

A Retrospect of fifty Years

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The House of Providence, Kingston, Ontario.

THE closing month of 1911 marked the Golden Jubilee of the House of Providence, which joyous event gives fitting occasion to present to kind friends and interested readers a brief history of the work accomplished by our institution within the past half century.

On his accession to the See of Kingston, the late Right Rev. E. J. Horan saw with utmost pleasure that while the children of his Episcopal city were provided with all that was necessary for mental and moral training and that the sick received most careful nursing in the Hospital of the Hotel Dieu, there yet remained a sacred portion of his charge to be cared for—these were the orphans and homeless poor.

Unceasing were his efforts to secure for these cherished members of his flock, a safe refuge where weary and worn humanity might find a haven of rest.

His Lordship appealed to Bishop Bourget, of Montreal, to assist him in this all-important enterprise to which his heart and mind were mutually directed. Inexpressible was his joy on learning that his long-hoped for project would be most generously carried into effect by the Sisters of Charity, of Providence, Montreal, who nobly manifested the charitable spirit of their holy and