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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS A PRIEST

Rev. Father Strubbe, C.SS.R., Honored by Parishioners of St. Ann's.

Addresses of Congratulation from platform and presented to Rev. Father Strubbe a very prettily illuminated address. It stated how, on the occasion of the Ladies' of the Parish and St. Ann's Young Men's Society--Made the Recipient of a Purse of One Thousand Dollars.

of the Faithful and Generous-Hearted Priest and the Loyal and Devoted Members of the Congregation.

Speeches of Appreciation Made by Mr. Justice Curran, Hon. Dr. Guerin, Mr. M. J. F. Quinn, M.P., and President Whitty, of St. Ann's Young Men's Society.

The Rev Father Strubbe's Eloquent Address in Reply to the Generosity of His Flock.

St. Ann's Young Men's Hall was almost too small to accommodate those who, on Tuesday evening, gathered there to do honor to Rev. rather Strubbe, fifth anniversary of his elevation to the priesthood. Every seat was filled long efforts, he could relieve their difficulties. before the commencement of the proceedings. Scores found that the only way in which they could participate in the demonstration was by occupying standing room, and to such an extent was this the case, that it was indeed difficult to crowd into the room all who desired to be present. It was an expressive tribute of loyalty to, and affection for, the beloved head of the parish.

The room itself was gay with color and brightness. In front of the platform and in the windows were pots of beautiful begonias, palms, ferns and other follows:flowering and foliage plants; over the platform, in electric incandescent lamps of red, white and green, in the form of a semi-circle, were the heartfelt words: "73. Soggarth aroon. 98." Glow lamps of the same colors had been pronounced over you, by episcopal lips, placed around the ceiling, which was prettily festooned with bunting of the sentence that the ear of the elect can same hues, and to the walls had been can ever drink in, "Tu es sacerdos in affixed a profusion of vari-colored flags. aeternum." The room, in its beauty of color, and filled to overflowing with loving, happy- labored unceasingly in the vineyard of hearted people, indeed presented an in- Christ, your Master, and nearly threespiriting sight. And when, in the fifths of that long period have been conmidst of all, pending the arrival of the secrated to the interests-the temporal chairman and the rev. gentleman in welfare and the spiritual happiness-of ing held, there came the sweet strains have so largely benefited by your uncontributed to the musical portion of meet that we, the children of your episto the gathering.

When Rev. Father Strubbe, accom- tion and of good wishes and lay panied by Mr. John Whitty, President ingly and gratefully at your feet. of St. Ann's Young Men's Society, who Father Lemieux, the new vice-provincial under God, are due all the success and of the Redemptorist Fathers, entered the blessings that have marked the twelve room, the large audience at once rose to years of their association's existence. its feet and greeted him with an out- We have only to look around us and the turgt of hearty applause that was con- evidences of your unflinching zeal and tinued until he had taken his seat on the platform with Rev Father Lemieux every direction before our eyes. You on his yest and Mr. Whitiy who acted have been with us under all circum-extension of the gathering on his stances, like the faithful shepherd who

the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ele-vation to the priesthood, they could not allow the event to pass by without offering their congratulations; and though the initiative of the demonstration belonged to the Young Men's Society, the ladies felt that they would be going back on the record of their sex if they did not have their little say. They naturally turned on such an occasion to take a retrospective view of the past, and whilst their knowledge of his early life was limited, yet, as "the boy is father to the man," in retrospect they saw, as through a vista, a loving and dutiful son, a sturdy youth who never allowed a difficulty that brain or brawn could overcome to conquer him; and when the time arrived to decide as to his future life, led by the sweet at-traction of the Master's voice, he turned A Demonstration Worthy Alike to the altar. He was advised of the continuous sacrifice of a priest's life; that he must give up himself and all the things the world holds dear; and with an eager heart, he replied, "I will." Then they saw the young Levite before the bishop, whose sacred hands were extended over him, and the holy unction was applied that made him a priest forever. Thus, fully armed, they saw him going forth into God's vineyard to quench the thirst that had never been

slacked-a thirst for souls. Some time

intervened, and again the voice spoke,

saying, "Go forth beyond the seas, into

a strange land, among a strange people, not of thy country, and minister to them;" and he obeyed, and left home,

kindred and fatherland. Imagine what

this soldier of the cross endured! The memories of all he had been to the people of St. Ann's since the first day he came into their midst, the address remarked, crowded in such quick succession, that reference to them must necessarily be brief. He learned the English language with rapidity, and he took hold with activity and zeal of everything that promoted the temporal and spiritual benefits of the parish. It was as if but yesterday that he was heard to say, in strong and earnest tones, when he recoived to organize a society for young men and proper building for it, " If I have to canvass the city from door to door and receive a penny at each, I will accomplish it." He succeeded; and might God's benediction be upon him and his work was the prayer of grateful mothers and sisters of the parish, for he had brought blessings to their hearts. In their joys and sorrows they had always with consoling words and advice, he

Truly, he had been "all things to all men," their own "soggarth aroon." In conclusion, they prayed that he might long be preserved to them in peace of mind and health of body.

The address was signed by Mrs. J Brennan, Mrs. William Brennan and Mary, J. Johnston.

The Chairman, on behalf of St. Ann's Young Men's Society, presented to Rev. Father Strubbe a beautifully illuminated address, in ornate gilt frame. It was as

To Rev. Edward Strubbe, C.S.S.R.: Rev. and Dear Father,-

Five and twenty years ago you were privileged to receive the grandest title that man can enjoy, and to hear the most thrilling, and yet consoling,

For a quarter of a century you have whose honor the demonstration was be- the people of St. Ann's. When all who of Prof. P. J. Shea's orchestra, followed tiring exertions in the cause of religion by the singing of a well-balanced male are preparing to express their sense of chorus, under the baton of Prof. Shea, gratitude for unnumbered blessings who also acted so efficiently as accom- which you have been instrumental in panist to the soloists who subsequently drawing down upon them, it is only the programme, a considerable touch of copal care, the members of that society added pleasure and brightness was given which owes its origin and prosperity to your zeal and unerring direction, should bring our humble tribute of congratulation and of good wishes and lay it lov-

The officers and members of St. Ann's wore his chain of office, and Rev. Young Men's Society feel that to you, Lange St. Ann's cadets, under Capt. knows each one of his flock and can can swho chad already taken up a call it by name; whereby you know

ly the trend of your desires in our re- tion and of grief. 1. gard, and we would gladly anticipate face death without feeling the least refilment of which lies very close to your great, good heart. Being aware of your ing the accomplishment of that one unselfish and wholly disinterested entertime, a practical evidence of our sincere desire to co operate in all your good

may shower down His choicest graces the next life," upon your future, and that when some of Again, my dearly beloved friends, to

obstacles and to lead your confiding I spoke to my spiritual director, and followers to temporal success and spirit-ual happiness. On our part, Rev. and Dear Father, we have learned to appre-ciate your kindness and true fatherly attachment; we feel almost instinctive- to you specially because of dissatisfac-

your every wish. There is another par-ticular, one glorious project, the ful-his good heart, which you all know, he replied, "Look here: there are two kinds of soldiers in the Kingdom of hopeful anticipation of one day behold- God: some of them are standing around on the battlefield. I have a the hap- Ann's, and it is a grand day for Father ing the accomplishment of that one who are in the throne of the King and adoring Him every day, praying to Him every prise, we have taken the liberty of day, singing His glories the whole day, commemorating this auspicious occa- and they are always well dressed, no and they are always well dressed, no sion by placing in your hands a slight dust upon their tunies; they are always token of our affection, and, at the same clean and neat. But there are other clean and neat. But there are other soldiers who are standing on the boundaries, constantly repelling the enemy. works. Please to accept this slight tes- and once in a while they are covered timonial in the spirit in which it is with the dust of the battlefield, and they given, and thereby confer another wel- have deep wounds inflicted upon them. comed obligation on the members of Now, which of these two classes of solyour own St. Ann's Young Men's Society. diers is dearest to the Kingdom?" And In repeating the expression of our the thought conseled me, and I said, hearty and loving congratulations, we trust it is proper that we should humbly join in a fervid prayer to God that He all, God loves me and will reward me in



FIV. F. STEUEIF, C.SS.R.

us, with many yet unborn, shall meet to be a priest is a burden. It is not easy

Men's Society.

JNO. WHITTY, President. D. J. O'NEILL. Secretary. Montreal, June 7, 1898.

The "slight token of our affection" purse containing \$1,000.

. Immediately after the presentation of the addresses, Rev. Father Strubbe's little nephew stepped from the audience on to the platform and presented to him a beautiful basket of flowers, after which the rev. gentleman proceeded to address the gathering, his rising being greeted with a long continued outburst of applause. When the ovation had subsided, he said:

Rev. Father Superior, Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen.—I am extremely touched by all the manifestations of your sentiments towards me that you have expressed during this day, the twenty-fifth anniversary of my sacred ordination; but your fillal love, your inborn kindness, seem nothing but jewels in those twenty-five years. This morning and yesterday, and, in fact, for the last few weeks. I have been reviewing in my memory the twenty-five years of my priesthood, and I candidly confess that there is, to me, a serious matter, a very great fear, because, as St. Augustine says, "The priesthood is for heaven: it is a great work, and it is to rebuke, to teach to advise and to set do, is no easy task, and when you have done it for twenty-five years, there is You say in that beautiful Psalm, "Thou art a priest," and immediately after you "and God has not been sorry for say. making you one." Would to God that

this may be true! As I said to-day to the Rev. Father Superior and to my dear brethren, when. three or four years ago, I had the influenza. I was, as the doctor told me who had already taken up a call it by name; whereby you know no the rostrum; and who were always in advance our every requireuniform and looked exceedingly ment.

You cortainly have ever been animated specific as a guard of honor would be a splict of holy, determined on the available and the was trying dies auxiliary stepped on to the will be a splict of overcome all order to offer up a prayer in my behalf.

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celebrate your golden sacerdotal wed- to fulfil all your duties; it is not easy ding you may be as well and as happy to stamp out that which should not as you are to-day. In return, all we exist in a parish: it is not easy ask is the blessing of your continued when you are obliged sometimes to approached him with confidence, and directorship of our young and flourishing speak energetically in order to make i society and a corner of perpetual sanc-; understood when the Kingdom of God C.SS.R., on the occasion of the twenty- had restored hope and courage; he tuary in your generous memory, especi- suffers violence. Therefore, I tell you had never spared himself when, by his ally when you daily ascend the steps candidly, my heart this day is very full of God's altar, whereon, for twenty-five of fear. However, if, on the one hand, years, you have offered up the Ador- I should be really and truly afraid, on the other hand, there should ascend out The members of St. Ann's Young of my soul a prayer of thankgiving to God Almighty. And when I look back upon those twenty-five years, I must exclaim, with the Royal Prophet, "Bless God. O my soul." Indeed, "Bless God. O my soul," for I was privileged to be brought up by a good Christian moreferred to in the above address was a ther, a mother of mothers. (Applause.) this evening and could bring her here in order that she might, at least, once in her lifetime, and perhaps at the latter end of her life, rejoice at the sight of the honor that her son is covered with this evening. "Bless God, O my soul," because it was she who placed first of all in my heart, by her good counsel, her good education, her good example, the seed of my vocation. Bless God, O my soul," because I was called to the priesthood, unworthy though I was. But God never calls the worthy, but, as St. John of Chrysos-tom says. "When He calls them, He makes them worthy." I have been called to that great dignity, the priesthood: that is to say, I have been made another Christ; not mere'v simi lar to Christ, but with a real identity: I have become Christ himself. "Bless

God, O my soul." By God Almighty the choicest part of His flock was given to my care, when He sent me to a college where, after two years. I was elected director, and where, for eight years I worked in forming a great slavery." To preach, to correct, character, the men I am proud to say, to-day being the glory of my native a good example, as a priest is obliged to country. Among them are twenty-seven priests, one bishop, and many others who occupy high positions in parliacertainly many a thing that is not right. ment, and even in the very council of the king. And when I think of them I must exclaim, " Bless God, O my soul,

Then again, my life has been brightened by the confidence I have enjoyed on the part of my Superiors. There was Rev. Father Catulle, whose name will remain forever in the hearts and upon the lips of all those belonging to St Ann's parish. (Applause.) And again, afterwards and, as I knew perfectly I owe gratitude to God for the new well at the time, at the door of my tomb, Superior. He has given me, and who,

to merit the title of belonging to yours. plause.) (Loud applause.) At a gathering a few weeks ago, where I had the pleasure of question of Ireland, and I was asked to -by birth and, what was, perhaps, as noble if not nobler, whenly the title piness of being Irish by Little but I will, to acquire the title of Irishman, die on the battlefield of zeal and self-sacrifice in your behalf. (Lond ap-"Bless God, O my soul," because it that privilege I owe to Almighty God great advantages that it does to-day more than gratitude. If you could only

self with you, forgetting-1 say it can-

know, my dearly beloved friends, how much they have consoled me. I may say that for the fourteen years I have been in their midst, they have nevsaid to me, not even once, " No, Fath a we cannot do it." They have a waybeen ready to be advised. If never that a command, I only expressed a desire and it was carried out.

Finally, my dearly beloved brethten, I must thank God with all my hearts for the kindness of yen all—the Children of Mary, who came every fortnight se caserly to listen to the lastruction 1 have the honor and the pleasure of givno them; and there is the consention. they have given me. Then, there is the League of the Sa ted Henry, in which so many zentous ladie, are covering themselves to proportion the Object. Sherament, Italian word, and talliante ed for having adowed as a free in be pridst of you.

And now, riv dently belove: have to that I you one the odes noted her moyen have done low appointing fram of the first was the andy would not have shering so given generolds, i dank ves bank the President of the Vounty Men's Society for aunizine this beautiful (thank allo that worthy sob, Mr., Ben nam, while tarme, " think His Home Judge Christia ecoding here this evening, and my dear friend Mr. M. J. F. Quian, M.P. newed appearsor and my dear to the Hon. Dr. Guerin, and my dear to D u Gallery, the Alderman, all of whom are seated in the audience.

And now, I conclude by giving the self entirely to you, and I will be to do what I have not done, neglected to the past. I will try to be describe of all this bonor and glory you have given me this evening, by doing what St. Papt did, when he said, "I will specified and he so rifleed in order to do cood to come souls, to do good for your temporal and spiritual wolfare." (Land and long optimued appleuse.)

Mr. E. Quinn then sang a some with fine effect, and a quartette of vocalists, consisting of Messrs, M. Mullarkey, J Penfold, E. Quinn and W. Murphy,

Mr. Justice Curran was then asked to

acquitted themselves admirably.

address the gathering. He echoed the sentiments that had been so nobly and so very well expressed in the addresses that had just been read, and said that most of those present remembered the day when Rev. Father Strubbe arrived in their midst. They knew those who accompanied him; the name of the leader was written in letters of gold in the heart of every true Irishman and Irishwoman in St. Ann's parish and in the whole city of Montreal. (Applause.) They knew the efforts that were put forth, the organization that was planned, the admirable zeal and the distinguished ability with which the programme was carried out, and the great results that were achieved by Rev. Father Catulle, aided by a noble band of priests-(renewed applause)-and none more so than Rev. Father Strubbe, whom they were delighted that night to honor. The evidence of that was before the whole city and the whole Dominion. There was, he ventured to say, no parish in which so many good works had been inaugurated, in which religion had made such vast strides, in which every work of charity, in which every effort on the part of education, in which every step upward and onward had made more true, visible progress than in St. Ann's; and the great hope of its future was in the fact that the young men and young women of the parish had been confided to the care of Rev. Father Strubbe. (Applause.) Alluding to the rev. gentleman's reference to his mother. Hon. Judge Curran said that it should be a lesson to every young man and young woman present but more especially to every young man, as it showed that Rev. Father Strubbe, whilst enjoying what he saw around him and what was being done for him, did not, like the noble-hearted man he was, forget her who had stood by him, in his youth. (Applause.) In reading the lives of all great men, those who had achieved a name in the history of their country, it would be found that one and all had been devoted to their mothers. If young Irishmen in that part of the city, which was their stronghold, wished to achieve the position to which they were entitled, they must remember the lessons that their mothers taught them and the sacrifices they made and yet I felt very calm: I had the if he does not surpass Rev. Father for them: and if they were true to hard to be a member of. If oud and by our foreign missionships.

didly-my own nationality, and trying such a record as his.

Hon. Dr. Guerin said that it had been his lot during the past fourteen years to meeting many friends, there was the work side by side with Rev. Father Strubbe, and if ever there was an indespeak upon it. I did so with a good fatigable priest in St. Ann's parish, it heart, and told those present that there was the rev. gentleman whose jubilee were two ways of becoming a nobleman they were celebrating that night. Continuing, the speaker remarked: I may eay that this is a grand day for St. Strubbe and for all those who are in sympathy with his toils and labors. He was one of the pioneers who came and laid the foundation, I may say, of the parish of St. Ann's as we have it to-day. Fifteen years ago, when those has been given to me to take care of good Fathers came, the parish did not the young men of this parish: and for enjoy the magnificent buildings and the and if we have these advantages, and if we can claim not only equality with, but superiority to, any other parish in this Dominion, or this city, it is through the energy of the good Fathers who have worked here so long amongst us. wish, in conclusion, to congratulate Father Strubbe, and to say, on your behalf, as well as on behalf of everybody who has the interests of this parish at heart, that our heartfelt may rest that he acts live long amengst us to enjoy the go titude of the faithful of St. Ann's (Loud applause).

> Mr. M. J. F. Oman, Q.C., M.P., obrved that when those who had been Usidenis of Montreal looked back upon the paris of St. Ann's and realized the committee in which it was when the Rev. Pather carse to take charm Colit. when they by the magnificent works some whom they thought of the sciencid coloris con had been distritailed, and when they considered that there and alrest them had been asso

A the name of the Father Strubbe. the the free becameter would not have been true to at elf if it had not Jeoller out has the demonstration of that wight, to do noner to the usu and the man who had done so much for St Annas, (Appliouse). He was sure that ne only voiced the sentiments of all present, sentinents which would find expression in the prayers of every member of the andience, when he spoke of the hope that Pather Strubbe would be stored to St. Aun's, an parish priest her many years to come, and that the incords of stone and mortar which prodringed his goodness would be second only to the memory he would leave in the hearts of the people and to the mone that would be found engraven in the heart of every frishman and trishwoman in that parish the name of Rev. Father Strubbe, their pastor and spiritual director. (Prolonged applause.)

Rev. Father Strubbe then passed among many of the audience and received their heartfelt congratulations. lection of sweet airs.

The demonstration was brought to a close with the serving of tea, coffee, etc., by the ladies of the parish, and a half-hour's pleasant social chat.

NOTES ON CATHOLIC NEWS,

When the 2 000 trions of New Jersey were mebilized at Sea Girt a lew weeks ago it was found that 1 800 of them were Cathelica.

Bishop Hesly, of Portland, Me., celebrated the 25th anniversary of his consecration as Bishop on Thursday June 9. High Mosa was celebrated all the releata of the diocese being present, also Bishop Bradley of Manchester, N.H. During the day the venerable Bishop received many congratulations on the occasion of the silver jubilee. In the afternoon Bishop Healy entertained all the visiting clergy at dinner.

The Rev. L. L. Conrardy, of Oregon, has dedicated his life to the work in which Father Damien died. For over thirteen years be labored among the Indiana of eastern Oregon. He then went to the leper settlements in Sandwich Islands, China and Japan. For the pest three years be has been studying medicine at the Portland Medical College, and next year, his course being then completed, he will return to the lepers to spend the remainder of his days.

About the middle of June ground will be broken for Trivity College, the first Os holic institution for the higher eduestion of women to be erected on this continent. It will be built in the suburbs of Washington, adjacent to the Catholic University of America, and will be under the direction of that seat of learning. The Sisters of Notre Dame of Namur Belgium, an order in Catholic annala fame us for its educational methods. have been placed in charge of this institution.

From the Ave Maria we clip the following very interesting note:-Therehas recently been established in Japan a convent of Trappictine nums, religious whose lives are devoted to the practice of prayer and penance rather than to active missionary work. That the con-templative orders should be in demand in a missionary country may appear odd to some minds, but most apostolic vicare are anxious to secure them. Mgra Lefebvre, of Cochin China, once declared: "Ten nuna praying will aid my work more than twenty Fathers preaching." When the praying and the preach ing are combined, it is not surprising by our foreign missions ries, 🤼 CONTINUED, ON PAGE EIGHT