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we should love him with a love which no words can express, and which rises superior to all measures of sacrifice. Yes, and this love is so strong, that could we at this moment discover in our hearts a single fibre that does not vibrate for the lawful successor of the prince of the apostles, we would tear it out, root it out as this instant from our heart.

In the world there are two spots which should cherish the home of our Sovereign Pontiff, Oh Erin, oh Rome, live for ever, reign for ever in our minds and over our hearts. Oh Erin never shall we forget thee. Never, my brethren, shall we forget Ireland's green-clad hills and her lovely valleys, her enchanting vales, at the same time her all beautiful rivers and picturesque lakes; and always dear to our hearts shall be the clay of her soil. Rome, Christ's Eternal City, we lay at thy feet all the chivalry of Erin's sons, all the talents and tender-ness of her sons and daughters; we ask in vain, to claim these as our own, and to allow us to enjoy while we live the privileged grace of belonging to thee; and at the same time if in our heart there be an earnest desire, it is, Oh Rome of Jesus Christ, it is that this privileged grace of being thy children we may profit by in the world to come, until it is crowned with the ineffable bliss of an eternity with God, which alone thou canst promise us, and which alone thou canst enable us to obtain. A blessing I wish you all in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

C. M. B. A.

New branches requiring seals, emblems, or C. M. B. A. pins, can be supplied by Bro. T. Tassery, 504 Craig St., Montreal, at short notice.

The next convention of the Grand Council of Canada of the C. M. B. A. will be held at Stratford, Ont., in the second week in August, 1896.

M. J. Hanavan, Esq., M. D., Stratford, Ont., is Supervising Medical Examiner of the C. M. B. A. in Canada. Branch medical examiners should send all medical certificates direct to Dr. Hanavan, not to the Grand Recorder.

Members of some of our Canadian Branches seem to be under the impression that the Beneficiary certificates are made out by the Grand Recorder. Such is not the case; those certificates are entirely under the control of the Supreme Recorder, and any delay occurring after applications for said certificates are duly received, is traceable to said office. Members will kindly be a little patient in regard to this matter. Both Supreme and Grand Recorders have a vast amount of C. M. B. A. work, of which the Supreme Recorder members know very little. Our association is increasing very rapidly, and of course work necessarily increases on said officials. As regards the Recorder of Canada Grand Council, no one could be more attentive and prompt in his C. M. B. A. duties. He does his work satisfactorily and well. We have been informed that the Supreme Recorder's duties are so onerous that he has had occasion to procure an assistant.

FROM GODRICH.

SAMUEL R. BROWN, Esq.—It has become the painful duty of our youthful branch to chronicle the death of our most esteemed brother, Richards Brennan, who after a painful illness died on Ash Wednesday evening. Brother Brennan has been one year and three months a member of our Branch, and owing to a severe attack of inflammation of the bowels, succumbed with Christian resignation to the will of Divine Providence. His funeral was attended by the C. M. B. A., six of whom acted as pall-bearers. An equine Mass was sung by our spiritual director, Rev. Father Waters, who preached a very eloquent and pathetic sermon, taking for his text, "Memento Homo quia pulvis est et in pulverem reverteretur." He eulogized very feelingly upon the Christian life of our deceased brother and the beautiful death, fortified by all the sacraments of our holy mother the Church, and a true member of our fraternity the C. M. B. A. Brother Brennan was our youngest member, and always took a deep interest in promoting the welfare of the society. The members of which express their deepest and most heartfelt sympathy to his wife and child left to mourn his loss. He had reached his twenty-fourth year when called to his celestial home.

At a meeting held at the hall of the Branch, on March the 15th, the following resolutions were passed, and adopted. Moved by Patrick O'Dea, seconded by Chas. L. McIntosh.

Whereas, The members of Branch 35 learn with regret the death of our esteemed Brother Richard Brennan, who has been called from our midst and who has on all occasions been zealous in promoting the good of our society. Be it therefore Resolved, That we drape our ensign for one month in mourning for Brother Brennan's death.

Resolved, That we express our sincerest feeling of condolence to his wife and friends in their irreparable loss and sad bereavement.

Resolved, That we place a copy of the foregoing resolution on our minute book, publish it in the CATHOLIC RECORD and send a copy to Mrs. Richard Brennan. Carried.

Yours fraternally,
C. L. Mcintosh, Joseph Kidd, Jr.
1st Vice Pres. Rec. Sec. Br. 35.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Received from Branch 14, C. M. B. A., Galt, per P. Radigan, Rec. Secretary, the sum of two thousand dollars, in full as beneficiary of the late Rev. M. J. McGuire.

SISTERS: J. IRVINE, Superiores, House of Providence,
Dundas, March 15th, 1896.

What is Said of the Record.

Liamora, N. S., March 2, 1896.
Mr. T. COFFEY—DEAR SIR:—The renewal of my subscription, \$2.00, in advance, to the esteemed RECORD, renews also a desire to witness health and means unitedly contributing to the prosperity of the RECORD for many years.

Yours truly,
AUSTIN CRISWOLD.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

At a meeting of the St. Patrick's Benevolent Society, held in their hall on Monday, March 15th, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom, to remove by the hand of death the beloved sister of our worthy Brother, Rev. Jas. Walsh.

Resolved, That this Society extend to him our sincere and heartfelt condolence in his sad affliction, and while humbly bowing to Him who is the author of our being and who has in His unerring wisdom transferred her labours from terrestrial to celestial fields, making his loss her eternal gain, we humble ourselves cannot penetrate the mysterious clouds of eternity, but must wait in faith and view those glories for a while until the call is given, "Come up higher."

Such high expectations are sufficient to support us under all present discouragements and to give comfort in the hour of death.

We earnestly commend the afflicted to God who never chastens but in wisdom and He alone can heal the wound He makes.

Resolved, That these resolutions be printed in the CATHOLIC RECORD and enclosed on our minutes and a copy thereof sent our Bro. Rev. Jas. Walsh.

C. DEAN, McCANNON, Pres.
JOHN DWYER, Rec. Sec.
FRANK O'NEIL, Fin. Sec.

THE STRATFORD BAZAAR.

The following correspondence, which appears in the Stratford journals, explains itself.

A DISAVOWAL.

To the Editor of the Stratford Times:—

SIR,—Yesterday I was shown a ticket for a Lottery or "Grand Prize Drawing for the Building Fund of Loretto Convent, Stratford," and it is stated that the drawing is to take place under the "superintendence of the Mayor of the City of Stratford."

I wish, sir, through your columns to disavow all connection with the proposed scheme. The use of my name is altogether unauthorized and I have no intention of taking any part in the superintendence or management of the drawing.

Yours, &c.,
C. J. MACGREGOR, Mayor.

Stratford, March 16, 1896.

To the Editor of the Advertiser.

DEAR SIR.—In to-day's Times and Herald appears a letter signed "C. J. Macgregor, Mayor," disavowing as "unauthorized" the use of "his name" on a prize-winning ticket issued "in aid of Loretto Convent Building Fund."

Please allow me, through your columns, to inform Mr. Macgregor that "his name" is not on the tickets in question. The drawing was duly authorized by the Mayor of Stratford, according to the laws of our country, and the tickets were printed before it was dreamed that Mr. C. J. Macgregor would occupy that position. The froth of Mr. Macgregor's indignation might therefore have been kept bottled up.

I doubt whether the most diligent antiquarian searching for fossils would find another citizen in our "Classic City," who under the guise of Peckaniffian virtue would sign his name to such a document as Mr. Macgregor has issued.

Yours truly,
GEORGE R. NORTHGATE, Priest.

Stratford, March 17, 1896.

ST. PATRICK'S CONCERT.

The Advertiser says of the St. Patrick's day concert in London that the long and excellent programme was carried through rapidly and without a hitch. Encores were frequent. After Mr. Dromolego had put the audience in good humor with "Father O'Flynn," he was called back and sang "Come to the Shamrock Home, Love," Mrs. Kilroy and Mrs. C. W. Baby, of Windsor, rendered in excellent style "Adieu to the Woodlands," and also received an encore. Mr. Dalton made a good impression on the audience with "Good Company," but he fairly brought down the house with "The Weaving of the Waters." Perhaps the portion of the programme which pleased the audience the most was the song "Impudent Barney O'Lea," by Miss Murray, who accompanied herself upon the Irish harp. Mr. McGregor's achievements as a euphonium soloist are too well known to need comment. Dr. Sippi sang "The Meeting of the Waters," well, but pleased the audience even more with "The Crickets' Lament." Mr. Charles Fewings sang "Love's Dreamland" with good effect. Messrs. Palladio Brothers, in their harmonica selections with harp and triangle accompaniment, were encored four times, and even then the gallery gods were not satisfied. The Seventh Band also played some popular Irish tunes, which were much appreciated. Although the programme was long those present were on their way home by 10.30.

We may add that Mrs. J. A. Kilroy in the "Angels' Whisper" achieved a most brilliant success, and left upon the audience an impression so truly pleasurable as not soon to be forgotten. The sons and daughters of Erin in London will ever extend this talented lady a hearty welcome.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. McElvy, Thamesville.

Mrs. McElvy, of Thamesville, died last Monday and was interred in St. Paul's Catholic cemetery the Wednesday following. The subject of our notice was born in the year 1847, and was for several years a resident of Kingston, Ontario. She was the mother of seven children, all of whom are exemplary Catholics, and an ornament to society. A few years ago Mrs. McElvy moved to Thamesville, where she resided until last Monday morning, and then her weary soul went to rest calmly and tranquilly as the glory of the setting star.

During her life she departed friend was a model Christian. Like the Saviour, she passed along the earth doing good to all—consoling the afflicted and assisting the poor and needy. She was assiduous in prayer; she was constant in self-denial and mortification. All her hopes and joys,

her miseries and afflictions were nailed to the cross, for she knew full well that the same Father who opened the portals of heaven and lets the dew of misery down in gentle showers upon the repentant sinner. Faith was the beacon light that guided her footsteps. Hope was the angel voice that whispered to her of a coming rest, and charity was her mantle.

As Mrs. McElvy lived to do the will of God and a fervent Catholic. Her death cast a shadow of gloom over the whole community, and the large concourse of people that followed her mortal remains to the grave testified to her popularity and the virtues that adorned her beautiful soul. May she rest in peace. A. M.

Correspondence of the CATHOLIC RECORD.
FROM ST. JOHN, N. B.

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF FATHER MATHWAS ASSOCIATION.

Father Mathwas Association celebrated its fifteenth anniversary, March 9th, by a dinner in St. Malachi's hall, which was appropriately decorated for the occasion. Pictures of the late Archbishop Connolly, Bishop Sweeney, Vice-General Connolly, Rev. J. F. X. McDonald and others graced the walls. A portrait of the late Mr. John O'Brien, with figures 1871 underneath, and opposite a picture of the present president, Mr. Jeremiah O'Regan, with the figures 1886 underneath. In the gallery were the transparencies used at the silver jubilee celebration of the late Archbishop Connolly, the pledge, and a life size portrait of Rev. Bishop Sweeney, both of which showed to beautiful effect. The windows were draped with curtains and altogether St. Malachi's hall presented an appearance very creditable to the decorating committee.

About eight o'clock fully one hundred and fifty persons sat down to an excellent dinner, prepared by Wm. Conway of the Windermere hotel, Portland. Mr. O'Regan, president of the association, occupied the chair, supported on his right by His Lordship Bishop Sweeney and on his left by Rev. Vicar General Connolly. Patrick Gleeson, Esq., legislative officer of St. Malachi's society, being seated to His Lordship's right and K. O'Brien, Esq., to the left of the Vicar General. George McSorley, Esq., vice-president of the association, occupied the vice chair, with Rev. Wm. Dollard to his right and Rev. F. E. Carrigan to his left. The invited guests included only temperance men and were the presidents of the different Catholic total abstinence societies and representatives of the Globe, Telegraph and Sun. After grace by His Lordship Bishop Sweeney, the menu was discussed.

After full justice had been done the speaker, the chairman of the gathering, in order to give the first toast—The Queen. In proposing the Lieut. Governor of New Brunswick, the vice chairman, Hon. R. J. Ritchie, Solicitor-General, had been called on to answer the toast, but a telegram just received conveyed that gentleman's regrets, he being detained in Fredericton by legislative duties. The history of the present lieutenant-governor was well known, both as a public and private citizen.

The Bishop and Clergy of St. John, from the chair were received with ringing cheers. His Lordship in replying, said he would make a habit of going out to public dinners and gatherings, and it was not for the great regard he had for the officers and members of the Father Mathwas Association he would not be present. He looked upon the association as one of the most useful in our midst, and was proud to see so many familiar faces assembled together to make the banquet of Father Mathwas. It was a matter of the greatest importance that young men should be trained in the principles of temperance and self-denial. It was a pleasure to be present and give encouragement to the members in their labor of temperance and morality, for temperance is one of the virtues which should be preached every day. Temperance societies such as the Catholic church has attached to it will always succeed. It is proper that laws should be made to regulate the liquor traffic, although it is not the use of a thing that makes the sin, but the abuse. In concluding the Rev. Bishop expressed his pleasure at learning that the membership had largely increased of late, and he hoped it would be still further augmented and go on doing good until every young man in the congregation was numbered in its ranks. (Loud applause.)

Very Rev. Thomas Connolly, V. G., who received a hearty greeting, said he felt quite at home and was much gratified that he had been so kindly remembered by the association of which he was once the spiritual director. The heart of the Catholic priest is in his work, but his efforts would not succeed if they were not seconded by the people. In nothing can there be success, however, without God's assistance. He was pleased to see so many young men present and he would ask the president and officers of the association to look well after the boys and see that they were trained up to the true principle of total abstinence, so when they arrive at an advanced age they would be found good sound temperance men. The grace of God was necessary to keep the pledge. "Without me," says Christ, "you can do nothing." Therefore remember when resolutions are made, prayer is needed to keep them.

Rev. Wm. Dollard, spiritual director of the association, said as it was a source of congratulation to him to see the association in such a flourishing condition. At the conclusion of Father Dollard's address His Lordship the bishop and the Vicar General withdrew amid three cheers for each.

The vice chair gave Father Mathwas, which called forth an eloquent speech from Mr. James Barry, in which he traced the great temperance work accomplished in Ireland by Father Mathwas in the year 1881. Canada from the chair was responded to by M. E. Agar, who spoke in glowing terms of the greatness Canada is securing before the world.

The Day We Celebrate, from the vice chair, called forth capital speeches from Messrs. J. O. Allen, J. J. Ryan and R. O'Brien. Out Allen, J. J. Ryan and R. O'Brien, the pledge on March 9th, 1871, at the hands of Very Rev. Thos. Connolly, only three remain—John Allen, Jeremiah J. Ryan and Richard O'Brien. Some have left the city, while others have died, among the latter being the founder of the association Mr. John O'Brien. The speakers briefly traced the association's progress

during the fifteen years, and gave many instances of the association's labors not only in St. John, but throughout the diocese in furtherance of total abstinence.

The vice chair gave Ireland, which called forth a brilliant speech from John L. Carleton, Esq., in which he traced the onward march of the Irish people, and emphasized the prominence they have won in every part of the world. Mr. Patrick O'Carroll also responded in this toast in a happy strain, concluding with singing God Save Ireland.

The Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick, was responded to by Mr. John Boden, who spoke of the benefits of the union and of the good work it had done.

Sister Societies was responded to by Patrick Gleeson, Esq., J. P., the president of St. Malachi's T. A. R. Society, James H. McHugh, of St. Aloysius Association, and Patrick Toie, of St. Rose, Fairville.

The Total Abstinence Movement was responded to by Messrs. Thomas Kieckhefer and Hugh Doherty in excellent addresses.

The Ladies were cared for by Messrs. R. J. Walsh and F. J. Sweeney, both of whom delivered happy speeches.

The Press was responded to by the representatives present.

Mr. Gleeson proposed the chair and toast to the Rev. Messrs. O'Regan and McSorley appropriately replied.

Our Next Merry Meeting was proposed by Mr. Robert Coleman, and was followed by the singing of Auld Lang Syne, and the company separated, all wishing the Father Mathwas Association many years of prosperity.

The proceedings of the evening were greatly enlivened by songs from Jas. Stanton, Joseph Stanton, Jeremiah O'Regan, Thomas M. Waisted, John Toomey, F. J. Sweeney, F. X. McNeill, Wm. Halpin, John McDonagie, P. Hennessy and M. G'owald.

IRISH NATIONAL LEAGUE.

REV. DR. BURNS ON THE CANADIAN OPPOSITION TO IRISH SELF-GOVERNMENT.

The first annual banquet of the Toronto branch of the Irish National League of America was held last evening at the Albion Hotel. About 150 sat down to a sumptuous repast, the chair being occupied by Mr. C. L. Mahoney, President, and the vice-chair by Mr. J. A. Mulligan, Secretary. Among those present on the right and left of the President were Rev. Fathers Hand and Egan, of Toronto; our Father Malachy, of Peterborough; Hon. John O'Donohoe and Hon. T. W. Anglin.

The cloth having been removed, the President proposed the toast of "The Queen," which was loyally drunk, followed by the singing of a verse of "God Save the Queen." The next toast was that of "The Government and Lieutenant-Governor," the company singing "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows."

Mr. J. A. Mulligan, Secretary, then read letters of apology from Attorney General Mowat, Hon. C. F. Fraser, Mr. W. R. Meredith, Archbishop Lynch and several others.

He also read a letter from Rev. Dr. Burns, of Hamilton, expressing his sympathy with the League and commenting somewhat severely on some of the expressions at the "Loyalist" meeting last week. Its general tenor may be judged by the following passage: "I am sure the Dr. Potts and Dr. Wild regret the angry passions aroused by their utterances. If they do not I am sorry for them." The letter was greeted with loud applause.—Toronto News, March 17.

Matrimonial.

Quite an interesting event occurred in town on Monday morning last. Many friends gathered at the Roman Catholic church to witness the marriage of one of our young ladies, Miss Maria Hunt, to Mr. John McNulty, of Lindsay.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father McDonogh, many friends accompanied the happy couple to the bride's parents, North Fredericton, where a sumptuous dinner was prepared. The wedding, although a quiet one, had all the pleasant advantages that make such occasions life-long remembrances. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Jennie Hunt, and the groom by Mr. W. J. Hunt. The bride is well known in Napanee, and is a favorite with all her good qualities and her amiability. She was recipient of many valuable presents in gold, silver and china, among them a beautiful gold watch and chain by the groom, and a sum of money from her brother in Detroit. The groom also received a cheque from J. T. Grant & Co. The happy couple left on the evening train, and with them went the best wishes and several verbal wishes from many friends.—Napanee News, March 13.

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latter representing M. Miller, Esq., President, who was unavoidably prevented...

from being present, attended divine service at St. Patrick's church upon invitation...

of Rev. Dr. O'Ryan, of Laval University, with the Revs. Messrs. Bonnard and P...

and sub-deacon respectively. The interior of the church was handsomely decorated for the occasion...