# CATHOLIC FOUCATION. Micial Report of the Meeting of Council of Public instruction.

The Question of Public Inspection of Schools Discussed—A Sub-Committee pribs Bevision of Studies—A Model School for Girls Under the Super vision of the Nuns of the Congregation of Four Dame Proposed.

QUEBEC, September 25.—The Catholic sion of the Council of Public Instruc. meetings on September 8 and 10 last. The following have been suggested to the Government for a Central Board of Ex Dauth, Archbishop's Palace, Montreal; Rev. J H Roy. Sherbrooke College; F. X. P. Demers, Principal Catholic Com-Brault. Inspector of Schools; John Tomp kins, Professor of English at Montreal College; John Ahern, C. J. Magnan and C. A. Lefebvre, of Laval Normal School, C. A. Lefebvre, of Laval Normal School, with Mr. J N. Miller of the Department ECHOES FROM PLATISBURGH. of Public Instruction as secretary.

Tre report of Mgr Blais, Mgr. Begin,

Mr. P. S. Murphy, Dr. Leprohon and the Superintendent on school books was accepted. A French English reader, published by Copp, Clarke & Co., Toronto,

was rejected. Hon. G Ouimet submitted a notice of motion for the establishment in Montreal of a normal school for girls under control of the Nuns of the Congrega

Hon. Mr. Masson moved "That all academies, and model and elementary schools accepting a subsidy from the Government or from the Catholic Committee of Public Instruction be subject to the inspector of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and of any officer whom he may appoint.

This motion was rejected on the following division:

Ayes-Hon, Mr Masson, Judge Jette. Hon F. Langelier, Hon. H. Archambault

and Dr. Leprohon - 5 Nayes-Archbishop of Ottawa, coadof Montreal, Bishop of Three Rivers, Bishop of Rimouski, Bishop of Chicoutimi. Bishop of Vallevfield, Bishop of Sherbrooke Coadjutor Bishop of St. Hyacin he. Rev. Thib will r, V.G. of Nicolet. Hon. Thos. Chapais, Hon. Gedeon Onimet, M. Crepeau and Mr. H. R. Gray

The chief objection to the motion was that unscrupulous men might be charged with the work of inspection. In the meantime Mgr. Bruchesi has appointed the Abbe Dauth, Mgr. Begin, the Abbe Lindsay, Mgr. Labrecque, and the Abbe Delamarre to inspect all the educational establishments in their respective dioceses and report to their Lordships.

On motion of Hon. F. Langelier, a sub-committee composed of Mgr. Begin, Mgr. Emard. Hon. Mr. Masson, Judge Jette, Hon Thos. Chapais and the mover. was appointed to report upon a better system of distributing the subsidies voted for higher education.

Hon Mr. Masson said "That with the view of improving the service of the inspection of schools, it is a lvisable to change the inspectors in the various districts for a time to be determined upon." The consideration of this motion was left over until the next meeting in May. On motion of Senator Masson, seconded

by Mgr. Begin, it was resolved: "That a sub-committee composed of the Superintendent, Mgr. Begin, Mgr. Bruchesi, Mgr. Emard, Hon. Mr. Ouimet, Hon. Mr. Langelier, and the mover, be formed to consider if it would not be advisable that the subsidies given to the muncipalities out of the public and school fund, be based upon the average attendance instead of on the population, this substudy and suggest any other method of distributing the monies which may seem most advisable to it."

The object of this motion is to increase the aid to be given to the schools in the poorer municipalities.
On motion of Mgr. Begin, seconded by Mgr. Bruchesi, it was resolved:
"That this committee recognizes the

advisability of forming a small school library in each school under a male or female lay teacher, and it recommends that the Government place at its dis posal, to be employed for that purpose, the amount now voted for the purchase

of prize books. On motion of Mgr. Decelles it was re-

"That the superintendent inform the inspectors that they are strictly forbidden from having any interest, direct or indirect, in the sale of books or other school supplies in their respective inspection districts "

Senator Masson had the following motion adopted:

That a sub-committee, composed of Mgr. Begin, Mgr. Bruchesi, Mgr. Emard, Messrs. Langelier, Ouimet, Chapais and the superintendent, be named to revise the official programme of studies for the primary schools and academies of the province as well as the examination programmes for diplomas for male and female teachers, with power to call for persons and documents."

This sub-committee is to meet in the first week of March next.

In a recent address to the clergy of his diocese, Bishop Waterson, of Columbus, Ohio, touched on the subject of Catholic education as follows:-

"Dear brethren of the clergy, take great care then, of the little ones of your spiritual flock. Continue your zeal in the cause of Christian education, encourage the schools and exhort parents to send their children to them. Whether as pastors or confessors, apply the law of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore to those who do not send or seek to be exempt from sending their children to a Catholic school, where such exists. Be vigilant, labor in all things, do the work of evangelists, fulfil your ministry. (2 Tim. 17, 5) Keep up the Sunday schools

also in your parishes, exercise a personal aupervision over them and see that they are well attended. Even where there are parochial schools, we, voicing the tradi-tions of the Church and the express will of our Sovereign Pontiff Leo XIII., command the Sunday schools also to be maintained. Organize them well, and, where it is practicable, grade them and put the charge of persons competent to assist you in the Sunday and a story best day schoos. Seek out and do your best to gather into the Sunday schools those children who from any cause whatever are not attending the parish schools. In your tender seal, let them not suffer loss on account of the heedlessness or neglect of their parents. It is the wish of our Holy Father that night classes be formed for the instruction of such as do not tion has issued its official report of their diligent in preparing children for the Saor cannot attend our Catholic schools. Be craments, and remove the idea that they graduate in Christian doctrine as soon as they make their first Communion. Train Government for a Central Board of Examiners: Mgr. J. C. K. Lislamme, recommendation in the faith and strong in the practice of it. Teach them devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which in the connection with devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which in connection with devotion to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is one of the best means of fostering that tender affection-X. P. Demers, Principal Catholic Com-mercial Academy of Montreal; Calixte fruit of faith, but is unfortunately lacking in so many lives to-day.

The Motive of the New Anxillary in Connection With the Catholic Summ r School

[From our own Correspondent.]

For some time the idea of a Woman's Movement, having for its object to give a practical proof of interest and sympathy in the mission of the Catholic Summer School of America, has been meditated on, studied and weighed in all its bearings by many who have the progress of education on Catholic principles and the social and intelectual advancement of Catholics at heart.

It seemed eminently fitting that the lists of this band of helpers in the good cause should be selected through some acknowledged literary criterion. What jutor Archbishop of Quebec. Archbishop | should it be? Many good workers in the field of literature were brought up in lands where graduating was a process re legated to their brothers, while others were obliged to leave school before reaching this ordeal, so often, alas! a form, or worse, and yet stored their minds well through their own perseverance, intelligent associations, or through the wide-spread "Reading Circle" in later years. A reputation for literary proficiency is too often gained by tricks of pedantry or the partiality of friends.

At the Summer School at Cliff Haven, on the 26th of August last, all this conception took form and was regulated by the founding of "The Alumna Auxiliary Association of the Summer School of America," when a meeting was called to consider the feasibility of the project and the best means of making it a

At the first meeting there were representatives from the thirty-five chools of different character and grades. The Rev. President Lavelle gave the movement his most cordial approval as tending, in his opinion, to spread an intelligent ap-preciation of the Summer School. Miss Helena T. Goessmann, Ph. M., presided, and Miss Mary Rourke, of New York, was secretary pro tem. The candid ex pression of opinions was invited and much earnest enthusiasm prevailed.

It was suggested by Mr. Warren E. Mesher of Youngstown, O, secretary of the Summer School, that a very practical step of the Association would be the founding of a chair at the school, the exact character of which might be committee also having the power to decided later. This suggestion met with universal approval, and it was decided to devote the initiation fees of the members to this object, proving that the ladies are practical at the outset.

After three meetings a constitution was adopted and the following ladies were elected officers for the ensuing

President, Miss Helens T. Goessmann. President, Miss Helena I. Goessmann, Ph. M.; lat vice-pres., Miss E. Cronyn Buffalo; 2nd vice-pres., Miss Ella Mc Mahon, Boston; 3rd vice-pres., Miss Mary Rourke, New York. Directors—Mrs. C. H. Bonesteel, Platts-

burgh Barracks; Miss Agnes Wallace, New York; Miss Yawmann, Rochester; Miss Clare, Philadelphia; Miss Lynch,

New Haven. Rev. James P. Kiernan, Rector of the Rochester Cathedral, was appointed

Moderator. All communications should be addressed Miss Mary Burke, Secretary, 415 W. 59th Street, New York; or, Miss Gertrude McIatyre. Tress., 1811 Thompson Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Sunday is God's truce for hearts. On this day must be suspended all feelings of resentment, all little animosities. We must clothe ourselves with pardon, forbearance and amiability.--Golden Sands.

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The bazaar for the purpose of raising funds for the completion of the Monas tery of the Precious Blood came to a magnificent conclusion by a grand banquet held in the spacious halls of the unfinished monastery at Notre Dame de Grace last week. Upwards of five hundred persons sat down to a sumptuous repast, which reflected great credit on Mrs. Benjamin Decarie, of Cote St. Antoine, under whose presidency the banquet was organized, as well as to Mrs. Dugald Macdonald for the enthusiasm she displayed, which resulted in inducing a great many ladie; from the five Irish parishes of Montreal to interest themselves in the good work. It was a happy thought which induced the man agers of the banquet to have it under the patronage of Mr. D. J. Decarie, M.L.A., who, for the last twenty-one years, continuously and worthily filled the office of mayor of the parish. The banquet was served by a host of young ladies, a number of whom were graduates of the well known educational establishment of Villa Maria.

After ample justice had been done to the good things provided by the ladies, Rev. Curé Marechal, chaplain of the convent, in French, thanked those who attended, and all those who had labored so success'ully for the bazaar, making particular mention of Mrs. D. J Decarie, the lady president of the bazaar, and Mrs. Benjamin Decarie, the lady president of the binquet. He stated that the names roll. They all expressed the pleasure it of all those who attended the banquet or gave them to have Bro. A. A. Gibcault of all those who attended the banquet or contributed to its success would be inscribed in an album which would form part of the archives of the monastery. A duplicate of this album would be presented to the worthy Mayor, under whose auspices the banquet was held. He stated that letters of regret at not being able to attend and hear province of Quebce. Under whose auspices the banquet was held. Bro. Gibeault, Prov. C. R., and Bro. Bilodeau, Prov. Sec., tor the chaquett. being able to attend had been received from Sir Wiltrid Laurier, Hon. Mr. Scott, Sir William Hingston, Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, Hon. Mr. Marchand. Hon. Mr Justice Curran Hon. Senator Ogilvic, F. D. Monk, M. P.; Mr. Andrew J. Dawes, and several others. After allu's ing to the good work done by the nuns of the Precious Blood, he concluded an eloquent address, which was received with loud and long applause.

Mr. Dugald Macdonald, one of the leading English speaking parishioners, stated that he was requested by the Rev. Curé Marechal to say a few words in English, and to thank the English speaking people for thei presence. H was particularly requested to state that Mr. Monk, MP, had been selected to present the album to the worthy Mayor, under whose suspices the banquet was held, but that Mr. Monk, in his letter of regret at not being able to attend, stated that he had been chosen to present an address to His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi, at the Montreal College, from the old classmates of His Grace. Mr. Macdonald complimented the ladies for the zeal they had evinced in bringing a termination.

Eloquent addresses, in French, were delivered by Hon Attorney General R bidoux, D. J Decarie, jr., L. T. Mare chal and Mr. St. John.

Among those present at the banquet were: Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Robidoux, Mr. and Mrs Coroner McMahon, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McNamee, Mr and Mrs. Wilfrid Marsan, Mr. J. P. Curran and the Misses Curran, Alfred E. Farrell, E. J. Langlois, Mr. and Mrs Casey, Mr. and

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ronto. The following, from Ald. Spence, Secretary of the Dominion Alliance, is one of many such testimonials in his posession:

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The Bazuar, it is said, realized very nearly \$5000 — a splendid testimony in deed to the ladies who had charge of the arrangements.

#### Catholic Order of Foresters.

On Monday evening, September 20th, the Provincial Chief Ranger, Bro. A. A. Gibeault, and Bro. F. A. Bilodeau, Pro vincial Secretary, paid an official visit to St. Patrick's Court, No. 95, C O. F., in St. Ann's Hall, No. 157 Ottawa street. It being their regular meeting night, a very good attendance of members were present, Chief Ranger Bro. Jas. F. Fosbre presiding.

At the conclusion of the regular order of business, the good of the Order was taken up, when the Provincial Chief Ranger, Bro. A. A. Gibeault, delivered a stirring and eloquent address to the members, complimenting them on the manner in which they conducted their business, and thanking them for the courteous attention shown to them on their visit. He stated that there was an increase of membership during the last 12 months of 1424, and he intended to increase the number for the next 12 months to 2000. He concluded by informing the Court that he intended off ring a prize to the Court initiating the largest number.

Bro. Biloleau, the Provincial Sccre tary, also delivered a very instructive address and concluded by trusting that St. Patrick's Court would be successful in winning the prize.

Address a were also made by the Chief Ranger, Bro. Jas. F. Fosbre, P.CR., Bro. John Davis V. C. R. Bro. Wm. Murphy, and Bros. Jas. Easton and Patrick Car. elected Provincial Chief Ruger of the Province of Quebec, under whose ad-

Mrs. Edward Cavanagh, Mr. and Mrs. and impressive addresses they delivered Dugald Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. Boud; and also for their official visit to St. Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Macdonald, Mont Patrick's Court, which they hoped would Patrick's Court, which they hoped would be repeated in the near future.

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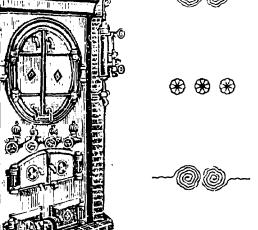
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