

virtue and zeal of all the Paulist Fathers. In the history of the Church there is no parallel to this phenomenal slowness of growth despite so many favorable circumstances. On the other hand, contrast the Redemptorist Congregation, from which the early Paulists withdrew on the plea that the rule of St. Alphonsus did not suit American ways of life. When the Paulists founded their community the Redemptorists were only, like themselves, a handful in the United States; to-day, they outnumber the Paulists nine to one and they are doing the most solid kind of work everywhere.

REQUIEM FOR PRES. FAURE.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CROWDED—PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD FRENCH PRESIDENT—THE SERVICES CONDUCTED BY REV. FR. HUGONARD, OF QU'APPELLE—EDIFICE SUITABLY DRAPED—LT. GOVERNOR WAS IN ATTENDANCE.

Adapted from the Winnipeg Tribune.

The requiem mass at St. Mary's Church, on Thursday morning, in memory of President Faure of France, was very largely attended, the church being crowded to the doors. The edifice was very appropriately and tastefully decorated. There was a band of black all round the lower edge of the galleries, and on this as a background were draped the French colors, red, white and blue. The north end of the chancel was covered in black, a single gold cross standing out prominently in the centre. Just in front of the chancel rails was placed the catafalque, or supposed bier, just as would have been had the funeral of the late president been taking place from the church. The coffin was covered with the French flag and surmounted by the sword of office.

Mass was celebrated by Father Hugonard, O. M. I., of Qu'Appelle Industrial School; Father Guillet acted as deacon and Rev. Mr. Munroe as sub-deacon. The clergy in the chancel were Rev. Father Cherrier, Vice-Rector Tourangeau, S. J., of St. Boniface College; Rev. Father Blain, S. J.; Rev. Father McCarthy, O. M. I., and Rev. Father Dorais, O. M. I., principal of St. Boniface Industrial School. His Honor the lieutenant-governor attended with his staff and Capt. Gauthier, and there were also present Judge Dubuc, Judge Prendergast and nearly all the prominent French-Canadians and French people of the city and St. Boniface.

Just before the Libera Rev. Father Guillet, O. M. I., pastor of St. Mary's, said a few words of thanks to the large audience for coming in such numbers and for the impressive and awe-inspired silence with which they followed this solemn act of charitable intercession for the soul of the lamented President of the French Republic.

The service was full choral and was most impressive throughout. The St. Boniface Indian School band played a number of selections in an excellent manner before the service proper opened. Mr. Geo. Gellay sang "Thro' the Darkness," from the Stabat Mater, with much feeling, and Mr. H. D. Smith, who was in fine voice, sang "The Distant City." The choir was a strong one and the organ was presided over by Mr. Bétournay. The service was in every way a magnificent one and was much appreciated by the large audience present.

KLONDIKE KING'S MARRIAGE.

Alex. Macdonald, the "King of the Klondike," was married in London recently at the Roman Catholic Church of Corpus Christi, Brixton, to Miss Margaret Chisholm, eldest daughter of Superintendent Chisholm, of the River Police. The adventurous career of the bridegroom, and the almost equally romantic circumstances under which he first met Miss Chisholm attracted many to the ceremony besides the friends of the contracting parties, says the London Telegraph. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a dress of ivory satin, trimmed with cream lace, and carried in her hands a magnificent shower bouquet. The bridesmaids were the three Misses Miller, Miss Elizabeth Chisholm (sister of the bride), and Miss Maud Rand. They were dressed in pink satin, with white hats trimmed with primulas and cerise, and carried bouquets of carnations, with cerise ribbons. The nuptial mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. Canon Chisholm, uncle of the bride, assisted by the Rev. Father Van Doorne, parish priest. Mr. William Chisholm, the bride's cousin, accompanied the bridegroom as best man. There were present several friends of the bridegroom, among whom were the Rev. Dr. Macdonald, of Inverness, and Mr. Ronald Morrison, of Dawson City. After the ceremony, the wedding party proceeded to the Holborn Restaurant, where a banquet was held, at which eighty guests sat down. Mr. Macdonald and his bride afterwards journeyed to Bournemouth for their honeymoon. Thence they will depart shortly for Klondike.

FATHER BRIDGETT.

Liverpool Catholic Times.

God in His own way raises up fitting champions for the Catholic Church at all times, but it is impossible to see the men who were received into it as a result of the Oxford movement passing away without feeling that it is hard indeed to replace them. What magnificent testimony to the power of Catholic truth do their conversions afford. The Catholics who join Protestantism are unhappy mortals, who as a rule have not fought with sufficient earnestness against their own passions. They found the Catholic rule of life too severe for the weakness of their flesh, and they lapsed into less exacting creeds, sometimes endeavoring to persuade themselves that their objections to the Catholic faith are doctrinal rather than personal. On the other hand, the highest aim of the converts to the Catholic Church is sanctification. Both by their character and their intellects the men of the Oxford movement have been all that Christians of a high type should be, and Father Bridgett was certainly one of the noblest spirited amongst them. As a writer he has done splendid work for the Catholic Church in this land—work which will long endure—but his best and greatest memorial is that he has left the example of one who regarded human life as something pure and sacred, and walked continually in the presence of God.

DEATH OF BISHOP VERTIN.

For Twenty Years He Had Ruled Over the Diocese of Marquette.

The Right Rev. John Vertin, D. D., Bishop of the diocese of Sault Ste. Marie and Marquette, died on Sunday, Feb. 26, at his home, in Marquette, Mich., from heart failure, brought on by grip. His death was unexpected. Bishop Vertin was born in Rudolfsbergh, Carniola, Austria, on July 17, 1844. He came to the United States in 1863, and entered the Theological Seminary of St. Francis, at Milwaukee. He was ordained a priest by

Bishop Baraga, in August, 1866. After holding several pastorates in Northern Wisconsin, he succeeded Bishop Baraga as Bishop of Marquette in 1879. The diocese comprises the northern peninsula of Michigan, and was established in 1857. Rt. Rev. Frederic Baraga was its first Bishop. He died in 1868. Its second Bishop was the Rt. Rev. Ignatius Mrak, who resigned in 1878, and was succeeded by the late Bishop Vertin. The diocese has a Catholic population of about 60,000. The late Bishop was loved and respected by all who knew him, irrespective of creed.

COMPLETELY PROSTRATED.

A Quebec Farmer Tells How He Was Restored from Almost Hopeless Suffering to Complete Health.

Mr. Wm. Goodard, a well-known farmer living near Knowlton, Que., says: "A few years ago my health gave way and I was completely prostrated. The least exertion would use me up and make it difficult for me to breathe. I suffered from headaches, had no appetite, and fell off in weight until I was reduced to 130 pounds. Finally I grew so bad that I was forced to keep my bed, and remained there for several months. I was under the care of a good doctor, but he did not seem to help me. One day a friend urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I procured two boxes. When I had finished them I could not see much improvement and would have stopped taking them but for the urging of my friend, who said that in my condition I could not expect to see immediate results. I continued taking the pills, and by the time I had taken a couple more boxes there was no doubt that they were helping me, and it needed no further persuasion to induce me to continue them. In the course of a few months I not only regained my health, but increased in weight 50 pounds. These results certainly justify the faith I have in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I strongly urge those who are weak and broken down to give them a fair trial."

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SOME RECENT CONVERSIONS

Miss Elizabeth Kilsyth Livingston, a member of the old New York family, has joined the Catholic Church, to the surprise of the exclusive society circles which she is a member. She was instructed in the faith by Father Healy, of St. Lawrence's Church, Eighty-fourth street and Park avenue, and received her first communion at the Convent of the Sacred Heart.

This young woman, who is a great beauty and has many accomplishments, was born in Baltimore. She lives with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Van Brugh Livingston, at No. 39 West Forty-ninth street, her parents and only sister having died some years ago. She was brought up a Baptist, but later joined the Protestant Episcopal Church. Her uncle and aunt are Roman Catholics.

She is a member of the Colonial Dames and is associated with many charities.

The Rev. Robert Thomas Nichol, an Episcopal minister, has become a Catholic. The knowledge of Mr. Nichol's conversion to the Catholic Church was a surprise to his friends, although it was known that he was one of the most devoted adherents of the Anglo-Catholic party in this country and in England. It is said that his action was altogether sudden and unexpected, and followed the attendance upon a series of missions lately held here in a Catholic Church and a subsequent brief study of the subject of Catholic doctrine. It is understood that he will study for the priesthood.—Worcester Record.

GREAT SNOWFALL SOUTH.

A propos of the recent great storm in the United States, it is stated that near and north of Washington there was a snowfall unparalleled for more than a decade, though above Philadelphia the record was not broken in respect to temperature. But Washington was not only buried in snow, her temperature went lower than at any other time since the United States Weather Bureau was organized, in 1872. Vicksburg reported that the mercury went four degrees lower than the record for the last thirty years, and New Orleans beat hers by nine degrees. Indeed, through that wide extent of territory known as the "South Atlantic and Gulf States," the temperature ranged from two to ten degrees lower than any thing known since the civil war.

METALS PRECIOUS AND RARE.

A Vast Difference Between the Market Value of Gold and Gallium.

The expression "worth their weight in gold" is a familiar one. In the book of standard quotations it is thus credited to John Ferrier: "Now cheaply bought—for thrice their weight in gold." It is very generally believed that gold is recognized as the most valuable of the precious metals, but such a view of the matter does not take into account "the scientists." There has recently appeared, under warrant of the highest scientific authority, a statement of values based upon the commercial price of various rare metals—a statement which overthrows many previous fond notions. A pound avoirdupois of gold is put in this statement as worth \$300. A pound of platinum is valued at \$144 and iridium at \$112. After these there is a rapid descent, according to the scientists, to cobalt worth \$8 a pound, magnesium worth \$4.50, bismuth worth \$2.75, sodium \$2.50, manganese \$1.10 and aluminum 35 cents.

Then comes a jump to chromium worth \$490 a pound and palladium worth \$560. Uranium is worth \$980 and osmium is worth \$1,000 a pound. There may be scattered about the community a few persons who are looking for bargains in barium, which costs \$1,900 a pound, or for rhodium, which costs \$2,500, or for arium, which costs \$3,600. Indium costs \$4,400, thorium \$8,300, and rubidium \$9,500. These figures, however, may be said to pale into insignificance—if anything connected with scientific discovery ever pales into anything so intangible—when compared with the value of gallium, which, according to the scientific standard, is worth \$68,000 a pound.

The apparent excess of value of the other metals quoted over that of gold is not due, it ought to be added, to their superior intrinsic worth, but rather to their exceptional rarity. Gold in general use as money, in jewelry, for ornament and otherwise is being constantly produced, whereas the more rare metals are with difficulty found, and the occasional demand for them gives them what may be called an artificial value.—N. Y. Sun.



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I have used Ripans Tablets with so much satisfaction that I can cheerfully recommend them. Have been troubled for about three years with what I called bilious attacks coming on regularly once a week. Was told by different physicians that it was caused by bad teeth, of which I had several. I had the teeth extracted, but the attacks continued. I had seen advertisements of Ripans Tablets in all the papers but had no faith in them, but about six weeks since a friend induced me to try them. Have taken but two of the Ripans Tablets and have had no recurrence of the attacks. Have never given a testimonial for anything before, but the great amount of good which I believe has been done me by Ripans Tablets induces me to add mine to the many testimonials you doubtless have in your possession now. A. T. DEWITT.

I want to inform you, in words of highest praise, of the benefit I have derived from Ripans Tablets. I am a professional nurse and in this profession a clear head is always needed. Ripans Tablets does it. After one of my cases I found myself completely run down. Acting on the advice of Mr. Geo. Bowler, Ph. G., 538 Newark Ave., Jersey City, I took Ripans Tablets with grand results. Miss BESSIE WIEDMAN.

Mother was troubled with heartburn and sleeplessness, caused by indigestion, for good many years. One day she saw a testimonial in the paper endorsing Ripans Tablets. She determined to give them a trial, and was relieved by their use and now takes the Tablets regularly. She keeps a few cartons Ripans Tablets in the house and says she will not be without them. The heartburn and sleeplessness have disappeared with the indigestion which was formerly so great a burden for her. Our whole family take the Tablets regularly, especially after a hearty meal. My mother is fifty years of age and is enjoying the best of health and spirits; also she eats hearty meals, an impossibility before she took Ripans Tablets. ANTON H. BLAUKEN.

A new style packet containing TEN RIPANS TABLETS packed in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some drug stores—FOR FIVE CENTS. This low-priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dose of the present cartons (120 tablets) can be had by mail by sending forty-eight cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce Street, New York—or a single carton (TEN TABLETS) will be sent for five cents. RIPANS TABLETS may also be had of some grocers, general storekeepers, news agents and at some liquor stores and barber shops. They banish pain, induce sleep and prolong life. One gives relief.

I have been a great sufferer from constipation for over five years. Nothing gave me any relief. My feet and legs and abdomen were bloated so I could not wear shoes on my feet and only a loose dress. I saw Ripans Tablets advertised in our daily paper, bought some and took them as directed. Have taken them about three weeks and there is such a change! I am not constipated any more and I owe it all to Ripans Tablets. I am thirty-seven years old, have no occupation, only my household duties and nursing my husband. He has had the dropsy and I am trying Ripans Tablets for him. He feels some better but it will take some time, he has been sick so long. You may use my letter and name as you like. Mrs. MARY GORMAN CLARK.

I have been suffering from headaches ever since I was a little girl. I could never ride in a car or go into a crowded place without getting a headache and sick at my stomach. I heard about Ripans Tablets from an aunt of mine who was taking them for catarrh of the stomach. She had found such relief from their use she advised me to take them too, and I have been doing so since last October, and will say they have completely cured my headaches. I am twenty-nine years old. You are welcome to use this testimonial. Mrs. J. BROOKMYER.

My seven-year-old boy suffered with pains in his head, constipation and complained of his stomach. He could not eat like children of his age do and what he did eat did not agree with him. He was thin and of a saffron color. Reading some of the testimonials in favor of Ripans Tablets, I tried them. Ripans Tablets not only relieved but actually cured my youngster, the headaches have disappeared and he never complains of his stomach. He is now a red, chubby-faced boy. This wonderful change I attribute to Ripans Tablets. I am satisfied that they will benefit any one (from the cradle to old age) if taken according to directions. E. W. PAICK.

