CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

A. O. H.

LADIES' AUXILIARY DIV. NO. 3.

To the editor of The Catholic Register.

A very pleasant and instructive evening was spent by the members and the many friends of the Ladies Auxiliary div. No 3, A.O.H. on last Tuesday evening in their hall, corner of Queen and Broadview avenue, the occasion being the installation of officers for the coming year. The ceremony was conducted by Mr. Hugh Kelly, president of Div. No. 3 in a very pleasing and impressive manner. The musical part of the programme was contributed by the following ladies and gentlemen:—Misses Dumphey, Brown, Isickson, McCabe, Mrs. Falvey and a juvenile quartette of club swingers composed of Misses O'Brien, Quigley and the two Misses Richardsons, and by Messrs. Roach, Conlon, Harris, O'Keefe and O'Reilly needless to say in a very satisfactory manner. But the treat of the evening was furnished by the Rev. Father Lynett, who in a splendid address brimful of the spirit of Irish patriotism, urged upon his hearers, the advantages to be gained by connecting themselves with such an organization as the Ancient Order of Hibernians reminding them of the fact that that society had sprung into existence in a time of dire necessity, when the Catholic faith was in danger of being exterminated in Ireland, when the Catholic priesthood, with a price upon their head were driven to some desolate ledge on the mountain side to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Those men had banded themselves together for the protection of their clergy and from those days until the present time the organization has continued to exist in Ireland, some 60 years ago its seeds were first transplanted to this side of the Atlantic, until now it is organized in every state of the Union, and in all the provinces of Canada. Miss Kelly, President of the Division, who is also provincial president of the Ladies Auxiliary also addressed the meeting, thanking the members for the honors they had conferred upon her in again electing her their president and asking for the hearty co-operation of all the members, that during the year their society may prosper and increase a thousand fold. Brief addresses were delivered by all the other officers of the Division after which the Ladies of No. 3, treated their visiting friends to a sumptous repast, which you may be sure was done ample justice to. At a late hour the meeting adjourned with the singing of Ireland's National Anthem and the hope expressed by all present that the new year may bring to the Ladies of No. 3 every success for which they crave and a reign of unexampled peace and prosperity to the old land for whose glory they unite.

C. M. B. A.

At the regular monthly meeting of Branch No. 9, C. M. B. A., Grand Council of Quebec, held in their hall, 1118 Notre Dame street, Montreal, the following officers were installed for 1897, by Grand Deputy Bro. James Meek and Chancellor Bro. P. Flannery; President, John Halpin; 1st Vice-President, R. P. Walsh; 2nd Vice-President, W. J. Brennen; Recording Secretary, M. F. Johnson; Assistant Recording Secretary, M. Shea; Treasurer, M. J. O'Flaherty; Financial Secretary, John O'Neil; Marshal; James Shaw; Guard, E. Lariot; Trustees, Bro. P. Flannery, A. Purcell, Geo. de Roach, delegates to Grand Council, Past Chancellor, Bro. H. Butler, Alternate President, Bro. John Halpin.

BRANCH NO. 10, MONTREAL.

At the regular meeting of Branch No. 10, C. M. B. A. (Quebec Grand Council), Grand Deputy Jas. Week, assisted by Chancellor Flannery, and President Lappin, of Branch No. 1 installed the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Michael Lynch; 1st Vice-President, Andrew Duggan; 2nd Vice-President, T. Mace; Recording Secretary, James McIver; Assistant Recording Secretary, J. J. Holland; Financial Secretary, M. J. Walsh; Treasurer, C. J. Flanagan; Marshal, J. Corbett; Guard, J. McCabe; Trustees, A. Duggan and T. F. Mace; representative to Grand Council, M. Lynch; alternate to Grand Council, M. J. Walsh.

BRANCH NO. 87, MONTREAL.

The new officers of Montreal Branch 87, C.M.B.A. have been installed by Grand Dupties P. A. Boucher and J. J. Costigan as follows: Spiritual Adviser, Rev. Father Lonergan, pastor St. Bridget's; Medical Adviser, Dr. Brossard; Chancellor, Bro. J. Courtois; President, Bro. Jos. Beland; 1st Vice President, Bro. Arthur Bourdon; 2nd Vice-President, Bro. Napoleon Gervais; Recording Secretary, Bro. J. E. Dugont; Assistant Secretary, Bro. Jos. McGuire; Financial Secretary, Bro. J. A. Deniger; Treasurer, Bro. A. Desjardins; Marshal, Bro. F. Martineau; Guard, Bro. Joseph Nadeau; Trustees, Bro. A. Bourdon, A. Depatie, Isidore Durocher, N. Gervais and Telesphore Gervais.

BRANCH NO. 148, MONTREAL

Grand Deputy Jos. Girard conducted the installation of Branch 148, Montreal at the hall of the branch, on Cadieux street, as follows: Spiritual Adviser, Rev. Father Lorocque; Medical Adviser, Dr. Dufresne; President, Bro. L. A. Primeau; 1st Vice-President, Bro. Dr. J. A. H. Dufresne; 2nd Vice-President, Bro. A. T. William; Recording Secretary, Bro. H. Kieffer, Assistant Secretary, Bro. J. L. E. Doray; Financial Secretary, Bro. F. X Desrosier; Treasurer, Bro. H. Lamy; Marshal, Bro. J. Desy; Guard, Bro Jos. Fournier, Trustees, Bros. B. Aubry, Alfred C. Lariviere, Jos. Panneton, O. Vinet and Nap. Theoret.

A Sodalists' Jubilee Supper.

The sodality jubilee celebration, of which a report was given in last week's REGISTER, concluded on Thursday evening with a supper at Loretto Academy Bond street. The class rooms had been converted into dining and reception rooms, and the arrangement was carried out with appropriate decorative detail To the supper and social evening the pastors of those parishes in which the sodality is flourishing, and the officers of the sister sodalities were invited. The invitations were sent out by the officers of the Cathedral branch. Father Ryan, rector of the Cathedral, the spiritual advisor of the celebrating sodality presided On his right he had Vicar-General McCann and on his left Father Brennan of St Basil's. Fathers Rohleder and Dollard were also present The regrets of His Grace the Archbishop for inability to be present were conveyed to the company. One hundred and twenty five in all sat down to supper. Felicitous speeches were made by Fathers Ryan, McCann and Brennan, and vocal and piano music was contributed by a dozen or more of the talented sodalists

Stereopticon Views of Ireland.

One of those delightful entertainments for which our citizens are frequently indebted to the Faculty of St. Michael's College, will be given in the large hall of that institution on Monday Feb. 15th. On this occasion Stereopticon Views of celebrated places in Ireland will be presented by the Rev. W. F. Dougherty of Syracuse, N.Y., with an explanatory lecture, which will be unusually interesting and instructive. The proceeds of the entertainment will be applied to the gymnasium in connection with the College, and we have no doubt that the hall will be filled to overflowing, as well to further the praiseworthy object, as to acknowledge the uniform courtesy of the Faculty of St. Michael's, who never fail to please at their charming literary, musical and dramatic reunions.

Praise for Mr Garland.

Our esteemed contemporary the Quebec Telegraph pays the following handsome compliment to a capable and worthy young Irishman:

"The Dunlop Tire Company has factories, not only branches or store depots, like other industries, in many parts of the world. One of its best and most prosperous is situated at 36 and 38 Lombard street, Toronto, where the manager is a young Irishman with a veteran head upon his shoulders. Mr. Richard Garland under a cover of sincere geniality, and all of an Irishman's good nature and hospitality, carries a world of wisdom, wisdom gathered by travel in many countries, and by rubbing shoulders with the best and smartest men, not only in his own trade, but in other lines of commerce. Naturally he knows a tire from the atom to the entire and back again. Naturally, too, he believes there is but one tire on the market, and that his own. And experience gives him cause for his opinion. His company were not only the original producers, but they had been three years in existence before any others were known. Having the largest capital, the largest business, and the cleverest men in their employ, to say nothing of the original inventor, they have naturally maintained their place in front. This is proven by the constant increase in trade, not only in Europe, but in America, in Australia, in South Africa, in short, wherever the bicycle is known. In Toronto the factory is very busy. The greater part of two large warehouses thrown into one is occupied, and shipments are made daily in large quantities to all parts of the country. The growth in popularity of the Dunlop is emphasized by the fact that it costs a trifle more than other tires. Wise people will always have the best, and without a reliable tire the whole pleasure of wheeling is lost.

St. Michael's Hospital Nurses.

The function of conferring diplomas upon the year's graduating class of nurses at St. Michael's Hospital was held on Monday evening. The Archbishop of Toronto, Most Rev. John Walsh presided, and presenting the medals and diplomas. Miss Amy Higgins delivered the valedictory address on behalf of herself and the other nurses, Miss S. Mulroy, Miss Esther Little, Miss McCready and Miss M. Milloy. Brief addresses of encouragement were made by Drs. Cameron, O'Reilly Nevitt, Ross and McMahon, and the Archbishop closed the proceedings with an address. Among those present were Rev F. Ryan, Rev. John Hunt, Rev. John Pearson, Messrs. Hugh Ryan, Thomas Long, John Long, J.D. Warde, Sir Frank Smith, Dr. McKeown and Dr. Chambers.

Boom in Gold Mines.

The talk on the streets now-a-days is principally of gold mines, not alone in British Columbia, but also in several places nearer home—in the Rainy River District, in Eastern Ontario, and even at our very doors on the heights of the Don. Undoubtedly there are fortunes in these mines for the lucky ones; and if the investor but strikes the right thing at the right time, his chances of becoming wealthy are assured. Of the ventures in this industry the Rossland Gold Mining Development and Investment Company—whose offices are at 114 Yonge street—has achieved a marked success. The par value of the Company's shares is set down at $1.00, and the selling price at 15c each, in blocks of 100 shares. Within a few weeks no less than 200 000 of these shares have been sold, and the sales are still rapid and increasing. We commend those intending to invest in the yellow product to see Mr. Fullerton, the Manager, who will be found at his office, 114 Yonge street, and who will be pleased to give all necessary information on the subject of gold-mining.

Gray-Merrick.

A very pretty but quiet wedding was celebrated in St. Michael's Cathedral Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, when Major Henry A. Gray, the well-known Government engineer, was united to Miss Norman A. Merrick, second daughter of the late J. D. Merrick, Sheriff of Prescott and Russell. Rev. Father Ryan, rector of St Michael's Cathedral, performed the ceremony. The bride was very prettily attired in a heliotrope travelling dress with white satin and mink trimmings and hat to match. She was attended by her sister, Miss Ethan Merrick, who wore a stylish dove grey costume edged with violet velvet and a handsome black velvet hat. Despite the fact that the wedding was so very quiet it was surprising how many friends were present at the church to witness the happy event. Major and Mrs. Gray left for an extended tour of the eastern States.

The North American Life.

People generally have not looked, during the past year, for fruitful yields from business, whether of a commercial or an industrial character; and the many stringencies and failures noticeable in 1896 were not, therefore, matters of surprise, however much to be regretted. But while trade was dull and profitless in the walks indicated, and not a few have felt the pinch of hard times, the Company named above has not only managed to pull through the vicissitudes of the past year, but has done so with a successful record which surpassed the most prosperous year of the North American's existence. The balance-sheet to 31st December shows cash income, $641,788; expenditure (including death claims, endowments, matured investment policies, profits and all other payments to policyholder's, $486,545; the assets go as high as $2,515,883; the reserve fund to $1,991,526; with net surplus for policy-holders so large as $421,546. A Company which, in the short space of twelve months, increases its assets by $215,315, and shows a total of insurance amounting to $17,494,107, may safely be said to have reached the goal of its ambition—the head place in the great class of leading Insurance institutions. This is a position which the Directors may reasonably be proud of; and while congratulating the Board upon the profits resulting from their sound business methods, we must not omit to bestow a good word on the Staff (notably Manager McCabe and Secretary Goldman) whose practical knowledge and experience of their work have been important factors in the marvelous progress made by the North American Life.

LATEST MARKETS.

TORONTO, Feb. 3, 1897.

The receipts of grain on the street were not large. Wheat is weak, barley is easy and very little hay and and straw are offering.

Wheat—Weak, 300 bushels selling 80c for white, 78 for red and 63½c for goose.

Barley—Easy, 300 bushels selling at 26c to 30c.

Oats—Easy, 500 bushels selling at 21c to 22c.

Peas—Steady, 300 bushels selling at 43c to 44c.

Hay and Straw—Five loads of hay sold at $13 to $14; six loads of straw brought $7 to $8.

Dressed Hogs—None were offered on the street this morning: price quotations continue firm at up to $5 60 for light and $4 50 for heavy.

White wheat	$0 80	$0 00
do red	0 78	0 00
do goose	0 63½	0 00
Peas	0 43	0 44
Buckwheat	0 32½	0 00
Rye	0 33	0 34
Oats	0 21	0 22
Barley	0 27	0 30
Hay	13 00	14 00
Straw	7 00	8 00
do loose	6 00	7 00
Eggs, new laid, dozen	0 18	0 19
Ducks	0 40	0 60
Butter, lb rolls	0 15	0 17
do tubs, dairy	0 11	0 12
Chickens	0 25	0 50
Turkeys	0 08	0 09
Geese	0 06	0 07
Potatoes	0 25	0 40
Dressed hogs	4 00	5 60
Beef, hindquarters	4 00	5 50
Lamb	6 50	7 50
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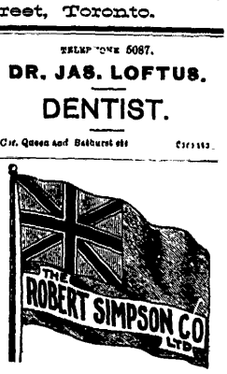

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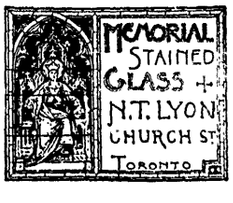
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