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If the English Speaking Catholics of Montreal and of this Province consulted their best interests, they would soon make of the TRUE WITNESS one of the most prosperous and powerful Catholic papers in this country.

PAUL, Archbishop of Montreal.

SATURDAY.....FEBRUARY 10, 1900.

LESSONS OF THE MAYORALTY CONTEST.

A retrospect of the late contest for the Mayorality of this city, furnishes food for reflection. According to the point of view from which the matter is considered, it offers incidents of a gratifying nature, or the very reverse.

To those who have had faith in the popular vote, it must be gratifying that so many should have gone to the polls, without any of the inducements, heretofore considered indispensable.

The Mayor and the Tacit Agreement. Mr. Doran can afford to allow the aspersions to go unheeded, as we intend to do. As regards the tacit agreement, we shall allow Mr. Prefontaine to give his own views.

past. But a new departure was attempted this year. By virtue of the unwritten understanding next year a French-Canadian would be Mayor.

It would be fatiguing to quote all that Mr. Prefontaine stated, when referring to the tacit understanding. On the 13th of January, 1898, he published the following in the "Daily Witness" just prior to his acceptance for the first term:

"If after fifteen years of faithful service in the Council, I am permitted to assist the New Council in carrying out these important measures during the next two years, I shall then retire into private life, well satisfied that I have done my share in promoting the welfare and progress of our city."

"In view of the tacit understanding which has now the force of unwritten law and which I flatter myself I helped to make so, it is now the turn of a French-Canadian to occupy the civic chair."

"It was honor enough for him to have served Montreal as Mayor for two years, and as far as he was concerned he would insist upon the observance of the tacit understanding between the various sections of the community, under which representation of the various nationalities filled the office of Mayor, in rotation."

"La Presse" Attacks the Irish Clergy. Who was responsible for this tacit arrangement, we cannot tell at this moment, but those who entered into it were good citizens, with an eye to the future welfare of Montreal.

is concerned. That paper has been attacked by a mania. Not content with vilifying the candidate, another step was taken, and an attack as venomous as it was false, was made upon the Irish Catholic Clergy of this city.

Father Dowd's Memory Assailed.

Father Dowd was a member of a French Order of priests, and one of its chief advisers. He had spent years in France, and admired its language, which he spoke fluently, and its people whom he had learned to love.

A Challenge to "La Presse."

As to our Irish clergy generally, we defy "La Presse" to put its finger upon one occasion, where they have been guilty of unpriestly conduct. To teach our people, forsooth, to estrange themselves from their French-Canadian friends.

TEMPERANCE MOVEMENTS.

One of our English-Catholic contemporaries congratulates their fellow-subjects in Scotland upon the establishment in Edinburgh of a new association entitled, "The Sober Scots' Society."

(2) not to give strong drink in return for services rendered. "The new society has our best wishes for its success. The only part of the scheme which, we think, can be objected to is the title. An excellent movement like this ought not to be confined to Scotland.

This reminds us that the end of this month will witness the celebration of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence Society's Diamond Jubilee. Much more complete as well as bold has been the work done by this admirable organization in Montreal.

When the mind summons up, in one sweeping backward glance, the names of the founders of this body, and the long list of triumphs which it has numbered, a magnificent panorama opens up before the eye of the observer.

MGR. CONATY ON COLLEGES.

Possibly no man in the United States to-day is better qualified to express opinions regarding Catholic Colleges, than is Rev. Mgr. Conaty, Rector of the Catholic University of Washington.

"The college is called upon to do more to-day than it did for us. The world is demanding more from college men than it demanded from us. Conditions are different, and the student must be prepared to meet them.

One of the finest portions of this admirable address is that in which the speaker considers college ideals. The plea for religious training in all colleges is a powerful presentation of the most Christian side of the educational problem.

controlled, vague notions of life and duty to be cleared up and defined, boyishness to be developed into manliness, self-reliance, honor, conscience, responsibility to be enforced.

Having dwelt for a time upon phases of his subject that affected in a special manner the Alumni and Holy Cross College, Mgr. Conaty, again drifted into general remarks—that is to say remarks that were considered too general to be only applicable to the audience before him, and the institution over him.

"All the parts of our system stand together; the college is not independent of primary schools or university; the university is not independent of college and preparatory school. All are stones in the general structure of education.

What an admirable lesson for Catholics to read! When we consider the clearness of Mgr. Conaty's views upon education, the eloquence with which he can express them and their general applicability, we are not surprised that Worcester's former pastor should be elevated to the dignity of Rector of America's greatest Catholic university.

News of the Week.

The receipt which the executive of the Parnell Memorial Fund will present to each subscriber is a veritable souvenir gem. It is neatly lithographed, bears a very fine portrait of the dead leader, and is on the whole something artistic and very well worth framing and preserving.

The Rev. Father Casey, the zealous and gifted pastor of the English-speaking congregation of St. Jean Baptiste, has announced a Jubilee Year mission to take place, at the Hospice Auclair, for the members of his flock.

The Presbyterian ministers of Montreal, are inaugurating a mission to Roman Catholics. According to report some of the most able preachers both local and from abroad, will be invited to speak on subjects of a controversial character.

The Mayor has called the caucus of the whole council as we go to press, to decide upon the formation of the various committees, and chairmanships of the city's spending departments.

tholies have this year a stronger representation than is usual in the Council we are somewhat anxious to learn what positions our people will enjoy in the administration of the city's affairs.

From Ottawa, the news comes of the death of Mr. W. C. Des Brisay, who, after a protracted illness, died at the age of forty-seven, in the Catholic General Hospital of that city.

London awoke on Saturday morning last to find the streets two inches deep in snow, which was soon converted into mud and slush.

Sensational rumors are current in London, that the military ballot act will be put in force February 14th, and that General Lord Roberts, the Commander-in-Chief of the British forces in South Africa, has called for 90,000 additional men.

A tribute of friends and associates was bestowed upon Hon. Morgan J. O'Brien, when, on last Wednesday evening, the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick tendered him a banquet upon his retirement from the Presidency of the Society, to which he had been elected three consecutive times.

The anti-swearing crusade instituted by the Holy Name Society, was given a second great impulse last week by the public demonstration under the auspices of the Society of St. John's Church at Jacob's Ladder.

A special Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome and Lourdes has been organized, with the sanction of the Right Rev. C. E. McDonnell, D.D., Bishop of Brooklyn, under the patronage of the Most Rev. Sebastian Martindale, Apostolic Delegate at Washington, and under the spiritual direction and management of the Very Rev. H. H. Forcille, Assistant General of the Fathers of Mercy, Rector of the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Brooklyn.

The President of the French Republic is now, at the instance of the Minister of the Navy, M. De Lanessan, to abolish iron in the French Navy. This is certainly a movement in the direction of a greater civilization.

A rather pretty custom is observed in a number of towns of France, where prominent citizens have left a sum of money so as to provide every year a small dowry, to be given to the young girl considered most deserving from the point of view of general excellence, kindness to her parents, brothers and sisters, industry and so on.

The receipt of a sample copy of this paper is an invitation to subscribe.





Monday, February 10, 1900.

Random Notes For Busy Households.

WOMEN LAW MAKERS. — How much has not been written of late years concerning woman's sphere?

not for the world he found alone in a lonely place, or in the vicinity of a graveyard.

HUMILITY AND CHARITY appear to be the two great pillars upon which the Christian system rests.

Every druggist in the land sells Pain-Killer. The best liniment for sprains and bruises.

A Capital Idea.—There is a man living in Camberwell who has a complete set of false teeth.

EXAMINATION OF CHILDREN.—An article upon the scientific examination of children recently appeared in a New York contemporary.

Perfect Health. Few human beings are in a state of natural, perfect health.

The Canadian Pharmaceutical Journal says: "We have tried Abbey's Effervescent Salt, and find it an excellent compound."

costed by a beggar. "Spare a copper for a poor fellow, sir?"

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

HOME FRIENDSHIPS. — Many boys and girls are very anxious to make friends among strangers

WHAT A WHALE WEIGHS.—Have you any idea of the size of the common Greenland whale?

ONLY ONE PENCIL.—Honesty is a very precious thing—sometimes so rare, that when it is once sold it can never be recovered.

ABOUT COURTESY.—It is the easiest thing in the world for a boy to be polite to some other fellow's sister.

In late years men have made fortunes out of the tailings of gold mines.

Do-to-day's duty, fight to-day's temptation, and don't weaken and distract yourself by looking forward to things which you cannot see.

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cause the proprietors could not afford to keep a dishonest boy. It was reasonable to suppose that a boy who held his honesty no higher in price than a lead pencil would doubtless be tempted by something greater.

A SEAL'S LONG SWIM.—Earnest Whitehead captured a young seal near Anacapa Island, California, recently, and took him on board his ship.

A CLEVER CANARY.—Remarkable cleverness is sometimes displayed by birds. "I had a canary," says a gentleman, "between the wires of whose cage I used to fix a piece of lump sugar."

ABOUT COURTESY.—It is the easiest thing in the world for a boy to be polite to some other fellow's sister.

If you meet your sister in the street take your hat off when you speak to her. You would do it for some other boy's sister.

Don't tease or make fun of her in any way to hurt her feelings. You wouldn't do that to some other girl.

When Surgeons are of no Use.—"The driver of the stage, which was rolling down the Rocky Mountains as fast as six mules on the gallop could keep ahead of it, may have noticed that I was," writes a correspondent

now in America, "a little nervous, for after a bit he soothingly said: 'No use to grip that railing so mighty hard, stranger. We shan't come to the danger point for half-an-hour yet.'"

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Society Meetings. Ancient Order of Hibernians. LADIES' AUXILIARY. To the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division No. 1.

Meets in St. Patrick's Hall, 92 St. Alexander street, on the first Sunday of each month, at 8 p.m.

A.O.H.—DIVISION No. 2. Meets in lower vestry of St. Gabriel New Church corner Centre and Laurier streets, on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, at 8 p.m.

A.O.H.—Division No. 3. Meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, at No. 1863 Notre Dame street, near McGill's Office.

A.O.H.—Division No. 4. President, H. T. Kearns, No. 32 Dorchester ave. Vice-President, J. P. O'Hara; Recording Secretary, P. J. Finn, 15 Kent street.

A.O.H.—DIVISION No. 9. President, H. J. Hummel, 28 Visitation street; Rec.-Secretary, W. J. Clune, 25 1/2 Victoria st.

C.M.B.A. of Canada, Branch 26. (ORGANIZED 13th November, 1883.) Branch 26 meets at St. Patrick's Hall, 92 St. Alexander Street, on every Monday of each month.

Young Irishmen's L. & B. Association. Organized April 1874. Incorporated Dec. 1875. Regular monthly meeting held in its hall, 15 Duprest street, first Wednesday of every month at 8 o'clock, P.M.

St. Ann's Young Men's Society. Organized 1885. Meets in its hall, 157 Ottawa Street, on the first Sunday of each month, at 2:30 P.M.

St. Patrick's Court, No. 95, C.O.F. Meets in St. Ann's Hall, 157 Ottawa street, every first and third Monday, at 8 p.m.

Total Abstinence Societies. ST. PATRICK'S T. A. & B. SOCIETY. ESTABLISHED 1840. Meets on the second Sunday of every month in St. Patrick's Hall, 92 St. Alexander street.

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SOME LESSONS OF THE TRANSVAAL WAR.

The Press Association's correspondent at Capetown writes:

The time seems opportune for looking round at the results which have been accomplished and lessons which have been learned on both sides.

The Boers in arms.—Another point which needs to be emphasized is that the Boers in arms are in far greater numbers than had been imagined.

THE REVERSE SIDE.

To turn to the British side of the question, no more pronounced lesson has been taught to us than that frontal attacks on the Boer positions is impossible of success unless at a loss of life that is too terrible to contemplate.

A CLERGYMAN'S ADVICE.

THE ALMOST MIRACULOUS CURE OF JOHN McDONALD, CAPE NORTE, N.S.

For Years He Was Afflicted With Spinal Trouble and Paralysis of the Legs—Was Treated by the Best Specialists in Victoria General Hospital, at Halifax, Without Benefit—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Have Restored Him.

Mr. John McDonald, a well known merchant at Cape North, N.S., was for many years a sufferer from spinal trouble, which eventually resulted in partial paralysis.

not to have learned the lesson of Magersfontein, but it is probable that by this time the army in Natal will adopt similar tactics to those already indicated.

BOERS IN ARMS.—

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"STOP THE WAR." is the name of one new movement in favor of peace, says the London Universe.

BRAVERY OF IRISHMEN.—Two stories from the front of high acts of gallantry are related in the new year's annals of the Royal Humane Society.

V. C. FOR AN IRISH SOLDIER.

Amongst the many individual acts of bravery displayed by our men in South Africa, that of Private Fitzmaurice, of the Grenadier Guards, stands out prominent.

ed me, and I gave up all hope of ever getting better. I continued to grow worse until about the 1st January, 1896, when I had become so bad that I could not stand alone.

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