

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

NEW REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF TEACHER.

A Complaint That Montreal Children Are Attending Non-Catholic Schools.

The Roman Catholic School Commissioners met last week in the board room of the "Plateau School," St. Catherine street.

Canon P. N. Bruchesi was in the chair, and those present were Rev. J. U. Leclerc, Ald. Farrel, F. D. Monk, Dr. M. T. Brennan, and Rev. J. Quinlivan.

Reports of different small items of expense were also read. Among others was a request from S. Pariseau, who made about one hundred benches for the "Plateau school" at \$10.50 each.

The question of teachers in the different schools was then taken up. The president introduced a measure for the selection of teachers by competition.

Rev. Father J. Quinlivan suggested that the matter be given a trial. The following are the details of the competition and conditions bearing thereon which will have to be undergone by the candidates for positions as teachers in the different schools under the jurisdiction of the board.

- 1. A certificate of their age, which must not exceed 50 years.
2. A certificate of morality, and sobriety, covering at least the last five years.
3. A teacher's diploma from a normal school or a bureau of examiners.

The candidate will have the choice of either the French or English language for the examination or competition. A certificate of aptitude will be given to the candidates who will have received 50 per cent. in the different matters.

A communication was read from the cure of Ste. Cunegonde, stating that children from Montreal went to the schools in Ste. Cunegonde, while the Montreal board received \$2,700 in taxes for these children.

It was moved by F. D. Monk, seconded by Rev. J. U. Leclerc: "Considering that the Board of School Commissioners receives in its schools pupils in as large, and even larger, numbers, coming from Ste. Cunegonde than go from Montreal to schools in Ste. Cunegonde, the bureau regrets not being able to accede to the request of the cure of Ste. Cunegonde.

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AN IMPORTANT BUREAU. We learn that important steps are being taken to enlist all the Catholic communities in Christendom in the work of prayer for England, according to the mind of the Holy Father as expressed in his Apostolic Letter ad Anglos. The

Cardinal Archbishop is forming a Bureau that will undertake the chief part of the labour of organization. His Eminence will arrange with the Bishops of the various nationalities and hierarchies as to communications with their religious communities, and the Bureau will carry out such details as may be necessary to reach all the members of the religious Orders and Congregations in the Church.

ABRILLIANT FUTURE FOR HIM.

CHARLES ROBINSON, THE AUTHOR OF "THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE COMING SOCIAL STRUGGLE."

Never in the history of the Church in the United States, have Catholics been as prominent in the world of letters, as at the present time.

Scarcely a magazine is issued now without an article from the pen of some Catholic writer. The manager and publisher of the Cosmopolitan is a Catholic, and what he writes is sure always to attract attention.

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surroundings of gold gray of solid rock. The place is almost inspiring—but when viewed in the life and motion which a pilgrim band in the fresh brightness of summer colors imparts, it is enhanced almost beyond words.

Then, as solemnly as they came, as solemnly they went from the holy shrine. Long lingered the music of their departing hymns as they blessed Heaven and the Good Mother at whose shrine God's mercy has healed the ailing children of earth.

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lends a potent and lasting charm to the "Domestic Poems." This division has, for us at least, the same power of attraction that the loadstone has for the needle. The poet who conceived and wrote "Irene's Flowers" and "Our Babies' Graves" deserves well of every mourning parent whose heart was buried in the little green grave where the child of her love lies sleeping.

Having pointed out that the title "Humorous Poems" owing to the absence of all humor in the compositions, has no raison d'être, the critic continues: "One little poem near the end of the book deserves a more prominent position. It expresses sincere emotion in simple language. It has about it that element at once perceptible and indefinable by any reader or hearer of any poetic sentiment—that mysterious something that lifts poetry above versification."

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down with a crash which might have awakened a policeman on duty. The next moment there was a shout and a scurry outside, and my chum, Harry Templeton, came bursting into the room, just as valiant Tommy got hold of the snake by the neck and fairly bit its head off.

Evening shadows were fast falling and the deep peace of the twilight gloom filled the interior of a little parish church. Through the open window came the evening song of the robin, calling her mate to the nest, while the droning of myriads of insects made a pretty accompaniment to her solo.

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Advertisement for Kneipp Water Cure of Montreal, located at 67 Duroard Street, offering treatments for various ailments and listing contact information for Dr. J. M. Serron.

Advertisement for Kelly Bros. Builders, located at 67 1/2 Bleury St., offering construction services and prompt attention to jobs.

Advertisement for Wedding Presents, featuring a list of items like silverware, cutlery, and clocks, with prices and contact information for John Watson.

Advertisement for C. O'Brien, a house, sign, and decorative painter, located at 2174 St. Catherine St., offering various painting and decorating services.

Advertisement for Walter Ryan, a plumber, gas, steam, and hot water fitter, located at 263 St. Urban Street, offering prompt attention to jobs.