ADDRESS READ TO HIS GRACE AT THE ANNIVERSARY ENTER-TAINMENT IN ST. BONIFACE COLLEGE, MARCH 19, 1906.

To the Most Rev. Adelard Langevin, O.M.I., D.D., Archbishop of St. Boniface.

My Lord Archbishop:

The eleventh anniversary of Your Grace's consecration brings with it renewed congratulations on the part of your faithful children, the Faculty and Students of St. Boniface college. Each succeeding year, with its ever growing record of spiritual progress, parish development and the multiplication and extension of religious houses, increases our deep gratitude to the Giver of all good gifts and to your Grace, who is God's chief representative among us and his chief instrument in this great and glorious

This is the first time we are able to celebrate Your Grace's anniversary in our new building, the completion of which makes our college the largest educational edifice in central and western Canada. The increase in the number of our students, due in a great measure to Your Grace's kind and constant encouragement, has more than kept pace with the expansion of our college walls. When, cramped for room four years ago, we built a western wing which increased our floor space more than sixty per cent., we little thought that in three years we should have to build again; yet, after doing so last year and thus adding seventy per cent. more space to the already enlarged college, we now find that even the spacious dimensions of this eastern wing will soon be taxed to their utmost if the present rate of increase continues.

Great as has been in recent years the development of our prairie capital, greater still, in proportion to the population, is the onward march of Your Grace's cathedral town. The suggestions as to civic improvements which fell more than once from your archiepiscopal lips have borne fruit in the grading of our streets, the introduction of waterworks, electric light and tramways, and the erection of a fine town hall. Town lots, though greatly enhanced in value are eagerly bought up and new residences are springing up everywhere.

But the greatest of all the glories of St. Boniface is Your Grace's new Cathedral, which, we are happy to observe, is already begun. Doubtless many precious memories cling to the consecrated walls of the old Cathedral. Restored to existence chiefly through the generous alms of the mother-province, stirred by the eloquent appeals of your illustrious predecessor, it rose, phœnix-like, from its ashes. It has witnessed the transformation of this Great Lone Land into three flourishing provinces, the promotion of its second Bishop to the dignity of a Metropolitan, the solemn assizes of the First Provincial Council of St. Boniface, and not to mention other minor but really epoch-making functions, it witnessed Your Grace's own consecration. And yet all must admit that what was once, in a primitive condition of things, an imposing structure, has since become altogether unworthy of the Mother-See of the West. Neither in size nor in architectural design is it in keeping with the large and prosperous Catholic population which looks to it as to the fountain head of a great ecclesiastical province. Hence it is that we hail with delight the dawn of that coming day, when not only all the parishioners of St. Boniface, but all the delegates from a hundred tributary parishes, will find ample room within the magnificent new Cathedral and will rejoice with will then be the grandest temple of THE LATE MRS. H. G. MARQUIS the Most High God in all this western half of our fair Dominion.

noble project, be spared to witness its Marquis, who died so suddenly in complete fulfilment and to reap during Montreal last Sunday that no particumany long years the rich harvest of lars had yet been received on Thursday immortal souls which is the unfailing morning of her final illness. The funerreward of those that give gladly to al took place on Wednesday afternoon the Lord.

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Obituary

We extend our deepest sympathy May Your Grace, who conceived this to the bereaved relatives of Mrs. H. G. from the C.P.R. station, on the arrival of the train from the east, to St. Boniface Cathedral, where Rev. Father Drummond, S.J., officiated, Right Rev. Monsignor Dugas, V.G., and Rev. C. Cahill, O.M.I., besides many devoted friends, being present. The remains were interred in the plot of the Green family in St. Boniface churchyard. Mrs. Marquis, who had been several years a widow, leaves a daughter, Sybil, two sisters, Mrs. A. Sharples, of Quebec, and Mrs. Harold Smith, of this city, and two brothers, Mr. J. Arthur Green, and Mr. Harry Green, both of this city, to mourn her loss.

R. I. P.

Homes are often closest knit about some grave of separation.

#### Persons and Facts

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Religious statistics compiled by the Federationist show that in 1854 non-Catholic denominations had in the present New York city limits 427 churches, or one church for 2,186 of the whole population; in 1902 they had 950 churches, or one for 4,194. In 1854 Catholics had 53 churches, or one for 17,128; in 1904, they had 240 churches, or one for 16,441. At the end of last year the number of churchless Protestants in Greater New York was estimated at 1,087,762; the number of Protestant communicants, 331,698; of Protestant attendants, 497,547; the number of Jews 725,000; the number of Catholics, 1,300,000. Catholics form 32.9 per cent. of the whole population; Jews, 18.4; churchless Protestants, 27.6; Protestant communicants, 8.4; Protestant attendants, 12.6. The organization visited during the year more than 30,000 families in nine Assembly district 20 per cent. of the Protestant | non-Catholics.

churchless families have been brought back in five years through the visitation method pursued by the Federation. During the early months of this year such a visitation was made between Sixtieth and One Hundred and Twentieth streets. There were 530 Catholic families out of church, about 10 per cent. of the whole number of Catholic families. More than 50 per cent. of Protestant and more than 85 per cent. of Jewish families do not go to church in that section.

The Immaculate Conception Parish is to have a Young Men's club and a club building, on the church property. The ratification meeting was to have been held last Sunday night, but was postponed for a week because of the loss by fire of the proposed plans of the club house.

The Reverend Passionist missioners, Fathers Barrett and O'Brien, are attracting crowds of earnest worshippers tricts of the city, and discovered 4,857 to their Women's Mission this week in churchless Protestant families, 2,358 St. Mary's church. Next week they churchless Catholic families, and 5,971 will preach to the men. The following churchless Jewish families. In one dis- week will be reserved for a mission to

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