

conception regards the wealth of the Jesuits. Jesuit property is Church property. This canonical fact has been brought to the knowledge of the world in the negotiations between this government and the Vatican on the subject of the Friar lands in the Philippines. The property held by the Jesuits that is devoted to religion and Catholic education might as well be held in the name of the Bishop or the Sovereign Pontiff. It is sacred. Secular property the Jesuits have little, far less than other orders. Then why are they singled out for abuse and obloquy? It is because they hammered the life out of the Reformers, and the memory of their terrible onslaughts still rankles in the bosom of their children. We love them for the enemies they have made."

The "Tablet" correspondent's article on "Freethinkers in Council," mentioned in Current Comments, is unavoidably crowded out, and will appear next issue.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.

Meeting to Consider the Financial Position—Pleased With the Report.

A meeting of the parishioners of St. Mary's was held in the Assembly Hall of the new school building on Sunday afternoon to receive full statements as to the cost of the building and to organize for the future administration of the institution. There was a large attendance, Mr. M. McManus being elected chairman, with Mr. F. W. Russell secretary.

In the course of a detailed statement the parish priest, Rev. Father Cahill, stated that the total cost of the building, including all extras, was about \$42,000, and he explained how the money had been raised to meet this expenditure and what payments had already been made to the construction company. He gave an approximate estimate of the cost of running the school, which, including interest on the capital outlay, it is expected, will be fully \$8,000 per annum. He gave further figures to show the amount raised in the parish for school purposes during the past year, and pointed out that these indicated still further and much heavier sacrifices on the part of the people in the future. He emphasized the seriousness of this great financial obligation which the parish must face, and invited the people to co-operate with him by appointing a committee.

Several of the gentlemen present spoke to the points raised, all of them congratulating the parish priest and the parish generally, on the magnificent structure that had been erected, and which is, they consider, the finest school building in the city. After considerable discussion it was finally resolved that a committee of twelve be appointed to act in conjunction with the parish priest, their period of office to be one year, with power to fill vacancies. In accordance with this resolution, the following committee was selected: N. Bawlf, M. McManus, F. W. Russell, E. Cass, Dr. McKenty, Alderman Wynne, C. W. O. Lane, C. A. Kemball, T. Jobin, J. Callahan, J. J. Golden, E. R. Dowdall. The meeting then adjourned, and the committee met and organized by appointing Mr. N. Bawlf as permanent chairman, and Mr. F. W. Russell as secretary. The preliminary business was fully gone into, and it was resolved that the committee meet weekly. The first meeting will take place on Sunday afternoon next at the same place.—Evening News Bulletin, Oct. 17.

Persons and Facts

On Friday of last week, some sixty miles south of Winnipeg, as the St. Paul fast train was approaching Emerson, the engine struck a large moose which was loping along the track. The animal was hurled fifty feet and instantly killed. It proved to be one of the largest specimens seen there for a number of years and weighed about twelve hundred pounds. The antlers measured about four feet from tip to tip. The section men divided the spoils. Moose appear to be quite plentiful near Emerson this season. Northern Minnesota is a favorite haunt of moose, especially in the eastern wilds through which the C.N.R. passes. A couple of years ago at one of the eating stations moose meat was the ordinary fare, because it was cheaper than beef, and in that remote part of the state the game laws were more honored in the breach than in the observance.

Father Noll's little book, "Kind Words From Your Pastor," has had an enormous sale. This year over 500,000 copies have been sold. A new Christmas edition is in the press, and Father Noll is sure that very many pastors will distribute the booklet among their parishioners as a little Christmas gift.

John E. Redmond, before sailing for Ireland, Wednesday, Oct. 13, told his friends at New York that he had raised the \$50,000 which he came for to aid in the Irish cause.

A scene probably without its parallel in theatrical annals occurred at the Grand Theatre, Swansea, on Saturday night at the conclusion of Sir Henry Irving's farewell performance. After the curtain had fallen on "The Bells," the veteran actor was called before the curtain, and was greeted with great cheering. Then some one in the gallery commenced the hymn "Lead, kindly light," and the strain was taken up by his companions, and in a few seconds the whole audience had risen and was fervently singing Newman's beautiful hymn. An attempt was made to suppress the singing, and just as success was about to crown the efforts Sir Henry interposed, expressing his delight with the singing, which, he said, would be for ever engraven on his memory. Then another Welshman, with a full, rich voice, struck up "God be with you till we meet again," and again the audience joined in heartily. Sir Henry Irving stood with bowed head, and was deeply moved by the remarkable demonstration. Speaking with much emotion, he said that he should never visit Swansea again as an actor, but he hoped to return as a friend.—Liverpool "Catholic Times," Oct. 7.

Captain Roger de Beudrap, of Vannes, France, who resigned his commission in the French army rather than obey Combes' order to evict religions, returned on Wednesday from the Calgary district, where he purchased a ranch and will settle with his family next year. Meanwhile, on his arrival here, he placed his sixteen-year-old son in St. Boniface College.

Clerical News.

Rev. Father Thibaudeau, O.M.I., after spending two months in Montreal, returned to St. Mary's last week.

A cablegram from Rome, dated Oct. 14, announces the beginning of the final celebration of the Immaculate Conception jubilee in November. There will be a "Marian Congress," at which all countries will be represented. This congress will be held in the vast Church of the Twelve Apostles, and in the halls of the Cancellaria and the Roman Seminary. There will also be a Marian exposition, which will occupy the eight large halls on the first floor of the Lateran palace. But the great event of the jubilee will be the papal mass in St. Peter's on Dec. 8, and the solemn crowning by Pius X. of the mosaic picture of "Our Lady" in the choir chapel. On Dec. 8, 1854, immediately after the mass, in which the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception was defined, Pius IX. set a rich crown on this image, but the new crown is vastly more precious. It consists of twelve large stars, formed of hundreds of precious stones, and united by an aureole of solid gold. Either during the function in St. Peter's, or on the same day in the Vatican, in the presence of the Pope, Perosi's new cantata will be sung, and in the evening there will be a general illumination of the houses of Rome.

The Very Rev. Father Petronius, O.S.F.C., whose secular name is Francis Gramigna, has been appointed Bishop of Allahabad. He is a native of Bologna and sixty years old. He has been in the Indian Missions 33 years, and since the death of the late Bishop, has been Administrator of the diocese.

Rev. James Dugas, S.J., rector of St. Boniface College, said Mass at Whitemouth last Sunday.

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Father Cleary, editor of the New Zealand "Tablet," who passed through here two years ago and was Father Cherrier's guest, has been made a bishop.

AN ORANGE JURY.

Lord Fortescue in his Diary tells a story of O'Connell which will be of interest to lawyers. "I was once engaged for the accused in a murder trial," said O'Connell. "I called only one witness, but that was the man alleged to have been murdered, perfectly safe and sound. It had no effect, however; there was an Orange jury."—July Messenger.

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