

COMPLETE REPORT

OF THE BAZAAR IN AID OF SISTERS OF PRECIOUS BLOOD, LONDON

At the annual meeting of the London Catholic Women's League held on Sunday, January 11th, 1925, the following complete report of the recent bazaar was presented by the officers to a very large attendance of members:

Table listing items and amounts: French Settlement, Wyoming (in value), Faincourt, A friend, St. Augustine, Alvinston, C. W. L., Chatham, Tillsonburg, Big Point, Raleigh, Staples, Brussels, Zurich, Wingham, Belle River, Clinton, Forest, Hesson, Port Lambton, St. Peter's, Petrolia, Corunna & Courtright, Ridgetown, Strathroy, Thamesville, Ashfield, Dresden, Ingersoll, Kinkora, Leamington, Logan & Mitchell, Biddulph, St. Joachim, St. Columbar, Stoney Point, Stratford, Im. Con., Tecumseh, Tilbury, Walkerville, West Lorne & Wallace town, Dublin, Coderich, Maidstone, Parkhill, Seaford, Woodlee, Woodstock, Bl. Sac., Chatham, La Salette, Amherstburg, Simcoe & Port Dover, C. W. L., Stratford, Wallaceburg, St. Joseph's, Mt. Carmel, M. Con. Windsor, St. Mary's, St. Thomas, Sarnia, Windsor (St. Alphonsus), (O.L.P.S.) (St. Clare), London Bazaar, From outside the Diocese.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC FEDERATION

Paris, Dec. 15.—Cardinal Dubois has written to General de Castelnau a public letter congratulating him upon the foundation of the National Catholic Federation.

By federating all French Catholic groups, he says, in order to place them at the service of legitimate liberties, the bishops abdicate nothing of their right of direction and control. Everything pertaining to the development of the religious and moral life comes under their exclusive jurisdiction. But Catholic action proper has a parallel civic action. The Federation will have a civic role, and with due respect to the principles which underlie any Catholic claims, this role belongs to the layman and they are qualified to act on their own responsibility.

But let there be no mistake about the meaning of this action," the Cardinal writes. "You were right, General, in saying that the Catholic Federation will not engage in politics—neither dynastic nor party politics. It will always hold itself above all parties. Its members will remain free to affiliate with one or another. There is no intention to found any political party.

What they want is the triumph of the principles of Catholic life in our institutions, our laws, our customs; it is to defend them against attack by all legal means; representation, delegations, petitions,

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press, lectures, etc. They will neglect nothing to influence authority, Parliament, public opinion.

"But whether one will or no, there comes a time when the Catholic defense must be made on the very ground of attack—the political ground. It is not enough to protest against bad laws—they must be modified, and how can this be brought about except through parliamentary pressure, well-ordered and alive. Is this not our right, as Catholics, like all other citizens of France? They would have poor grace in showing us any ill will because we want to exercise it. Free to vote, we shall cast our ballots only for men who are favorable to our cause.

"In the presence of projects which have alarmed Catholic opinion, of the manifestation of a malevolent majority and the agitation attempted by the elements of disorder, it is essential that we be ready to meet any measure of hostility and to obtain that share of justice and liberty which has too long been denied us.

"At the head of the Catholic Federation, you will help us, General, to realize this program of defense and conquest. "May God bless and crown your efforts.

Thanking the Cardinal for this approval, General de Castelnau wrote to him as follows: "I can but confirm today my unreserved adhesion to the principles which your Eminence has so happily and so luminously explained.

"Under my direction the Catholic Federation will not depart from them. Discipline is too dear to the sons of the Church and too necessary for the success of our work for us not to place it in the front rank of our constant preoccupations."

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home as they gathered in the dark and the cold around the Rock of the Mass!

Ah, Rock of the Mass! thou hast seen this land red with the ruin of war and black with the cloud of pestilence!

Rock of the Mass! thou hast seen the gaunt spectre of famine stalk across the plain, but ever and always, O Rock of the Mass, didst thou feel the soft touch of the lips of the brave sough and hear the murmured prayers of the stricken ones as all bent before their God enthroned on thy broad bosom!

From cave to cave on the hillside, along the hollows of the mountain, through the tree clusters on the plain, went the word with the softness and silence of light, "Corrig an Afrin" at dawn tomorrow, and from the caves, and from the hollows, and from the trees came a silent multitude creeping and stumbling through the darkness to where by thy side waited them, the only two friends they had on earth—their priest and their God.

Round thee, O Rock of the Mass! no cloud of incense floats, no pealing organ sounds, no blaze of holy light; no incense but the mountain mist, no sound but the whisper of the passing breeze, sighing in the bracken: no light but that of God's own stars, looking down on stricken Ireland. But little recked they who gathered round thee, O Rock of the Mass! They heard the soft beating of myriad angel wings that hovered above the Creator, and they felt the warm glow of Divine love that burned for them in the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

How our hearts thrill with pride and our pulses quicken as we gaze at this monument of triumph and death—a monument, telling of generations of indomitable martyrs. Gaze at that dark stain on the grey stone. Oh, how it speaks to us of the lonely mountain in the silent dawn, the shadowy forms gathering and crouching on the grass, the priest holding God aloft, the loud cry of alarm sounding through the gloom, from the posted sentries, the low moan of misery from the broken-hearted kneelers, the flash of the musket, the priest lying across the stone, dyeing it with his life-blood—still clasping the chalice to his breast—dead!

There thou liest, O Rock of the Mass! an imperishable monument, telling of Ireland's sorrow and of Ireland's glory! For thou, O holy Rock of the Mass, art the Calvary of Ireland.

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No tabernacle did I say! Oh! I am wrong. Watch the mountain Mass and see. The priest bends and speaks the miraculous words of Christ, and He is in our midst. The priest turns, and holding God aloft, cries to the kneeling multitude: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who taketh away the sins of the world," and then cries to Christ Himself, "Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldst enter under my roof, say but the word and my soul shall be healed."

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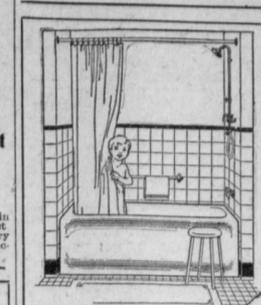
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