O. M. B. A.

Official Notice. Grand Secretary's Office, London, June 25th, 1888.

To the Members of the C. M. B. A., Canada. BROTHERS:-You are hereby officially notified that the next convention of the Grand Council of Canada of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association will be held in the city of Toronto, Ont., commencing on the second Tuesday of August, 14th, 1888, at nine o'clock a. m.

Full particulars regarding hotels and their rates per day, also railroad fare in

Yours fraternally, D J. O'CONNOR, Grand President, SAMUEL R BROWN, Grand Secretary. Forms of credentials for legal Representatives to the Grand Council Convention have been mailed to the Recording Secretary of each Branch in Canada.

Secretaries are requested to have said credentials filled out and returned to the Grand Secretary not later than July 20th.

All Branches in the jurisdiction of the Grand Council of Canada must forward to faithful in any other part of Scotland. Grand Secretary from the 1st day of July, 1887, to the first day of July, 1888.

Forms for said statement have been sent to each Branch, and officers of Branches will please attend to having the statement made out and returned in due time.

On June 25th, O K. Fraser, Eq, organized Branch No. 81, at Smith's Falls. The following is the list of officers for the Spiritual Adviser-Rev. M. Stanton

President—M. Ryan First Vice President—P. Donegan Second Vice President-John Meagher Recording Secretary-Patrick Delaney Assistant Secretary—John McGill Financial Secretary—D. Halpin Marshal—William J. Sutherland Guard—Patrick McManus

Trustees for one year, Nelson Beach, Thos. Doyle, Jas. Reilly; for two years, P. Donegan, John Meagher. This Branch starts with 17 charter

members and prospects are good for a strong branch. The regular meeting nights are second and third Tuesdays in each month.

Resolutions of Condolence.

At the regular meeting of branch No. 13, Stratford, held June 13th, 1888
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Whereas, it has pleased God in His wisdom to remove by death Miss Mary O'Leary, daughter of Bro. T. O'Leary and sister of Bro. M. O'Leary. Be it tesolved, That the members of Branch No. 13 extend our sympathy to Bro. O'Leary and family in this their hour of sorrow. Be it further

No. 15 extend our sympathy to Bro. O'Leary and family in this their hour of sorrow. Be it further
Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be tendered our Brothers, also published in the CATHADIC RECORD and C. M. B. A. Monthly.

Thes. J. Douglass
Rec, Sec. No. 13.

At the last regular meeting of Dublin Branch, No. 60, he.d 20th uit., it was resolved that, Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call to his eternal home Peter Dunn, son of Hugh Dunn, and brother of Joseph Dunn, both esteemed members of this Branch, it was further resolved that, whilst bowing in numble submission to the will of God, we desire to extend to our worthy Brothers and family our sincere sympathy in this their sad bereavement. Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to each of our said Brothers and published in the CATHOLIC RECORD and C. M. B. A. Monthly.

WM. A. NEVEN, Rec. Sec.
The following resolutions of condolence

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The following resolutions of condolence were adopted by Windsor Branch, No. 1:
Moved by Francis Cleary, seconded by D. B. Odette, that Whereas, by the recent death of Brother Henry Beuglet, this Branch has lost a member, the third since the date of its organization; be it therefore resolved that, whilst deploring the death of a brother mamber, we hereby extend to the family of our deceased brother and to Mr. Charles Beuglet, his surviving brother, and a member of this Branch, our sincere sympathy in their sad bereavement, and trust that our Heavenly Father will enable them to become reconciled to His Divine will: resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of our late lamented brother and published in the CATHOLIC RECORD and C. M. B. A. Monthly.

J. M. MELOCHE, Rec. Sec.

Catholic vs. Protestant Church Members.

Kansas Catholic.

From Rand and McNally's Atlas, Chicago, 1882, we find that Catholics outnumbered the combined membership of the four chief Protestant sects, six years ago, in twenty seven States and Territories, the Catholics represented by the left column of figures and the Congregationalists, Baptists, Episcopalians, and Presbyterians represented in the right column under the head of sects, as follows:

Ca	tholics.	Rect
Massachusetts	500,000	158.405
Rhode Island	96.10	21.855
Connecticut		102 505
New York		486,735
New Jersey	175.000	156,742
Maryland	183,000	93 495
District of Columbia	24.090	19,484
Pennsylvania	515,000	365,739
Ohio	370,000	324.309
Illinois	390,000	122.291
Michigan	200 000	122 377
Wisconsin	300,000	65,364
Dakota	10,000	2,328
Missouri	163,872	122,930
Colorado	28,000	6,324
Texas	120,000	95 877
	280,000	
Louisiana	42,000	68.967
Arizona		19
Wyoming	2,000	256
New Mexico	121,000	20
Montana	16,450	508
Washirgton	12,000	2 823
Oregon	20,000	9 912
Nevada	5,000	954
California	216,000	28 168
Idaho	2 300	704
Alooko	1.00.1	28

There are two things to be taken into consideration in this matter. First: The Catholic "membership" is like Catholicity Itself, firm as a rock and subject to no discounts; whilst the "membership" of the sects is like the sects themselves, so varying and unstable and vague an article that It must always be taken with a large discount. The other and most significant is that since 1882 Catholicity has increased far ahead of the increase of population, whilst the sects have hardly increased at all, which places Catholicity now more and a number of tombs and graves. The largely in the lead and adding largely in the lead and adding ruins of the Cathedral are not those of to this lead yearly. As a sample, Kansas the church erected by Columba, but of a gree when there is no agreement, in feigning sentiments which are not felt. Catholics, and the sects at 74,188 To day the Catholic body has so grown as to necessitate the division of the State into with nave, transept, and choir, having a three dioceses with far more than twice sacristy on the north side and chapels on that membership, whilst the Protestant the south side. The hills on the island sects have not increased 20 per cent in which Columba climbed to see, but in

indifferentism from which infidelity is recruited; Catholicity will not allow the public schools to strangle Christianity; this is one large factor in this extraordinary growth.

SCOTTISH FAITH REVIVES.

Glasgow, June 13th.

To-day there took place a pilgrimage to Iona, the place gloriously associated with the Irish Saint, Columba, the Apostle of Christianity in this country. It is an evant of deep interest to the Catholics o Scotland, and marks a red-letter day in the annals of the Church here. To day's pilgrimage is the first made in Scotland since the days of the "Reformation." The last devotion of the kind that occurred brings the mind back to 300 years ago, when a body of pilgrims set out to the shrine of St. Ninian, in Galloway. In this part of the country the people held on to the old devotion longer than did the

James Quillinan, Esq. chairman of the English Catholics from over the border Finance Committee, Niagara Falls, Ont., on or before the 10th day of July next; a full statement of all moneys remitted the pilgrims from England, even in those pilgrims from England, even in those penal days, that the Liberal Parliament of "Reformers" in Edinburgh, finding the persecution of the old religion unable to put down this "Popish practice," issued a decree for the demolition of the shrine of the saint. Pleasanter times for Catholics in Scotland have now arrived. Happily, freedom of conscience is now more real

than in the days of Knox and his fol-

The old hierarchy of Scotland, after a banishment of 270 years, has been reestablished, and throughout the land the religion St. Columba planted is rearing its head in a second spring. Fitting, then, it was, the clergy thought, that a pilgrimage should be made to the Scotch home of the Irish saint. Here, it may be mentioned, as it was to-day among the pilgrims, that the countrymen of him who spread the light of faith from Iona centuries ago are the people who are now re-kindling the light in the same country. Irish land-lordism has done one good thing; it has sown Catholicism all over Scotland. Evicted tenants had to leave their land

behind them, but their priest and their

country of the stranger.

The pilgrims arrived in Oban last night. They included Catholics from all parts of Scotland, from England, and from the native country of Columba. They were welcomed by Bishop Angus Macdonald, the Prelate who presides over the diocese in which Iona is situated. Among the ecclesiastics present were Archbishop Smith of Edinburgh, Bishop John Macdonald of Aberdeen, Bishop John McLach. lan of Galloway, the Very Rev. Dean Clapperton, Administrator of Dunkeld a See now vacant; Monsignor Percico, at present on a visit to this country; the Rev. Lord Archibald Douglas, and representatives of the Jesuit, Benedictine, Vincentian and Franciscan O.ders, and of the secular clergy. Solemn Benediction, at. tended by the pilgrims, was given by Archbishop Smith in the pro Cathedral last night. Early this morning a number of Masses were celebrated by the Bishop and priests in the same church.

At 6 o'clock the pilgrims left Oban in a special steamer for Iona. During the sail along some of the grand, wild scen. ery of Scotland, the life of Columba was the subject of conversation. As most readers know, the saint was born at Gartan, Donegal, in the year 521. His tan, Donegal, in the year 521. His quarrel with Finian led to his exile from the land he loved. As a penance he was ordered to quit Ireland, and not return until he had won as many souls to God as had been killed in the battle that arose out of the quarrel alluded to. At the age of farty two reasons. arose out of the quarrel alluded to. At that he is in both respects very inferior the age of forty two years, accompanied to Mr. O.Meara. by twelve disciples, he set out to bring heathens to the knowledge of the Gospel. On May 12th, 563, he landed at Iona, where he began, and from which for thirty four years he continued the work of making Scotland a Christian and Catholic country. Before he ended his career the whole Kingdom was made Christian, and its territories were studded with churches and monasteries. It is said that he founded no fewer than 300 churches in Scotland and its isles, of which at least ninety remain. Devotion to the saint in this country to day is shown by the dedication to his honor of churches in Oban (1836), Drimnin (1838), Annan (1839), and Rutherglen (1853).

Reaching Iona a little after 9 o'clock, the pilgrims walked in solemn procession to the ruins of the old Cathedral of St. Mary's. Here Pontifical High Mass was sung by Bishop Angus Macdonald, of Argyll and the Isles, the clergy chanting the responses. The scene amidst the ruins was most impressive. At the con-clusion of the Mass the Prelate of the diocese preached an appropriate sermon in Gaelic. An interesting discourse in English was also delivered by Father Oswald, known to the world as Mr. Hunter-Blair, an Ayshire baronet's son, who, giving up Protestantism, joined the Benedictine Order, and handed over all his wealth to the cause of religion. An in. spection of the Catholic relics of the island was then made. Iona, or Iconcile, as it used to be called, is a small island of the Hebrides, on the west coast of Scotland. It measures three and a half miles long by one and a half broad. Two Protestant churches lift their spires over the island, but, so far, no trace of living Catholicism does the place contain. The population counts under 300 But its inhabitants are not monks, and the owner of the island, which at one time was

given in free gilt to Columba by King Brnde, is now the Duke of Argyll. The relics of the old Catholic days are the ruins of the Cathedral, a nunnery, some small chapels, the bishop's house, in the twelfth or thirteenth century by

schools are strangling Protestantism, in-gulfing all the sects in the vast sect of from his native country, "when I turn to from his native country, "when I turn to Erin—to Erin, where the songs of the birds are so sweet, and where the priests sing like the birds. . . Noble youth, take my prayer with thee and my blessing—one half for Ireland and the other half for Scotland." Passing the CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE IN SCOT- Martyrs' Bay, the party proceeded to the cairn, where the Drulds were accustomed to perform their services previous to the introduction of Christianity to the island. The ruins of a nunnery, like the other Catholic build ings deserted since the "Reformation." were also visited. Close by is the gravestone of the last abbess of Iona. figure of the nun is sculptured on a stone, which contains the prayer: "Sancta Maria, ora pro nobis," and an inscription: "Here lies the Lady Macdonald, the last Abbess of Iona, who died in the year 1511. Her soul we recommend to the Most High,"

At a place called Raidhligorian is a spacious burying ground, covered with grave-stones. In this cemetery were buried kings and warriors, powerful and famous in their own days. These include forty-eight Scottish kings, four of the Irish kings, eight of Denmark and one of France. Attracted by the sanctity of the Island, many of these visited Iona on a pious mission, and there remained until death called them away to another world. An interesting grave to patriotic Scotchmen is that still to be seen of Angus Oig Macdonald, Lord of Islay and Kintyre, a famous warrior, who fought with success at the battle of Bannockburn, with King Robert Bruce. A prophecy attributed to Columba, Father Campbell, S. J., an enthusiastic Highland priest, at present stationed in Glasgow, explained, is: "Isle of my heart, isle of my love, where monks have chanted kine shall low; but ere the day of doom shall be, thy glory shall return to thee." Who knows but that to day's visit of the ecclesiastical dignitaries and the lalty of the revived Catholic Church in Scotland is the beginning of that period when some at least of its ancient glory shall return to Iona?

As showing the interest His Holiness took in the pilgrimage, it may be stated that the Holy Father granted a plenary indulgence to the pilgrims which was pronounced before the party left the island. The return journey was made by the steamer, which arrived at Oban about six in the evening. And so was witnessed behind them, but their priest and their one of the greatest days in the annals of religion they brought with them to the re established Catholicity in Scotland.

THE MUSKOKA JUDGESHIP.

Canadian Freeman, Kingston, July 4, 1888. We have learned with deep regret that the Dominion Government has seen fit to appoint Mr. Mahaffy, of Bracebridge, Judge of the provisional county of Muskoka and Parry Sound. We regret it for two very special and telling reasons, the first being Mr. Mahaffy's unfitness for the position, of which unfitness Senator Gowan knows something, the second being the injustice done by this appoint ment to the claims of meritorious conservative barristers, such, for instance, as our friend Mr O'Meara, of Peterborough.

The Government, when the latter gentleman's application was first put before them, expressed a desire-other things being equal—to give the place to a local man.
We freely admit that there is a good deal to be said for the assumption of such a position by the Government, and would offer no emphatic opposition to Mr. Mahaffey's appointment, did we feel convinced that "other things were equal." Let us be precise. The position demanded an able lawyer, a lawyer without profes-

Our readers already know our opinion of this gentleman. That we hold him to be one of the very best lawyers in the country, and that he is professionally as well as personally without taint or tarnish. Senator Gowan can say whether or not, in his opinion, Mr. Mahaffey is professionally fitted for a judgship. We greatly fear the Government, unwilling as it must have been to pass over the matured opinions of so venerable a Conservative as Senator Gowan, had perforce to capitulate before the aggressive Protestantism of Col. O'Brien, the M P. for the district.

Col. O'Brien holds that the appoint-

ment of a Catholic to so high a post as County Judge in a Protestant section of the country is perilous to the election of Protestant Conservatives for that section, We have recently seen some correspondence that shows a wonderful survival of Protestant bigotry and intolerance in this nineteenth century. Neither the Premier nor Mr. Thompson deserve any credit for this latest judicial appointment.

The Peterborough Examiner, in its issue of the 6th inst., reproduces the above article and adds as follows:

"The following article in reference to the judgeship of Muskoka and Parry Sound, is clipped from the Canadian Freeman, Kingston. It is understood that Mr. O'Meara, of this town, was led to believe that he would receive the appointment; yet his claims were ignored and set aside, not withstanding the strong influence exerclsed in asserting his right to such a recognition of his political services.

This action on the part of Sir John creates no surprise, and it indicates his opinion that he has so firm a grip upon the allegiance of his following that he can afford to overlook the services of even those to whose influence he owes, to a very large extent, the fact of the Govern ment having a supporter in this Riding."

Not uttering what is false or doubtful is but a small part of real truthfulness; deceit may consist in concealing what ought to be spoken, in exaggerating or

There is no condition in life so bad but it has one good side. Every situation has its point of view-we should place in it that tavorable light.

Oh, how good a thing and how peace than half that percentage. The public ever thought of Ireland. "Great tears report what one has heard.

DIOCESE OF PETERBORO'.

THE "ST. LEONARD'S" PICNIC. Peterboro' Examiner, July 3.

The most pleasant and successful picnic ever conducted under the suspices of St. Peter's Cathedral, came off at "St. Leonard's Park. This is a most beauti. ful spot for such a gathering, and it was taken advantage of to the fullest extent. The attendance was very large, and throughout the day there were the utmost good order and enjoy ment. The grounds began to fill up at an early hour and all day long there was a busy throng. The clergy was presented by Rt. Rev. Bishop Dowling, Rev. Fathers Conway, Norwood; O'Connell, Doure; Keilty, Ennismore; Fayolle, of Crookston, Dakota, and the resident priests, Rev. Fathers McEvay, Rudkins and Dubie and Dubie.

The first stated event was the base. ball match. The match began at 10 o'clock sharp between nines from the as far as Philadelphia, and returning, will Lock Works and the Wm. Hamilton visit the principal Canadian cities. Manufacturing Company's Works. The latter won after a closely contested seven inning game. For the winners, Galley and Callahan proved an invincible battery. About half the men were struck out by Galley. Farley, for the Lock Works nine, though he pitched a ball that appeared to be rather easily taken, did perhaps the best all-round playing. He made three nice catches and a home run. Graham behind the bat was what the boys call a "dandy." The game was well contested throughout, there being very few errors credited to either side. At the close the score stood: Hamilton's team, 8; Lock Work's team, 4.

The material wants of the people were by no means neglected, and the dinner tables and refreshment booths did a thriving business. There were two refreshment booths, one the palace booth, presided over by Messrs. R Sheehy and John Lynch. They disposed of a barrel of lemonade compounded of a bushel of lemons with ice and water ad lib. Their receipts totalled \$80. Another booth was conducted by Messrs, C. Butler, R. Donaghue, E. O'Neil and C. P. Marty. This also did a good trade and their recipts totalled about \$63. The dining tables were a most import.

ant feature. As 10:30 Ashburnham opened the ball, and soon the other three tables followed suit, and from that hour till two o'clock the ladies in waiting were kept busy supplying abundance of excellent edibles, and from five to six the operation was repeated, The following are the names of the ladies in charge of the different ward tables:

of the different ward tables:

No. 1 Ward—Mrs. J. B. Dunn, Treasurer;
Mesdames E. Phelan, Redmond, White,
Tlerney and Miss Martin. Tee cream tables
—Miss Simons and Miss McFadden. Total
receipts, \$76.75

No. 2 Ward—Mrs. Denerty, Treasurer,
Mesdames T. Kelley, Hackett, LeHane,
O'Meara, Curran and Donoghue, and Misses
McCartby, Navin, Barette and McLaughlin.
Ice cream tables—Miss M. A. Sullivan and
Miss D. McDenald, The receipts of this
table were \$66 37.

Miss D. McDonaid, The receipts of this table were \$66 37.

No3 and 4 Wards—Mrs Delaney, Treasurer; Mesdames (Dr.) O'sullivan, T. Dolan, Morrow (B.), McFadden, Muncaster, Moloney, Lynch (John, jr.), Dianeen. Dwyer and Crowley, and Misses Connin, Haggerty, Hickey, Vicette (2), Murty, Archamoault and Daly, Ice cream tables—Mrs. Dolan and Muncaster Receipts at the treasurer's office, \$72 88.

No 5 Ward—(Ashburnham) Mrs. J. C.

offic., \$72.85.
No 5 Ward—(Ashburnham) Mrs. J. C.
Sullivan, Treasurer. Mesdames Brennan,
Clancy, O'Connell, Wall, Mercier, Welsh
and Thorne, Misses B. Nolan, M. Tobin, M.
Will and Malane. Total receipts, \$75. THE SPORTS AND GAMES,
These events passed off without a hitch

the prizes were awarded according to the following list:
Standing Broad Jump.—J. F. Sullivan, prize, serge suit, value \$5.00, presented by Gough Bros.

logars, value \$5.00, presented by W. J. Morrow
100 Yard Race (Men)—L. Squire, prize, pants to order, value \$3.50, presented by H. Lebrun.
100 Yard Race (boys)—P. Heffernan, prize, silk handkerchief, value \$1.00, presented by James Dolan.
Three Legged Race.—J. McPherson, J. Batler, prize, pair of boys boots, value \$2.00, presented by T. L. Bayeur.
Hurdle Race.—L. Squire, prize, lady's trimmed hat, value \$3.50, presented by Miss E. Delaney.
Boy's Boot Race.—John McCabe, prize, cash, \$1.00, presented by James Dolan.
Obstacle Race.—L. Squire, prize, box of soap, value \$4.00, presented by John Garvey.

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Backward Race.—Jas. McPherson, prize, white robe dress, value \$500, presented by G. C. Clarke.

Clog Dance.—P. Twomev, prize, umbrella, value \$250, presented by M. Sullivan & Co. Irish Jig —Miss Highland, prize, parasol, value \$200, presented by Thomas Kelly. Scotch Hornpipe.—Thos. Hoolihan, prize, suit of underclothing, value \$2.50, presented by P. D. Doran.

There were other means employed for

There were other means employed for adding to the profit of the occasion. A twenty dollar gold piece was represented by a large number of tickets sold by young ladies and their success was remarkable especially that of Miss Maggie ("Flax") McAuliffe, who not only sold the winning ticket (1581) which gave the coin to Mr. John Hays, jr., but also won for the persistent and energetic ticket seller the greeigh wire of \$20 for ticket seller the special prize of \$20 for the lady selling the greatest number of tickets, generously donated by Mr. John Hackett, and which was duly presented on the grounds in the shape of two \$10

The silk banner was won by Mrs. Bonhomme, and the Bishop's picture was won by Mrs. P. Begley. A whip worth \$2.50, kindly given by Mr. W J Devlin, brought \$9 25 and was won by Mr. T H O'Shea, Asphodel. The shooting gallery, conducted by Mr. P Heffernan and Mr. R Begley, realized \$25 35.

The picnic was a very gratifying success in all respects, and much credit is due the energetic committee of which Rev. P. Rudkins is chairman. The total receipts were \$1,166 88

One was the world of love, and passion, and poetry, where the hidden prizes of life seemed to be sleeping in the heart, as the rose in the unfolded bed, or the statue in the unhewn marble. The other was a world of ever-widening duties, where love was not absent, but by itself never could satisfy. It was a world where lovers look beyond their own circle of bliss, and felt that there could be no rest for the soul but in suffering for those that suffer, and laboring for those whose lot their labor could make lighter, and where their deep. even this Western State, and it is doubtaven this Western State, and it is doubtful if their increase will cover much more "beloved Erin," were also visited. He believe all that is said, nor easily to but when side by side they were fixed on est union was not when their eyes met, a common sacrifice. - Mallock.

· WEDDING BELLS.

There was a marriage in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, St. John, N. B, at an early hour on Wednesday, June 27th, the groom being Ald. John Connor, of Portland, and the bride, Miss Katie Agnes, daughter of Mr. Wm. Carleton, of the Customs. The groom was supported by his brother, Mr. P. L. Connor, the bride being assisted by her little sister, Miss Evelyn Carleton, and her cousin, Miss Aggle Carleton. Very Rev. Thomas Connoily. V G, assisted by Rev. John J. Walsh, officiated. The bride looked exceedingly well in a dress of white Saxony Tweed Coat \$4.50 cashmere, with white veil and orange blossoms. Miss Agnes Carleton's costume was of white cashmere, with white bonnet. Miss Evelyn Carleton carried a large basket of flowers. She had on a dress of old rose savin, trimmed with cream lace. Mr and Mrs. Connor left for the United States on their wedding tour. They will go

Virtues even, are dangerous if they have not humility in their number, for they beget pride and give a false virtue. Crimes lead into one another. - Burke. Silence is often the severest criticism.-Buxton.

Character is the diamond that scratches every other stone .- Bartol.

Speak little and gently, little and well, little and frankly, little and amiably. It is G. d's love for us whence flows all

life.—St. Ignatius Arguments and human reasoning will never teach us as much as an humble

the bitterness as well as the sweets of this

recourse to God -St Ignatius. How can one cut a part out of one's

life and throw it away ?- the memory and the influence of the past remain. A good deed is never lost; he who sows

courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. MARRIED.

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