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Current Comment

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'We were too proud of our city, we offended God, we will do better. It seems that the Jesuit Fathers have suffered great losses. They could save nothing, and are now the guests of another community. After enumerating all their ruins, Father Frieden, Superior of the Jesuits in California, writes to Mother St. Bernard: 'Kindly tell all joy, more consoled in my poverty than in our past success.' It has seemed to me that you would be glad to read these details in which the Helpers of the Holy Souls appear so strikingly as the spoilt children of Providence, and in which their gratitude and their love for that Divine assistance find so much reason for increase. Please help us to pay our debt of thanksgiving."

Degrees were conferred and medals and scholarships awarded on Friday of last week. The students of St. Boniface College figured well at this solemn convocation of the University of Manitoba. They carried off the two Greek scholarships in competition with candidates from all other colleges, and as Greek is an optional subject, taken only by the better class of students, viz., those who are preparing for theology or who have a taste for the ancient classics, this scholarship is probably the most honorable distinction in the gift of the University. In the second year Edmond Fretz, of Grand Forks, N.D., who had also won the \$60 scholarship for French, Philosophy and Latin, being precluded by the regulations from receiving money for more than one scholarship, preferred, for the honor of his college, the Greek \$40 scholarship, and received only Honorable Mention for the other. In the first year Phenix Decosse captured the Greek scholarship against all comers. The money, \$60, for the French, Philosophy and Latin scholarship of the second year goes to Louis Joseph Mailhiot, who came just after E. Fretz. In the same year Joseph Albert Auger took the English \$40 scholarship for French-speaking students. In the first year the French \$40 scholarship for French-speaking students went to Jacques Prendergast, and the History \$20 scholarship for French-speaking students to Rosario Joseph Prince. In the third year there are two scholarships for the Latin course of philosophy, one of \$100, the other of \$75; two of our candidates Alexandre Bernier and Joseph Chabot, came out with equal marks in first place, and therefore divided the sum, each one receiving \$87.50. In the fourth and final university year of the same course, Jacques Mondor received the silver medal and Alexandre Beaupre, the bronze medal. These two, of course, graduated with first class honors. J. O. Plante and Antoine Dubuc graduated in class 2.

ence assembled in the Winnipeg theatre to do honor to the University heroes. In that overwhelmingly non-Catholic assemblage of young and old, the young largely predominating, our Catholic winners received just as cordial applause as was given to the others. And these highest assizes of education are the most courteous and decorous in the Dominion. There is none of that boisterousness or yelling which mars such the Sisters that I am overflowing with gatherings elsewhere, even in the classic haunts of the Isis and the Cam.

Once more we record with pleasure

the admirable temper of the large audi-

Convocation, which took place immediately after the crowd had dispersed, was unusually interesting. In the first place it was decided that this plenary assembly, which hitherto has been markedly partial instead of plenary owing to the weariness of the formal proceedings that come just before, will meet in the evening, at 8.30, of the Degree conferring ceremony. It is hoped that the interval between 4.30, the usual hour for the close of the ceremonial function, and 8.30 will allow of a foregathering of all the graduates. and that thus Convocation will no longer be a meeting of a jaded corporal's guard eager to get the thing done and over.

Another question, mooted but not discussed, was the increase of representation of Convocation on the Council. Convocation once had only three representatives there; then the number was raised to seven, and later on to ten. the present representation. There is some talk of giving Convocation half or more than half the total membership of the Council. As there are at present, apart from the ten members elected by Convocation, 45 other members of the Council, this would mean that Convocation would elect at least 22 members. This we believe to be a menace to the best interests of the University. There are very few educationists, with experience in higher education outside of the colleges, and these few are easily included in the ten members now elected. The rest of the proposed 22 would be irresponsible graduates, with no experience as university teachers, but with a vast capacity for destructive criticism and for urging upon the University untried and shallow theories, which have ultimately to be abandoned as delusions. Were this element to

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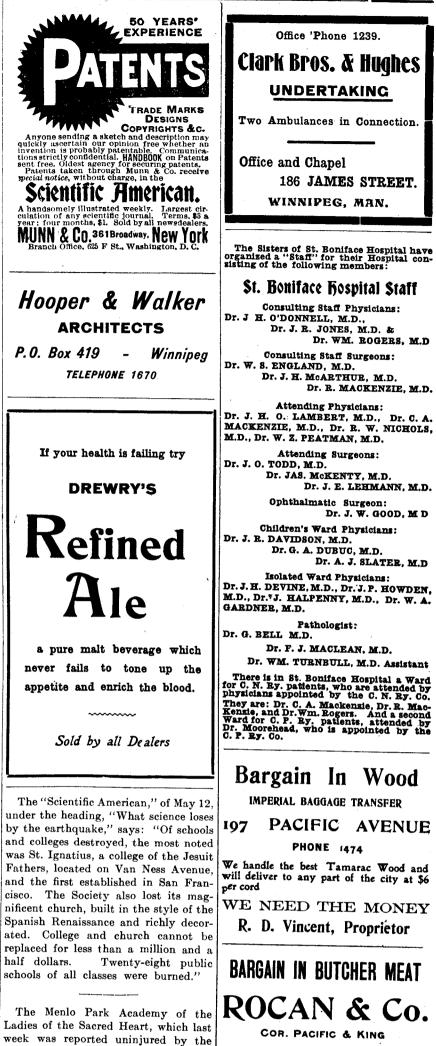
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Persons and Facts

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depth amidships 45 feet; tonnage, 14,500; horsepower, 18,000. The telegram from Ottawa saying that the Empress of Britain is the largest steamer that ever arrived at Quebec, is, however, mistaken. The Great Eastern which arrived at Quebec 45 years ago in 1861, was much larger in every way, as the following measurements show: length, 680 feet; beam, 83 ft.; depth, 58 ft.; draught 37 ft.; tonnage, 24,000. But the Great Eastern's horsepower was only 10,000 and its best speed, which it seldom if ever attained, was only 16¹/₂ statute miles, not knots, an The nuns and girls escaped without hour, whereas the Empress of Britain in its first voyage actually averaged



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The general averages of our students take high place in the published class lists. Thus, out of 74 candidates who passed, without total failure, the First Year examination, 12 were from St. Boniface, i.e., about 16 per cent. of the whole number. Now, in this whole number only 13 reached a total standing of 1B, i.e., secured an average of between 67 and 80 per cent.; but 5 of these 13 were from St. Boniface College; consequently, 5 out of 13, or more than 38 per cent., of the St. Boniface College candidates, reached an average of 1B, while only eight out of 64 candidates from four other colleges, or $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., reached the same high average. In the Second year examination 49 from five different colleges or non-collegiate, passed. The only one to reach a total standing of 1A, i.e., 80 per cent. or more, was Edmond Fretz, of St. Boniface College. Twelve of the 49 reached 1B, but three of these were from St. Boniface, which presented only five candidates. Compare 9 out of 44 with 3 out of 5, not quite one-fifth with threefifths, and the contrast is to say the least striking. In the third year our two candidates obtained 1B. In the ates obtained 1A in every subject.

Thoroughly ventilated, thanks to the bold initiative of Dr. J. K. Barrett, was the grievance of the St. Boniface College candidate for election being turned are still far from the New York ocean down year after year for the past ten years. All the speakers protested that they did not mean to exclude him. The parallel case of Wesley college, which for several years could secure the election of no candidate, was forcibly insisted on. The practice of most medical graduates voting for none but doctors was also touched upon. In fact narrowness was goodhumoredly condemned

on all sides. But will they change? Do they mean what they said? We shall see next September.

Prof. Osborne distinguished himself by pleading for a live President with a fixed salary, which, as was immediately pointed out, he made too small. But the objection was raised that we must first define our University policy before electing a President. This brought out the usual claptrap about sinking college interests in wider university interests. To which was made the very obvious reply that, as the University of Manitoba is now constituted, it is a commonwealth of colleges, and has no existence outside of collegiate effort. So nothing was decided and the members went home to reflect on all the good advice Rev. Dr. Duval had given them in his highly moral and edifying address to the graduates.

me as they might have been, half owing Mr. W. J. Donovan, under the style not be moved to action till a dozen men to the number who lived faithfully a and title of Donovan & Murray. Their and women get killed by the car falling Fourth Year two out of our four gradu- hidden life, and rest in unvisited tombs. offices are in suite No. 31, Aikins down the high river bank? Will the -George Eliot.

more than 19½ statute miles (17 knots) an hour. On the other hand the best

day's run of the Empress of Britain was only 452 knots, while the Lucanita has made 560 knots in one day. We records.

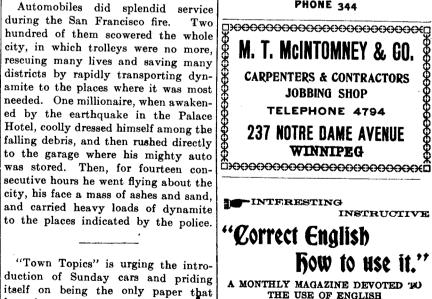
amite to the places where it was most needed. One millionaire, when awaken-As the population of our city is fast spreading westward, near the ed by the earthquake in the Palace C.P.R. shops and other hives of industry, Hotel, coolly dressed himself among the falling debris, and then rushed directly His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface, foreseeing that there would soon to the garage where his mighty auto be room for a new parish in that diswas stored. Then, for fourteen contrict, has bought for \$18,000, a fine secutive hours he went flying about the piece of land, 250 by 600 feet at the city, his face a mass of ashes and sand, corner of Arlington street and Notre and carried heavy loads of dynamite Dame avenue, on which there is but one to the places indicated by the police.

small wooden house which will be removed as soon as the parish has been

properly organized. Rev. Father Wood-"Town Topics" is urging the introcutter has been charged with this office duction of Sunday cars and priding and has already made a thorough canitself on being the only paper that vass of the district. He finds that has advocated them. This is one more it contains from 100 to 150 Englishinstance of the Protestant dodge of speaking Catholic families. loftily ignoring everything Catholic. Several Catholic real estate agents are actively We may not have so large a circulation engaged in locating Catholics there. as Town "Topics," but we have, to put Thus the new parish will be mainly an it mildly, quite as much influence, and English speaking one. But, as Father Woodcutter can preach in the Hungari- of Sunday cars than ever C. W. H. did. an language, the Hungarian Catholics However, we strongly endorse his conof this city who number nearly one demnation of the double fare after hundred families will also attend this eleven o'clock; it is a mean, "measly" church, where there will be special regulation. One more point we would sermons for them. cars opposite the Grey Nun Mother

Mr. T. J. Murray, vice-president of St. Mary's Lyceum, has recently severed his connection with the law firm of Andrews, Andrews, Murray and Noble,

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