

BETTER.

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DAVID'S LECTURE.—
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RSITY.—On the 24th
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Paris correspondent of the Dublin
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THE HOMELESS IN WINTER.—
Few of our people pause for a mo-
ment in the rush and hurry to secure
their own happiness to dwell upon
the hundreds of homeless men and
women who, during the winter
months, are forced to seek shelter in
houses of refuge in our city. In this
work that well known and deserving
institution, St. Bridget's Refuge, or-
ganized two generations ago under
the late lamented and wholesomely
pastor, Rev. Father Dowd, occupies
a leading place.

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the latter \$202,708.37. From this
have been paid two dividends and
bonus, and \$25,000 has been applied
to reduce property account, leaving a

The chairman read the report of

Random Notes and Cleanings.

THE POPE AND TELEPHONE.—
On Monday of last week, His Hol-
iness Pope Pius X had a talk, over
the long-distance telephone, between
Rome and Venice. Recently the
Pope appointed as Patriarch of Ve-
nice, Monsignore Cavallaria, whom
he had always held in special friend-
ship. His Holiness spoke to the
new Patriarch on Monday. It was
with joy and surprise that he clearly
heard the Pope's voice, sending him,
from the Vatican, his salutation, and
conversing with him in the soft Venetian
dialect. The conversation lasted
some time, and all the priests as-
sembled in the palace of the Patriarch
stood around in mute surprise. If
modern inventions still continue to
be developed, the day may come when
on this side of the Atlantic the heads
of the Church may have the privilege
and joy of talking to the Sovereign
Pontiff over a trans-Atlantic tele-
phone.

A CONVERT ARTIST.—Mr. Che-
vallier Taylor made his first great
London Academy success by a picture
of "The Last Blessing," which repre-
sents a priest standing by the death-
bed of a peasant in a Cornish cot-
tage. Referring to this picture, to
the artist, and to his conversion to
the Faith, a very interesting passage
is to be found in an English contem-
porary. After describing the pic-
ture it says:

"It was shown during the last May
of Cardinal Manning's life, and his
own last blessing of admiration was
given to it. Paris crowned that
canvas a year later; and, in the midst
of his success, the artist's own re-
ception into the Church showed how
much sincerity he had brought to the
delimitation of that touching scene.
This year Mr. Taylor has treated a
somewhat similar subject, but in a
far more difficult and complicated
aspect. The title itself, however, is
explanatory—"The Viaticum: He was
among them and they knew it not."

A poor London street—nearly the
most dreary and unspiritual sight
in all Christendom—is shown on a
Saturday in the kind amelioration of
twilight. The marriage of natural
and artificial lights is there—almost
symbolically. Lights shine from
the shop and from the coster's bar-
rows that line the curb. Quick and
rapt through the crowds of the pave-
ment passes a priest, led by a little
girl who has summoned him to bring
the last Sacraments. One titanic in
all that distracted throng guesses the
sacred errand on which the priest
goes. He stands with doffed hat and
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balance at the credit of profit and
loss of \$77,708.37.

"The number of open accounts on
the 31st December last was 69,487,
and the average amount due each de-
positor was \$220.29.

"For the accommodation of our
depositors in the West End a branch
was established, during the year, at
the corner of St. Catherine street
and McGill College avenue, which is
making satisfactory progress. The
bank has also acquired a property at
the corner of Ontario and Maison-
neuve streets, where it is intended to
open a branch as soon as possible for
the convenience of our depositors in
that district.

"Your directors have to record,
with deep regret, the death, since
the last annual meeting, of their es-
teemed colleague, the Hon. James
O'Brien, who had been a director of
the bank for upwards of twenty-seven
years, and whose rare business qual-
ities and whose devotion to the in-
terests of the institution were of
much value. Mr. Robert Archer, for-
merly president of the Board of Trade
has been elected to the position.

"As usual, frequent and thorough
inspection of the books has been
made during the course of the year."

The financial statement showed the
following for December 31, 1903:

Assets.

Cash on hand and in
chartered banks .. \$ 1,208,697.36
Dominion of Canada
Government stock
and accrued interest 2,037,012.50
Provincial Government
bonds 403,907.43
City of Montreal and
other municipal and
school bonds and de-
bentures 4,840,463.23
Other bonds and de-
bentures 661,385.50
Sundry securities ... 320,837.25
Call and short loans
secured by collater-
als 6,920,503.68
Charity Donation fund
invested in munici-
pal securities ap-
proved by the Domi-
nion Government .. 180,000.00
\$16,572,806.95

Bank premises (head
office and six bran-
ches)..... \$450,000.00
Other assets 9,186.36
\$17,031,993.31

Liabilities.

To the public:

Amount due depositors \$15,302,061.19
Amount due Receiver-
General 93,341.86
Amount due Charity
Donation Fund ... 180,000.00
Amount due open ac-
counts 78,881.89
\$15,654,284.94

To the shareholders:

Capital stock (amount
subscribed \$2,000,-
000) paid up \$600,000.00
Reserve Fund 700,000.00
Profit and loss ac-
count 77,708.37
\$1,377,708.37
\$17,031,993.31

On the motion of the president,
the directors' report and the financial
statement were adopted.

Thanks were awarded the president
vice-president, directors, manager and
other officers for their attention to
the interests of the bank during the
year, after which the retiring audi-
tors, Messrs. James Tasker and A.
Cinq-Mars, were re-elected.

The old board of directors was un-
animously re-elected: Sir William
Hingston, Mr. R. Bellemare, Mr. Jus-
tice Oulmet, Mr. Michael Burke, Hon.
Robert Mackay, Messrs. H. Markland,
Molson, C. P. Hebert, Richard Bol-
ton, G. N. Moncel and Robert Ar-
cher.

At a subsequent meeting of the di-
rectors Sir William Hingston was
re-elected president and Mr. R. Belle-
mare vice-president.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

Although far advanced in years,
like our own Father Lacombe, the
Rev. J. F. Malo, is now in the East-
ern States seeking funds for his In-
dian Mission in the Northwest. He
wants to establish an Indian school
at Elbow Woods, in North Dakota.
The building was erected by Mother
Mary Katherine Drexel, of the noted
Philadelphia family, who left
the world for a religious life, although
possessing a fortune of a million
year. She built a convent at Elbow
Woods, but the teachers have to be

paid and obtained by Father Malo.
There are several hundred Indian
children to whom education is given
in an irregular way, and the desire
is to form a permanent school. Here
is a brief sketch of Rev. Father Malo's
life and career:

The son of a wealthy Canadian
farmer, Father Malo was ordained in
Montreal when twenty-eight years
old, and was made an assistant
priest in the Canadian city. Shortly
afterward Archbishop Blanchet, of
Oregon, while in Montreal, asked
some of the young priests to vol-
unteer for the Indian missions of
the far West for terms of five years.
Father Malo was one of the number
who did. He says that he did not
feel the five years passing, and kept
at the work for twelve years.

When the Archbishop went to the
Vatican Council he took Father Malo
as his secretary. On their return
Father Malo's services were sought
at Washington by the Church autho-
rities to establish an Indian bureau
After four years in that capacity
Bishop Marty, while in Washington,
told Father Malo that the Sioux
Indians wanted "Blackgowns," and
Father Malo went again into the
wilds. He made himself one of the
people among whom he worked, shar-
ing their labors, their food and their
customs. The result was a great suc-
cess. The priest learned to speak
four Indian languages in ministering
to his people, who are scattered over
a radius of a hundred miles, between
Bismarck, the capital of North Da-
kota, and Elbow Woods.

Father Malo, despite his age, is as
strong as a man twenty years young-
er. He has never been sick, due, prob-
ably, to the plainness of food and
plenty of fresh air. Simple of man-
ner, with the courteous gentleness of
the French, and the zeal of an Apost-
le, thinkers who can realize the spiri-
tual fervor of the man admire the
ardor of Father Malo.

Munificent Donations.

In the Indian Sentinel (for 1904-
05), a delightful publication issued
yearly by the bureau of Catholic In-
dian Missions at Washington, in the
interest of the Society for the Pre-
servation of the Faith Among Indian
Children, we find the following ac-
knowledgement of the extent and effect
of Mother Katherine Drexel's magni-
ficent gifts in support of the Church's
work for the spiritual and temporal
welfare of the "nation's wards."

"It is estimated that Rev. Mother
M. Katherine Drexel has expended
one million dollars in building Ca-
tholic Indian school plants. Her fre-
quent and generous donations to
Bishops, priests and religious com-
munities for Catholic Indian mission
purposes would aggregate a large
sum total, which it is not possible to
determine. Since the withdrawal of
Government aid from the Catholic
Indian schools she has made it pos-
sible for them to continue their work
by contributing every year not less
than one hundred thousand dollars
for their support. It can be said in
all truth that if she had not grant-
ed this annual sum the schools would
long since have been abandoned.

"On the other hand, all the Catho-
lics of the United States together do
not contribute annually seventy-five
thousand dollars for Catholic Indian
missions and schools. Can it be
possible that they are willing to
throw the burden of the support of
their Indian schools upon one gener-
ous woman?

"Mother Katherine has not only
despoiled herself of her worldly goods
for God's poor, but she has consecra-
ted to them her life, and, communi-
cating to others her heroic spirit of
self-sacrifice, has given to the Church
a new family of religious women —
the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament
—who devote themselves exclusively
to the neglected Indians and the des-
pised negroes. Our Catholic people
cannot consecrate all their time and
energies to the cause of the Indian,
but there are some things which they
can do; they can contribute generos-
ly according to their means toward
the support of the schools; they can
encourage among their children voca-
tions for the missions, and in this
manner recruit the ranks of the In-
dian missionaries and of the Sisters
of the Blessed Sacrament.

"Mother Katherine cannot continue
to give large sums indefinitely, and
it behooves the Catholics of the
country to provide sufficient funds to
carry on their schools when her as

stance is no longer available. Her
noble example should not only cause
our wealthy Catholics to blush for
their lack of zeal and charity; it
should inspire them with the deter-
mination to provide for the con-
tinuance of the great work, the bur-
den of which, up to the present, they
have suffered her to bear almost
alone."

The love of God inspires the love
of our neighbor, and the love of our
neighbor serves to keep alive the love
of God.

It is in the lulls of life that great
things are lost and won. You struggle
against the tides that beset you—but
those tides never rest.

When discouraged by the sin and
indifference of men, then is the time
to stand firm to Christ; to remain
faithful to one's spiritual duties, and
to be resolute in every detail of duty.

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NOTES FROM QUEBEC.

(By our Own Correspondent.)

AN ENJOYABLE EVENING.—
The Ladies' Auxiliary A.O.H. seem
to have made a discovery, the secret
of which they securely guard, viz., to
make a huge success of everything
they undertake. The entertainment
given by that organization on Mon-
day evening in Tara Hall to cele-
brate the third anniversary of its
existence proved no exception to the
rule, and when it is said a most plea-
sant time was spent by all those who
had the good fortune to be present
is putting it mildly indeed. A short
meeting of the Auxiliary was first
held, the primary object of which
was the initiation of 16 members,
after which all adjourned to the body
of the hall, which was decorated with
the good taste always shown by the
ladies. A general invitation was ex-
tended to the members of No. 1 Di-
vision, who turned up in large num-
bers to join in the celebration. The
Rev. Fathers of St. Patrick's, who
always manifest a deep interest in
all the societies connected with the
Church, also attended, much to the
delight of all present. An hour or
more was devoted to progressive eu-
chre, after which addresses were de-
livered by members of No. 1 Division.
A number of songs of Ireland, some
of them thought to have been long
since forgotten, were resurrected and
rendered in all their old time beauty.
The same may be said of the music
furnished by the orchestra. A dance
followed, which, in the opinion of
the younger members, was the most
enjoyable item on the programme.
Choice refreshments were served dur-
ing the evening. The hours flew
like minutes, and the parting hour
came all too soon. The ladies who
compose the Auxiliary have every
reason to be proud of the success
which attended this social gathering.
May they celebrate many an anniver-
sary and may each one find them in
a more flourishing condition than its
predecessor.

THE Laval Monument.—Work
on the demolition of the triangular
block between the Archbishop's Palace
and the Post Office will be commen-
ced in the near future. This is the

site selected for the erection of the
monument to the memory of Mgr.
Laval, first Bishop of Canada. It is
thought it will require two years to
complete the monument, the statue
for which will be made in Paris.

THE MONTH OF MAY.—An im-
mense congregation filled St. Pat-
rick's Church on Sunday evening on
the occasion of the opening of the
month of May. The exercises consist-
ed of the recitation of the Rosary,
a sermon by Rev. Father Henning on
devotion to the Blessed Virgin, in
the course of which he gave a brief
history of this beautiful devotion,
which was followed by a procession
and solemn Benediction of the Blessed
Sacrament. As the boys and
girls taking part in the procession
entered the Church the choir sang,
"It is the Month of Our Mother," and
as the procession moved around the
Church, "On this Day, O Beautiful
Mother," was sung. The main altar,
as well as the altar of Our Lady of
Perpetual Help, were beautifully de-
corated with tapers, electric lights,
flowers and palms. There will be de-
votions every evening during the
month in honor of the Blessed Vir-
gin.

ARCHBISHOP'S PALACE.—The
Archbishop's Palace is to be remodel-
ed and improved, the work having
been already commenced. It is said
\$50,000 will be spent on these im-
provements.

IMPORTANT JUDGMENT.—Judg-
ment was given last week in the Su-
perior Court in the case of the Trading
Stamp Co. against the city. At
the last session of the Legislature a
law was passed empowering munici-
palities to enact by-laws prohibiting
the use of trading stamps. The City
Council passed such a by-law and
the Company made application to
have it set aside. Judgment was
given dismissing the application. An
appeal will be made to a higher
court.

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