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THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT.

In his Lachine speech Mr. F. D. Monk, M.P., late leader of the Quebec wing of the Conservative party in the House of Commons, made it plain to his constituents that it was impossible for him to continue in the party and believe himself capable of serving his country in that position.

"The exigencies of politics," which must of course be taken to mean the chills and shadows of prolonged opposition, have driven the Conservative party upon a platform that amounts to a repudiation of the principles of the Fathers of Confederation.

The Register has pointed out again and again that when the Conservatives ran up the imperialist flag they forfeited all claim to the confidence of the Canadian people. Mr. Monk says as much now. There is no room to doubt who is indicated by he alludes to "men competent in business, but... densely ignorant of the special conditions in Quebec."

Resolved that we, the members of St. Mary's of the Lake Court, No. 544, hereby express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss of our worthy brother who has sustained and to extend to him our most sincere sympathy and condolence, and also be it

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be placed on record and a copy sent to Bro. C. F. Shea and also inserted in The Forester, Catholic Record and Catholic Register.

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the C.M.B.A. to use that organization in the service of the Conservative party. Correspondence which we have received from Brothers in the organization leads us to believe that the delegates to the forthcoming convention are deeply impressed by many suspicious signs of some such design.

Mr. Monk has nothing to fear. He has taken the course which patriotism and conscience dictated. But there is one spectacle which the combination working against him will not be thanked in any quarter for restoring to the party stage. This is the well-known one-act tragedy of the "Nest of Traitors."

EDITORIAL NOTES
"Consul," the famous educated Chimpanzee, is dead. He had frequently been mentioned in despatches as an enthusiastic supporter of Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal revolution.

The Korean army has been ordered to join the Japanese. Now let the Bear make for the tall timber. James Creelman, who knows the Koreans about as well as it is possible for a white man to know them, declares they are the most corrupt cowards on earth.

"The Love Story of Alison Barnard" begun in this issue.

C. O. F. Condolence
Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove by death the brother of our esteemed brother, C. T. Shea,

Knights of St. John
Resolution of Condolence.
At the last regular meeting of St. Anthony and Leo Commandery No. 2, Knights of St. John, held Feb. 21st, 1904, the following resolution was passed:

Pope Pius in the Century
The frontispiece to the March Century is a portrait, in color, of Pope Pius X. The story of his life is interesting.

Month's Mind of the Late Fr. Bergin
At St. Mary's, Star of the Sea Church, Port Credit, on Monday last, a solemn mass of Month's Mind for the Late Father Bergin, pastor of Dixie, was celebrated by Rev. Dr. Treacy.

Mrs. Eleanor McGovern Dead
Mrs. Eleanor McGovern, a sister of Mr. Justice MacMahon and Dr. James MacMahon, died at her home in Dundas on Sunday.

Mr. J. M. McEvoy Nominated
London, Ont., Feb. 21.—The East Middlesex Liberal convention nominated Mr. J. M. McEvoy by a majority on each of the two ballots taken as Liberal candidate for the Commons.

A Trip Through the County of Renfrew

(From our Ottawa Correspondent.)
Some weeks ago, and on a day when the mercury was struggling with zero, I left the Dominion capital to renew acquaintance with old friends in both divisions of the County of Renfrew.

Almonte is one of those pleasant little places which I have for a great many years, at frequent intervals, visited quite willingly, and always left it with some shadow of regret. Built on both banks of the Mississippi river, which furnishes an excellent water-power, Almonte has become celebrated for the extent and variety of its manufactures.

Turk, Jew, or Atheist
May enter here, but not a Papist.
The total population of Almonte at the last census was 3,020, of which 847 are Catholics, 432 Anglicans, 1,030 Presbyterians, 509 Methodists, 184 Baptists, 1 Congregationalist, 1 Brethren, 6 Jews, 1 Protestant, 10 of various other sects, and two who refuse to give their religion, if they have any.

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Our Montreal Budget

(From our own Correspondent.)
The regular monthly meeting of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society took place on Sunday, Feb. 14th. The chair was occupied by Mr. W. P. Doyle, the president. Rev. Father James Killoran, was also present.

The sixty-fourth anniversary of the Society was celebrated on Tuesday before Lent, by holding a grand euchar party. The affair was quite successful. Rev. Fathers M. Callaghan, P.P., James Killoran, and Peter Heffernan were present on the occasion.

In response to a desire manifested by their former pupils, the religious of Villa Marie, Convent of Notre Dame, have decided to adopt means whereby those who, within the last fifty years, have been educated in that institution, may unite to commemorate in a cordial spirit, the fiftyth anniversary of their Alma Mater.

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