The Giengarrian, Alexandria, June 2.

A great and almost stunning blow has failen upon our people of the Catholic faith, and great, sincere and undisguled sorrow overcasts the whole community. Protestant and Catholic alike, by reason of the death of that most estimable and dearly loved man Alexander Macdonell. Bishop of the Diocese of Alexandria, It was a well known fact that His Lordship had for several years past been subjected to a very serious aliment, one which must of necessity greatly undermine his constitution and which necessitated great precaution upon his part as to diet and otherwise, Under it he had saged perceptibly, yet it was also known that he was following fosely the directions of his medical attendants and that neither he nor they anticipated any immediate fatai result as a consequence; his spirits were good, he attended as closely as ever to the manifold and responsible duties of his exaited station, was a consequence; his spirits were good, he attended as closely as ever to the manifold and responsible duties of his exaited station, was a consequence; his spirits were good, he attended as closely as ever to the manifold and responsible duties of his exaited station, was a consequence; his spirits were good, he attended some considerable distance at various times to visit the sick and bring the consolation of religion to the dying, while to visitors who called upen him and to all brought in conceive with him he was as cheerful, as cordial, as courteous and as considerate as ever, bravely disguising his increasing feebleness, never complaining and seldom mentioning even to those closest to him the fact that his health was seriously and permanently impaired. He had been called in five turn he admitted that he was undoubted ly worse than he had been, and felt, indeed, very seriously, indisposed, while on Saturday, the 29th of April, however, he had occasion to proceed to Kingston to attend a conformac of the Bishops of the Province, and upon his return he admitted that he was undoubted ly worse A great and almost stunning blow has falle travelent years on considerable distances at variation of the studies of the considerable distances at variation of the considerable distances at variations and the considerable distances at variations and as considerable stocked to the common of discussing his increasing feedbears, never discussion to him the fact that his health part of April, however, he had one of the his increasing feedbears and the his proceed to Kingston to actord a confer his return he admitted that he was indoubted by worse than his had been allowed in the conference of t

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the erection of the present house, which is one of the best and most substantial Bishop's residences in the province as it is one of the chie ornaments of this town. The Alexander Hall of the best and most substantial Bishop's residences in the province as it is one of the chief ornaments of this town. The Alexander Hall was erected during the curacy of the Rev. D. R. Macdonald and largely owing to his exertions, about the same time and the Exclesistical and Educational buildings would have been completed by the new Separate School for boys which is even now in progress with the work substantially advanced but the completion of which His Lordship was not spared to see.

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Next to the discharge of the duties of his high office that which principally interested the Bishop was the mattr of education. He had as we have previously stated, taught school before studying for the priesthood, and subsequently while parish priest of Lochic he was for many years and under the system which then obtained, logether with the Rev. Duncan Cameron, Presbyterian minister of Kirk Hill, one of the Inspectors of schools for the county, the examinations taking place a; a central point in each Township. The duties of this position brought him in contact with many people and enabled those outside the Church to which he belonged to become acquainted with the singular charm, of his maneer and the kindness of his disposition, never more in evidence than when dealing with the young, and the people of the county generally irrespective of creed, then formed their testinate of the character of the future Bishop and recognized that he was a potent, distinct and undoubted influence for good to the community at large.

The Bishop's characteristics were marked;

moved to the church which had been appropriately draped in yellow, black and purple, the yellow, the papal colors and the purple the Bishop's colors. The body was surrounded by burning tapers and rested upon catafaique erected in the front of the church and covered with purple, the main and side altars being also draped with purple.

The Office of the Dead was then recited by the Bishops and priests.

A guard from the C. M. B. A., was placed in the church, and they kept their solemn vigil throughout the dreary night.

THE FUNERAL.

Friday morning broke in a shower of tears. All nature seems to weep for the loss of the great and good man. But despite the gloony air, crowds early, began to arrive by train and vehicle to be present at the last ead tites. And when the hour of 10:30 a.m., arrived the spacious Cathedral of St. rinnan's was more than taxed to hold them and many were turned away.

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A Solemn R. quiem Mass was sung by His
Grace Archbishop Gauthier of Kingston,
assisted by Rev. D. R. McDonald and Rev. D.
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Pontifical Requiem had been performed, His
Lordship Bishop McEvsy, of London, Ont. as
cended the pulpit to deliver the funeral sermon.

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At the conclusion of the celebration of the Mass, His Lordehip Mgr. McEvay, Hishop at London, an old and warm friend of the deceased, ascended the pulpit and delivered a most powerful and interesting sermon, during the course of which his many kindly, touching and well deserved references to the life of the late Bishop brought tears to many an eyamong the large and sympathetic congregation. His Lordship took for his text "Biess.d are they that mourn, for thy small be conforted." (St. Mattnew, Chap, 5, Veies 5) in his introductory remarks the eloquent speaker referred to the sad occasion that brought the mogether. All were face to face with the three fold Church of Christ, the Church militant, the Church triumphant, and the Church elority. The Church militant are the members of the Church of God still working in this life.

The Church triumphant was composed of those who had completed their trials on earth and have been rewarded.

The Church suffering was composed of the members that have died in the friendship of God, but have not as yet paid off their entire debt to Almighty God, whose souls must be purified be fore eatering heaven to remain in the bisom off.God.

Sariving on earth, reigning in heaven or suffering in purgatory, all belong to the same Church, hence the dogma contained in the Creed of the Apostles. I believe in the Cumulation of Saints." It is a holy and wholesomethought to pray for the dead.

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This practice of praying for the dead began much before the coming of the Lord on earth, and through centuries to our any the Church has always kept it as a dogn a of faith to pray for the renief of the souls in purgatory.

He could not refrain from recalling the last time he had visited Alexandria. It was on a joyful occasion; their good Bishop was surrounded by Bishops and joyfuciety who congregated to give expressions of esteem and affection to a newly consecrated Bishop. He ould vouch for the gratuitousness and kindness of their late Bishop—one who delighted to ewith his children, who called them by name and displayed such depinterest in their work their joys, and little sorrows; he looked upon them as his glory, his joy, his crown. The speaker well knew the obedience, in return, they freely gave their Bishop, how easily they approached him, obeyed him and loved him. To-day the scene was changed—the expressions of jry were not here, but in their sead one to the contract of the province of the

approached him, obeyed him and loved him. To-day the scene was changed—the expressions of jty were not here, but in their s.cad one noticed tokens of giref, of sourcw, of deep mourning.

Ine some and expressions of gladness had given place to the Dies Iras, De Profundis and the Miscreri, Discauce our friend is dead nas gone forever, so far as this world is concerned. So in the midst of sadness and gloom, there is consoling thought that our friend was a friend of tiod, was doing the will of his Heavenly Master—his life was an open book A remarkable fact was that he was born-brought up and had lived nearly all his life in this and neighboring parishes, and then consecrated Bisnop. Their late Bishop's know ledge of the lai guage of the Gaei made him doubly welcome in the various parishes where those, whose native tongue was Gaeit, went to confession to him. No man had a better or more thorough knowledge of his county or was more faminiar with the history of the peoplethen he had been. He had inherited these characteristics from parents of the Macdonnell Clan, solid Catholic stock, sound in body and in mind. The deceased was a practical man, if man of good sense, blessed with the spirit of fairplay and justice. The Bishop dwelt at some length upon the late Bishop work as a priest, during which time he had enjoyed the sown in good sense, blessed with the spirit of fairplay and justice. The Bishop dwelt at some length upon the late Bishop work as a priest, during which time he had enjoyed the love and confidence of his people, the respect and esteem of his fellow clergy men and of his ecciesiastical superiors as well. He had set ved under many Bishops, and had at all times obeyed then, believing in the Holy Ghost, had gone to work with a will, carried out their instructions and never hesitated in accordinathem implicit obsdience. The late Bishop Macdonel die not want the projudices of his neighbors. Thus did he practice true charity. He was a man of peace who differed from him. Yet he bravely upheld his rights as a C

Postmaster MacDonald, Angus McDonald, Ed. MacDonald, C. J. McMillan, John Boyle, J. J. MacDonald, C. J. McMillan, John Boyle, J. J. MacDonald, The pallbearers were Father Fitzpatrick, Father D. MacDonald, Father R. A. MacDonald, Father R. A. MacDonald, Father J. Duiln, Father J. M. Foley and Father J. E. McRae.

Sister Mary of St. Ethelbert, Sister Mary of St. Edwin and Sister Mary of St. Willibrod, nicces of the late Bishop, were present. Mother Mary of St. Andrew, Mother of Public Works, and Honotreal.

The Ontario Government was represented by Hon. Dr. Rhesume, Minister of Public Works, and Honotreal.

J. T. Schel, M. P., for South Toronto, About bwenty nuns had seste in the body of the church. People came from all parts to ait nd., Many old people were sison in the congregation, Col. Rory McLennan, Mr. O'Brien of Ottawa University, and Mr. D. D. MacDonald, of Williamstowe, were present.

J. T. Schel, M. P., D. Racine, M. P. P. Dr. Maloney, Cornwall, J. A. McDougall, Dr. Me. D. Larmid, I. P. S. Mr. O'Brien St. L., Rev. D.

Mrs. Sparrow and son Dr. Sparrow, of Sydney Cape Breton, Alex. Macdonell a cousin, relatives from a distance.

Besides Mgr. Sheretti, of Otawa, Archbishop Gauthier of Kingston Mgr. Lorrsin, of Pembroke Mgr. O'Connor (f Peterborough, Mgr. Mr. Evsy, of London, Mgr. Racicot, of Montreal, the Colowing clergy, were sleep present:—Father Colowing clergy, were sleep present:—Father Colowing, Father Specify, Canon Pailips, Father Uniquen, S. J., Father Coley, C. B. Murray McShane, S. J., Father Coley, C. B. Murray McShane, S. J., Father Coley, C. B. Murray McShane, S. J., Kelly, Smiths Felis; Ouellett, Pevilin, Hogen, Sinner, Twomey, D. O'Connell, Dean Twemp, McWilliams, W. A. MacDonald, Hartigan, D. C. MacRae, T. Fi zpatrick Carson, Firming, Forbes, Pilon, Duffus McDonagh, R. A. MecDonald, Fr. x, McGovern, Bourget, A. A. McRes, D. A. Campbell, C. McKae, D. R. McDonald.

KEEWATIN-ST. LOUIS' CHURCH.

On Sinday, June 4, a happy little band of twenty-three—thirteen boys and ten girls— after a three days' retreat preached by their z-alous and loying pastor, the Reverend Father Damoulin, had the lorg-desired and oiseful happiness of receiving our dear Lord for the first time into their pure, innocent

for the first time into their pure, innocent hearts. The Mass for the First Communicants was celebrated at 80 clock by the reverend pactor, who in his sermon exhorted the children by historing words to prepare by acts of faith, leve, contrition, etc., to receive their Lord and Creator His sermon was so imprissive that, doubtless, there were many in that congregation whose faith was waxing cold and who felt themselves all influence anew with the old faith and good resouves of their First Commun ion day—standing like a pillar of light in the shadows of the past, Many of the hepychildren's parents communicated on that morning.

shadows of the past, Many of the happy children's parents communicated on that morning.

After the thanksgiving the little communicants went hime to breakfast. At 10 o'clock they returned to the church to assist at the High Mass which was celebrated by the Rev. Father Kalmes, O. M. I. Principal of the Indian school. Kenora, who came to help the Rev. Father Dumoulin on this happy occasion. The sermon preached by Rev. Father Kalmes was based on the necessity of prayer for perseverance in the good resolves and ferventh dispositions of the First Communicants—the day that had been rather threatening in the morning, was by this time fine and suitable for the success of the photos.

At 3:30 in the afternoon another very impressive cremony took place, namely, the renewal of the baptismal vowe. An elequent sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Dimoulin, in which he very vividly described the two standards, that of Jesus Christ with its mottoes, 'mortification, sufferings, humiliations, leading to a broad, flowery road at the end of which lurked a bottomless abyss. After the sermon in which the Father explained the vows made for us at baptism by our spontors, one by one the communicants passed into the senetuary, and there, with lighted candle in one hand and the other placed on the Book of the Gospels, each pronounced slowly and solemnly the baptismal vows.

Then the Reverend Pastor snoke a few words.

one by one the communicants passed into the sanctuary, and there, with lighted candle in one hand and the other placed on the Book of the Go-ple, each pronounced slowly at d solemnly the baptismal youwed slowly at d solemnly the baptismal youwed slowly at d solemnly the baptismal youwed slowly at d solemnly the baptismal younged solemnly the baptismal younged solemnly the baptismal younged to the word about our Blessed Lady, our Heavenly Pleader at d Benefactress. He exhorted the children to preserve always a firm and solid devotion to the Blessed Virgin; ow hose maternal care and protection he confided them. This was followed by the vesting of the communicants in the scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and the consecration of them to the Blessed Virgin denediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament during which the 'Te Deum' was sung, closed these never-to be forgotten cere monies which recalled to many in that congregation the day of their First Communion when they, too had the same happiness and made the same promises — promises in many cases ruthlessly broken, but now renewed with more manly determination.

During these services the church was crowded by the overjoyed parents whose love and laborand many sacrifices were rewarded at last by the First Communion of their children.

Many, too, were the feelings of love and gratitude to their beloved pastor, the Rev. Father Dumoulin, who, since his arrival in Keewatin, has done winders — first of all, the training and religious education of the children, the interests of the Church and school and, lastly, the care and arranvement of the hitherto-neglected cemetery — which has been made aft tresting pace for our dear dead.

Father Dumoulin's love for our Loay was gladdened during May by the gift of a beault ful statue of the "Immaculate Conception." four feet high. The appearance of the statue was a perfect surprise to the Rev. Father—the more so as the gift was anony mous. May God bless the generous donor whose statue, we hope, will be the source of numerous and spe

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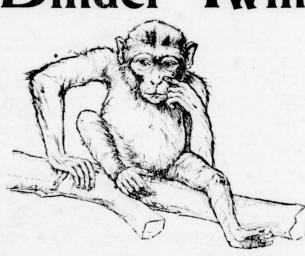
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THE DRINKING HAB We remember the distingu Lorenz said while he was in th States that he could not as a touch alcohol. The English Sir Frederick Treves, decla alcohol is a poison and a foe and alert judgment. Discu question of alcohol as a food t for Nov. 19, 1904, says " it been established by several w classical researches that up alcohol is a food, and past the is a poison." Without drawing line of demarcation which sh for all persons when its ac food exactly ceases, and when a poison exactly begins, it

Apart from the fact the injury to health the amount consumed per diem should consumed per diem should strictly to one and a half flu it cannot be regarded for purposes as a food in the se-reparative." Considered as a beverage

Benedict, it will be noted is practically no physiolog peutic excuse for the use In a pamphlet prepared by Van Cise, actuary of the Life Assurance Company, Effect of Total Abstinen Death Rate," we read the stinence lowers the death increases the duration of The statistics garnered by other actuarial experts, furn the following facts: "B ages of twenty and thirty th deaths among drinkers as with abstainers is 11 per tween thirty and fort cent. : between forty and cent. : between fifty and s cent. Clearness of vision sion of muscle are incompat drinking habit, say some and so they require of their absolute abstention from beverages. Some may not but it is certain as a gener after the age of forty t drinker is less able to cope gencies and of prolonged e the total abstainer. About liver and kidneys and the in their cheques for healt not honored, and the re pairment of powers, changes and the shadows Hence it happens that ma going down into the val should be on the high powers lose their edge a when they should be in t

> benedicent action: THE DRINK DIST We were told some ti irate drink dispenser own business," and to fact that saloons can be spectability. Yea, we we to remember the benefac in liquors, their gene this and that, and above and edifying lives. We this, but without exult member, too, that one tinguished for his piet early morn in his place not leave the jaded me eye opener. We know of the bar work early a jure up, as they count th of the mansion that is

cock-tail is a thing of t The Church, howe much if these bar-room try to get some more gaining a livelihood. pense with these ber provoke scorn and v should be none the p which represent neith telligence were withl which finds its way in would flow into other would bring comfort hold. Anyway the sa so potent as former! the "Church frown Borrow."

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The papers inform of the Dowager E abolishes the inflict revolting form of tor ing." As Western in with having influe Western scribes wax of western civilizati criminal can secur legal and medical ex a past that can m