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In and Around Toronto

HOLY FAMILY PARISH.

At the Church of the Holy Family on Sunday afternoon a branch of the St. Vincent de Paul Society was formed. Its organization was under the direction of Rev. Father Coyle, parish priest, and Mr. Seitz, President of the Particular Council was present and explained the objects and workings of the Association. Mr. J. J. Murphy, who has done so much for the work and for those who possess it is intended, was also present and addressed the meeting. The attendance of the men of the parish was good and the new conference promises to be one of the best in the city. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, T. J. Ford; Vice-President, M. P. Dougherty; Treasurer, P. Temple; Secretary, J. W. McCabe.

DEATH OF SISTER M. FELICITAS.

At St. Joseph's Convent on Feb. 25th, at 4.30 p.m., the death occurred of Sister Mary Felicitas, and the funeral took place on Monday morning from the convent chapel to the plot of the community in St. Michael's Cemetery. Sister Felicitas, whose name in the world was Coogan, and whose relatives resided in New York, was in the 67th year of her age and the 50th of life in the community. During this long term in religion she had been stationed at many of the outside missions, but for a number of years in the latter part of her life had been infirmarian at the Academy. In this office she had much opportunity for employing the patience and sweet charity which always characterized her, and which, together with an extraordinary zeal in the service of our Divine Lord, and a particular solicitude for those placed in her charge, made her an object of love to those with whom she came in contact. To her example and solicitude many owe the gift of faith, and that her reward is now great may be readily expected. At the funeral mass of requiem Rev. A. Demouchel, C.S.B., was the celebrant, Rev. Father Murray, C.S.B., deacon, and Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald, sub-deacon. Others in the sanctuary were Very Rev. Marjion, C.S.B., Very Rev. Barrett, C.S.S.R., and Rev. Fathers Williams, Stuble, Frachon, Burke and Kelly. May she rest in peace.

CONCERT AT HOUSE OF PROVIDENCE.

A very delightful concert was given by Miss Jessie Macnab and her pupils at the House of Providence on Saturday afternoon. Ald. S. A. Jones occupied the chair. Miss Macnab's vocal solo, "The Little Shamrock," was beautifully rendered and received a hearty encore. Miss Macnab was assisted by Miss Annie McKay, accompanist; Miss Ronald and Little Miss Apte, whose Scotch and Irish dances were most gracefully executed. The nurses of the Nursing-at-Home Mission, Hayter street, rendered a chorus.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CONCERT.

The concert of the Hibernians to be held in Massey Music Hall on St. Patrick's night promises to afford some hours of unalloyed enjoyment. The programme is now published and the names of the entertainers speak for the high character of the entertainment. The artists are as follows: Miss Angela Tone Breen, Miss Agnes Curran, Miss Nellie Corbett, Mrs. Annie Hargreaves, Mr. F. V. McGuire, Mr. Arthur J. Leitbense, Mr. E. A. Cartan, Mr. Bert Harvey and Master John E. Glynn. Hon. Judge O'Neill, Rev. St. Louis, is the speaker and it is expected that the Hall will be packed in honor of the day and of the distinguished visitor from across the line. The tickets, which are at one price throughout the hall, may be exchanged for reserved seat coupons at Massey Hall box office on and after 14th March.

BANQUET TO HON. JUDGE O'NEILL RYAN.

The Hibernians of Toronto will tender a banquet to Hon. Judge O'Neill Ryan of St. Louis, Mo., on Friday evening, March 17th. Tickets for same may be procured from any member of the Order in the city. The Hon. Judge, who is to be the speaker at the annual entertainment held on St. Patrick's Day by the Hibernians, is one of the most noted orators on the continent, and the Hibernians of Toronto will avail themselves of the opportunity which a banquet affords to express their appreciation of his talents and of his services in the Irish cause.

J. MACKLE MAKES THE SPEAKER'S CHAIR.

There is at present on exhibition at 538 Yonge street, a magnificent piece of work, executed by Mr. J. Mackle, who has just opened up business at the above address. It is the Speaker's chair for the chamber of the Legislative Assembly at the parliament buildings and will be used by the new speaker, Mr. St. John, on the occasion of the opening of the House. The order for the work was given by the old government to Rogers Furnishing Co., but this firm going out of the retail business, the order was handed over for completion to Mr. Mackle. The frame is of hand-carved mahogany, rising at the back in a triangular form with lions at the corners and a shield with the maple leaf finely carved as the centre-piece. The upholstery, beautifully executed, is in green Morocco leather, finished with brass nails, a foot-stool in keeping, makes the set complete. Mr. Mackle was for twenty-five years with the Rogers Co., during ten of which he did the finest work in the upholstering department. He has finished some of the finest dwell-

Bishop Scollard's Consecration

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1881, and would recall with gratitude, pleasure and pride, the great man's zeal, energy, self-sacrifice and devotion to God. In 1887 his Lordship Bishop Dowling took charge and continued the work for two years. His successor, his Lordship Bishop O'Connor, had long borne the burden and heat of the day, in season and out of season, laboring to keep pace with the rapid development of that country forming the new See, as well as building up churches and stations forming the diocese. The new Bishop succeeded worthy prelates in the Church of God. It was a high honor to be called to the position of Bishop, becoming an ambassador of Christ, a pontiff chosen from among men to perform things which pertained to God. But while a Bishop received many honors his position was, as St. Augustine said, very laborious and also dangerous. It was necessary for him as a protector of the lambs of the fold to know well the great eternal truths, and the speaker emphasized the necessity for highest realization of the fact that education without religion could not properly be called such, and it was his duty to oppose all influences which tended to separate the one from the other thus robbing the little ones of their rights.

CITIZENSHIP.

His Lordship stated that a Bishop did not cease to become a citizen. If the history of Canada proves anything, it proves clearly that among the best and most loyal citizens of the country, were the bishops of the Catholic Church. He necessarily becomes an object of hatred to the prince of darkness, yet he knew not the spirit of fear, but ever continued zealous in the promotion of all good work.

THE NEW BISHOP.

Referring to the new Bishop, the speaker said that he was no stranger here but had been born and brought up in the neighboring parish of Ennismore, and three years of his priestly life was spent in Peterborough. He was then sent to the parish of North Bay, where he had labored with great zeal and success up to the present time, and now he had been given a wider and more difficult field as a Bishop of God's church. With devotion to the ministry, his knowledge of the needs of the people, his entire reliance upon the Providence of God, he would accomplish great things in the future as he had in the past. While the office of Bishop was necessarily a difficult one, all would admit that it became doubly difficult when beginning in a new See. It was not easy to lay broad and deep the foundation and to build up institutions with slender resources. Yet it was God's work and He would make the burden light and would help the new Bishop when the storms of difficulty beat across his path.

RECEPTION OF FRIENDS AND ADDRESSES.

In the afternoon at 3 o'clock Bishop Scollard held an informal reception of his friends in the vestry. Amongst those present were his father and mother, two brothers and two sisters. The parents of the new Bishop, though of course delighted at the honor that had come to their son, bore themselves without any exterior marks of elevation. The father, a respected farmer of the neighborhood, has the simple and direct manner which is always admirable and the mother despite the fact that she has a son, old enough to be a bishop, still retains the dark auburn hair and medium figure of a woman in early life. After the kissing of the ring and a few words amongst the old friends, the scene was transferred to the church, where the addresses were received and replies given. The following beautiful address from the priests of Peterborough Diocese was most impressively and beautifully read by Rev. Father Kelly of Douro, in whose church Bishop Scollard had received his first lessons in catechism:

To the Right Rev. D. J. Scollard, Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.:

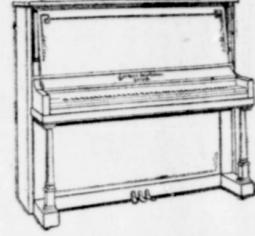
May it please your Lordship,—We, the priests of the Diocese of Peterborough, your former associates, and co-laborers in the great work of saving souls, deem it an honor, alike to ourselves, to our diocese and to our beloved Bishop, that one of our own number should be chosen by Almighty God for the exalted and responsible position of Chief Pastor of this large, so important, and so promising a portion of the Lord's Vineyard.

Gladly, therefore, do we avail ourselves of this opportunity, to testify to your Lordship, our deep appreciation of the many priestly virtues, which have won for you such high distinction, and at the same time to offer you our sincere congratulations on our elevation to the Episcopacy. Amongst the priests of the Diocese, all of them are proud to be with you to-day, some bear upon their faces the marks of time and labor, others, like your Lordship, have reached the prime of life, with scarcely a visible trace of their years of active service, while others again, have merely entered upon the sacred functions of the Holy Priesthood. But My Lord, whether hoary with years, or in the full vigor of useful manhood, or novices in the work of the ministry, there is but one heart among us all, and that heart is filled with gratitude and thanksgiving to God, for the inestimable graces and blessings He has been pleased to bestow upon you to-day. For the past fourteen years you

maker of the mayor's chair at the city hall. He is one of the six sons of the well-known Mackle family, some of whom are entertainers in the musical line; he was a member of the old St. Atholons Club and of the Mary's parish, though now of St. Francis. Mr. Mackle will be glad to see his friends at his new place of business and have them inspect his latest work, the Speaker's chair.

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But, My Lord, while we are willing to concede to your own personal endeavors, a large meed of praise for the great work you have been able to accomplish, and especially for the recent honors, which have been bestowed upon you, still we cannot help feeling that at least a portion of that praise and honor is due to your aged parents and venerable old pastor, whose good example, careful instruction and sterling advice laid deep and broad that foundation of piety, whose pious prayers have so often interceded for you before the Throne of Grace, and whose hearts to-day are filled to overflowing with thanksgiving and gratitude to the giver of all good gifts.

To them, as to Your Lordship, we tender our most sincere and heartfelt congratulations, praying at the same time, that Almighty God may continue to bless and assist you in the sublime work of the Episcopacy. As a token of the many priestly virtues, and as a tribute to our respect for the exalted dignity to which you have attained, and set you to accept this Chalice and Set of Crucets, trusting they may serve to remind you at the Holy Sacrifice of the many faithful friends and admirers in the Parish of Ennismore, who are proud to call you their own.

Signed on behalf of the priests,

- J. BROWN, V.G. W. J. CASEY, Archdeacon. W. J. McCOLL, Rector. W. J. KELLY, P.P. E. H. MURRAY, P.P. P. CONWAY, P.P. M. F. FITZPATRICK, P.P. M. J. O'BRIEN.

After the reading of the address from the priests of the diocese of Peterborough, an address was read in French by Rev. Father Langlois, S.J., representing the new diocese.

In replying to the priests of Peterborough his Lordship Bishop Scollard spoke in highly appreciative terms of the beauty of the address and of the generous present by which it was accompanied. In presenting them they had felt sure, separated the man from the dignity and offered to the former that which was only due to the latter. He had no idea that he held so warm a place in the hearts of the priests of Peterborough, a diocese with which it cost him a good deal to sever his connection. At the close the Bishop was visibly affected.

Replying to the new diocese Bishop Scollard spoke both in French and English, thanking them for the sentiments expressed and for the magnificent Crozier by which they were accompanied. We had, he said, of late heard much about building up New Ontario, but our watchword was "colonize and Catholicize New Ontario." This does not mean that we are to go out and make converts from other religions, though we may do some of this too, but let us send there Catholic settlers from the south and from the United States, and if necessary do as they did in the old diocese of Quebec, stretch out even across the broad Atlantic and bring hither settlers to gather round and build up the Catholic centres of New Ontario.

An address was then read from admirers representing the Knights of Columbus in Ottawa, Toronto and elsewhere. The following signatures were appended and most of their owners took part in the presentation: Hon. C. Fitzpatrick, Hon. John Costigan, Hon. F. R. Latchford, Chas. McCool, M.P., Nipissing, M. J. Gorman, K.C., M.P., Davis, Ottawa; Chas. Murray, Ottawa; Chev. John Heany, Ottawa; J. E. McCall, M. J. Haney, Toronto; W. Power, M.P., and Thos. Murphy, ex-M.P. This address was accompanied by a handsome unctional cross and chain of gold studded with jewels. In replying to this address His Lordship seemed almost overwhelmed, and said as before that in their desire to do honor to the dignity that had come to him, they had invested his humble person, with the virtues and gifts which rightly belonged to the office.

FIRST BISHOP OF SAULT STE. MARIE.

The "Examiner" of Peterborough gives the following sketch of the new Bishop:

Rt. Rev. David Joseph Scollard, D. D., Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie, is the son of Mr. John Scollard, and Catherine O'Connor, his wife, of Ennismore, and was born in that township on November 4th, 1862. He is 42 years old, a more than usually early age to be elevated to the dignity of a prelate and prince of the Church. The fact of his having been taken from the ranks of the simple priesthood, without having received the intermediate ecclesiastical dignities, is a striking practical tribute to his worth and work. He received his secular education in the public school of his native township, and at St. Michael's College, Toronto, and his religious education and training in the Grand Seminary, Montreal. He was in all respects a good student. During his six years at St. Michael's College he took the gold medal for philosophy. He went to the Grand Seminary in September, 1887, and in his second year he took the degree of B.D., in his third year became Licentiate in Theology, and is now ex-officio D.D. by virtue of his elevation to the episcopal chair. He was ordained priest by His Lordship Bishop O'Connor, at St. Martin's church, Ennismore, on Dec. 21st, 1890. After serving six years, or till February, 1896, at St. Peter's Cathedral, he was appointed, eight years ago, parish priest to the important parish of North Bay, where he has since labored with great zeal and corresponding success. Last summer he completed at North Bay a large eight room school, and has a splendid new church costing \$50,000, now well on the way to completion. It is built of Longford stone, and is an imposing church structure. Rev. Father Scollard is highly esteemed by his brother clergy for his piety and zeal. He is an indefatigable worker and has always been held in affectionate reverence by the people amongst whom he has labored. He has excellent qualifications for his high office. His parish and his diocese have a mixed population, and he is able to preach in both the French and English languages. He has, to a marked degree, other qualifications fitting him admirably for his high office. He is endowed with the somewhat prosaic, but at the same time, rare gift, of good common sense, excellent administrative and business ability and great tact. Altogether he is a man of well balanced mind, and with his piety, physical energy and indomitable zeal, is admirably qualified to discharge the exacting duties of the high and holy trust to which he has been advanced. The Examiner would join his host of friends and admirers in Peterborough in congratulations to himself, his family, this community and the Church, upon the fact that a man and a priest, so abundantly worthy from a human point of view, has been selected from amongst the native citizenship of this country, as first Bishop of the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie.

NOTES FROM THE PASTORAL LETTER.

The following paragraphs from the pastoral letter of His Lordship Bishop O'Connor, when announcing the elevation of Bishop Scollard, are of interest in connection with the consecration. Our Holy Father Pius X. has been graciously pleased to grant our request, and has erected the new Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, which comprises the western part of Nipissing District, the Districts of Algoma and Thunder Bay, including Manitoulin and St. Joseph Islands. This new Diocese extends from North Bay west about 800 miles to the eastern limit of the Rainy River District, whilst the Diocese of Peterborough will comprise the Counties of Northumberland, Durham, Peterborough and Victoria, and the Districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound. The Catholic population of the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie is about 27,000, with 35 priests and 64 churches, whilst the Catholic population of what will henceforth constitute the Diocese of Peterborough is about 24,000, with 29 priests and 45 churches. Thus the new Diocese will contain a larger extent of territory and also a greater number of priests to attend to the spiritual welfare of the people. Our Holy Father Pius X. has selected as Bishop of this new diocese the Right Rev. David Joseph Scollard, pastor of the flourishing parish of North Bay. For several years he was our secretary and chancellor, and discharged the duties of these offices with marked ability and fidelity. During the past few years he has proved himself a most zealous and energetic pastor, whose labors have been blessed with much fruit and great success. The faithful

of the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie will find in their new Bishop a kind and loving father, who will be ever ready to encourage them in their undertakings and sympathize with them in their trials. We part with one of our devoted and gifted priests, a true friend who has ever been loyal to his Church and obedient to his Bishop.

The severing of the happy and intimate ties that bound us to the faithful of the new Diocese causes a pang of regret, and our heart is deeply moved at the thought of bidding farewell to this part of our beloved flock. However, as the separation is for the greater advancement of God's Church, and the promotion of religion, we willingly make the sacrifice of our personal feelings.

NOTES ON PETERBOROUGH.

The visitors were entertained at dinner by His Lordship the Bishop of Peterborough. A large hall had been prepared in the convent opposite the church, and here four long tables were laid for the hundred or so guests. The walls had been hung with bunting and flags of many nations, by Turner, decorator of the town, and the tables looked exceedingly inviting under the artistic superintending of Cater Long. The bishops' table at the head of the apartment was decorated profusely with roses, while potted plants and foliage were mingled with the substantial viands and dainties with which the other tables, running lengthwise of the hall, were laden. Owing to the length of the morning ceremonies no speeches were made with the exception of a few words from the host, Bishop O'Connor.

The people of the town showed every hospitality to those from outside. Carriages awaited the priests on the arrival of the trains and took them off to the different homes of the parishioners, who had willingly opened their doors to give them welcome and to entertain them during their stay. The representative of the Catholic Register also received every courtesy and kindness. The many old friends of Bishop O'Connor of Peterborough will be glad to learn that His Lordship is looking well and that time in passing rests upon him but lightly. His cheeks are still as ruddy and his hair as free from the hoary touch as when in the years gone by he was regarded so lovingly and proudly as "Our Dean." The simplicity and natural dignity which were his long before the purple came to embellish them, still surround him, and the smile of welcome for an old friend comes as readily to his lips as in the olden days. "Ad multos annos" is the wish of all for Peterborough's grand bishop.

A pleasing feature in connection with the late consecration was the hearty and spontaneous will with which the brother priests entered into the work of doing honor to their confere. Rev. Doctor O'Brien, Secretary to the Bishop of Peterborough, must have done herculean work in the preparation and on the day of the event he was at the call and beck of everyone, and yet throughout he preserved his equanimity, and was urbane and attentive to every corner. Rev. Father McColl, the parish priest, was here and there and everywhere, his eye lighting always on the thing to be done. Like a loving elder brother to the new Bishop as the Bishop of Peterborough during the ceremonies for under the occasion an observer might easily note the anxiety to assist from a human point of view, and to help and relieve Bishop Scollard in every way possible on the trying though joyful day of his consecration. A somewhat curious thing to witness was the sudden and complete transition of him, who was the chief subject of the day's proceedings. Before the ceremonies a simple priest, at the end invested with ring and crozier, he made the tour of the church in all confidence as an accredited prelate, while his late companions knelt readily almost spontaneously to receive his benediction.

St. Peter's Cathedral is of grey stone and seems capable of seating between eight and nine hundred. It makes a good appearance and the interior has a good deal of the work in the form of large medallions of the Evangelists and Saints Peter and Patrick painted on the ceiling. It also contains many statues and a fine stained glass window erected by Rev. Fr. Phelan of Young's Point, in memory of his father and mother. The altars are attended by the Sisters of St. Joseph. The illumination of the private houses by electric lights is a striking feature of the town. In addition to the brilliant light within a great many houses have an outside light, which tends to give the streets a bright and most cheerful appearance.

The Canadian North-West

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the North-west Territories, excepting 8 and 26, which has not been homesteaded, or reserved to provide wood lots for settlers, or for other purposes, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

ENTRY

Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the District in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the Local Agent for the district in which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of \$10 is charged for a homestead entry.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES

A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plans:

- (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years. (2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother. (3) If a settler was entitled to and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead. (4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land. The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same township or an adjoining or cornering township.

A settler who avails himself of the provisions of Clauses (2), (3) or (4) must cultivate 30 acres of his homestead, or substitute 20 head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 80 acres substantially fenced.

The privilege of a second entry is restricted by law to those settlers only who completed the duties upon their first homesteads to entitle them to patent on or before the 2nd June, 1889.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled, and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT

Should be made at the end of the three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of his intention to do so.

INFORMATION

Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg, or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the North-west Territories information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing lands to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa; the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba; or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or the North-west Territories.

W. W. CORY, Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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