

In and Around Toronto

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS.

The feast of the Most Holy Rosary was observed in the churches on Sunday and special devotions are held every Wednesday and Friday evening throughout the month of October.

A.O.H.

At the last meeting of Div. No. 1, A.O.H., the members had the pleasure of addresses from Rev. Father Kincaid of Youngstown, Ohio, and Mr. O'Shaughnessy of Oswego.

MR. MICHAEL J. PERRY.

We have been reminded from several sources that in our account of the jubilee of St. Basil's parish we have forgotten one whose name should not have been omitted from amongst those to whom honor and recognition are rightly due. Mr. Michael J. Perry is known to everyone in the parish and there are doubtless many scattered throughout Canada and the United States who remember the faithful Sacristan of St. Basil's. Mr. Perry is an Irishman, but since 1873 his home has been with the Basilians at St. Michael's College. Though a layman he observes the rule of the House and lives as one of the Community. As Sacristan Mr. Perry has religiously cared for the sacred vessels and the vestments given to his charge and his fidelity, has been shown from year to year in the beautiful repository and Christmas Crib, always the work of his hand. It is not the faculty and parishioners alone that appreciate Mr. Perry, but former students remember him kindly, and indeed it was one of those now a pastor in the city who first drew our attention to our omission. After nearly thirty-five years at the College, Mr. Perry is as faithful and enthusiastic in the work of beautifying the house of God as at the beginning, and that he has lived to share in the Golden Jubilee of St. Basil's is a source of pleasure to his many sincere friends, who also hope for him many more years to continue in the work of his heart in the home of his adoption.

"AT HOME."

St. Helen's Court, No. 1181, C.O.F. will hold their annual "At Home" on Wednesday evening, the 17th inst. The Assembly Hall, Temple Building, has been secured and the Queen's Own Orchestra will be in attendance. The affair promises to be most enjoyable. Committee in charge—J. J. Downey, chairman; O. T. Loftus, T. C. Tracy, T. W. Fullan, W. J. Mahar, John A. Muldoon, J. R. Bradley and J. F. Strickland, Sec.-Treas., 23 Saunders Ave.

HONORS FOR JAS. F. COSGRAVE

Mr. James F. Cosgrave, the eighteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Cosgrave, is the late winner of several honors, and as a result congratulations are pouring in from all quarters. He is the winner of the Argonaut Rowing Club junior singles and also of the Club Championship and the Dufferin Medal, and this feat is reported as something never before done in a single day by a member.

RENEWAL OF MISSIONS.

The renewal of the Missions given last year by the Redemptorist Fathers in St. Mary's, St. Paul's and St. Helen's parishes will begin in the respective parishes on Sunday, the 21st inst.

DEATH OF LITTLE ANNIE McNAMARA.

Annie McNamara, the little seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. McNamara, and sister of Mr. M. McNamara, an employee of the Catholic Register for a number of years, died on Thursday last, the 4th inst., after an illness of only four days. Diphtheria was the cause of death. Interment took place on Friday in Mount Hope Cemetery. The sudden taking off of their little one has roused much sympathy for her family. R. J.P.

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO MISS JENNETTE HIGGINS.

Dear Sister Knight.—It has pleased our Heavenly Father, who in His infinite wisdom and justice doth all things for the best, to take unto Himself your beloved father, and we with you and your family mourn the loss not only of a worthy and respected citizen, but an ardent and devoted member of our Holy Mother Church. What a holy consolation to know that your dear father died embracing the true faith and rich in the memories of many good deeds rendered. We only hope and pray that God will give you strength to bear with Christian fortitude the loss of so kind and loving a father. Hope whispers fondly, "your dear father will meet us at Heaven's bright portals where partings and sorrows shall come never more." Signed on behalf of the Ladies' Auxiliary Knights of St. John. L. O'LEARY, President. ADELINE JORDAN, Rec.-Sec.

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

The quarterly meeting of the Children's Aid Society took place in their hall, Shuter St., on Monday evening. Rev. Father Whelan presiding. Despite the rain a fair number were present, amongst them being Rev. Fathers Meehan and Nasr, Miss Walsh, Mrs. P. Hynes, Mrs. French, Mrs. Egan, Messrs. Eugene O'Keefe, M. J. Heaney, J. J. Murphy, P. Hynes, D. Miller, Jas. Rodgers, P. O'Connor, Wm. Halley, L. J. Cosgrave, J. B.

O'Regan, C. McCabe, L. V. McBrady, Mr. Temple, F. P. Lee and others. Mr. J. J. Murphy acted as secretary. The Treasurer's report showed a good balance in hand after which the President, Mr. M. O'Connor gave interesting details regarding the Society's work. The suggestion of Mr. L. V. McBrady that the Society be brought to the notice of the Catholic public by the distribution of its printed annual report, was approved by the meeting. The report of the Agent, Mr. P. Hynes, showed a reduction of complaints for the quarter. During this time 95 cases affecting the interests of 114 children had been reported. The wards now in the hands of the Society are 12; all are doing well. Rev. Father Whelan congratulated those present on the work that had been done, and well done, and regretted that more were not interested in so laudable an object. After the payment of fees the meeting adjourned.

AT ST. FRANCIS.

The seventh centenary of St. Francis was observed in the church and parish placed under his special patronage with all the enthusiasm which previous preparation had promised. The triduum preceding was well attended and the day itself was a grand testimony of the piety of the parishioners and of their fidelity towards their saint and patron. Mass by the Pastor, Rev. Father McCann, was said at 5 o'clock. At 6 o'clock a second Mass was said by Rev. Father Carberry, while at 9 o'clock His Grace Archbishop O'Connor was the celebrant. Rev. Fathers McCann, Carberry, McGrand and Cline, assisting. Special singing by the choir and hymns to St. Francis by the children of the school, were also given. His Grace spoke on the life of St. Francis, "The poor man of Assisi," talking for his text and applying to him the words "Learn of Me, for I am meek and humble of heart and you shall have rest to your souls." The sketch as drawn by the Archbishop was a very human and attractive picture of the Saint, and the congregation and the societies especially were urged to still further zeal in his regard. At the Masses about five hundred approached Holy Communion. After Mass the Archbishop visited the schools, where he delighted the children with his approval of their fire-drill, their general appearance and their piety and devotion as he had seen it that morning. The culmination of the Feast was witnessed in the evening, when the beautifully decorated altars, large congregation, and the presence of the various parish societies, made an inspiring scene. The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin and Sacred Heart League occupied seats on the epistle side of the church while Saint Vincent de Paul and Holy Name Societies occupied the Gospel side. Solemn Vespers were sung by Rev. Father Player, C.S.B., with Rev. Fathers Carberry and McCann as assistants. A picturesque and highly pleasing feature of the celebration was the reception of about forty young girls into the Sodality of the Holy Angels. Attired in white, each wearing her red ribbon and all preceded by their pretty banner, the children were a delightful picture to contemplate, and their devout responses to the questions addressed to them were a source of edification to all present. The singing of O Salutaris by Mr. F. Fulton was fine and devotional. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Teefy, C.S.B., and his address was an eloquent portrayal of the virtues and life of St. Francis. After a pleasing reference to the reception into the Sodality of the Holy Angels, the story of St. Francis was given. This great central figure of the thirteenth century, this apostle of poverty and humility, St. Francis is not surpassed in virtue by even the chosen twelve. Concluding, Rev. Dr. Teefy urged upon his hearers to imitate the examples of their chosen saint and patron. About one thousand had approached the sacraments during the week and on Sunday the parishioners were congratulated by Father McCann for the spirit with which they had entered into the work. The celebration of the centenary was in every respect a decided triumph for the parish.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL HONOR ROLL.

Pupils who have obtained Testimonials of merit for good conduct and application during the month of September: Senior IV., Excellent—1 Harry Sullivan, 2 Thomas Lundy, 3 Romeo Grossi, 4 John Cronin, 5 John Lane. Good—1 Edward McCool, 2 Leo Ryan, 3 John Skain. Junior IV., Excellent—1 John Bannon, 2 Fred Fensom, 3 Wm. Hand, 4 Francis Hickey. Good—1 Hugh Callaghan, 2 Gordon Fensom, 3 Joseph Deferari, 4 Peter Hally, 5 Joseph Skain. Senior III., Excellent—1 Clifford Landreville, 2 Wm. Madigan, 3 Edward Keating, 4 Edw. Spelman. Good—1 Henry Overend 2 Jno. Dunahy, 3 Edw. McTague, 4 Louis Scallion, 5 W. Ingolsby. Junior III., Excellent—1 Gordon Oswin, 2 Basil McCormick, 3 Hubert Foley, 4 Leo Shannon. Good—1 Michael Montone, 2 James Banane, 3 Patrick Cassidy, 4 Edward Campbell, 5 James Ryan. Senior II., Excellent—1 Eugene Shannon, 2 Clarence Hickey, 3 Alfred Irvine, 4 Graham O'Neill, 5 Richard Foley, 6 James Akrey. Good—1 Vincent Defoe, 2 David Christie, 3 Arthur Kinsella, 4 Francis Marryn, 5 Francis Ryan, 6 Percy McGee. Pupils who obtained the highest

number of notes in the monthly competition: Form IV., Sen. Div.—1 Leo Albert, 2 Thomas Lundy, 3 Inzie Milne, 4 Edward McCool, 5 Leo Ryan, 6 John Cronin. Form IV., Jun. Div.—1 Wm. Hand, 2 John Bannon, 3 Fred. Fensom, 4 Edward Divine, 5 Joseph Deferari, 6 Francis Hickey. Form III., Sen. Div.—1 Edw. Spelman, 2 David Dinan, 3 Basil Watson, 4 Francis O'Connell, 5 John Harris, 6 Thomas O'Connell. Form III., Jun. Div.—1 Patrick Cassidy, 2 James Ryan, 3 Wm. Murphy, 4 Louis Scaret, 5 Gordon Oswin, 6 James Spelman and Edw. Campbell (tie). Form II., Sen. Div.—1 Clarence Hickey, 2 Eugene Shannon, 3 John Jordan, 4 Samuel Priet, 5 Ernest Walsh, 6 James Malone.

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE. A permit has been granted for a new school to be built at the corner of Hamburg avenue, north of Ebor street. The cost will be about \$11,000.

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING.

Congregational singing was introduced at St. Helen's church on Sunday evening last. The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin sang the alternate psalms and verses of the hymns and it is hoped that in time the entire congregation will take part. The attempt so far is very successful.

A CALL FOR YOUNG MEN.

At St. Francis' church on Sunday the Pastor, Rev. Father McCann, said that when seeing the large number of young ladies present that morning in a body to receive Holy Communion, the thought had come to him, why could not the young men be seen monthly in the same way? The young men had souls to save and were subject to at least as many temptations as the young ladies. Perhaps, said Father McCann, it is not the fault of the young men; it may be that they have not been sought after and invited as they should have been. Now, however, it is to be hoped that arrangements will be made some time in the near future whereby the members of the Holy Name Society will approach Holy Communion monthly, and be present as a body in the church just as the members of the young ladies' Sodality are now.

HON. T. P. O'CONNOR WILL BE HERE.

On Saturday evening the people of Toronto are to have the privilege of seeing and listening to Mr. T. P. O'Connor, one of the most noted Irishmen of the day. Besides his parliamentary career of twenty-five years during which the eyes of the Irish everywhere have been upon him, Mr. O'Connor is known as one of the foremost journalists of his time. He is also a magnificent speaker and a treat for those who will hear him; it is undoubtedly in store. A meeting, under the auspices of the United Irish League was held at the King Edward on Monday evening to arrange for the coming of Mr. O'Connor. Mr. E. J. Hearn presided and a large number of representative citizens were present, amongst them being M. J. Haney, Danford Roche, L. J. Cosgrave, J. C. Murray, Frank Lee, Mr. T. J. Loftus, Dr. McMahon, Jas. McConvey, M. J. Quinn, John Fitzgerald, E. J. Hearn, A. T. Herton, T. Cunerty, C. W. Falvey, Dr. Sweeney, L. V. McBrady, K.C., J. Harkins, P. F. Cronin, and Wm. Burns. A second meeting was held on Wednesday evening. As results of the two meetings it is determined to hold a gathering at Massey Hall on Saturday evening, at which Mr. M. J. Haney will preside. Invitations have been sent to prominent men both in and outside the city. In addition every friend of Mr. O'Connor or of the Irish cause, irrespective of color, race or creed, is invited. There will be no fee for admission and it is expected that every seat will be taken. Mr. P. F. Cronin was elected to frame an address of welcome to the distinguished visitor, and Press, Invitation and Reception Committees were struck. A band and string orchestra will furnish patriotic and national airs, and Toronto's favorites, Miss Agnes Curran and Mr. Ruthven McDonald, will render vocal selections. Further information may be had from Mr. L. V. McBrady, K.C., Secretary, or from Mr. J. T. Loftus, Treasurer.

IT IS ONLY NECESSARY TO READ THE TESTIMONIALS TO BE CONVINCED THAT HOLLOWAY'S CORN CURE IS UNEQUALLED FOR THE REMOVAL OF CORNS, WARTS, ETC. IT IS A COMPLETE EXTINGUISHER.

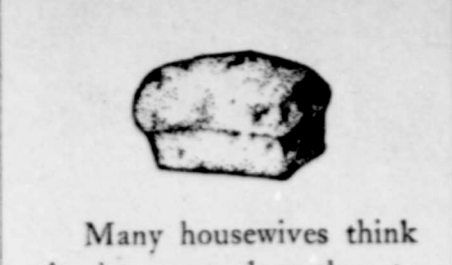
A STRONG PROTEST

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We also, dearly beloved brethren, desire to relieve ourselves of all responsibility for the calamities that now menace our country. The law of separation in its present shape will not only rob France of her title of a Catholic nation, but will likewise rob of real liberty to profess a religion which was her very life and the source of her greatness during many centuries, and which alone can assure her order and peace in the future. At Catholic Bishops and as Frenchmen, as it is possible for us to help enforce such a law?

Pius X. invites us, dearly beloved brethren, to adopt the means "the law concedes to all citizens, to arrange and organize religious worship." With this object in view we shall give you at a suitable time necessary instructions as circumstances will demand.

We still wish to entertain the hope that our country will be saved from a religious war. French Catholics demand in the name of a law which claims to assure liberty of conscience and to guarantee the free exer-



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cise of religious worship," that in the practice of their religion there shall not be imposed upon them a form of Church government which their conscience will not permit them to accept; they demand that the fact should not be ignored that in every case and in every country the legalized organization of Catholic worship should be arranged only after a full and complete understanding with the Supreme Head of the Church; they demand that if they are resolved to bring about a separation between Church and State at any and every cost, they will at least leave us in possession of the property which belongs to us and in the enjoyment of the liberties guaranteed to us by the common law, as is done in all countries that are really free. We cannot bring ourselves to believe that a deaf ear will be turned to these demands.

"In this hour of sore trial for France," concludes Pius X., "if all those who desire to defend the supreme interests of the Fatherland with all the resources at their command will work as they ought in the cause of religion, united among themselves and in union with the Bishops and ourselves, there will be no reason for despairing of the salvation of the Church of France. On the contrary, there will be good grounds for hoping that she will be raised to higher dignity and will resign her former prosperity. We entertain no doubts in regard to Catholics rendering full compliance with our instructions and desires. We shall endeavor to obtain for them, through the intercession of Mary, the Immaculate Virgin, the aid of the divine goodness."

A union of hearts, filial obedience, generosity, a spirit of sacrifice and a fervent recourse to prayer—such is the programme marked out for us by the Supreme Pontiff which we should like to see carried out. Forgetting all past differences, all of you, dearly beloved Brethren, should be one in heart and soul with your Bishops and your priests in the work of preserving and defending our holy religion with perseverance and energy, avoiding everything savoring of sedition and violence in conformity with the instructions given by the Supreme Authority. If in defiance of the decision of the Head of the Church they attempt to establish associations which will be Catholic in name only, none of you, under any pretext whatsoever, must consent to be enrolled in such associations.

Your Pastors are resolved to submit to spoliation and poverty rather than prove false to their duty. You will understand that all the faithful are bound in conscience to assist them by contributing, each according to his means, to defray the expenses of religious worship and of its ministers. Finally, because our cause is the cause of God, and without His assistance all efforts to secure a victory will prove abortive, we should redouble our prayers with greater assiduity and fervor. Through the intercession of the Most Holy Virgin Mary, who has showered upon our country so many marks of her predilection, we shall supplicate the Heart of Jesus, "who loves France," to keep this country, which is so dear to us, faithful to its Christian vocation, so that it may, under the aegis of its ancient religion, continue to fulfill its glorious destiny.

This letter will be read from the pulpit in all the churches of France on Sunday, September 23.

Given at Paris at a fully attended meeting September 7, 1906: Francois, Cardinal Richard, Archbishop of Paris; Victor-Lucien, Cardinal Lecot, Archbishop of Bordeaux; Pierre, Cardinal Coullie, Archbishop of Lyon; Etienne, Archbishop of Sens; Marie-Alphonse, Archbishop of Cambrai. Francois, Archbishop of Chambéry, Fulbert, Archbishop of Besancon; L. Francois, Archbishop of Avignon; Rene-Francois, Archbishop of Tours; Pierre, Archbishop of Bourges; Eudoxe Irene, Archbishop of Albi; Frederic, Archbishop of Rouen; Jean-Augustin, Archbishop of Toulouse; Francois, Archbishop of Aix; Louis-Joseph, Archbishop of Reims; E.-Christophe, Archbishop of Auch; Leon-Adolphe, Archbishop of Sida, Co-adjutor to Cardinal-Archbishop of Paris;

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