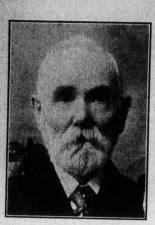
(From Our Own Correspondent.)



MR, MILES MACDONELL.

to the altar Miss Anne Lambert,

daughter of Mr. Thos. Lambert, then

marriage ceremony being performed

moration of the marriage was of a twofold character, religious and so-

Church, of which Mr. and Mrs. Mac

The occasion was taken advantage of

by the Redemptorists in charge, to

make the event a memorable one in

jubilarians who, with their families

are ever active workers in all that

concerns the interests of the parish.

The altars were ablaze with electric

lights and wax tapers, and made

beautiful with floral decorations, and

the choir sang a special Mass with

Miss Evelyn O'Donoghue, Miss Ger-

trude Costello and Mr. James Cos-

tello as soloists undert the direction

of Miss Nellie Costello, who presided

at the organ. During the Mass Mr.

and Mrs. Macdonell, kneeling at the

altar rail, received the special bless-

ing from the hands of the celebrant

of the Mass, Rev. Father Haydon,

who at the close of the Mass gave

occasion, and expressing his pleasure

In the evening a banquet was given

at which fifty guests were seated. The

large well lighted rooms were bright

and suggestive in decorations of

white and yellow, and the bounteous-

ly supplied tables were made beauti-

ful with dainty floral touches and

handsome gold lined dishes, which stood out here and there midst the

glistening crystal and spotless dra

Jubilarians." was warmly proposed

by Mr. P. F. Cronin and eloquently

responded to by Rev. Father Barret, Rector of St. Patrick's, who paid a

glowing tribute to the many virtues

of Mr. and Mrs. Macdonell; speeches

were also made by Rev. Fathers

Haydon, Dodsworth and Sthule and

by Messrs. Jas. Newton (Liehouse),

E. J. Hearn, J. W. Phorney, Capt. Morgan and others. At the close of

a few hours of perfect enjoyment the

host and hostess "many happy

On the following evening entertain-

ment was provided for about forty

of the younger members of the fami

ly, who played progressive euchre

coming of the "wee sma' hour" warr

ed them to disperse. The sweet singing of Miss Amy Davidson and

A Golden Jubilee being of but

the participants of interest. Mr. Mac-donell was born near the village of

ronto with his parents in 1841. He

has been a resident of the city ever

years spent in the village of Lime

Mount Millick, Queen's County, Ire-

land, on Oct. 31st, 1836, and came

da seven years later.

to. Of the nine children born Mr. and Mrs. Macdonell, one son and

Mrs. Macdonell was born i

St. Andrews, Stormont County,

since, with the exception of a

she with her mother settled in

added greatly to the evening's

violin playing of E. M. Connor

occurrence makes the history of

1834 and came to To

and "trod the mazy dance" until the

years

arted, all wishing

their

The toast, "The health of the

short address appropriate to

ciation of their esteem for the

donell are members of long standing.

a maiden of sixteen summers,

at St. Michale's Cathedral by

Vicar General of the diocese,

cial, and lasted two days.



MRS. MILES MACDONELL.

A GOLDEN JUBILEE-An event four daughters survive; one of the delightful in its passing, and which latter is married to Mr. Young the Dominion Observatory. will be long remembered by those privileged to take part in it, was the Among the incidents of interest in celebration of the fiftieth anniversconnection with the event was the presence of Mr. Andrew Cottam, who ary of the marriage of Mr. and Miles Macdonnell. The event had been also present as a youth on took place on January 28th, 1904 the occasion of the Silver Jubilee; at the family residence, St. Patrick street, Toronto. Fifty years previously Mr. Miles Macdonell had led

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also the exhibition of satin slipper the bride on her wedding day, and of the little glass lamp or its old fashioned marble stand which formed part af the early house keeping equipment of the young The numerous and costly presents

the numbering in all nearly one hundred Father Bruyere. The commespeak of the esteem in which Mr, an Mrs. Macdonell are held. Special mention must be made of a beautiful souvenir painted on celluloid On the morning of the 28th, a High Mass was celebrated at St. Patrick's encased in a handsome gold frame, which will always remind the family of the happy event in its history Amongst the guests from a dist nce present on the occasion were Mr. Bradley, Georgetown; Mr. Brennan, Acton; Mr. Jas. Newton Limehouse, and Mr. Weaver, Stratford.

The numerous friends of Mr. and Mrs. Macdonell wish them many happy years, and that they may celebrate their Diamond Jubilee, surroun ded as now by health and happiness and by their amiable and devoted

PASSING FEASTS-The passing weels holds within itself three feasts, each of which recalls a sublime and important event. The Purification solemnized on Sunday last, recalls to us the journey of our Blessed Lady to the Temple carrying with her in accordance with the custom of the time, her offering of the two doves, and also the presenting of the Divine Child and his recognition by holy Simeon; in our churches candles were offered at our altars and afterwards carried in procession through aisles, while the choir sang of Him who was a Light and Revelation to the Gentlies, and a Glory to the people of Israel. On Tuesday comes the commemoration of the Passion Our Divine Lord. It recalls the agony in the garden, the blood trickling down the sacred face, the scourging at the pillar, the crown of thorns the carrying of the Cross, the crucifixion, the thirst of the dying viour, the forgiveness for the penitent thief and the supreme moment when the dying lips uttered "it consummated." and we hear the rending of the veil of the Temple and the fury of indignant nature at the cruel death of our innocent Lord.

On Thursday the Feast Lady of Lourdes, we think of story Bernadette, we see the spring bubbling up from the cave, the blooming rosebush and the lumin ous vision of the Blessed Virgin appeared and declared "I am the Im maculate Conception." Then, too. on Monday we had the 8th of the date to be held sacred month. throughout the year, while the cele bration of the fiftieth anniversary of the great Dogma. The passing week is certainly filled with thoughts many and beautiful.

KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN .- On February 15th, the Knights of John will hold their annual At Home in the Assembly Hall of the Tem-ple Building. It is expected that the event will outshine anything of the kind held in Toronto for some time, and the preparations are now under way, and the committee who have the affair in hand speak well for the enjoyment of the evening.

STUDY OF PLAIN CHANT - I.P.

thing very like "fear and trembling" that I ventured to intimate that we Toronto know little or noth about Plain Chant, and that study of the subject would be well thy of attention. Since that I have several times noticed that from different parts of America and Ireland, priests and others interested tanted for Rome to study the music of the Church. This being so, name need come to us on account of ignorance in the matter, and anyone with intelligent knowledge of the subject would surely be welcomed all interested.

ST. NICHOLAS INSTITUTE -Surprising and delightful was the entertainment provided for the boys of the institution and a few privileged friends at St. Nicholas' Institut for Boys on Thursday of last week, The guests were ushered into a large ent converted for the time be ing into a concert hall, and found emselves in the midst of about fifty of the finest looking and best behaved boys to be found in the city of Toronto. Neatly dressed and "up to date" in appearance, their deportment corresponded throughout the entire evening with their gentle manly exterior, and in the musical and elocutionary performance which followed they took part with ease and whole-heartedn spoke for their tra,ning and the earnestness with which they enter into things generally. The occasion was the outcome of the kindness of the members of St. Vincent de Paul, most of whom were represented. The President of the Society, Mr. Murphy presided throughout the evening. The hearty chorus singing of the boys and the piano-accompaniment Mr. Patton, a member of the house since his childhood, were special featunes of the programme.

Rev. Father Canning gave an inspiriting address commending the House and the work it was doing, and making special mention of Mother Stan islaus, head of the establishment; he also urged upon the bays the neces sity of caring for their appearance and manners and always to have the courage to frown at wrong doing wherever it might come under their notice. While advising all to ac quire every educational advantage possible, the Rev. Father declared and in this he was seconded by the majority of those present, that the boy minus education and money, but gifted with pluck and perseverance, if placed side by side with the wealthy and educated boy who lacked pluck and perseverence, would forge far ahead and leave his monied and cultured opponent far in the rear. Short speeches were also given by Messrs Murphy, Hearn, Seitz, Cronin Hynes and Cline. Among others pre sent were Mr. W. A. Fayle and Mr Wm. O'Connor.

The second part of the entertain ment took the shape of a veritable feast; long tables were laid along three sides of the dining hall, and at those the boys and their friends sat lown to a most delightful repast. An entire supper menu, ranging from cold turkey to ice-cream, was served and the dainty table appointments together with the Christmas decorations which still graced the room made the affair altogether pleasant and enjoyable. Grace was said by Rev. Father Canning and the success of the House was toasted by Mr. E. J. Hearn. boys made polite and efficient wait-

The following took part in the programme : Piano, Masten E. Seitz; Recitation, Mr. F. Ginn; Song, Mr. McNaughten; Violin Solo, Master Angaro; Song, Mr. A. Costello: Hymn, Mr. Hamra and Master Barret; Piano and Violin, Masters Seitz and Angaro; Song, Mr. Bhas. Leonard; Song, Mr. Patton; Solo and chorus by boys of the Institute

It is to be regretted that publicity is not given to the work of this institution, which under the care of the Sisters of St. Joseph for boys otherwis omeless, or who at best would be thrown amongst such questionable surroundings as to make the leading of an honest and moral life almost an impossibility. The support of the charitagly inclined could not b better expanded than by applying it to the needs of St. Nicholas' Institute for boys.

DEATH OF A NUN.-At the Precious Blood Convent on Sunday, Jan 24th, occurred the death of Sister Mary Nativity. The deceased Sister had been ill for several months and during her great sufferings edified all by her patience and resignation. R

IRISH NOTES.

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MAYORALTY ELECTIONS .- The sociations Irish News, of Belfast, in its reference to the civic elections, points out some of the obstacles which stand in the way of good Governm certain districts. It says:

The elections to the Mayoralty and Shrievalty on Saturday are in every city and borough except Belfast and Derry, altogether satisfactory. In Dublin a signal Nationalist victory was scored in the election of Councillor Hutchinson to the Chief Magistracy. Mr. Hutchinson is a good type of a self-made Irish citizen. For many years he has been a prominent figure in that excellent benevolent organization, the Irish National For esters, and the success and spread of the Foresters' Society are due in a gneat degree to the exertions of men imbued with earnestness and patriotic sentiments of Mr. Hutchinson. As one of the Councillors pointedly said, the election of Alderman Cotton, the Unionist, would have put Dublin in a false position. Dublin is the metropolitan city of the Irish nation, and not the chief town of an English province. A staunch and trustworthy Nationalist is the proper representative of such a city, Councillor Hutchinson's record an swers this qualification in a degree.

In Cork, Drogheda, Waterford and Kilkenny prominent Nationalists have been elected to the places of honor, and this is just and fitting, for the desire of the people is that recognition should be given to efforts of the men who are not afraid to identify themselves with the making of an Irish Ireland

In Belfast Sir Daniel Dixon re tired after an unprecedented tenure of office. The best commendation that can be given to Sir Daniel is that he strove to fulfil to the best his judgment his different duties. The Mayoralty has been making increasing demands on its occupier's tac and discretion. Sir Daniel was found equal to these demands. He retires rom the office with the good wishes of all sections in the Corporation Sir Daniel hopes that by the end of so far as tramways are concerned they are greatly behind other cities of similar importance. The Council are promoting abill to take over the tramways, and to electrify same, and Bir Daniel hopes that by the end of the summer they may be in possession of the undertaking. There could not be a more durable or popular monument of Sir Daniel's Mayoralty than this achievement. The citizen have waited so long and patiently for this boon that they are disinclined to partake of Sir Daniel's sanguine optimism in the coming summer see ing the end of the present tramway

Sir Otto Jaffe was elected to vacant office, in which his old perience should be useful to him dur. ing the coming year. He begins his duties with the good will of the entire corporation.

The most interesting incident the day was the nomination for the Shrievality. A very characteristic in cident it was. About the same time an equally characteristic incident was Piano, Miss Murphy; Song, Mr. Seitz being witnessed in Derry Guildhall.
Egyptian Comic Song and Greeting In Belfast a Catholic and Nationalist professional gentleman was nominatd as a candidate for the post High Sheriff. On the proposition of two of his Catholic colleagues it was sought to place Dr. O'Connell's name on the rota. The Catholic popula-tion numbers nearly 90,000, and it will occur to most unprejudiced minds that there is nothing unreasonable in asking that once in a time a Sheriff should be one of their faith A series of votes were taken. Alderman Hutton's name was placed first on the list. Mr. Andrews's name was put second after a division in which sixteen votes were given for Dr. O'Connell. On a further vote Dr O'Connell's name was not permitted to appear even third on the the consideration of the Lord Lieute nant. That is to say, the name of s Catholic gentleman of high rank in a liberal profession, who has discharge liberal profession, who has discharged his municipal duties with ability and without giving offence to any Unionist, was rejected on no appar-ent grounds except those of the religion which he professes.

Bigoted orators of political as-

of that ilk have been railing in their bitterest mood against the Cathonia Association of Ireland. These people talk about toleration, but when tole ration has to be practised, is not this incident a signal illustration of the spirit in which it is practised in Pel-fast? Efforts by Catholics to raise their heads in this country, and to insist on the fair treatment that is meted out to their non-Catholic coun trymen, form pretexts for denouncing these efforts as attempts to exterminate Protestants. Here in collast the men who denounce these efforts have no condmenation for the cruel boycott of a Catholic gentleman beause of his Catholicity.

In Derry also Catholics are persistently ignored. Though they form a majority of the people and a repre minority in the Council they find it impossible to secure any post of honor or profit for a Catho-lic. This is the lesson which Belfast and Derry are furnishing to the county, urban and rural councils else where. In Derry an eminently fitted candidate, Alderman Maxwell, was nominated for the Mayoralty. But ha is a Catholic, and he was voted down by a party vote. There seems to be no he ope of securing toleration or fairness in public matters from the Unionist majorities in the North. We admit honorable exceptions do exist, but their fewness proves the general rule.

OTHER ELECTIONS .- Cork, Councillor Augustine Roche, J.P. Clonmel-Alderman Thomas ssey (re-elected.)

Drogheda-Councillor P. Gorman. Kilkenny-Councillor E. O'Shea. Limerick-Councillor Michael Donnelly (re-elected).

Waterford-Mr. James A. Power, (re-elected).

THE SAME OLD STORY .- Prominent leading men of both English parties have for years and years been proclaiming that the Catholic of Ireland, the Catholic majority of Ireland, have a gnievance in being deprived of facilities for university ducation on the same footing as the Protestant minority, and that that grievance ought to be redressed. Has it been redressed or has an effort beer made to redress it? This question is well answered by Archbishop Walsh of Dublin, in a letter addressed to Mr. John Redmond, M.P., inclosing a subscription of \$50 to the Irish Parliamentary fund. Reviewing the history of the question during his own occupancy of the high office he holds, the Archbishop says: "I have now been for close

nineteen years, first, vicar capitular and then Archbishop of Dublin. the end of all that time, in 1904, we stand in this respect precisely where we stood at the beginning of it, 1885. During that time a Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking from his place as leader of the House of Commons, spoke of this question of University education in Ireland one that required 'the very serious and early attention of Her Majesty's Government, and lest the words ear-ly might be made light of on the score of vagueness, he added an expression of the "hope" and 'wish' of the government 'if it should be our lot to hold office next session, to make some proposal which may deal in a satisfactory way with this important matter.' That seemed deportant matter.' finite that was in July, 1885, oven eighteen years ago, The same Govern ment was in office in the following session, but no measure, satisfactory or unsatisfactory, was brought for ward by them, either than or from that day to this. Four years afterwards in July, 1889, the chief se cnetary for Ireland, a member of what was practically the same gov-ernment that had been in office in 1885, stated in his place in parliament that the conditions of higher ducation in Ireland had long under the consideration of the Govrnment, and that in respect to the government hoped ' to be able to make proposals to the house. That was in 1889, now over four teen years ago, and throughout thes fourteen years no propsals of any kind have been made for the removal of the admitted grievance nave now before me a long statemen which I drew up and published some years ago, of all the Ministerial pro-

fill up the fourteen years' interval. It is melancholy reading."

With Our Subscribers,

ALWAYS LOYAL-Enclosed please and one dollar for renewal of my subscription to the True Witness for 1904, and wish you God speed. I cannot do without it. When O'Connell was elected for Clare, had the Catholics a vote, or was he elected by the Protestants. Curbstone Observer or Crux might answer this, Yours truly, M.A.

EVER TRUE,-Enclosed find two dollars, renewal of my subscription for two years. I should have sent it before this, but now I am seventyfour years of age, and can't expect to be a subscriber much longer, but as long as I can read I will. Yours

OUR LOSS-Please don't send me the True Witness any more. I am well pleased with it, but get more papers than I can read. Yours truly

BEQUESTS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITY

The will of the late Harriet Richards, of Philadelphia, makes numerous bequests for charitable and religious purposes, among them being the following: \$1000 for religious purposes in memory and behalf of the family of the late Thomas B. and Francis McCormack, and a like sum in memory of herself; Tabernacle Society, located at the Academy of Notre Dame, \$500, for the purposes of that Society, but not to be used for building purposes; House of the Good Shepherd, \$2000; Society of St. Vincent de Paul, attached to St. Mary's Church, \$500 for the benefit of the poor of the parish; Society of St. Vincent de Paul, attached to St. Joseph's Church, \$500; Society of St. Vincent de Paul, attached to the Cathedral, \$500; St. Vincent's Home, \$1000; the Catholic Home for Girls, \$1000; the Missionary Sisters Francis, \$500; St. Joseph's House for Homeless Industrious Boys \$500

"I give and bequeath unto my excutor," the instrument continues, "the sum of \$10,000, to be used and applied by him at his discretion to establish free beds in one or more of the hospitals in the city of Philadelphia, such as the Hospital for Poor Consumptives, or which are under the care and direction of the Little Sisters of the Poor, the Sisters of Charity, or the Sisters of St. Fnancis, by said executor or his successor in the trust, to have absolute power and discretion in the application of this money."

To the executor and trustee is bequeathed \$25,000 in trust, the net ncome of which is left eo friends for life, and afterwards the principal is to be laid out so as to found a free scholarship in the Philadelphia Theological Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, the beneficiary of scholarship to be elected by the Archbishop of Philadelphia, said scholarship to be known as the "Harriet Richards Free Scholarship.'

It is the decedent's desire that the beneficiary of said scholarship shall, after ordination to the priesthood, so far as his other duties mit, devote himself specially the caring for the spiritual welfare of the Indians and the colored people, "in whom I feel a warm interest.

the moneys remaining, after the foundation of the said scholar, ship, the trustee shall pay over the sum of \$2000 unto St. Joseph's se for Homeless Industrious Bo and the balance still remaining shall be divided equally among the following institutions; St. Vincent's Home Maternity Hospital, Catholic Home for Destitute Children, St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, St. Joseph's Protectory, at Norristown; St John's Orphan Asylum, Church of St John the Evangelist, Tabernacle Society of the Convent of Notre Dame, Philadelphia Industrial School, Little Sisters of the Poor, and St. Vincent de Paul Society, attach St. Peter Claver's Colored Church.

ABOUT MORMONS.

The New Mexican Herald declares that, though the Mormons have been in New Maxico for fifty years, they have not made a single "convert" among the native inhabitants of the territory. The only Mormons in New Moxico to-day are those who

on the main floor and in was occupied long befo began; "stan only," was the response ed late-comers for ticke striking evidence of parishioners and their fr mother Irish parish has equalled in its history.

St. Patric

The annual entertai

Patrick's choir, organi

J. A. Fowler, the organ master, which was hel

day last, in the Winds

a great triumph for

from every point of vi-

warded him in some me preliminary weeks of la

ings and rehearsals of

a chorus of ladies and

umbering about 150.

Every seat in the vas

The first part of the introduced several of the nembers of the choir, pupil of Prof. Fowler's, a rained choruses of ladies

men.
The chorus, "Swift Ho
Romeo and Juliet, by Go
en effective and ski an effective and of choral work. This w Mr. Alfred Lamoreux, w was never heard to better The first words, in the title of the were most impressive as and considering the fact audience was aware that rendered by one whose sightless, they had an imfect in awakening sympati

performer. Miss Gertrude Murphy, Prof. Fowler's, was well re nost deservedly applaude conscientious and clever tion of a selection entitle e and Rondo Capricioso. elebrated master, Mendels "The Ould Plaid Shawl,"

tive and attractive ballad ontribution of Mr. J. A. basso-soloist of much pror Quinn possesses a voice ca much sympathy, and in ac good stage presence.

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Prof, Fowler then called pastor, Father Martin Callag ay a few words. Father Ma he is affectionately styled by young in the parish, received tion, as he ascended the step ing to the stage, which left n to doubt that he enjoys the and affection of the mas his forty odd years of devoted

the old mother parish is not ten by the parishioners. Father Callaghan, in open marks, thanked the audience the spirit of generosity and will which they displayed in smarked manner, in responding invitation of Prof. Fowler as choir, in aid of the