

NOTES FROM THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF THE CITY.

ST. PATRICK'S PILGRIMAGE.

Arrangements have been completed for the annual pilgrimage to St. Anne de Beaupre, under the patronage of the clergy of St. Patrick's Church. The Beaupre has been chartered for the 15th July next, and a banner crowd is expected. The pilgrimage will be under the direction of Father Killoran.

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH.

At high Mass last Sunday, Rev. Father Thomas Heffernan was heard at his best. The subject was the Apostolicity of the Church, which the reverend gentleman clearly proved in its origin, in its doctrine and its pastors. When Christ was on earth the people saw Him and heard His doctrine, but as He was not to stay on earth forever, it was necessary that He should in some way perpetuate His work. In the year 34, when twelve persons were assembled together in the Cenacle at Jerusalem, the Holy Ghost appeared and the visible Church was formed. Our Saviour spoke to His Disciples and commended them to "Go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world." There is no other church which has the four marks of the true Church except the Holy Catholic Church, and she alone is the one true Church. The Church has taught in every age and in every clime, the same doctrine, and will continue to do so until the end of time, for Christ will be with His Church until the consummation of the world.

In conclusion he said that Catholics should often thank God that they were in the fold of the true Church. It often appeared when trials and troubles arose Christ hid Himself, but as was told in the Gospel of the day, it was only for a while.

"Thus every age has proved the promised Word, First pledged to man by Truth's unerring Lord, Against my Church the impious powers of hell shall not prevail."

ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH.

The Forty Hours' devotion was opened on Monday morning. Rev. Father Donnelly, P.P., St. Anthony's, was the celebrant of the Mass. Rev. Father Singleton, St. Agnes, as deacon, and Rev. Father Fahey as sub-deacon. The devotion closed on Wednesday morning.

The Juvenile Total Abstinence and Benefit Society will hold their regular monthly meeting on Sunday afternoon.

The Catholic Order of Foresters received Holy Communion in a body at the early Mass on Sunday last. Rev. Father O'Meara preached the sermon.

Rev. Father Fahey, who was visiting at Sherrington, is again at St. Gabriel's.

ST. MARY'S PARISH.

On Sunday evening, Rev. Father G. O'Bryan, S.J., opened the mission for the ladies. Next Sunday evening the men's mission will be opened.

AT THE FRANCISCAN CHURCH.

Rev. Father Wulstan, O.F.M., preached on Sunday afternoon at the monthly meeting of the ladies' branch of the Third Order. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament closed the proceedings.

ST. HENRI RETREAT.

The closing of the retreat for the English-speaking people took place on Sunday evening.

At the conclusion of the retreat, Rev. Father Decarie, P.P., St. Henri, addressed a few words to the large congregation. He told them they should get to work and try to form an English-speaking parish, and that if they were successful, the new congregation could have the basement of St. Henri Church until such time as a new church could be built.

SPOKE FEELINGLY TO THE CHILDREN.

Rev. Abbe Corbell, the new pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Richmond street, gave a short instruction to the children of the parish at the 9 o'clock Mass on Sunday last. He spoke feelingly to them, telling them to be good, to be pure, and to be obedient to their teachers, whether in

religious or secular, for both were doing their best for them. He cited the example of St. John, who, on account of his purity, was allowed by our Saviour to rest his head on His bosom. He asked the prayers of the younger portion of the flock so that God would bless his labors in the parish.

FIRST COMMUNION AT ST. ANTHONY'S.

Saturday, May 13th, the children of St. Anthony's parish will make their First Communion. In the afternoon of the same date His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

GENERAL CHAPTER TO BE HELD IN BELGIUM.

Representatives of the Brothers of the Christian Schools are about to assemble from different parts of the world in which the Order is established at Belgium, for the purpose of holding a general chapter for the benefit of the Order. The representatives of Canada will be Rev. Brother Edward of Mary, Provincial; Rev. Brothers Malachy, Edward and Gemel Martyr, visitors.

THE NEW PASTOR OF ST. LOUIS DE FRANCE.

Rev. Abbe Belanger, the new pastor of St. Louis de France, was inducted as pastor and as successor to the late Rev. Abbe Bourassa, on Sunday. The new pastor felt honored that His Grace the Archbishop had appointed him to such an important parish as that of St. Louis de France.

Farewell to Faithful Worker of Temperance.

Tuesday evening a happy gathering of the members of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society took place at their hall. The occasion was to show in a suitable manner some recognition of the faithful services of a brother member, Mr. W. Alcock, one who had labored long and well, in season and out of season, for the progress both numerically and financially of the cause of total abstinence in the ranks of the oldest temperance society in North America, that of St. Patrick's. The President, Mr. J. H. Kelly, presided, assisted by Rev. Father Killoran, spiritual director, and the other officers. Mr. Kelly, in opening the proceedings, stated the object of the gathering, and said that the society was about to lose the services of an esteemed member and very active worker. They could not let him depart without thanking him for his valuable services, and also give a memento to remind him of his fellow associates of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society. The Secretary, Mr. D'Arcy Kelly, then read the following address:

"We, the undersigned, on behalf of the members of our Society, desire to present Mr. W. Alcock with a slight token of our appreciation for the valuable services he has rendered our society, and pray you to accept the accompanying memento as emblematic of our esteem. Whilst sincerely regretting the departure of our worthy fellow-member from our midst, our regret is tempered by the knowledge that his decision is taken in furtherance of his interests, and that no matter how great the distance that separates, he is always assured of a warm place in the hearts of the members of old St. Patrick's. In thanking Mr. Alcock for the unselfish devotion he has always manifested, we unite in wishing him and his family every success and prosperity in their new home."

(Signed)
REV. JAMES KILLORAN, Spiritual Director.
J. H. Kelly, President.
J. D'ARCY KELLY, Sec.

The address was beautifully illuminated. It was the work of Mr. W. J. Berrigan, a member of the society.

The president presented Mr. Alcock with a set of carvers enclosed in a magnificent case, bearing the following inscription on a silver plate:

"Presented to Mr. W. Alcock, by the members of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society."

Mr. Alcock made a happy reply, thanking the members for their great kindness in presenting him with such a beautiful address and souvenir. Speeches were made by Rev. Father Killoran, Messrs. Costigan, Gunning, Walsh, Doyle, O'Donnell, J. McCaffrey, Milloy and the officers, all praising the zeal of Mr. Alcock in the cause of the advancement of good old St. Patrick's.

Mr. Alcock takes up his new home at Vernon, B.C., and the members of St. Patrick's T. A. & B. Society wish him bon voyage and every successful result will follow.

GENERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST AROUND THE CITY.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The distribution of prizes to the successful scholars of the night schools will be held on Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the hall of the Montcalm School, corner of St. Hubert and Demontigny streets. Hon. Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec, will preside.

BRANCH 26, C.M.B.A.

Easter Monday night, Branch 26, C.M.B.A., will hold a grand euchar and social in the King's Hall. Every effort is being made by those in charge to have the affair a grand success. The committees in charge of the events are as follows:

Chairman, Chancellor J. J. Costigan; secretary, Bro. W. J. McDonald; treasurer, Chancellor W. A. Hodgson and President Kennedy.

Reception—Chancellors P. Reynolds, W. Eagan, F. J. Curran, P. J. D'Arcy, M. Sharley, A. D. McGillis, F. J. Sears, W. F. Wall, Hon. Dr. Guerin, Hon. Mr. Justice Curran and Dr. H. J. Harrison.

Music—Brothers W. Palmer, J. T. Stevens, E. J. Lynch, R. J. Dolan, and J. W. Kelly.

Euchre—Brothers J. H. Maider, J. E. Conway, J. E. N. Nagle, J. D. McGillis and P. J. D'Arcy.

Refreshments—Brothers W. F. Wall, B. Tansey, J. M. Kennedy, J. A. Hartenstein, J. Walsh, J. P. Dooley, L. R. Stevens and W. J. McGillis.

Austrian Prelate in Ottawa.

Mgr. Vay, of Haya, Austria, is in Ottawa enquiring into the prospects of immigration. He is staying at the Basilica.

A.O.H. Supports Appointment of Ald. Walsh to Provincial Cabinet.

At a convention of the County Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, representing the various divisions in Hochelaga County, resolutions were unanimously adopted favoring the appointment of Ald. M. J. Walsh, M.P.P., to a seat in the Provincial Cabinet, claiming this honor as a right by precedent, and the fact that Ald. Walsh has the confidence of and represents, both as alderman and member of the Provincial Legislature, one of the most influential constituencies in the Province.

PRESIDENT OF THE LACROSSE UNION.

Saturday's meeting of the Lacrosse Union was remarkable for its brevity and its unanimity on all motions. Mr. Thomas O'Connell, the veteran captain of the Shamrock lacrosse team, was the choice for President. Mr. Wm. Foran, Ottawa's lacrosse enthusiast, was named first vice-president, and Mr. Mercier, of the Nationals, second vice-president. The Caughnawaga team will play exhibition games with some of the senior teams in order to prove their worth for admission into senior ranks next season. The following schedule was adopted, and it will be seen that the old time rivals, Shamrocks and Capitals, will come together four times during the season.

May 27—Capital at Shamrock.
June 3—National at Montreal.
June 8—Cornwall at Capital.
June 10—Montreal at Shamrock.
June 17—Cornwall at Shamrock.
June 24—Capital at National.
July 1—National at Cornwall.
July 1—Shamrock at Ottawa.
July 8—Cornwall at Montreal.
July 15—Montreal at Capital.
July 15—Shamrock at National.
July 22—Capital at Cornwall.
July 29—National at Shamrock.
August 5—National at Capital.
August 5—Shamrock at Montreal.
August 12—Cornwall at National.
August 19—Shamrock at Cornwall.
August 19—Capital at Montreal.
August 26—Shamrock at Capital.
August 26—Montreal at Cornwall.
Sept. 2 or 4—Montreal at National.
Sept. 9—Capital at Shamrock.

For the Welfare of Mankind

A gathering of Church and State assembled on last Friday evening, at the residence of His Worship Mayor Laporte, for the purpose of discussing the social evil of Montreal as dealt with recently in a report by Mr. Justice Taschereau.

The chief object of the conference was to enable the heads of departments at the City Hall to exchange views with representatives members of the Bench, and clergymen of the city, and it is expected that important results will follow.

Those present were: Archbishop Bruchesi, Mr. Justice Taschereau, Rev. Hugh Pedley, Rev. Mr. Symonds, Rev. Father Luche, Judge Choquet, Mr. Recorder Weir, Mr. Recorder Poirier, Judge Sicotte, City Attorney Ethier, Chief Campeau, Ald. St. Denis, chairman of the Police Committee; Ald. Vallieres, chairman of the Finance Committee; Ald. Gallery, M.P., and Ald. Walsh, M.L.A.; Dr. Lecavalier, Mr. F. X. Perras, deputy clerk of the Recorder's Court; Mr. Rene Bauset, assistant City Clerk.

It is hoped that a similar conference will be held with delegates from the total abstinence bodies of the city to adopt ways and means of fighting the liquor traffic. Such a move would greatly tend to lessen the evils of intemperance, which is holding sway in the Metropolis of Canada.

OUR TEMPERANCE SOCIETIES ACTIVE.

Sunday afternoon, St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society held a largely attended meeting at St. Patrick's Hall, St. Alexander street. The date of the annual excursion was fixed for Thursday, August 3rd, and a special committee volunteered to lend assistance to the regular committee to make the affair a success.

A communication was read from St. Gabriel's Total Abstinence Society, referring to the motion passed last Sunday at the monthly meeting, of holding a convention, and thanking the members of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society for their hearty support in the matter. Mr. W. J. O'Donnell was heartily in accord with the holding of a convention, and as one of the members of the convention a few years ago, spoke of the good they accomplished. Mr. Easton said that there was quite a lot of work for the convention to do. Mr. W. P. Doyle was glad to see the members take such an interest in the affair. Time and again the question had been brought before the meeting, but no definite action was taken.

Mr. J. J. Costigan was in perfect harmony with the move. Being secretary of the former convention, he could speak from experience. The conventions of old had accomplished much, and he would be glad to see them in working order again, and would give the secretary of the convention valuable information regarding the transaction of its business. Mr. R. J. Louis Cudihy said that the resolution of holding such a convention was carried unanimously at the last meeting of St. Gabriel's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society. A committee of five was formed and waited on the Rev. Father O'Meara, pastor of St. Gabriel's Church, who promised to consult the pastor of the two Irish parishes where temperance organizations were formed. "We read," said the speaker, "that church and state assembled a few nights ago, to discuss ways to remedy the social evil. We must admit that there are many deaths from contact with live wires in our city and elsewhere. There are many 'live wires' in Montreal that carry moral ruin to young and old both night and day. The official hand of Montreal has at last been raised to warn unfortunate humanity against contact with the 'live wires' of immorality, but it behooves the temperance organizations in our midst to check the traffic in the vicinity of the death-dealing electric fluid of the liquor traffic, which is destroying thousands." Mr. T. Ahern thought it would be wise to invite the members of St. Peter's Total Abstinence Society to assist at the convention.

Mr. John McCaffrey was pleased to favor the move for a convention, but would like if some member would read an essay dealing in detail with the scope of the work, so that the members would know exactly the workings of such a convention.

A committee of five was then named by the chairman as follows: Messrs. M. J. O'Donnell, W. P. Doyle, J. J. Costigan, John Walsh and J. P. Gunning, who will confer with St. Gabriel's committee for future plans.

At St. Ann's on Sunday afternoon a very largely attended meeting, Mr. E. J. Colfer brought the matter of a convention before the meeting, and a lengthy debate followed. The matter will be placed before the spiritual director of the Society, Rev. Father McPhail, C.S.S.R.

The following total abstinence societies have been asked to co-operate in the movement: St. Patrick's, St. Ann's, St. Peter's, St. Gabriel's, Juvenile, and also the Canadian Association of Social Economy.

Every kind word said, every kind deed done, makes the whole world better and gladder.

REDEMPTORIST FATHERS,

Of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., Give a Most Successful Mission at St. Michael's Church.

The new Church of St. Michael's, Boucher and St. Denis streets, which has recently been opened and blessed for the English-speaking Catholics of the neighborhood, is this week the scene of unusual spiritual activity. The Rev. Pastor, Father Kiernan, had contemplated this mission as a means of uniting and solidifying the members of his scattered congregation. His scheme has been rewarded with unprecedented success. Three different exercises are being conducted daily. The first Mass and instruction for working people is held at 5 a.m.; the second at 8.30. The evening services, 7.30 p.m., consisting of the recitation of the beads, a short instruction to the people, a sermon on the eternal truths, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament conclude the services of the day.

The large congregations attending morning and evening devotions prove conclusively the timely need of a parish for the English-speaking people of this vicinity. A week's mission is also being conducted for the children of the parish who are over ten years of age. About 150 children attend the exercises twice a day.

The Fathers conducting the mission are Rev. Stephen L. Connolly and George A. Mylett. Both these gentlemen are natives of Quebec, and belong to two of the oldest and most respected Irish Catholic families in the Ancient Capital. The good pastor, as well as the Rev. Fathers, are highly pleased and enthusiastic over the good attendance and devotion of the men and women of the parish. A rather sad incident happened before the opening of the mission. Father Joseph Hamel, who had been appointed to join Father Connolly in conducting the exercises at St. Michael's, received news on Saturday last of the death of his beloved father. He was obliged to return to Philadelphia to attend the funeral of his departed parent. We recommend this estimable Christian father to the prayers of the community.

The order of exercises for the rest of the mission will be:

Thursday—7.30 p.m.: The Last Day, Rev. S. L. Connolly.

Friday—5 a.m., The Bread of Life, Father Connolly; 8.30 a.m., Father Mylett; 7.30 p.m., Catholic Societies, Father Connolly; 8 p.m., The Stumbling Block, Father Mylett.

Saturday—5 a.m., Love of Neighbor, Father Mylett; 8.30 a.m., Father Connolly; 7.30 p.m., Importance of Prayer, Father Mylett.

Sunday—10.15, Solemn High Mass and singing of the sacred Passion; 7.30 p.m., Obedience to the Church, Father Connolly.

Monday—5 and 8.30 a.m., Sins of the Tongue, Father Connolly; 7.30 p.m., procession of children and sermon on Blessed Virgin Mary, Father Connolly.

Tuesday—5 and 8.30 a.m., Our Dear Departed Ones, Father Connolly; 7.30 p.m., Perseverance and solemn Benediction, Father Connolly.

A Week's Spiritual Retreat.

Last Sunday morning Father Cullen, C.S.S.R., of Saratoga, N.Y., delivered the opening address at the late Mass. He took for his text: "Which of you shall convince me of sin." After the preacher had extolled the human character of Christ, he depicted Him as standing in all His self-conscious innocence before a dishonest-hearted assembly of men who sought to entrap Him in His speech. Looking them straight in the eyes, He asked which of them could point out one flaw, or fault in His character. The preacher asked if Christ were to take His stand in every pulpit and on every platform before the vast congregations that throng the different churches all over the land, would He not find many whom He could convince and convict of sin, and as deserving of punishment as were the Jews. How many are there not, said the preacher, whose souls are irretrievably lost, and to whom may be applied the words of Holy Writ: "They have eyes, and see not; they have ears, and hear not." They drift along with the tide of an unthinking world, and are absorbed in their various pursuits, pausing at times to the whims and fancies of their lower appetites. The preacher expressed a hope that there were none such to be found among the parishioners of St. Patrick's parish, and that there should be but one such man in the parish, he hoped he would join

the men this evening in making this retreat.

In the evening Father Cullen spoke on spiritual blindness, taking for his text the words of the blind man mentioned in the Gospel: "Lord, that I may see." He pointed out the various classes of persons who are spiritually blind, and to what it leads in time and eternity.

On Monday evening Father Cullen spoke on spiritual death. There was not a vacant seat in the church. At each of the morning services there is a remarkably good attendance.

Father Crosby, of Saratoga, N.Y., came to assist Father Cullen. Father Crosby's zeal is manifest, and those who listened to him last Tuesday evening were much pleased. The retreat will terminate on next Sunday evening. Archbishop Bruchesi is expected to be present.

Rev. Martin Callaghan, pastor of St. Patrick's, is much pleased with the deep religious spirit which the men of St. Patrick's have manifested. The Rev. Dr. Luke Callaghan has done much to render the retreat a great success by calling personally on many of the men and by his encouraging words drew them to take an active interest in the retreat.

Seven priests are constantly engaged from five o'clock in the morning till ten at night in hearing confessions.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME.

The management of the Home have to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of a box of Copeo soap from the Fairbanks Company, as also the following donations in money: Hugh Gallagher, \$2; I. G. Fennell, St. Etienne street, \$3; Mrs. P. Gallery, Mrs. Meade, P. J. Gordon, W. Furlong, Joseph Sarasin, Buckingham, one dollar each; C. W. Pearson, Buckingham, \$10; Miss Woods, \$5; Miss Brown, Moate, Ireland, \$2; Miss Flanagan, Moate, Ireland; Mrs. Charles O'Donoghue, Ballinahone, Co. Athlone, Ireland; Miss Florence O'Donoghue, Glasheen, Ireland, five shillings each; Mr. P. Flanagan, Moate, Ireland, one sovereign. The following kind friends contributed to the light fund: Mrs. T. J. O'Neill and F. Bolger, St. Antoine street; Mrs. George, St. David's Place; I. G. Fennell, St. Etienne street; Mrs. W. Foley, Fournier ave.; Mrs. George Hayes, James Roach, Colborne street; John Vasey, St. Columban street, and Mrs. Fournier, Mrs. P. Kelly, of Bray's Crossing, proceeds of the sale of Father Holland's photograph, in all fifteen dollars, and is asking for more.

The Home is getting along well in its noble work, although several beds are unoccupied. The staff is giving great satisfaction, although more than what is sold is given away to the needy.

OBITUARY.

MR. MICHAEL FORAN.

At the residence of Mr. Jas. Kirwan, Quyon, on Sunday, March 26, there passed away from the effects of an attack of pneumonia, Mr. Michael Foran, in his 75th year.

The deceased, who was a thorough Irishman in his principles, warm-hearted, generous and charitable in fact, a man whom all trusted, was born in Co. Waterford, Ireland, on the banks of the Suir. He left his native land during the troubled times following the insurrection of 1848, crossed the Atlantic, and served in the ranks of the Federal army in the United States civil war, at the close of which he came to Canada, remaining a resident of this locality ever since.

Mr. Wm. Ryan, Mayor of Onslow, was funeral director. The pallbearers were Messrs. Wm. O'Reilly and Martin Kelly, Onslow; Wm. Foran, Aymer; Wm. Lunney, Paknam; Wm. McLean and P. Nolan, Quyon. After a solemn requiem Mass, offered by the Rev. Father Kiernan in St. Mary's Church, the funeral wended its way to Pontiac cemetery, where all that was mortal of kind old Michael Foran was laid to rest.

The writer asks all who believe in the communion of saints to offer a prayer for the repose of his soul.

He is the noble man who does noble deeds.

Love will always find work for willing hands to do.

The greatest gift we can bestow on others is a good example.

Good advice is more precious than gold; a tender word, a tear, a prayer.

Laughter opens more doors and wins more hearts than tears.