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In and Around Toronto

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

Seeing the purple on the altar on Sunday and hearing the gospel read for Septuagesima Sunday awakened a thought as to the origin of the name. One would naturally suppose that it implied seventy days before something, perhaps Easter, but this supposition it seems would be wrong, as the day actually occurs sixty days before that date.

VERY REV. DEAN EGAN AT ST. HELEN'S.

At St. Helen's on Sunday the Very Rev. Dean Egan of Barrie assisted, preaching very practical and instructive sermons during the day. At the High Mass the gospel furnished the text for the discourse and at Vespers "sins of the tongue" was the subject.

MISS MORTON WINS.

In the contest conducted last week by the management of the Majestic Theatre, Miss Morton of the glove department of the T. Eaton Co. was voted the most popular saleslady in Toronto. As a result the winner was presented with a handsome gold watch by Miss Lottie Williams at the theatre on Saturday evening.

DEATH OF MRS. W. L. McARTHUR.

Among recent deaths is that of Mr. W. L. McArthur, one of the best known travellers in Canada. For forty-five years Mr. McArthur was connected with the Cleveland Stone Co., for which firm he transacted all the Canadian business, and for the past fifteen years had also a connection with the Claus Shear Co. of Fremont, Ohio.

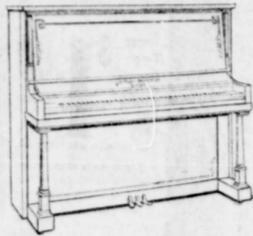
DEATH OF MRS. O'NEIL OF THE MINTO HOUSE.

On Wednesday of last week the somewhat sudden death of Mrs. O'Neil of the Minto House, at Toronto Junction, took place. Mrs. O'Neil, who was formerly Mrs. Archibald Smith, was well known in Toronto Junction, where for some years she was proprietress of the Avenue Hotel.

A FEAST OF MUSIC.

Musical Toronto is still living in the delightful atmosphere of artistic and melodious sounds produced by the harmonious combination of the Mendelssohn Choir under Mr. A. S. Vogt and the Pittsburgh Orchestra led by the baton of Emil Paur.

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of Wagner or Gounod for example, is in itself a study, and it would seem that to get the amount of pleasure possible, it is necessary for the listener as well as the performer to be a musician and a student. Of all who listened last week how many understood would be an interesting question to answer. Feeling a little curious on this point several musicians were interrogated. One declared that no one present fully appreciated; another said that it would probably be surprising, but at the same time true, to learn that a great number were in a position to understand and appreciate even the most intricate details of the oft times difficult orchestrations.

SOCIAL GATHERING.

On Monday the Knights of Columbus had a most pleasant evening at McConkey's, when the city members and their lady friends, together with a number of representatives from outside districts, partook of a banquet, made and listened to toasts and witty speeches and otherwise enjoyed themselves. An excellent programme of music was provided. Amongst those from outside places were Messrs. Dan O'Connell, Peterboro; R. D. Gunn, Orillia, and Messrs. Dolan and Dilmage, Niagara Falls.

DEBATE ON MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

At the regular meeting of the Catholic Temperance and Athletic Union, held in St. Peter's Hall on Wednesday evening of last week, a debate on a subject of much interest to the country, that of "Municipal Ownership," afforded much enjoyment and instruction to the large audience present. Mr. W. O'Brien led the affirmative and Mr. Hay the negative. The pros and cons were well brought out and it was decided that the system under discussion is for the best interests of the country.

KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN.

About two hundred and fifty of the members and friends of the united commandaries of the above society, held one of their pleasant gatherings at the Temple Building on Wednesday the 15th inst. Wainwright's fine orchestra of six pieces furnished the music and Webb was the caterer. The affair was one of the enjoyable events for which the society is noted.

INTERESTING GATHERING.

The regular monthly meeting of the C.C.M. was held at the King Edward on Monday evening. In addition to the members, a number of ladies were present. Dinner, a musical programme and an address formed the entertainment. Rev. Father Canning lectured on the "Wyclif Bible" showing that attributing the translation to John Wyclif is an error, modern research having proved this to be so. Mr. Leitzeur added very much to the pleasure of the evening by his fine rendition of several patriotic songs.

DEATH OF MR. CHARLES J. HERBERT.

On Sunday, 19th inst., the death occurred of Mr. Chas. J. Herbert at his late residence, corner Dundas and Union streets, Toronto Junction. Deceased was the eldest son of Mr. John Herbert of 23 Robinson street, Toronto, and was a member of a well known family of the West End, in which part of the city he had lived all his life until he took up his residence in Toronto Junction about five years ago. Mr. Herbert had been ill for over a year, and at the end near-failure was the cause of death. He was always very much liked both in Toronto and at the Junction and his early death in the prime of his manhood is very much regretted by his many friends. He leaves a widow and four young children—one son and three daughters—to mourn the loss of their band and father. He is also

lived by his father, two brothers, Alfred and Joseph, and two sisters, Mrs. Sullivan of Winnipeg and Florance at home. The funeral took place from St. Cecilia's Church, Toronto Junction, on Tuesday morning, when the mass of requiem was said by Rev. Father Gallagher, assisted by Rev. Father Doherty. The funeral was largely attended and representatives of the Catholic Order of Foresters and the C.M.B.A., of which societies the deceased was a member, were amongst those present. The interment took place at St. Michael's Cemetery. R.I.P.

THE LATE MR. JOHN FERGUSON.

The death of Mr. John Ferguson, which occurred at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Bennett of Maitland street, Toronto, will be heard of with regret by a large circle of acquaintances in different parts of Ontario. For some years past the deceased had lived near St. Catharines and was on a visit to Toronto when the last call came. Mr. Ferguson was a man of many virtues, a good neighbor, a staunch friend and a practical and fervent Catholic, one of whom too much could neither be written nor said. He was one of a family who have given its members generously both to the church and to prominence in literary and other fields. The funeral took place from St. Basil's Church on Monday, the 13th inst., Rev. Father James Ferguson of New York, a son of deceased, being the celebrant of the mass, assisted by Rev. Father Ferguson of Sandwich, a cousin, and deacon, and Rev. Father T. Ferguson of Hamilton as sub-deacon. The ceremonies were very impressive, and a large number of friends assisted at the mass. Besides those mentioned Mr. Ferguson is survived by a son, Mr. William Ferguson of Cleveland, and by a daughter, Miss Minnie, organist at St. Catharines. R.I.P.

THE LATE MR. JOHN BURNS.

Among the deaths of last week is that of Mr. John Burns of St. Mary's Parish. An injury received in a tripe accident two years ago, supplemented by a severe cold, was the cause of death. For many years the name of Mr. Burns stood foremost amongst those of the prominent business men of Toronto. He was known as one of the finest carriage builders in Canada and was one of the firm of Hutchinson & Burns. At the Chicago World's Fair Mr. Burns was the only Canadian exhibitor of carriages and he succeeded in carrying off a medal and diploma. Deceased was a native of Sligo, Ireland, where he was born 72 years ago. He came to this country when a boy and had lived in Toronto for a period of sixty years with the exception of a short period while working in Hall's carriage shops in Markham. Mr. Burns is survived by three sons and two daughters. The funeral took place from St. Mary's church to St. Michael's Cemetery. R.I.P.

The Outlook for Seed Corn

The difficulty of getting reliable seed corn of desirable types and varieties during the last two years and the expensive lessons learned by many corn growers who used seed of unknown vitality make the question of reliable seed for 1905 of more than ordinary interest. A survey of the available supply of northern grown seed of this important fodder crop indicates that the difficulties of getting good seed will be even greater this year than during the two previous years. The best varieties for fodder or ensilage purposes along the northern limit of the corn belt in Canada are undoubtedly of the "Flint" type. In the latitude of Ottawa only a few special strains of the "Dent" varieties give good results for ensilage in the average year.

Unfortunately for progress in corn raising in Canada our supplies of seed have been drawn largely from the country to the south and have been of types and varieties that require a longer season to mature than is afforded in some of our best dairy districts, where the corn crop is most needed and most valuable. We have a number of very good men who are making a specialty of growing corn for the purpose of seed along Lake Erie, and who have a limited quantity of good seed for sale this year. The Canadian Seed Growers' Association has taken up

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in a business-like way the matter of creating a supply of reliable seed corn, and it may be said that the future promises for a permanent basis of supply of a high-class article and of varieties that are exceptionally well suited for ensilage and fodder purposes in all parts of Canada where corn can be grown with success.

The severe frost during the early part of last autumn rendered the bulk of the corn crop in Ontario absolutely useless for the purpose of seed. A belt about a mile in width along the northern shore of Lake Erie was affected only slightly, and from some sections in this district there is a supply of very good seed.

The cost of the small quantity of seed corn that is required to plant an acre, in comparison with the cost for labor in cultivating and handling and the ultimate value per acre of a good crop, would seem to make it clear that the best available seed of the most satisfactory type and variety should be obtained at any reasonable cost. It would be much better for Canadian farmers if they were able to obtain their supplies of seed corn in the ear, they would then have a fair idea of what they were getting. While in the ear the danger of injury to the vitality of the seed from damp and its after effects is reduced to a minimum. Corn that is shelled by a machine and left in sacks for six weeks or more will seldom germinate more than 75 per cent, unless the conditions for storage have been exceptionally good. The average vitality of seed corn, tested in the Seed Laboratory last year, were for corn received in the ear, 95 per cent., and for shelled corn 68 per cent.

It is much to be recommended then, that wherever possible, farmers obtain their supplies of seed corn in the ear only. To meet the demand for seed corn in this condition growers would do well to adopt the style of shipping crate that is used for this purpose in the states of Iowa and Illinois. This crate is two feet nine inches long, one foot wide, and one foot deep, and is made of half inch lumber three inches in width. Its capacity is one bushel, or between one hundred and one hundred and twenty ears. If the corn can be planted in hills this crate will hold sufficient seed for five acres. While it is true that there may be some additional cost for freight, on account of the weight of the cob and of the ear, and that extra work is required in shelling the corn, these become insignificant when the difference in value between an acre of matured corn and an acre of unsatisfactory crop is considered.

SEED TESTING ON THE FARM.

To find out whether seeds are capable of producing plants requires neither expert knowledge nor special apparatus. Satisfactory material is to be found in every farm home, for making germination tests of practically any kind of seed used on the farm. The simplest and most convenient way to test seed of corn and other cereal grains and most of the root crop and larger vegetable seeds is to place a number of them—say one hundred—between pieces of moistened blotting paper, Canton flannel or cloth, set them in an ordinary dinner plate and invert another plate to cover them. The seed should be kept moist but not wet. The temperature of the average farm house living room would be quite suitable, but some care should be taken to guard against excessive heat or cold. All good strong seed of corn, cereal grains, clovers, or timothy, thus treated, will have germinated at the end of five days. Very small seeds of the finer grasses, or of some of the garden vegetables and of beets or mangels may be germinated to better advantage by scattering them in a saucer (belonging to a flower pot) that has been soaked in water, and set on a cloth that should be kept damp, or in a pan containing not more than one-eighth of an inch of water, the object being to keep the saucer moist, but not wet. If such a saucer is not available, a brick will answer the purpose as well. In germinating seeds in an earthen saucer they may be exposed to the light but not to the direct rays of the sun.

W. A. CLEMONS.

The Consecration in Peterboro

Peterborough, Feb. 21.—On Friday next, for the first time in the history of the Diocese of Peterborough, the consecration of a Bishop of the Catholic Church will be witnessed in St. Peter's cathedral. It was on May 1st, 1889, that His Lordship, Bishop O'Connor, was elevated to the Episcopal seat, and on that occasion the gathering of clergy was one of the largest ever seen in Peterborough, there being ten Archbishops and Bishops present.

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