number of the houses and other buildings at the foot of the cliff beneath Dufferin Terrace, which have been declared unsafe for habitation. Hon. John Hearn is negotiating the purchase on behalf of the Government. General Laard has been here during the week. He inspected A Battery on Monday when they went through a number of evolutions on the Esplanade. He has also inspected the 17th battalion of Levis, as well as the armories and forts both at Levis and in this city.

According to the *Chronicle* there is at present before the Recorder's Court an individual claiming that he is *too little* to be admitted to the Assessment Board, and praying that the Assessment Board be amended by altering his rental—*from forty-one dollars* to *fourteen dollars*. He is said to be a lawyer. He has been quite an excitement in the City over the fact of the Police Board, composed of the Mayor, the Police Magistrate and the Recorder having voted themselves, and claimed a salary of five hundred dollars, per annum, each.

The men of the Fire Brigade held their first annual sports and games yesterday, on the Thistle Lacrosse grounds. There was a fair attendance, and considering it was their first essay, everything went off very well. The programme was a very full one and there were several handsome prizes. A wire was laid to the ground from the central station in case of an alarm. The men were called away once for a burning chimney.

It is said that in consequence of the continued illness of Rev. Mr. Tremblay, curé of Beauport, near this city, and on the road to the parish of *La Pointe St. Anne*, the Redemptorist fathers of the latter parish have been placed temporarily in charge of the former.

His Excellency the Governor-General goes to Ottawa to present the Dominion Rifle Association prizes on the 9th September. He will subsequently return to Quebec, and leave for Montreal on Thursday morning, 21st September. On Friday, 24th September, he will arrive in Hamilton. Those are His Excellency's movements so far as arranged.

There is said to be now ready for publication a very interesting and well-written

historical romance, by an Irish gentleman, who, although in a great measure self-taught, is, as now, distinguished himself in days gone by as a lecturer before local societies, and as an essayist of no mean order.

MR. MICHAEL J. MURPHY, Editor of the chess column of the *Quebec Chronicle*, has lately published a poem descriptive of a set-to at the Royal game, which is very highly spoken of by the *Montreal Spectator* and other papers. An occasional. Quebec, September 2nd, 1880.

CAYUGA LETTER.

PIC-NIC AND CONCERT.

On Wednesday, the 25th of August, a picnic and concert were held in the agricultural grounds, Cayuga, in aid of the funds of St. Stephen's Church of that town. As the weather proved rather inclement during the morning, the committee decided to hold the picnic in the afternoon which turned out more favorable than had been anticipated. Accordingly about one o'clock p. m., the people began to hasten to the grounds, the ladies arranged their tempting refreshments, and the various games at once commenced. The lacrosse match between the Pinare and Cayuga clubs was well contested, and resulted in favor of the latter. For this match, a special prize was given. The foot races also drew attention. These were hotly contested, and silver medals awarded to the winners. The Cayuga brass band discoursed some sweet airs, and so enlivened the proceedings.

At eight p. m., the concert commenced. Some of the best local and foreign talent viz. Messrs. Achon, Cayuga, Miss Anna McMahon, Suspension Bridge, Niagara County, New York, Miss Kate Murty, Paris, Messrs. Filgiano and M. J. Walsh, Hamilton, and Dr. McCargon, Caledonia, were engaged for the programme of the evening.

The entertainment opened with piano solo, "Believe me if all those endearing young charms," by Miss Anna McMahon. This piece she played in artistic style, showing at once refined taste, softness of touch, and uncommon musical culture. Miss McMahon, it may be remarked, received part of her education from the Ladies of Loretto in the beautiful convent at "Niagara Falls," and graduated in their Institution at Hamilton; and she is only one of the hundreds of pupils of Loretto who have distinguished themselves in their march through society by their superior training, deep piety, and noble character.

Miss Kate Murty then sang, "When 'tis Moonlight" in good style, and received a hearty "encore" which she acknowledged by a bow. Mr. M. J. Walsh followed with, "I fear no foe," which he well rendered, and again called forth the plaudits of the audience. The next piece on the programme was, "When the Tide comes in," which was sung in brilliant style by Miss Anna McMahon, who received an enthusiastic "encore," and a bouquet of flowers as an appreciation of her vocal ability. Miss McMahon possesses a rich soft voice, so soprano, and is remarkable for sweetness and culture. It is not too much to say that she may reasonably expect a bright future for her instrumental and vocal talents. Dr. McCargon then amused the audience with "Jack O'Hazelard," which was well received, frequent bursts of laughter greeted the words. Miss Lizzie Achon followed with a pretty solo, "What's that song you're singing?" Miss Achon possesses a good voice, and with more cultivation will become a favorite and successful vocalist. Dr. Filgiano next appeared with "La Marseillaise," which was well rendered, and this time was received with the usual marks of appreciation. During intermission the Rev. Father Maddigan made a few happy remarks on music, and some witty observations on a few of the pieces of the programme.

The second part opened with "Robin Alair," which was well sung by Dr. McCargon. Miss Kate Murty followed with "Barst ye apple buds," which she effectively rendered and elicited the warm applause of the audience. Being compelled to re-appear she sang "Rosalee" in good style, which was duly acknowledged. A duet—"March in No. 50," by Messrs. Murphy and Mason, came next on the programme. Both these young ladies possess musical ability, and with more study and application may bid fair to become successful pianists. Miss Lizzie Achon then gave the solo "In happy moments," which was well rendered by Mr. Walsh. Miss McMahon then appeared and gave the gem of the evening: "The Blue Alsatian Mountains," which was a masterpiece of effort, and had the due effect of bringing down the house. On re-appearing, she played and sang a "Melody" which again elicited the hearty applause of the audience, who once more manifested their appreciation by a second bouquet of flowers. Dr. Filgiano finished up with the "Low back car," and after a few complimentary remarks by the pastor, the Rev. M. J. Cleary, the audience, amounting to about five hundred, left for their homes well pleased with the evening entertainment.

VERITAS.

GODERICH LETTER.

The Messrs. Young, of Kintail, who left Goderich for Ireland, have just returned after an absence of six weeks. Mr. Charles Young, being in delicate health, thought that a change of air would be beneficial to him, and he would cross the briny deep, and visit the miraculous Church at Knock, and remain among the pious people for two nights, in prayer, and was rewarded on the second night of his vigil by the sight of the Blessed Virgin alone standing over the altar, but the view was more indistinct than that witnessed by many others. He brought photographs of the church, and of the altar with the apparition, also some of the cement. He speaks in very high terms of the Venerable Archdeacon Kavanagh, and had the pleasure of meeting him. The Venerable Archdeacon was happy to think that we in Canada have a true belief in the miracles wrought at Knock. Mr. Young feels very much strengthened, and says that the cures are wonderful.

Mr. John Doyle, son of James Doyle,

Esq., has returned to Assumption College, Sandwich, at which place he won so many honors at the midsummer examinations. Mr. Chas. McManus has also returned.

C. M. B. A. NOTES.

THE BENEFICIARY ASSESSMENTS.

The most important benefit to be derived from a membership in the C. M. B. A. is the Beneficiary payment of two thousand dollars.

The rules and regulations for the government of the Beneficiary department of the C. M. B. A. are conducted on the strictest business principles. The C. M. B. A. promises to pay its benefits upon certain conditions to be carefully and strictly observed and performed by each of its members; who when joining a Branch, take upon themselves in the most solemn manner the obligations requisite to enable the C. M. B. A. to perform precisely what it agrees to do. They do this voluntarily.

Members in joining do not confer any favor on the C. M. B. A. The advantages are all on the side of the member. For a small payment made at certain irregular intervals during lifetime, each member who has at his death the sum required on deposit in his Branch Treasury and is not in arrears, obtains for any survivor he may see proper to name the sum of \$2,000. Should he be in arrears with one or more death calls unpaid, his survivor would not be entitled to any benefit.

The advantages are mutual to all members alike, but that the benefits be realized mutually all must contribute mutually. This could hardly be said to take place unless every member alike deposits the dues payable at each call promptly without exceeding the limit of twenty days allowed after the date of notice.

Each member on joining a Branch deposits on entering the sum of \$1.00 (\$1.10 in advance, which sum remains in the Branch Treasury until the first death occurs in the C. M. B. A., after the date of admission of such member, when it, together with the deposits of every other member of the branch, is forwarded at once to pay the beneficiary for the deceased member of that call, and each member is immediately notified to replace the same within twenty days, failing which, every member so failing becomes suspended by his own action or negligence; loses all claim to the benefits of the C. M. B. A., and depends entirely upon the kindness and mercy of God to spare his life until he can make amends by paying up his arrears, if the branch will allow him to do so and re-instate him in full membership.

Remember this brethren of the C. M. B. A. No Financial Secretary has a right to receive the beneficiary dues from any member after the expiration of the twenty days named in the notice of assessments sent to each member at each death call.

Failure of a member to pay each and every call separately, as they fall due, within the specified time, tends greatly to the ruin of the branch, and may result in such suspended members from full payment of arrears.

If members expect their survivors to receive the benefits, they must necessarily be prompt and exact in performing their own obligations.

It would be worse than useless to have contributed for a number of years to the C. M. B. A. to find death overtaking us at last with one or more death calls unpaid. Justice to fellow members requires that every member keep the obligations he took upon himself at his initiation.

Seemingly, would work similar results.

That the few negligent members which are found in some of the Branches would consider well the risks they run by their neglect in this respect, and it is not the men who are the least able generally, but the contrary, those who are amongst the ablest who so carelessly take such risks.

Let them reflect then seriously, that the C. M. B. A. must be conducted on principles of fairness, and justice, with promptness, and exactitude; and that it is impossible to do so unless its members are one and all men possessing such qualities in a high degree.

H. W. DEAR.

Official notice is hereby given of the death of the following named brothers, who were at the time of their death entitled to all the benefits of the Association: Deaths No. 16 and 17, Assessment No. 10. N. Y., died 25th June, aged 44 years, John F. Goetz of Branch No. 13, Buffalo, N. Y., died July 4th, aged 29 years. The beneficiary due on the death of Bro. Kerly will be paid by surplus. One Assessment required. Be prompt in remitting.

Rev. P. T. Meagher, a member of St. Mary's Branch, No. 1, Paducah, Ky., died of apoplexy at Cairo, Ill., while on a visit Aug. 2, 1880, aged 35 years. Deceased was a priest of the Order of Mount Carmel, a man of rare ability, greatly loved and sincerely mourned by all who knew him. He was the principal mover in organizing the Branch, its Spiritual Director and first Vice-President, attending the meetings regularly and taking a deep interest in the working of the order.

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Buffalo, August 19th, 1880. Received of John Kraus, Jr., Financial Secretary of St. Louis Branch, No. 16, Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, the sum of \$2,000, being amount in full due me by said Association upon the death of my husband Anthony Killinger. MARY KILLINGER, Administratrix.

Witnesses: John Kraus, Jr., Fin. Sec., No. 15; Peter Paul, Chancellor, Br. No. 15.

[Mrs. Killinger desires to thank the members of several Branches of Buffalo, for their great kindness to her in the dark hour of her affliction.]

Mr. W. H. Mallock, who answers the question "Is life worth living?" in the negative for all who are outside the Catholic Church—including himself—was engaged to meet Emily Jenkinson. His engagement has, however, just been broken off—the young lady having become the fiancée of the Count Latorza. Mr. Mallock has himself a sister who is a convert to the Church, also an uncle, the late Mr. Froude, who lived at or near Torquay.

A grand monument to Pius IX., in the form of his statue, little less than twice the size of life, has been by private subscription erected in Milan Cathedral.