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EPISCOPAL APPROBATION

If the English Speaking Catholics of Montreal and of this Province consulted their best interests, they would soon make of the TRUE WITNESS one of the most prosperous and powerful Catholic papers in this country.

PAUL, Archbishop of Montreal.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1899.

A TRIPLE JUBILEE.

During the course of this week an event of great importance has taken place: it is the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the religious profession of three venerable and distinguished members of the congregation of Notre Dame.

The celebration extended over two days—Wednesday and Thursday—and was marked with a joyousness and a devotion that must have been gratifying to those who were the objects of so much honor, and to the members of the community and the former pupils who participated in the rejoicings.

On Thursday morning Grand Mass was celebrated by Mgr. Racicot, and St. Ann's Choir under the efficient leadership of Prof. Shea, rendered the music in an admirable manner.

What a memorable occasion! What grand and touching lessons does it not teach! Imagine half a century dedicated to the glory of God, in the sacrifices of religious life, and in the performance of uncounted labors in the sacred cause of Catholic education.

so successfully carried out, during five decades. We are perfectly familiar with the spirit of community life which is adverse to individualizing when there is question of recognition for services done, but all rules have their exceptions, and when a member of a religious body has spent fifty years in the constant performance of the duties which that state impose, even the merging one's life in that of the community is, for the moment forgotten, and gratitude explains that admiration shall find expression.

THE PARNELL MONUMENT.

Already the foundation stone of a monument to commemorate the services to Ireland rendered by the late Charles Stewart Parnell, has been laid in Dublin, and the Lord Mayor of the Irish capital, accompanied by Mr. John E. Redmond, M.P., is on his way to this country for the purpose of enlisting the sympathies and co-operation of Irishmen on this side of the Atlantic, in the enterprise.

The "True Witness" has constantly been an advocate of monuments—whether to Irishmen at home, or in Canada—because we have believed that a monument is a reminder of great works performed.

uninscribed, until the day on which Ireland's freedom would become an accomplished fact. It is equally true that had Parnell a personal voice in the matter he would have preferred that a solid union of the people—such a union as he had succeeded in establishing—would serve as a commemoration of all he had done for the national cause.

Apart from all the sacrifices made by Parnell, there is one reason, above all others, why his public life, as a leader of the Irish people, merits recognition; it is the lesson of unity which his career affords.

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL PAIN

In the New Orleans "Times-Democrat," an old surgeon gives expression to a strange theory, which simply amounts to a belief in the great influence of physical pain, when composed with mental suffering.

There is a sting in this remark which should not be allowed to work its pain-inflicting effects. To speak of "the good old days," and to couple them with the "rack" as an instrument of judicial inquiry, is a refined way of alluding to the tortures that are attributed to the Church in the Middle Ages.

We are perfectly aware that the rack has been often used not as a means of obtaining the ends of justice and of securing the truth, but as a method of forcing unfounded confessions from unfortunate victims of barbaric persecution.

At High Mass on Sunday Rev. Father M. Callaghan spoke as follows: I know that you are wishing from your hearts and praying for the success of our approaching bazaar.

It will be an unqualified success—at least the kind of success which we have been anticipating. How could I doubt it? If I may judge by the ingenuity of your contrivances and the skill of the methods to which you have resorted—if I may judge of your untiring exertions and liberal contributions, if I may judge by your co-operation of the object for which our Bazaar was organized, on no other occasion recorded in our parochial annals was a greater interest manifested or a livelier enthusiasm aroused.

BIGOTRY ON OCEAN STEAMERS.

In another place we publish a letter from the Right Rev. Bishop Howley, in which His Lordship mentions an incident which would go to show that our Canadian Lines of trans-Atlantic steamers are not all exempt from the customs so richly deserved by certain English and American lines.

undisputed reality. It has begun its mission and will continue without any interruption whatsoever. Already has its beneficial influence been felt, and it must of a necessity develop. It had a right to see the light of day, and this light it beheld. It will live on. Like kindred institutions, it may count upon its silver, golden, diamond and centennial jubilees. Do not be tempted to think that our High School is an evil. Why then should it meet with any antipathy or opposition? It is not a crime. Why then should it be condemned? It is not a thing which is useless or unnecessary. Why then should it be relegated to the regions of indifference, oblivion, or decay? It is the realization of a wish which was entertained for many long years.

Before placing the letter in our columns we desired to make sure whether it was the account of an isolated and exceptional case, or an illustration of the general rule and practice, consequently a representative of our paper called on the Messrs. Allan, at their head office, for the purpose of securing the information required.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL BAZAAR.

As we go to press the grand bazaar in aid of the Catholic High School was opened auspiciously by Mgr. Racicot, V. G., in the unavoidable absence of His Grace Archbishop Bruchési.

The feature of the opening was the able and eloquent speech delivered by Mr. Justice Curran, one of the Board of Governors of the High School, in the course of which he alluded to the absence through illness of the founder of this much-needed institution, the Rev. Father Quinlivan, and to its great importance for the English-speaking Catholic boys of Montreal and the neighborhood.

Monsignor Racicot, in a graceful reply, paid a noble tribute to the zeal and energy which had resulted in the establishment of the High School, expressed an earnest hope in the success of the mission it was destined to fulfil, and thanked the ladies who had so kindly organized the bazaar in its aid.

OUR LOCAL RAMBLER.

John Healy and Miss Hannah Monahan, both of this city, were united in marriage, Monday morning, at St. Gabriel's Church, by the Rev. Father O'Meara, P.P. Miss May Monahan acted as bridesmaid and Mr. P. Monahan as bridesman.

Rev. Father Donnelly, the decidedly popular pastor of St. Anthony's Church, this city, will address the C.M.B.A., at the St. Louis de France Church, on Sunday at ten o'clock.

Mrs. Daniel Donahue, aged 69 yrs., a respected member of St. Gabriel's parish, died on Friday, the 13th instant, after a long and painful illness. Her funeral took place Sunday afternoon and was very largely attended. She is survived by two sons and one daughter, to whom we extend our sincerest sympathy.

High Mass, on Sunday last, and delivered an eloquent and impressive sermon on "The Mercy of God."

Rev. Father Sinnott, of St. Anthony's, preached a most successful treatise on the English speaking children of St. John the Baptist Parish during the week.

The ladies of St. Anthony's congregation at the request of the Rev. Father Donnelly, have undertaken to collect money for the completion of the new presbytery now in course of construction, and with this end in view began last week, to visit the members of the parish, at their respective homes.

Our readers will be pleased to learn that Father McCallen, was in town during the week and visited the Bazaar. He is looking the picture of good health.

PERSONAL.

Mr. T. G. Shaughnessy, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, left Thursday evening, 12th instant, on his first official tour over the System between Montreal and the Pacific coast, since his appointment to the Presidency. He was accompanied by his special car "Metapedia" by Mr. M. A. Peterson, Chief Engineer of the road and Mr. R. S. Holt, President of the Montreal Gas Co., Mr. John McGrail, accompanied Mr. Shaughnessy in the capacity of secretary.

BAZAAR NOTES.

MRS. R. WARREN'S NOVEL COMPETITION. — Mrs. Robert Warren, 25 Brunswick street, whose untiring exertions have always been in evidence on similar occasions, is not lacking in zeal upon this, the occasion of the Catholic High School Fair. She has nurtured a plan for a competition amongst the local dry goods establishments to ascertain by ballot which house is the most popular.

A few lady friends met at the home of Miss Barrugh, Bleury street, on Saturday afternoon, and enjoyed the exhibit of the useful and decorative art work now finished for the High School Fair, to be held in the Windsor Hall. Beautiful articles as well as water-color sketches of rural spots around Montreal, Miss Barrugh will have charge of art booth and decorative work done by her assistants will be there displayed.

THE LATE WILLIAM KELLY.

We have to record the death of a well known Irish Catholic in the person of Mr. William Kelly, who occurred somewhat suddenly a few days ago. He was well known in St. Patrick's Parish, and highly esteemed among a large circle of citizens for his many qualities of head and heart. The funeral will be held at St. Patrick's Church was largely attended.—R.I.P.

CHEAPEST AND BEST.

Lighting by means of gas or electricity means a more or less high first cost for the mains and fixtures. After this the cost is in proportion to the amount of light used and the added cost of repairs. Lighting by means of Luxfer Prisms means a first cost of probably less than the artificial fixtures, and no charges thereafter for the light. Daylight by means of Luxfer Prisms is "dead cheap." Luxfer Prisms are not expensive and the repairs nil. The light is the best, and no one using artificial light in daylight hours can afford to do without Luxfer Prisms. Glazed in copper electrically, they are perfect.