

patience, courage and hope. It is such a friend you don't love and look upon as a heaven sent blessing.

A BEAUTY TALK.

From the Guidon. One of our exchanges recently published an article urging Catholic men to marry Catholic women. In reply, a young man wrote to the editor saying that beauty in woman is a great attraction...

pathy and support, they could give one another the benefit of their experience in getting used to their Father's House, and they could be of aid to one another socially and in business as well as in religious affairs.

Why could not a friendly society of converts be established in every city? In addition to the good it would do to those already in the Church, it would encourage others to become Catholics...

TEMPERANCE WATCHWORDS FROM CARDINAL MANNING.

Does anyone believe that the multiplication of churches and schools has not the effect of promoting education and religion? I do not believe any reasonable man will deny they have the effect desired in their erection.

If a public house is set down in the midst of hard-working, industrious, sober men, look at how the happiness of their homes is disturbed. . . . If a public house is set down in a corner of a street of London, you know the character of the street is changed.

BOY CHOIRS IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Chicago pastors are preparing to meet the suggestion of the Holy Father regarding Church music by organizing boys' choirs and training them to sing the Gregorian music, so that when Archbishop Quigley recommends the change in music it can go into effect at once.

In the Holy Name cathedral a boy choir of seventy voices sang the Gregorian music at the services for the first time Sunday. This choir is composed of boys from ten to fifteen years of age who have been under the charge of Rev. David McDonald since September.

Church which fostered and developed both art and literature in the ages when these two expressions of human culture were almost overwhelmed in the flood of European barbarism. This is no way for Catholics to think or act.

WHY NOT KEEP UP THE PRACTICE?

It is a fact that the forty days' disuse of intoxicants finds the abstainer no worse off in the end—physically or otherwise, for that voluntary act of mortification. On the contrary, the economy of life is he empirically very much better off in every respect.

THE D'YOUVILLE READING CIRCLE.

For the CATHOLIC RECORD. It would be quite impossible to give a detailed account of Mr. Water's clever lecture on Mary Tudor, delivered on March 21st, under the auspices of the D'Youville Reading Circle.

CATHOLIC NOTES.

There is a total abstinence society among the Catholic deaf mutes of Philadelphia, which is thriving and doing excellent work. Canadian papers record the death of Right Rev. Elphege Gravel, D. D., the venerable head of the diocese of Nicolet.

At the close of a mission by the Franciscan Fathers at St. Charles Borromeo's Church, Philadelphia, last week, Archbishop Ryan confirmed fifty adults, of whom thirty-four were converts.

The Order of St. Patrick, created by George III. in 1783, is one of the proudest of England. The sovereign belongs to it, so does a prince of the blood, and there are twenty-two Irish knights chosen by the sovereign to represent the Order of St. Patrick.

chair of Gaelic has recently been endowed. This vast subject could, of course, be merely introduced at one meeting. More complete study of it will be made next year.

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During the two years since its inauguration the D'Youville Reading Circle has received many honors, but none that, individually and collectively, it appreciates more highly than that received on Thursday, when it became affiliated with the International Catholic Truth Society, which held its fifth annual meeting on that day in Brooklyn.

One branch of the society's work, namely, the remailing of Catholic literature to poor people living in remote places, we have been faithfully doing for two years but now that we are really a part of that glorious society we shall have enlarged privileges and duties. We shall continue to mail literature to the poor, but we shall also mail a noble ideal that we have had. Let us each and every one strive to be worthy of it. B. DOWDALL.

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The Rev. A. Beaumont, an Episcopal clergyman of Deposit, N. Y., was, with his wife, recently received into the Church by the Rev. William Pouch, pastor of St. Joseph's Church. The conversion was a great surprise both to the Catholics and Protestants of Deposit.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Continued from Eighth Page. He cleared, found Ireland a pagan country. He and his laborers, the seeps and far-reaching influence of which has done more for the civilization of the world than any other man's work. He was the first to bring the light of the Gospel to the heathen of Ireland. He was the first to bring the light of the Gospel to the heathen of Ireland.

IN OTTAWA EAST.

The annual entertainment given here on Saturday evening in honor of St. Patrick, by the Holy Family school children, under the direction of Sister S. Michael, surpassed not only the achievements of other similar occasions, but the most extravagant expectations of the people. The happy result redounded to the credit of both the school and the parish.

forstered in the child by attendance at the Catholic school. It was in order to obtain confirmation of this grace that we were that day assembled to consecrate our little ones to the service of Almighty God.

After the reading by our Father Devlin, of the prayers prescribed by the Church for this solemn occasion, the Rector, Rev. J. T. Aylward.

OBITUARIES.

Mrs. JAMES FLEMING, ST. MARYS. On Saturday morning, March 12 the Angel of Death, who has been very busy in our parish during the past year, visited the home of Mrs. Fleming on Church street, and carried to the home of her eternal reward a loving mother. Her illness was but short, at the last, but hers was a life-long preparation for death.

Mrs. RICHARD FISHER, ST. PATRICK'S. On February 25th Stratford lost one of its oldest and most esteemed residents by the death of Mrs. Richard Fisher. Her death took place at the age of sixty-six years, after an illness of about four months, which she bore with Christian fortitude and patience.

JOHN GIBSON, COBURGO.

John Gibson was a lifelong resident of the parish of Hastings, being born of highly respected parents in the Borough of London in the month of February, six years ago. He was the second of four brothers, Benjamin, James, now of Campbellford and Samuel, who is out west, and two sisters, Mrs. Nicholas Binby of Sarnia and Ellen who is deceased. Mr. Gibson was tall, broad and deep chested, notable in his gathering for his magnificent physique and his entire jovial countenance. He was universally respected for the qualities of both head and heart. As a man he was kind and affectionate, and one who will long live in the memories of those who knew him.

LORETTA SAUNDERS, THOROLD.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Saunders in the death of their youngest daughter, Loretta, aged ten years. Since early in January she has been confined to her bed with inflammatory rheumatism, she bore her sufferings with a fortitude worthy of one beyond her years. On Monday, March 1st, death came to relieve her sufferings. It was a bright and lovely child beloved by all her little playmates.

MR. JAS. CROWLEY, DUTTON.

James Crowley, passed away on 29th Feb., after an illness of several months with rheumatism. He was born in Cork, Ireland, in 1825, and was therefore, in his seventy-ninth year, in 1850 he came to Canada, and settled in Westminster. Eight years later he moved to the farm in Danforth which he afterwards made his home. The place was at that time a wilderness, but by his industry he made one of the finest in the township. He was a prominent member of the Catholic Church. He was also a subscriber to the Catholic Record since its first issue. The funeral took place on March 2nd from Wallcroft Catholic church, and was largely attended. The services were conducted by Father Quinn, after which the remains were taken to St. Thomas by train for burial. To the bereaved family we offer our heartfelt sympathy. May his soul rest in peace.

JOHN SHEAHAN, HALEY'S STATION, ONT.

On Monday, March 7th Mr. John Sheahan died at his home in Haley's Station after a prolonged illness. About a year ago he had a severe attack of pleurisy which was partially recovered, and in January of the present year he was again attacked with a disease which proved too much for his already weakened constitution. Just before his death he received the last sacraments and his spiritual wants attended to by the parish priest, Rev. Father Brunet. Deceased was in his fifty-third year and was a successful farmer. Born of Irish parents he inherited a robust constitution and a strong personality. His home circle was a happy one by having a loving husband and a kind and affectionate wife. He was a sterling man of high character and of high moral qualities. His devotion to the Catholic Faith and his generosity to the Church had long endeared him to his friends and parishioners. Rev. Father Brunet, his honest and upright character won him the respect of all with whom he came in contact, particularly his immediate neighbors. In 1876 he married Joanna Agnew, and the result of the union was a family of seven children, five of whom, as well as his sorrowing widow, are left to mourn his loss. On March 9th a large funeral procession followed the remains to the Catholic church at Haley's Station, where the funeral Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Brunet, after which interment took place in the family plot. May his soul rest in peace.

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A SOCIETY OF CONVERTS.

When converts come into the Catholic Church they miss the social lectures of the Protestant denominations. They find that Catholics generally are hard to get acquainted with at divine services and that when they go to Mass they take little notice of strangers, whether of the faith or not. They are "cut" by many of their former associates and they make few friends among their new co-religionists.

AS TO PICTURES AND PAPERS.

Just as you can tell the character of people by the furnishings and adornments of their home, so also by the pictures on their walls and the papers and books on their tables can you judge of their Catholicity. There are many Catholic homes which might just as well be pagan for all the evidence the casual visitor may gather from their pictures. On their walls hang pictures of Grecian gods and goddesses, or trophies of pagan Rome, or reproductions of modern materialistic paintings; while the secular magazines, the daily or weekly secular papers, the society journals of New York or other large cities are strewn upon their tables.

THE GAIER REVIVAL.

The Gaelic Revival was the evening's special study. This revival is no patriot's dream—it is reality, as the fact, that the recent 17th. March celebration in Dublin was entirely Gaelic in character, conclusively proves. Why is there need of such a revival, and what results are expected therefrom? Yeats says we Irish have set the fairies and are in danger of losing the saints. Our Irishmen have so been scattered that now we find them in every part of the world. Under such circumstances there is a danger of their losing their national character. Surely the true Irish character is beautiful and noble enough that we should make an effort to preserve it. We must have the fruits of Greek and Roman culture, why should we not strive to retain the Irish? So learned an Englishman as Matthew Arnold said: "The English will never govern Ireland until they establish a chair of Gaelic at Oxford." What a world of wisdom in that sentence! At the Catholic University in Washington, a

PROGRAMME.

- Chorus—"Hibernia's Champion Saint" by S. J. Moore. Little Address—by L. Darran. Chorus—"Come Back to Erin" by The Senior Pupils. Recitation—"The Irishman's Boy" by Miss G. Deane. Song—"S. J. Moore" by M. G. Guigan. Wand Drill—by The Senior Pupils. Drama—"A Soldier's M. A. D." Act I. by The Senior Pupils. Recitation—"The Irishman's Boy" by Miss G. Deane. Chorus—"Erin Is My Home" by The Senior Pupils. My Pocket—by The Senior Pupils. Drama—"The Soldier's Boy" by The Senior Pupils. Wand Drill—"The Soldier's Boy" by The Senior Pupils. Drama—"The Soldier's Boy" by The Senior Pupils. Dialogue—"Loss in Delays" by The Senior Pupils. Chorus—"The Harp of Tara" by The Senior Pupils. Tableau—"The Crowning of Erin" by The Senior Pupils.