

BLESSED MADEBEINE SOPHIE BARAT.

CEREMONIES IN HONOR OF HER BEATIFICATION AT THE SACRED HEART CONVENT, LONDON.

On the twenty-fourth of May, the long-expected event of the beatification of the Foundress of the Society of the Sacred Heart was celebrated with the usual grand ceremonial in Rome.

On Sunday evening Solemn Benediction of the most Blessed Sacrament was given by Reverend Father Tobin, assisted by Reverend Fathers White and Ford; Reverend Father Godwin was present in the sanctuary. The Benediction was sung by the pupils of the academy and was followed by the unveiling of the picture of the Blessed Madeleine Sophie. The shrine was directly between the main altar and that of the Blessed Virgin and was beautifully decorated with white and red flowers—the genuflecting of the Children of Mary and friends from the city.

On Monday morning Pontifical High Mass was sung by His Grace Archbishop McVay, Rev. Father Aylward acting as Arch-priest, Rev. Fathers Kennedy and Weston, Deacons of honor and Rev. Fathers Tobin and Ford, deacon and sub-deacon of the Mass. Rev. Father Valentin was present in the sanctuary. The pupils sang the choral Mass. In the afternoon the ceremonies were completed with a solemn Benediction given by Rev. Father Tobin, assisted by Rev. Father Buckley, O. S. B., and Rev. Father White.

Immediately after the solemn Benediction, Rev. Father Aylward preached the panegyric and in well chosen language pointed out the shining virtues of Blessed Madeleine Sophie, taking for his text the words "My Sister, my spouse is a garden enclosed." Canticle of Canticles, (C. 4, v. 12). He began by saying that God, speaking of the soul wedded to Him by faith and love, compares it to a garden, to a garden because in this soul He sees growing up in emulation all the seeds of goodness, flowers of Christian virtues blooming and ripening into fruits of merit for heaven.

A closed garden, because this soul is proof against the darts of the evil one, inaccessible to the seductions of the world or the affections of creatures. These words of the Holy Ghost may be most becomingly applied to your Blessed Mother Foundress whose beatification, taking place yesterday, is the cause of our presence here to-day. With you then we may enter the closed garden of her soul to inhale the perfume and admire the splendor of those virtues which characterized her in life and merited for her the signal honor of being raised to the dignity of Blessed to receive public veneration on the altar of God's Holy Church. It is said in Holy Writ that the Heavenly Spouse looks with complacency to see His flowers in bloom, but He seeks amidst them all one that He plucks and loves to take to Himself—that is the Lily of purity.

Following the Divine Master's example, let us take for the glory of God—for our edification and for your encouragement, Reverend Mothers and good Sisters, a few of the many virtues of Blessed Madeleine Sophie, and may she on this happy day bless my words, inspire them with that burning zeal and fervor she ever showed in her lifetime when her lips gave utterance to the thoughts that led so many souls to God. Before unveiling the virtues of Blessed Mother Barat, Father Aylward most interestingly portrayed her youth, especially dwelling on the ways and means God took to form her character. The severity of her own brother, a noble soul himself, prepared her to endure with heroic patience the trials and difficulties she was to face ere the Society of the Sacred Heart would become an accomplished fact.

In speaking of her zeal for the propagation of religion and education, Father Aylward drew attention to the rapid spread of the society all over Europe and paid a passing tribute to Mother Barat in seconding the efforts of her Superior General in establishing the society in North America.

At the close of her eventful life Mother Barat looked upon the work of her Society with its grand institutions, praising God, denying any merit to herself, expired with a blessing on her children now scattered all over the earth. One pang of sorrow touches every true child of the Order in this day of rejoicing—it is the thought that in her own dear France there is only one house left to the society there to join with their sisters all over the world in thanks to God for the honor conferred on their Blessed Mother Foundress. Let us hope in His own good time our Dear Lord will change the conditions of things, and once more France, regenerated through devotion to the Sacred Heart, will open wide its portals to welcome the entry of Christ and His kingdom, and that the Daughters of Blessed Madeleine Sophie will lead the way.

During thirty-five minutes Father Aylward said mass and other beautiful things calculated to inspire devotion to the Sacred Heart, and said that it was fitting that the present Holy Father Pius X.—whose motto is to restore all things in Christ—should beatify Mother Barat a true Apostle of devotion to Christ in His Sacred Heart. All present were charmed at the touching sermon delivered by the Rector of St. Peter's.

The lyric and lasting tone of the Gounod piano comes from the superior quality of imported salt used, coupled with the fine quality of the sounding boards made from "violin spruce," together with the non-varying end-wood, pin-block or wreat plank system and many other improved features found only in the Gounod.

MORE DEFENDERS.

METHODIST DISAGREES WITH HIS BISHOP—WORD FOR JESUITS.

It is a noteworthy sign of the times that attacks upon the Catholic Church nowadays bring forward defenders who are not of our faith, but who are fair-minded and just, and will not stand idly by and see an injustice done. An example of this was noted in the Baltimore Sun of May 17th, when a Methodist gentleman took issue with a bishop of his church who had adversely criticized the Catholic Church during the Methodist Congress in Baltimore. The gentleman wrote as follows to the Sun:

A VIGOROUS DEFENSE.

Messrs. Editors: "While looking over the columns of the Sun my eye caught the line, 'Says Papacy is Paganistic,' and I read the following extract from Bishop Hartzell's address to the Methodist Episcopal Congress in 1897 (the Catholic Church) grown arrogant by age and powerful by world-wide organization, it is an aggressive conspiracy against civil and religious liberty wherever it exists. Wherever its power has been supreme for centuries we have the blight of ignorance, immorality and superstition among the masses, a corrupt and immoral priesthood, an inhuman and pestilential system to free government and the W. rd of God is denied to the people in their own tongue, while the rights of the individual conscience are forbidden under pains of eternal anathemas."

Now, I myself am a Methodist and a zealous advocate and defender of the work done by our missionaries at home and abroad, but when a representative of my religion comes before a body of intelligent men and rehearses a lie that has been exposed 10,000 times my love of truth and fair-mindedness compels me to put aside party feeling and raise a voice of protest. It is an ungracious thing for Bishop Hartzell to vituperate a religious system that has been hard at work on the soil of Africa long before the Methodist came into existence, and whose work at the present day, done by the so-called White Fathers for the uplifting of the savage races of that land is one of the brightest pages in the history of modern civilization. It is an easy thing to reap where one has not sown and then criticize the sower because the harvest is not more rich and abundant. And this is precisely the position of Bishop Hartzell. The seeds of civilization and education were sown long ago by the Catholic Church, and the seeds to day find it comparatively easy to garner the fruits from the fields plowed and furrowed by her.

Another ungentlemanly act is the aspersion cast upon the Catholic priesthood. Doubtless there have been, and there are, bad and unfaithful priests in the ranks of the Catholic clergy, but for this reason to call the entire priesthood corrupt and immoral is an unpardonable sin against logic and good breeding. Bishop Hartzell knows, as I know, that many a tale of immorality and corrupt conduct on the part of unworthy ministers of his own religion on African soil, and I would like to know what he would think of a Catholic Bishop who, for that reason, would stigmatize the entire body of Methodist ministers as corrupt and immoral. These accusations of Bishop Hartzell against Catholicism have been exploded so often that no words of mine are needed in defense. The pages of history are open wide to all who wish to read. But I feel it is the duty of every fair-minded Methodist to resent this un-called-for attack upon a religion, which with all her faults and prejudices, has been a great factor in the civilizing of the nations. The only thing that can excuse this assault of Bishop Hartzell is the charitable presumption that the natural broad-mindedness of every born American—in indeed Bishop Hartzell is happy enough to claim this privilege—has been warped by the narrowing influences of that far off country in which he lived.

GERALD CARLYLE WHITNEY.

In order to obtain the best results in musical work it is essential to have a piano of fine tone, quality and responsive action as a means for correct pianistic expression, or to give proper support to the voice. In this respect the Gounod piano satisfies the most critical musician either for purely instrumental use or accompaniment.

PURITY FLOUR. A NAME THAT MEANS SOMETHING. A flour of the finest quality, which the choicest Manitoba Hard Wheat and the most expert milling can make; a flour that never fails to give satisfaction; a flour that enjoys the confidence of those who have tried it—that's

HOPE LIES IN CATHOLICITY.

The Rev. Newman Smyth, pastor of the Center Congregational Church, of New Haven, the oldest non-Catholic Church in Connecticut, and a member of the Yale Corporation, said in a sermon delivered in his church on Sunday last week, that Protestantism was passing away, and was destined to be merged into Catholicity. He said: "Protestantism has passed already through two distinct stages. First, in Luther's time it protested against the Church then existing. Then it constructed new churches and new creeds. But for a hundred years we have been breaking up creeds rather than making them, and we now are in a third stage, facing the question, 'What is Christianity?' How can it be realized on this earth?"

"The crowning achievement of Protestantism is that it won victory forever for the individual man. But now it has failed, although I would not say its failure in any direction is complete. Protestantism is losing mastery over the controlling forces of modern life, one end of which is bound to the Church, even in its own families. Catholicity has authority in the family from birth to death, from baptism to extreme unction. Protestantism has also lost the voice of authority in the State. Our churches as churches are not counted as political powers.

More than this, Protestantism, as organized, or rather as disorganized, has lost control over the large areas of religious thought. It is not that worldliness is coming in, but that much religion is withdrawing from the churches. Protestantism does not attract many minds. "With all this, Protestantism has utterly lost the unity of the Church. The Catholic Church is a strong cable, one end of which is bound to the Eternal Power and the other fastened to the whole mechanism of human life. It controls the world and it moves where it will. In Protestantism the rope at its human end is frayed out in many threads. No single strand is strong enough to move the whole social mechanism; at best one thread may move only a few wheels."—Central Catholic.

RITUALISM.

The bitter storm of Liverpool Protestantism and former Exeter hall meetings was decidedly noticeable at the assemblage of Protestants in the Queen's hall on Monday night, says the Catholic Times. But it must be admitted that Mr. Austin Taylor and other speakers were as correct as they were candid in their descriptions of the situation in the Church of England.

The Church of England has, as Mr. Taylor said, been shifting its center of gravity for over half a century. Organized bodies of opinion and societies in that church have been drawing away from Protestantism. That is quite true. Nor is it unreasonable to ask why the Ritualists as honest men do not make their submission to the Pope and sever themselves from a church with whose principles and doctrines they are no longer in sympathy. Another question may also be reasonably put, and that is, Why so many Anglicans have, in theory at least, renounced Protestantism, and why they continue to give it up? For years the clamor and cries of the Protestants have rung in our ears. They try to coerce their Anglican brethren by shouts and threats to remain faithful adherents of Protestantism. But all in vain. The Anglicans still press on towards Rome.

DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT. PILES. Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain and guaranteed cure for each and every form of itching, bleeding and protruding piles. See testimonials in the press and ask your neighbors about it. You can use it and get your money back satisfied, or at all times apply to EDMANSON, BATES & CO., Toronto.

Improved land can be bought very cheap, from \$5 to \$15 an acre and for a man who has little money, land at that price, close to railroad, town, school and church, is far cheaper than any homestead. To my opinion, there will be no better time to buy farms in the West than now. Unprofitable farmers, who have rashly run into debt for years, have been totally knocked down by the financial crisis, the effects of which are felt all over America. Some have to sell at any price, which gives an unusual chance to newcomers who can afford to make a first payment down. The preceding article published in the RECORD on the same subject has brought letters from a few Catholics, and I am proud to say that they like the place very much. Any Catholic coming with his family may write to me a few days in advance, Rev. Father H. Volan, Red Deer, B. X. 341, and I shall be very glad to rent a house for him for one month or so to avoid hotel expenses. I am only asking for a good reference being sent to me from the parish priest. Houses can be rented for \$10 or \$12 a month. I must apologize for such an extensive letter. But I feel sure that the RECORD fully appreciates the importance of such initiative being taken by missionaries working in the new provinces, and that you are ever willing to co-operate with my efforts in this line by granting this communication a place in your columns. H. Volan, O. M. I. Box 341, Red Deer, Alta.

DIED. HANLEY—In Montreal, on 19th inst., Miss Mida Hanley, daughter of Thos. Hanley, Red Deer, of Palace street. My dear soul rest in peace! COSWAY—In Douglas, Ont., on May 23rd, Mr. Michael Conway, only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Conway, of Douglas. My dear soul rest in peace!

MCDONALD—An Canadian, P. E. I. on April 9th, Mary McDonald, widow of the late Alexander McMillan, aged ninety-two years. May her soul rest in peace!

Ladies' Suits \$7.50 to \$18.00 (TAILORED TO ORDER) Beautiful Vole Skirts, \$5 to \$9; new Silk Coats, \$5 to \$10; new Cloth Skirts, \$2 to \$5; new Waists in lawn and silk, \$3 to \$4; Wash Jumper Suits, \$2; Luster Jumper Suits, \$1.75; Silk Jumper Suits, \$1.25; Lisle Suits, (good material) in style and color; they are free—SOUTHCOTT SUIT CO. LONDON, ENGL.

TEACHERS WANTED.

A QUALIFIED TEACHER MALE OR FEMALE for R. C. S. S., No 1, Malden, Ont. Must speak and teach French and English. Salary \$500 per annum. Duties to commence after summer holidays. Apply to Joseph Ladouceur, Sec. Treas., Belle River, Ont. 1544

SALESMEN WANTED.

SALESMEN WANTED FOR "AUTO SPRAY" Best hand sprayer made. Compressed Air Automatic, Liberal Terms—Cavers Bros. Galt.

THE "HARP OF TARA" POSTCARD. TYPICAL OF THE BEAUFY AND SONG OF Ireland. On sale 25 cents per dozen. Address: Miss E. McInerney, 233 Catherine st., Hamilton, Ont. 1544

MISSION SUPPLIES. A Specialty made of Mission Articles. Send in for prices and samples. You will be greatly benefited by ordering your Mission Supplies from me. J. J. M. LANDY. 416 Queen St. west TORONTO, Ont.

KYRIALE sen Ordinarium Missae. Ad Exemplar Editonis Vaticanæ Concinnatum Cantum Gregorianum Transcript et Modulationibus Ornatum Julius Bas Ad Norman Editonis Rhythmicæ a Solesmensibus monachis Exaratæ Price \$2.50 The Catholic Record LONDON, CANADA

In a Democratic country like Canada it's not a question of what you used to be but it's what you are to day, and the Gounod piano in purity of tone, responsiveness in action, remarkable scale and wearing qualities stands for building.

For one month we will sell post-paid: I Catholic Home Annal and I Little Folks' Annal for 25 cents. Regular price, 35c. The Catholic Record LONDON, CANADA

C. M. B. A., Branch No 4, London Meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at eight o'clock, at their hall, in Queen Block, Richmond street. Thomas F. Gault, President; James S. McDougall, Secretary.

First Communion Prayer Books. 2003-128—Guide to Salvation... 15c White Maroquette. 2003-103—Guide to Salvation... 15c White Maroquette. 2003-57—Guide to Salvation... 25c White Levantium. 2504-810—Pocket Prayer Book... 40c Imitation Ivory—Chromo Side. 2018-805—Little Garland of Flowers... 50c Imitation Ivory—Chromo Side. 2018-802—Key of Heaven... 60c Imitation Ivory, Chromo Side, Round Corners, Clasp. 2018-810—Key of Heaven... 60c Imitation Ivory, Chromo Side, Round Corners, Clasp. 2500-827—Key of Heaven... 75c Imitation Ivory Chromo Side, Round Corners. ORDER BY NUMBER

ORIGINAL CHARTER, 1854 THE Home Bank of Canada. A Chartered Bank of Canada is a safe and convenient repository for those special accounts people term "nest eggs." Some institutions, borrowing money from the public, may pay a rate of interest that is fractionally higher, but a depositor with a Chartered Bank enjoys the protection of the Canadian Banking System, and the money is subject to immediate withdrawal on demand. Six Branches in Toronto Eighteen Branches in Ontario 394 Richmond St. - London

A New Book by Father Lambert Christian Science Before the Bar of Reason. Cloth, \$1.00. Paper, 50 cents. The Catholic Record London, Canada.

NEW BOOKS Modernism—What it is and why it is condemned. By C. S. B. Price, 15 Cents. Saint Patrick—A Monograph in paragraphs. By HUBERT M. SKINNER, Ph. D. Introduction by Rev. FRANCIS CASSILLY, S. J. Price, 25 Cents.

Ancient Catholic Homes of Scotland. By DOM. ODO. BLUNDELL, O. S. B. Introduction by Hon. Mrs. MAXWELL SCOTT, of Abbotsford. Price \$1.25. The Lord of the World. By ROBERT HUGH BENSON. Price \$1.50.

The Catholic Record LONDON, CANADA. Reduction in Price. For one month we will sell post-paid: I Catholic Home Annal and I Little Folks' Annal for 25 cents. Regular price, 35c. The Catholic Record LONDON, CANADA

C. M. B. A., Branch No 4, London Meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at eight o'clock, at their hall, in Queen Block, Richmond street. Thomas F. Gault, President; James S. McDougall, Secretary.

First Communion Prayer Books. 2003-128—Guide to Salvation... 15c White Maroquette. 2003-103—Guide to Salvation... 15c White Maroquette. 2003-57—Guide to Salvation... 25c White Levantium. 2504-810—Pocket Prayer Book... 40c Imitation Ivory—Chromo Side. 2018-805—Little Garland of Flowers... 50c Imitation Ivory—Chromo Side. 2018-802—Key of Heaven... 60c Imitation Ivory, Chromo Side, Round Corners, Clasp. 2018-810—Key of Heaven... 60c Imitation Ivory, Chromo Side, Round Corners, Clasp. 2500-827—Key of Heaven... 75c Imitation Ivory Chromo Side, Round Corners. ORDER BY NUMBER

THE CATHOLIC RECORD, - LONDON, ONT.