

ST. JOSEPH'S. The Closing Exercises Thursday Were Most Successful.

UNIVERSITY OF ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, June 20.—A happy and prosperous scholastic year was concluded today at St. Joseph's. There have possibly been no more successful years than the last ten months have not been unsuccessul; over two hundred young men have their names on the register of '00-'01. Some of this band, hailing from divers countries, leave tomorrow to enjoy a well earned vacation. This year's students had the pleasure of witnessing the most entertaining and successful exercises ever held at St. Joseph's.

On Wednesday the Record Foundry Co. of Moncton treated the boys to a delicious salmon dinner, after which a spirited game of base ball was played between the first and second nines. In the evening the government of St. John the Baptist Academy successfully play the splendid five act French drama, The Pirates of the Savonno's. Each and every actor proved on Wednesday that he was well entitled to the name, a first-class amateur. The Alumni Association held their annual meeting at 10 a. m. today. This afternoon at 2 o'clock, the students, with not a few friends of the college, attended the distribution of prizes and conferring of diplomas and degrees. A short programme of songs, declamations and songs was well carried out. M. D. Cormier of Barachois, N. B., delivered the valedictory in French. He treated largely on Acadia, dwelling particularly on the rapid advance of education among her people. Mr. Cormier ranks among St. Joseph's most eloquent valedictorians.

Mr. Duke's speech on what Canada expects from us, reflected great credit on the clever young man from St. John. The music was, as usual, excellent. The valedictory was delivered in French by young Mr. Cormier, and it is to be regretted that lack of time prevented its translation for the benefit of the English supporters of the college. It was really a splendid effort on the part of the clever young valedictorian, whose subject was the future of Acadia. The committee that those of Acadia descent had much to hope for, and would figure prominently in the history of Canada.

The speech of William M. Duke of St. John, on WHAT CANADA EXPECTS FROM US, was listened to with rapt attention. Mr. Duke said: Rev. Father Superior, Rev. Fathers, Ladies and Gentlemen: Although many a less matter of fact subject could be suggested as a more congenial proposition for a dissertation before the ordinary commencement day audience, still I venture to say—in view of the many student faces turned towards me—that there is, perhaps, no subject more interesting, no reflection more dear, and no question more important to the Canadian youth of today than one which has to do with the prosperity and future welfare of this land of ours—Our Own Canadian Home.

NEW YORK TRAGEDY. Many Persons Killed and Injured as the Result of an Explosion Among a Large Quantity of Fireworks.

NEW YORK, June 21.—Many persons were killed and injured today as the result of an explosion among a large quantity of fireworks in the store of Abraham M. Rittenburg at Paterson, N. J. The cause of the explosion is not known. The property loss will not exceed \$35,000. The known dead are: Mrs. Lucinda Adams, Mrs. Chas. Williams, Charles Williams, cripple; Harold Rittenburg, 18 months old, son of the keeper of the fireworks store; Henry Elsas, six weeks old. Those mangled and almost certainly dead are: Mrs. Bert Bamber, Mrs. Mary Elsas; Jos. Elvin, two weeks old child of Mrs. Andrew Elvin; Mrs. Bamber, six months' old child of Mrs. Bert Bamber; Mrs. Andrew Elvin, Mrs. Mary Elsas; Jos. Elvin, two weeks old child of Mrs. Andrew Elvin; Mrs. Bamber, six months' old child of Mrs. Bert Bamber; Mrs. Andrew Elvin, Mrs. Mary Elsas; Jos. Elvin, two weeks old child of Mrs. Andrew Elvin.

The explosion occurred shortly after noon, when many of the occupants of the building were out for dinner. The building in which the explosion took place was a frame tenement house, four stories high, with stores on the ground floor. The middle store was occupied by Rittenburg. Ten families occupied flats in the building. Had the explosion occurred half an hour later, a death list of hundreds might have been rolled up, for adjoining the wrecked building was No. 23, in which were hundreds of children. Not only was the school damaged, but large quantities of wreckage were hurled into it. As it was some of the school children playing near the school house were injured. So great was the force of the explosion that a boy playing in the street half a block away was lifted from his feet and hurled against an iron fence and one of his legs broken. There was a trolley car in front of the building when the explosion occurred and the burst of flame scorched the sides of the car and singed the hair of the passengers.

Those who were upon the upper floors of the building were either stunned and then burned to death or found escape cut off and were suffocated. After the first explosion there were a series of smaller ones and then came a second big explosion which was muffled and deadened and probably occurred in the cellar. Every building in the neighborhood was stripped of glass. Families seated at dinner were thrown from their chairs to the floor. Then there was an exciting scene as the police tried to control the riotous children and were soon rushing looking about for their little ones were being carried away from the ruins by the police wagons; the ambulance and grocers' wagons were being driven away. Meanwhile the flames were bursting from every part of the tenement building. A woman appeared at one of the windows, a mass of flames. She leaped out and fell through the fire to the yard below. She was dragged away by a traveling salesman, for the flesh was dropping from her bones. Later it was discovered that she was Mrs. Williams, who is numbered among the dead.

Mrs. Williams' husband was a cripple. His wife is supposed to have received longer life, she could with safety in an effort to save her life, was found bound to a crisp on his bed. Mrs. Zimmer, mother-in-law of Rittenburg, is known to be dead. It is said she was standing at the rear of the store talking to a traveling salesman when the explosion occurred. What became of the salesman is not known. One of the most finds among the debris was the head of an adult. The hair is burned off and the features unrecognizable. So far it has been impossible to tell the sex. The remainder of the body has not been found. Daniel Dooley was in the yard when the explosion took place. He saw the two Rittenburg children in the rear room and rushed into the flames for them. He got one of them and carried it out and tried to go back for the other, but the room was then one mass of fire. Dooley was badly scorched in rescuing the first child. From the front of the building Mrs. Jessup and her husband jumped to the sidewalk. They were seated at dinner, and together they ran to the front window and leaped. Others of the tenants were meanwhile hanging from the windows. The firemen came within a few minutes and 20 persons were rescued. Mr. and Mrs. John McGone escaped to the top story of the tenement. McGone then climbed out of the front window and hung on with one hand until he held his wife with the other until a life net was secured. Then he dropped his wife into the net and followed himself. Both were badly burned. While the firemen were endeavoring to extinguish the flames the upper portion of the building, wrecked by the force of the explosion, sagged outward and fell upon the heads of the men. Two streams of water were instantly turned on the wreckage. Out of it in a moment crawled Captain of education at St. John's, Newfoundland, died at Tignish Sunday morning. He had been in delicate health for the last two years. He was educated at St. Dunstan's and Prince of Wales colleges, and at the Propaganda, Rome. The remains were brought to Charlottetown and interred in the People's cemetery. Fr. McDougall officiated at the church at Tignish and Rev. Dr. Monaghan at the grave.

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CHARLOTTETOWN, June 22.—Smallpox has developed in the house of Angus McBeth, Grand View, reported to have been ill last week. It is now believed that danger is past. Rev. T. H. Hunt, assistant rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, has received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from the University of Toronto. The first concert given by the Philharmonic Society was held on Thursday night. It proved a distinct success. The organization of this society has received the impulse to the study of music in this city. At the last regular meeting of the cheese board the following officers were appointed for the ensuing year: Pres., Arthur Simpson, Bay View; vice-pres., Lauchlin McDonald, East Point; secretary-treas., Robert Jenkins, Mt. Allison; auditor, A. B. Dickison, New Glasgow. A resolution was moved by L. L. Jenkins, seconded by D. Murchison, and carried, to the effect that purchasers be required to inspect and remove their purchases of cheese from the factories within two weeks from the date of purchase, unless otherwise arranged by buyer and seller. William Hogan of St. Anne's, Lot 65, and Katie Clarkin of North Wiltshire, were married in St. Joseph's church, Kelly's Cross, a few days ago. An exceptionally large number of cattle have been stall fed here this spring. Drives numbering often from 20 to 30 are brought to Charlottetown every day or two. Many of our farmers realize in this way alone from \$100 to \$500 each spring, while during the year a still greater revenue is derived from the factories. This new system of farming in yielding rich returns to the tiller of the soil. Miss L. Blanche Hughes, daughter of George A. Hughes of the P. E. I. railway, has received a diploma from the Photographic Institute of Cincinnati for amateur work. The grocers of Charlottetown have agreed to close their places of business on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week at 6 o'clock from June 19th to Sept. 30th. The Wallace, N. S., stone company has the contract for awarding 15,000 tons of freestone for the new breakwater at Souris. The Caledonia Club have decided to hold their annual club gathering at the Charlottetown Amateur Athletic Association grounds on the occasion of the governor general's visit to the island. A. D. Dillon and E. W. Bowness have both been promoted to the rank of lieutenant in the 82nd battalion. Both men seen service in the South African campaign. Lt. M. C. McKeown, son of Duncan McKeown of Charlottetown, died suddenly in New York on the 17th inst. of Bright's disease. He left Charlottetown about five years ago and was employed by Wanamaker & Co. as head bookkeeper in a department store. Mr. McKeown was expected home on a visit in a few days, and a letter received by his mother after the telegram announcing his death had reached her, he told of his pleasant anticipations of seeing his parents so soon. The remains reached Charlottetown last night and were interred today in the People's cemetery. The funeral was a very large one. Much sympathy is felt for the parents in the loss of a most dutiful and exemplary son. Among recent deaths which have occurred here are Mrs. W. G. Saine of Charlottetown; Mrs. James D. Crosby of Charlottetown; Ella Jane Scott of North River; Mrs. Donald MacMillan, Western Covehead; Mrs. W. F. Woodside of Darnley, Adam Morrison of Tryon, Samuel Worth of Charlottetown; Melville J. Willock of China Point; Mrs. John Dunphy of Peake's Station.

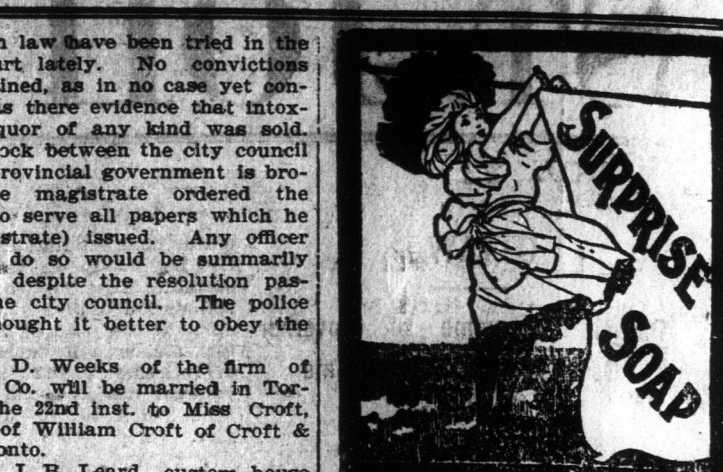
The corner stone of the new St. Mary's R. C. church at Souris was laid on Sunday last. High Mass was celebrated in the open air by Bishop McDonald. The sermon was preached by Rev. Ronald McDonald. Another interesting service was performed at Souris on Sunday, when the rector of St. Alban's church unveiled a beautiful oil painting of the Saviour Triumphant. J. J. Wickham, late superintendent of education at St. John's, Newfoundland, died at Tignish Sunday morning. He had been in delicate health for the last two years. He was educated at St. Dunstan's and Prince of Wales colleges, and at the Propaganda, Rome. The remains were brought to Charlottetown and interred in the People's cemetery. Fr. McDougall officiated at the church at Tignish and Rev. Dr. Monaghan at the grave. Mrs. John Leturgy and Mrs. J. E. Wychat have returned to Summerside after spending the winter in Florida. W. D. Rowe, who resigned the management of the Bank of Nova Scotia here a short time ago, was tendered a farewell dinner at the Cliff House, Saturday afternoon. He was there presented with a handsome gold chain and an address signed by about forty prominent citizens. Dr. J. C. Houston of Souris and Miss Gertrude Mathew were married on the 18th inst. by Rev. S. H. Rice in the presence of the immediate relatives. Several cases for violation of the

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receptions from all sources were \$5,877. The average attendance in the Sunday school was 290. Maynard Lafurgy of Bequeque had one of his legs broken Saturday night while in the act of getting out of his carriage. John L. Read, son of Captain Joseph Read of Summerside, and Nellie Elison were married Wednesday evening by Rev. E. P. Calder. P. W. Morrison of Summerside died Thursday morning of paralysis of the heart. He was connected with the Royal Bank of Canada for 25 years and was manager of the Summerside branch for 15 years. The W. C. T. U. convention has been in session in Charlottetown during the last three days. Mrs. Whitman, president of the Nova Scotia W. C. T. U., is in attendance. The meetings are well attended. Today officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Strong, Summerside; vice-president, Mrs. R. Johnson, Charlottetown; recording secretary, Mrs. D. A. Sharp, Summerside; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Matheson, Charlottetown; treasurer, Mrs. L. M. Poole, Charlottetown; auditor, Mrs. Philip Large, Charlottetown; delegates to dominion at Montreal, Mrs. Richard Smith, Brighton, and Mrs. Baker, Summerside. At the C. A. A. sports held here Thursday night, the 100 yards dash was won by Richie, Duffy, second, James MacMillan third; the quarter mile bicycle against time was won by Cameron of Montague in 30 seconds, reducing the maritime record by one second; Anderson of Halifax second in 30 2/5 seconds; Brown of Charlottetown in 30 4/5 seconds. Duffy won the 300 yards dash in 35 seconds, Eaton of Acadia College second and Toombs third. Sam Doyle won the half mile bicycle race, having had 30 feet handicap. Brown second. Cameron third, time, 1:01 1/5. The 600 yards run was won by Eaton, Toombs second, Duffy third, time, 1:21 1/5. Harry Wonnacott, with 54 feet handicap, won the mile bicycle race; Doyle, with 45 feet handicap, was second, and Brown third, time, 2:41 1/5.

OTTAWA, June 22.—The C. P. R. striker who was arrested for intimidating and browbeating a local constable employed at L'Ange Gardien, when he tried to drive away from work, was today sentenced to imprisonment for one month in jail.

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After the opening o m, 19th, the exami Heaney took place, t conducted by the Rev. His usually able way 4 The examination was and the young man s with much credit. The standing com work all this mornin to so dispose of the ren in the best inter as a whole. As usu usually make a deman ticular man after p some other one proba to serve them, it w make their choice in interfere at all th the committee would deal of trouble and br annoyance. The first draft of t was issued today und is as follows: ST. JOHN DIS Queen Square—R. W. F. Cantuary—London Ave. Emerald street—T. J. D. Portland—George Steel. Charlottetown—Henry Poma. Courtenay street—Geo. Courtenay—Bay—A. E. C. Fairville—Job Stanton. Zion—Robert Wilson. Sussex—G. C. P. Palmer. Apsalut—C. W. Hamill. Springfield—R. W. J. C. Hampton—W. W. Lodge. St. Martin's—R. G. Fulk. Jerusalem—J. B. Gouth. Wolford—A. C. Bell. Kingston—L. J. Seard. FREDERICTON. Fredericton—Douglas C. Hill—George—T. B. G. Marysville—Robert S. C. Gibson—Edwin C. Baker. Charlottetown—H. R. Sars. Stanley—Selgwick—A. Bailey. Boistown—W. H. Young. Keswick—John B. Young. Shelld—Harry Parry. Grand Lake—W. H. Gagetown—Isaac N. Harris. Chipman—To be supplied.

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