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ST. JEAN BAPTISTE DAY, NATIONALITY AND RELIGION.

The French Canadians Celebrate the Day, A MAGNIFICENT AND IMPOSING DEMONSTRATION.

Every people have one day in the year upon which they come together in one way or another to celebrate the glories of their country or religion. The festival of St. John the Baptist is that which the French Canadians dedicate to the honor of both.

Monday's demonstration was simply magnificent. The sun rose in the clearest and bluest of skies, which was the signal for the various branches throughout the city and suburbs to prepare and march to the place of gathering opposite the Champ de Mars.

To judge of the immense size of the procession it is only necessary to consider that the 14 sections or branches which composed its length were themselves composed of the various religious and national societies of their respective parishes, two school boys and college students, the members of the clergy, the literary societies and athletic associations, and the representatives of different predominant trades in the section.

PROGRAMME OF THE PROCESSION.

- The Danner of the Association. Branch of St. Cuneo, with banner, band, allegorical car and flags. Branch of the Sacred Heart; music, banner, flags and allegorical car. Branch of St. John Baptist Village; Fire Brigade, band, banners, flags and allegorical car.

The procession, which formed on Craig street, opposite the Champ de Mars, proceeded east along Craig to St. Denis, up St. Denis to St. Catherine, along St. Catherine east to Visitation, down Visitation to Dorchester, along Dorchester east to Maisonneuve, up Maisonneuve to Ontario, along Ontario west to St. Denis, down St. Denis to St. Catherine, along St. Catherine west to St. Lawrence, up St. Lambert Hill and along Notre Dame to Place d'Armes Square.

The citizens dwelling on St. Denis street trusted more to nature than their own efforts to celebrate the nationale etc. Several houses were adorned with flags and streamers, but outside of this there was but little show.

St. Catherine street was the only thoroughfare which did proper homage to the patron saint of Canadians, St. John the Baptist. In the short distance between St. Lawrence Main to St. Denis streets there were three arches, each of them constructed with care and trouble, an emblem of the love felt for the national saint of Canada by its children.

Another double arch had been erected on the corner of St. Catherine and Sanguinet streets. It was second to none on the line of procession, and stood there a monument of the patriotism and devotedness of the Canadians of that section.

At the corner of St. Catherine and Wolfe, and also on St. Catherine and Amherst streets, very attractive arches were to be seen. St. Catherine, at this point, presented a gorgeous spectacle, flags and festoons were numerous; in fact, the street was one mass of overgreens and bunting.

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out being even scorched by imaginary smoke. The framers of the district were next in line, and looked exceedingly well. Following came an allegorical figure of St. Jean Baptiste with the proverbial sheepskin, cross and lamb, which were much admired. A car representing the tonorial business came next, in which the artists exhibited their skill in shaving, shampooing and hairdressing, much to the amusement of the crowd.

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CHURCH OF NOTRE DAME.

On the return of the procession to Place d'Armes, the societies entered the Church of Notre Dame, the vault, pillars and sides of which were literally encased by flags, banners, streamers and decorations of every description.

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IRELAND

IN AND OUT OF PARLIAMENT! THE LAND WAR

LONDON, June 20.—Mr. Gladstone moved that precedence be given to the Arrangements of Rent Bill whenever set down over other business, the Repression Bill, and that there be morning sittings on Friday.

DUBLIN, June 21.—Matthew Harris, a prominent Land Leaguer, denounces David's land nationalization scheme, and accuses him of outraging the feelings of Irish nationalists throughout the world and sowing discord and division among the whole Irish race.

LONDON, June 21.—In the House of Commons, clause 11 of the Repression bill was passed. Mr. Trevelyan appealed to members to expedite the bill.

DUBLIN, June 22.—In the House of Commons, clause 12 of the Repression bill was taken up. It provides for the application of the Alien Act to aliens in Ireland.

DUBLIN, June 22.—The resolution passed by the Dublin Corporation against the Repression bill, declaring that coercion is oppressive and induces ignorant men to become members of secret societies, has been presented at the bar of the House of Commons by the Lord Mayor of Dublin, who was dressed in his official robes.

Opposition to the Repression is steadily increasing. Boyd Kinnear writes to the London Times a letter, in which he says:—"Governers who still govern by bayonets and police."

LONDON, June 23.—The letter of Matthew Harris, a prominent Land Leaguer, denouncing David's land nationalization scheme, is creating deep interest both in Ireland and in political circles in England.

ished hope of becoming an independent nation. When Davitt asserts that there is little difference between Parnell and himself, he shows more ingenuity than candor, for as wide a gulf as ever existed between men on this continent exists between them.

LONDON, June 23.—The police discovered 50 men drilling in County Roscommon. Eight were captured. Three were recognized as released suspects.

DUBLIN, June 25.—There was rioting here Saturday night and to-night. Shutters were torn from shop windows to replenish bonfires for the celebration of St. John's Eve.

LONDON, June 24.—Sir William Harcourt has placed in the House of Commons two new clauses to the Repression Bill, one providing that no combination under the Trades Union Act shall be enforceable under the bill, and the other that nothing under the act shall render unlawful any political or social association for such objects and acting by such means as under the act and otherwise are not unlawful.

DUBLIN, June 25.—The usual Irish wrangle continued in the House of Commons during the whole week, the Repression of Crime bill making slower progress than ever.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—The Cabinet has decided not to interfere with the sentence of Guiteau. The Attorney-General this morning instructed the Marshal of the district and the Warden of the jail to keep the prisoner in strict confinement, and allow no one to see him except his spiritual advisers, the physician and the officers of the jail.

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LONDON, June 26.—At a meeting of the British Government Ireland might bid farewell for ever to the long cherished

laborers here and at Hull, resolutions were passed in favor of agitation to obtain from farmers a grant of a plot of land and dwelling. The disinclination of the farmers to assist the laborers was denounced in strong terms.

New York, June 27.—Patrick Egan telegraphed that the object of the Land Corporation Society is to work Irish farmers with English and Scotch farmers. This, he says, means war to the death.

LONDON, June 27.—The Home Secretary, on account of the importance of the case, has ordered an examination of Walsh, arrested in connection with the seizure of arms at Clerkenwell recently.

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THE ELECTIONS.

ADDITIONAL RETURNS.

QUEBEC, June 21.—It now appears that there is a tie in Portneuf between Vallee, Conservative, and St. George, Liberal, who was at first reported as having a majority of five.

THE NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTIONS.

ST. JOHN, N.B., June 22.—The local election took place to-day. In St. John city one Government candidate, the Attorney-General, Mr. McLeod and one Opposition candidate, Mr. John V. Ellis, editor of the Globe, were returned.

JACQUES CARTIER BANK.

The Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Jacques Cartier Bank was held on Wednesday, 21st inst., Mr. A. Desjardins, President, in the chair. Mr. De Martigny acted as Secretary.

UNREMARKABLE TORTURES

are experienced by the neuragic, and these beset them upon the slightest occasion, particularly when they catch a trifling cold. Until the attack passes off they are racked with pain and rendered helpless and miserable.

Finance and Commerce.

FINANCIAL.

Money lent on stocks at 5 1/2 to 6 per cent, and sterling was dull at 109 1/2 to 109 3/4 for bankers' 60-day bills.

WEEKLY REVIEW—WHOLESALE PRICES.

As is usual at the between seasons period trade is quiet, but our manufacturers are kept in a healthy state of briskness.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Books of Instruction and Devotion for the Month of June. NOW READY. A New Book of Devotion to the SACRED HEART.

THE RAILWAY AMALGAMATION.

LONDON, June 25.—The agreement between the Grand Trunk and Great Western, which has been signed by the presidents, will be submitted to a meeting on the 29th instant.

THE BOOT AND SHOEMAKERS' UNION OF SAN FRANCISCO.

The Boot and Shoemakers' Union of San Francisco copyrighted a "white labor stamp" for use in factories where no Chinamen were employed.

BANQUE VILLE MARIE.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Banque Ville Marie took place yesterday afternoon, Mr. W. Weir, President, in the chair.

NOVA SCOTIA LOCAL ELECTIONS.

HALIFAX, N.S., June 21.—As far as can be ascertained at present, the local elections stand: Government Opposition.

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