

GOD HELP US!

Reports From the French Mission Regarding Conditions in Armenia

Paris, July 12.—Paris Charbonnet, director general of the French mission in the Levant, has received by way of the Caucasus and Tiflis a report prepared by a number of Armenian notables and Gregorian bishops on the situation in Armenia.

It took the messenger who had the document in charge nearly three months to get through the difficulties and dangers along the Turkish frontier, which was carefully guarded against all Armenians or Armenian sympathizers.

The reports which fill 80 printed pages, is very carefully prepared, and goes fully into the situation. According to its authors, the Turks in Armenia, fearing European intervention, have abandoned the old practice of wholesale massacre, but during the last year there have been clandestine exterminations and most terrible persecutions, especially in the more remote provinces. The Turks openly boast that they have sworn to wipe out the whole Armenian race, slowly but surely. The document recites in detail various forms of persecution. It appears that the tax collectors seize the inhabitants if they do not pay everything demanded. "Women are taken through the streets with chains around their necks and kept for days without food. In some cases they are fastened to pillars head downwards. Freezing water is thrown over them or they are beaten until the blood runs. In other cases their hands are tied behind their backs, and then cast, first madly furious, are thrown into their bosoms. Often they are burned in various parts of their bodies with red-hot irons. All the highways are guarded so as to prevent emigration. Not a single day passes without our hearing of or witnessing somewhere within our unfortunate provinces some fiendish cruelty. The Turks and Kurds enter the houses of Armenians in gangs, bind the men and then outrage their wives, sisters and daughters before their eyes.

The document concludes with the despairing cry: "Our hope is dying out. God help us. May Europe have pity upon us."

Death of Canon Bourgeault.

MONTREAL, July 10.—Most unexpectedly comes the announcement from the Archbishop's Palace that the Right Rev. Capillary Vicar Canon Bourgeault is dead. This venerable priest had been attending to the duties which devolved upon him as Administrator of the diocese until the last moment. On Thursday, being in perfect health, he went to hear confessions in a convent, and came back on foot. It is supposed that he must have been affected by the heat. At all events yesterday morning he did not feel very well. Yet he went about his ordinary business and had lunch as usual with his colleagues. Afterwards he felt an overpowering need for rest and went to sleep in the room of one of the reverend canons. After half an hour's rest he went back to his own room, showing no signs of illness. It was not until five o'clock in the afternoon when one of the Rev. canons went to see how he was, that he was found lying unconscious on his bed. Physicians were called, but medical science could do nothing. At 7:45 o'clock the Capillary Vicar passed away.

The Right Rev. Canon Florent Bourgeault was nearly 70 years of age, having been born at Lavallrie, County of Berthier, on the 28th of February, 1828. He went through a classical course at the College of L'Assomption and was ordained to the priesthood on the 14th of September, 1851. For four years he remained at the College of L'Assomption as a Professor of Philosophy and Theology, and in 1855 he was sent as assistant to the cure of St. Polycarpe. Shortly afterwards he became cure of St. Joseph du Lac, County of Two Mountains. In 1859 he succeeded the late Mgr. Fabre as cure of Sainte Claire, and in 1877 he was transferred to Laprairie. He became canon in 1891, and the following year he was appointed grand vicar. Upon the death of Mgr. Fabre he was unanimously elected as administrator of the diocese.

The deceased was a man of great erudition and a fluent writer. When "De Nouveau Monde" was founded in the seventies as the exponent of orthodox doctrines, Abbe Bourgeault became a member of the Board of Directors.

Knights of St. John.

Toronto, July 11.—At the last regular meeting of St. Patrick's Auxiliary No. 6, Knights of St. John, held July 8th, the following resolutions were adopted: Whereas Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to afflict our beloved sisters, Margaret and Mary Burns, by removing from home and earth their beloved mother, therefore be it

Resolved—That we, the members of St. Patrick's Auxiliary, tender our heartfelt sympathy to sisters Margaret and Mary Burns; and we pray that God, in His infinite mercy, will comfort and sustain them in their sad affliction. Be it further

Resolved—That these resolutions be inserted in the minutes of this meeting, a copy tendered to sisters

Margaret and Mary Burns and published in THE CATHOLIC REGISTER, Catholic Record and Knights of St. John Journal.

M. J. O'BRIEN, Rec. Sec. More Recollections of Ste. Anne de Beauport.

The strange contrast of primitive surroundings, with everything that is beautiful in art and nature, is more apparent at Beauport than at any place I have yet seen.

The village consists of one long straggling street that winds along the base of the hills almost interminably in either direction. With the exception of the hotels and the convent, there are no houses with any pretensions to style. Small wooden cottages comprise almost the whole habitations of the villagers; here and there a small brick or stone house gives evidence of somewhat more than the average prosperity. But the French "habitants" are a thrifty people, and care very little for show so that they are comfortable and beyond the reach of want, wherein they show their wisdom.

A wooden walk in some places only about a foot and a half wide extends for some miles in either direction, offering one the option of either stepping into the road, or running the risk of being precipitated into the ditch. Little rosy cheeked urchins run clattering up to meet the visitor, scattering into the road with whoops of delight, and leaving one in dignified possession of the sidewalk.

Sedate hens lead large broods of chickens into the middle of the road, fearless of the scanty traffic, and occasionally a mild eyed cow pokes her head over the fence to examine the stranger. In the midst of all this primitive simplicity and rural innocence stands the Basilica, its great size looking strangely out of proportion to the needs of the tiny village. Sometimes a great pilgrimage comes and with it many persons of note and dignity in the outside world. Cardinals, Bishops, priests, notabilities, all flock into the little village and transform the place into a veritable seat of learning and civilization. They melt away again into their own sphere, and Beauport is changed not one whit. Still the little cottages stand clean and white in their tiny gardens, the hens scratch in the middle of the road, the cows look over the fence, and the happy barefooted children gambol about with never a thought of the great outside world; or of the benefits conferred by a town council and local improvement board.

What a peculiar feeling one always has when one gazes upon the mountains; a sort of unexplainable desire to climb to the summit and look down upon the other side! Travellers in Switzerland have often remarked upon this overmastering wish to see over the crest, and there is no doubt it leads many people to climb the mountain who would otherwise never attempt it.

This is a tantalizing place, you cannot get far in any direction; if you climb to the top of the hill, there are still other and higher hills beyond and no means of reaching them without a guide. One cannot get to the Falls of Ste. Anne without a guide; I penetrated a considerable distance along the road, or rather the narrow path, leading to them, only to be met with a series of obstacles I could not surmount alone, so I had to give up the search, the guide's charges being prohibitive unless one goes with a party of visitors. I should certainly advise ladies, whether going alone or in parties of two or three or more, to stop at the Convent. The advantages are so many more than one can obtain at a hotel. The charges are about everywhere, from 75c to \$1 a day, everything is beautifully clean and the cooking is excellent. The view from the balcony is unsurpassed; and the quiet and regularity of routine is conducive to rest and meditation.

By stopping at the Convent one participates in the prayers of the community, which is of the order of Franciscan Missionaries of Mary. By virtue of their rule the sisters are adorers of the Blessed Sacrament, which is daily exposed on their altars, and they pray incessantly for benefactors and those recommended to their prayers. They also conduct a boarding school for girls, tuition \$6.00 per month. The rooms are well furnished and very cheerful, nothing is allowed to trouble the visitors and there are very few restrictions. Altogether a week or two spent with the sisters will prove a most agreeable and refreshing holiday, being agreeable indirectly helping their charitable work, their special vocation being to devote themselves to foreign missions among the heathen.

With regard to hotels, the best is the Regina. TERSA.

C. O. F.

St. Leo Court held its regular meeting on Wednesday 7th July at their Hall, corner of Queen and McCourt streets. Bro. John J. Hinchey was initiated as a new member and Bro. J. T. Loftus and J. J. Nightingale were elected respectively delegate and alternate to the Provincial Convention. Final arrangements are being made for the excursion to Peterborough on 17th July. The C. O. F. shows a gain of 1267 for June, total membership on 1st July 60284.

A LAME BACK.

ONE OF THE MOST PAINFUL OF MALADIES.

Mr. Peter Miller suffered for Years, and Resolved to try the Many Medicines Before Finding a Cure.

Perhaps the prettiest place to be seen in Ontario than that at Newnam's upper lock on the Rideau Canal. At this station for a quarter of a century resided Mr. Peter Miller, who during that period acted as the capacity lockman, and was perhaps the best-known man on the canal. Mr. Miller is now a resident of Merrickville, having retired from active life. To a correspondent of The Recorder he related the following experience: For many years I was troubled with a lame back, which gave me great pain at times, and caused me much loss of sleep. I tried different kinds of medicine but found little or no relief. The spring of 1897 I was assisting, at the time of the opening of the Rideau Canal, at the upper lock, when I felt getting out for one day when I felt the back of my neck and shoulders stiff and it was some time before I could straighten myself up. I now became so bad that when I laid down I was unable to rise without assistance, and I fully made up my mind that I had become a chronic invalid, and never expected to see a well day again. A couple of weeks after my back had almost entirely given out. I saw by an article in a paper that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had cured a person troubled similarly, and I immediately procured a box to test them. Before I had finished the box I found my back somewhat stronger so I procured five boxes more and by the time they were used I found myself completely cured. Since then I have not had a particle of lameness, and my health has been far better than it had been for years before.

To ensure obtaining the genuine always ask for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, as there are many pink colored imitations.

Rhodes Made the Scapegoat.

LONDON, July 13.—The Parliamentary South Africa Commission that has been inquiring into the Transvaal raid has agreed upon its report. The Pall Mall Gazette publishes a summary of the conclusions of the committee. The report will express an emphatic opinion that whatever justification there might have been for the action on the part of the people of Johannesburg there was none whatever for Cecil Rhodes' conduct in subsidizing, or organizing and stimulating an armed insurrection against the Government of the Transvaal. A heavy responsibility, according to the report, remains with Rhodes, despite the fact that at the last moment Dr. Jameson invaded the Transvaal without Rhodes' direct sanction.

An Irishman, who had blistered his fingers by endeavoring to draw on a pair of boots, exclaimed: "I shall never get them on at all until I wear them a day or two."

The bores at Galata is largely affected by the situation. There has been a considerable fall in Turkish consolidated securities. The Turks are selling them freely, some circles expressing the opinion that Turkey will yield only to European pressure.

LATEST MARKETS.

TORONTO, July 14, 1897.

FARMER'S MARKET.

There were no grain, hogs or straw offered on the street this morning. One load of hay sold at \$1.00.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Wheat white, Buckwheat, Oats, Peas, Barley, Hay, Dressed hogs, Eggs, Butter, Chickens, Turkeys, Potatoes, Spring lambs, Mutton, Beef, Veal, Fruit.

Receipts were lighter to day, and prices held firm. Strawberries were in full supply. We quote:—New potatoes, 25c to 30c per basket, or \$1.25 per bushel. Red currants, slow sale at 25c to 40c per basket, or 35c to 45c per quart. Pineapples are slow sale at 7c to 7 1/2c. Strawberries, 4c to 6c per quart box. Cherries, 20c to 25c for small baskets and 50c to 75c for large baskets. Watermelons are quiet at 75c to \$1.00 each. Good ones are selling at 20c to 25c per basket for small, 60c to 75c for large English varieties, and 30c to 40c for Downings. Tomatoes will sell at 90c to \$1.00 per case. Canadian cabbage are selling at \$1 to \$1.25 per barrel. Montreal cucumbers, 40c to 60c per dozen, and American bushel baskets, \$2 to \$2.25. Apples, per bushel, \$1.50 to \$2.00. Valencia, cases, very fine, \$6 to \$8; Valencia, large, 400c, very fine, \$7.50 to \$8; Messina oranges, 50c, \$1.75 half box; do 100c, \$2 half box; do 125c, \$2.25 half box; do 150c, \$2.50 half box; do 175c, \$2.75 half box. Lemons—300c, 300c Messina, choice to fancy, per box, \$2 to \$3, for per cent use; lemons, 300c, 300c, fancy to extra fancy, \$3 to \$4.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS, MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, July 12.—There were about 40 head of butchers' cattle, 60 calves and 10 sheep and lambs offered for sale at this market on last Tuesday. The butchers were present in considerable numbers, but seemed to require less meat than usual, and trade dragged with the price at about the same as on last Tuesday. There were no cattle brought in by shippers; the best butch' cattle sold at from 30 to 35c per lb.; pretty good animals sold from 33 to 35c to nearly 40c per lb. and 75c to 80c for the best heifers at from 25 to 30c per lb. Calves sold at

from \$1 to \$5 each. Shippers are paying about 35c per lb. for large sheep; lambs sold to-day at from \$1.75 to \$3. Each but there were very few of either on the market. While \$5 a bushel of the soft wheat is a rather poor lot. Fat hogs are scarce and sold at from 35c to 40c per lb.

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