















OBITUARY

MRS. BERGIN
In the passing away of Mrs. Bergin, Guelph loses one of its oldest and most respected residents. She was a daughter of the late Bernard McTague, one of the early pioneers, and was born and lived all her life in Guelph. She was the widow of John Bergin, who, for many years, was in the harness business on Macdonnell St. She was a most devoted member of the Church of Our Lady and was one of the first pupils who attended Loretto Academy. Mrs. Bergin was of a bright and cheerful disposition, which endeared her to all who knew her, and will be sadly missed by her family and friends. She is survived by one son and six daughters, Rev. J. I. Bergin, S. J., rector of St. Stanislaus Novitiate, Guelph; S. M. Vincent, St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton; M. M. Adelsna, Loretto Community, Stratford; Mrs. T. J. Keenan, Mrs. E. J. O'Brien, Miss Rose Bergin, Guelph; and Mrs. Claude McAstocker, Havre, Montana; one brother and one sister, Mr. Michael McTague, Guelph, and M. M. Scholastica, Loretto Community, Hamilton. The funeral took place from her late home, 56 Waterloo Avenue, on Friday morning, Nov. 7th. Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated at the Church of Our Lady at 10 o'clock by her son, Rev. J. I. Bergin, S. J., with Rev. F. W. Doyle, S. J., as deacon, and Rev. Mr. Smith as sub-deacon. In addition to a large congregation, the pupils of Loretto Academy, St. Agnes and St. Stanislaus schools, and the novices of St. Stanislaus Novitiate assisted at this most impressive service, while the funeral Mass was sung by the Novitiate choir. At the close, Mr. James Gallagher sang very beautifully "My Soul What do I Render the Lord." The pallbearers were her grandson, Edward Keenan, Guelph, and five grand-nephews, Joseph McTague, Jack Sweeney, Thomas and Joseph Collins, Guelph, and Wilfred Kelly, Stratford. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. J. I. Bergin, S. J., assisted by Rev. M. Quirk, S. J., and the Novitiate choir. Those present from out-of-town were, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kelly, Miss Kathleen Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McTague and Mr. George Downey, Stratford; Mr. P. J. Downey, Orillia, and Mr. James Bergin, Fergus.

GIFTS OF JEWELS TO NATIONAL SHRINE

Washington, Nov. 7.—Two gifts of collections of jewels, totaling in value several thousand dollars, have just been made to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception here. The precious metals and stones in them will be used, as in the case of other such gifts, in making sacred vessels for the Shrine. One collection comes from a woman in Brooklyn, and includes two gold rings with large and beautiful diamonds, a stickpin with diamond, garnet and pearl setting, a pair of diamond earrings and a gold bracelet set with diamonds. The other collection is from a Washington woman, and includes six gold bracelets, two gold watches, one silver watch, five gold rings, five gold chains, and one gold necklace and three breast pins.

Recent gifts of money include \$4,000 from a man in Lancaster, Pa., and \$1,000 from a man in Parsons, Pa. The Daughters of Isabella have just turned over to the Shrine authorities \$9,000 of the \$10,000 the order pledged for a chapel in the basilica in honor of Queen Isabella.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Report of the Third Annual Convention of the Diocesan Sub-Division of The Catholic Women's League of the Diocese of Antigonish held at North Sydney, N. S., Tuesday and Wednesday, October 14th and 15th, 1924. The Third Annual Convention of The Catholic Women's League of the Diocese of Antigonish, which took place on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 14th and 15th, at North Sydney, is said to have been the most successful held since the organization of that body. At 9 o'clock on Tuesday morning His Lordship Bishop Morrison celebrated Mass for the delegates at St. Joseph's Church, assisted by Revs. W. F. Kiely, pastor, and D. M. McEachern. During the Mass, which was a Low one, Farmer's Kyrie, and the hymns "Veni Jesu" and "Holy God, we praise Thy Name,"



were beautifully rendered by the choir. At the close of the Service, His Lordship gave a short instruction to the delegates, choosing for his text: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom," and admonishing them to always bear this in mind in all their undertakings. The delegates then proceeded to Empire Hall, where the Convention was opened by the Chaplain, Rev. W. F. Kiely, with prayer, The National Ode, "O Canada," was sung followed by an address by the Local President, Mrs. Richard Hickey. Rev. Father Kiely next addressed the delegates on the aims and principles for which they were banded together in this Dominion-wide Association, after which the Diocesan President, Mrs. Matthew Ryan formally opened the Convention, and in a simple and pleasing manner outlined the aims and objects of the Organization.

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DIED

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