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LADY SMITH DEAD.

The Close of a Noble Catholic Life.

A charitable woman in the truest sense passed on Wednesday to St. Basil's church.

Lady Smith, wife of Senator Sir Frank Smith, died at the family residence, 102 Bloor street east, at half past two o'clock on Monday afternoon. It had been known only for a few days that she had been ailing. A week previously she contracted a cold which developed into pneumonia. On Sunday it was learned that her condition was so serious that little hope was entertained for her recovery. The news of her death on the following day was learned with the utmost sorrow by the community at large.

Lady Smith possessed in a remarkable degree the respect and love of all classes in Toronto. Her name was known throughout the Dominion as the noble wife of one of the foremost public men in Canada. Her family and friends will mourn a character generous and kind in every way, and the public will feel the loss of a woman who never closed her purse nor spared her personal assistance to any worthy object. Perhaps there was not another in Toronto whose influence was more largely sought after than Lady Smith. Possessed of a fine nature and quick sympathy she had a helping hand for many.

She was in the truest sense charitable. A hundred pensioners depended largely upon her private bounty, and she shared their distresses as they shared her generosity. She had a warm heart and her left hand did not know what her right hand gave.

An earnest practical Catholic it was natural that Lady Smith should be a good friend of the organized charities of the Church, to which she was so loyal. She also lent her valuable patronage to other Catholic organizations, the Children's Aid Society, and the Catholic Truth Society were among these latter. It was at her instance the Catholic Truth Society was established in Toronto. Her judgment was very sound, and the part she took in such matters was never lukewarm. She was a member of St. Basil's parish, and took an especial interest in the charitable activities of the priests and people of that parish.

The maiden name of the late Lady Smith was Mary Teresa O'Higgins. She was the daughter of John O'Higgins, J.P., Stratford, who died in Toronto not long ago. She was born in Dublin, and at the time of her death was sixty four years of age. She was married to Sir Frank Smith in 1852. The marriage has since resided uninterruptedly. There have been several children of the marriage. Two sons, Harvey Smith and Austin Smith, are at present abroad, and three daughters, Mrs. John Foy, Mrs. Bruce Macdonald and Mrs. Arthur Harrison live in Toronto.

Lady Smith was attended in her last illness by Drs. Burritt and Strange. All that medical skill could accomplish only delayed the end a little while. She passed away very peacefully. Fortified by the rites of the Church she went to a better life. There were present at her bedside her venerable husband, Sir Frank Smith, her daughters, Mrs. John Foy, Mrs. Bruce Macdonald, Mrs. Arthur Harrison, Lady Thompson and a number of relatives.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral took place on Wednesday morning from the house on Bloor street to St. Basil's church, where a Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated.

The prayers at the house were recited by Rev. Father Brennan, and the remains were followed to the Church by a long line of mourners. The pall bearers were: Hugh Ryan, J. J. Foy, O. C. Thomas, L. W. Anglin, B. B. Hughes, Eugene O'Keefe, Col. Mason, W. T. Murray.

Among others present were: Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Hon. John Carling, Hon. Senator Desjardins, Col. Prior, Hon. William Hart, Wm. Mulock, M.P. Commander Law R.N. Robert Simpson, Mayor Fleming, E. B. Oler, Bruce Macdonald, George Crawford, Patrick Boyle, W. G. McWilliams, John Ryan, William Ryan, Major Cosby, John Small, Major Murray, George P. Magann, G. W. Torrance, W. D. Matthews, W. H. Beatty, John A.

Donaldson, Nicholas Rooney, J. P. Murray, William Inco, James Gunn, W. J. Langmuir, W. T. Kelly, T. R. Wood, P. F. Cronin, Dr. Cassidy, Raymond D. Gamble, F. A. Anglin, O. T. Long, E. S. Cox, J. D. Macdonell, J. M. Sullivan, A. Foy, Captain McAnn. Among those assembled at the church were Major Gray, Romy Elmsley, Warring Kennedy, John Shaw, Rev. Dr. Doward, J. J. Murphy, Matthew O'Connor, A. W. Anglin, J. C. Walsh, J. J. Costelloe.

His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto presided over the funeral ceremonies in the church, and the priests in the sanctuary were: Fathers Ryan, Marjoun, Toofy, Guinae, McIntee, Chorrer, Lawlor, Frachon, Walsh.

The celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Father Brennan assisted by Rev. Father Walsh, rector of the church of Our Lady of Lourdes as deacon, and Mr. Reath sub-deacon.

At the conclusion of the Mass His Grace the Archbishop pronounced the solemn absolution after which the coffin was removed from the catafalque where it rested in front of the sanctuary to be placed in St. Michael's cemetery.

The music of the Mass was impressively rendered under the direction of Rev. Father Murray.

Forty Hours Devotion at Lovetto Abbey

The beautiful devotion of the Forty Hours adoration took place at Lovetto Abbey, beginning on Saturday morning with High Mass and ending on Monday morning with the same solemn Sacrifice, followed by a procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

The sanctuary presented a magnificent appearance. Numberless colored lights and tapers were tastefully arranged in various groups, and intermingled were adorned palms, graceful lilies and a profusion of roses and carnations. The two beautiful statues of the adoring angels were sweetly emblematic of the invisible heavenly host that surrounded the Tabernacle and enhanced the beauty of the scene.

Never did the chapel present such a glorious spectacle; it was evident that no trouble had been spared to prepare a fitting habitation for Our Lord, and as far as it lay in human power, earth's fairest offerings were gathered together to answer the pleading: "All ye works of the Lord praise ye the Lord." But what must have been infinitely more pleasing than even this magnificent display were the constant worshippers' bond.

From the low in adoration, the Master loves to those who have well nigh finished their career; from the noble, generous hearts who have just crossed the threshold of ascetic life, to those who have become sanctified in His service, all were joined in ceaseless prayer, not only during the passing hours of the day, but in the silent night, when our city was not mindful of its God, each successive hour found fresh adorers before this favored shrine. The closing exercises were most impressive. During the Mass the members of the choir surpassed themselves in their beautiful selections, the clear soprano and the rich contralto voices blending in exquisite harmony. A procession and Benediction brought to a close the Forty Hours adoration, which undoubtedly was prolific of innumerable blessings, not only to the convent, but to that wider sphere over which such supplicated favors invariably extend.

Leo XIII. and Prince Ferdinand.

The strong condemnation of the action of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria which has appeared in the Catholic papers, and even in the Liberal papers, show that the sentiment of disgust at the conduct of this princeling and slayer of Russia is universal. The Holy Father has undoubtedly felt very acutely upon the matter. He has, however, been much comforted by the attitude which the Prince's wife and her father, the Duke of Parma, have taken up. The Duke has sent a communique to the Catholic press declaring that on his part he has done all that was possible, as he was bound to do, to prevent the shameful act of apostasy.

The Daily Chronicle's Rome correspondent telegraphs on Thursday night—I am informed on good authority that although the Pope will not issue an interdiction against Sofia, Bulgaria, the Vicar Apostolic at Sofia will shortly publish a document declaring that in consequence of the apostasy of Prince Boris, Prince Ferdinand is cut off from communion with the faithful. Mgr. Menini will also issue an interdiction against the Catholic chapel in Prince Ferdinand's Palace at Sofia, where Masses will in future be prohibited.

THE SIX MONTHS' HOIST.

Moved by Hon. Mr. Laurier in the Debate on the Home-Act Bill.

OTTAWA, March 3.—Sir Charles Tupper moved the second reading of the Home-Act Bill to-day. He took the ground that the Bill was constitutional and not coercive.

Hon. Mr. Laurier moved that the Bill be given the six months' hoist. The debate was continued by Mr. Dickey and Mr. Clarke Wallace. Mr. Edgar moved the adjournment.

Bazaar at Parry Sound.

Rev. Father McGuire's bazaars notwithstanding hard times, have been successful beyond expectation. The first was at Parry Sound on the 22nd and 23rd Dec., at Huntsville, on the 30th Dec., at Emsdale on the 1st of Jan., at Gravenhurst on the 4th and 5th, and at Braconbridge on the 12th, 13th and 14th inst. The Town Hall on this occasion, was nicely decorated, and on tables were to be seen a large supply of fancy and useful articles; and a splendid staff of clerks who knew how to sell them. Refreshments were served as of course, first-class music was furnished by the Brass Band and Orchestra, and everything was done that was possible by all present to have a jolly time. But the real fun was on the third evening when the drawing took place. The drawing committee were Dr. Bridgland and Messrs. Copeland, Moore Smith, Homer and A. McCurry.

The candidates for the ladies' gold watch were Miss Lafanier, Gravenhurst; Miss Menoy, Huntsville; Miss Spears, Emsdale, and Miss Yates, Parry Sound. The vote at the close of the poll, stood as follows—\$108 Spears, \$151.80, Miss Menoy, \$104.80; Miss Lafanier, \$90.90; Miss Yates, \$85.

The bicycle was won by Edward Brennan, of Parry Harbor. This article was to have been drawn for last summer; but owing to having to attend to other important duties, Father McGuire had to abandon the idea of holding his annual picnic, and he hopes those interested will accept this brief explanation.

The Rev. Father McGuire is grateful to all who gave presents, and in any way contributed toward the success of the bazaar, and feels he is in duty bound to especially acknowledge the generous assistance of Miss Overend, of Orillia.

St. Joseph's Church.

Rev. Father McEntee, Pastor of St. Joseph's Church Leslie street has made strenuous efforts during the past year for the purpose of reducing the church debt. The interest, however, becomes due in a short time and to meet this obligation, grand musical Vespers will be celebrated in the church on Sunday next 8th inst. at 7 o'clock. The choir have been practicing for some time past and as the organist, Miss Murphy, has secured the services of several noted singers from the other churches for a decided musical treat may be looked for. The feature at the evening however will be the lecture, which will be delivered by Rev. Father McDray. The rev. gentleman has kindly offered his services for this occasion, and as his oratorical abilities are well known, it may be taken for granted that the parishioners together with their friends from up town will attend in large numbers. A silver collection will be taken up and as Father McEntee deserves the hearty co-operation at all in his laudable exertions, it is confidently expected that enough will be realized to pay off the interest and leave a margin to be applied towards the principle.

Blessed Thaddeus McCarthy.

The Bishop of Cork says: With feelings of heartfelt joy we announce to you that it has pleased His Holiness Leo XIII. to confirm by that apostolic authority the veneration that has been paid since the close of the fifteenth century to the servant of God, Thaddeus McCarthy, Bishop of Cork and Cloyne. Henceforth he will be revered by us with the title of Blessed. His feast will be celebrated in the diocese each year throughout all future time, and Mass will be offered in his honour. He was of the princely house of McCarthy, and was born in the year 1465, at a time when his family was just regaining its former power in Munster.

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REV. FATHER HOGAN.

Funeral of the Late Parish Priest of Uptergrove.

Rev. Father Ryan Preaches the Burial Sermon—The Sacrificial Character of the Priesthood—The Example of the Priesthood Followed.

The ranks of our Priests have soon again been thinned by death, and the Archdiocese of Toronto now mourns the loss of a saintly, learned and zealous scolarastic, the Rev. Father Hogan, late parish priest of Uptergrove.

For nearly a year Father Hogan had been in a poor state of health. Diabets began the deadly work which in grippa supplemented, until the consumption which took place at the Presbytery at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday Feb. 26th, at the age of 68 years. Two months ago he got a severe cold, in attending a sick call in a distant part of the mission. This cold induced an attack of grippa, since then he lay on a sick bed a weak and uncomplaining sufferer, bearing the pains of his illness, with marvellous fortitude and patience. He exhibited from first to last, the disposition of a holy priest, buoyed up by that hope and resignation which make death too severe for sorrow, too beautiful for fear. The funeral took place on Friday at the Church of St. Columbkille.

The celebrant of the Mass was Very Rev. Vicar General McAnn, Very Rev. Dean Egan deacon, and Rev. James Walsh, Archbishop's secretary, subdeacon.

Rev. Father Hand acted as master of ceremonies. Among the other priests in attendance were Rev. Fathers Kiloulan, Murray, Rohleder, Moynis, Kiernan, E. Kiernan, P. Laborcau, McEneaney, Cantillon, Lamarche, Duffy, McEneaney, and Hart.

The Gregorian chant was impressively rendered. The organist, Rev. Father Hand acted as master of ceremonies. Among the other priests in attendance were Rev. Fathers Kiloulan, Murray, Rohleder, Moynis, Kiernan, E. Kiernan, P. Laborcau, McEneaney, Cantillon, Lamarche, Duffy, McEneaney, and Hart.

He took for his text these words from St. John, chap. x. v. 11 and 14: "I am the Good Shepherd. The good shepherd giveth his life for his sheep. I am the Good Shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me."

He dwelt on the character of the priesthood, not only as represented in our Lord, who is High Priest, but also as represented in the priests of the New Law, who are participators of the priesthood of Christ.

He spoke of the sacrificial character of the priests, not only because they offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, but because in relation to their duties towards their flock they are, and must be, men of self-sacrifice as exemplified in their deceased pastor. They were to sacrifice, as he had sacrificed, to continue, to repeat, apply the very sacrifice which he had offered, to take into their hands the very Victim which was He Himself, to bind and to loose and to bless, to absolve, to teach and to guide them along the way of peace.

He went on to show how the priest received the grace to do all this as far as may be from the Sacred Heart of Jesus. And from the same source, the grace to sacrifice himself for the people in spite of pestilence or danger, even to the risk of his life. The priest is a man composed of flesh and blood like others, and for that reason can console and sympathize, have compassion for our infirmity, tenderly feel for and make allowance for you. If they were angels, not men, they could not be your pattern and guides, but being men themselves, who have been led as you are to be led, who can enter into your difficulties, who have had experience of your temptations, if not of your sins, they are disposed to take your part and prudently warn you.

Our Lord could not be a sinner but He could be a man, and He took to Himself a man's heart that we might entrust our hearts to Him. And, therefore, did He send you men to be ministers of reconciliation.

Then the preacher, who has been for many years an intimate friend of the deceased priest had as a pastor of souls tried to imitate the example of our Blessed Lord. And thus he concluded, after asking the prayers of those who had assembled for the repose of his soul, "Before bringing this report to a conclusion I must pay a well merited tribute to Father Hart, who, during Father Hogan's illness, has been attending to the parish, waiting, with tender solicitude, on the sick pastor. He also looked after the funeral arrangements in a manner that does credit to this promising young priest."

Father Hogan's remains lie in a plot near the church selected by himself, and that plot will for many days be echoed the pious prayers of a devoted congregation, who had learned to appreciate the devotion and self-sacrifice of a learned and holy pastor.

ARCHBISHOP OF OTTAWA.

Presented with an Address by His English and French People on His Return from Rome.

A fitting reception was given to Archbishop Duhamel at the Basilica, Ottawa, on the evening of the 26th, upon his return from Rome. The edifice was crowded to the doors. Two addresses of welcome were presented to him, one in English, read by Geo. O'Keefe, M.P.P., and the other in French, read by Dr. Chovriere. The English address read:

To His Grace, The Most Reverend Joseph Thomas Duhamel, D.D., Archbishop of Ottawa:

May it please Your Grace: On behalf of the English speaking Catholics of Ottawa, we beg to approach Your Grace and tender our heartfelt congratulations upon your safe arrival home from your visit to the successor of Peter.

During your absence our prayers and best wishes were daily poured forth for the safe return of Your Grace, and we were comforted by the reflection that we had a place in your mind when offering your pious prayers at the tomb of the Apostles.

We recognize the distinguished honor which Your Grace enjoyed in approaching the Vicar of Christ, and the pleasure it afforded you to assure him of the profound devotion of the English speaking Catholics of Ottawa to his sacred person, and to the high office which he so worthily fills.

The whole world is so full of admiration and praise of the illustrious Pontiff, who for so many years guided the barque of Peter amidst so many troubles and difficulties, that it would be useless for us to attempt to add anything to the fullness of his glory.

We cannot, however, refrain from the expression of our pride, that at the head of the Catholic Church there stands a Pope so learned and so holy as the great Leo XIII., and that the archdiocese of Ottawa is presided over by so worthy and distinguished a chief pastor as your Grace. Whilst again congratulating Your Grace on your safe return home, we take advantage of this auspicious occasion to renew our religious submission to the Holy Father, and to Your Grace, and to pray that the Father of all who is in heaven, may vouchsafe many happy and prosperous years to His Holiness and to Your Grace.

Signed on behalf of the English-speaking Catholics of Ottawa: GEO. O'KEEFE.

Archbishop Duhamel in reply thanked his people for their kind welcome. He had spoken to the Pope of the generosity and good work of the members of his diocese, and the Pope sent his blessing, thanking them for the faithful manner in which they had contributed to the church and its institutions.

Archbishop Duhamel then gave the Papal benediction, which was followed by the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Special music was provided for the service, which was well rendered.

MR. BLAKE IN AUSTRALIA.

Reception to the Great Canadian from the Irish of Sydney.

According to the latest Sydney papers it had arranged a citizens meeting to give a reception of a hearty character to the Hon. Edward Blake, M.P., for Longford on his expected arrival in that city from New Zealand. A number of Irish members of the Victoria Legislature were present, and letters of sympathy and support were received from several other prominent Irishmen, including Sir W. P. Manning. Mr. F. B. Freshill presided. It was announced that Mr. Blake would deliver an address on the necessity of the movement considered it necessary. The Hon. Daniel O'Connor, member of the Legislative Council, proposed that Mr. Blake be asked to deliver an address. He described Mr. Blake as one of the purest patriots that had ever served Ireland.

It was decided the address should be delivered in the Guildhall on the 22nd January, and that Mr. Blake should be entertained on a picnic by the Irish inhabitants of Sydney on the following day. Most laudatory references were made to Mr. Blake by the leading speakers, and the utmost enthusiasm prevailed to make the reception worthy of the occasion and the man.

Mr. Blake had arranged to leave Sydney for England on January 27.

QUARREL OVER CUBA.

Spain and the United States at Loggerheads.

MADRID, March 3.—The Government has received a number of offers of pecuniary and other aid in the event of war with the United States, growing out of the attitude of the latter on the Cuban question. The people appear to be determined to uphold the Government in its intention to keep Cuba a Spanish colony, no matter at what cost. The Cabinet is greatly encouraged by the attitude of the continental press, which, generally speaking, expresses much sympathy with Spain in her determination to resent what it terms Yankee aggression.

Fifteen Families Massacred.

Constantinople, March 3.—The Armenian Relief Committee have sent to C. S. Hampton, British Consul at Bithis, a sum of money especially for the relief of the people of Guendji, a large district near Sassoun, the inhabitants of which have been forced to accept Islam as a means of saving their lives. Mr. Hampton telegraphed on March 1 that fifteen families in the Guendji districts who had embraced the Moslem faith had recanted and returned to Christianity, whereupon they were all murdered. Fifteen Zetounis who had ventured to go to the Town of Alaboston for the purpose of buying grain were all killed by the Kurds. The trades reported to have been delivered to the members of the Red Cross Society ensuing those to go into Asia Minor for the purpose of distributing relief have not yet been delivered.

Serious Situation for Italy.

Rome, March 3.—The Italian campaign against the Abyssinians threatens to become one of the most disastrous in which the Italian arms have ever taken part, and what the final outcome will be would be hard to predict. It was rumored to-day that the forces of King Menelik had compelled the Ministry to resign, owing to the popular disapproval of the Government's policy, but to-night this is denied. Details received here to-day of the defeat on Sunday of the Italian army show that the Italian losses were very heavy, they being placed at some 8,000 killed.

Irish Measures in Parliament.

It is understood, says the Athenaeum, that the cause of public education in Ireland will profit this season by grants in aid of agriculture and other technical instruction, by assistance to the superannuation fund of the elementary teachers, and probably by a measure enabling the Christian Brother's schools to share in the State subvention. The desires of the Catholic bishops in regard to separate university education are not, adds the Athenaeum, likely to be fulfilled at once.

Abbe Hill and J. J. Lynch.

MONTREAL, March 3.—Rev. Abbe Gill's appeal from the decision of Judge Lynch committing him to jail for contempt of court will be heard before the full Court of Queen's Bench at Montreal.

Sunday Evening at St. Basil's.

On every Sunday evening during Lent selections from Rossini's "Stabat Mater" are sung by soloists in St. Basil's church. Last Sunday evening Mr. J. J. Costelloe sang the "Pro Peccatus," and on next Sunday Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Ward will sing "Quis Est Homo."

Anniversary of the late Dean Cassidy.

On Tuesday morning a solemn mass of requiem was sung in St. Michael's Cathedral for the late Dean Cassidy, parish priest of St. Helen's. On Wednesday morning mass was sung in St. Helen's church the day being the anniversary of the late pastor.

League of the Cross.

The League of the Cross held a very successful meeting Sunday last. They adjourned to the church, to attend the Forty Hours devotion which was held in St. Paul's. The League will hold an open meeting next Sunday. The Rev. Father Minahan will lecture to the members. Messrs. P. Boyle, W. P. Lee, Geo. Duffy and C. J. McCabe will be present on the platform. There will also be a musical programme. All are invited to attend.

An Address From the Boys.

PETERBOROUGH, Feb. 27.—This afternoon the sanctuary boys of the Cathedral presented an address to Rev. Father Scollard on his departure for North Bay.