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OTTAWA NOTES

Rev. Sister Mary of St. Anne's Community, Lachine, spent several days last week in Hull, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pharaud.

Out of the one hundred and fifty pupils of the Separate Schools who wrote upon the Entrance Examinations in this city, one hundred and twenty-five were successful.

Rev. Father Aubin of Swanton, N.Y., delivered the sermon in St. Anne's church on the occasion of the celebration of its patronal feast. The Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Bonchard, who was assisted by Rev. Father David.

Rev. Father Le Jeune, of Ottawa University, and who came to this country from France over four years ago, is one of those who recently applied for naturalization papers. The application will be considered with many others during October.

Rev. Father Legault, prefect of studies in Ottawa University, has left for Maitava to accept an appointment in a mission there under the direction of Rev. Father Nilles. Rev. Father Legault leaves many friends among the priests and students of the University with which he had been connected for over ten years.

About seventy-five of the priests of the diocese were in attendance at the annual retreat at Ottawa University which was held during last week. The sermons were delivered by Rev. Father Gavary, Professor of Moral Theology, and among those present were His Grace Archbishop Duhamel and Mgr. Routhier, V.G.

At the concluding of the Triduum in the Basilica in honor of St. Anne, twenty-five ladies were enrolled in St. Anne's Society, the membership of which is now almost 800. Archbishop Duhamel presided at the ceremony and officiated at the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. An eloquent sermon was delivered by Rev. Father Corbelli.

Rev. Father Pietro Pisani, from Verceil, Italy, spent several days during last week as a guest at the Archbishop's Palace. Father Pisani, who is a professor of theology in one of the Italian universities, is interested in Italian immigration, and is making a tour throughout Canada and the United States, observing the conditions attending the Italians, in both countries.

The will of the late Miss Catherine Clabby, who recently passed away in St. Charles' Home, bequeathed practically all of the moderate estate to religious purposes. Of this \$200 was left to the Capuchin Monastery, \$50 to St. Charles' Home, \$5 to St. Bridget's church, and almost all of the balance to the education of candidates for the priesthood in this city. Miss Clabby was a native of Ireland and had no relatives in Canada.

Magistrate A. H. X. Talbot, a prominent citizen of Hull, and member of Notre Dame De Grace church, in that city, passed away suddenly during last week, following an attack of heart trouble. He is survived by a widow, two sons and three daughters, including Rev. Sister St. Sebastian, who is a member of a Montreal community, and who was in attendance at the funeral. Rev. Father Dubruic officiated at the requiem service, and special music was rendered by the choir.

The announcement from the national convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Indianapolis, that it had definitely decided to erect a monument over the graves of the twelve thousand Irish immigrants, who perished of famine in 1841 and were buried on Gros Isle near Quebec, has been a source of satisfaction here, as many local members worked energetically in support of the proposal.

Rev. Father Lajeunesse, of Ottawa University, who in company with three students of that institution, Messrs. W. Baril, Sixte Coupal and A. Couillard, set out some time ago to journey from this city to Quebec by canoe, has returned and the party

reports an enjoyable trip, though it was necessary to overcome many obstacles, such as when their canoe and provisions were carried away during a storm at Louisville. The canoeists arrived at the ancient city at an auspicious moment—just as Champlain in the "Don de Dieu" approached the city from the Isle of Orleans.

Rev. Father McCauley of Osgoode, has invented a flax-pulling machine which will be exhibited at Minneapolis Fair on September 1st. A patent has been secured jointly by Father McCauley and Mr. Edward McCauley of Minneapolis, Minn. It is claimed for the invention that it will considerably reduce the price of manufacturing hemp rope and binder twine, as well as the price of labor now entailed by the pulling of the flax by hand. Rev. Father McCauley has just returned from a visit to St. Agnes, New York, where he has been supervising the construction of his two former inventions, a mud-guard and a patent pole tip for vehicles.

The Boy King of Portugal.

Just as his late father, the murdered King Carlos, was at once an ardent sportsman, a painter of unusual ability and a musician of unusual skill, so the boy monarch of Portugal, Manuel, is a splendid gymnast, and a poet of most promising genius.

Not only is he one of the best swimmers, and riders in Lisbon, but Dom Manuel has also been a most generous distributor of the efforts of his Muse. The King is now about to put this poetic gift to a purpose, at once filial and pathetic. With the Queen Mother, Maria Pia, he is about to retire to the beautiful Castle of Pena at Centra, and there, where Carlos spent the happiest days of his life, the young King will compose an ode to the memory of his assassinated father and brother, and an appeal to the loyal spirit of the Portuguese people.

Already the romantic idea has made a deep impression on the impulsive nation, which is now markedly loyal to the new King.

The Pope announces that the old Lateran palace, the residence of the Papacy from the time of Constantine to the Migration of Avignon, will be built over for the purpose of housing the Rota and Segnatura courts, while the penitentiary tribunal will be housed at the holy office near St. Peter.

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JOHN NORRIS, Provost. The Oratory, Birmingham, England, May 1908.

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LONDON'S CATHOLICITY

London, July 23rd, 1908.

An Italian Duca, in a recent book exclaims, "All the English I have ever met have been Scotch or Irish!" This trite remark occurs to me as I hear daily of the British victories in the Olympic games which are now in full swing at the Stadium, for it is very true that in these peaceful victories, as in her famous battle-fields, England owes much to her Celtic allies. Scottish and Irish names figure largely among the competitors at Shepherd's Bush, and in the latter, if not the former also, there are naturally not a few Catholics, which must be my excuse for mentioning a mundane subject that is taking up so much attention in the London world-to-day. America is coming in a good second to Britain in her victories and here again much of her lustre comes from such competitors as Flanagan and other typical Irish names.

Interest in the Quebec Celebrations continues to grow rather than decrease. People here are captivated with the story of Champlain and his girl wife, and the Catholic Press are holding up this Canadian Pioneer as the ideal Christian explorer, whose first aim should be to plant high the standard of the Cross, and commend this new land to the Sovereignty of our Blessed Lord before extending the dominion of the earthly monarch who sent him forth. Father Wilfrid Lescher, too, has an interesting article on the "Quebec Battlefields" in one of the Catholic magazines, illustrated by some extremely good photographs.

Speech Day at St. Edmund's College Ware, the Seminary for the Archdiocese of Westminster, was of more than usual interest this year. Archbishop Bourne, taking the occasion to unveil the memorial tablet to Prior Chaucey, subscribed for by the East Herts. Archaeological Society, and erected in the cloisters leading to the chapel. The priest whom it commemorates was a monk of the London Charterhouse, and came of an ancient Norman family. After escaping during the persecution under Henry VIII, he returned from France in 1556 on the accession of Queen Mary, and became Prior of the Community, and Confessor to the Queen. At her death he retired with his monks to Bruges, and finally died at the Chartreuse, Paris, in 1581.

St. Edmunds itself is not without its memories and traditions, being founded in 1793 by Bishop Douglas to take the place of Douai, which had then been seized by the Revolutionaries. The present fine building is the successor to the Old Hall manor House, purchased by Bishop Talbot for the purpose of a centre from which priests could go forth over the whole of England. It is now scarcely large enough to meet the needs of the Westminster Diocese alone despite the accommodation for some 250 students, and the additions which have been made since the disastrous fire of last year, which disastrously postponed the Clergy Retreat, but did not cripple the work of the College, owing to the generosity of Monsignor Ward, the Reverend President, and his many friends.

Last Saturday saw the marriage of Miss Esther Redmond to Dr. W. T. Power of New York at Our Lady of Victories, Church St., Kensington, the old Pro-Cathedral. The bride was charmingly gowned in exquisite draperies of Carrickmacross lace and chiffon over white satin and was given away by her father, the Irish Leader. After the Nuptial Mass a breakfast and reception took place at the Royal Palace Hotel, Kensington, where the beautiful presents received were tastefully displayed. Notable amongst them was a finely bound edition of Shakespeare's Sonnets from Mr. Birrell, and a handsome silver tea service and salver, the gift of the Irish party. Dr. and Mrs. Power are spending their honeymoon in the West of Ireland.

The feast of the Passionist Beati, Venerable Gabriel of our Lady of Sorrows, was observed with great solemnity both in Scotland and Ireland, last Sunday. In Glasgow Archbishop Maguire was present in the sanctuary of St. Mungo's, the Passionist church, and preached a pensive in which he laid greater stress upon the lessons of fortitude of those things which are not for our salvation, that the Saint's life teaches us, rather than upon the glories of Venerable Gabriel. With equal splendor was the feast of this young Saint who appears so near to us in time and in human emotions—kept at Mount Argus, where the Mass was sung by the Most Rev. Dr. Leithan, Bishop of Auckland, and the Rev. Fathers McArdle, S.J., and J. Smith, C.P., preached morning and evening respectively. There are always compensations and in this age of indifference and disbelief, the lonely grave at Isola of this young man who realised so completely the motto of his Order, "Ama meseri et pro nihilo reputari," "Love to be unknown and reputed as nothing"—has become a flame of that fire which our Lord cast upon the earth, and about this little flame many hearts have been kindled with the love of God.

No, the age of miracles is not past. There are few of us who, looking into the secrets of our own lives, do not know that this is so. People are prone to look only at the great miracles, but how many there are of those little wonders worked for the preservation of our daily life of soul or body—like those which the Master did not disdain to compass when the "Virgin Water saw her Lord and blushed" as someone beautifully describes the miracle at Cana. Miracles lacking. Holywell has just witnessed another remarkable cure in the person of a colliery miner who met with a pit accident five and a half years ago, since when he has lost

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Similarly the benignant law of compensation applies if the Church loses ground in one country, for she gains it in another. While France is exiling the Mother to whom she owes all her greatness, Roumania is hastening back to that Mother's embrace. In consequence of the enormous number of conversions from the Greek Church the Holy Father has been petitioned to erect a new Bishopric. In Bucharest alone there are now 50,000 Catholics to 1,000 Greeks. In Jassy 89,000 to 1,000, while the conversions are particularly notable and numerous among the families of the nobles.

A large number of priests from various parts of Scotland and this side of the border also, were present at the laying of the foundation stone of Lanark's new church, by the Archbishop of Glasgow, rendered necessary by the growing needs of the Church in this district. It will be good news to Scotsmen in exile, who love their Church with the deep, strong, faithful devotion that is such a characteristic of the Scottish nature, to know that the Faith is advancing by leaps and bounds in the dear North land. The Catholic Truth Society's conference will take place in Glasgow this year, probably about September, and already the preparations for it are well in hand. Professor McAlister of Glasgow University is advocating the teaching of Gaelic side by side with English in the Highland Schools, and his voice carries much weight, as a man not prone to give way entirely to sentiment in his judgments.

The early days of the present week witnessed the Annual Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society, held this year at Cardiff. His Grace Archbishop Bourne, sang High Mass in the Cathedral for the members of the Conference, over which the aged President, the Marquis of Ripon, presided. This Society is of incalculable value to the Church in England, not only as a means of sanctification to the souls of those men who generously give up so much valuable time and money to its needs, but as a powerful ally in the care of the Church's greatest treasure, the poor of Jesus Christ. We labor under many disadvantages here, not the least of which is our poverty, and it frequently happens in the larger and more squalid districts of the metropolis which the tourist seldom, if ever, sees, where the congregation of a mission is composed of the poorest, whose coppers go to keep up the worn fabric of the Church and support the overcrowded schools; there is little left for the priest himself to eke out a living on, let alone the numerous cases of distress deserving aid and sympathy, which come under his notice. And the poor look to the Church for sympathy and relief naturally, yet while very often there is little or nothing to give, the various bodies outside the fold are offering the temptation of soup tickets, coal and grocery tickets, free dinners for the children, and innumerable other attractions to those who will "only come to a little prayer meeting in respect of creed." Far be it from me to say that all these efforts on the part of the various Protestant sects are inspired by other feelings than those of Christian charity and goodwill, in most cases they are not. But they lead to other things. Well meaning or bigoted Protestants—and there are both in the ranks of these helpers—cannot resist the temptation of attempting to disabuse the mind of some Romanist recipient of their bounty. Of course our people should not take charity given under the name of another religion than their own, but poverty is a hard master. Here is where the Society of St. Vincent de Paul steps in, and subsidizes the funds of a very poor Conference from the general treasury, sends young men to visit the people in their homes, and bestow, with gentle courtesy, the relief most suited to each family's needs. Clothes are provided, work is found, small loans are made—and I have it on the authority of a President of one Conference in a particularly poor and populous Mission, that it is seldom indeed that such loans are not repaid in full, with expressions of the deepest gratitude. Besides this there is the moral strength of feeling that they are not alone in their troubles, that some of their own people, not the aliens of another Church, are thinking of them and working for them, and how they repay the work and the trouble. There are no more lovable people than the London poor, and no more generous in their aid to each other, none more patient, and

none more weighed down by the slavery of a great city. Although most of them are, like the acquaintances of the Italian Duca before mentioned, Scotch or Irish. PILGRIM.

Mid-Season at Catholic Summer School.

With June weather and August crowds, the fifth week at the Catholic Summer School, has been one eventful and significant. The large attendance at the different Masses on Sunday gave hints not alone of the large crowd present on the grounds, but of the inadequacy of the Chapel of Our Lady of the Lake to accommodate the growing needs of the school. The High Mass on Sunday was celebrated by Rev. John D. Roach, Rev. W. P. F. Dooley, deacon; Rev. John J. O'Brien, sub-deacon. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. William Sullivan, C.S.P., of Chicago, who, taking as his text "The Kingdom of God is Within You," delivered a most forceful sermon.

The Family Gathering on Sunday evening took the form of a reception to the Rt. Rev. Henry Gabriels, D.D., Bishop of Ogdensburg. A most delightful musical programme had been arranged for the occasion, including a piano selection by Mr. C. W. Zeckwer, vocal selection by Mr. and Mrs. McGuckin-Leigo, and short talks by Rev. John Talbot Smith, L.L.D., Rev. William Sullivan, C.S.P., and Rev. John B. Peterson, C.S.P. After the formal part of the programme, Father Smith introduced Bishop Gabriels, who in responding spoke with much feeling and interest of the School and its great work.

An indication of the especial appropriateness of the splendid lectures arranged for the session was manifested in the request this week of the Associated Press for the scholarly lectures on Modernism delivered by Rev. Thomas F. Burke, C.S.P., of New York.

An echo from a week just closed, was a fitting preface to the most interesting series of talks on "Liturgical Origins" and the external elements of Divine worship," by Rev. John B. Peterson, of St. John's Seminary, Boston.

In musical circles this has been a most interesting week. The visit of the Troy Vocal Society on Tuesday and the piano recital of Prof. Zeckwer on Wednesday, were a fitting supplement to the evening song recitals of Mrs. McGuckin-Leigo, whose pretty contralto voice has made such a favorable impression.

Possibly one of the most significant movements in the history of the School was made a certainty during the past week by the interested gathering which greeted the Cliff Haven Stock Co. in its fourth production. Founded by Rev. John Talbot Smith to ascertain the possibilities of presenting to the world the great masterpieces in the Christian Drama, the work of the company has made what was a novel venture, a perfect certainty.

"Gala" only expresses in a negative way, the social week just closed, ushered in with "an evening with old melodies" at the Marquette Cottage on Monday, succeeded with eucyre parties, receptions, dances, musicales, the week was brought to a happy close this evening with a Mardi Gras at the Algoruin Cottage, truly one of the prettiest social functions of the year.

In the outdoor sports this week has been witnessed the formation of the Cliff Haven Riding Club, with Dr. Smith as its President. Plans have been made for a series of trips to the neighboring points of interest during the remainder of the session. The McCall Challenge Cup tournament was played this week and all interest is now centered in the contest for the Conway Cup, which is to be played on August 17th.

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1250 most grateful to those who have helped us, and trust they will continue their charity. To those who have not helped I would say—"For the sake of the Cause give something, if only a little". It is easier and more pleasant to give than to beg. Spend the glad hour when I need no longer plead for a permanent Home for the Blessed Sacrament.

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numbers, is the high water mark of the season. Next week, full to the brim with events of more than local significance, promises to reach the climax in the School's history both in the point of attendance and interest.

Among the events being looked forward to with interest, are the coming of Lieut.-Gov. Chandler, who is to participate in the dedication of the flag mounting of the Albany Cottage on August 5th. The day following is to be the annual bazaar for the benefit of the Chapel of Our Lady of the Lake, under the auspices of the Alumnae Auxiliary Association. On August 7, the School is to have the honor of entertaining the Hon. Thos. Grady.

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