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IONARY PRIEST

The love of God and neighbor: An equal-handed labor;

When I first met Father J. C. Cadot, nearly twenty years ago, it was in the winter time. I was on my way to Wiarton. The train was not what one would call comfortable, as the weather was very cold and disagreeable. I was drawn toward this man with the long grays beard, in priestly ganb. It was then Whittier's lines, as given above, came to my mind. With all the discomforts abound us. Father Cadot, with smiling countenance and cheerful mein, was a charming travelling companion I learned he was a Jesuit missionary to the Indians at Cape Croker Reserve on the Bruce Peninsula. Up to that time I had never been north of Wiar. north country, and also with the man who could leave Montreal, with all its attraction, and go to an out-

to speak the language, but he preach- leaving the train Dr. Jamieson thankes to them in English. Cape Croker Reserve has about 400 inhabitants and is about evenly divided as to had thoroughly enjoyed his talk with Catholics and Protestants, but here him, and also that he had learned is found a state of affairs that sel- something of Bruce Peninsula and its lom exists. The two religious bodies Indians.

work in perfect harmony, the United Father Cadot prides himself on the Church, under the Rev. Mr. Strapp, friendships he enjoys. Protestants, serving the Protestants. The best Freemasons and Orangemen of the of feeling prevails. Father Cadot highest ranks, he laughingly tells has turned a portion of his home into you, have accepted of his hospitality, a club room which is non-sectarian and they have been ever true friends. and always a centre of activity for It's true, he has a beaming way, a members of both denominations. radiant sociability that places you at Here the men gather in the evening ease. Optimism., cheerfulness and read the papers, reviews and maga kindness are outstanding features of Here the men gather in the evening zines, and under the guidance of this this remarkable man. He draws Godly man their views on questions sunshine from no niggardy store, of the day are directed. Perhaps and in turn spreads it in the pathfew reserves can boast of as much ways of those who need it most. intelligence as Cape Croker. This

Naturaly one would wonder what club might be termed a debating so- his political leanings are. In the ciety, for discussions are carried on years I have known him he has voted upon all kinds of subjects that would for both political parties. He cannot surprise the average white man. be said to have any pronounced poli-These red men are keen debaters and tical views, voting in his judgment the interest they take is often evi- for the party that appeals to him denced when they lapse from English most. into their native tongue, thus being

Thus we leave this man of God able to more adequately express shut in from the outside world. to themselves. In all these discussions act in peace and harmony with his the guiding hand of the happy little brother of the United Church in Jesuit priest is seen. Should discus- making those under their care sober sion become warm, with that wisdom upright and industrious citizens of which is his, Father Cadot takes a this great Dominion of ours. hand in it and by his tact, judgment their work they are assisted by Mr. and example has taught "his boys" Alex. Moore, Indian Agent, and a that the views of others are to be returned sodier. who takes deep interest in their welfare. The Chief at Cape Croker is an interesting place Cape Croker is Chas. Jones; Peter

and if you have never visited its an- Nadjiwan, lieutenant in the 9th Grey nual fair you have missed one of the Horse; Alex. Johnston. Jonah Chegfinest Indian fairs in this Dominion. ano and William Elliott are the The large council hall is filled with Councillors. the finest displays of needlework,

fancy work, baskets, beaded work LARGEST URBAN MUNICIPALITY and many things that do not find their way to other fairs. Also the (Chesley Enterprise)

roots, vegetables, grain and live stock While valuating Southampton we are of the very best. The Indians realized the immense territory it are good farmers and they enjoy the covers. A few years ago several comforts of life as few do. Cape farms were detached from the town Croker has one of the finest brass corporation and added to Saugeen bands you would wish to listen to. I Township. It seems to us that more FATHER CADOT, JESUIT MISSremember the first time I had the farm property in the far outskirts pleasure of addressing the Indians. might with advantage to both Sau-It was in the autumn and out-doors geen and Southampton be added to it was sunshiny and bright, with just the former. Farmers are never very By J. J. Hunter in Kincardine Review a little haze hanging over the scene. anxious to have lands within an ur-It was supposed to be a political ad- ban municipality on account of the The richer life, where beauty dress, but for the life of me I could much higher taxation than in the not settle down to talk politics. I rural corporation. The town of Walks hand in hand with duty. was carried back to the reserve of Southampton was surveyed as a city. the Six Nations near Brantford. It The original settlers had visions of was there I had learned to hunt, its being one of Canada's great shoot, set rabbit snares and throw lake ports. It was named after the the snow-snake. I forgot politics and large seaport city in the South of talked of these sports to my audience England. But it was destined never it was a delightful experience to find them so responsive and full of under-it is wonderfull protected by Chanstanding. Looking out through the try Island on which there is a lightwindows of the council hall, with the house. As far asbusiness is consunlight playing on the turning cerned Southampton has the handileaves, the scenery was charming and cap of the lake on the west, Port gave one an instinct as if music was Elgin near by on the south, the Insounding on every hand. It makes dian Reserve on the north and only one alive with lovely imagery and a small territory to draw from on you can readily understand how a the East. But what the town loses nature such as Father Cadot posses- in farmers' trade is more than comton and I promised myself that I ses, could come to love this quiet pensated for by the summer visitors. would get better acquainted with the around him, and how it gives him For some 20 years it has been the inspiration to carry on his great life leading summer resort of Bruce work. Some would call it sacrifice County and there are about 130 cotbut in the long run it is service, and tages along the beach, in fact they side point and give the best that was the reward is in having performed spread out into Saugeen reaching in him to the Indians. Father Cadot was born at Saint Felix de Valois. The Indians are proud of their of these summer homes is a veritable forty miles below Montreal in the prowess and achievements. Besides palace and could not have been year 1860. He received his early their fine band they have a good built for less than \$10,000. The cotbaseball team, and they play the tagers have, the advantage of town education in the parish school. Later he went to Montreal College and then game with a snap and vigour that water and electric lights and the to St. Mary's College. He entered makes you envy their agility. Foot-the Order of the Jesuits in 1883, and ball is another sport they excell in. down the town rate. The Ojibway for six years was a teacher in St. Sports are not the only thing they or Chippawa Indians who live about Mary's College. He took his theology take a lead in. Every year they hold three miles from the town spend course at the Jesuit Seminary, The a plowing match on the reserve at nearly all their money in the town. Immaculate Conception, Montreal, be- the Cape. The winners then go to In fact it is nearly all spent before ing ordained in 1895. In 1901 he other plowing matches, and only re- the quarterly pay day and on the cently at the match held near Port day when the agent hands out the came to Ontario, his first rost being at the Canadian Soo, where he labor- Elgin one of these Indians won first filthy ulcre to the redmen there's a ed among the Irish, French and In- place. They are proud of their abil- scurrying of business men to the dians. Here he improved his knowl- ity and they try hard to improve a- reserve to collect their accounts and edge of the English language and long all lines. that isn't the easiest job in the also studied the Italian language, in Are these men loyal to the British world either. The first settlement the use of which he became fairly Crown? When the Great War was at Southampton was made in 1848 proficient. In 1904 he decided that on all the Indians from Cape Croker by Captain John Spence and William his life work was among the Indians and the Saugeen Reserve who were Kennedy and Captain Spence's first and he went to Cape Croker. Added fit answered the call and made a name vessel bore the appropriate name of to this post are a number of others, for themselves as the smartest of the Seagull. The pioneer settlers un among them being the Saugeen Re- soldiers. Two from Cape Croker derwent great privations and the serve, Christian Island and Ramal won the Military Cross. Now little winter of 1851-52 was particularly Moore, all Indian Reserves. To these we know of these original owners severe on them when they had to he carries the word of God from time of the land now held by the white bring in supplies from Owen Sound, to time, making Cape Croker his men. Only one needs to know some- the Saucy Jack in command of Cap- BAD WEATHER FOR FARMERS thing of their life struggle to reach tain McDonald which started out late headquarters In the years I have knokn this won- the goal of success to appreciate in the fall with provisions from Godderful Frenchan I have learned to them. erich having gone to the bottom with heart-breaking than those many far-Recently Father Cadot attended the all on board. It was to Southampton mers in this country have been passlove, respect and esteem him. His charges are not ones that yield a fat banquet given the member for North the early settlers of Brant, Arran, ing through in the last six weeks or or lucrative living. His home at Cape Bruce in Kincardine. On that occa- Bruce, Saugeen and Elderslie went so. Croker is very comfortable, but not sion many who did not know him for their supplies and where they in the shock many farmers have bee pretentious, as the homes of some of were struck with his fine appearance sold their produce. Alexander Mc- mocked by the weather. After the the rain kept off a dozen hours. the clergy. One thing that abounds and asked to meet him. Again he Nab was the Crown Lands Agent in long toil and considerable money Truly it is by the sweat of his brow is the welcome that is extended to made-more friends, and because of that town and it was from him nearyou by Father Cadot, whose hospital- the many questions asked about him ly all the pioneers in Elderslie Town-and planting and harvesting his grain by the practice of thrift that he sucity is known to his friends. It is I decided to write this brief sketch ship got their lands. In 1857 the what a blow it is to the farmer to ceeds in buildingup a competence: with delight that he tells of his of the man and his work. A few village was incorporated as a town. have the saving of that grain prework among his flock. To him they weeks ago coming up from Toronto, Southampton made a bold attempt to vented by rain after rain, with er has brought heavy losses have the are the all-absorbing thing. Since I had the pleasure of presenting him secure the seat of county town, but hardly an interval of sunshine or sympathy of their fellow-citizens of the hot breakfast cereal offers a coming among them he has learned to the Hon. Dr. Jamieson. Before all its efforts came to naught. The drying winds. In this province whole all callings. It may not be generally welcome change.



HELWIG BROS

town had a large tannery at one fields of oats and other late grains known to the tillers of the sail that time, but it has become a defunct in- were soaked with rain on the very every adversity they have sets many stitution. However, with the large day fixed upon for drawing in. Very townspeople thinking about them and Bell Furnitpre Co. plant and the heavy losses in this way have been dwelling with regret upon their mis-Knechtel plant the town is still hold- suffered in Ontario. Corn stands in fortunes.

ing its own industrially. On the 4th of November, 1886, virtually to wade in order to gather cities were brought up in the country Southampton was visited by a disas- the crop by hand cutting. Hand cut- and retan the sentiments that seem ting, a slow and costly mode of re- born of the soil. Between such people trous fire. Over 50 buildings were burned and the property loss was moving the corn, is said to be conestimated at \$60,000 with but little ducive to the destruction of the corn strong affinity and real fraternity. insurance. Subscriptions amounting to \$8000 were sent in and the County the less there is for the borer to sub- dents wish good luck to the farmer. Council remitted the county rates. sist upon. The root crops are like-

wise suffering. In many regions the Southampton is one of the urban municipalities of Bruce that is holdpotatoes are rotting in the ground In the Canadian West, the weather ing its own fairly well and as Jiggs would put it: "That's saying a since harvest has been even more adverse, and crops that would have mouthful" these days. added greatly to the growers' wealth

are past saving.

There are few experiences more With good grain crops standing of bushels of grain that would have

A very large percentage flooded fields in which workers have of people living in the towns and

and the rural population there is a borer, because the shorter the stubble From their heart, such urban resi-

HOWICK

They can't beat Howick! Last week there was an item in the Listowel Banner, referring to two Alexander apples which had been left in the Listowel editor's sanctum There is comfort in the thought

by a farmer from Wallace. that in Ontario the wheat and the largest of these measured 13 x 1116 earlier grains generally were under inches. On reading this, Albert Patcover before the long spell of unfavterson, of the second concession, orable weather set in. But it is hard Howick, selected two nice specito bear the loss of perhaps hundreds mens from his supply of the same variety and brought them to the been safely mowed or stacked had Fordwich editor's office. On measuring them one was 131% x 1214 inches, and the other 131/4 x 12 inches. Well, can someone show us any larger?

The farmers on whom the bad weath-