

RESPECT THE CLERGY.

Last week, in an editorial note, we plainly stated that correspondence or communications of any kind reflecting upon the Church, its clergy, or its institutions, will not be published in the True Witness. Two weeks ago we gave space to a letter signed "P. J. D. Cleric," on the subject of the respect expected from school children towards members of the clergy. In order to give fair play to every one we published, in our last issue, two communications, both dealing very severely with "P.J.D." In all justice, "P.J.D." should have a right to a rejoinder, as there are two against one; but, evidently, he does not deem it worth his while to carry on the discussion, and we are very glad. These are the last letters on the subject, or any kindred one, that we will accept. Through courtesy we produced "J.J.M.'s" epistle, the tone of which would suggest a spleen, either against "P.J.D." individually, or against wearers of the cassock in general. Its last phrases might be easily construed into a direct insult to all those who carry the cassock. The saying that "the habit does not make the monk," is very true; but neither does despising it mark refinement—even if it be fashionable, in our day.

We would also remind our readers who may have been interested in this little cross-firing that the cassock is not as easily *donned* as it is *cast off*. Moreover, no man can wear it, above all, in a seminary, without the permission and special sanction of his ecclesiastical superiors. And no man is allowed that privilege who is not deemed worthy of it. As a rule they who fling aside the garb of religion are most ready to criticise the men who retain it. There is one more point in this short correspondence which deserves attention. To say that "the keen eyes of the little ones see through the garb," is a very poor compliment to the teachers, or, rather trainers, of those little ones. It indicates that the young minds are brought to such a point of detective cunning and general suspicion that the boys can read through features that to experienced disciplinarians must have been impervious. It would show that the children were taught to scrutinize every one that wore the cassock, and to look upon him with a preconceived doubt. It would be an evidence that the great warning "judge not" was ignored in the formation of these young lads.

The truth of the whole matter is, that the boys—especially in the Brothers' schools—are taught to pay due respect to every clergyman they meet; not on account of the cleric's individuality, but on account of the garb he wears and which of itself announces him to be one specially removed from the world. How faithfully the young lads carry out the teaching of their masters is another question. But one thing is certain, there is no class of children in the world more respectful towards the clergy than the Irish-Catholic boys of this country. And it would be a sad day when these urchins would be taught to look with suspicion upon the garb of religion and to use their "keen eyes" in attempting to distinguish a wolf in sheep's clothing, under every cassock. It is not for us to judge of the hearts, much less of the souls, of other men; be they ecclesiastics their lives are under the eyes of their superiors; and be they laymen or clergymen their intentions are known to God alone, and we can judge them only by their actions. Therefore, as Christians, as Catholics, as citizens it is our duty to pay reverence to the religious garb under all circumstances, otherwise we sin against charity and we insult God Himself. Respect your clergy if you wish to be respected.

C. M. B. A.

OFFICIAL.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND PRESIDENT, BROCKVILLE, Dec. 19, 1892.

BROTHERS,—At the foot of the last assessment notice there appears to be an "Important Notice" which should not have been issued at so early a date. On looking at the list of deaths on said notice you will observe that they cover to October 21st only, while, as you are already aware, our liability to the Supreme Council extends beyond that time. You will be duly notified when the separate beneficiary arrangement takes effect.

Particular attention should be paid to that part of said notice which refers to the applications for new certificates, and no time should be lost in connection therewith. We are anxious to have all the details of our arrangement with the Supreme Council completed as soon after the 31st December as is possible.

I had the pleasure of meeting the Supreme President and his Executive and the Supreme Committee on Laws at Rochester on 15th inst., and feel justified in saying to you that as a result of my interview with them I am satisfied Canada will have no reason to complain about the treatment she will receive at the hands of the Supreme Council.

The membership at large will be pleased to hear that the ranks of the C. M. B. A. in Canada are rapidly closing up, not altogether because those who have hesitated have changed their view that union with the Supreme Council is preferable, but because they realize that if there must be a division it is far better that Canada should remain united, and that the separation of one Province from all the rest means a weakness to us as a people.

Already three of those branches which had signified their intention of separating from the Grand Council of Canada have for the very best reasons come to a different conclusion and have now decided to remain with us to build up a grand and prosperous association in Canada, and in addition to this we have now sufficient applications from every other Branch which has asked for a separate Grand Council to hold the charter of these Branches for the Grand Council of Canada.

And now that the vast majority of the Branches and members in Quebec Province have decided to remain with us, and that in consequence a new Grand Council cannot be expected there, let me again earnestly request those who have honestly differed from us to make the little sacrifice necessary to once more unite in the effort to make this a great Canadian Catholic Association.

Fraternally and faithfully yours,
O. K. FRASER, Grand President.

OBITUARY.

LATE MR. EDOUARD BAUSET.

It was with a great pang of regret that we heard last night of the somewhat unexpected death of one of Montreal's rising advocates, in the person of Mr. Edouard Bauset. The promising young barrister was in his thirty-fifth year, and was a brother of Mr. Rene Bauset of the City Hall, and Mr. Jules Bauset, lawyer, of Hull. Mr. Bauset's father has been, ever since confederation, a prominent official in the Government at Ottawa. In that city the deceased spent his childhood and youth, and was there educated at the Catholic University. The writer of these few words—for the news came to us as our forms were made up for this week—has good reason to recall all the splendid qualities and fine characteristics of the young man so suddenly called away from the path of worldly distinction. The last time we heard him in public, was upon a memorable occasion, when in the grand hall of the Ottawa University he delivered a glowing panegyric of the ever to be lamented Father Tabaret. On that night, his companion and *confre*, the late Judge Olivier, was summoned by Death's Angel in the midst of the banquet of rejoicing. One by one they are passing away, and, though comparatively young, one cannot help feeling old, when the news of Edouard's death comes to us, we feel like repeating the words of a Celtic bard:

"Have I not seen Death strike so fast,
That grave yards could not hold,
The remnant of the young, the brave,
The bright-eyed and the bold:
Ah! yes, I must be very old."

We have followed him in his career, from the days when he enlivened the pe-

riod of college life, till the time he began to climb the ladder of success in the world; we have traced his movements from the day when he was president of the first College Literary Society, until he became president of the Liberal Club National of Montreal. He was foremost amongst the first in every undertaking upon which his heart was set; he was always in the van when his help was required, yet never did he intrude his individuality for the sake of self-interest. He has gone to his reward, and we can but pray that his crown will be that of the truly Catholic soul. Cut off in the full vigor of his manhood, he has done well the part assigned to him, by the Almighty, on the field of mortal existence and we feel that his memory will be long green in the breasts of those who really knew him.—R. I. P.

Mr. W. S. Walker, the well-known Notre Dame street jeweller, died yesterday morning at his residence, 77 Maize street, after an illness of about ten days. He caught a cold while attending the funeral of the late Mr. Perrigo, which developed into pneumonia, and although until Monday he was expected to be in a fair way for recovery a relapse set in which terminated fatally.

Mr. Walker came from Hull, England. In 1851 he opened a jewellery store on St. Lawrence street. In 1867 he purchased the stock belonging to Mr. W. A. Townsend from Mr. E. Lusher, son-in-law to Mr. Townsend, and opened in the same store, opposite the Seminary, on Notre Dame street. He remained there until 1890, when he removed to more commodious quarters in the Nordheimer building on St. James street. He was president of the Incline Railway and treasurer of St. George's Society. Deceased was 62 years of age, and leaves a widow and one married daughter, Mrs. M. Smith.

Mr. John J. Daley, Dominion emigration agent at Montreal, died Sunday, after a somewhat prolonged illness, at the age of 50 years. Mr. Daley, who was born at Kingston, in 1842, succeeded his father, the late Mr. J. J. Daley, in the charge of the Government's immigration work in 1869, and has since discharged the duties of that responsible position. He was widely known in the city, where he was popular and possessed many friends, who will be sincerely pained at the announcement of his early death. Mr. Daley married, in 1868, Miss Agnes Sinclair Pennie, daughter of Mr. Pennie, then a prominent contractor. She, with three daughters, survive him.

The funeral of the late Mr. T. C. DeLorimier, Q. C., which took place Monday morning, was very largely attended. The chief mourners were deceased's five sons, his brothers Judge DeLorimier, Dr. DeLorimier, Mr. P. E. Emile DeLorimier, and his brother-in-law, the Messrs. Duckett. The pall-bearers were Chief Justice Lacoste, Judge Loranger and Mathieu, Dr. Mount and Messrs. C. P. Hebert, F. Carbray (Quebec), J. W. Bain, M. P. Soulanges, and J. C. Auger, registrar for Montreal East. Amongst others present were Judges Tait, Gill, Jette and Taschereau, Hon. Speaker Leblanc, Hon. H. Mercier, Hon. Louis Tourville, Mayor McShane and several of the aldermen. At the funeral service in the Church of Notre Dame, the Rev. Abbe Duckett officiated, with deacon and subdeacon. After the service, the remains were conveyed to Cote des Neiges cemetery for interment.

A French Reader.

We have upon our table a copy of a new "French Reader," just published by Messrs. Ginn and Company of Boston, and compiled by Rev. Alphonse Dufour, S. J., professor of French Language and Literature, at the Georgetown University. This able author is also the compiler of an admirable French Grammar. The "Reader" is a volume of nearly three hundred pages and contains a gradation series of "Morceaux Choisis," from the works of the most eminent French writers. Beginning with Reboul's "L'Ange et l'Enfant," and ending with extracts from Racine's "Athalie," we find Bossuet, Fenelon, Massillon, Bourdaloue, Lamartine, Montsabre, Lacordaire, Chateaubriand, with numbers of others figuring upon its pages. Even the extracts from the earlier writings of Voltaire, J. J. Rousseau, Alexander Dumas, and such like brilliant infidel authors, indicate how powerful these men were in the days before their Faith

was extinguished. The "French Reader" is an admirable little work and deserves to be in every family.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

EUROPEAN.

John Emile Lemoigne, the French statesman, is dead.

August Simeon Luce, French historian and scholar, is dead.

Latest advices from Samoa indicate that tranquility prevails there.

The Monarchist papers of Paris hail the fall of M. Rouvier as a triumph for the Monarchist cause.

The Pope will shortly send to the Italian bishops and people a circular denouncing Freemasonry.

The London Daily Chronicle says: Michael Davitt's intimate friends state that he will not re-enter Parliament.

British imports from Canada for the 11 months ending 30th November, this year, showed an increase over last year of £1,750,000.

The British government will appoint a cholera survey similar to those of 1884 and 1886, with a view to preparing for an epidemic next spring and summer.

AMERICAN.

A sharp earthquake shock was felt at Athens.

United States Senator Gibson died at Hot Springs, Ark., yesterday.

A despatch from Washington says James G. Blaine is now on his death bed.

Dr. Chas. Schenck has been elected president of the Swiss confederation and A. Frey vice-president.

Col. N. Hernandez of Mexico will die on Monday at sunrise for assisting Garza, the rebel leader to escape.

Another plot of the followers of the late Balmaceda has been discovered by the government at Santitgo and frustrated.

The Governing Committee of the New York Stock Exchange has decided to not close the exchange on Saturday, December 24.

Peter Hart, the man who nailed the Stars and Stripes to the flagstaff at Fort Sumter at the outbreak of the war, died Tuesday night in Brooklyn.

The ports of Colombia have again been closed to all vessels hailing from Hamburg, owing to fresh cholera cases recently reported.

The steamer Statigart, at New York from Bremen yesterday, brought 2,263 steerage passengers, the largest number ever carried over the Atlantic by one vessel.

CANADIAN.

Sir Adams Archibald is dead at Truro, N. S.

Hon. John F. Wood will not be opposed in Brockville.

Mr. William G. Whittier, town clerk of Trenton, Ont., is dead, aged 55 years.

The horse car company in Winnipeg is selling 50 tickets for a dollar. The electric company has not yet met the cut rate.

It has been definitely decided that there will be no opposition to Hon. J. J. Curran, Solicitor-General in Montreal Centre.

The evidence in the graveyard insurance case at St. John, N.B., has all been taken. The argument of counsel will be heard this week.

Lieutenant-Governor Chapleau accepted Mr. De Boucherville's resignation last week, and sent for Mr. Taillon to form a Ministry.

Sir John Thompson has practically accepted the invitation to a dinner sent to him by the Young Men's Liberal Conservative Association of Toronto.

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CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints. Having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who wish it this recipe in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail, by addressing, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 820 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y. (12-18-90)