

neuve, in person, took part in the construction. A pious legend tells that angels built portions of the edifice while the colonists slept. But the angel hands were those of loving and willing Catholics who appreciated the grand work and wished to have a share in the honor of laying the foundations of a country's first institutions. (G1)

I have sought to show—in the brief space at my disposal—that the Recollets and Ursulines, the Jesuits and Hospital nuns, the Sulpicians and Congregational Sisters, had all to contend with the great enemy—the monopolists. But despite the terrors of Indian warfare, the severity of the climate, the long months of isolation, the enmity of the Huguenot traders and even of the so-called Catholic companies, these missionaries succeeded in laying the foundations of the glorious institutions that are the country's most priceless treasures to day. They sowed the seed in soil dampened by the blood of martyrs; we of this generation enjoy the fruits of that precious tree. (H1)

No sooner was one great obstacle overcome than another arose. The introduction of liquor amongst the Indians by d'Avoungour brought down a curse upon the colony. Drunken Indians threatened the colony with war and massacres; excommunicated liquor-sellers threatened to "wipe out priests, nuns and all white men;" women were no longer secure against the brutality of human tigers; good men were no longer able to continue the work of God; chapels were destroyed, confessionals deserted, and New Year 1663 beheld the blackest cloud that ever hung over the community lower upon church and chapel, convent and college, educators and people. (I1)

But the Almighty had a glorious mission in store for that young nation; and even, as in the days of Israel, He stretched forth His Hand, and seizing the earth, shook it until the people awoke from their stupor and, recognizing their errors, turn back to God and Faith. From the 5th February, 1663, until the beginning of September of that year, the earthquake that convulsed the country was terrific. This wonderful event was rendered still more exceptional on account of the length of time the danger lasted, the extent of country over which it was felt, and the miraculous fact that not a single human being was injured. (J1) Were it not that accounts given by Father Lallemon, Marie de l'Incarnation, M. Boucher, and the Jesuit Relations correspond so exactly, one would feel inclined to believe that the whole story was an invention of Jules Verne or Baron Munchausen. In the woods there was a regular battle of trees, so much so that the Indians said the streams ran firewater, and the forest was drunk. (K1) Mountains were torn asunder and buildings of the strongest class were demolished. Father Lallemon says: "We saw fiery phantoms with torches in hand and lances of fire flash through the heavens, and burning brands descended on our houses, without consuming or injuring them." (L1) "The Hand of God is upon us" was the cry heard on all sides. During that fearful period the nuns were kept busy instructing the thousands who flocked to them; the priests were so occupied in the confessionals that they had no time to devote to any other work. Colonists and Indians, good and wicked, devout Catholics and ex-communicated men, rushed to the missionaries, prayed pardon for their sins, vowed sincere repentance, and registered resolutions of reparation for all the wrong that had been done. (M1)

De Maisonneuve conquered; the liquor traffic was killed; the instruction of the Indians commenced anew. The obstacles, of greatest magnitude, were overcome, and the early educators proceeded to build up the sacred institutions of the land. Two hundred and thirty years have rolled away since the last shock of that earthquake was felt, and with the picture of those days of sacrifice and trial before me, I gaze with

legitimate pride upon the educational institutions that are the outcome of so much heroism and devotion. I will come again to speak to you of the beneficent effects upon the present generation of all that I have detailed this evening; in my next lecture I will attempt to describe the labors and successes of our Indian missionaries and leading educators during the last fifty years of Canada's history.

May Providence look upon those homes of education; may He watch over and guide this Catholic Summer School of America; and when that day comes on which the standard of Faith shall wave over all this continent, may He raise up an Epic poet in the land, cleanse his lips as He did those of Isaiah, fill his bosom with inspirations like unto those that thrilled in the breast of the Royal Prophet, give him the vigor of Homer, the polish of Virgil, the sublime language of Milton, that while he is recording, in stately verse, the wonderful story of those heroic times, he may worthily chant that deathless anthem of gratitude:

"Te Deum Laudamus,
Te Dominum, Confitemur."

PILGRIMAGE TO LANORAIE.

A most successful pilgrimage to the League of the Sacred Heart at Lanoraie was held on Wednesday last by the St. Patrick's Branch of Montreal. The steamer Bohemian left the wharf with the six hundred pilgrims at ten o'clock. Mr. Scanlan, of the Dominion Line, ordered a salute of six guns fired as the steamer left the wharf and also when she returned. The courtesy was highly appreciated by all on board and was a topic of very favorable comment during the pilgrimage. Devotional exercises were conducted during the down trip, Lanoraie being reached about noon. The Rosary was recited in the parish church and at its close a recess for dinner was held. At three o'clock Rev. J. A. McCallen, of St. Patrick's, delivered an impressive address on the efficacy of prayer. Following the discourse, the Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was celebrated by the Rev. Father McCallen. The steamer left for Montreal about four. During the return trip the Rosary was again recited and appropriate hymns sung. The pilgrims reached the city about seven, where a second salute of six guns was given. The Rev. Father McCallen conducted the trip with the assistance of a committee from the St. Patrick's T. A. & B. Society, composed of Messrs. John Walsh, W. P. Doyle, John H. Feeley, A. Brogan, N. P. L. C. O'Brien and the Rev. Thomas Meehan, who assisted Father McCallen during the pilgrimage. The thanks of the pilgrims is offered to Mr. Michael Scanlan, superintendent of the Dominion Steamship Line, for his great courtesy in having a parting salute of six guns fired, and another similar salute on the return of the pilgrimage. This mark of respect has been shown on former occasions by Mr. Scanlan and decidedly he deserves the gratitude of all who take part in such pious excursions.

ECCLIASTICAL APPOINTMENTS

The Rev. Abbe Bellerose has been appointed vicar of the parish of Boucherville.

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OBITUARY.

THE LATE MR. JOHN HEELAN.

It is with deep and unfeigned regret that we record the death of Mr. John Heelan, which sad event took place on Sunday morning, at his late residence, Ottawa street. It is true that Mr. Heelan's death was not quite unexpected, yet it came like a shock to his great host of friends and admirers in Montreal. A short time ago deceased visited Colorado for the benefit of his health, but ever since his return the fatal malady, that finally carried him off, had been making steady headway. He was in his thirty-second year, in the full bloom of noble manhood and at that period of life when the future looks rosy with promise and hope. When the painful news of his death became known the Shamrock Athletic Association ordered a floral star, with an inlaid inscription wrought in natural flowers, to be sent to decorate the couch whereon the one-time star of the lacrosse field slept his last sleep. Eight years have gone by since Mr. Heelan was an active member of the Shamrock team, and yet it seems only yesterday since he was seen on the grounds wearing the colors of the club and evoking enthusiastic applause from the thousands who watched and admired his prowess. He was, physically, a splendid specimen of manhood; he was one of the most expert players of his day; when seen with the ball on his lacrosse rushing towards the goal of an opposing team, many is the cheer that encouraged him and that told how keenly awake to the importance of his triumph were all who took interest in the manly game.

While occupying a place of distinction in the ranks of the amateur athletic men of his time, he was foremost in the grand work of placing in the front every organization with which his nationality was specially connected or in which his fellow-countrymen were particularly interested. In the field of physical culture he nobly did his part. But apart from those achievements, that will not soon be forgotten, he devoted his time to the acquiring and cultivating of the qualities of mind and heart that tend to elevate a people. He was a young Irishman of whom his fellow-countrymen could well be proud, and a Catholic whose life and example should not be lost upon his co-religionists. Socially, he was a charming companion, and all who enjoyed the privilege of an acquaintance with him have ever felt better and happier by reason of his association and companionship. And above all, to these fine characteristics, we must add that of a deep and solid religious spirit, a Faith that no obstacle could shake and a Charity that kept pace with the devotion of his heart. In the last hours, and during the trying months that preceded the end, this religious fervor was his grandest consolation and his truest guarantee of a future of happiness.

The chief mourners at the funeral were the father of the deceased, Mr. William Heelan, and his brother, Mr. Patrick Heelan, as well as other near relatives. The pall-bearers were Messrs. E. Kennedy, R. S. Kelly, Jas. Wilson, W. O'Brien, F. Ryan and F. Barret.

The large concourse of sorrowing relatives, mourning friends and grief-stricken admirers that followed his remains to that silent city beyond the mountain, is the best evidence of the esteem, respect and love in which he was held by hundreds. In the words of that service which the church chants over her faithful children, we bid him farewell—"May his soul rest in peace."

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

PASSED AT A MEETING OF THE S. A. A.

A meeting of the Directors of the Shamrock Amateur Athletic Association was held last night. Mr. J. P. Clarke, president, occupied the chair.

Previous to the reading of the minutes, the president made a feeling reference to the death of Mr. John Heelan, whom he termed one of the stalwarts who did yeoman service in carrying their colors to the front. The following resolutions were then proposed:

Moved by J. P. Clarke, seconded by D. Gallery, and resolved:

That having learned of the death of Mr. John Heelan, a former prominent member of the Shamrock lacrosse team and also a life member of the Association, we desire to place on record our deep sorrow that he was called from our

midst just at a time when he had only entered the decade which leads to the prime of life.

Moved by T. Butler, seconded by F. O'Reilly, and resolved:

That we furthermore wish to express our admiration for the noble endeavor he has made during many years to advance and promote the prosperity of the Shamrock Amateur Athletic Association and its affiliated clubs.

Moved by E. Halley, seconded by J. McCay, and resolved:

That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the relatives of the deceased in their bereavement.

THE LATE MR. DANIEL SHEA.

At the last monthly meeting of St. Ann's Young Men's Society, held on Sunday, 5th August, the following resolutions of condolence were unanimously adopted:—

Whereas,—It has pleased Almighty God, in His wisdom, to remove from our midst one of our oldest parishioners in the person of the late Mr. Daniel Shea, father of our esteemed fellow members, Messrs. P. Shea and M. Shea:

Be it resolved,—That we, the members of St. Ann's Young Men's Society, desire to place on record our sincere sorrow and regret at the loss they have sustained, and in extending to them our sympathy in their sad bereavement we earnestly hope that the Giver of all our joys and sorrows will comfort them in their dire affliction:

Resolved,—That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to Messrs. P. Shea and M. Shea, and also to the TRUE WITNESS for publication.

JOHN J. MCGINN, Sec.

TO BECOME NUNS.

At the convent of the Sisters of Ste. Croix, at St. Laurent, Mgr. Fabre conferred the garb of religion on the following: Sister Marie de St. Paul, Flora Kennedy, of St. Raphael, Ontario; Sister Marie St. Denis, nee Allen Connors, of Montreal; Sister Marie de St. Albine, nee Catherine McDougall, of Alexandria, Ont.

A SPLENDID CANOPY FOR THE NEW CATHEDRAL.

Bermoria's famous Canopy, in the Basilica of St. Peter's at Rome, is to be copied for the new Cathedral in this city. The Canopy will be of embossed bronze and will be forty-three feet in height. The important work of executing this splendid canopy has been entrusted to Mr. Vincent, one of our most artistic sculptors.

Bargains in Furniture going on this month, at F. Lapointe's, 1551 St. Catherine Street. Open every Evening. Tell your friends about it.

ALEXANDRIA SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

The following is a list of the pupils of the Separate Schools who were successful at the High School entrance examination. Convent School—Rachel Donovan, Catherine T. Kennedy, Agnes McDonald, Mary M. McDonald, Christie McDonald, Flora Ann McDonnell and Flora McPherson. Boys' Department—Eugene Huot, Donald John McDougall, Donald D. McDonald and James McPhee.

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G 1—Ecrits autographes de la Sœur Bourgeoys.

H 1—See second lecture, by J. K. F.

I 1—Journal des Jesuits, 18th Sept., 1662, and 20th Sept., 1662.

Marie de l'Incarnation, Lettre 63d 671, 10th Aug. 1662.

Journal des Jesuites, Jan. 1663.

J 1—Fallant, vol. III, p. 46. Hist. de la Col. Franc. au Can.

K 1—Marie de l'Incarnation, lettre 65, p. 578

L 1—Relations des Jesuits, 1663, p. 4.

M 1—Lettres de Marie de l'Incarnation. Lettre 67, p. 590.

Jesuits' Journal for Feb., 1663.