

## GOLDEN JUBILEE OF SISTERS OF CHARITY--THEIR HISTORY.

On Friday morning a solemn High Mass of Requiem will be celebrated at 8 o'clock for the repose of the souls of deceased members of the community, followed by solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the entire day, the chapel remaining open from 8 a. m. until 6 p. m. for all who wish to pay a visit. At 6 o'clock the exercises will be brought to a close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

The order of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul is the oldest religious order in St. John, and was the second branch of the order established in Canada. It is to the efforts of the late Archbishop Connolly that the Sisters of Charity owe their establishment. The year 1854, which saw the founding of this order, will be remembered to be the year of the cholera, and the services of the sisters were in great demand during the time of that dread disease. As the need of Catholic schools was felt in the city Bishop Connolly invited Miss Convent to enter the convent of Mount St. Vincent and prepare to enter upon this work. In 1854, when Miss Convent completed her novitiate she came to St. John. Four other sisters came here about the same time and with them the order had its origin.

Miss Vincent, known as Mother Vincent, after many years of earnest labor, passed to her reward on the 25th of May, 1892, in St. Vincent's Convent, Cliff street. During the eight years Mother Vincent remained superior, the order opened a new branch in this city on Waterloo street, near the present cathedral. After remaining in these small quarters a year and a half Bishop Connolly gave up to the sisters his own residence on Cliff street for their work. This building was almost on the site of the recently erected St. Vincent's chapel.

Meantime a school was opened by the order, assisted by a government grant, in the temperance hall, which stood near the site of the present St. Joseph's school, Sydney street.

In 1863 Mother M. Francis was appointed superior, and at the close of three years she was succeeded by Mother Augustine, who continued in office up till the time of her death in 1870. She was succeeded by Mother Mary Philomena, who held the position six years, and was succeeded by the present superior, Mother Thomas. Under the careful and judicious management of Mother Thomas steady progress has been made in the work.

During all the years since their organization in this city the sisters have been carrying on a most important educational work which has grown with the order. They conduct a school for girls in St. Joseph's Hall, from which the children are promoted to St. Vincent's high school. Wherever the order establish a branch a school is opened in connection with it.

The Y. M. S. of St. Joseph owes its founding to the sisters. The society was organized by Mother Francis in 1856.

### THE ORPHANS' HOME.

St. Patrick's Industrial School at Silver Falls, which is conducted by the Sisters, is a splendid building, situated on a high hill directly facing the falls, from which the place takes its name, and from which the road presents a beautiful appearance. Sister Mary Patrick is in charge. The institution is for boys only, of whom there are at present over a hundred quartered therein. These come from all parts of the diocese. Under the care of the Sisters they receive a good preliminary education before being sent out in the world. Their bringing up is a feature which receives special attention. The work of the boys is most creditable, a fact which visitors at the school seldom fail to take note of.

St. Patrick's Industrial Home is due to the late lamented Bishop Sweeney, while the generosity of Patrick McCourt made the plan practicable. Its usefulness cannot be questioned. Under the careful guidance of the Sisters, the young boys receive an excellent training and are instructed on lines similar to the system employed in the instruction of the girls at the Orphanage, Cliff street.

### MATER MISERICORDIAE HOME.

Passing from one extreme to the other, from young to old, the Mater Misericordiae home commands attention. Since its founding in 1859 the home has yearly proved the need for its existence. It is a hospital and home in one, a place of peace and comfort wherein the old folks may reside. The building itself is a splendid brick structure and has received many improvements since it was first opened. Mother Philomena was the first superintendent and at present Sister Mary Urban is at the head of affairs therein, while the present number of old people in the home is seventy-five. The Mater Misericordiae Home, a

splendid building, occupies the site on Sydney street where stood, previous to the fire of 1877, the Christ the Brothers' Home. The present institution has a happy record as a place of rest and comfort, where, attended by the kindly sisters, the old folks may pass their declining days in comfort. Since the opening in 1889 extensions have become necessary on account of the number of those desiring admittance.

### ST. VINCENT'S CONVENT.

The mother house, St. Vincent's Convent, has also in connection therewith an orphanage, wherein at present are 34 young girls under the sisters' care. Like the boys, these come from distant parts of the diocese, and like them receive good training and education. Indeed, caring for the orphans of the diocese is one of the chief works of the order, and one which has always received much attention. During the fifty years of the order's work in St. John it is estimated that between five and six thousand orphans have passed through these institutions before going out to win existence for themselves.

### THE MOTHER HOUSE.

The present St. Vincent's Convent on Cliff street is a comparatively modern building. The quarters kindly given up by Bishop Connolly for the use of the sisters in their turn proved too small for the work of the order, which each succeeding year saw advancing. The wooden buildings on Cliff street wherein the sisters lived are still fresh in the memory of some citizens, and many there are at the present day who spent some of the most pleasant hours of their lives in the Mother House within its walls. A new building became imperative, so the present structure was begun, and in 1886 the new convent was occupied. The needs of the times and the constantly increasing number of children to be cared for have since made extensions necessary. In 1892 a new wing was added. Three years later a chapel in connection with the convent was built and dedicated in 1895 by the late Bishop Sweeney. Speaking on that occasion, His Lordship referred to the founding of the order in St. John some twenty-two years before, and the great results that had followed what was then a very humble beginning, until at that time the order of the Sisters of Charity was the largest religious order in the maritime provinces. The dedication of the chapel, April 24, was on a most suitable date, a day on which the whole Catholic world was commemorating the tercentenary of the birth of St. Vincent de Paul, after whom the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul are named.

The next notable improvement in the building line was the erection of a new wing for educational purposes in 1892, wherein are the primary and the high school grades, from the latter of which year a band of bright graduates receive diplomas. The year 1902 saw the erection of the handsome St. Vincent's chapel, on the site of the first convent. The edifice is certainly a beautiful one, and is used exclusively by the sisters and orphans. The chapel erected in the convent in 1878 was then transferred and more room was given in the convent itself for the carrying on of the work of the order.

From St. John the order has established branches in different parts of Bishop Casey's diocese until at present, besides St. Vincent's Convent, there are houses in the North End, Carleton Place, Fredericton, Buctouche, Memramcook and Silver Falls. Starting with a membership of about five sisters, the order now comprises 108 sisters in the different New Brunswick houses.

Sister Michael, at present living at St. Vincent's Convent, will celebrate her golden jubilee in connection with the order next year. Through all the pioneer members of the order in this district have passed away, Sister Michael, who entered the order in 1866, still enjoys good health. Most of her years have been spent at St. John and at one time she was in charge of the academy at Memramcook.

The order of the Sisters of Charity is essentially of French origin. It was established in France in 1630 and was first introduced into America about 1805. About 1830 an American branch was organized and under Mother Beaton progressed. Branches were established from the mother house at New York throughout the United States and Canada. The first branch to cross the line was founded at Halifax in 1852 and two years afterwards that of St. John was opened. At present the Halifax order has a mission in northern New Brunswick. The aims of the order, charity, education and looking after the orphans, have always been faithfully adhered to, and nowhere more faithfully than in the diocese of St. John.

## THE MAIDENS WHO TAKE THE VEIL

To The Sisters of Charity of the Diocese of St. John, on the Occasion of Their Golden Jubilee

A song for the band that are seldom sung, though never a nobler theme Entered the soul of a singer true or prompted to test supreme; A hymn and a toast for the fairest host of mortals that walk life's trail, White lilies that nod in the gardens of God, the maidens who take the veil!

Choir ballads there be of the knights of yore who polished each trusty blade, Uptook the Cross for their oriflamme, and marched to the Lord's Crusade; But never a knight of the Western world for the Holy Land set sail With half the devoted faith and love of the maidens who take the veil.

High hymns of praise chant our modern bards to the heroines of worth, Whose deeds beguile dull sisters' ease as flowers bedeck the earth, Yet braver than Darling's derring-do, or the courage of Nightingale, Is the spirit that moves, their whole life long, the maidens who take the veil.

Whatever the need of earth's stricken ones, the poor, the hapless, and lone, The orphaned young and the helpless old--and wrecks on the world-reefs thrown, The soldier crushed on the bloody field, or the fever-ward's inmate pale-- All find at hand that angel-band, the maidens who take the veil.

Then a song for the Best of Womenkind, meek queens whom we all revere, A psalm of praise for the Brides of Christ, dispensing His mercy here! A hymn and a prayer that we, too, may share in their joy that shall never fall When their Heavenly Spouse seals for aye their vows, the maidens who take the veil.

ARTHUR BARRY D'AMICO, C. G. C.

## MORE ANTI-BRITISH ACTION.

Liberal Government Gives Three Times as Much Bonus for Foreign Immigrants as For British.

OTTAWA, July 12.—This afternoon on the discussion of the immigrant estimates, Oliver (conservative, West Toronto), read a communication complaining of the use made by the Leopold immigration agency in London, Eng., of the Canadian immigration office. The Leopold office is up stairs over the Canadian office.

Mr. Oliver said it was not the policy of the government to encourage any such enterprise as the Leopold agency. If such an agency did exist it was outside the range of the government's power. But it would be the government's policy to do whatever it could to abate the evil.

During a discussion on the continental immigration to Canada, Mr. Oliver said that \$87,000 had been paid as bonuses for immigrants sent out from Europe to Canada during the last three years.

Mr. Oliver said that the government paid a bonus of one pound a head for continental immigrants to the North Atlantic Trading Company, because that company did its advertising. He thought the men sent were a desirable class.

Mr. Borden said he thought that even with this explanation it was not right that the government should give three times as much bonus for continental immigrants as for English ones.

Mr. Foster moved that the item of \$800 for the salary paid to Mr. Nixon, the dominion lands agent at McLeod, be struck out. He believed from the report of Mr. Leach that Nixon had embezzled several hundred dollars of the public money.

Mr. Fielding said the matter was under investigation and the man should not be punished before he was found guilty.

Mr. Oiler said he should not be given public money while under suspicion.

A vote was taken on Mr. Foster's amendment and it was lost by 51 to 25. The house spent most of the evening session discussing canal estimates.

House sat till after midnight dealing with intercolonial estimates which Emmerson struggled to explain. He did the best he could with a hard job.

## HALIFAX MINISTER WILL GO TO NEW YORK.

HALIFAX, N. S., July 12.—Rev. R. W. Woodroffe, curate of St. Paul's church, Halifax, has accepted the first curacy of the Church of the Holy Communion, New York, of which Rev. Dr. Moir is the rector. It is a big church on Sixth avenue and 20th street. Mr. Woodroffe will leave for New York in October. He is a nephew of Rev. Mr. Woodroffe, formerly of Sydney.

### MARITIME GROCERS' GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Maritime Grocers' Guild was held in this city yesterday. Representatives were present from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Those who attended from outside points were H. G. Bauld, L. H. Payant, S. O. Hogg, M. Dwyer, R. M. Symonds, A. C. Pyke, Halifax; R. Murray, New Glasgow; A. H. Randolph, Fredericton; A. W. Eakins, Ralph Brown and Leslie Lovitt, Yarmouth; J. F. Edgett and J. Harris, Moncton; D. A. Morrison, Amherst; A. I. Teed, St. Stephen; E. F. Higgs and W. H. Aitken, Charlottetown.

The meeting of the guild was held in the board of trade rooms. The officers elected were as follows: H. G. Bauld, Halifax, president; C. H. Peters, St. John, 1st vice-president; W. H. Aitken, Charlottetown, 2nd vice-president, and A. C. Pyke, Halifax, secretary.

President Bauld informed the Sun that the meeting was the most representative and the most largely attended since the formation of the guild. The principal business transacted was the passing of additional rules and regulations for the government of the members of the guild.

After concluding their deliberations the out-of-town members were taken for a sail in the Pokanoket as guests of the St. John members. Leaving the wharf at Indian town they went through the falls and around the harbor, afterwards going up the St. John river to the Devil's Back. An elaborate dinner was served on board the boat after which the orators in the crowd orated and others sang songs or recited. President Bauld said they were royally entertained and they most highly appreciated the hospitality that had been accorded them. Most of the visitors left for their homes last evening.

Your present Job is good enough for you—if you think so. If you don't think so, perhaps a 'STAR' Situation WANTED AD. Will Give You A Lift.

### CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS

#### ROYALLY WELCOMED IN FRANCE.

PARIS, July 12.—One hundred and fifty of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association arrived tonight by special train from Calais. They were received by the mayor and president of the Calais chamber of commerce and a number of the councillors. Luncheon took place at the Terminus Hotel, the tables being decorated with Canadian flags.

Mr. George, in proposing the toast of "President of the Republic," praised the loyalty of the French Canadians and the harmonious relations between Quebec and Ontario, and the benefits of these tours.

The mayor proposed the health of King Edward and the English National Anthem was sung, the French joining.

For the Canadians' welcome a holiday was given the school children on their arrival at Paris. They were received at the station by Hector Fabre, commissioner general to Canada, and by President Fais, of the chambre of commerce and a delegation. Today the officers of the executive visited the president of the council, the minister of commerce and the Ambassador of England. After a drive about the city, the whole party went to the chamber of deputies. A reception at Paris chamber of commerce and a visit to the national office of foreign commerce, followed.

#### INDIAN MURDERER HUNTED.

BRANTFORD, Ont., July 12.—Hunted like a mad dog and liable to be shot on sight, Joseph Bennett, the Indian suspected of being the murderer of crippled Betsy Jacobs, in her cottage on the reserve near here, on Saturday night last, is still buried in the woods near Caledonia, hemmed in on every side by armed men, and in all probability will remain there until Sunday, when a ginsaw man hunt of three hundred Indians will beat the woods from end to end and take him dead or alive.

### Y. M. C. A. MARITIME CONVENTION.

The 35th maritime convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations will be held in Charlottetown, P. E. I., on Sept. 13-17. Fraser G. Marshall of New Glasgow, is secretary. Among the outside speakers, the following are announced: Dr. Lucian C. Warner, chairman of international committee, New York; R. C. Morse, general secretary international committee, Montreal, Que.; D. A. Budge, general secretary, Calcutta, India.

C. T. Williams, chairman advisory dominion committee, Montreal, Que.; Robert R. Barbour, foreign secretary, Mass.

F. L. Willis, general secretary, Worcester, Mass.

The Y. M. C. A. Maritime religious work secretary, New York.

#### PEARY READY FOR POLAR DASH.

NEW YORK, July 12.—With \$35,000 subscribed today toward his expedition to reach the North Pole, Robert E. Peary announces that he will sail this week for the north.

Peary's new Arctic ship, the Roosevelt, has been waiting for several days for supplies which could not be bought on account of a lack of funds.

His party is complete with the exception of a surgeon. Mrs. Peary will probably sail a part of the way with the explorer. From here the Roosevelt will proceed to Sydney, C. B., where the New York crew will give up the ship to a picked crew, which is already waiting on the Erik, a coal ship, which will accompany the Roosevelt to latitude 70. The Erik will then return south, bringing Mrs. Peary, with her.

## Life's Funny Side.



BEING THE MOTHER, SHE DIDN'T KNOW.

Mrs. Hayle—How is your baby?  
Mrs. Doyle—You talk as if I were the child's nurse, instead of his mother.



THE SCENERY WAS OLD.

The Leading Lady (not very young)—Ah! how dear to my heart are the scenes of my childhood!

The Comedian (sotto voce)—I knew this scenery was old, but I didn't think it dated back that far.



TOO MUCH TROUBLE.

Mrs. E. Z. Naggit—Why don't you shoot that fly off your head? It's been there five minutes.

E. Z. Naggit—What's the use. I ain't using the top of my head just now?



Mrs. Naggit (as Mr. Naggit comes in very late)—What time is it, Sebastian?

What does the clock say?

Mr. Naggit (loaded)—Nothin' (hic), nothin'. It's just (hic) got sense enough to (hic) keep quiet.



NOT A BATHER.

First Hobo—They say that frequent bathing weakens people.

Second Hobo—You haven't noticed that I'm losing any strength, have you?

## A MAN'S

### SALE

SOFT FRONT SHIRTS,

75c. each.

Just the neatest negligé shirts to be found, and the price—just look at the price—75c. each

**JULY SALE OF Babies' Bonnets and Children's Hats at half-price.**

New York samples—some of the daintiest things you could wish for.

Mostly very fine India lawn and Swiss Embroidery.

Many different new American designs not shown here before.

Bought as samples and to be sold at our half-regular prices.

**\$1.00 Bonnets for 50c.**  
**.75 " " 38c.**  
**2.75 Hat " \$1.38.**

**A special in White Muslin ruffled and tucked Curtains 75c. pair.**

Bedroom curtains—white muslin with ruffles down side and fine tucks—per pair 75c.

## July Reductions

### IN Wash Goods Department.

1000 yards muslins, linens, voiles and shirtwaist suitings have had their prices severely cut for the July sale.

36 inch linen suiting, price 40c, for.....25c  
36 inch linens, price 30c, for.....19c  
Grecian voile suitings at.....25c  
22c American voile suitings at.....15c  
Embroidered spot voiles at.....25c

## Lustre Shirt Waist Skirts.

Fine brilliantine and lustre dress skirts for wearing with shirtwaists.

Very light, pretty, and they don't catch the dust

Blue lustre skirts, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.25, \$5.75.

Brown lustre skirts, \$4.25, \$5.75.

Black lustre skirts, \$2.69, \$3.75, \$4.25.

Grey lustre skirts, special, \$2.69.

## JUST ARRIVED

New Fancy Silks for Shirt-Waist Suits.

Some of the prettiest fancy taffeta silks for shirtwaist suits we have yet seen. New check and shot effects,.....50c. to 75c.

**F. W. DANIEL & Co**  
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