

CORRESPONDENCE. CATHOLIC SAILORS.

To the Editor of THE TRUE WITNESS:

DEAR SIR,—I beg to request the favor of the publication of the following letter, received by one of our members, at present in England, from the secretary of the Seaman's Club in London. I also beg your perusal and comments on the little booklet referred to.

H. J. CODD,
Sec. C.T.S.

56 GT. PRESCOT STREET,
Town Hill, E.,
August 17.

DEAR SIR,—Your letter of August 12 to hand. I am only too glad to be able to give you any information about our Catholic Seamen's Club, at 18 Wellclose Square, E.

The club, so far, has proved a great success and is much appreciated by our Catholic seamen. Though it is called a Catholic Club, persons of other religions are by no means debarred from making use of it, for we desire the club to serve two ends; 1st. To strengthen those who are Catholics and keep them to their duties; 2nd. To draw the attention of non-Catholics to Catholic truths and, if possible, to convert them.

The premises at Wellclose Square are far too small for the present requirements of the club, and were we able to offer sailors sleeping accommodation, and make it a sailors' home, the venture I'm sure would turn out a brilliant success. But we are crippled for funds; the sailors help to support the club as best they can, but we want more outside help.

The central committee seem to make little progress in the matter of begging, and for want of means the club is obliged to remain as it is.

We have had several sailors at the club who have been at the club in Montreal, and we have had glowing descriptions of your doings there. Should you be passing this way I should be very much pleased to see you.

I enclose one of our cards, and also a booklet published by the C. T. S. on Catholic seamen.

W. BLEUZBURG.

[In our next issue we will refer to the booklet that accompanies the above letter.—Ed. T. W.]

ST. ANN'S Y.M.S. PILGRIMAGE TO OKA ON LABOR DAY.

The pilgrimage inaugurated by the St. Ann's Y. M. Society on Monday (Labor Day) was a most successful one, about 300 persons attended. The pilgrims arrived at Ste. Anne de Bellevue about 9.30 a.m. After Mass had been celebrated by the Rev. Father Derridder, C.S.S.R., the boat was boarded again and the pilgrims proceeded on their way. Arriving at Oka at 11 o'clock the party went to the cross at the foot of the mountain and a short sermon preached by the Rev. Father Strubbe on the two great thoughts that should fill the minds of the faithful when reciting the stations of the cross. After a few short prayers and hymns the procession wended its way up the mountain; the men first and the women after, each reciting the rosary. At the top of the mountain another short sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Strubbe and a relic of the true cross was exposed for the veneration of those present. The next hour until 3 o'clock was spent in recreation. At 3 o'clock dinner was partaken of at various hotels and afterwards the church bell called the pilgrims to Benediction, which was given by the Rev. Father Bancart. The pilgrims left Oka at 4.15 p.m. and arrived in the city at 8 o'clock. The members of St. Ann's Y. M. Society who managed affairs deserve every commendation for their excellent arrangements.

MEETING OF ST. ANN'S YOUNG MEN

HALL OPENED FOR WINTER MONTHS.

The monthly meeting of St. Ann's Y. M. S. took place in their hall on Sunday last; there was a large attendance. Rev. Father Strubbe presided, and several new members were admitted to the Society.

Mr. Orton was elected to succeed Mr. J. McGuire, as secretary. Mr. McGuire's name was then placed on the list of honorary members. The hall, since it was closed in July, has been thoroughly

painted, tinted and generally renovated. It is expected that the work of erecting the Gymnasium will be resumed in a few weeks.

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SHAMROCKS AT THE PLAY.

THEATRE NIGHT FOR MEMBERS OF THE
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The play of the evening will be "The Cross Roads of Life," and Edmund Collier, the splendid Catholic actor, will take a principal part. There will no doubt be a large attendance, and Mr. Collier will certainly be eminently gratified by the reception he will receive.

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The young ladies who passed successful examinations at the Catholic Board of Sherbrooke during the past scholastic year, from the Convent of the Congregation de Notre Dame, of Richmond, and received first-class elementary, model and academic diplomas, are the following:—

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6-5 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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Montreal, 22nd August, 1894.
SAINT PIERRE & PELISSIER,
6-5 Attorneys for Plaintiff