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ABGUMENT FOR CELIBACY ME THE CLERGY.

e From All Family Alliaucer of Discipline and Not an Atticle of Faith—The Subject Ably Handled by a Scottish Priest.

"Why Priests Don't Marry," was the subject of a recent discourse by Very Rev. Father Rudolph, O.S.F.C., of Pecham, says the Glasgow Observer.

In bridging over the gulf which separated Protestantism from the Catholic Church, there were, naturally enough, a great many serious obstacles to be surmounted, and one of these difficulties. the celibacy of the Catholic clergy, had been made very prominent during the past week in the columns of a London daily paper in connection with or arising out of the Pope's letter. Those outside of the Church could not possibly understand why Catholic priests did not marry. Some thought, and thought very seriously, that it was a most wicked thing for the Catholic Church, or the Church of Rome, as they preferred to call it, to impose such a law upon her ministers. They argued that it was a law against the teaching of the Gospel, that it was an unnatural law, impossible for men to observe Frequently they would hear men say, "I like the Catholic religion in a great many things; I would like my wife and children to be Catholics, but as long as your priests are not married I do not feel justified in allowing my family to join you."

Father Rudolph proceeded to prove by good, solid reasoning and authority that in perfect harmony and in perfect keeptioned by Jesus Christ, the founder of the Christian religion, by His apostles, and he would even go farther and show that elerical celibacy was a moral necessity for the fulfillment of the sacred ministry, for the work which God had would remind them that the law of celiecclesiastical law; it was in fact a part of the Church's discipline. They did ing at the bedside of the dying man or not pretend for a single moment that it woman but the celibate priest? Look at not pretend for a single moment that it was part of the deposit of divine revelation left by Jesus Christ in the Church which it could not tamper with or change in any way. It was perhaps hardly necessary for him to point out that the Church had power to make such

As they well knew, the Catholic tion, it was a human society, composed of human beings. Now, the society right to make its own laws and regulaand the salvation of souls. Every sowith the rules of that society. They were not compelled to become members, but they joined of their own free will. And so it was with regard to the priesthood of the Catholic Church.

The Church did not say to any man,

You must not get married," neither did the Church say they must be priests. They were perfectly free to use their freedom and liberty, which God gave them, but this the Church did say, "If you want to be a priest, if you want to be one of my ministers, you must fall in with my regulations, and one of my regulations is that you must never get married." That was all the Church said, and before a young man was allowed to receive that sacred order which bound him to celibacy for the remainder of his life she must know his dispositions, she must read his mind and his heart as far as possible, and the Church must know that he had a vocation for the ministry. And when the Church was sure of this she allowed the young man to take upon himself the sacred obligations, and even then he was not allowed to take up the sacred calling until he was 22 years of age, and surely a young man of that age was not acting blindly when he received the order of subdeaconate and thereby binding himself to lifelong celibacy!

Of course, the objection would at once be put forward, "That is all very well; we will admit that it is necessary for a priest, as long as he wishes to remain in the Church as one of her ministers, to abide by her regulations. But here is where we find fault with your Church; a man may afterwards find he has made a mistake and is unable to observe the Yow of celibacy. Then why does your Church make that man remain a celibate all his life; why not let him have his freedom and go away?" The answer to this was very easy and very natural. Supposing a young man at the age of 22 was married and afterwards repented the step, would they think it proper for him to leave his wife and family; would the law allow it? The young man knew perfetly well what he was doing when he entered upon the contract, and he would be breaking the law if he deserted property and afterwards found he had not made a bargain, would the seller

take it back? It was the same with the celibney question. A man made a contract and had given himself up really and willingly would like to be single again, but it was too late. The Bible told them repeatedly that they must always be careful to pay their vows to Almighty God, and apart altogether from the contract there was the vow to God that must be paid, and this was only just and reasonable. The Catholic Church would be trifling with God if she were to allow a man for every whim and fancy to break his solemn

vows and engagements. It would be really impossible to carry out the work that God had given His Church to do if the ministers of that Church were married. Let them consider for a single moment the state of those ministers of whatever Church they might belong to who were married and had wives and children to care for, and they were divided and were unable to give themselves wholly to God. Just imagine for a moment a young curate in a parish. He decided to change his condition and he fell in love with some young woman, or perhaps half a dozen young ladies fell in love with him. Consider this young curate attending to the things of the Lord and at the same time courting a certain young lady. Suppose this young curate was married, then were his troubles over? No, for "When a man's married his troubles begin."

Fancy a minister of God with all these troubles and trials striving to win people to God, and by word and example endeavoring to lead them to Heaven. Could they, in the face of this, approve of a married clergy? Would any Protestant, with any common sense, argue that it would be better to have married clergy than those who were bound by the vow of celibacy? Look at the priests of God, look at those who had made sacrifices, aye, and given their lives for others. could they do it if they were not celihates? Who was it in every age who had been the pioneers of civization, to whom did they owe their learning and the celibacy of the Catholic clergy was literature? The celibate priests and monks of the Catholic Church, men who ing with the Gospel, that it was sanc- gave themselves to God and humanity. men who thought no sacrifice too great Who was it that converted this land when the pagan Saxons had driven out the old religion of the Briton? Was it married men? No; the celibate monk. Who, again, was it that carried religion given them to do. In the first place he into Germany and every part of the would remind them that the law of celiglobe? Was it not the celibate monk? would refind that the control was a purely lead to the hospitals where fever was exclusive that it was in fact a part raging, and who would they find kneel-Father Damien, who lived among the lepers, administering to their spiritual wants. Would a married clergyman follow in his footsteps?

A CARMELITE CONVENT.

Church was a society of divine institu- The Corner-Stone Laid by Archbishop Fabre-An Interesting Address.

Carmelite convent, where other organization, must have a perfect | daughters of Ste. Theresa live out their solitary and silent existence, has always tions, which are arranged for preserving | been an interesting establishment even onler, and specially for forwarding the to those who have never darkened the end of her existence—the glory of God | outer door of this famous cloister, which for years past has been located on the ciety made its own laws, and nobody opposite side of the street from the Jesus questioned them, and if men desired to and Mary convent, Hochelaga. It was join a society or club they must agree to this austere order that the daughter with the rules of that society. They of the wicked old King Louis XV. allied herself in order to escape the Du Barry and the immoral surroundings of her father's court, and ever since the royal robes were lain aside for the simple garb of a Carmelite nun, the name of Madame Louise of France has been held in the greatest reverence by all readers of religious history.

The ladies of the Montreal community

having decided to lease their property in the East end, a lot of land was secured near the Canadian Pacific Railway on Upper St. Denis street, measuring 450 feet deep by 295 feet front, and on this property the new convent, 200 feet square, is being erected. The height will be about 30 feet, and the cost in the neighborhood of \$75,000, all of which will be contributed by charitable friends of the order.

The corner stone was laid on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Archbishop Montreal, in the presence of about L500 people. Among those present on the platform were Mgr. Fabre, the Mayor and Madame Villeneuve, Mrs. Judge Mathieu, Rev. Abbe Collin, superior of St. Sulpice; Rev. Fathers Girard and Lava, of the Redemptorist order; the Rev. Superior Augustino, of the Franciscan community; Rev. Messrs. Lepailleur, Brissette, Odam and Lesage, parish priests respectively of Maisonneve, Hobbert Street Homes, 1985, 1 chelaga, Sacred Heart and the Infant Jesus parishes, the new convent being located in the last named; Contant, Desnoyers, Rev. Canon Archambault and Rev. Mr. Perron, of the Archbishop's

palace, and others.

The ceremony of laying the stone consisted in his Grace taking a handsome trowel and making the sign of the cross on the stone in question, and wishing the blessing of Almighty God on the community, followed by the litany of the

Saints, the 83rd Psalm, etc. An address was also delivered by the Rev. Ed. Hamon, of the Society of Jesus, who told of the holiness, simplicity and sacrifices of the community in question. When this convent is finished, he said, a procession of white-robed sisters will penetrate therein never more to be seen either alive or dead. They are the vigihis wife. Or if a man purchased some lant sentinels between time and eternity and the prayerathey offer upday and night go out from pure hearts. The mission of thes: lidies, said the rev. father, is to pray for the wicked and sinstricken world. Rev. Father Hamon gave a rather dark picture of Montreal's spirit-

the requirements of the soul. Overlook ing the iniquity of the great city, the Carmelite convent would be raised and the prayers of these pious women would go up to God for the salvation of wicked. They offer themselves as were the victims of their country's sal vation, and who can ever be able to calculate the value of their prayers? Some people ask what is the good of all these convents, and to this question Father Hamon said he would ask what good are all these parks and public squares. These latter are created for the health of your bodies, and such a convent as this is erected for the health of your souls. The parks and breathing places purify the for the time being so as to match their body's health and the convents purify the souls. Dollard and his fifteen companions saved their country and saved Montreal by their glorious death at the Longue Sault, and the monument unveiled the other day on Place d'Armes bears testimony to their deeds of valor. Here these daughters of St. Theresa save the country's morality. This convent will be built by charity, so you will come nobly to their aid. Adopt, my dear friends, as your protector, as your guardian augel, a Carmelite nun and you will be blessed of heaven. A soul that a Carmelite nun takes under her protec-

tion cannot perish. At the conclusion of the address large contributions were made to the builling fund, Archbishop Fabro the superior of St. Sulpice, the Mayor and many others

lonating handsome sums. The rev. ladies will take possession of their new home the coming full.

IRISH NEWS ITEMS.

Acting-Sergeant T. McNicholas, of Glenveigh, Donegal, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant.

The Dublin United Tramways Company is promoting a bill in Parliament to run its cars by electricity.

Sergeant John Lenihan, of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, died recently at Vincent's Hospital. He held the position of stall sergeant in the B Division for the past six or seven years.

County Inspector J. M. G. Foley is to be transferred from King's County to the command of County Westmeath. Mr. Foley for a number of years occupied the position of musketry inspector at the

At Carlow Quarter Sessions on June 7, Judge Kane remarked that there was an entire absence of ejectment business. He had never, he said, heard of a similar instance in any other county in Ireland, but in Carlow the number was generally small.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Ross Hastings, of Londonderry; John McVeigh, of Dunfanaghy; Alex. Mitchell, of Ramelton; and Patrick McGurley, of Brenagh, to the Commission of the Peace for County Donegal.

The Trinity Quarter Sessions for the City of Limerick were opened on June 4 by Judge Adams. The sub-sheriff said there was no criminal business to be disposed of, and the pleasing duty devolved apon him of presenting his honor with white gloves.

J. M. Johnson, secretary of the Dundalk Free Library Committee, has received a communication from the trustees of the Gilchrist Bequest stating that a series of six scientific lectures will be given in a group of Irish towns, including Dundalk, next winter.

Thirty-five ejectments have been entered for hearing at Armagh Sessions on the estate of Eliza C. Mountray and others, better known as the Derrynoose Estate, near Keady. Ejectments have also been entered for hearing on the estates of the Earl of Dartrey and Richard J. Harden.

The Local Government Board of Tipperary has prohibited any further interments in the burial ground within the precincts of the Cathedral on the Rock of Cashel. There are, however, two persons to whom the right of interment in their family grave-space has been reserved, Catherine Jane Pennefather, of Marlow, and Nicholas Pennefather, of Green Court, New Romney, Kent.

Two prominent Catholic ladies of Mayo died recently: At Kilkenny, Castlebar, Emily Clare, wife of Geoffrey Lavelle, and daughter of the late Dr. J. F. Hartland, formerly of Villierstown, County Waterford, aged twenty-six years, and at Moore Hall, Ballyglass, Mary, wife of the late George Henry Moore, M.P. for Mayo, aged sixty-seven years.

Lord Houghton, accompanied by Capt. G. Digby and Colonel Dease, visited Morahan & Sons' boat factory at Killarney on June 5. Beaumont's tweed factory was then visited, and the Lord Lieutenant, Capt. Digby and Col. Dease gave several orders for suits of Irish tweed manufactured at the Killarney Carding School. Mr. Morahan got an order from the visitors to the amount of about £50.

The deaths of these Meath people are announced: On June 5, at Curteen Mills, Johnstown, Enfield, Jane, wife of John Nugent, and sister of the Rev. A. Dempsey, pastor of Ballinakil. May 30, at Robinstown, Navan, Patrick, second eldest son of the late Laurence Reilly, of Grange, Bective, June 3, at Kilrue, Priesttown, Margaret, wife of John White, and second eldest daughter of the late John Caul, of Garristown. May 29, Michael Tanfe, late of Navan, aged sixty-five years.

One of the prominent readers of this paper purchased from Mr.C. W. Lindsay,

IT WAS SHAMROCK DAY.

THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW GROUNDS

Grand Success-An Immense Crowd-The Hon. Mr. Curran Speaks, and Faces the Ball for the First Game.

For the Shamrocks it was a great day in the heavens above and on the green ur forms. That day was Saturday; the havens didn't move out of their usual situations and the geographical position of the green sward was St. Louis du Mile End.

For two years the confiding public have been hearing about the new Shamrock grounds, but only the favored few knew just what was really going on or just what they were going to be like. The rest of the community put implicit faith in the veracity of the newspapers and only waited an opportunity to judge for itself.

The opportunity came on Saturday and something over 7,000 people gratified their curiosity. There were rich men. poor men, fat men, lean men, married men, single men and men that are going to be married (with visions in muslin to look after them), old men with one foot in the grave and babies who have just gotaone foot out of the cradle-all were there. And the ladies, bless them, were there, too, "in that first budding spring of youth when all life's prospects please."

It would have been difficult to analyze the feelings that brought them all out. whether it was to see a lacrosse match or not, but anyhow the general impression seemed to be that it was the proper thing to do to see the inauguration of the new Shamrock grounds, so they took an carly lunch and proceeded to pack themselves into various street cars as early as one o'clock, with the evident idea that the new grounds were situated somewhere between Montreal and Ottawn so that the Capitals would only have to pay half fare. Perhaps they took the wisest course after all, for the man who waited until three o'clock did not have a pleasant time to put in his diary of travelling experi-ences. When the boy in the Sunences. day school chass gave as a definition of gluttuny "cating more than you can," he apparently did not hit the impossible for if anybody had told us beforehand the number of sweltering human beings a modern street car could hold, he would immediately be classed as a lineal descendant of the nobleman who woke upone morning to find his horse hitched to the weather-cock on a church steeple. was one good thing about it, however; it gave one personal experience how the lively menhaden feels when in boiling oil he is christened sardine. Notwithstanding the tremendous rush the street car people handled things remarkably well, and the only drawback was the necessity of changing cars at the railroad crossing. But by the time the next match is played this difficulty will be obviated and all lines will be able to land passengers right at the entrances The crowding on the cars was the only discomfort of the day. Everything else was about as perfect as human devices could manage. The facility with which the immense crowd emptied itself from the stand was proof of the far-sightedness of the architect who designed it. Broad staircases to every section and a wide board walk gave every means of easy ingress and egress, and when the spectators discovered that there was a refreshment booth behind the stand these passages were very useful, but a single booth even with half a dozen waiters is not near enough for the numbers of thirsty humanity who take a liking to ginger beer and other innocuous beverages between the games.

On arrival at the grounds there was no need to be told that it was a gala day. The front of the club house, on Shamrock avenue, was most tastefully decor ated with bunting gracefully draped while above floated the Union Jack with the maple leaf in the field and the green and white of the club. Then every available space on the grand stand had a projecting bit of bunting, and every bit of scantling around the immense fence supported a flag of some nation or other, but there was not enough breeze stirring to make out just what they were. In front of the club house is a grand pinzza, on which were seated the officials and guests of the Shamrock club. The committee wore bright green badges, the guests were decorated with a beautiful blue, and the press wore a tincture heraldically known as gules. But these little spots of color were not noticeable in the general brilliancy of the grand stand, for the airy costumes of the ladies, the neglige once of the men, the dainty hats, top heavy with nodding sprays of rainbow hued flowers—all reflected back from a blazing sun on a bright green, made a color picture not soon to be forgotten. Yes, it was a great day for the Shamrocks and they seemed to realize the importance of the occasion by winning the opening match.

About three o'clock a couple of interesting events took place. Mr. Harry Brophy, who has come to be recognized by all lacrosse men as the best referee that ever went on the field, had a little surprise in store for him. He had been agreed on to referee the match, and the Shamrock club decided that the most to the Church. Then why did they allow him to draw back after having made the bargain. Plenty of married people centre, very little attention was given to sented with a handsomely engraved one, office.

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As a wielder of the whistle Mr. Brophy is a bright particular star, and perhaps it was as nice a compliment as could be paid to his good judgment and imparti-ality. When he blows it, it means business, and every lacrosee player knows it. Mr. "Doty" Tansey was also presented with a diamond ring, which was won in competition as the most popular lacrosse

player on the team.

Then at half-past three a group might be seen moving out from the Club house to the centre of the field, keeping time to the strains of one of Sonsa's marches, played by the Victoria Rifles band, which discoursed sweet music during the afternoon and most agreeably filled up the waits between games.

The Hon. J. J. Curran was to officially open the grounds, and in a characteristically eloquent speech he fulfilled his office, and spoke of the good feeling which characterized all lacrosse men and the manly instinct the national game instilled into the breasts of the

On behalf of the M.A.A.A., Mr. Major Freeman offered his association's heartiest congratulations to the Shamrock club, who had always been the friendliest rivals the Montrealers ever had. On behalf of the Capital Lacrosse club, Mr. James White, who hitherto has been closely connected with the interests of the club, was called on and he made a very appropriate little speech. Next came Mr. R. J. Cooke, president of the Shamrock club, who expressed the club's thanks for the representative gathering and made protestations of good will to every club that plays the national game.

The speech-making took up nearly an hour, and as the immense crowd on the grand stand could not hear a word, it got impatient, and frequently could be heard the command "play ball." The com mand was complied with at 4 o'clock. when Hon. Mr. Curran faced it and the game had begun.

After two hours play the scere steed: Shamrock 4. Capital 3.

HOME RULE FUND.

THE PEOPLE OF ST. ANN'S PARISH ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE.

After Mass last Sunday morning in St. Ann's Church, there was a large meeting in the half adjoining the church to consider the advisability of practically help ing the Home Rule party in the Britisl. Parliament.

The meeting was called by Rev. Fr. Shelfault, parish priest, and was presided over by Dr. Guerin, Mr. J. J. Gethings acting as secretary. After the object of the meeting was explained by Father Shelfault, and supported in eloquent addresses by Rev. Fr. Strubbe, Dr. Guerin and others, it was unanimously decided to open a subscription, and upwards of \$200 was at once subscribed. Mr. P. O'Reilley was elected hon treasurer, and Mr. W. Davis treasurer, after which col lectors were appointed for the different streets in the parish, and these commenced their duties immediately, meeting with success.

Rev. Father Strubbe dwelt strongly upon the fine characteristics of patriotism and generosity that belong to the Irish race, and his appeal was a most eloquent one. Dr. Guerin's address was most happy, and its tone, matter and delivery bespoke the Irishman whose heart was in the cause. The movement is now fully on foot, and we trust that success will crown the efforts of those practical friends of Home Rule and justice.

GRAND UNION PILGRIMAGE

ORGANIZED BY THREE IRISH CATHOLIC SC-CIETIES.

On July 27th, the solemnity of the feast of St. Ann, a grand combined pilgrimage, from Montreal to Ste. Anne de Beaul re, will take place. It is to be composed of the parishioners of the three parishes of St. Mary's, St. Anthony's and St. Gabriel's. The spiritual direction will be under the pastors of these different parishes. Rev. Father O'Donnell, the zealous and kindly pastor of St. Mary's; Rev. Father Donnelly, the energetic and popular pastor of St. Anthony's; and Rev. Father O'Meara, the indefatigable and able pastor of St. Gabriel's, assisted by the other Reverend clergymen of their parishes, and particularly Rev. Father Shea, the untiring and devoted curate of St. Mary's, will lend all their assistance in making of this one of the most important pilgrimages of the year. We trust that advantage will be taken of this opportunity for hundreds to visit the far-famed shrine and to reap spiritual and temporal blessings there.

BREVITIES.

You must love in order to understand The friendship of the artful is mere

Eagerness in the pursuit of our duty brings happiness.

self-interest.

A man's eagerness very often disappoints his hopes.—N. Webster. Many people take no care of their money till they have come nearly to the

end of it, and others do the same with their time. By fasting theologians generally mean anything disagreeable which the body

voluntarily suffers, and the Council of

Trent includes all sickness and mortifica-Gewandhans concerts at Leir sic and pro

RAILWAY DISASTER.

An Exenction Train of Pilgelms Telescoped.

CRAIG'S ROAD, Que., July 9 .-- In the early hours of this morning, there occur-red an accident on the Grand Trunk road, at the station here, that has seldom been excelled in horror by any such event in Canadian railway annals.

The trains that came in collision were special excursion trains, filled with pilgrims en route from Sherbrooke, Richmond and Windsor Mills to Levis, where they were to cross over to Québec and rocced to the shrine at Ste. Anne de

The trains were following one another with an interval of some twenty minutes intervening. The forward train was making good time, having feft Richmond at ten o clock the night before. On the rear of this was a Pullman, in which were the priests, etc., in charge of the party and it was in this car that most of the loss of life took place.

The first train reached this station, which is fourteen miles west of Levis, about three o'clock, and stopped at the tank to take water.

Due precautions were taken, and the emaphore thrown to danger against the following train. Only the train men were out and about attending to their duties. The Pullman in the rear was wrapped in silence, and the sleepers there were not aware of the terrible fate that was rushing upon them.

Had anyone been standing on the rear of the Pullman he might have perceived a glare in the west. There was, too, a dull rumble of a train-not at the usual pace observed when nearing a stationbut with the pistons of the engine plung-ing back and forth with giant strokes; with the sharp, quick "bark" that be-tokens steam well turned on, and with a driver at his post evidently unaware of the waning gleam of the semaphore lamp, or, indeed, aware of the exact situation or whereabouts of his train!

Perhaps he never realized all these things, even when it was too fate to remedy matters. Engineer McLeod is lead, as is also Fireman Perkins, his

With a great crash the second train druck the rear Pullman of the first sec-

Every berth in the Pullman was taken and some of the occupants that were cilled never knew what happened to them. They died sleeping. Others awoke to their horrible surroundings and position, mained, bleeding and bruised, conscious of little clse but the agony that racked them.

DEAD.

Charles Bedard, mail eterk, Richmond. Miss Bedard, Richmond. Hector McLeod, engineer, Richmond. Richard L. Perkins, fireman, Richmond.

Rev. J. L. Mercier, Richmond. Rev. E. P. Dignan, Windsor Mills, Mr. Cogan, Richmond. Miss Valin, St. Joseph de Levis. Miss Phaneuf, St. Joseph de Levis. Miss J. B. Chyer, Danville. Miss Delycourt, Shefford. Aunt of Miss Varin, St. Joseph de

Levia. John O'Farrel, Capleton. The above is a complete list of the

John Cadienx, Danville. J. B. Cayer, " Scraphine Cayer " Joseph Cayer,

Louise Cayer, Virginia Silvestre, Ham. Mr. Francis Fontaine, Broughton. Louise Gaudet, Arthabaskville. Patrick McHugh, Capleton. Pierre Allard, Richmond. Antonia Baril, Arthabaskville. Herenics Descoteanx, wife and sons,

Rev. F. Desrosiers, of Broughton, leg and arm broken. J. Quinlin, Montreal, badly hurt.

Cyrille Remilard, Sherbrooke, slightly Delina Gosseliu, of Sherbrooke, slight

njuries. Mr. and Mrs. Hamel, Danville, the former injuries to right leg, and latter

head and internal injuries.

Mrs. Louis Moriu, Windsor, and Oliving Moriu, of Windsor, face and in-

ternal injuries. Mrs. Frank Cayer, of Darville, and sixcar-old daughter, head wounds.

Mrs. Zephrin Lamelin, Windsor. Lazare Godbont, Windsor Mills. Joseph Richard, Brompton Falls. Cleophus Charest, Conticooke. Bennett Bassler, Pullman ear porter, resident of Toronto.

REV. MESSES, DIGNAN AND MERCIER. SHERBROOKE, July 9.—Rev. Frederick Patrick Dignan was born at Fenmore, Westmouth county, Ireland, in 1844. He was educated at St. Hyacinthe College, and ordained in 1868. He was first vicar at St. Pic, and subsequently at the St. Hyacinthe Cathedral. In 1873 he was appointed vicar at the cathedral here, and in 1874 became the secretary of the late Mgr. Antoine Racine, so continuing until 1878, when he was given charge of his late parish at Windsor Mills. After a 17 years' sojourn among the people there, he had just realized the fonders. wish of his life, in having recently completed a magnificent new church, together with a suitable Presbytery, and established a branch convent.

Rev. Joseph Louis N. Mercier, born at Karl Reinecke, who for thirty-fve Quebec, in 1859, was educated at the years has been director of the amous Gewandhaus concerts at Leipsic and produce the Sherbrooke Seminary, where he fessor of the piano in the con ervatory, was a great favorite. He began his lune-is 71 years old and wishes to resign his tions at St. Camille, and had been recently transferred o Richmond.