

PHILOSOPHERS' DAY

On March 7, the Philosophers celebrated the feast of their patron, St. Thomas Aquinas. High Mass was celebrated at seven o'clock by Rev. Gavan Monaghan in the College Chapel. The choir for this was entirely composed

of Philosophers.

After breakfast the Seniors and Juniors kept up the old tradition and played a game of hockey. The ice was in fair condition and the game was fast throughout. The Juniors scored twice in the first period, three times in the second, and at the end of the third the score was 7-2, the Seniors getting their two goals in the last period. After this game the second Seniors and second Juniors played a game. This, as far as we know, is the first time such a game has taken place. The Juniors again were the victors. Congratulations Juniors.

In the afternoon a banquet was held at the Russ Hotel, Charlottetown. After all had satisfied their appetites the following toasts were proposed by the Toast Master, James Farrell and responded to as follows:

The Pope and King Francis Doiron
The Day We Celebrate Rev. Gavan Monaghan, Ph.D. Our French Brethren Armand Bordeleau The Press Charles Tingley The Ladies Arthur Hogan

The Rev. Rector, Father Murphy, upon being called then said a few words. He expressed his appreciation of the banquet and told the Philosophers that they would remember in after years with joy this happy day.

God Save the King

St. Thomas' Literary and Debating Society

At the last meeting before Christmas it was decided by a majority vote to hold Mock Parliament after the holidays.

Mock Parliament

On Jan. 19, the House was formally opened. His Excellency, Rev. Lawrence Smith, read the speech from the throne. The speech, a thoughtful composition, began by welcoming the members of the House to their important duties. The prosperity of the country was noted and a few matters were referred to, such as the increase in foreign trade, which would warrant a bright outlook for Canada. The most important consideration was an examination of the Maritime Commission's report, and of the proceedings and other matters relative to the Imperial Conference. The question concerning the construction of the Hudson Bay Railway and the management and control of the Canadian National Railway was treated of at some length. Bills providing for the reform of the Senate, Old Age Pensions, and other important measures were contained in the policy. His Excellency concluded by committing the House to Divine Providence for help and guidance.

The Premier Honourable Mr Farrell then announced

the Cabinet to be composed of the following ministers:
Hon. James Farrell Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs
Hon. Robert Macdonald Minister of Justice
Hon. Charles Tingley Minister of Customs
Hon. Charles Trainor Minister of Trade and Commerce
Hon. J. Johnston Minister of Public Works
Hon. J. McGuigan Minister of Finance
Hon. G. A. Macdonald Minister of Marine and Fisheries
Hon. M. Conway Minister of Interior
Hon. C. Hynes Minister of Immigration
Hon. C. Connell Minister of Railways
Hon. L. Cote
Hon. M. White Minister of Agriculture
Hon. J. Monaghan Minister of Health and of
Soldiers' Civil Reestablishment
Hon. E. Murray
Hon. M. McGuigan Minister of Labour
Hon. A. Bordeleau Solicitor General
Hon. D. PraughtMinister of Militia and Defence
Hon. A. Gardner, Hon. J. Walsh, Hon. R. Shreenan, Hon.
R. Cassidy, Ministers without portfolio.

The speeches during the session were excellent and reflect credit on the society. At times the discussion over the affairs of our country became very lively and this contributed in no small way to the interest of the proceedings. It is unnecessary to say that, according to the Opposition, the measures which the Government had in the Speech from the Throne were anything but an unmixed good. As we go to press the Farrell Administration, after a hotly contested election, has been defeated and the Opposition has come into power. This would seem to indicate that the Opposition has the confidence of the people and that perhaps the former Government has deserved some of the censure incurred.

RETREAT

The Annual Retreat, which began on March 9 and ended March 13, was preached by Father MacDonald C.SS.R. The Rev. Father began by insisting upon the essentials of a retreat—rest from study, meditation, prayer, and silence. And as far as we can judge from appearances the father's advice was strictly adhered to. A retreat is a religious exercise beneficial to everybody but especially so to students. For the beginner it is a time to outline for himself his future course in college; for the Senior it is a time when he plans his future, and chooses his path in life. If the retreat did not produce these results it was not the fault of Father MacDonald, for at every conference he gave us excellent food for meditation. We congratulate the Rev. Father on his thoughtful discourses and hope to be true to the good resolutions they evoked.

RECITAL

On Feb. 5, the students of St. Dunstan's were given a pleasant two hours' entertainment in the form of a recital by Mr. Paul Kollins. "Mr. Kollins is a skilled and experienced elocutionist," we had heard, and we can now vouch for the truth of this statement. He did not sadden us with too many serious selections, nor did he make the recital a comedy by too much humor, but the program was so cleverly arranged that all enjoyed a very pleasant evening. He recited such masterpieces as: "Spartacus' Address to the Gladiators" and "Robert Emmet's Address." He favoured us, too, with a rendition of the minister's speech to the millionaire father in the modern

play, "The Fool." These selections, excellent in themselves, were far more fully appreciated after being interpreted by Mr. Kollins. In conclusion we wish to say that we have enjoyed few recitals if any, more than that of Mr. Kollins.

St. John's Literary and Debating Society

The number of debates in this Society prohibits us from reporting them in detail. Yet this does not mean that the Junior Society is any less important, in its own sphere, than the Senior one. The St. John's Debating Society prepares its members, drawn from the lower years, to take their places in the Senior Society when the time comes. Father Gillis, its enthusiastic Moderator, is doing all he can to further the best interests of the Society and the individual student. His task is at times, no doubt, difficult, for he must keep up a lively interest in the debates. This is no easy endeavor, since many of the members are speaking for the first time. To the student this phase of College life at times becomes an irksome and disagreeable duty, but it is a very necessary training for life; and after each attempt the next venture becomes easier until after a time public-speaking grows unconstrained though to very few pleasant.

Lecture

On the afternoon of Tuesday Feb. 14, the Rev. Father Cloran C.SS.R. of St. John, N. B. addressed the students and faculty of St. Dunstan's University. The subject of Father Cloran's discourse was, "Character and the Influence of Education upon it." This is a subject of which Father Cloran has made a special study, and his instructive and interesting treatment of a question so vital to the Catholic youth of today was greatly appreciated and enjoyed by the students. Father Cloran is a forceful speaker and his simple yet impressive manner of dealing with his topic secured the close and unwearied attention of his hearers. A vote of thanks was extended to Father Cloran by the students and the hope was expressed that in the near future we would again be privileged to hear an address from him on another phase of this interesting subject, Character, which could not be fully dealt with on account of lack of time.

Father Fillion's Lecture on Africa

On Feb. 28, Father Fillion of the "White Fathers" delivered a lecture on the African Missions. He made his lecture more interesting by showing lantern slides of the different scenes he described. These showed the life of the "White Father" and of the African native. Father Fillion is a clever man and an interesting speaker. He showed his skill in languages by reciting the "Our Father" in the native dialect of the African. He is an authority on Africa, for he has spent eighteen years among the Blacks and he assured us his ardent wish was to return to them as soon as possible. His fund of humor seems inexhaustible and he amused his hearers several times by his witty remarks about the scenes presented. We thank Father Fillion for his lecture and take this opportunity of wishing him every success in his noble work.

Necrology

To Ambrose Gardner on the death of his mother and to John Hagen on the death of his father, "Red and White" extends its true and heartfelt sympathy.

Who shall decide when doctors disagree.

And sound casuists doubt like you and me?—Pope

If men wish to be held in esteem, they must associate only with those who are estimable.—La Bruyere.

By ignorance is pride increased; They most assume, who know the least.—Gay.

Such is the patriot's boast, where'er we roam, His first best country ever is at home.—Goldsmith.