

In and Around Toronto

A BEAUTIFUL SERMON.

A sermon of exceptional beauty was preached by Rev. Father McCann at St. Francis church on Sunday evening, the words from the Magnificat "and behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed," supplying the text. The Rev. speaker said that these words spoken first by the Blessed Virgin and inspired by the Holy Ghost, might be applied to every woman who followed and lived by the teachings of Christianity. Developing the subject a contrast was drawn between the pagan times prior to the coming of our Divine Lord and afterwards. To go too deeply into the condition of women in ante-Christian times would be to "shock our ears and cause our cheeks to blush for our humanity," but with the coming of Our Lord all this was changed. Woman took her proper place and from being a slave became a queen whose realm was that of the Christian home. Woman's mission is, threefold, to inspire respect, to educate and to dispense charity. Her influence in these three directions was amply and choicely illustrated and the parting admonition was for all to take as a pattern, Mary the mother of God, she who is for all time the model virgin, spouse and mother.

CATHOLIC YOUNG LADIES' LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

The above association held its regular weekly meeting on Monday evening at the home of the Misses Kernahan, 33 Wellesley street. A good attendance showed a continuance of interest in the work of the society. The literary part of the evening's programme consisted of a most enjoyable paper, contrasting Tennyson with Browning, by Miss Evalene O'Donoghue, the paper being also read in a most enjoyable way, and excellent papers in connection with the work with Parkman on the fall of Quebec by the Misses MacMillan, Kernahan and Aymot. The annual nomination for officers then took place, the elections to follow on Monday evening next. The unanimous nomination of Miss Hart for president left the offices of vice-president, corresponding and recording secretaries, treasurer and assistant treasurer to be voted on at the next meeting, when a full membership is expected. Votes of thanks were tendered the retiring officers, special votes being given to the always popular and capable late president, Miss O'Donoghue, and to the untiring and efficient Miss Goedike and Miss Aymot for their work in the past. The meeting of next week will be held at the home of Miss Ferguson, 110 Bloor St. W.

AN ARTISTIC EXHIBIT.

The exhibit of china presented by Miss L. McCarthy at her home, 1631 College street, on the three last days of last week was a dainty and artistic showing, evidencing the capability of the artist and the taste and talent with which she is endowed. Miss McCarthy's pretty goods met with many and ready sales and her first venture in this line will probably lead to another just as soon as her capable and ready fingers receive orders upon which to manipulate themselves.

A SOCIAL EVENING.

A number of ladies of the West End under the leadership of Mrs. Carton held a most enjoyable "at home" at Mrs. Meyers' parlors. A delightful few hours were spent and a nice sum was netted over and above expenses, said sum to go for charitable purposes.

SLATTERY—QUINN.

A pretty wedding took place in St. Patrick's church on Wednesday, the 7th inst., when Miss Nellie Quinn became the bride of Mr. Patrick J. Slattery of His Majesty's Customs, Toronto. Very Rev. Father Barrett, C.S.S.R., officiated. The bride was assisted by Miss Nettie McGahey, while Mr. J. T. Loftus supported the groom. After the nuptial Mass the wedding party drove to McConkey's, where breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Slattery will reside at 32 Kensington avenue.

GILLOGLY—RINGER.

A quiet wedding took place at St. Michael's Cathedral on Saturday, the 17th inst., Rev. M. D. Whelan officiating and the contracting parties being Mr. John J. Gillogly of Toronto, and Miss Ethel Ringer, formerly of Brockville. Miss E. Young attended the bride and Mr. H. Hallinan supported the groom. Mr. Gillogly is one of the well known Gillogly family of Lindsay, Ont., and has for some time been established as conductor of St. Paul's choir in this city, with whose members he is very popular. The bride also has made herself many friends in Toronto and particularly in St. Michael's parish. Mr. and Mrs. Gillogly will reside in Toronto.

JUNIOR LEAGUE ESTABLISHED.

A Junior League of the Sacred Heart has been lately established in St. Basil's parish. The organization to the number of one hundred and fifty received Holy Communion as a body on Sunday morning last. The officers of the new branch are as follows: Miss Angela Durkin, President; Miss Gertrude Murphy, Vice-President; Miss Francis O'Malley, Sec.-Treas.

DEATH OF MISS MATILDA McAULEY.

The announcement of the death of Miss Matilda McAuley will be sorrowful news to her wide circle of friends in Toronto and to others in many parts of Canada and the United States.

The deceased lady was one of the best known and best loved members of St. Paul's Parish, and one of the most earnest in the work of the church in which—since the death of her nephew, Rev. Father McBride—almost her entire interest has been

centered. A most impressive solemn Requiem High Mass was celebrated in St. Paul's Church at her funeral Saturday morning by the Rev. J. J. Hand, assisted by other priests. R. I. P.—Com.

TORONTO MARKETS.

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| Grain: | |
| Wheat, fall, bush | \$0.73 to \$0.74 |
| Wheat, red, bush | 0.74 |
| Wheat, goose, bush | 0.68 0.69 |
| Burley, bush | 0.54 0.55 |
| Oats, bush, new | 0.39 0.40 |
| Rye, bush | 0.75 |
| Peas, bush | 0.80 |
| Buckwheat, bush | 0.55 |
| Seeds: | |
| Alsike clover, fancy | \$6.30 \$6.60 |
| do., No. 1 | 6.00 6.20 |
| do., No. 2 | 5.25 5.40 |
| do., No. 3 | 4.50 4.80 |
| Red clover, new | 7.20 7.50 |
| do., old | 6.50 6.98 |
| Timothy, No. 1 | 1.50 1.80 |
| Timothy, No. 2 | 1.20 1.40 |
| Hay and Straw: | |
| Hay, per ton | \$13.00 \$15.00 |
| Straw, bundled, ton | 16.00 |
| Straw, loose, ton | 7.00 |
| Fruit and Vegetables: | |
| Potatoes, bag | 0.75 0.80 |
| Apples, bbl. | 1.00 3.00 |
| Cabbage, per doz. | 0.36 0.40 |
| Onions, per bag | 0.75 0.80 |
| Poultry: | |
| Turkeys, dressed, lb. | 0.14 0.17 |
| Geese, per lb. | 0.10 0.11 |
| Hens, per lb. | 0.09 0.10 |
| Spring chickens, lb. | 0.10 0.12 |
| Spring ducks, lb. | 0.10 0.12 |
| Dairy Products: | |
| Butter, lb. rolls | 0.28 0.32 |
| Eggs, strictly new laid, dozen | 0.40 0.45 |
| Fresh Meats: | |
| Beef, forequarters, cwt. | \$4.50 \$5.50 |
| Beef, hindquarters, cwt. | 7.00 8.00 |
| Lamb, dressed, lb. | 0.09 0.10 |
| Mutton, light, cwt. | 8.00 9.00 |
| Veals, prime, cwt. | 8.00 10.00 |
| Veals, common, cwt. | 7.00 8.00 |
| Dressed hogs, cwt. | 8.00 8.50 |

Distinguishing Mark

The Catholicity of the Church is nowhere seen to better advantage than in Rome, where students from all parts of the world gather, writes the correspondent in the Catholic Standard and Times.

Let us go to St. John Lateran's, the Pope's cathedral church, at 7 a.m. on one of these mornings to view the candidates for orders. They are all ranged in pews, those for major orders wearing the long white alb, those for minors in surplice and cassock. They are a pale, ascetic looking body on the whole—for a student's life is indeed a hard one—but they look very happy. But in what a different manner God has led many of these men, young and old (for some are well out of their teens, as we shall soon see), to the feet of the ordaining Bishop! To see the more interesting among the body, let us choose a vantage ground—not on top of the seats, as do some of our American and English tourists, who, with guide books under their arms and cold glasses in their hands, deserve the name of well dressed rowdies; however, they are but few thank goodness!

Passing over a dozen young men, we come to a thin man, whose turn it is now to approach for the order of sub-deacon. His is a curious history. He is the great Dr. —, a Lutheran or Methodist minister in America, whose gigantic ability and terrible pen kept some of the ablest Catholic theologians in the United States busy confuting his objections to the Church. He was an able and dangerous heretic, but an honest one. He was the light and prop of his sect, he believed thoroughly in its doctrines. But a day came when his sect heard with dismay of his entrance into the fold against which his youth and manhood and much of his old age was passed in battling. He became a Catholic, and now, at the age of 72 years, he is determined to become a priest and undo some of the harm of which he was the author.

The young fellow with the ruddy face, next the old warrior is the son of the Protestant Archbishop of —. He got the grace of conversion, corresponded faithfully with it, despised all opposition and enticements from well-meaning, worldly-minded people and joined the Church. You will soon see him return to England, where his work as a priest will bring consolation to thousands; and you will soon read books and articles of his which will draw unstinted praise and support from England, America, Ireland and Australia.

Those yellow-faced young fellows who keep so much together are Chinese. The oldest is the son of a mandarin. Some day he will create a stir in the land of the Celestials for his family is a powerful one and he received the grace of conversion in such an extraordinary manner that he will leave no stone unturned to build up the Church in China.

Miss Hughes of Ottawa, who is about to move to Edmonton, is writing a biography of her uncle, the late Archbishop O'Brien of Halifax.

TOBACCO HABIT

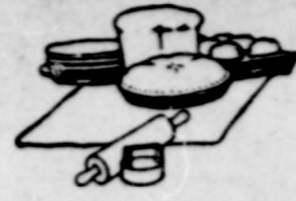
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The Ancient Order of Hibernians in Quebec

The following circular which has just issued from the office of the Provincial President, Quebec, will probably be of interest to the members of the Order in Ontario:



To the Officers and Members of the various Divisions of the A.O.H. of America in the Province of Quebec: Gentlemen and Brothers,—The Provincial Convention, recently assembled at Montreal, have entrusted the responsibility of conducting the affairs of the Order in the Province of Quebec for the ensuing two years, to practically a new Board of Officers. We hasten to greet every member of the Order within our jurisdiction, and not only assure you of our appreciation of the honor conferred upon us, but approach you to request your co-operation in any proposition advanced or work entered into for the good and welfare of the Order.

We have accepted office as members of the Executive for the Province of Quebec with a thorough knowledge of the responsibilities of our duty to the Order, and the principles involved in the object of its foundation, in accordance with the Constitution, and we have firmly resolved to emulate our predecessors in safeguarding these principles in the interest of the Holy Catholic Church and the national cause of our long oppressed Motherland and the Irish people.

But in order to conserve and inculcate these very important essentials into the minds and hearts of the Irish people, and make this order great in size of number, and strong in the cardinal principles of its exemplary Constitution, we must have union of hands and hearts, in brotherly love and Christian charity in keeping with the teachings of the Catholic Church, and in the spirit of true Hibernianism.

This was the ideal sought after by the founders of our Order, and until we come to realize our obligation in this direction, we will not achieve the real objects for which the Order was founded, nor reach the moral standard of manhood absolutely necessary for our individual welfare and the welfare of the Order and national cause in general.

We must have unity, without it our Order will ever be in danger of depreciation, and to secure this unity we must resolve to live up to the prescribed teachings of the constitution, and in accordance with the motto of our Order, "Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity."

The Ancient Order of Hibernians is without exception the only realistic Irish National organization in existence to-day, having for its object the preservation of the Catholic Church and the well of the Irish people, and if we wish to carry out the principles of the Order, we must be united as brothers in the cause, and at the same time use every effort to induce worthy Irishmen to join its ranks, and by the strength of its membership become formidable in its power in Canada, which will command respect and guarantee equalization of political and social rights for all Irishmen and their descendants.

There is no denying the fact that the Irish race does not command the same favor as other nationalities in Canada, and if our prestige in this respect is not what it should be we are in a large measure to blame. We are subject to secret and open aggression upon all sides, because we are Irish and Catholic, and even in the Province of Quebec, subjected to unjust discrimination by French Canadian Catholics for no other reason than that we are Irish.

This injustice, which is working great injury to our people, would not exist if the Irish Catholic population would flock to our Order, and give us the strength we lack in number and influence to cope with the evil. Therefore, it is the special desire of the Provincial Board that the members of every division, individually and collectively, should inaugurate a canvass to increase the membership of the Order, and thus aid to propagate the ideals of Hibernianism.

No time should be lost in this very desirable work, and this object could be advanced and thereby double and perhaps treble the present strength of the Order within the course of one year.

But before starting out on this campaign, the Provincial Board enjoins upon all the members of the Provincial Divisions, to resolve in the spirit of good and true Irishmen, to put an end to any disunion or factionism that may exist within their respective bodies. No offence is intended by this suggestion, consequently none should be taken.

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animity that is unfortunate, and must be eradicated, or else the Order will suffer. Every member who enters the Ancient Order of Hibernians assumes the responsibility of obligation, which he has pledged himself to live up to, and with the help of God, for the good of the Order, we call upon you individually and collectively to live up to both the principles and practice, in keeping with our conscientious duty to each other in the cause, and the Irish race at large. Every member should learn to understand that he joined the Order and was accepted in good faith to faithfully adhere to its cardinal essentials, and the member who seeks to cause discord, or convert the Order into a camp of disunion in furtherance of a selfish end, is not a good and true Irishman or Catholic. On the contrary, he is perpetuating an injury that is bound to enlarge in the end, disorganize and disrupt the Order, and destroy the cause as well as injure the influence of Irishmen in the community.

This is an upas tree that must be uprooted and cast from the Order, before the evil influence of its branches are allowed to spread and sow the seed of discord and disunion, and every member of the Order should consider himself a guardian against such evil. EDUCATE THE MIND AND HEART AND TRAMPLE OUR JEALOUSY.

Ignorance of Irish history and our illustrious ancestry is in a great measure the cause why so many Irishmen of the present day are so indifferent to the cause of their country and creed. Of course the rising generation is not to be blamed for their ignorance of Irish history, since it is excluded from the schools, not only in book form, but in reference, and this Order must exert all its influence to change this condition of things, by having Irish history taught in our parochial schools, and propagated in every way possible.

We must teach our youth, and even ourselves to know that were it not for the Irish scholars in the fifth and seventh centuries, when Europe was semi-barbarian and almost wasted, our ancestors not only preserved literature and art in their own Motherland, but when the deluge of devastation had ceased, the Irish went forth from their convent homes and travelled through Europe establishing colleges and universities for the education of the people.

Teach the children of the present day these historical facts, and they will grow up an honor to their parents, themselves and the Irish race, and perpetuate its beautiful history. But there is one evil that is a curse to the Irish race, that this Order by example must help to tear from the minds and hearts of our people; we allude to jealousy, which is the greatest enemy of our race. It is sad to contemplate, but nevertheless true, that jealousy has wrought more harm among the Irish people thanught else, and exists in every stage of life.

The spirit of equality is so dominant in our nature that we cannot bear to see one of our people advance in the higher grades without feeling it an obligation to pull him down and not care who might succeed him provided he was returned to the ranks.

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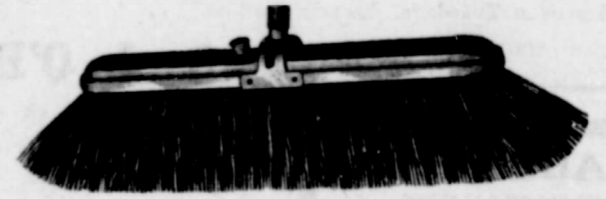
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Now let us begin to look at this monster, jealousy, as we should, and resolve in all sincerity to crush it from our hearts forevermore. Let us, by our brotherly love and Christian charity, show the world that Irishmen are a superior race. If we do this we will accomplish a glorious duty to ourselves, the Order, and the Irish cause, and thus attract the attention of the world, especially our own people in all walks of life, to come into our Order.

On all occasions we should resolve to put forth our best men and choose them for the purity of their mind and heart, and if we educate ourselves to entertain these high ideals, which are the ambition of our Provincial Board, you will do more for Hibernianism and this Order than has been accomplished in the past.

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Dr. C. B. Coughlin was given a complimentary and public farewell when leaving Peterborough for his new appointment at the Deaf and Mute Institute, Belleville.

The Truest Prayers

The saddest tears are those that never fall, But are held smothering in the aching eyes; The truest prayers can find no words at all, But flutter wearily to God in sighs. We need not speak if with our hearts we pray, And by our living try to do his will, Who leads us gently in the narrow way. And when we murmur whispers "Peace be still."

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