

the province line at Coteau du Lac to Lake Superior, through a country without roads or bridges, often carrying his vestments on his back, sometimes on horseback, sometimes on foot, or in the rough waggons then used, and sometimes in Indian bark canoes; traversing the great inland lakes and navigating the rivers Ottawa and St. Lawrence." Bishop Plessis soon appointed Father Macdonnell one of his Vicars-General, and desired to have him made a coadjutor-bishop, but the English government thought one Catholic bishopric sufficient concession for the time. It was not till thirteen years later, in 1819, that Father Macdonnell received the title of Vicar-Apostolic of Upper Canada. He was appointed Bishop of Regiopolis or Kingston in 1826. Already at St. Raphael's, in Glengarry, a small seminary had been established and Catholicity was beginning to flourish. Bishop Macdonnell having asked for a coadjutor, Dr. Weld received that appointment, but having gone to Rome died there after being created Cardinal, before he had time to come to Canada. Technically, then, Bishop Weld was the first Canadian Cardinal. In 1837, Bishop Macdonnell celebrated the golden jubilee of his priesthood, at which time he was the recipient of the congratulations not only of Catholics but of Protestants, by whom he was held in almost equal esteem. When the rebellion broke out shortly after this, the Bishop did much to prevent his people from joining the malcontents. Afterwards he proceeded to England to collect funds for building a college, which he named Regiopolis College. The corner stone was laid on the 11th June, 1838, and then the Bishop set out for England. It proved to be his last journey. A fatal illness seized him and he died at Dumfries in Scotland. Such is a brief sketch of the apostolic career of this great man, who did so much for his countrymen, for his adopted country and for the Church.

Mr. Macdonnell's work has been done in a most interesting manner. Numerous anecdotes are interspersed throughout, and the literary merits of the book together with its neat typography, will surely win for it many readers.

SOCIETIES.

THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The Athletic Association forms the hub around which circles the whole course of college sports, and on the solidity and reliability of the hub depends, in a great measure, the value of the whole wheel. Recognizing this the members of the Association have ever manifested the greatest interest in the results of the election of officers for each year, and have displayed much good judgement in the selections they were called upon to make. The past proves this; the future has yet its tale to tell of those who were chosen at the annual meeting for 1888, held on Thursday September 20th,

An assemblage of about one hundred students, besides several of the Rev. Fathers, responded to the call for the annual meeting. Mr. M. F. Fallon temporary chairman, called the meeting to order, and the regular business was proceeded with. Before the balloting for the election of officers took place, Rev. Father Forget, Director of the association, in a few remarks put prominently before the eyes of those present the necessity of making the best choice possible, without reference to anything but the good of the association. Nominations for the various offices then took place and the results were as follows.

President—Mr. M. F. Fallon.

1st Vice-Pres.—Mr. A. J. E. Leonard.

2nd " —Mr. F. L. French.

Recording Sec'y—Mr. D. A. Campbell.

Corresponding Sec'y—Mr. J. P. Smith.

Treasurer—Mr. J. P. Donovan.

Councillors—Messrs. R. Paradis and T. M. Donovan.

These together with the Director, Rev. Father Forget, compose the executive Committee which has entire control of athletics in the College.

A vote of thanks was tendered Rev. Father Guillet, the retiring director, for his unceasing and valuable efforts in forwarding the interest of the association ever since its organization. As a mark of appreciation of their services the names of the following gentlemen were placed upon the list of honorary members, Messrs. J. F. Foley, P. J. O'Malley, T. P. Murphy, J.