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A NEW ONTARIO DIOCESE.

The creation of a new diocese by the division of the present diocese of Peterborough, shows how rapid is the growth of the Catholic population in the more remote parts of the Province of Ontario. His Lordship Bishop O'Connor has been ruling a vast territory, and the laborious pastoral journeys his duties entailed belong rather to the conditions existing a century ago than to our own days. The Bishop-elect, Father Scollard, of North Bay, is another soldier of the faith cast in the same heroic mould. He was born in the Township of Ennismore, on Nov. 4, 1862, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Scollard. His mother's former name was Miss Catherine O'Connor. His primary education was received in the local schools, and resolving to take holy orders, he studied classics and philosophy for six years in St. Michael's College, Toronto, and theology for three and a half years in the Grand Seminary here. He applied himself diligently to his studies and always took the highest standing in St. Michael's, where he won a gold medal in philosophy. His career at the Grand Seminary was likewise a brilliant one. At the end of his second year there he took the degree of B.D., and at the end of his third year his licentiate. Rev. Father Scollard was ordained in St. Martin's Church, Ennismore, on December 21st, 1890, by His Lordship Bishop O'Connor, who was assisted on that occasion by the late Rev. Father Laurent, V.G., Lindsay, as Archdeacon, Rev. Father D. O'Connell, parish priest, as deacon.

Father Scollard was the first priest to be ordained by Bishop O'Connor. He was stationed in Peterborough for five years, and in February, 1896, he went to North Bay, where he has been located ever since. During his eight years there he has most faithfully and efficiently discharged the duties devolving upon him, and has won a warm place in the hearts of those with whom he came in contact.

It is probable that the consecration of the new Bishop will take place in Peterborough about the first of February. In referring to the division of the diocese, His Lordship Bishop O'Connor has pointed out that so large a territory as that included in the former jurisdiction required closer attention; one Bishop could not properly attend to it. For that reason he had asked the Holy Father for the division and the request has been granted. A new diocese had been formed and Rev. Father Scollard appointed Bishop. The people of Peterborough had become acquainted with him during his six years' labor there, following his ordination, and they had appreciated his services. It was an honor to the people of Peterborough and vicinity that one from their midst should be elevated to the dignity, and His Lordship naturally feels an especial pleasure because Rev. Father Scollard was the first young man he had ordained to the priesthood.

Rev. Father Scollard is the second from the Diocese of Peterborough to be raised to the dignity of a Bishop, the other being His Lordship Bishop McEvay, of London, Ont., who was born in the Township of Emily.

TEACHERS' QUALIFICATIONS IN ONTARIO.

The injunction case at the instance of David Grattan, of Ottawa, against the Catholic School Trustees of that city, to prevent the fulfilment of their contract with the Brothers of the Christian Schools, was heard on appeal in Toronto last week, and judgment rendered confirming the finding of the trial judge, to the effect that the Brothers are not qualified to teach without certificates of the Department of Education. This case was fully discussed when the first adverse judgment was handed down some months ago by Mr. Justice MacMahon, himself a Catholic. The position of the trustees was in accordance with the interpretation that has heretofore been accepted of that clause of the British North America Act regarding the status of religious engaged in teaching at the union of the Provinces. The Ontario Department of Education had never questioned the legal qualification of the Brothers as a constitutional concession for all time; but the Court of Appeal now holds, as Mr. Justice MacMahon held, that the concession was strictly limited to the individuals actually engaged in teaching at the union, not extending to their order or its members who might subsequently take up their work. The educational authorities of Ontario themselves took part in the appeal proceedings, issuing temporary certificates to the Brothers affected by the injunction. What may now happen is a matter of conjecture. There is a disposition shown by all sections of the daily press in Western Ontario to question the reasonableness of continuing the temporary authorization; but the position in which the Brothers find themselves is so obviously unfair that it may be safely assumed the official mind will be more susceptible to justice than popular clamor. All fair-minded persons will admit that the assumption of inefficiency is hasty and unwarranted. The court has given no hint that such inefficiency on the part of the Brothers exists. The fact of the grounds of appeal being limited to the one claim upon the constitutional side of the case puts the consideration of actual efficiency out of the way altogether. The Brothers have not taken out certificates, and on this formal and technical point they are prevented from teaching. Hon. Senator Scott, who remembers all the argument and discussion upon the Separate School Act, is one of those who felt convinced of the soundness of the Brothers' position. However, the confirmed judgment is a fact that has to be dealt with, in wisdom and with practical intention to do the best under the circumstances for the schools and the pupils attending them. Ontario Catholicism is loyal to the cause of Catholic education, and entirely united in its loyalty. The educational authorities have the highest opinion of the work done in the Catholic schools, both the Premier and Minister of Education being on record as to the merit and efficiency of the teaching. On the other hand, efficiency is the watchword of Catholic educationists, so that under all circumstances a fair and harmonious arrangement in face of this injunction may be attainable.

ARCHBISHOP ELDER.

The late Archbishop Elder was a great saint and a great hero, a combination most natural alike to the ministry which he espoused in his young manhood, and to the period of stress and trial upon which his country had entered when the zealous priest was in his prime. He was a hero in war and in plague. His life was the testimony of one who had lived for truth; and though all are not called to acts high and noble in the sight of men, as his were, all are called to testify to the truth. In his last public letter, Archbishop Elder showed how the humblest Catholic citizen living in those days of peace may give evidence of his faith by which all men may know him. This is in regard to education; and

these are the words of the saintly and heroic Bishop:

"It is almost impossible for a Catholic parent to send his child to a non-Catholic school anywhere in the country where there is a Catholic one without causing scandal. That is to say, such action suggests to other Catholic parents to do the same; it has the appearance of religious indifference; and it tends to break down the strictness and firmness of Catholic faith. It is, therefore, nearly always a very grievous scandal, especially when the parent in question is a person of some standing and influence. Now an action which involves scandal of this kind can only be justified by a very grave necessity. It is the duty of the parent, therefore, to take the judgment of the Church both upon the possible extent of the scandal and the reason for risking it."

Massacre of Priests and Nuns.

Australian Protestants Express Their Sorrow and Sympathy with Catholics Over the Awful Incident.

Details of the massacre of priests and nuns at New Britain, off the Australian coast, which took place on August 16th last, are furnished by a special correspondent of the Sydney Age. The work of the priests and sisters of the Mission seems to have been very much appreciated by the natives, and the outbreak, therefore, came as a great surprise. The details of the attack are very painful, and nothing like it has taken place in the South Seas for a long time. It is pitiable to think that Tomaria, the instigator of the tragedy, in his boyhood days was a slave, and was rescued from captivity by this very Catholic mission. There is one feature of the unfortunate episode with which Christians of all kinds, and especially Australian Christians, should feel very well pleased. The President of the Evangelical Council of New South Wales has sent to Cardinal Moran, the Archbishop of Sydney, a message in which he states that the members of his Council were deeply grieved at the news of the awful massacre of the Catholic missionaries in New Britain; "and on behalf of my Council," he adds, "I desire to tender our heartfelt sympathy with your Church in the loss of so many brave, self-denying workers, and with the bereaved families who have lost their loved ones. They are part of the noble army of martyrs, heroes and heroines, whose death we all deplore. We pray that God's comfort may ever be with the bereaved, and that you, Rev. Sir, may feel that the hearts of your Protestant fellow-citizens are beating in true Christian sympathy with you in the grief that has come to your own heart. On behalf of the Evangelical Council of New South Wales, I remain, your Eminence, yours fraternally, George T. Walden, President Evangelical Council of New South Wales."

The Cardinal's reply was what might have been expected. He expressed his deep gratitude, and declared that "the massacre of ten devoted servants of Our Blessed Lord cannot but bring sadness to the hearts of those who are engaged in the sacred ministry, but in the mysterious ways of God it often pleases Him to lead to the triumph of His own divine cause by the path of martyrdom. I would ask you to convey to your Council my sincerest gratitude for their kind sympathy, whilst I remain your faithful servant." This exchange is hailed by the Catholic press of Australia as a happy development in the religious life of the Commonwealth.

MORGAN RETURNS COPE.

J. Pierpont Morgan has presented to the Italian Government the cope stolen from the Cathedral at Ascoli, Italy, and purchased by him at a sale more than a year after it disappeared from the church.

This cope, which is a magnificent jewelled cape, worn by prelates, was bought by Mr. Morgan in perfect good faith, and he paid \$60,000 for it. When it was identified, however, efforts were made to secure its return to the Ascoli Cathedral. Much correspondence followed, and the great financier decided to return the cope to its former owners through the Italian Government.

The cope was stolen by a gang, one of whom, a photographer, committed suicide when accused. He left a note saying that some of those involved were too powerful to be reached.

KING WILLIAM'S BIRTHDAY.

How and Why Its Celebration Fell Into Official Disfavor in Dublin.

Lord Rossmore's repudiation of Orangism, published in last week's True Witness, has produced a profound sensation. The Dublin Freeman's Journal, in this connection, traces the history of the celebration of the 4th of November in Ireland. From the time of the Revolution till the beginning of the nineteenth century November 4th, which was the birthday of William III., was celebrated in Dublin with the greatest pomp. The Lord Lieutenant held a Court, and, followed by the Chancellor, the Judges, and the Lord Mayor, and a long train of the nobility and gentry, he paraded in state around the statue of William III. in College Green. At the Drawingroom the ladies appeared decorated with orange ribbons, and orange cockades were worn by the soldiers. These commemorations were universally recognized as mere manifestations of loyalty to the Constitution, and were fully countenanced by men who were very friendly to the Catholics. The Volunteers held some of their chief reviews round the statue, which during the Volunteer Movement, which had done so much to bridge the chasm between Protestant and Catholic, was in high favor with all parties, the 4th of November being a gala day. Wolfe Tone has noticed as a significant fact that in 1799, for the first time since the institution of the Volunteers in 1792, the parade on the 4th of November round the statue of William III. was objected to and omitted.

The statue lost its popularity with the National Party, and in 1798 the sword was wrested from its side, and Waddy Cox, by trade a gunsmith, attempted to file off its head. The material being specially good brass, he was unable to get through the operation in time. In 1806 the Duke of Bedford, the Lord Lieutenant of the day, refused to sanction with his presence the procession round the statue on November 4th, which was discontinued in 1821, after the visit of George IV. to Ireland in that year. In 1822 the Lord Mayor, John Smith Fleming, forbade the ornamenting of the statue with colors or emblems calculated to give offence, and the only remarkable procession around "King William on horseback" which occurred at a later day was formed by a body of trades on their way to Merion square to present an address to O'Connell. The Dublin Corporation, largely composed of Catholics and Nationalists, a few years ago restored the statue of William III., which was erected so far back as

1701, regarding it as an old historic relic—a circumstance which was the subject of Sir William Harcourt's warm eulogy in the House of Commons in 1895 as an evidence of the absence of all religious animosity among Irish representative Catholics.

CATHOLIC SAILORS' CLUB.

The Catholic Sailors' Club had their usual weekly concert last evening. Senator W. P. B. Casgrain presided. Prof. Cal. H. Corey had charge of the programme, which was a most enjoyable one. The following talent took part: Miss Lillian Allmond, Miss Gerlie O'Brien, Miss Victoria Scott, Miss Ethel Whytock, Miss Alice Wren, Miss Helena Tait, Miss Gerlie Lidstone, Miss Bertha Crouch, Mr. Henry Diplock and the musical trio, Messrs. G. Gorman, Norman Butler and H. Bowden.

DEATH OF AN OLD RESIDENT.

There passed to her reward last Friday, Mary Aird, widow of William Barry. She was born in the reign of George III. in Derry, Ireland, in the year 1798, and lived during the reign of five sovereigns: George III., George IV., William IV., Victoria and Edward VII. Although she had attained the marvellous age of 106 years, it was only within a few days of her death that her faculties were impaired. Her husband predeceased her, having died in 1893 at the good old age of 93. Mrs. Barry had a family of twelve children, only three of whom survive: James Barry, aged 75, Mrs. Mooney and Mrs. Sheevers; there are also eleven great grandchildren. The deceased was a faithful parishioner of St. Ann's, always taking deep interest in its progress. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon last, and was very largely attended.

RUMMAGE SALE.

The members of the "Loyola Club" held their sale for the poor last Wednesday afternoon in the Library Hall, Bleury street. This year it took the form of a "Rummage Sale" and proved a decided success, from a financial standpoint. Since then, so many friends have signified their regret at not having been invited to help in the charitable undertaking that a second sale will be held in the course of next month. Friends having old furniture, clothing—children's especially—china, books, etc., which are of no further use to them, are invited to send names and addresses to Miss B. Jones, 510 Cadieux street, or to Miss A. Lanning, 53 St. Monique street. The proceeds will be expended by the Loyola Club in the annual dispensing of Xmas cheer.

WEDDING BELLS.

BOYD-FRIEND.

St. Patrick's Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Tuesday morning, Nov. 8, when Miss Annie Friend, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Friend, was married to Mr. William J. Boyd. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Luke Callaghan, in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives of the bride and groom. The church was very prettily decorated for the occasion. Prof. Fowler presided at the organ. The bride, who wore white satin and lace with veil and orange blossoms and carried a showy bouquet of white roses, was attended by Miss Maude Canniff, who also wore white. Mr. James Bathurst acted as best man, and the ushers were Mr. Edward E. Hart and Mr. A. J. Kavanagh. The groom's gift to the bride was a solitaire diamond ring. After the ceremony breakfast was served at the residence of the bride's parents, and later Mr. and Mrs. Boyd left on their wedding trip to Boston, New York, and other points, the bride wearing a brown travelling costume. The bride's presents were numerous and handsome.

BURIED UNDER THEIR OWN RUBBISH.

Some people spend a large part of their lives beginning things and then dropping them. They squander their energy and waste their efforts in rushing from one thing to another, without ever accomplishing anything. They have the faculty of beginning things, but do not seem to have the inclination or the ability to finish them. They are the victims of spasmodic enthusiasm. A new plan is suggested, or a new idea strikes them, and they are all vigor and enthusiasm when they first begin to put it in action, but very soon their interest cools, their ardor dies out, and the thing, whatever it is, is left unfinished.

Such people give you the impression of being suffocated by the rubbish about them. Everything is lying around in an uncompleted condition,—half written letters and manuscripts, half executed plans, works of all sorts in various stages of development, and all in a state of utter confusion.

Don't wash your needlework with ordinary soap. Make suits of the white sort, and, when washed, iron wet until dry.

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NOTES FROM THE PARISHES OF THE

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH.
Rev. James Killoran, warden, is engaged in a parochial work in the Diocese of Pembroke, returning on Saturday last.

The social in aid of the will be held on November 24, in the Victoria Catholic street.

St. Patrick's Total Abstinence Society held a ladies' meeting on Sunday to nominate officers for the year. The election takes place, Rev. James Killoran, spiritual director, was present. W. P. Doyle occupied the chair. The boys of St. Patrick's and cadets are giving a concert on Sunday afternoon (Thanksgiving) at Armory Hall, which promises to be successful.

Rev. Dr. Luke Callaghan, Toronto, was the guest of the Lamarche, the French of the Sacred Heart Church, street East.

ST. ANN'S PARISH.

The women's retreat was to a successful close on Sunday. At night the men opened. The church was crowded. Rev. Father Rioux, rector, Sunday evening for Rome, the canonization of Blessed Maljella, a lay brother of Rev. Father Flynn will be rector during Father Rioux's absence.

ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH.

The annual church parade of the divisions of the Hibernian city will take place next morning, when High Mass will be sung by Rev. Father Fahey. Hibernian Knights will be uniform.

In the afternoon the boys' parish will meet for the formation of the juvenile temperance society.

ST. MARY'S PARISH.

Last Friday the anniversary service for the late Father Simon Loneragan, the father, was celebrated.

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH.

The Catholic Order of St. Anthony's Court, No. 1, show its strength next Wednesday, Nov. 23rd, when the series of eucharistic parties will be held under their auspices.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

This morning at 8 o'clock High Mass was sung in new church to thank God for many graces and blessings since the formation of the parish. The new pews were used for the first time last Sunday. The private school for the of the parish was opened on morning.

ST. AGNES PARISH.

At the last Mass on Sunday, Father Christopher, O.F.M., ciscian Monastery, Dorchester preached.

The League of the Sacred was established in the parish days ago. Mr. J. F. Quinn the first president of the branch.

St. Ann's Temperance Society.

Last Sunday afternoon, the monthly meeting of St. Ann's Abstinence and Benefit Society, place. Ald. D. Gallery presided. Four new members joined the society. After the reading of minutes, the question of the of the juvenile society was discussed. Mr. J. O'Hagan took kindly to the movement was followed by Mr. P. Marner of St. John's, Newfoundland, who, in a convincing speech, the benefits which would accrue such a society. "Let us plant a tree," said Mr. Marner, "and its fruit will be peace, joy and happiness." Mr. Andrew spoke at length, and said such a society would be one of life, which would lead to prosperity and happiness. Mr. Cuddihy spoke on the lines and showed that the society would not be a burden to the adult body. He was very to see temperance work so encouraged in our midst, and that