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Note and Comment

Rev. Father Baude, O.P., an officer of the French Academy and one of the foremost French-Canadian authors and writers is in Manchester, N.H., on a several weeks visit. Father Baude is delivering a course of lectures in the United States and is to appear at the Knights of Columbus hall, Boston, on Jan. 31. His lecture will be on Octave Cremazie, one of the first Canadian poets.

The recent competitive examination for thirty vacant clerkships on the Great Northern Railway of Ireland appears to have resulted in the appointment of twenty Catholics. This average has been attained in all the examinations held since the House of Commons, at the instance of Mr. MacVeagh, M.P., compelled the railway company to open their clerkships to competitive examinations.

Free Catholic lectures to all classes—creeds and colors are being organized by the Brooklyn Federation of Catholics.

In a discourse in Manchester on the unemployed masses, Father Bernard Vaughan said: "If we were truer to Christ we would know better perhaps how to deal with the question of the unemployed. If they had been given stronger food on which to feed their souls, they would see to-day that there is some other solution of the question than that which is being offered to them."

Several young Irishmen are preparing for the Egyptian missions. A new college for foreign missions has been opened this year near Castlebar, Mayo.

An old and valuable copy of the Roman Missal, published in 1751, was found the other day in a bale of old paper in the Bryant mill, of Kalamazoo, Mich. The volume is an excellent state of preservation. It is described by Raymond J. McNally, son of James J. McNally, of Youngstown, formerly a student at Niagara and Notre Dame Universities and now a bright young reporter on the Kalamazoo Gazette. Printed in black and red on coarse heavy paper, and illustrated with steel engravings, the old book is interesting not only from a religious and historical, but from a material point of view, he says. It is printed in Latin throughout.

In the honor list published on the King's birthday, knighthood was conferred on Sir Heffernan James Considine, who, for the last nine years, has held the post of deputy Inspector General of the Royal Irish Constabulary. The new knight was born sixty-two years ago, the eldest son of the late Mr. Heffernan Considine, of Terk Park, one of that notable County Limerick group of converts which included the late Lord Emly and Sir Stephen and Aubrey de Vere. Sir Heffernan was at Stonyhurst with his brother, Father Daniel Considine, S.J., the new rector of Wimbledon College, passing thence to Lincoln College, Oxford. He was appointed an Irish resident magistrate in 1812, and served successively in Cork, Kerry and Kilkenny Counties, his services in that capacity during difficult times earning on several occasions the thanks of the Lord Lieutenant and the Irish Government. He was created a C.B. in 1902, and had his M.V.O. a year later.

To judge from an announcement from Rome, which appeared in the Catholic papers of Paris, it would seem that the cause of the beatification of Jeanne d'Arc is nearing a successful conclusion. Mgr. Guthlin, Superior-General of the Church of St. Louis des Francs, judging that from the present state of the cause, the beatification may take place next spring, is preparing to erect an altar in honor of the Maid in the national church in Rome.

A Reuter's telegram from Rome states that Cardinal Gotti, Prefect of the Propaganda, has received a most affectionate and touching letter from all the English Bishops who are on the point of leaving the Propaganda, having been withdrawn from its jurisdiction. In the letter the Bishops say that they wish to pay homage to the Prefect of that Congregation under whose leadership the Church has made such progress in the countries which are considered as mission lands of the Sacred College. The Bishops further present their greetings to the Pope on the occasion of his silver jubilee and offer His Holiness gold to the value of \$4,000.

The congress organized to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the foundation of the French Catholic newspaper, La Croix, was a great success. It was attended by some thousand delegates from all parts of the country. At the opening sitting Commander Paul Feron, Vrau, the editor, telegraphed in the name of the Congress to Cardinal Merry del Val, begging him to place at the feet of Pius X. "the respectful homage of filial devotion and absolute obedience and fidelity to his teachings and supernatural directions" of the one thousand congressists. Cardinal Merry del Val replied: "The Holy Father, deeply touched by the homage, good wishes and the expression of sentiments of obedience and fidelity by members of the jubilee congress of La Croix, wishes long life and increasing prosperity for the valiant Catholic journal."

The zealous Paulist Fathers of New York have taken steps for the spiritual care of the Italian members of their large congregation. A special Mass is celebrated for Italians every Sunday, and sodalities for men and women are being organized. Classes in music and sewing for the children have also been inaugurated. The work is in charge of Father McSorley.

Lord Lovat, the chief of the Fraser clan, who came to Quebec for the Tercentenary last summer as the lineal descendant of the Col. Fraser who led Wolfe's troops to victory at Quebec in 1759, is among those who received further honors on the occasion of the King's Birthday. Besides the command of the High-Territorial Mounted Brigade, is now conferred a Knight Commander of the Victoria Order, of which he was created a Commander five years since. Simultaneously with the announcement of this honor, The Gazette records Lord Lovat's appointment as A.D.C. to the King for the Territorial Force.

In future we will devote space to "Health Talks" to which we direct the attention of parents and teachers, and hope by this means to be of assistance to those who are eager to learn the best means of retaining health and also the precautions to be taken against infection.

A careful perusal of this column will, we feel confident, prove both interesting and beneficial.

St. Thomas Aquinas' Fair.

The autumnal fair of St. Thomas Aquinas Church was continued into the present week, and attracted big crowds Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening. Each of the booths was well patronized, and Rev. Father Thomas J. Heffernan, the pastor, on the closing evening, expressed his thanks to those who had cooperated so effectively to make the function successful and profitable to the church.

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Silver Jubilee of Rev. Fathers Rioux and Flynn.

Congratulations Extended by the Clergy and Laity of the City.
A Splendid Musical Programme.

On Thursday evening last, the people of St. Ann's parish turned out in large numbers to celebrate the silver jubilee of two of their beloved priests, Rev. Father Rioux, C.S.S.R., the rector, and Rev. Father Flynn, C.S.S.R., the Minister of the parish. Though the latter was detained in the United States on a mission, he was not forgotten, and the kindliest references were made to him by the various speakers. The concert given by the united choirs of St. Ann's, under the leadership of Prof. P. J. Shea, was a veritable artistic triumph and testified more loudly than could any words have been at work among the people of that typical Irish parish. So marked was the success of the musical programme that it is proposed to give the combined choirs an opportunity to appear before larger audiences in a more extensive hall in the central portion of the city.



REV. FATHER RIoux, C.S.S.R., Rector of St. Ann's Church.

The religious celebration of the jubilee had taken place some time ago, at St. Ann's Church, on the anniversary of the ordination of the two priests, who had been companions since boyhood. Rev. Father Rioux is a native of Trois Pistoles, where his family counts among the most distinguished in that district, while Rev. Father Flynn is a native of Perce, Gaspe, and comes from a family which has given a Prime Minister to the provinces. Both studied together at the Little Seminary of Rimouski, and having the call to the sacred vocation, went together to Belgium, where they spent their period of novitiate. Since their return they have served in the various houses of the Redemptorist Order throughout Canada, and have been engaged in missions throughout the Dominion and the Eastern States of the great Republic to the South.

On Wednesday evening, the members of the League of the Sacred Heart met in their hall, and presented Rev. Father Rioux, the rector, with a fur-lined coat, as a memento of his jubilee. The presentation was accompanied by an address of congratulation and good-wishes to which the reverend rector replied in fitting terms. It was at St. Ann's Hall, on Thursday evening, however, that the people of St. Ann's manifested their attachment to their beloved priests by the overflowing attendance at the concert prepared in their honor. But it was not only the people of St. Ann's who thus showed their approval and love of the "soggarth aroon" of St. Ann's. Distinguished Irish Catholics from the other parishes, headed by the members of the clergy, also came to add the tribute of their presence and their eloquent voices to those who have labored humbly but fervently and effectively for the benefit of what Mr. C. J. Doherty, M.P., fittingly described as "the most typically Irish parish in the city."

Ad. Tom O'Connell presided at the gathering, and his colleague, Ald. Gallery, was also among the foremost in attendance, with the members of their respective families. Mr. W. J. White, the acting churchwarden, occupied a seat on the left of the guest of the evening, while among the other distinguished guests were: Rev. Father Donnelly, pastor of St. Anthony's; Rev. Gerald McShane, P.S.S., pastor of St. Patrick's; Rev. Canon O'Meara, pastor of St. Gabriel's; Rev. Father Brady, pastor of St. Mary's; Rev. Father Shea, pastor of St. Alloysius; Rev. Father Jacquiermain, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Father McPhail, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Father Simard, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Father Poirier, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Father Duval, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Father O'Donnell, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Father Fahy, Singleton.

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The following was the programme rendered:

"The Maple Leaf," Grand Ensemble Chorus.

PART I.

1. Piano duett—"Priest's March," Mendelssohn. Misses E. McDermott, M. Dewar.

2. Chorus—"Happy and Light" (Bohemian Girl), Balfe. Ladies and Gentlemen choirs.

3. Duo (vocal)—"Serenade," Schubert. Misses E. Kenahan, A. McDermott.

4. Recitation—"Two Friends," Rev. Gerald Murray, C.S.S.R. Mr. Jno McKeown.

5. Chorus—"Heaven May to You Grant Pardon," (Martha), Flotow. Soloists—Misses M. Mahoney, E. Slattery, F. Broderick, Messrs. E. O'Brien, M. E. Norris.

6. "Ave Maria," E. Quinn, J. O'Dowd, M. E. Norris.

7. Chorus—"Fair Shines the Moon" (Traviata) Verdi. Girls of St. Ann's School.

8. Sextet and chorus—"What from Vengeance" (Lucia), Ponzietti. Soloists—Misses E. Kenahan, M. McKeown. Messrs. J. O'Dowd, M. E. Norris, F. McCrory, F. Quinn.

Presentation of Addresses.

PART II.

1. Chorus—"Hail Bright Abode" (Lohengrin) Wagner. Ladies and Gentlemen choirs.

2. Solo (Bass)—"The Two Grenaadiers" (Schumann). Mr. Ed. Quinn.

3. Chorus—"Soldiers" (Faust) Gounod. Boys of St. Ann's School.

4. Double Trio—"Charity," Rossi. Misses E. Kenahan, N. M. M. McKeown, M. Mahoney, B. Broderick, A. Quinn.

5. Solo and chorus—"The Padua," Faure. Mr. F. McCrory and Ensemble Chorus.

6. Duo (Vocal)—"Love and War," Cooke. Misses Jos. O'Dowd, E. J. Hiller.

7. Duo and quartet—"Misericordia" (Trovatore) Miss A. McDermott, Mr. M. E. Norris, Messrs. J. O'Dowd, F. McCrory, R. J. Hiller, E. Quinn.

"God Save Ireland," Grand Ensemble Chorus.

MEMBERS OF UNITED CHOIRS.

Ladies—Misses E. Kenahan, A. McDermott, N. O'Neill, A. T. Gilligan, Minnie Mahoney, W. Gilligan, M. Leonard, S. Leonard, B. Broderick, N. Mott, R. Sculion, S. Sculion, M. Ryan, E. McEvoy, M. Malone, M. Bennett, E. Slattery, A. Gilligan, M. Ward, M. Bahen, M. Killdeer, M. Craig, L. Welsh, E. Jones, M. Broderick, M. McKeown, A. Bramham, Margaret Mahoney, K. Madigan, A. Rogers, A. Gilligan, A. Fisher.

Gentlemen—Messrs. E. Quinn, M. J. Hiller, Jno Whitty, Jno. Neahan, Brown, W. O'Brien, Jno. Shanahan, W. Whitty, Jno. O'Grady, T. O'Toole, F. McCrory, M. E. Norris, P. Denphy, Geo. Holland, A. Purdy, E. Foran, R. Latimer, R. Hall, Mrs.

Our parochial system of institutions and organizations is most complete in every department and in all its appointments—our splendid church with its beautiful decorations its magnificent marble altars and its superb new organ, and I might add, the banner choir of Montreal under the able direction of our popular organist and organizer, Mr. P. J. Shea; our Young Men's Society with its spacious halls, libraries and gymnasium, our Temperance Societies and religious confraternities are so many monuments of your zeal and wisdom, which, coupled with your unbounded charities and paternal solicitude for the poor, the widow and the orphan, will perpetuate your name in the realms of the heavenly King who will bestow upon you the reward of the good and faithful servant.

Yes, Rev. Father, these works of charity will likewise be fondly remembered by those to whom you have devoted the greater part of your religious life, for gratitude is characteristic of the Irish heart, and you may rest assured that your name shall go down to posterity enshrined in the loving hearts of your grateful parishioners of St. Ann's.

Rev. and dear Father Rector, we beg your kind acceptance of the accompanying purse as a slight tribute of our unutterable love and devotion.

At the close of the address Ald. O'Connell presented a well filled purse of gold to the rector, and then called upon the pastor of St. Patrick's.

Rev. Gerald McShane dwelt upon a thought contained in the nice verses written for the occasion by a junior member of the Redemptorist Order. He had recalled two characteristics of the administration of the guest of the evening, saying that he ruled with a hand that was gentle but firm. That the reverend pastor whom they had met to honor had shown these qualities was evident by the flourishing condition of the parish, as evidenced by the enumeration in the address just read of the institutions which flourish under his rule.

Another thought expressed in the

verses ended with the wish that beyond the cloud the two priests

should find a crown. On this occasion Rev. Father Rioux did not need to wait until he went beyond

to find the crown. The presence of his brethren in the priesthood, of distinguished members of the Bench,

the Bar, and the other learned professions from all portions of the city, his children from the various schools, the splendid choir under such brilliant leadership, and the people who had come in such numbers to testify their devotion to their beloved rector, rolled back the cloud and were an earnest of enjoyment for all his days, here and thereafter.

Rev. J. E. Donnelly, pastor of St.

Anthony's, could not resist the occa-

sion of exercising his wit on the chair-

man, Ald. O'Connell. It was a

shame, he declared, to force those

who had come to hear beautiful mu-

sic to listen to voices worn in the

preaching of unmusical though sa-

lutary truths. Still his friend the

whip of the Conservative party had

called upon him to speak, and as he

knew him of old, and knew that

when as captain of the victorious

Shamrock lacrosse team he meant