

## Taken at our Word.

E. C. D.

Before the tabernacle, full of fervor,  
And all aglow with love's sweet urgency,  
We bow our happy heads, and pleading murmur:  
"Oh! Heart of Jesus, draw us close to Thee!"

The words are said, the sigh to heaven wafted,  
We quit the golden atmosphere of prayer:  
And all around is cold and dark and rapid,  
The shadow of the cross is everywhere.

The shadow in us, the cross itself keeps pressing  
Our worn and wounded shoulders, night and day.  
And every sensible delight and blessing  
From our troubled lives, seems swept away.

Where are they now, the light, the glow that heated  
The peaceful soul with love's glad ecstasy?  
Are there crushed hearts the happy ones that pleaded  
"Sweet Heart of Jesus! draw us close to Thee!"

A whisper thro' the dark 'so close, so tender,  
We tremble at the sweet, complaining sound:  
"Oh! who can ever reach My Heart's deep centre  
But thro' the thorns that wrap it round and round?"

"A cross is planted on its fiery summit,  
The blood is gushing from its wounded base,  
The heart that nestles closest to My bosom  
Must bleed and suffer most in My embrace.

"For it is written: Love must reign in anguish,  
And triumph in profound humility,  
(In bitterest abjection, live and languish)  
Before it can rejoice in unity!"

"So be it," we respond, and pressing nearer,  
We thrust our bleeding hearts upon the thorns:  
In blood and tears the Sacred Heart grows dearer,  
And love rejoices even while it mourns.

## Weekly Retrospect.

As the month of the Sacred Heart is just at its close, we publish the following beautiful lines composed by a friend in England, as a fitting tribute to the sweet devotion of the past month, and may be an incentive to offer a perpetual lamp in some of our sanctuaries:

## OFFERING TO THE SACRED HEART OF A PERPETUAL LAMP.

In honour of Thy Heart, O Jesus!  
That pledge to us of love Divine,  
A little lamp here burns before Thee,  
A constant prayer at this Thy shrine.

Accept and bless it, O my Jesus!  
While hour by hour the live-long day—  
Fit token of our humble pleadings—  
Keeps gentle watch its flickering ray.

But most of all in silent night,  
When seeks repose our wearied frame,  
Be supplicant to plead our cause,  
At this bright lamp the burning flame.

And with its rays accept, sweet Jesus,  
Of our poor heart each pulse and beat:  
In union with Thy own Heart's throbbings,  
May ours, too, thro'—Thine Heart to greet.

For sad neglect and profanation  
Unto Thy Heart we would atone;  
Jesus! our contrite hearts disdain not,  
Our past transgressions, Lord, we own.

Conversion it will plead for sinners,  
To persevere—of graces best—  
And comfort, blessing for the dying,  
For suffering souls "eternal rest."

Amen, sweet Jesus, one special blessing  
For each this roof beneath I pray—  
Friends far and near, loved ones and children  
Hide thou within Thy Heart away.

C. M. S.

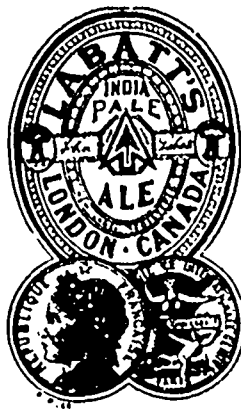
May our hearts be "perpetual lamps" burning with love for the Sacred Heart of our Lord.

The excessive heat of the past week has been such that even the Editor's sanctum has been made almost past endurance. Just fancy an Editor succumbing to the heat and just before an election too, by the time this number of the REGISTER is out, all the anxiety regarding Ontario will be laid at rest and for four years more, peace and quietness, we hope, will prevail. The poor Editors will have recovered from the heat of the elections, but not of Father Sol, we're afraid.

## The Flower of the Holy Ghost.

A strange and beautiful flower in Panama is known as the Espiritu Santo. There rests upon its heart a snow white dove—pure, perfect, exquisite—with gently opened wings, the very image of meekness and holiness. Mary the Lily of Israel, is the true "Flor del Espiritu Santo." This wondrous blossom is but a feeble image of her whose purity lured the Eternal dove from Heaven.

An election for the post of solicitor to the Limerick Market Trustees, rendered vacant by the death of the late Mr. P. S. Connolly, was held on May 30th, at the Chamber of Commerce, resulting in the return of Mr. H. Blackall.

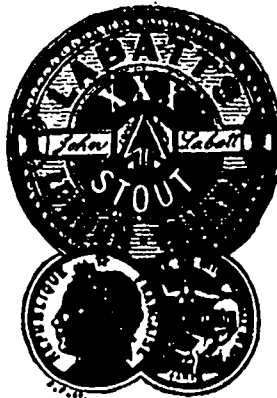


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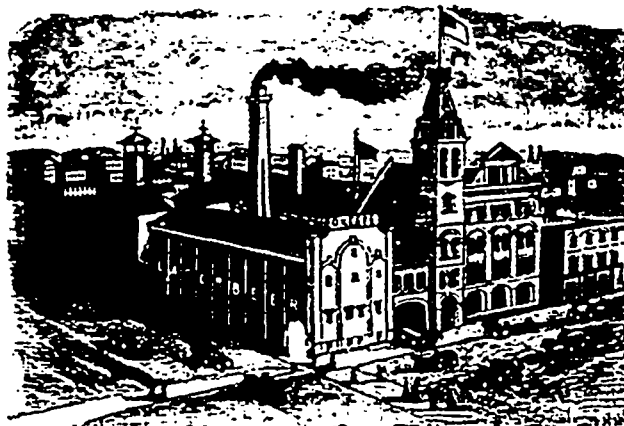
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O. and Q. Railway.....	7.45 8.00	7.35 7.40
G. T. R. West.....	7.30 3.25	12.40pm 8.00
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Midland .....	7.30 3.35	12.30pm 9.30
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G. W. R. ....	a.m. p.m. 1.m. p.m.	
	noon 9.00 2.00	
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	6.30 4.00 10.30 8.20	
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U. S. N. Y. ....	6.30 12.00 n 8.00 5.45	
	4.00 10.30 1.00	
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