Mgr. Falconi At the Convent Of Notre Dame.

The "Waterbury Evening Demo crat" recently dedicated several columns of its space to a report of a visit of His Excellency, Mgr. Fal-conio, Papal Delogate, to the estabishment of the Congregation de Notre Dame of that city and known as the "Convent of Notre Dame."

We take a few extracts from the report to enable our readers to form an opinion of the methods, of our nuns in the neighboring Republic in conducting their public functions and of the enthusiastic and practical manner in which the graduates of the institution manifest their appreciation of the many benefits they had derived within its walls.

His Excellency, says the report, was attended by Rev. W. J. Slocum rector of the Immaculate Conception Church, at which Mgr. Faiconio was at one time a curate.

The grand hall where the reception was held has recently been renovat-The shining electric bulbs cast their rays upon a charming mise en scene of white gowned alumnae, present pupils and little tots, set in a background of beautiful palms and other potted plants. The stage was exquisitely decorated, glowed with the ivory and ebony of pianos and the gold of harps.

The distinguished visitor and the large number of the clergy who were invited, were received by Rev. Mother St. Cecilia, recently named one of the Provincials and well known in Montreal and by the Superior charge of the convent and her staff

The first number on the programme was a "Marche du Couronnement" by the Notre Dame orchestra, which was rendered with excellent tempo and effect. To the strains of the march the Papal Delegate and the other guests seated themselves facing the white vision of childhood girlhood and womanhood, all one in a union of affectionate greeting to the representative of the Holy Fa-

The greeting chorus was rendered by a grand conclave of the voices of the alumnae and the present pupils. Then there was a hush, a plaintive strain from the piano, and out tripped the kindergarten section, laden with flowers. Their beautiful enunciation, their graceful movements, and the perfect poise of even the youngest attested to the training received from the ladies of the Notre Dame. Each little innocent made her flowers a sweet interpreter of a good wish for the distinguished visitor. At the finale they fairly bombarded him with their posles, after which the tiny maids were presented to His Excellency.

Miss Laura McCarthy, a member of the class of '04, then read a French address. It was read with that accent and grace which the nuns have always imparted to their punils in French.

"Marche Militaire" by Schuber was rendered by the full orchestra of pianos, violins, harps, mandolins, tc. The selection reflected great cre dit on the zealous nun to whom the musical section is entrusted. It was given with verve, eclat, and a fine feeling for harmony, every phrase being given with precision and effect.

fary Fay, a member of class of '04, then read the address of welcome. It was finely delivered and very suitably the sentients of the present pupils. Miss Fay is a brilliant speaker, and her address last night was soulful. It was marked by a richness of thought, ssion and well nigh perfect enunciation.

It was followed by a chorus, "Jubilantes," by Weidermann, by the alumnae and pupils.

Mrs. Charles A. Jackson, President of the Alumnae, then read an dress of welcome to His Excellency the Papal Delegate, from which we take the following extracts, because they contain a two-fold lesson of lovalty to the Church and its noble auxiliaries of education. It reads as

high office of Papal Delegate you have, Your Excellency, met many bodies of distinguished clerics, diplomats and statesmen, and many men eminent in all walks of life. Their expressions of loyalty and af-fection must have filled your heart with hope for the future of the The Papal Delegate, the visitors,

church in this country, but none of them could be more sincere in their greetings to you than are we, the members of this Alumnae Associa-tion. We are glad of an opportun-ity to give expression to the rever-ence in which we hold the chief reof this Alumnae Associapresentative of the church which has done so much to make woman honored and which is to-day the only bulwark against that degradation of

Our association was founded because of our loyalty to this convent. To an institution which has to depend largely on its own resources.

the interest of its former pupils is an important factor in its financial and social success, and it is the province of the Alumnae as sociation to keep alive. to foster and to build up this friendly spirit and to be a link between the public and the convent

It is for us to grainally educate public opinion up to the point of realizing that an institution of this sort is an influence for good, it, is us to make it publicly understood that this good does not stop at the immediate pupils of the convent, but through them exerts an influence on the whole community, Already this is evident in Waterbury In few New England cities will you find so liberal a spirit, in few so many public offices filled by men of our faith, in few so large a proportion of Catholic school teachers, and if the people would only think back far enough, they would find that the convent is largely to be thanked for this state of affairs.

This school deserves well of Waterbury. It has already furnished four of the principals of our public schools, as well as many departmental instructors and a large number of teachers whose work reflects credit on themselves and honor on their Alma Mater.

We, however, want our future recruits to study for degrees, and for the professions in which we now count but two members.

We wish to have graduates of this school equipped to win positions more lucrative than those of the grade teachers of to-day. In this great free land of ours there is no skilled labor that does not command a better wage than that received by the noble band of women who are really making this country -- the school teachers.

And now, Your Excellency, allow us to welcome you to our city. In doing so we really take a secondary place, for already you have been received with a greeting such as only a large-minded, whole-souled man like our pastor, Father Slocum, car extend to a gentleman who commands his personal as well as his intellectual admiration. He has already bidden you welcome to Waterbury.

You have been received by nuns not as one unacquainted with the noble Order of Notre Dame, but as an old and honored friend of th ladies who founded this convent and their present pupils.

It remains for me to present to you the greetings of the graduates of this school.

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Mrs. Jackson, who founded the alumnae, and who has been its guiding spirit since its inception, expressed the joy of its members in relcoming Monsignor Falconio. her own graceful style, she paid tribute to church and state, and showed that the sound education of woman is the bulwark of both.

The members of the Alumnae were personally presented to Monsignor Falconio and kissed his ring, the insignia of office.

His Excellency spoke most feelingly of his appreciation of the reception tendered him. He addressed in turn the Alumnae, the elder pupils and the little tots, seeming to find an especial delight in community the last, as if, indeed, his soul felt a kinship with their innocence and affection, and which was reflected on his own face as he counseled them as a father and a friend. Anything more gracious, more kindly, more simple, it would be difficult to find. His words left a pleasant glow, and

the nuns, the Alumnae and the pupils then rose to their feet, and planos, violins, harps and human voices sent swelling the grand old chorus of 'My Country 'Tis of Thee.'

Monsignor Falconio then conferred another benediction, after which he left the hail, followed by the clerics who accompanied him.

The singing of Miss Harrington and Miss Loughlin during the even ing was grand. They possess powerful and most pleasing voices and sing with remarkable self-possession.

Mother St. Cecilia, mother provincial of the Order of Notre Dame came here from Ottawa to attend the reception. She assisted mother superior of the local convent, in receiving the representative of the Holy Father.

FACTS AND RUMORS

(Gleaned by our Rambler.)

RECENT APPOINTMENTS. - At a meeting of the Trustees of St. Bridget's Refuge, held last week, Messrs. Frank J. Curran, B.C.L., and Hugh Semple, B.C.L., were appointed legal advisers to the in-

A RECENT CONVERSION.-It is rumored that the son of one of the leading non-Catholic ministers of Montreal, and head of one of the richest congregations in this city, was recently received into the ranks of Catholicity by a well known member of the Society of Jesus.

CHINESE CATHOLICS .- Arrange nents are now in course of progress to secure the services of a priest with a perfect knowledge of the Chinese language to look after the spiritual welfare of the constantly growing number of that section in this metropolis. The idea originated with one of the most zealous pastors of our Irish parishes.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL. - It s said by those who seem to be informed in connection with parochial affairs that that beautiful school building will soon be occupied by the pupils of St. Patrick's School, the parochial school for boys, which is under the direction of the Brothers of the Christian schools.

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH. - For some time Dame Rumor has been most persistent in her proclamations that the administration of the great Canadian railroad, the C.P.R., their eyes firmly fixed on the site occupied by St. Anthony's Church and the beautiful new presbytery, with a view of acquiring it to carry out one phase of their policy of ex tension along the line in rear of St. Antoine street. The old Dame also asserted that a new site had been elected by the energetic pastor and his advisory board of churchwardens. That the matter has been discussed there is no doubt, but the possibility of the rumor becoming an accomplished fact is very remote.

NEW PRIESTS. - St. Patrick's will have the services of another curate at Christmas, so the "True Witness" was informed by a parishioner of that parish this week.

AN UNEASY FEELING. -In the ranks of the older generation of St. Patrick's there seems to be a sentiment of unrest in regard to the recent rumor that the parent parish would suffer the loss of an important portion of its northeastern The old heads are busy thinking out the matter these days

COMING EVENTS .- It is stated that a popular member of the Irish ection of the medical profession will shortly lead to the altar a daughter of a leading Irish Catholic business man of Montreal.

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Seek to mingle gentleness in all your rebukes; bear with the infirm-ities of others; make allowances for constitutional frailties; never harsh things if kind things will

TORONTO LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)



MR. LOUIS VINCENT MCBRADY, K.C.

Amongst the names prominent in the legal, Liberal and educational ranks of Toronto is that of Louis Vincent McBrady, K.C., and amongst those of Catholic citizens noted for sterling manliness, strenuous activity in the cause of Catholic interests and adherence to principle without regard to consequences, none stands higher on the honor roll than that of the gentleman whose name is cited above.

Louis Vincent McBrady was born in Audley in the township of Pickering, Ontario, June 17th, 1869. His parents, both of whom are now living, are Irish, and have a family of twelve children, of whom Rev. Father McBrady, C.S.B., Superior of Assumption College, Sandwich, is the eldest. Mr. McBrady received his early education at the Public schools of his native place, and at the Collegiate Institute, Whitby; from this institution he graduated in 1896. and immediately began the study of law in the office of Messrs. Foy and Kelly, where he remained until called to the Bar in 1891. Toronto has been the scene of his subsequent career. He began practice as one of the firm of Mulvey and McBrady, and on its dissolution in 1897, became a partner of the present firm of Mc-Brady and O'Connor. In 1902 he was appointed King's Counsel, and has since acted for the Crown in a number of cases.

In political life Mr. McBrady has taken an active part in the Liberal interest and the majority of the constituencies, of the province known him when at different times he has stumped the country in the Liberal cause. As a speaker he is fluent and forceful-facts which hespeak him a popular and favorable hearing wherever his name is announced.

As an instance of the many things he has done for his party we may quote his great effort in May last when as candidate for Parliament he nade his appearance in East Toronto, a Conservative stronghold, and though defeated had the satisfaction of reducing to something in the neighborhood of 800 what had been a majority of 1,900. In this con test he spared nothing that might tend to his success, and though to many it seemed a cause without even owing to its great Conservative strength, yet he went into it with the ardor which characterizes all his work.

In political associations he is well known, and at different times he has eld office in the Reform Association and Liberal clubs of the city. this, of course, has not gone withsome recognition and he has out been mentioned for various public offices, but up to the present he has declined them, preferring to remain in harness with a fairly large practhus leaving the firm of

Brady and O'Connor intact. Appointed by the City Council to the Board of the Collegiate Institute he has been a member of this body for a number of years. During this time he has held all the office in the gift of the Board, and is still a member. In this connection Mr. McBrady has always shown himself a representative Catholic, and when casion has arisen—though not at all keen for an aggressive role - he has never shirked the responsibility he feels himself under to protect Catholic interests in the insisten manner necessary to ensure their ultimate euccess. Despite an occasional passage at arms he is a popu-lar member of the Board; one reason

for this is the fact known to all the rs, that any cause which Mr. McBrady looks upon as worthy is ed with the same enthusiasm as that in which his co-religionists are concerned, and the esteem which such a line of conduct eventually commands is his.

At a very early age Mr. McBrady became interested in Catholic societies and the St. Alphonsus Association for some time had him as their energetic president; as chairman -at public meetings he is often called upon to act; a notable occasion was that of the lecture given here some eight or nine years ago by Mr. T. D. Sullivan, when on the platform were gathered the greater number of the ecclesiastical, political and literary leaders of the province.

The large international organiza tion of Catholic Order of Foresters is one in which Mr. McBrady is particularly interested. Of the 111,600 members of which this association boasts the Dominion claims 30,000 and Ontario 10,000; the Province of Quebec has a representative and a High Court Board. Mr. McBrady is High Trustee, and has the honor of being the only High Court officer in Ontario. Mr. McBrady is married to Cam-

ila, second daughter of Peter Small. In addition to her home duties which include the care of four little children, Mrs. McBrady like her husband finds time for outside interests. Works of charity in connection with St. Basil's Church find her ready co-operator, and the Catholic Young Ladies Literary Association to which she belonged before marriage, still claims her as an interested and interesting member, and her presence at the meetings when duties permit is always home comed. Mr. McBrady has his office in the Canada Life Building, and resides at 68 Czar street. Without claiming to be a prophet or the child of a prophet, one may foretell him a still more brilliant career, for recognition due to services high merit, must in the end be his.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL ..-On Monday last the graduating exercises in connection with St. Michael's Hospital, took place. His Grace the Arch bishop was present, and presented the diplomas and medals. There were also in attendance Rev. Father Rohleder, Rev. Mr. McKeown, Presbyterian clergyman, and Doctors right, McKenna Nevitt, Wallace, Bingham, Wishart, King, Allen, Guinane, Chambers, Silverthorne, Dwyer, Bruce, McKeown, Crawford, C. H. McKenna, Marlow and O'Brien

The graduates were:-Miss L. M Graves, London; Miss T. A. Regan, Oakville; Miss H. Anderson, St. Catherines; Miss M. Rowan, Hamil ton; Miss M. O'Leary, Newmarket; Miss B. Halpin, Peterborough; Miss C. C. Fraser, Waubaushene; Miss S. Downes, Belleville; Miss L. Regan, Corunna; Miss A. B. Fitzgerald, Mount St. Louis; Dr. Oldright presided, and the Archbishop, and most of the doctors present spoke words of praise, for the hospital, its staff the graduates and their instructors

At present there are 180 patients attended by 45 nurses with Miss Ida Coulson as expert trainer of the institution; the hospital is under the care of the Sisters of St. Joseph, and its central position on Bond street, in addition to the reputation it has gained for skilful and attentive nursing, makes it the most popular in the city.

After graduating the nurses were entertained by an evening at the hospitable home of Dr. and Mrs. McKeown on College street.

SODALITY RETREAT. - The young ladies belonging to the Sodality of the Children of Mary, of St. Mary's, have just closed a der the direction of Rev Father. Williams. The members of this Sodality representing the largest parish in the city, availed themselves of all the exercises of the oc casion and the practical and interesting instructions of Father liams were much appreciated.

AN ATHLETIC SOCIETY. - One evidence that the fall season is upon us is the lately formed athletic asso ciation in connection with St. Peter's parish. The organization now in complete working order with Professor Williams, of Toronto University, as their competent instruct This adds one more to the many proofs given by the pastor, Rev. Fa ther Minnehan, of his general interest in his congregation. Last winter a series of evening recreations were presented weekly to the parishioners and the amount of elevating and in-structive entertainment provided was something a good deal out of

the ordinary.

The parish too is preparing build a new church some time in the near future, and for this purpose several thousand dollars are even now ready.

WITH THE REDEMPTORISTS. -

annual Majella is now going on at St. Patrick's. The parish is in charge of the Redemptorists, and novena is held in honor of the a novena is held in about order, holy lay brother of their order, and of patience under mawhose example of patience under ma-licious falsehood and of forgiveness to his maligners has caused his mem ory to be venerated and his name to come down to us as blessed. Masses and evening devotions are largely attended, and the shrine of Blessed Garrard together with the altars are specially decorated during these days of prayer and particular

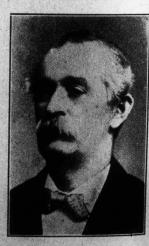
DEATH OF MR. WALSH .- On Friday of last week after a few days' illness occurred the death of Mr. Michael Walsh, of St. Patrick's parish, Mr. Walsh had been a Separate School trustee since 1889, and respected for his unassuming and practical life by all who knew him. The funeral took place from St. Patrick's Church to St. Michael's come-

ST. MARY'S, BARRIE,-One of

the prettiest places in the diocese of Toronto, and one of the centres where first class facilities for gious and secular education are to hand, is the town of Barrie, situated on Kempenfelt Bay. This arm of the lake breaks into the land in almost circular form and on the circumfernce of the shore the town is built. The waters of this district are said to be the bluest in Ontario, and stretching up from their skiff dotted surface winds the road leading to St. Mary's Church. Its cross and spire meet the eye as one enters the town and form one of the most conspicuous land marks. Just facing the church is a fair sized and by no means unpicturesque brick building surrounded by well kept grounds; this is the convent of the Sisters of St. Joseph, who have charge of the Separate schools, and have a large outside class of music pupils. school also of brick, is on the some distance in rear of the church. The Collegiate Institute, of whose Board the parish priest is nearly always a member, affords opportunity for those desirous of taking the education of the secondary schools, and of this opportunity a number Catholics more than ordinary avail themselves. Many musicians, vocal and instrumental, have developed from the convent, and from the choir, under the twenty years leadership of Mr. T. O'Meara; amongst the young musicians lately prominent, and who have taken honors at the Toronto schools of music are Miss Lourdes Hart and Miss McDonald.

In the church here the beautiful devotion of the Forty Hours has just closed. The Very Rev. Dean Eagen, P.P., and his assistant, Rev. Father McEachren, were helped in the work of the exercises by Rev. Father Moyna, of Stayner, and Rev. Father Gieren, of Floss; in every way these days of devotion proved beneficial and satisfactory.

MR. GONNAUGHTON'S ILLNESS



MR. B. CONNAUGHTON,

The many friends of Mr. Bernard Connaughton, well known in Irish Catholic ranks of Montreal, will sincerely regret to learn of his contin-ned illness.

Mr. Connaughton is a native of the Co. Roscommon, and for nearly two generations has been a resident of this city. He has been prominent in public affairs for many decades. As a member of the City Council for Section 2015. Ann's Ward, in political affairs, and as a prominent worker in the exeutives of various Irish movements, ational and benevolent organiza-lons, he has manifested much zeal

and courage.

The "True Witness" in expressin the wish that Mr. Connaughton may soon be restored to vigorous health is merely voicing the sentiments of the fellow-countrymen in this city.

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Mr. Justice Matthieu in opening the proc upon the great work w is doing for visiting se The programme was der of merit and the were:-Miss McAnaily, Wice R Murphy, Miss Miss M. Mulfaly, Miss I O'Brien, Miss Gertie O' Arthur McGovern, Mr. ky, and the Silver Seamen Messrs. Fitzger terty, SS. Mount Temp Richardson, SS. Kensin and O'Donnell, SS. Mor ter Coghlan, R.M.S. Par I. McCaffrey also tool Miss Orton was the acc Next Wednesday's cond given by St. Patrick's the direction of Prof. J.

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