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Mrs. W. J. COLLTON who has been ill for the past few weeks is now on the road to recovery.

CAN any man professing one spark of Christianity conscientiously take the oath of the P. P. A.? We say not.

Mrs. MARTIN EGAN who has been visiting relatives in the east for the past few months arrived home on Saturday last.

BRANCH 52 C. M. B. A. received Holy Communion at St. Mary's church, and branch 163 at the Immaculate Conception church on Sunday last.

"Right is right, since God is God. And right the day must win; To doubt would be disloyalty, To falter would be sin."

PRENDERGAST, the assassin of Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, who was to have been executed on Good Friday, has been respited until April 6th.

THE NORTHWEST REVIEW, of Manitoba, appears last week in a cheerful sprink-like green in honor of St. Patrick—Catholic Columbian, Ohio.

SUNDAY next which will be Low Sunday, the members of St. Mary's Court No. 276, Catholic Order of Foresters, will receive Holy Communion in a body at St. Mary's church.

THE students of St. Boniface college are giving an entertainment entitled "St. Louis is Chains" this evening, at the college, the proceeds to go towards the funds of the hospital.

In olden times it was a custom to rise early on Easter Sunday to see the sun dance. Of course, the sun does not dance; but the eyes of a joyous and faithful people see it that way.

FIRST by a glance over our advertisements the fair ladies in their walks these fine spring days, will find much to please the eye, to gratify the taste, at reasonable figures by calling on our patrons.

PARENTS have to answer to God for the souls of their children, therefore, remember that they are obliged in conscience to see that their children and others under their charge receive the Easter Communion.

MR. J. P. PRENDERGAST, M. P., left for St. Anne, having called again to the bedside of his friend and fellow-legislator, T. Pare, M. P. P. The latter has had added to his ailment a severe attack of typhoid fever, and is not expected to live.

At the services at St. Mary's church on Good Friday evening, there was the devotion of the Way of the Cross, followed by a most interesting and eloquent sermon on the Passion of Our Lord, preached by the Very Rev. Father Accorsini.

A DAILY paper has a long article on the interesting subject of "How to enter and alight from a carriage gracefully." To the most of us a more absorbing question is "How to avoid street cars on our streets safely," not usually having the opportunity to do it gracefully.

ALAS, for ex-priests and ex-nuns! Even the Orangemen are going back on them! The Canadian lodges have resolved to employ no more "escaped nuns and ex-priests" to lecture against Catholics. They say their mission is ended. Poor Chiqui!

THERE are 1,091 prisoners in the Kentucky State penitentiary at Frankfort. Of the entire number but 40 are Catholics. No doubt had some of the "enlightened editors" of this city and province had had anything to do with the above report, the figures would have been just the reverse.

THE Irish Standard says: All the Irish and French Catholic members of the police force at West Duluth were laid off last Monday night and their places filled by members of the A. P. A., it being the first opportunity of the new administration to strike a blow at the Catholics.

THE Catholic Record has it from trustworthy sources that the eleven French Canadians, ten men and one woman, in the parish of Maskinonge, Quebec, who left the Church to join the Baptist body owing to a dispute with the pastor over the site of a chapel, have returned to their old allegiance. Mere motives of personal pique had prompted them to do what few who do it get the grace to repent of.

THE members of the P. P. A. in Ontario finding no other body silly enough to fight with them are now engaged in warfare among themselves. Some of the more intelligent class? after being duped to join, and finding out that the majority of the gang possessed no religion have now shook them. What better could be expected from a class that was never taught neither the fear of God nor man?

The daily average number of patients treated in the general hospital for last week was 101 of which seventy-five were males and twenty-six females. Twenty-four out patients were also treated during the week.

ANOTHER proof that, from an intellectual point of view, the Catholic system of education is in no sense inferior to the secular one, was furnished by the result of a recent debate between students of the Georgetown and Columbian Universities. In the contest the representatives of Catholic colleges proved easy victors.

As will be seen from advertisement on our third page the pupils of St. Mary's Academy will give two entertainments, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, April 4th and 5th. The programme for both evenings is of the most interesting character, and the performances of the pupils of St. Mary's Academy are too well known to need any repetition of praise from us. The entertainments are under the patronage of His Honor, Lieutenant-Governor Schultz.

MR. J. G. KAVANAGH, of Deloraine, who has been visiting the city for the past few days left for home yesterday, taking his little daughter, who has been suffering from injuries caused by the explosion of a cartridge some weeks ago. Mr. Kavanagh paid us a friendly call and had a long chat about the crops in his district last year, the P. P. A., and the present political situation. We were pleased to learn from him that fools are not very numerous in the Deloraine district, judging from the poor success the P. P. A. is meeting with in its propaganda out there.

THE time for making the Easter Communion extends from the first Sunday in Lent to Trinity Sunday inclusive. All the faithful are hereby warned that those who neglect to make the Easter Communion violate a law of the Church which binds under pain of mortal sin. The transgressors of the law are moreover, subject to excommunication, and should they die, to privation of Christian burial.

An observant citizen remarked the other day that a man could tell what part of the country he was in with his eyes shut by just hearing the different names given by the natives to the same thing. "For instance," he said, "in New England they call a certain toothsome delicacy by the sturdy old Yankee name of 'doughnut.' In the Middle States it has become a 'culler,' and in the South they speak of it as a 'nut-cake,' while in the West you can order it as a 'fat-cake,' and yet it is the same old doughnut that the Puritan Fathers used to pack in their knapsacks when they started out to make good Indians."

THE estimation in which the Vicar of Christ holds the Sisters of the different religious orders, says an exchange, was shown at a recent reception. Members of diplomatic circles, military officers in full uniform, ladies and gentlemen from the four quarters of the globe were in attendance, all in the costume which Vatican etiquette requires. There were also two Sisters of Charity, whose simple habit was in striking contrast to the dress of the lay persons in attendance. As soon as they were introduced the Holy Father cried out loud enough to be heard in all parts of the audience chamber: "My dear Sisters, welcome! welcome!" It was an incident to be forever remembered by all present.

MESDAMES Lawlor and Cass have hit on a very happy way of raising funds for a most deserving object: the St. Boniface hospital. These two enterprising ladies have got together a most magnificent collection of plants and flowers, which they exhibit to lovers of the beautiful for the small charge of ten cents. The collection comprises some rare species of floriculture—choice exotics, and splendid blooms, and patrons are well repaid by a visit. There is also a museum of curiosities for which all parts of the world have paid toll. Anyone who desires to invest ten cents in the best manner possible cannot do better than patronise this exhibition. There is a liberal education awaiting them, besides the feeling that they have done a little to assist a most deserving object.

THE C. M. B. A. RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

Another Branch Being Formed—Some of The Benefits of the Organization.

Since our last issue in which we announced the establishment of a branch of the Canadian C. M. B. A. Relief association in connection with branch No. 163 of the C. M. B. A. steps have been taken by some of the prominent members of branch 52 to introduce the Relief association there, and we are glad to say they have met with such success that in a few days the new organization will be in full swing in St. Mary's parish. There is no doubt a great future in store for the Relief association in this city as throughout the rest of Canada for there is no doubt it offers unequalled advantages to the members. From the inception of the organization one of the principal objects has been to add as many benefits as possible towards assisting members during life, and as the funds have permitted the weekly benefit of \$4.00 for twelve weeks of sickness has been increased to the very liberal proportion of \$5.00 for fifteen weeks; the sum of \$50.00 on the death of a member's wife has been added; and recently compensation for accident has been introduced. The dues have remained the same throughout and the prospects are that owing to the progressive financial standing of the association further benefits will be added at the convention in September next without any additional cost to the members. The beneficial effect this Relief association will have on the C. M. B. A. can hardly be overestimated. By joining it a man secures a weekly payment during sickness which will assist him to pay his doctors' fees and part of his assessments in the C. M. B. A. without asking the branch to keep him in good standing. If a member is away from home it will provide him with means to go into a hospital or engage someone to look after him. If at home a sick committee is bound to visit him and assist him in every possible way. As the membership is spread throughout the entire prov-

ince of the Dominion it is likely to escape those heavy sick claims to which small bodies managing their own sick funds are always liable. It is claimed that the annual dues are lower than in any similar association, and it is certain that adding the four dollars per year to the total expenses of C. M. B. A. membership the amount combined will be found lower than any society giving the same benefits. The fifty dollars payable on the death of a member's wife will come at a time which is one of the most trying events in a man's life and the hundred and fifty dollars on the death of a member through accident will enable the family to pay funeral and other expenses leaving intact the C. M. B. A. Beneficiary. While no member of the C. M. B. A. is forced to join the Relief association every one should undoubtedly encourage it as its establishment has taken away the only excuse many men have had in refusing to join the mother body. The executive officers command the respect and confidence of all C. M. B. A. brothers, and by the admirable manner in which they have so far managed their affairs are entitled to the admiration of every man of business. C. M. B. A. men should earnestly consider the unequalled benefits of the Relief association, and give their assistance to extend its usefulness. Each new branch means just so many new helpers in the cause of the brotherhood, each new member adds just so many new members, and as the association is limited to members of the C. M. B. A. it cannot extend its usefulness elsewhere. For further information and particulars application may be made either to the President of the already formed Branch No. 58, Mr. F. W. Russell, to the secretary, Treasurer—Mr. J. Shaw, whose address is 262 Catherine Street; or to Mr. L. O. Genest, President of Branch No. 52 of the C. M. B. A. who is taking the initiative in the good work in his district. The method of becoming a member is very simple, all that is needed is an application form and to be examined by Dr. Neilson, whose office is now over Gordon's new drug store on Main street near the C. P. R. There is no initiation ceremony but from the time the supervising medical examiner signifies his approval the applicant is entitled to all rights and privileges as a member and a certificate is issued. The meetings are held quarterly, and the first gathering of Branch No. 38 will take place at the academy of the Immaculate Conception on the first Thursday in April.

Immaculate Conception Church.

The services at the church of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday were all well attended. This was especially the case at the early morning masses; that at 8 o'clock being assisted in by a particularly large congregation, the greater portion of whom, including the members of Branch No. 163 of the C. M. B. A. who attended in a body wearing their badges and received Holy Communion. At 10.30 grand high mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Accorsini, with Rev. Father Lavigne, deacon, and Rev. Mr. Zerbach, sub-deacon. The choir rendered Mozart's first mass in C and gave it in a manner which more than sustained their already high reputation. Although an entirely voluntary organization, this choir has by faithful attendance at the practices, gradually advanced from one success to another, and the members have shown themselves fully qualified to give an artistic interpretation of the most difficult music. The mass given on Sunday was perhaps their most ambitious effort, but it went with a smoothness and precision that can only come from thorough devotion coupled with high musical ability. The reverend pastor of the parish, Father Cherrier, personally trained the choir for this occasion, and conducted on Sunday. He has been ably assisted by the organist, Mrs. George Germain, who thinks no sacrifice too great when the object in view is to make the services as impressive as possible, and in keeping with the solemnity of the various festivals as they come round. The full choir on Sunday morning was as follows: Sopranos, Mrs. A. Bernhart, Miss Frances Tobin, Miss Winnifred Tobin, Miss Corwin, and Miss McCormack; altos, Mrs. Buzzard, and Mrs. F. W. Russell; tenors, Messrs. Lanctot, Markinski, Shaw, Fecteau, and Ferstenberger; basses, Messrs. N. Tomney, A. Picard, Bellevue, Lalonde and Lavallee. At the offertory, Lambillotte's "Resurrexistis" was sung. This is a most beautiful composition, both the music and the words being very impressive. The principal solo parts were taken by Mrs. Bernhart, Mrs. Buzzard, Messrs. Lanctot, Markinski and Tomney. We have heard many choirs in the course of our life, some of them ranking very high in the estimation of the musical world, but we are free to assert that in no instance have we derived more pleasure and profit than we have in listening to the choir of the Immaculate Conception church, and in watching the constant improvement which has been going on in connection with it. It seems to us there are several causes which have obviously contributed to this great success. The first undoubtedly is that almost every member of the choir have great talent and is well disposed to use it in the service of the church. These good people have voices, they recognize it to be their duty to use those voices for the glory of God, and not looking for any other inducement they are ready to do everything that lies in their power to advance the interest of religion and especially of the parish they belong. This is the secret of their great success, and it is also a guarantee for the future, for the link that binds them together as a musical organization is one that will bear the test of time, and the troubles that have been so disastrous to many choirs of far greater pretensions they will in all probability escape.

In the evening the church was packed during vespers the special features of the music were Zingarelli's grand "Laudate" and Mozart's "Magnificat." At the close of the vespers Rev. Father Drummond ascended the pulpit and preached an eloquent sermon on the festival of the day from the words "Whom seek ye, Jesus of Nazareth? He is risen! He is not here. Behold the place where they laid him." He described in powerful and eloquent language the beauty of the Easter season and the lesson of the immortality of the soul, concluding, "We then to the man who believes not in the resurrection of the body, for there will be a resurrection, and that is the only true comfort for the troubled soul. What worldly consolation can you offer to a sorrowful human creature? Oh, your

gospels of dirt!—your consolations of the world! How empty and how profitless are they! Tell the stricken ones rather that there will come a time when they shall throw off their burden of sin and sorrow and reap the happiness which is to come, the happiness of living with the pure God. Tell them this, and you open up to the weary and the heavy laden vistas of peace, of joy and contentment which will make rich, and bring no sorrow with them. Except ye have faith, and become as little children, ye cannot enter the kingdom of Heaven." The eloquent preacher made a deep impression upon his hearers.

Benediction followed during which Mrs. Lloyd, of St. Boniface, was heard to great advantage in an "O Salutaris," and the choir sang "Regina Coeli" and Lambillotte's "Tantum Ergo." The soloists of the evening were Mrs. Bernhart, Mrs. Germain, and Misses Tobin and Mrs. Buzzard.

Resolution of Condolence.

At the meeting of Branch 52 C. M. B. A. held last Wednesday evening, Mr. H. A. Russell secretary to the branch was instructed to write a letter of condolence to Mr. Chas. J. McNeerney, on his sad bereavement caused by the death of his wife, Mrs. McNeerney, some short time ago.

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