A school in session is of interest to everybody, but its attraction to the mother, whose little ones, the greater part of every day, will account for this notice of every day will account for this notice of such of any will account for this notice of such of any will account for this notice of such of any will account for this notice of such of any will account for this notice of such of any will account for this notice of such of any will account for this notice of such of the city of forest of such of the city of forest of such and the such of the city of forest of such and the such of the city of forest of the such and account for the such and the such of dian this. Inere is evidency nothing Canadian dials you can appreciate, except the Canadian dollar.

If I must be insulted, I most respectful decline to pay for the privilege.

I would respectfully suggest that you cease to look for the mote in the Canadian eye until you have removed the beam from your own.

The Boer war is seized upon with avidity as affording a splendid chance to have a fling at everything British, but there is no word of Spain or Cuba and the Philippine slave.

Why not give some attention to the looters of the Catholic churches in the Philippines? Why not give some attention to the looters of the Catholic churches in the Philippines? Why not lavish some of the indignation you reserve for the British and Canadians on the enormities of the divorce court, on the lynchings and political and social inquities of every description in your own land.

In this I do not refer to the News alone, but to every other anti-British, fire-cating editor in your country. If you will apply your brilliant talent to the curing of the social and political pestilence with which your own country abounds, and let Canadians alone, there will will be ample work for you to do.

Yours respectfully,

Thomas Hanley.

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A two weeks' mission was commenced in St. Mary's Cathedrai by the Jesuit Fathers on Sunday, 4th inst. The Fathers conducting the mission are Ray Fathers O'Bryan, S. J., Montreal, and Rev. Father Kenny, S. J., of Guelph. They are both very earnest and eloquent preachers. The Jesuit Fathers have always been distinguished for holding missions all over the world. The older generation still remember the glorio is work accomplished by Fathers Damen, Smarius, Glackmeyer, Langcake and others in form r days. Much good is expected from the Mission. Large crowds have been in attendance since the Mission opened. The first week is for women, the second week for men. Masses are celebrated at 5.30 and 8 a.m., with a short instruction. The evening devotions consist of the Rosary. A short instruction and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

An anniversary Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Mary's cathedral last week for the repose of the soul of the late Archbishop Cleary. The Rev. Father Kehoe, rector, was celebrant, the Rev. Father Kahea, deacon, and the Rev. Father Ritter subdeacon. Mrs. Dorocher presided at the organ.

His Grace the Archbishop has appointed the Very Rev. Deam Masterson Vicardionard of the Archbishop presiding. The new Vicar-General is one of the best known and beloved priests of the Archbishop rhee dingrilly and wish him many years to enjoy his well exceeding the result of the Archbishop and wish him many years to enjoy his well exceeding the result the result of the Archbishop and wish him many years to enjoy his well exceeding the result the result of the Archbishop and wish him many years to enjoy his well exceeding the result the exceeding the street the result of the Archbishop and wish him many years to enjoy his well exceeding the street the result the street is street. In answer to an inquiry, it was ascertained hat fourteen children passed the last entrance xamination—one girl from this school obtain-ng the highest percentage among girl candi-

ing the highest percentage among girl candidates.

The average attendance was found to be 425, while 590 names were on the roll—an unusually good average it most be admitted.

The growth of the schools in this parish, since the opening of the first school in 1254, has been progressively steady. The new school, built in connection with the original building, and considered one of the finest in the city, is now supplemented by two other fine large roomy schools—the Boys School on the opposite side of Macdonell Square, a handsome red brick building, accommodating the older boys of the parish, and successfully taught by the Christian Brothers, and St. Francis School, on Manning avenue, which also has a large attendance.

It goes without saying that the Vicar-Gener l is a constant and I might add, a welcom

ARCHDIOCESE OF KINGSTON.

SMITH'S FALLS.

The Rev. Father Kelly, who has been pastor of St. Francis de Sales church for the last year, has been most successful since he came to this mission, as successor to Rev. Father Stanton of Brockville, Great improvements have been made to the church. A new wing has been added, the interior of the sacred edifice has been improved. New oak pews have been placed in the church, new furnaces have been placed in the church, new furnaces have been placed in the building and the church is now heated by steam. The walls and ceiling have been renewed, and other necessary improvements have been made. All these improvements have cost over \$10,000. The congregation of St. Francis de Sales can now be congratulated on having one of the finest and most comfortable church in the Archdiocese. The Rev. Father Kelly has won people but of the whole community of all denomination and all classes of our people, To all he is the kind, courteous and genial gentleman, a clyver preacher, an indefatigable worker and a kind and sympathetic pastor. His moble work in St. Mary's Cathedral, Kingston, for eighteen years is known to all, since his advent to Smith's Falls he has been been years in the same course and enhanced his region, if the same course and enhanced his region, if the same course and enhanced his region, if the same course and enhanced his region of St. Francis de Sales held a carry on his noble work. During last summore which realized over \$1,600 — a proof, if one were wanting, of the energy and zeal of pastor and people.

An old and respected resident of this place died in Troy, New York, on Tuesday, 20th uit, in the parson of Mr. Carnelina Mackey, brother An old and respected resident of this place died in Troy, New York, on Tuesday, 20th uit. In the person of Mr Cornelius Mackey, brother of the late Rev. Father Mackey, The deceased was a native of Tempiemore, county Tipperary, Ireland, and was eighty-five years old at the time of his death. For a long time he resided in Troy, New York, and many years ago he came to Canavia and resided with his brother. Father Mackay, until his death two years ago, when he returned to Troy stated with his relatives there until his death. He was the resided with his relatives there until his death he which gave him a great shock, from the which gave him a great shock, from the highly respected. He was an uncle of the kighly respected. He was an uncle of the Macket of Brockville, and of Rev. Sisters M. Aurelin of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Troy, and of Rev. Sisters M. Geraldine and M. Inez of the same order. The C. M. B. A. held a most successful ball in St., Mary's Hall on Friday evening, 23rd Feb, when they made the handsome sum of \$125.

ERINSVILLE.

The Rev. Father Cicolari intends erecting a tower on the church in the spring. They have already drawn the material on the ground and are making preparations for the work. The large congregation here are ever ready to second their worthy and beloved pastor in all undertakings.

On Sunday, the 4th inst., the Forty Hours' devotion was commenced in 8t. Michael's Church by the Rt. Rev. Monseignor Farrelly, Vicar General, celebrating High Mass. The following priests assisted during the devotion: Rev. Father Murtagh, Marmora; Rev. Father It. J. Spratt, Wolfe Island; Rev. Father Hogan, Napene; Rev Father Twohey, Picton; and the Very Rev. Dean O Connor, Marysville, Large numbers attended and received the sacraments. BELLEVILLE.

LETTER FROM MR. HANLEY.

The following timely and excellent letter has been addressed to the editor of the New York Catholic News by Mc. Thomas Hanley, a highly respected and well known Catholic resident of Belleville. This American paper for sometime bast has become intensely anti-British and anti Canadian. Too often has it been asserted that the French Canadians and the Irish Catholics are disloyal. Any one knowing Canada knows that there are not more loyal subjects in the Dominion of Canada than the Irish Catholics and French Canadians. This cry in time past has arisen from religious, racial and party prefudice. The Catholic minority in Ontario and the Protestant minority in Quebec have their rights guaranteed to them by law, and nowhere will you find a more united or law abiding people than the inhabitants of the Dominion of Canada:

To the Editor of the Catholic News, New

To the Editor of the Catholic News, New York: York:

Dear Sir: — The Catholic News has been coming to me for some months. My subscription expired the first of this year, and I supposed when a renewal was not made, the paper would be discontinued. I write now to say that I do not wish to continue taking the News. I cannot agree with your anti-British sentiments.

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I might say also, that we Catholics of this part of Her Mejesty's Dominion feel that we have no grievances to complain of. In fact, we think we are the freest people on the face of the globe. We have our own schools placed exactly on the same footing as the Public schools, and do not have to pay to two.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON.

On Sunday evening an immense congregation assembled in St. Mary's Cathedral, this city, to greet His Lordship, Bishop McEvay, of London, who, it was announced was going to deliver a sermon. It was indeed a joyful occasion for the people of the cathedral pairsh, as it afforded them an opportunity of beholding the well have been controlled them an opportunity of beholding the well have been controlled them an opportunity of beholding the well have been controlled them an opportunity of beholding the well as a number of the clerky from the other parishes of the city. His Lordship, seaking with his old time power and vizor, gave a very instructive and entertaining account of his visit to the Holy Land some years ago. He took his hearers in imagination from piace to place in this ancient land sanctified by the lifework of our Divine Redeemer and by the numcrous patriarchs and pro-hets of old. The pilgrim lands at the beautiful city of Jaffa, the oldest city on arth, made up of a modley population of all nationalities, is noted as being one of all nationalities, is noted as being on him to preach the Gospel to the Gentiles as well as to the Jews. The Franciscan Fathers have charge of hospices for the entertainment of pilgrims, to which all, without distinction of nationality or creed, are admitted. It will be interesting to know that people are not charged anything for the first two weeks. His Lordship Bishop Dowling was one of the party of tourists and was privileged to biess the paims on Palm Sund y in one of the churches. There is an entire of travel, would need to be possessed of good nerves, as the road in a great many places winds along the face of cliffs and the donkey invariably keeps close to the edge, obliging the rider to look straight ahead between his ears in order to keep from plunging downward. Next, Jaffa is the Plain of Sharon, associated aiways with Samson, the biblical strong man. Then comes the site of the house of Joseph, wne, with Nicodemus, took our Lord from the reason of the form of the party

event.

His Grace the Archbishop visited Belleville, accompanied by his Secretary. On Sunday 25th ult. in St. Michael's church he announced that he had appointed the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Farrelly, Vicar-General for the Archdiocese. Last Sunday a mission began for the congregation of St. Mary's cathedral.

On the 1st. Feb. the Young Irishmen's Catholic Benevolent Association held a most successful assembly. They have announced an assembly for Easter Monday evening.

The C. M. B. A. of Kingston Mills held their first assembly last week.

WESTPORT.

On Pentecost a mission will be opened in St. Edward's Cnurch, by the Rev. Fathers Mc-Phail and Scanlon of the Redemptorist Order. The Rev. Father Walsh is meeting with great success in this mission and continuing the good work carried on for so many years by the Rev. Father Twohey. The mission is looked forward to with great interests and no doubt will be eminently successful.

St. CHAELES GHURCH, READ.

The contract for the erection of the new side altars in the beautiful new church of St. Charles, has been awarded to Mr. Thomas Hanley, architect and contractor of Belleville, The well-known care and ability of the contractor are a guarantee that the work will be well done. the choir under the leadership of Mr. Uscar of Hiscott, rendering "Est's Vespers" with very fine effect. Mr. Hiscott also presided at the organ. The solois's were Miss McInerney, Miss Bastien, Mrs. McKeown, Mrs. J. F. Egan, Messrs F. A. Filgiano, James O'Brien, J. F. Egan, P. Sweeney and C. Marks. P. J. Neven.

WESTPORT.

ARCHDIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

The Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas was, as i sual each recurring year, celebrated with clat atthe University, on the 7th inst. Solemn fass was celebrated by His Excellency, Mgr. alconio. In the evening an entertainment as given, when Professor Albin explained its

diction of the Blessed Sacrament in the afternoon.

The pupils of the Grey Nuns of Hull took
occasion on the feast of St. Thomas of Aquinas
to give an elaborate entertainment in honor of
the reverend pastor of that city, the Rev.
Thomas Valiquette, O. M. I. Very Reverend
Father Jodin, the Provincial Superior of the
Oblates of Mary Immediate, was also present
to honor the worthy priest.

The Rev. Father Lacombe, O. M. I., the
veteran missionary of the North-West territorics, was here lest week. His business is
understood to be the settlement with the Govermment of some matters in connection with
the Indian Industrial school and on other
matters affecting the Metis. He is en route
for Europe.

A General Easter Communion of the mem.

for Europe.

General Easter Communion of the members of the C. M. B. A., the C. O. F. and the A. O. H. of St. Patrick's parish will take place on the third Sunday in Lent.

I. Gev. Father Fisher, O. S. F. will lecture in Avliner, Que. on St. Patrick's night.

It is stated that His Excellency Mgr. Fallio, Apostolic Delegate, has absolutely decide to decline all social entertainments, no macter has been at the opening of Patrician Patricians, and the state of the property of the patrician of the

THE TRANSVAAL WAR.

ce our last summary of the events of the

rel Roberts here overtook the flee rmy, and surrounded them with

ing was hoisted over the Beer lasger or camp, indicating surrender. The Canadian contingent distinguished itself to its bravery to the very moment of surrender. Under a withering fire, the Canadians gained a position only thirty syrads distant from the Beers, whence they could enflade the trenches, and General Cronje thus found himself unable to hold out any longer, and surrendered his whole force amounting to four thousand one hundred and sixty-two men.

During the ten days while the defence of Caradian the control of the whole force and the control of the whole coess, having defeated and driven off the whole coess. leasure of the evening.

Respectively. Father Brubout of Victoria, B. C., was guest at the University last week. The Rev. ather is head of a large Indian school on the application. Father is head of a large Indian sensor of the Pacific slope.

The St. Joseph Band of the Catholic Truth Society gave an interesting entertainment in the hall of the University last week. Papers were r-ad by Messrs. M. J. Gorman, and Louis K-shoe, on "Mallock on the Catholic Church," and "The Catholic Press," respectively Vocal and instrumental music completed the programme. and "The Catholic Press," respectively 'Vocal and instrumental music completed the program of th

suffering and hardships.

At Ladysmith, Gen. Buller has also achieved a brilliant success, having defeated and driven oif the whole besieging Boer force and thus relieved the city.

Ladysmith was reduced to the direst distress, the raxions given our to the soldiers being only half a pound of meal per day.

General Buller in his despatch announces that his victory is most complete—more complete, in fact, than he had dared to anticipate. The Boers, however, were able to carry off all their guns but two.

The good news does not end here, but it is also stated that Makeking has been relieved. As official notice has not been received as yet, this news may be premature: it is, however, so well authenticated that belief is given to the report.

After the above important events, General Lord Roberts communicated a despatch from Osfontain, which came to him from General Buller, dated March 6th, to the effect that Natal is practically cleared of the Boers, as he cannot now hear of their having a strong force any where in that colony. There were, however, some encounters on a small scale, including one at Pep worth Hill, north of Ladysmith. On the 4th and 5th of March General Brabant engaged the Boers at Dordrecht. After a botty-contested battle the Boers hastily abandoned their positions having endured considerable loss, which cannot be accurately stated.

The Boer main army, with President Steyn actually present, and Gen Delary in command. Confronted the British at Poplar Grove on March. The Boers were completely routed from a very strong position, cunningly arranged with a second line of entrenchments. General Roberts avoided great loss of life by outflanking the enemy instead of making a direct front at ack. The turning movement was wide and the fighting hot, nevertheless General Roberts infliced a severe defeat, which was followed up next day, March Sth. by a second tronting movement, forcing the Boers to retreat hastily northward and ensityed of the Transval Republic in force. A report from Durban states however, th

surely captured if Kruger's advice had been taken.

Is is now ascertained that Presidents Kruger and Sleyn immediately after this defeat jointly asked Lord Salisbury to settle terms of peace on the basis of the independence of the two Republics. Great Britain, however, will not agree to such terms, as the British determination is not to leave such a war as this possible again in the future.

On March 10th, early in the morning, the British army again pushed forward from Popular Grove, and unexpectedly, the cavairy advance guard came upon the enemy once more at Driefontein, at 10 o'clock. General Kelly-Kenny's division arrived by 1:30 o'clock, and both divisions had another severe battle with the Boers who were entirely routed with heavy loss. The British casualities are not yet definitely reported, but 102 Boers were found dead on the battle-field.

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The storming of Alexander kopje (bill) by the Weish battalion at the point of the bayonet, is reported as having been especially brilliant. After the flight of the Boers Gen. Roberts continued the advance, and on Sunday he had reached Aasvogel kop, twenty-five niles from Bloemfontein, as the crow flies.

A Boer act of treachery was witnessed by General Roberts and his staff during this battle. The Boer defenders of a kopje threw down their arms raising a white flag and holding up their arms in sign of surrender, whereupon a British officer with a few men advanced to receive the prisoners, and were fired on, the officer and several of his men being wounded.

Lord Roberts has declared that should such a thing be repeated, no attention shall be paid in future to white flags hoisted during action. These facts, as also that of the use of three kirds of explosive bullets, have been officially reported to the British Government with the request that they be communicated to foreign governments, as a violation of the usages of war. It has been again reported that Mafeking governments, as a violation of the usages of war. It has been again reported that Mafeking governments, as a violation of the usages of war. It has been again reported that she distress there is known by recent despatches to be fearful. The brave little garrison was still holding out when last heard from, and it is further supposed that General Roberts has aleady sent forward a force to its relief; but owing to the Command-rinchief's habitual reticence this cannot be affirmed postively. It is still hoped that it may hold out till relief arrives, or that if the taken, it will be recaptured within a few days.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EX-

Literature Selections—Canadian Catho

In connection with the Canadian Catholic Readers the publishers announced the e-riy issue of a hand-book dealing with the teaching of reading and literature, especially of the tourth took. Owing to unforeseen delays it is found that this hand-book cannot be ready in time to atlord help for the examination in June next. Unwilling, however, that such delay should place at a disadvantage the schools using these Catholic Readers the publishers have consented to my circulating as widely as possible the notes for this year's literature lessons. I am happy to announce, therefore, that through the kindness of the CATHOLIC RECORD these notes will appear in its columns from week to week, and so reach without charge those preparing for the entrance examination.

ination.

Teachers will confer a great favor by send ing me suggestions and criticisms regarding the treatment of these literature selections with the view of making them of the greates help to the schools.

J. F. White.

Inspector Separate Schools.
Toronto, March 10, 1900.

OBITUARY.

MR. PATRICK DONEGAN, LONDON. MR. PATRICK DONEGAN, LONDON.

When it was anneunced that John Donegan, one of our gallant boys who accompanied the Cana dian Contingent to South Africa, was one of the first of the brave regiment to succumb to the horrors of war, the regret experienced by numerous friends in London and elsewhere at the early closing of his bright young life, was intensified by the shadow of death which surrounded the loving mother and family at home which sad expectation was only too soon realized, by the passing away at about 1 a. mo Thursday, March Sth, ofher faithful and devoted husband, from the effects of a lingering and painful illness of about a year's duration.

Mr. Patrick Donegan was born at Danwille, Que., and was one of the first employees of the Canadian Facific Railway. He first held the post as eagineer between Brockville and Ottawa, and later ran on the local express between Perth and Smith's Falls. He was then promoted to travilling engineer and inspector of construction or or general colors.

Ottawa, and later ran on the local express between Perth and Smith's Falls. He was then promoted to travelling engineer and inspector of construction on the Ontario and Quebec division of the road, and subsequently received the appointment of locomotive foreman at Havelock. From the latter place he went to Smith's Falls, remaining there until six years ago, when he was transferred to London. In this city, as well as in the other places where he resided, Mr. Donegan, by his courteous and kindly manner, made many friends, and was always held in the highest esteem by officials and employees of the company on account of his strict and conscientious performance of duty. And as he lived, so he died—calmly, peacefully, and happily, fortified by the last rites of Holy Church.

He was almember of the C. M. B. A. and the Catholic Club, and an honorary member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. The remains were taken to Perth on Friday for in terment,

MRS. J. HOPKINS, WOODSTOCK. MRS. J. HOPKINS, WOODSTOCK.

On the 1st inst. there beacefully passed to her rest, Mrs. J. Hopkins, a most highly respected resident of Woodstock, Deceased was a step-daughter of the late Capt. Minchen of Dublin, Ireland, and when quite young, came to Brantford Ont. There she met her husband, who, with a family of ten children, survives her. They are: Frank and Richard of Cleveland, Ohio; Harna and Mrs. Spellen of Toronto; John of Woodstock; George of Queensville; Georgina of St. Andrews West; and Etta. Fiorence and Alfred at home. In the loss of their mother they have lost one who possessed a powerf; I will, a kind, loving heart, and an ever-rear y word of advice and comfort.

The decreased had been ill for the past two years, and in the morning of the last day of her life, sh said to those around her, "To-night I'll be at rest." In the afternoon Father Cooke of Woodstock administered to her the last sacraments of Holy Church and at 1945 at night she bade farewell to her loved ones and sank to rest.

The funeral took place on Monday morning.

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The funeral took place on Monday morning from the family residence, Governor's Road, to the Catholic cemetery. Woodstock, and was attended by a large number of sorrowing friends. High Mass was celebrad by Rev. Father Cooke. The five sons and a son in-law of deceased bore the remains to the grave.

May her soul rest in peace!

Mr. Strong Brantford Ont.

The death occurred in this city yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock of Mrs. Strong, relict of the late J. L. Strong. Deceased lady was born in county limerick, Ir sland, and was a daughter of Major McHugh, of the Royal Dublin Fusitiers. She accompanied her parents on a visit to the United States in 1815, and while met and afterwards married her late husband, J. L. Strong, a native of Northampton, Mass., and grandson of Caleb Strong, governor of that State. MR. STRONG BRANTFORD ONT.

J. L. Strong, a native of Northampton, Mass, and grandson of Caleb Strong, governor of that State.

After a residence of some years in Buffalo and Lewiston she accompanied her husband to Canada, where they made their permanent home, at first residing near Teronto, and afterwards at Mount Forest, where the husband died in 1887. For some years past Mrs. Strong has been living in this city with her daughter, Miss Marie Strong, so well-known in musical and literary circles.

Of a family of eight children five survive, John A., of Japlin, Mo. (Isaac, of Chicago; Mrs. Wm. Flood, of Paisley; Mrs. George McIntyre, of Orangeville, and Miss Strong, of this city.

She was a devout adherent of the Catholic faith and spent a beautiful life in uncessing devotion to her family, and in many works of charity. All that the loving care of an aftectionate and devoted family could bring to a sweet and beloved mother surrounded her until the hour of parting came yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock when she passed peacefully away in the presence of her sorrowing family.

The sympathy of the family's large circle of friends will go out to the beraved in this the hour of their sorrow.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday morning from her daughter residence, 48 Ai-blon street, to St. Basil's church, where solemn Requiem High Mass will be celebrated, and thence to the Catholic cemetery.—Brantford Expositor, March 5.

By the Virgin Mary Life itself was introduced into the world; so that she is not only the Mother of Life, but the Mother of all who live.—St. Epiohanius. Pleasure soon exhausts us and itself also; but endeavor never does.—Jean Paul Richter.

C. M B. A.

Members of Lindsay Branch C. M. B. A Honor Bro. Kerr With an Addres

It affords us much pleasure to publish the following "Send-Off" to Bro. Kerr, who ha just left Lindsay for Nelson, B. C., to prosecut the dry goods business. He is a model Catholiand highly esteemed by citizens of all classes.

and highly esteemed by citizens of all classes. Lindsay Daily Post.

The C. M. B. A. hall at the foot of Kent St., presented a beautiful appearance at 8 o'clock on Friday evening, 2nd inst., when the members of Branch No. 77 assembled to pay their respects to a brother member, Mr. A. J. Kerr, one of our worthy citizens, who is about to leave for Nelson, B. C.

Rev. Father Phalen was voted to the chair, and Brt. Kerr occupied a seat to his right. The chairman gracefully acknowledged the honor done him, and said he was much pleased to see such a large attendance, although the notice was short and the roads not very good. A resolution had been passed, as they were already aware, to present a farewell address to Bro. away next day, it was decided to make the possentation at once.

Bro. W. F. O'Boyle then came forward and read the following address:
A. J. Kerr, E-g. Chancellor Branch No. 77, C. J. B. A., Lindsay, Ont:
Dear Sir and Brother—It was with sincere regret that we, a short time ago, learned of your intention to remove to British Columbia, and as, the time of your departure is now at hand, we the memqers of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada, of which you have been a valued member during the past seven years, desire to assure you of our good will and bost wishes, for the future prosperity of yourself and family in your new home.

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Dominion whose rich resources are now being developed, and whose scope for the exercise of pluck and enterprise is said to be practically unlimited.

Those sentiments, dear brother, are the outcome of our intercurse with you, and are herein expressed in recognition of the deep interest you have always manifested in the welfare of our Society, and earlier and other of the sentiment of the deep interest you have always manifested in the welfare of our Society, and earlier and other offices to which you were elected, reflected much credit upon you are gentleman of culture and reflinement, and has merited for you the esteem and kind remembrance of every member of our Branch.

In conclusion dear brother, we bid you a fraternal farewell, feeling confident that success will be yours, and in token of our respect we would ask you to accept this small gift as a memento of your residence. The gift, consisting of a pendant watch charm, suitably engraved—a gem of its kind—was presented by Bro. Steers on behalf of the Branch.

Mr. Kerr, though visibly affected was very happy in his reply. He thanked his Brother members for their flattering address, and only wished that he was really worthy of such praise. Although he had decided to go west with the hope of bettering his fortune, the happy time spent with the members of Branch No. 7; would be looked back to with unmixed pleasure, and he trusted that the harmony and good will which marked their proceedings in the past would always continue. He regretted leaving Linday, too, as the citizens were all that could be desired. He was going by choi e, not through necessity, for his business in Lindays was yearly increasing, but he thought the rising towns of British Columbia, there is no lace he would rather spea dithe on his efforts in the gold fields of British Columbia. there is no lace he would rather spea dithe the proceeding of his life than in the town of Lindsay, and be again the gold fields of British Columbia.

nembers, The rev. chairman thanked Bro. Kerr for his The rev. chairman thanked Bro. Kerr for his kind expression of regard for the members of the Branch, and for his complimentary reference to the citizens of the town. He next said that speeches were in order, and he would endeavor to give every brother time to speak. All in turn responded to his call. Many of the speeches were humorous and witty, evoking rounds of laughter, but all were less or more sentimental, closing with ordial good wishes for the success of Bro. Kerr.

The brethren then arose from their seats, and the chairman, after having, as a brother, added his tribute of respect, presented the sentiments of the speakers to Bro. Kerr, who gratefully acknowledged the same by a cordial response. The singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," of the evening, brought the pleasant proceedings to a close.

Resolution of Condolence

Whereas in His infinite wisdom it has pleased to the Father Almighty to call to his eternal eward our much beloved and highly-esteemed sother. Patrick Donegan, who departed this fee on March 8. 1900 and Whereas his valiant son, John Donegan, was illed in battle at Modder River, South Africa, n Feb. 18, 1900, fighting for our flag and country, and

Whereas they were carnest and practical atholics and therefore upright and patriotic

stholies and therefore tizens, be it. Resolved that on this day of the death of our resolved that on this day of Branch No.

further Resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Donegan and also to the

orwarded to Mrs. Donegan and ATHOLIC RECORD and Canadian. London, March 8, 1900. Calgary, March 3, 1900.

On motion of Bro. E. H. Rouleau, seconded by

On motion of Bro. E. H. Rouleau, seconded by Bro. J. W. Costello at a meeting of Branch 126, Calgary, Feb. 27, the following resolution of condolence was unanimously passed:

Resolved that the members of this branch desire to tender their heartfelt sympathy to the family of Bro. C. E. Dennehey, deceased. The late Bro. Dennehey, assisant principal of the High River Industrial School for Indians, was a member of our branch for the past seven years and was held in the highest esteem by all who had the pleasure of making his acquaintance. He was a good, practical Catholic full of zeal, piety and benevolence, and his memory will long be cherished by the many friends left behind to mourn his loss. Accept our sincere sympathy and assurance of our prayers that his soul may enjoy the eternal bliss prepared for the faithful.

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Catholic Record, and Canadian for publication. J. M. McCaffery, Rec. Sec.

ST. PATRICK'S CONCERT.

A splendid concert will be given in this city, in the Auditorium, on the eve of St. Patrick's Day, under the auspices of the Catholic Club. The principal event of the evening will be a lecture by Rev. Father Tiernan, on his recent travels thoughout Ireland, France and Italy. All classes and creeds will heartily welcome the rev. gentleman to our Forest City, and those who will have the good fortune to hear him on this interesting occasion will enjoy a silendid intellectual treat. The best available talent has likewise been secured; and a glance at the programme will convince the most sceptical that the St. Patrick's concert of 1996 will not only equal but surpass, in point of variety and excellence, those of previous years

NEW BOOKS.

The Stations of the Cross, according to the method of St. Alphonsus Liguori, the method of St. Francis of Assisi, and the Eucharistic method: with the Stabet Mater in Latin and English. Illustrated. Put up in a neat and handy pocket edition, printed on good paper, with clear type. Publishers, Benziger Bros., 36 Barclay street, New York. Bearing the imprimateur of the Archbishop of New York.

"Michael O'Donnell of The Estates of States and States of States and States of States and States of States of States and States of States and States of States of States and States of States o "Michael O'Donnell or The Fortunes of a Little Emigrant," by Mary E. Mannix, author of "The Tales Tim Told Us," "The Chronicles of the Little Siters," Published by the Ave Maria, Noter Dame, Indiana, U. S.

FATHER MATHEW MEDAL.

TO ST. JOSEPH.

Saints know, thee best, Oh hidden silent Saint,
And would that I could feel a little part
Of that great love, Teresa's kindred heart,
Felt for thee, Foster-Father! But the taint,
The chill, is on my soul; and few and faint
The prayers that from this earthly boson
dart
Up to that heavenly throne wherein thou art
In glory, not too high to hear my plaint.
Patron of all who work in humble ways!
Pray that from pure and earnest motive!
May fill with patient tool the moments flying;
Patron of happy death beds, when my days,
Have reached their term, be thou, dear Have reached their term, be thou, dear Joseph! nigh With Mary and with Jesus, while I'm dying.

-M. R. in Irish Messenger for M

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Oh! ere St. Patrick's Day shall close A warm prayer we'll say, Which far and near from Irish hearts Springs to our lips to-day. Tis God bless Ireland, may her faith Shine ever bright as now Shine ever bright as now. o stain upon her pure white hands, No shame upon her brow.

God guard the Faith that gems that brow, From which the crown is torn God bless the noble. Loving hearts That for her sorrows mourn. God save her faithless erring ones, Wherever they may be Remember, Lord, they're martyrs' sons Oh! bring them back to thee.

God bless the soldier hearts that turn
From Africa to day,
With yearning for the "dear old home"
That lies so far away.
God bless the soldiers brave that fall
In lands beyond the sea.
God's blessing, Erin, rest on all
Who blessings pour on Thee.

-Irish Messenger of the Sacred Heart for-

At the cross roads of life, in sorrow I linger, My heart has grown weary, my childhood has flown;
I feel not the guidance of youth's gentle finger,
My friends are departing and I am alone, Many roads, broad and narrow, have opened

That lead to Eternity—dreary or bright:
Dark vapours descending around me, and o'er

me, My Guiding Star lessens Its sweet rays of light,

Oh, lead thou me on, Guiding Star, Light in darkness!
Oh. send peace at last, to my sorrowful soul!
Give me courage to choose, give me strength
to decide
On the path that shall lead to the Glorious
Goal.

And if on my journey, by band or by ocean.
The winds of ambition my little barque toss,
Or the green fields of glory, in zephyr-swayed,
motion.

Allure my sad steps from the way of the cross, On then, Guiding Star, Light in darkness, be-

friend me.
Thy sweet rays of peace on the troubled waves cast.
That those winds of ambition may faithfully send me
Safe into the Glorious Haven at last. Oh then, Guiding Star, Light in darkness, shine o'er me,
Oh, cheer my lone path with Thy sweet rays
of love,
May those glorious fields appear ever, before

Reflections from infinite meadows above. At the cross roads of life I hopefully linger. For peace has descended and sorrow has

flown;
And I wait for the beck'ning of Destiny's finger,
Directing my soul to the endless unknown,
M. A. B.

Y. L. A. OTTAWA.

The proceeds of the Euchre party given by the Young Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Patrick's Home on St. Valentine's night notted \$208.50. At the last meeting the President moved a vote of thanks to the following: Mrs. McGirr, for getting up the musical portion of the entertainment; Mr. J. P. Dunn, as Chairman; J. L., Orme, for piano free; Messrs Herice & Campbell, J. O. Libla, Oliver & Son, for tables and chairs; the Columbia Club, screen for flowers also to the press and to all others who helped to make the entertainment a success.

MARKET REPORTS.

London, March 15.—Grain, lper cental—Wheat \$1.10 to \$1.12; oats, 87 to 90c; peas, \$1.00 to \$1.12; barley, 80 to \$7c; corn, 75 to 80c.; rys, \$5c to \$1.10; to tokewheat, \$1.00 to \$1.20; beans, per bushel, \$1.25 to \$1 35.

Secas—Clover seed, alsike, \$5.50 to \$5.70; clover, do., red, \$5 to \$5.70; timothy, do., \$1 15 to \$1.70.

Farm Produce — Hay, \$8.50 to \$9.50; straw er load, \$3.50 to \$4.00; straw, per ton, \$5.00 to

per load, \$3.50 to \$4.00; straw, per ton, \$5.00 to \$6.00.

Live Stock—Live hogs, \$5.00 to \$5.15; stags, per lb., 2 to 25c; sows, per lb., 2c; pigs, pair, \$3.00 to \$5.50; fat beeves, \$3.50 to \$4.00

Dairy Produce—Eggs, fresh iaid, per dozen, 16 to 18c; eggs, basket lots, 14 to 16c; butter, best rolls, 25 to 27c; butter, best rolls, 25 to 27c; butter, best rolls, 25 to 27c; butter, creamery, 26 to 27c; cheese, pound, wholesale, 9 to 10c; cheese, pound, retail, 13 to 15c; honey, per pound, 10 to 16c; lard, per pound, wholesale, 7 to 75c; lard, per pound, wholesale, 7 to 75c; lard, per pound, retail, 9 to 10c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, per bag, 50 to 75c; onions, per bag, \$1 00 to \$1.25.

Meat—Pork, per cwt., \$6.35 to \$6.50; beef, cow, \$4 00 to \$5.00; beef, heifers and steers, \$5.00 to \$5.50; veal, by carcass, \$5.00 to \$7.00; lamb, by the carcass, \$6 to 9c; lamb, by the quarter, 9 to 10c.

by the carcass, 8 to 9c.; lamb, by the quarter, 9 to 10c.

Montreal, March 15.—The grain market continues dull and values unchanged; Manitoba wheat, 66 to 66j.c. east; red winter wheat, 65c. west; oats 27c west, asked; peas, 6lc. west, asked; peas, 6lc. west, asked; barley, No. 1. 43c. west; No. 2. 4½c. west; ryte, 52c. east. Flour quiet and unchanged; Manitoba patents, at 83.80 to 84; strong bakers, \$3.50 to \$3.60; straight rollers, \$3.30 to \$3.50; straight rollers, \$3.50 to \$3.50; straight average, and \$6.25 to \$6.50 for heavier weights; Canadian short cut mess pork, \$3.50 to \$3.50; short cut back, \$14.50 to \$1.50; and heavy long cut mess, \$14.50 to \$1.50; and charged and it is likely that business could be done around 12½c. for fancy white stock, with colored goods at 13c. Butter continues scarce; dealers are parcelling out supplies in small quantities to customers, so as to keep them going until more stocks arrive; there is a rather wide range in prices as dealers are all short, and have to pay what holders ask; linest creamery is quoted at 25 to 39c; and other grades correspondingly high. Eggs are easy at 17c. for fresh laid; timed, 14 to 15c.; cold storage, 11 to 12c.

Latest Live Stock Markets.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 15.— The following is the range of quotations at Western cattie market this morning:
Cattle — Shippers, per cwt., \$4.25 to \$4.80; butcher choice, do., \$3.75 to \$4.80; butcher choice, do., \$3.75 to \$4.80; butcher, incetium to good, \$3.25 to \$3.50; butcher, inferior. \$2.75 to \$3.00; stockers, per cwt., \$2.75 to \$3.50;
Sheep and lambs—Sheep, per cwt., \$2.75 to \$3.75; lambs, per cwt., \$4.50 to \$3.00; bucks, per cwt., \$2.25 to \$4.75; hambs, per cwt., \$2.50 to \$3.75; lambs, per cwt., \$5.50 to \$3.00; bucks, per cwt., \$2.25 to \$4.75; heavy hors; light hogs, per cwt., \$4.25 to \$4.75; heavy hors; cwt., \$4.25 to \$4.75; sows, \$3 to \$3.25; stags, \$2 to \$2.25.

FATHER MATHEW MEDAL.

Orrlake, Feb. 19, 1900.

I see in an issue of your paper they have erected a St. Mathew's hall in Osgoode. I have an old medal which my father brought from Ireland. The medal was struck in commemoration of Father Mathew's Temperance Crusade. It is 70 a kind of lead or pewer and is larger than a 30 cent piece. On one side appears the form of a cross, on the other accouple taking the pledge. It is genuine, as my father had it from Father Mathew's own hand. Mary Conlin.

RAST BUFFALO.

**East Buffalo, N. Y., March 15. — Cattle — Moderate demand; caives good supply, moderate demand; choice views good of choice views good supply, moderate demand; choice views good of choice views good o

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A contemporary exhorts Catholic more t parents to send their children to Yale moral University. Why not send them to effect Catholic Universities? They are as produc good, safer beyond all doubt, and fash- Casar ioners of the love and purity that will and M gladden the old age of the father and dren i mother.

THE JESUITS.

Our readers have read the eloquent and learned rejunders to Pres Eliot's latest attack on Jesuit education, and have doubtless came to the conclusion that the magnate of Harvard has been worsted in the conflict.

Dr. Littledale does not hesitate to say that for three centuries the Jesuits taini were accounted the best schoolmasters was in Europe; and that they revolution. ized instruction as completely as Frederick the Great did modern warfare."

TURNING OF THE TIDE.

On St. Patrick's Day the Irishmen serving in the army of the Queen were permitted to sport the Shamrock. They wore the trefoil this year without causing a parlimentary discus-

And they ought to be happy. Guerdon enough, we suppose, the wearing of the green for gallant dash and weary march, and consolation o'erflowing for those who mourn the dead ones whose bones are rotting in the Transvaal. It is so consoling to hear the politicians who up to this considered that Irish. men were not made as Englishmen, declaring they are the brave guardians of the Empire, and the same men who are laudatory of the Irish Brigade frustrate every effort for legislative independence of Ireland; and one of them will go into history as the traitor who betrayed the statesman who was willing to do something for those who were in deeper misery and victims of more unnatural injustice than any people in Europe.

EDUCATION'S TRUEST FRIEND

A charge that dies hard is that Cath. olicism is a barrier to education. A thousand facts prove its groundlessness, but the sectarian journals, and publica tions even that profess to be impartial, accept it as an undeniable truth. It is an old story that narrates the friendship shown by the Church to the development of the human mind.

How she preserved the languages of Greece and Rome and gave unto the monasteries that dotted the vales and plains of Europe the work of handing down their literature to posterity need no comment. Even Gibbon is not loth to confess that one Benedictine | C monastery has probably rendered more service to literature than the two universities of Oxford and Cambridge. When the influence of the Church was paramount it would have been comparatively easy for her to have retarded intellectual development if she saw in it anything inimical to her interests and advancement.

History, however, records that during that period the great universities had their origin and owed it in many instances to the ecclesiastical authorities. Our readers will remember the thousands of student-folk who sat at the feet of the great masters-not learning facts but principles and taught in season and out of season that true scholarship was not based on versatility or brilliancy but in thoroughness and the ability to look into

the very soul of a question. We might go on and recount the triumphs of her children in every department of knowledge; the grand old cathedrals instinct with life and immortality; the pictures and statues, the thousand facts, in a word, proving that she has been ever the truest friend of all that could ennoble

the human mind. The system of education that she is opposed to is the one that does not recognize God-that trains the intellect and leaves the heart and its affections uncultivated. The advocates of the Godless school are beginning to discover the reason of her hostility and to realize that the statements of some