THE TRUE WITNESS AND CATHOLIC CHRONICLE

among young men, among men of wealth and influence, and among workingmen. Catholic leaders, gener-ous and intrepid champions of reli-gion, nothing is more efficacious than the quiet and recollection of a fetreat, that is to say, the putting in practice of those words of Our Lord Himself to His Apostles after their first mission, 'Come apart into a desert place and rest a little' (Mark vi. 31) . His Holiness with paternal affection grants the Apostolic Blessing to you and to all those who help you in this work.'' No explanation can give an idea of what a retreat scally is; one must have made it to understand it. A retreat is more than a mere rest for the soul, a few days snatched from worry and turmoil and given to so-litude and prayer. It is a time of intense spiritual activity, of spiritu-al exercise. In the three days one Cretreat,

intense spiritual activity, of spiritu-al exercise. In the three days one travels a long way on the highway of perfection, perhaps farther than during as many perious years. Yet it is not so much the distance co-vered that counts as the new direc-tion taken. During a retreat the man whose feet had trod earth's de-vious paths finds himself with face set resolutely heavenwards; a new vious paths index himsel with ince set resolutely heavenwards; a new desire has been kindled in his heart, that of following as closely as pos-sible Christ our King and of gaining others to His service.

sent themselves at the sacristy be-tween these hours. The tickets for priests' admission will be ready for distribution after Aug. 1 from Rev. F. M. Elliott, St. Patrick's Presbytery, 280 Dor-Thi 11.45 p.m. | For St. Hyacinthe, Drumm Sat. Only. | ville, Levis and Quebec. chester street W. The leaflets distributed on Sunday CITY TICKET OFFICE: Tames Street, Tel.) last at St. Patrick's contain full information about Congress services. These can be obtained at the Vestry or may be found in receptacles at 130 St. James Street, Tel. Bell M. 615 H. A. PRICE, GEO. STRUBBR, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt City Ticket Agt church doors. OBITUARY. MR. P. FLANNERY. but there are no spells of idleness for the devil to get in his work. Sometimes, however, the retreat-ants are accepted indiscriminately and belong to no particular class. This system has its drawbacks, but it has also its advantages. One a d-yantage is that it demonstrates our common brotherhood in Christ. They are there a promise ous crowd of twenty or thirty men-judges, car-penters, telegraph operators, stock brokers, physicians, railway men, plumbers, bricklayers, fournalists, mechanics, etc. All differences in social standing sink into insignifi-ance, and conventional superiority is obliterated as the men start in on the work of retreat, equals before God and the Church, one in the glo-rious fellowship of the Faith. On Monday evening last Mr. Pat-rick Flannery passed away at his home, 121 Lusignan street, after a very long illness. He had been a life-long parishioner of St. Ann's parish, and for a great number of years a member of the C.M.B.A. He leaves to mourn their loss a wi-dow, two daughters and two sons. Mrs. M. Shea and Mrs. P. Maloney, Messrs. William and Thomas Flan-nery. The funeral took place to St. Anthony's Church this morning. May he rest in peace. like to raise my voice and cry out to all employers of labor: Do all in your power to make it easy for your workmen and employees to make a retreat, and you will be the first to benefit by your zeal." - 35
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ARE RETREATS NECESSARY?

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CHENT? "'Let the layman be satisfied with the ordinary means, forsooth!" Abo-lish retreats of religious and clergy, and you will have the condition of things such as it was before the Council of Trent. "Let him be sa-tisfied with the means of grace that sanctified his fathers before him!" Yes, on condition that you roll back the world's history and place him in the same circumstances in which his fathers lived. Yet it is not necessary, and not possible, that all should make a re-treat; but it is absolutely indispens-able that at least some should make CIENT?

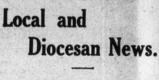
fathers lived. Yet it is not necessary, and not possible, that all should make a re-treat; but it is absolutely indispens-able that at least some should make it. We Catholics in Canada have almost no leaders. To speak plain-ly, we are in this respect very far behind our fellow Catholics in other leads. The structle against implety

pects of us. Let us hope The Census and hat his desire will be realized the hat for the consolution of Holy Jurch this great movement will go a spreading its salutary effects, aising up in all classes of society 'Catholic leaders, generous and in-repid champions of religion.'' In view of the end which our Holy Pon all pursues, that 'of restoring all things in Christ.''-Canadian Mes-senger of the Sacred Heart. all

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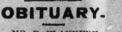
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LOCAL CALENDAR :-Fri. July 29. St. Martha. Sat. "30. SS. Abdon and Sennen. Sun. "31. St. Ignatius Loyola. Mon. Aug. 1. St. Feter's Cha as Tues. "2. St. Alphonsus Lig Jori. Wed. "3. Finding of St. St. phen"

7-11 inclusive. St. Patrick's Church has practically been renovat-ed, judging from the splendid ap-pearance it now presents. The grounds, at the west side have been laid out in flower beds, and the new Wall and facts are about finished. wall and gate are about finished, se that now only the smallest details remain to be attended to. The seating of what will be an immense concourse of people was at first a problem; but as the result of a great deal of thought this has been so arranged that it will be outer an easy matter to obtain access to the church as well as to



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coming census will illuminate, wri the Dublin Freeman's Journal, is the Dublin Freeman's Journal, is the actual standing of the most saccod-ly Irish thing in Ireland, the Irish language: is its slow though cer-tainly steady gain anything to its yearly loss? In ten years chere will, without any deubt at all, be proven a great increase in the Irish speaking population in the districts where the language had almost been silenced: Dublin city itself has many absolutely bilingual households now, with its 'native speakers,' authen-tic though city-born; but how does the language stand in the districts where, ten years ago, it was un-broken in its long descent of the hundreds of decades? Certainly many will be now proud to tell the truth that there are Gaelic speakers where ten years ago they would have mustered up just enough English to express their contempt for their own Irsh. But there has been, and is, a dreary outflow from the Gaeltacht; the best of our people

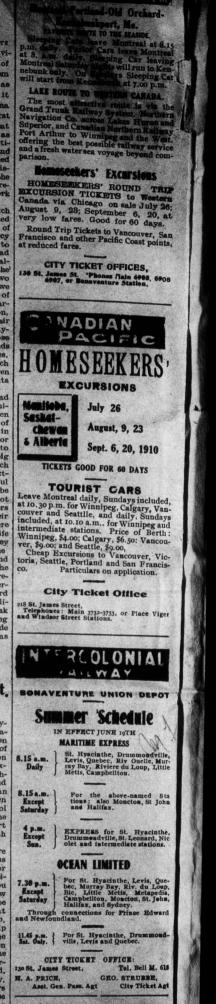
Accustomed, like so many others who make their homes in the civi-lized and law-abiding countries of the Occident, to regard martyrdom as pertaining tohistory, and as having no place in this century, it was not until my first trip to China that, I was brought for the first time face to face with the fast that the sufferings of which we read as having been undergone for Christi-anity are not mere fairy tales and picturespondent of the New York to fill the coffers of the New York standary, grim realities, says a re-gular correspondent of the New York tribue. Our ship, the old Anadyr, which how lies at the bottom of the feed See, had on board a number of priests, monks, and Sisters of Mercy bound from Marseilles to China. to take the place of those who had been put to death in such an appal-ing fashion at the time of the region of the verse was car-red on board in a dying condition, a yoing French priest, whose hairs and beard, in spite of his twenty-seys were sightless, whose hairs and feet were swathed in bandages, and whose face bore traces of such and feet were sit still haunts by the the to the the bandages, and whose face bore traces of such and feet were sit still haunts and feet were sit still haunts

English to express their contempt for their own Irnsh. But there has been, and is, a dreary outflow from the Gaeltacht; the best of our people go, the most Irish, carrying with them the very best of the Irish tra-dition-carrying away, even the best of the Irish language, which is thin-ning in quality even where it still holds good in numbers of speakers-and carrying it away to no good, but to drop it forever, they and their children, and even they and the neighbor who will seldom speak the old tongue in the new land. There will be a keen and a fearful anxiety on this point, which next year will clear for us. How does Irish stand, really? What hope for the language of the heroes and poets and semints? The lower kind of English peo-ple of all ranks are exceedingly gi-ven to speaking with fine contempt of the 'illiterate Irish''; they ar-gue, often quite directly, from this absence of book-learning to political unripeness (an argument historically most foolish and unsound), and are quite satisfied that if a certain per-centage of our people cannot read and write they cannot think and must be robbed. Well, may peo-ple doubt whether the English idea of education has been justified of its fruits in Ireland; but at least physical agony undergone that even after all these years it still haunts my memory. His labors as a missionary had taken him to the vicinity of the Chi-mese border, and there he had been seized and shut up for a space of two years in a wooden cage, in which he could neither lie down nor sit up, and where, in addition to having his eyes burned out and big wooden wedges passed between each toe and each finger, he was subject-ed to other tortures of so frightful a character that while they can be left to the imagination they cannot be described. Yet his tormentors were careful always to stop their devilles contrivences whenever there seemed to be any danger of his life slipping through their nands. They prolonged his existence with the idea of prolonging the torture, and the only amazing thing about the matter is that he should have re-tained his mind. But he was per-fectly same when carried on board at Saigon, after his rescue and li-beration, and was able to speak to me during the trip up to Hong Kong, and I was at his bedisde when he breathed his last, just as we were entering port.

Anglican Lady Chapel

Creates Comment.

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must be robbed. Well, many peo-ple doubt whether the English idea of education has been justified of its fruits in Ireland; but at least we should in sheer justice—the Bri-rish fairplay of the legend—get our due merit under their own test; it is quite immoral to swell our figures of illiteracy by making it obligatory on us to read and write at five years old-the age at which we should certainly be making mud-pies and at fureness be listening to wise stories and learning to sing heart-ening and pretty songs. In the Unit-ed States one is not abandoned as illiterate till one has the gravity of ten years, without the virtue of making out speckly things on paper. That is an altogether wise liberal-ity, allowing reasonable play to per-sonal or national discretion, con-ditions, habits. The point sug-gests that these are matters on which some international agreement is desirable: perhaps we are wrong-ing many races in thinking them largely illiterate; perhaps they are only liberal, or a little late-ripening or even Künder-gartenish, formally or informally, in their whole education-al system. Probably all useful pur-poses, of comparison, of world-stu-dy. of political philosophy, and the