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THE SPECIAL WOMAN'S HOSPITAL AID EDITION OF THE REGINA LEADER

Part one of this interesting second instalment of the Regina ladies' journalistic work in aid of the hospital is profusely illustrated with portraits of Mr. J. M. Young, President of the Regina Victoria Hospital board. His Worship, Mayor McAra, Miss Pinkham, editor of the Woman's Hospital Aid edition of the Calgary Herald, Mrs. Cumberland, editor of the Woman's Hospital Aid edition of the Brandon Sun, Hon. David Laird, ex-Lieut.-Gov. of the Northwest Territories, and his deceased wife, Captain Pearce, commanding officer of the Regina Salvation Army, Countesses Minto, Aberdeen and Grey, Mrs. J. R. Marshall (Sandy Grant), and no less than thirteen Regina physicians. There are also three scenes illustrating Inauguration Day at Regina last summer, and a good view of Regina Victoria Hospital. The second page contains three unsigned editorials, doubtless due to the pen of the indefatigable editor, Mrs. Thos. Bennett, whose name, however, appears nowhere, although we happen to know that not only the editorial work of writing, procuring articles and selecting, but most of the managerial responsibility fell on her shoulders. Her first editorial on "Our position" concludes thus:

We as women have a natural diffidence about obtruding ourselves in politics of the municipal variety, but we see in the City of Regina a hospital building which we are compelled to confess, looks pretty small and insignificant beside the two fine edifices of Calgary or of Edmonton, and when we learn that it is often compelled to refuse accommodation to those sorely needing it, it appears to us, that if the people of our city will not voluntarily give out of their plenty enough to make adequate provision for their sick they should be made to, by ordinance.

Mrs. Bennett refrains from pointing out why the hospitals of Calgary and Edmonton are so far superior to the Regina building. But we know the reason. The others were established and are directed by Catholic nuns who require no salary and secure funds by begging for them, not by the roundabout and precarious methods of special newspaper editions.

We learn from the Editorial Notes that His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Forget, having the right to nominate one representative of his Province on the Tuberculosis Convention, of which Earl Grey is president, has conferred this distinction on Dr. Seymour of Regina.

Part two opens with a most interesting article by Madame Forget, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan, on "Disappearance of the Buffalo and the consequent starvation among the Indians." The author, whose portrait adorns the front page, describes, with vivid simplicity and realism, the anxiety she and her husband felt in 1878 at Battleford, when the Indians of that district, having discovered the disappearance of the buffalo from the western plains, congregated around the small government garrison, clamoring for food. The perils of this tragic situation—a small settlement at the mercy of warlike savages—were averted by the cool bravery and prudence of Governor Laird.

Mrs. William Bertrand, of Brandon, in "Our Western Country," admits that Regina is a good second to Brandon.

Part three contains portraits of the Regina pastors and views of their churches, among which St. Mary's Church, recently erected in Regina by the zealous pastor, Rev. Father Suffa, O.M.I., figures to advantage. Mrs. Mary Beneke writes entertainingly of the National Council of Women's doings and of the "Early History of Regina Hospital." Father Drummond contributes a thought-provoking article on "The Vocation of a Nurse." Mrs. McClung has a humorous skit on "The Blankville Ladies Aid Meeting," where little but gossip transpired. Mr. Frank E. Dorchester extols "Physical Education," and Miss M. M. Mahar, teacher in the Regina Catholic school, has a graceful bit of description, entitled

"Away down East," and fragrant with memories of Prince Edward Island.

Part four opens with reviews of "Books worth reading," the first of which very appropriately deals with a recently published Life of Florence Nightingale, who is still living at the age of 86 on the reputation of her heroism more than fifty years ago. Of course we Catholics can point to scores, nay hundreds of Sisters Superiors of military or other hospitals under circumstances as trying as those which confronted Miss Nightingale, and who continued to labor in poverty and humbleness till their death, without any of the comforts of her long and illustrious life; but our non-Catholic brethren are welcome to make the most of their few heroines. Consolingly and wisely according to her wont, our "Gena Macfarlane" protests against "Borrowing Trouble." "Hospitals for the insane," an original contribution, is evidently written by one who knows all about them, but who modestly refrains from signing his (or her) work. Mrs. Francis Malone describes, in an amusing way, "A Trip up Temiscamingue." Mrs. M. McLachlan insists on the importance of "Individual Influence." "Sandy Grant," the lively and sprightly Scotswoman, tells "My Dear Betty" all about the improvements in Regina, "and I want tae tell ye quietly that the Mayor and maist o' the Councillors are Scotchmen, and that accounts for a thoroughly alive toon." A clever little poem, "Cupid's Defence," is contributed by Mrs. Francis Malone.

Part five begins by booming the town of Lumsden, in the Qu'Appelle Valley, and gives six views of that promising centre. This last part of the Special Edition concludes with an article on "Municipal Enterprise in Regina, written by a prominent citizen," and with the "Report of the Chief Lady Superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses," outlining work done in 1905. These twenty pages of the Woman's Leader are filled with advertisements showing how generously the venture is patronized by Regina and Balgonie people.

St. Pie Letellier

At the last Sunday, Month of May devotions, the Reverend Father Allard, O.M.I., preached on the Immaculate Conception, and in closing exhorted Catholics carefully to abstain from selling or procuring liquor for the Indians and thus incurring the displeasure of God, besides breaking the law of the land.

Several young ladies were received into the Congregation of the Children of Mary.

On Monday, May 28, Miss Emma Boiteau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Annie Boiteau was united in matrimony to Mr. Ayotte, of St. Jean Baptiste. The pretty wedding was celebrated at Letellier, the parish priests of each of the celebrants being present. A large gathering took breakfast at the bride's home and further celebrations were carried on at St. Jean Baptiste in the evening.

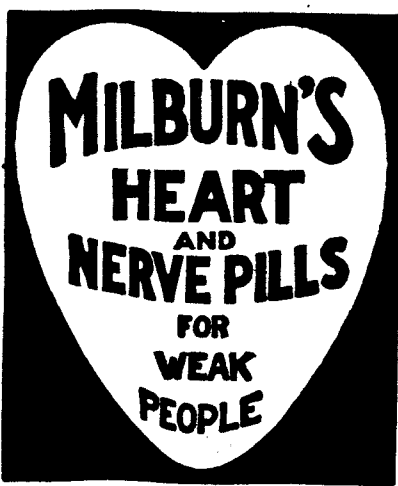
The devotion of the 40 hours will begin on the 14th of June at Letellier.

The ladies of Ste. Anne will have a handsome banner in time for the procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The Sisters at Letellier are making the same.

Father Jutras has been for some time preparing candidates for First Communion. The Children will have the happiness of receiving their God for the first time on the opening day of the Forty hours adoration.

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FIRST COMMUNION AT ST. MARY'S

(Free Press Evening News Bulletin, June 11)

Yesterday was the feast of the most Holy Trinity and it was celebrated at the Catholic churches of the city with special solemnity. An interesting incident of the day at St. Mary's church was the reception of their first Communion by 27 boys and 21 girls of the parish in the presence of a crowded congregation. This annual event is always one of the great occasions of the year in every parish and is looked forward to by young and old alike, and of course, especially by the youthful candidates who count it the happiest day of their lives. The class of children on this occasion was an exceptionally large one, and they had evidently, under the direction of their teachers and pastors prepared themselves with great care and devotion, each one giving unmistakable signs of being deeply impressed with the importance and solemnity of the step they were privileged to take. The first communicants were as follows:

Boys—Frank Russell, Clarence Bawlf, George Driscoll, Louis Fischer, Cletus Jobin, Bernard McManus, Louis Perkins, Harold Smith, Leo Cahill, John Antoine, George Bourke, Fred. Carey, Bernard Doherty, Frank Donovan, Walter Doyle, Albert Egan, Avila Faulkner, Robert Hoffee, Ernest Lacroix, Gerald McDonald, Arthur Meyers, George Murphy, John Myers, Arthur Nokes, Albert Patenaude, Edward Saunders, James Shannon.

Girls—Agnes Fischer, Angela Lane, Georgiana Perry, Constance Becker, Cecilia Shannon, Geraldine Sullivan, Marie Baby, Florence Pounds, Maggie Bennett, Louis Burke, Laura McLean, Evelyn Boney, Isabel Langton, Ettie Murphy, Eleanor Griffin, Lorena Cahill, Madeline Farney, Stella McKinnon, Mary McKinnon, Annie Meagher, Maggie Nagle.

The youthful communicants again assembled at the church in the evening and made a solemn renewal of their baptismal promises.

A very eloquent sermon was preached by Rev. Father Drummond, S.J., who spoke particularly of the decree recently issued by the pope recommending daily communions. He referred also to the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and paid a beautiful tribute to the memory of the late president of the League of the Sacred Heart, Mrs. J. J. Egan, whom they would always remember with love and sorrow. She was a most worthy president of that admirable society and when she was carried away so suddenly they all felt that when the summons came to them they would like their souls to be as well prepared as hers was. He touchingly addressed the first communicants and urged them to frequent communion.

During the day the choir rendered choral music and at the evening service Miss Rose Braniff sang a grand "Ave Maria."

We recently noted the introduction of Irish history into the Public Schools' curriculum of Boston. Now comes the news that at a meeting of the United Irish-American Societies, New York, recently, the Board of Regents of the State of New York decided that Irish history shall be one of the subjects for which credit marks are allowed at their examinations. This was done by changing the words "English History" to "the history of Great Britain and Ireland."

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