

In and Around Toronto

UNAVOIDABLY LEFT OVER. Owing to press of matter several items found in this week's issue were unavoidably left over from last week.

PERSONAL. Dr. J. A. McKenna of College St., who has during the past year been doing special work in nose, throat and ear at the New York post graduate school and hospital, has returned to the city, and will resume practice.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. JOSEPH COOLAHAN. Friday last being the 76th birthday anniversary of Mr. Joseph Coolahan, the office of the Catholic Register presented him with a handsome leather bill-wallet and congratulations on the event. We trust that Mr. Coolahan will yet have many years to carry on his active and energetic work as collector for our paper.

CONFIRMATION AT ST. FRANCIS. At St. Francis' Church on Sunday after the High Mass, of which Rev. Father Murray, C.S.B., was celebrant, His Grace Archbishop O'Connor conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation upon 63 children of the parish and 7 converts. The Archbishop previous to the ceremony spent some time in catechizing the class on their knowledge of Christian doctrine, and found them exceptionally bright and well prepared. The Archbishop was assisted by the pastor, Rev. W. A. McCann, Very Rev. Father Roche of St. Michael's College, and Rev. Father O'Donnell of St. Mary's. The temperance pledge was given the boys, after which a discourse, embracing much good advice appropriate to the occasion was preached by the Archbishop.

THE GAELIC LEAGUE. The regular meeting of the Gaelic League was held on Thursday, April 23rd, in St. Lawrence Hall, the President, D'Arcy Hinds, in the chair. The Hurling Committee reported that the Club was fully organized and now only awaited the arrival of the outsiders from Ireland. After the usual business routine, the teaching of the language was taken up. Owing to the absence of Mr. McCarthy, both classes united under Padraig O'Ludh. It is very interesting to see the enthusiasm and earnestness with which this, the principal work of the Society, is being carried out. This earnestness is more pronounced amongst the senior members, every one of whom seem determined on mastering the difficulties of the grand old Gaelic. The lessons were followed by an impromptu "ceiliad" of which the following is the programme. The old-time favorite, "The Hard of Armagh," in traditional style, by Mr. Smyth, met with a hearty "aris." Mr. Carrigan and Mr. McLaughlin in Irish jigs and reels were unequalled successes and were very well received. Of the younger members Miss G. Kelly and Miss McGinnis deserve special praise. Miss Kelly's beautifully rich voice was heard to advantage in her rendition of the Sweet Vale of Avoca and other Irish airs. Miss McGinnis although yet quite young, surprised the audience with her knowledge of the keyboard. Seidom, if ever, have we had the pleasure of listening to such a fine display of elocutionary powers as that offered by Miss McNulty. Her splendid effort met with a well-deserved "aris." We hope to hear more from her in the future. It is often said that the good things come last, but this is not so at an Irish concert, because everything is good there. Miss Angela Toney Breen's piano solo surpassed all previous performances of the kind. In fact it was asserted, by "one who ought to know," that she would compare very favorably with some of the brilliant pianists who visited Massey Hall recently. The Gaelic League owes a good deal of its success to its talented pianist.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 14th. RUNGIRE.

AT HOLY ROSARY. A very important event in the Holy Rosary Chapel, Toronto, was the canonical erection of the Chapel into the Arch-Confraternity of the Holy Rosary on a late Sunday, when the entire congregation as well as numerous strangers from other parishes were enrolled by Rev. Father Ryan, C.S.B., who has the power of conferring the Dominican blessing with all the privileges and indulgences attached thereto, by special permission of Rev. Father Gormier of Rome, Superior-General of the Order of St. Dominic.

The little chapel was prettily decorated with lights and flowers and the singing of Veni Creator opened the ceremony. Then followed a very impressive and eloquent sermon by Rev. Father Teely, C.S.B., who spared none of the talent with which he has been so abundantly endowed in explaining the real meaning of the Rosary in its present form and how the simple prayers together with the meditations of the fifteen mysteries which compose the same are a complete history of the life of our Lord. He then gave a brief sketch of the origin of this great universal devotion when away back in the 13th century its founder, St. Dominic, was sent by Innocent III. to preach to the Albigenses, a tribe of heretics in the south of France. The good Father dwelt on the fact that the devotion of the Rosary as we have it today is the same as established in the 13th century—that there was no doubt as to its origin and authenticity and how this great Confraternity had spread throughout every country in the world as universally as Catholicity itself—the same in every clime. He also spoke very fluently and touchingly of the love we should bear the mother of God and her power of intercession for us with the Most High. After the sermon Rev. Father Ryan blessed the statue of the Holy Rosary and then with all the ceremony connected with the Dominican indulgence, proceeded to bless the rosaries and distribute certificates of enrollment—the congregation filing to the Altar railing for the purpose while the hymn of St. Dominic and several others were being sung. A procession followed and Benediction of the Bless-

ed Sacrament closed the evening's service. The Forty Hours' Devotion opened with High Mass and Procession in Holy Rosary Chapel on Friday morning and closed on Sunday evening. The little Altar was kept fresh and beautiful throughout the three days by an abundance of flowers and candles, the oratory of the occasion being sustained by Rev. Fathers Ryan, Teely, Roach and Hurley. M.J.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE. At the last regular meeting of St. Ann's Commandery, No. 122, Knights of St. John, the following resolutions were adopted:

Through the will of Almighty God, the grim reaper, Death, at whose touch we must at some time part from earthly friends, has taken from us our Brother, Charles March, who was especially dear to us.

In him was embodied all those sterling qualities of mind and soul which make a true, noble and manly man—a good citizen, a tender and affectionate husband, father, and a faithful and highly esteemed member of our Order. We all realize that his loss will be felt—not only by immediate friends and relatives of the absent one—but by the entire community in which he has resided for so many years.

To his wife and relatives in their great sorrow St. Ann's Commandery, No. 122, Knights of St. John, extend their heartfelt sympathy, and trust God may give them strength to bear their affliction.

In memory of the deceased, St. Ann's Commandery No. 122, has resolved to drape the charter in mourning for thirty days, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his wife and spread on the minutes of the Commandery, and be sent to Knights of St. John and also for publication in the Catholic Register.

Signed on behalf of our Brothers, J. A. DEMPSEY, President. RICH. PRIOR, Secretary.

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Victimae Paschali Laudes (Prose for Easter.) O Christians, through the Easter Day, Our praise to Paschal Victim pay. The Lamb hath ransomed back the sheep; Our Christ the erring now will keep In Father's shielding bosom deep. And Death did join with sorrow life To pay sin's debt with sorrow rife; The Lord once dead now rules the strife. APOSTLES: "Ah! tell us, Mary, what didst see, While on thy way? This know would we." MAGDALEN: "What!—The tomb of Living Lord And victory of the man-made Word. And spirit-keepers, too, were there; The death-shrouds folded, placed, with care. My Christ, my Hope, hath risen, true, In Galilee He'll wait for you." APOSTLES: "We know the Lord hath left the grave; Hath vanquished death; this pledge He gave: Victorious King, Thou'st won; Thou'lt save!" Amen, Alleluia! —(Rev.) R. H. Fitz-Henry. Easter Friday, 1908.

Rev. Bernard Vaughan, S.J. At this moment there is one in England who though neither prince nor potentate, in the usual sense of the word, partakes in a measure of the nature of each, owing to the rule and influence he exercises over those who come under his sway, and this rule and influence are felt whether the sway be near or remote. This one is the now celebrated priest and preacher, Rev. Father Bernard Vaughan, a simple though renowned member of the stalwart Society of Jesus. Father Vaughan, who was born in 1847, is the son of an English officer, Colonel Vaughan, and brother of the lamented late Cardinal of the world-renowned English Jesuit College, "Stoneyhurst," and while in Manchester he took a pronounced interest in the civic and religious life of that city. Coming to Farm Street, London, in 1901, he became known as a tireless and practical worker amongst the poor of Westminster and in the East end. Here he had (and presumably has) a room where a day or two of each week were spent. Living very much as did his neighbors, being his own cook and caterer, and visiting amongst the people of the vicinity he entered into their life so exactly in many ways, that he could easily portray their situation and suggest remedies for its evils. To ameliorate the sordidness and sadness of the congested districts he organized clubs in which he managed to get at the hearts of the people and gave them at the same time a recess of happiness in which the misery of their usual surroundings was forgotten. Attention to the spiritual and physical went hand in hand, and whilst uplifting their temporal condition, the spiritual mission of this great priest was, and is always, of the kind that attracts many to the Master through the sincerity and tact of the ambassador. Not to the poor

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a basket with little dainties such as she thought the poor sick man would care for and taking Tom with her, repaired to the home of old Mr. Grant. Upon her arrival there she was treated very cordially by the old lady, who immediately conducted her to the sick man, who, thinking she was one of Jack's prospective customers for his (Mr. Grant's) cow, asked her if she had come to see about it. "No," Mrs. O'Connell replied, "I heard of Mr. Grant's illness and came over to see him, thinking possibly I could be of some assistance." Experienced as she was, Mrs. O'Connell could tell at a glance that the old man was fast sinking and though at the present time was not in any imminent danger, was liable to another stroke. In answer to her inquiry as to what had been done for the old man, Mrs. Grant said she had not called the doctor, as John did not wish it, and besides the doctor's fee was really more than they could afford. "Latey," she said, "I cannot get him to eat anything at all, he seems so very weak and so fretted and worried all the time. I have a quantity of beef in the house now, but I can't get him to eat a bit of it."

"Why don't you make him some beef tea?" said Mrs. O'Connell, "he could take that and it would do him good." The old lady took the suggestion kindly enough and said she had not thought of it before, but would get some ready right away. While she went about preparing it, Mrs. O'Connell, seating herself beside the patient, began chatting away to him on indifferent topics, though intent on acquainting him with the fact that the priest had already been sent for. At first the old man seemed rather puzzled as to why she was and how she knew he was ill. He said her face was strangely familiar, yet he could not place her. "My son, Jack, told me you were ill," said she. "He came over to see you yesterday and"—"You are a Catholic, m'am, then in God's name send me a priest," interrupted the old man. "Yes, we have already looked after that," replied Mrs. O'Connell. "Jack explained to me the circumstance of your wife not being a Catholic and how ill you were. We did not know whether or not Mrs. Grant would be opposed to his coming, but we thought it best to send for Father 'C' while there was yet time and let him trust to God to make his way all right. It was about this matter particularly that I came to see you. But now, my good man, I must be going. We wrote Father 'C' last night and he will likely be out to-morrow. I will come over and prepare the room for him. In the meantime, don't forget to say your beads and ask our Blessed Lady to help you." "Beads," the old man repeated rather vaguely; "beads! I don't know when the other day last, I thought of them the other day and asked my wife where they were but she has mislaid them somewhere or other," and the old man sadly shook his head. The beads had been "accidentally mislaid," of course. That's the way accidents generally happen under the circumstances. However, Mrs. O'Connell left the old man in a great deal more peaceful state of mind than she found him and heartily grateful to Almighty God for giving him the means of final repentance.

Evidently Father "C" must have received Mrs. O'Connell's letter very early on Monday morning, for as soon as that good woman could get the more urgent part of her household duties over and the children off to school, she hurried over to see how the good priest had already been there. A decided change had come over Mr. O'Connell since the day before and although he looked feeble and more emaciated than ever, Mrs. O'Connell could not but perceive the happy, contented expression which o'erspread his countenance as he related to her how kind and good the dear father had been, how he had heard his confession and anointed him; and also how thankful he was to be again in the state of grace and that he did not now have that great fear of death which had been haunting him so terribly of late. The old man also blessed Mrs. O'Connell and said she had come to him like a ray of sunshine in the midst of darkness and with this parting expression of gratitude, she left him, promising to come over again and see him. However, this visit was destined to be her last. The next day ere she fulfilled her promise, the Angel of Death had already claimed his victim.

And now comes the sad part of this little narrative. Apparently Mrs. Grant, up to this time, was perfectly satisfied with the way matters had shaped themselves. She appeared to be as solicitous regarding the old man's spiritual well-being as the best of Catholic wives could be, as courte-

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