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"Christianus mihi nomen est, Catholicus vero Cognomen."—(Christian is my Name, but Catholic my Surname.)—St. Pacian, 4th Century.

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A Secret.

I saw a violet's face to-day
Peep out from 'neath a stone,
And kneeling close to it, I lay
My cheek against its own,

And whispered: "Tell me, little one,
With thy brave, tender face,
How could you struggle to the sun
In this ungracious place?

"An exile from thy kin and kith
To bear so brave a part!
How could you live, my sweet one, with
This stone upon your heart?

"Why doth the laughter in thine eyes
Bring sudden tears to mine?
Is't that I see an anguish wise,
Brave patience, dear, in thine?

"Thy sweetness—did the stone upon
Thy heart give this to thee?
Tell me the secret, little one,
I'll guard it lovingly."

The violet seemed to closer draw
My cheek amid the moss;
"The tenderest Face man ever saw
Looked out from 'neath a cross."

—Ada A. Mosher.

THE REV. DR. W. FLANNERY.

Editorial Correspondence of the CATHOLIC RECORD.

Wednesday, June 29, the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul, was a gala day in the city of St. Thomas, as on that day the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon the Rev. William Flannery, P. P. of that city. The Right Rev. Dr. O'Connor, Bishop of London, acting in the capacity of delegate of the University of Georgetown, Washington, D. C., conferred the distinction, a large number of priests being present, especially of this diocese; but Toronto and Hamilton were also well represented.

High Mass was sung at 10 o'clock a. m. in the Church of the Holy Angels by Rev. M. J. Brady, P. P. of Woodstock, assisted by Rev. P. Brennan, P. P. of St. Mary's, as deacon, Rev. J. P. Molphy, P. P. of Ingersoll, as subdeacon, and Rev. M. J. Tiernan rector of St. Peter's cathedral, London, and Chancellor of the diocese, as master of ceremonies.

During the Mass the choir rendered efficient service, the solos of Mrs. Hebert (organist), Miss T. Hughson, Miss Clarke, Miss Challut and Miss E. Challut being particularly noticeable and effective.

After Mass the Rev. W. Flannery made his formal profession of Faith, whereupon the Right Rev. Bishop O'Connor presented him with the ring and cap of a Doctor of Divinity.

The Very Rev. Dean Wagner then read the following address from the priests of the diocese of London:

To the Rev. Wm. Flannery, D. D., Pastor of St. Thomas, Ont.:

REV AND DEAR FATHER—It is with unfeigned pleasure your conferes, the priests of this diocese, have heard that the services you have rendered the Church, both by pen and tongue, have received a fitting recognition. For years you have been, in the pulpit and through the press, one of the foremost champions of the Church in the Dominion of Canada, and many a time has the enemy quailed under the lash of your powerful arguments, duly seasoned with keenest satire. Your latest achievement and decidedly most effective victory in the field of Christian Apologetics, was, undoubtedly, your irresistible campaign against the traducers and revilers of one of the most honored and honorable religious bodies in the Catholic Church—the great and world-famed Society of Jesus. In this instance you have truly surpassed yourself, and among all the defences uttered in the pulpit or presented through the public press yours has certainly won the palm. We are grateful to the good Fathers of the Society of Jesus for their acknowledgment of your labors in the defence of the rights of the Church in general, as well as of the masterly statement you have made to the English speaking world on this continent, of the claim of this society to be recognized as the strongest pillar and firmest bulwark of the holy Catholic Church. The title of Doctor of Divinity, bestowed upon you under unusual circumstances by the great Jesuit University of Georgetown, D. C., in recognition of your eminent services, as just enumerated, casts a lustre on the whole clergy of the diocese of London; and we are all happy to think that one of our number has legitimately won for himself the proud distinction. May you wear the honor for many years to come, and may it serve you as an incentive to continue the good and meritorious work of fighting the battles of our dear Lord's mystical spouse, the holy Church of God on earth!

In behalf of the priests of the diocese of London, Ont., Revs. E. B. Kilroy, D. D., J. T. Wagner, P.P., Dean, D. Cushing, J. P. Molphy, M. J. Brady, Jos. Bayard, P. Corcoran, M. J. Tiernan, Philip Brennan and N. Gahan.

An address of congratulation was then read by Mr. S. B. Pocock on behalf of the congregation of St. Thomas, and a purse of $300 was presented by Mr. J. S. Graney to the Rev. Dr:—

To the Reverend William Flannery, D. D.:

REVEREND DOCTOR—On this the occasion of your having conferred upon you the degree of Doctor of Divinity, we, your parishioners, deem it a fitting opportunity of publicly extending to you our sincere congratulations on the honor you have thus attained, and we also, at the present time, beg to recall to your memory a brief outline of your ministry in this parish.

When nearly twenty-two years ago you came here as pastor, the parish was small and the church old and decayed, but by your indefatigable energy, your tireless endeavors for the good of the people, and by your many acts of self-denial, you transformed the old church into the handsome structure it is now our privilege to worship in, and this by many privations and much hardship on your part. You have also purchased a large cemetery, and erected a fine brick convent and school-house, where our children can receive the blessings of a good religious and secular education; and, in speaking of these works of yours while amongst us, we cannot let the opportunity pass without adding our tribute of praise to your great administrative ability and skill as a financier in being able, through hard times, and in spite of many obstacles, to pay for all the structures we have mentioned as well as to keep them improved and repaired, costing in their construction, repair and improvement, at least $35,000, and it must now, after your many trials and hard labor, be gratifying to you to have no debt upon the church, school or cemetery, and to preside over a happy and contented flock. You have also established for the furtherance of the spiritual welfare of the people many societies that are productive of great good, among which we may mention, the League of the Sacred Heart, the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin, and, to assist the poor, the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Many families of the parish have much cause to thank you for your foresight in establishing the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, and the Catholic Benevolent Legion, in the city.

During all this period of more than a fifth of a century that you have been with us your life has been one of self-denial, Christian practice, zeal in the interests of God and His Church, ever ready in storm and sunshine, in the midnight darkness or noonday light to speed to the bedside of the dying to administer the last rites of the Church; your hand always open, and your substance given to the poor and needy, willing at all times to help by advice or otherwise any one coming to you for assistance, and living always a truly Christian life, as befits a minister of God. It is, therefore, no wonder that you are revered and loved by your parishioners, and by all who know you, and that you have thus won the respect, esteem and good-will of your fellow-men of all creeds. We may say that your life has been a series of good works. We know and feel that your many services to the Church, as journalist, controversialist and defender of the truth, should receive its just reward. The distinguished honor which has this day been conferred upon you is well deserved, and will be ably and worthily worn. The title fits the man, and the man honors the title. The degree is an evidence of your ability, learning, knowledge and Christian life. Your learning and talent are worthy of all honorable recognition. That these qualities in you have been so recognized, and that by the great Georgetown University which has this day added your name to its distinguished honor roll, is a source of much pride and pleasure to us, and we heartily congratulate you thereon. We beg of you to accept this small token of our esteem and good-will as a memory of this day, and we trust and hope that the God whom you have so well served will shower His blessings upon you and have you in His keeping, and that you will come back to us from your contemplated visit to the land of your birth, with recovered health and with a sure prospect of being able under His kind Providence to abide with us for many years to come.

Signed on behalf of the congregation of the parish of St. Thomas by J. F. Amyot, D. J. Donahoe, C. W. Regan, S. B. Pocock, D. Coughlin, J. S. Graney, Joseph Doyle, John Butler, D. Coughlin and Jno. King.

An address was then delivered by Mr. D. J. O'Donohoe on behalf of the League of the Sacred Heart. And the following by Mr. W. P. Reynolds in the name of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin:

VERY REV. AND DEAR FATHER—While on every side the voice of congratulation and joy is resounding—when people and priest and prelate have assembled to do "honor to whom honor is due"—shall not we, too, your children of the Sodality, who acknowledge with pleasure your claims upon our dutiful and affectionate regards, offer to you our little tribute of loving felicitations to swell the glad chorus that echoes around you to-day? Assuredly, for very delight we must speak out, though our words but imperfectly image what our hearts so warmly feel on this joyful, this happy, occasion.

Honor given to a father is honor given to his children. We therefore, in common with the other members of your spiritual family, who have so long experienced your paternal care—let us add your *kindly* paternal care—cannot choose but be glad that our dear Father has been so distinguished, while knowing and rejoicing in the knowledge that the honorable title conferred is not above the merit it comes to illustrate. The graceful action of the Georgetown University has but voiced the wish of all your people. Your scholarly abilities and high literary talents had already won for you an honored and distinguished name throughout the length and breadth of the land.

But it is not for this alone you can claim our admiration and esteem. We bear grateful testimony that, as our pastor, our spiritual director, you have endeared yourself to us all, and woven around your name a garland of affection that time shall be powerless to fade.

It has many times been objected that public addresses are mere conventionalities, or even flatteries, but in the present instance the objection does not hold, for—pardon us, dear Father, if we say or have said what we know your humility would have us forget—during the almost quarter of a century in which you have borne the burden and heats of the day in this portion of the Master's vineyard, you have been zealous for the spiritual and temporal welfare of all entrusted to your care; ever prompt when duty called; ever vigilant in the work of God; ever an unflinching champion in the cause of religion and right, proving in many a learned combat that "the pen is mightier than the sword"—mighty, indeed, for good when guided by the master mind and the fervent piety of him we so proudly call our pastor.

May we not, then, at least on this day, testify our veneration for you, our attachment to you?

And who, looking at your life's record, can have the temerity to say we gave utterance to mere formalities or customary flatteries? No, Very Rev. Father, ours is no lip loyalty; 'tis the expression of your children's affection—nothing more.

Be pleased to accept the offering we have made as an earnest of our filial devotion. The doctor's cap never rested on head more worthy to wear it.

Signed on behalf of the Sodality, Miss King, President; Miss Redmond, Vice-President; Miss Fitzgerald, Miss Murray, Miss M. Corbett.

This was followed by an address of the school children, which was beautifully read by Miss Rovie Reath:—

DEAR FATHER—May the school children, too, say how glad they are to see you so honored? They have sent me to tell you that they would wish the whole world to honor the dear, kind Father whom they so love and revere. They send you these flowers in token of their love, and whatever of good anyone has wished you to-day, all that they wish you, and a great deal more.

Dr. Flannery then made the following reply to the addresses:

MY LORD, REV. GENTLEMEN AND BELOVED BRETHREN—It is very difficult for me—as I am convinced it would be a subject of much difficulty for any one under the circumstances—to find suitable words that would adequately express my feelings of gratitude to you all on so solemn, and to myself personally, so trying an occasion. To you, my Lord, am I especially indebted for the honors this day conferred, and of which I feel so entirely undeserving. When it was intimated, without my knowledge, to Your Lordship that commendatory letters should be sent to the University by the Ordinary of the diocese, Your Lordship did not hesitate one moment to forward the necessary documents, accompanying them with an urgent request, that the honor of D. D. should be granted. Wherefore I consider Your Lordship, if not the prime mover of all this matter, as the one person to be especially thanked for the pleasure which both priests and people enjoy to-day, and for the dignity conferred on my unworthy self. But Your Lordship has been an old-time attached friend, and through good report or evil report, have always sustained me in every difficulty when appealed to for help or for counsel. I now publicly thank Your Lordship, and pray that God may long spare you to reign over a happy and prosperous diocese.

To my confreres and colleagues in the ministry I am indebted for this flattering address and testimonial, which, although wholly undeserved, are a proof of the kindly feelings and sympathetic relations that exist to-day, as they have for the last quarter of a century subsisted most happily between us. I feel proud to declare it, that no diocese in the world is found where priests are more firmly united. We are of different nationalities; some are natives of the soil, other some from different European nations, but where has it ever been known that any dissension or misunderstanding ever arose amongst us on account of diversity of nationality? It must be a source of much gratification to all the people of this extensive diocese, as it is of consolation to the worthy and venerable Bishop who presides over them, to know that the priests who labor under him are one and all actuated by a true spirit of Apostleship; that they are one in the ministry, as our Blessed Lord prayed that they should be one; and so far they have never, even for one day, been divided by sectional or clashing interests of any name or kind.

Gentlemen of the committee, I return my warmest thanks for the beautiful address and valuable testimonial with which you have honored me. If I accepted the title of D. D.—and I do accept it with fervent gratitude to the bestowers—it was chiefly because it would reflect honor on the whole parish, and that I knew your feelings of gratification on this occasion would be more intense by far than my own. We were always one in joy and sorrow, in labor and triumph.

What you have said about the work done in the parish is true, but you have left out in your address the praise that is due the great and good Bishop who initiated and urged on every useful undertaking, who is now Archbishop of Toronto, and to the generosity of your own sympathies and contributions in helping me to prosecute the work and pay to the last farthing for all improvements made and all deeds accomplished. I can to-day but thank you for this grand manifestation of your approval of my ministrations, and hope that no cloud may ever rise to, as the poet says, *dim a heaven so purely bright*, or in any manner loosen the bonds that for so many years have kept us together, and made of us but one happy and united family.

To the societies of the Sacred Heart and Sodality of the Blessed Virgin, and to the children, who all rejoice with me to-day, all I can say is that they are my chief sources of happiness and my reward for whatever labors I have wrought amongst you. They are my crown and my joy. The ladies societies are a source of edification and a means of preservation for the whole parish.

To the good and pious Sisters of St. Joseph my fervent thanks are due for maintaining those pious sodalities by counsel and the bright example of every Christian virtue. To them, to Your Lordship, to all my people, I return heartfelt thanks, and pray that by the graciousness of God's heavenly assistance I may always be worthy of the honor conferred upon me, and that I may always be deserving of the esteem, confidence and love of the loyal, faithful and generous congregation entrusted to my pastoral charge.

His Lordship Bishop O'Connor then addressed the congregation expressing the pleasure he experienced in being delegated by the University of Georgetown to confer the degree of Doctor of Divinity on their beloved and revered pastor, the Rev. William Flannery. This University, he said, is the oldest in the United States, having been chartered by Pope Gregory XVI. in 1833 to confer degrees. The diploma of Rev. Father Flannery declares that it is usual to recognize great ability and learning by giving such degrees, and that it is in recognition of these qualities in Father Flannery that the present degree is granted. All will agree that Father Flannery well deserves this honor.

His Lordship had known Dr. Flannery for forty years, and had been peculiarly intimate with him, the ties which bound them together being somewhat like and even closer than those which bind together father and child. He was therefore delighted in being the medium by which this honor is conferred.

Father Flannery's learning has been exhibited in many ways. He has been a journalist, a theologian, and a controversialist, and you will all recognize that the new honor conferred upon him suits the man, and the man is worthy of the honor.

His Lordship was pleased to see that among those assembled to-day to do honor to Father Flannery by assisting at this ceremony there were many professional and other gentlemen of all denominations. This is an evidence that as a controversialist even, Father Flannery had deserved their respect. While his controversial writings were well reasoned and pungent in their wit, he was always charitable, and His Lordship had no doubt that for this, among other reasons, the Protestants had throughout respected and admired him.

After the conclusion of the ceremony in the church the clergy were entertained hospitably at a banquet which was given them by Dr. Flannery. Besides the clergy, Dr. Brady, of Detroit, and Mr. Thomas Ouellette, of Amherstburg, were present at the banquet.

The following is a list of the clergy present: His Lordship Right Rev. D. O'Connor, Bishop of the diocese; Very Rev. E. Heenan, V. G., of Dundas; Very Rev. Dean Wagner, Windsor; Very Rev. D. Cushin, President of Assumption College; Rev. O. B. Devlin, S. J., Guelph; Very Rev. J. Teefy, President of St. Michael's College, Toronto; Rev. John Connolly, Lucan; Revs. M. J. Tiernan, Kennedy, Noonan, Gahan, London; Revs. P. Corcoran, La Salette; P. Brennan, St. Mary's; M. J. Brady, Woodstock; J. P. Molphy, Ingersoll; T. West, Goderich; N. Dixon, Kingsbridge; D. McCrae, Parkhill; P. McMinamin, Maidstone; P. J. Austin, Stratford; M. Quinlan, St. Thomas.

DEATH OF FATHER CAHILL.

Rev. Archibald Cahill died on Wednesday last at the residence of his father, Mr. Thomas Cahill, of West Lorne.

The deceased young priest was not long in the ministry when it pleased the Good Master to call him away to his heavenly reward. He was ordained in St. Thomas, his native parish, on the 23rd July, 1891, and was the first priest who received Holy Orders at the hands of Right Rev. Bishop O'Connor, of this diocese. Early in youth Mr. Cahill gave evident signs of a special call to the holy ministry. He was always remarkable for love of hard study and simple, earnest piety. His first studies in Latin were given him by his zealous pastor, Rev. Father Flannery. He afterwards spent four years in L'Assumption College, Sandwich, after which he was sent to complete his theological course at Genoa in Italy, at the Grand Seminary of Brignoli Sale. On his return to his native land in May of last year it was found that his health was somewhat impaired by too close attention to study. He recovered, however, sufficiently to be ordained and sent as curate to Very Rev. Dr. Kilroy, of Stratford, where, for the short space of three months, he devoted himself so heartily to his work that his piety and zeal were the general theme of praise and admiration by all. Lung disease, from which he had previously suffered, again appeared, and he was obliged, much against his will, to retire from active work and place himself under the care of his loving parents at West Lorne, in the parish of St. Thomas, where, after lingering in patient submission to God's holy will, and in constant prayer and holy practices of devotional piety, and being several times strengthened with the holy Sacraments of the Church, he, on last Wednesday, gave up his pure soul to his Maker.

The funeral obsequies were held in the parish church of West Lorne, which was crowded with priests and friends of the family, several of whom were Protestants holding prominent positions in the locality. Right Rev. D. O'Connor, Bishop of London, was present in the sanctuary, with the following clergymen: Rev. Dean Wagner, Very Rev. C. Cushing (President Sandwich college), Very Rev. Dr. Kilroy, Very Rev. Dr. Flannery, Revs. P. Brennan, Jos. Kennedy, N. Gahan, P. Gnam, E. Hodgkinson, T. Quigley, Father McCormac, Father Mungovan, C. S. B. High Mass de Requiem was sung by Rev. Dr. Flannery, assisted by Rev. Father Kennedy and Rev. Ph. Gnam. At the end of Mass Very Rev. Dr. Kilroy preached a very touching sermon, testifying in most sympathetic language to the many amirable traits of character that distinguished the deceased young priest, and inviting all present, both priest and people, to work out their salvation as he did, in the daily practice of active faith and God-like piety.

Many people, besides the immediate relatives, shed tears while the Rev. Dr. delivered his soul-stirring address.

His Lordship Bishop O'Connor then addressed the congregation, and added his tribute of recognition and praise to the many virtues that distinguished the young priest while a student at Assumption college, while His Lordship was President of that institution. His Lordship then offered a fervent prayer, in which all joined, for the repose of the soul of the departed young priest.

The "Libera" was sung by the choir and the priests in the sanctuary alternating, and the last absolution pronounced by the Right Rev. Bishop.

Six priests acted as pall-bearers and conveyed the remains to their last resting-place in the rear of the church, where a new grave was blessed by the venerable prelate, and to which all that is mortal of the Rev. Archibald Cahill were tenderly consigned. R. I. P.

ORDINATION.

A large number of people gathered at the cathedral in St. John, N. B., on Saturday morning to witness the ordination of Rev. Father Byrne, who was priested by His Lordship Bishop Sweeney at 7 o'clock Mass.

The Rev. Father is a son of Mr. James Byrne, of Sussex, and the first priest ordained from King's county. He studied arts at St. Joseph's college, Memramcook, from where, after working a very brilliant career, he graduated with the degree of B. A., being the valedictorian of his class. He began his theological studies at the Grand Seminary, Montreal, but towards the close of the second term his failing health compelled him to return home. The following autumn, however he accepted a professorship from his Alma Mater, where he continued his theological studies, and to admirably dispense the duties of his position, until a few days before his ordination.

On Sunday at Ward's Creek he celebrated his first Mass. Rev. Father Belliveau addressed his parishioners in a short sermon, in which he dwelt upon the blessing of having the first Mass of a young priest and especially when he was a child of the parish, born in their midst. He pronounced it as something new on the archives of the mission. He also dwelt on the honor it reflected upon the family to have one of its members a priest, and concluded by requesting a few words from the young priest.

Father Byrne, notwithstanding the anxiety of the past few days and the fatigue which the ceremony of the morning entailed, was cool and collected, and preached an eloquent sermon. His appearance was splendid, his delivery distinct and impressive and his language perfect.

After Mass Father Belliveau invited the rev. gentleman's family to the house, where with some friends, he entertained them at dinner.—Communicated.

DIOCESE OF LONDON.

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION.

On last Sunday, which was the anniversary of the opening of St. Peter's Cathedral, the solemn and imposing ceremony of first Communion and confirmation was administered in the cathedral. At the 8:30 o'clock Mass, which was celebrated by His Lordship the Bishop, eighty-five children made their first holy Communion, and immediately after this Mass sixty-five of this number were confirmed. His Lordship the Bishop addressed kind and feeling words to the children before the Communion, speaking to them of the love of our Saviour for all mankind and particularly of His love for children. Again before administering confirmation he spoke to them of the great benefits that they were about to receive in this great sacrament—that the holy spirit of God was about to descend upon them, with His seven-fold gifts and graces, through which they would be enabled to discharge faithfully the duties of a Christian. His Lordship very lucidly explained to them the nature of these gifts, and hoped and prayed that they would correspond faithfully to all these graces, and thus obtain for themselves the reward promised to the faithful servants of the Lord.

After confirmation His Lordship administered the pledge of total abstinence to all the boys until they had reached the age of twenty-one years.

In the afternoon at 3:30 o'clock Vespers and Benediction were given at which all the children who made their first Communion were present, and solemnly made the renewal of their baptismal vows and consecrated themselves in a special manner to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON.

The annual picnic for the benefit of the House of Providence, Dundas, took place this year, as usual, on Dominon Day. The beautiful grounds connected with the institution are admirably adapted for such a purpose, presenting, as they do, particularly at this season of the year, a most magnificent appearance.

Although the day is one on which counter attractions, at not very remote places, are apt to figure very largely; yet each recurring anniversary of the natal day of the Dominion is sure to bring a very large crowd of pleasure-seeking and charitably-disposed people to the House of Providence picnic at Dundas. The one held on Friday last is said to have surpassed all former ones in respect to the number that attended it, as well as to the success which marked it in every other way. The Hamiltonians, as usual, turned out in large numbers, it being estimated that over one thousand from that city alone attended the picnic.

On the summit of the hill on which the House of Providence stands, were erected several booths, the tables of which were laden with fruits and other delicacies of an edible nature as well as cigars and several kinds of summer drinks of a very tempting appearance, all of which were dispensed with such a polite affability by the fair vendors who presided at the different tables as to make many a purchaser feel that he was getting a twofold value for his money. Several young ladies were also busily and we noticed very successfully engaged in disposing of tickets for the drawing which was to take place on the grounds.

Among the winners of the two dozen or more articles of various degrees of value which were disposed of at the drawing at which Mr. W. A. Lunn, the courteous Secretary of the committee, very efficiently presided, we heard announced the name of Rev. Father Hinchey, of St. Mary's Cathedral, Hamilton, as winner of a plush purse, ticket No. 35, and that of T. Baine, M. P., of a pair of panels, ticket 240.

The band of the 77th Battallion was on the grounds and enlivened the day's enjoyment by playing at intervals many select pieces. On the beautiful green park at the foot of the hill a programme of athletic games and other competitive sports was conducted by a committee consisting of Messrs. W. F. Campbell, Ed. J. Carlin, M. B. Thomas, W. A. Ward, Ed. Collins, P. Trant and J. O'Brien. These were keenly contested by the several competitors who entered for them. The invincible "Barton tug of war men," captained by John Eustice, of Hamilton, were on hand against all comers; but no equal number could be found to successfully cope with them. About the middle of the afternoon the children of St. Joseph's convent gave a very pleasing entertainment. This consisted of a series of calisthenic exercises interspersed with song. The club-swinging of a number of pupils from the Brothers Academy, led by Master T. Sweeney, was well appreciated. An open air concert, conducted by Prof. D. J. O'Brien, of the Hamilton College of Music, was very entertaining. Vocal solos by Mr. Jas. Hourigan, Mrs. C. Gwynn, Mr. J. O'Brien and Miss M. Harris, were well delivered and exceedingly well received.

Among the clergymen present we noticed Very Rev. Vicar General Heenan, Dean Laussier, Rev. Fathers Madigan, McEvay, Coty, Hinchy, Brady, Spratt and Kehoe. Rev. Father Madigan as chairman of the Commitee deserves to be complimented on the excellence of the arrangements, which was no small factor in crowning with success every teature of the day's enjoyment. A reception commitee of young ladies, consisting of Misses Maggie Duncan, Tissie Carson, Annie Carson, M. Hurley, B. Tracey, Maggie Shine, Annie Hourigan, Minnie Enright and the Misses Beal, very courteously received visitors at the entrance of the House of Providence and showed them through the entire institution. It is needless to remark that the interior of the House manifested very clearly the firm order preserved therein, and the great care bestowed upon it by the zealous and industrious Sisters of St. Joseph. There are at present 96 adult inmates—41 men and 55 women, one of the latter a Mrs. Burke is said to be 104 years old, and yet is able to attend Mass in the chapel every morning. There are also a very large number, varying in ages from one to fourteen year.

M. C. O'D.

There are not many who finish their lives before they die. Very few go willingly; most are forced and not a few are dragged to the grave. Instead of leaving the world they are forced out of it—*Gotthold.*

ARCHDIOCESE OF KINGSTON.

The Archbishop of Kingston has notified his clergy that he will dedicate the Church of St. Brendan, in Rockport, directly opposite Alexandria Bay, on Thursday, 14th inst., and the Church of St. Bridget, in Burgess, Lanark County, on Sunday, 27th inst. He will hold Theological Conference with all his clergy in Kingston on Wednesday, 20th, and Thursday, 21st. On the evening of Wednesday, 20th, he will proceed to Portsmouth, accompanied by the clergy, to lay the corner-stone of the Church of the Good Thief, close by the Penitentiary. This will be a $20,000 stone Church, the entire front and side tower and window frames of which will be finely chiselled stone. Mr. Joseph Connolly, architect, has supplied the plans in the Norman Gothic style. The St. Brendan, in whose name the Rockport Church will be erected, is the famous Irish Abbot, who is credited with having discovered this Western continent after a long trans-Atlantic voyage in the sixth century.

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE, SANDWICH.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES—NAMES OF THE SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS AND THEIR STANDING IN THE DIFFERENT CLASSES.

The twenty-second annual distribution of prizes of this flourishing institution took place on Monday, the 20th ult. His Lordship the Bishop of London presided at the literary and musical entertainment which marked the closing exercises. The large hall was filled with the parents and friends of the students. Among the clerical gentlemen present we noticed the following: Very Rev. Dean Wagner, the Rev. Fathers Marseilles, J. P. McMannis Brancheau, McKeon, Ronan, Scanlan, Gauthier, Chalandard, Ryan, Marker, Beaudoin, Watters, Grand, Christian, Van Hoomissen, Renaud, Cummins, Bechard, Aylward, Hodgkinson, McMenamin, Gery, T. Ryan, Fleming, and the faculty of the college.

The Prize List.

The following are the prize winners:

GOOD CONDUCT.

Senior Department—Prize presented by Very Rev. Dean O'Brien, Kalamazoo, Mich. Awarded by vote of the students to Jas. Cahalan, Hubbardston, Mich; acc., John O'Keefe, Strathroy, Ont.

Junior Department—Prize presented by Rev. A. Webber, Warren, Ohio. Awarded by vote of the students to John Scullen, Bellevue, Ohio; acc., Thos. Brady, Chatham, Ont.

Christian Doctrine—Prize presented by His Lordship the Bishop of London; Jas. Cahalan; acc., John Corcoran, Bay City, Mich.

Literary Society, classical department—Prize presented by Rev. Father Van Antwerp, of Detroit; James Cahalan; acc., Thomas Gignac, Sandwich, Ont.

Literary Society, English course—Prize, Louis Cavanaugh, Muskegon, Mich.; acc., Frank Filler, Columbus, Ohio.

Mental Philosophy—Prize presented by the Rev. M. J. Tiernan, Chancellor of the Diocese of London; James Cahalan; acc., M. J. Comerford, Detroit, and John Wall, Dexter, Mich.

Natural Philosophy—Prize presented by Rev. J. F. Smith, Shelby, Ohio; John Corcoran; acc., John Hogan and Edward Burns.

RHETORIC CLASS.

Christian Doctrine—Alex. Keho, Saginaw, Mich.; acc., Ed. Burns, Bay City, Mich.

Excellence—Thomas Gignac, Sandwich, Ont.; Ed. Burns; acc., Philip Baillargeon, Tecumseh, Ont.

Latin and Greek—Thos. Gignac; acc., Ed. Burns.

English Composition—Thos. Gignac; acc., A. Ryan, Merlin, Ont.

History and Georgraphy—Ed. Burns; acc. Alex. Keho.

BELLES LETTRES CLASS.

Christian Doctrine—Chas. Collins, Maidstone, Ont.; and Joseph Feurth, Woodslee, Ont.; acc., Peter McDonald, Mount Sterling, Ky.; and John Corcoran, Bay City, Mich.

Excellence—1, John Corcoran; 2, Peter McDonald; 3, Ed. Kinney, Grand Rapids, Mich.; acc., John Maloney, Niles, Ohio, Jos. Fuerth.

Latin and Greek—John Corcoran; acc., Peter McDonald.

English Composition—John Corcoran; acc., Peter McDonald.

History and Geography—Jos. Fuerth; acc., Ed. Kinney.

SECOND LATIN.

Religious instruction—Frank Foster, Bay City, Mich.; acc., Jas. B. McEvoy, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Excellence—1, F. Foster; 2, J. B. McEvoy; Michael Crawley, Jackson, Mich.; acc., 1, Henry O'Neil, Hubbardson, Mich.; 2, Paul Ragan, Maumee, Ohio.; 3, Richard Command, Detroit, Mich.

Latin and Greek—F. Foster; acc., J. B. McEvoy.

English Composition—J. McEvoy; acc., F. Foster.

History and Physical Geography—J. B. McEvoy; acc., Michael Crawley.

SECOND LATIN CLASS.

(2nd Division.)

Excellence—1, Chas. Henigan, Jackson, Mich.; 2, Patrick O'Connell, Lima, Ohio; B. John Abel, Saginaw, Mich.; 1st. acc., Henry Conlin, Ann Arbor, Mich.; 2nd acc., Stanislaus Coppe, Cleveland, Ohio.

Catechism—Patrick O'Connell; acc., C. Henigan and Jno. Abel.

Latin and Greek—Jno. Abel; acc., C. Henigan and P. O'Connell.

English Composition—P. O'Connell; acc., C. Henigan and H. Conlin.

History and Geography—P. O'Connell; acc., H. Conlin and C. Henigan.

THIRD LATIN.

Excellence—1, Jas. W. Fogarty, Springfield, Ohio; 2, John Dempsey, Bellevue, Ohio; B. Henry Tomlinson, Amherstburg, Ont.; 1st acc., Wm. Lafferty, Petite Cote, Ont.; 2nd acc., Jas. A. Hanlon, Princeton, Ont.

Latin and Greek—Jas. W. Fogarty; acc., John Dempsey.

Catechism—Henry T. Tomlinson; acc., Jas. W. Fogarty.

History and Geography—William Laferty; acc., Henry T. Tomlinson.

Eng. Composition—Jas. W. Fogarty; acc., James A. Hanlon.

ELEMENTARY LATIN.

Excellence—1, John Stanley, Corunna, Ont.; 2, Jas. O'Brien, Hubbardston, Mich.; 3, Wm. Hennessy, Grand Rapids, Mich.; 4, Henry Sparks, Jackson, Mich.; 5, John Needham, Traverse City, Mich.. 6, Jules Siffer, Munroe, Mich.; 1st acc. Michael McGrath, Lucan, Ont.; 2nd acc., Francis Powell, London, Ont.

Catechism—John Stanley; 1st acc., Wm. Hennessy; 2nd, James O'Brien.

Latin—John Stanley and James O'Brien, (ex aequo); 1st acc., Jules Siffer; 2nd acc., Wm. Hennessy.

History and Geography—Wm. Hennessy; 1st acc., John Stanley and Jas. O'Brien; 2nd acc., John Walsh, Gratten, Mich.

Eng. Composition—John Stanley; 1st acc., Wm. Hennessy; 2nd acc., George Farrell, Cincinatti, Ohio.

ENGLISH COURSE.

The following passed the graduating examination—Louis Cavanaugh, Muskegon, Mich.; John Cahill, Niles, Mich.; Frank Filler, Columbus, Ohio; Adolphe Gendron, Toledo, Ohio.

The prize presented by Rev. J. Garry, Brighton, Mich.; was awarded to Louis Cavanaugh.

GRADUATING CLASS.

(1st Division.)

Excellence—John Cahill, Niles, Mich; acc., Frank W. Filler, Columbus, Ohio.

Catechism—Louis Cavanaugh, Muskegon, Mich.; acc., Adolphe Gendron, Toledo, Ohio.

Grammar—John Cahill; acc., Frank W. Filler.

History and Geography—Frank W. Filler; acc., Adolphe Gendron.

Natural Philssophy—Frank W. Filler; acc., Louis Cavanaugh.

(2nd Division).

Excellence—Edward Cook, London, Ont.; acc., John Monaghan, Astabula, Harbor, Ohio.

Catechism—John McGill, Windsor, Ont., acc., Edward Cook.

Grammar—John Monaghan; acc., Ed. Cook.

History and Geog.—John Monaghan; acc., W. J. Marshall, Chatham, Ont.

Natural Philosophy—Ed. Cook; acc., John Monaghan.

FIRST COMMERCIAL CLASS, TEN PUPILS.

Excellence—1, Robt. E. Lee, Detroit, Mich.; 2, John Mearns, Saginaw, Mich.; 1st acc., John H. Daller, Jackson, Mich., and Thos. Tormey, Niles, Mich., ex-aequo; 2nd acc., James Murphy, Akron, Ohio.

Catechism—Michael F. Murray, Jackson, Mich.; 1st acc., Fered Guindon, Sandwich, Ont.; 2nd acc., Thos. Tormey.

Reading and Spelling—John Mearns; 1st acc., John H. Daller; 2nd acc., Thomas Tormey and Jas. Murphy, ex-aequo.

Science—John Mearns; 1st acc., Thos. Tormey; 2nd acc., John H. Daller, Jackson, Mich., and Herbert Dee, Detroit, Mich., ex-aequo.

Bible History and Geography—John H. Daller; 1st acc., John Mearns; 2nd acc., Robt. E. Lee.

Eng. Composition and Grammar—Thos. Tormey; 1st acc., John H. Daller; 2nd acc., Robt. E. Lee.

SECOND COMMERCIAL PRIZE LIST.

Twenty Students.

Excellence—John R. McBride, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1st prize excellence; 1st prize exaequo, grammar and composition; 1st acc. in reading and spelling; 2nd acc. in science.

John Ouellette, Amherstburg, Ont., 1st prize Christian doctrine; 1st prize science; 1st exaequo grammar and composition; 4th prize excellence; 2nd prize instrumental music.

Herbert Hillemeyer, Lexington, Ky., 1st prize history and geography; 2nd prize excellence; 1st acc. in science.

Chas. Lee, Detroit, Mich., 1st prize in reading and spelling; 3rd prize in excellence.

Peter Cogley, Emmett, Mich., 1st acc. in history and geography.

ELEMENTARY ENGLISH.

Excellence—1st div.—Jos. Trombly, Leeville, Mich.; 2, Jos. Cowan, Point Edward, Ont.; 3, Eugene Mailloux, Walkerville; acc. Thomas Brady, Chatham.

Reading—Gabriel Brossoit, Belle River; acc., Oscar Youngblood, Detroit.

Spelling—Eugene Mailloux; acc., Joseph Trombly.

Grammar—Joseph Trombly; acc., Jos. Cowan.

Geography—Jos. Trombly; acc., Jos. Cowan.

Catechism—Jos. Cowan; acc., Wilbert La Point, Spanish River Station, Ont.

Excellence—2nd div.—Wilbert LaPoint; acc., Hector Ouellette, Sandwich.

Reading—Hector Ouellette; acc., Wilbert LaPoint.

Excellence—3rd div.—Wm. Cummins, of Windsor; acc., Chas. Connors, St. Paul, Minn.

Chemistry—Michael McGrath, Lucan, Ont.; acc., John Hogan.

1st Trigonometry—John Corcoran; acc., John Hogan.

2nd Trigonometry—H. O'Neil; acc., T. Gignac.

1st geometry class—1, Pat. Dungan, Emmett, Mich.; 2, Pat. O'Connell, Lima Ohio; 3, Francis Foster, Bay City, Mich.; 1st acc., Eustace Faucher, Saginaw, Mich.; 2nd acc., Zelmmer, Williamston, Mich.

Elementary geometry—1, Paul Regan, Maumee, Ohio; 2, Harry Sparks, Jackson, Mich.; 3, Wm. Lafferty; 4, Thos. Luby, Kalamazoo, Mich.; 1st honors, Frank Sullivan, Bellevue, Ohio; 2nd honors, Henry Conlin, Dexter, Mich.

1st algebra—1, Frank Forster; 2, Henry O'Neil, Hubbardston, Mich.; acc., Chas. Henniganan.

2nd algebra—1, Wm. Lafferty; 2, P. O'Connell; 3, M. J. Crawley; 1st acc., Peter McDonald; 2nd acc., P. Dunnigan, 3rd acc., D. Murphy.

Elementary algebra—1, Frank Sullivan; 2, Jas. Hanlon; 1st acc., Jas. Laughrin; 2nd acc., H. Tomlinson.

1st arithmetic—1, Jas. O'Brien; 2, John Cahill, 3rd, J. Walsh and John Abel.

2nd arithmetic—1, Wm. Hennessy, Grand Rapids, Mich.; 2, John McGill, Saginaw, Mich.; 3,