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AGAIN ST. VIATEUR'S throws wide open its doors and welcomes the throng of sciences-seekers, old and young, who have found their way to its sacred shades. Again our classic grove opens its cool walks to the grave peripatetic, its green, sunny campus to the sportive junior, its woody hills and sloping vales, its picturesque ravines and beautiful river to the lovers of nature's charms; to all it opens—books!...The little minim finds his A. B. C., and the theologian his dogmas abstruse; all find one another's cheerful companionship. Thus let another year roll merrily on.

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AGAIN THE SANCTUM, that pêle-mêle labyrinth whence is to issue forth light to enliven and enlighten this little world, unlocks to the rested "Staff" its holy precincts. The scizzors, all shiny with ready acumen, hang conspicuous on their peg; the new pens, paste-pot and other like artillery, frown in ready profusion. New realms of immaculate leaves await the outpourings of the "Genius of the chair". O fortunate, frail messenger, *Journal of 86 and 87*, bear faithfully to our friends the impressions you will this year receive of our college life.

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AGAIN THE BOOK OF SUBSCRIBERS opens its pages with "Dr" on one side and "Cr" on the other. The transverse marks on its old records indicate that there has been some settling. Thanking our former subscribers we beg their further patronage, and at the same time take the liberty of passing the book to the graduating class of '86" and all friends of the college. This number shall be sent to all the known addresses of the late graduates.

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THE OLD STUDENTS have evinced a true love and genuine esteem of their Alma Mater by directing many of our new recruits to fill the empty places in our ranks. There is nothing more deeply gratifying than to see growing widespread that spirit of gratitude, the fruit, no doubt of the little seed that was here sown.

tered and fell in the good ground of generous hearts. May St. Viateur's evermore experience like manifestations of her true sons' gratefulness.

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RAILROAD LITERATURE, generally à la Peck's bad boy or "Tiger Billy", shows its ears from behind Van Antwerp's description of the globe. *Non licet*, boys; better tear up the trash and with it light your "havana-filled"....Take up more substantial mental pabulum: one of our new, captivating historical novels, a good poet; read history, science; store your minds with available knowledge even in seeking to please the fancy or to while a dull hour away.

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OUR JOURNEY COMMENCES—blue sky—blue bell—blue eyes that see everything blue...When we stand on this side of time and cast a lonesome look along the long Tapering vista of days, weeks, and months still before us and notice how each minute seems to drag so cruelly slow, we feel a kind of remorse for having left home and its fond endearments; we are almost paralyzed with a sense of unending captivity as we look in the face of these weeks which seem eternal years every one...That spell, though, a short lived-illusion only will quickly vanish—sight resume its normal state; sunshine will be as sunny, the flowers as gay, the friends, too, as socially and playful as those we left behind. Life will even wear a charm and the half-year will have glided by, we will think, too soon.

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Mr. Park's address, the list of honors, catholic notes, personals, sportive list were left aside through a serious "erratum" in the June number of the JOURNAL. Also the report of the Commencement entitled "St. Viateur's College." ought to have been credited to the Kankakee Chief: another serious "erratum." For these and many others we cannot at present recall we must say: Please excuse.

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Patrons of St. Viateur's College, pay your subscription for 1886.

THOUGHTS.

“GUARD WELL THY THOUGHTS—OUR THOUGHTS ARE
READ IN HEAVEN.”

Guard, guard thy thoughts with prudence and with care
Each thought has wings to cleave the ambient air
Scarcely is it fledged, when mounting up it tries
Its fearful power; and, far beyond the skies
Seeks Heaven's gate, enters the holy place
And fluttering, falls before Jehovah's face.
Dazzled it falls before that blinding light
And prostrate lies; confessed in God's sight!
No thing of sin or guile should enter there
No thoughts, no words, save those of love and prayer.
The sin-thought sickens in those realms above,
But there more beauteous grow the thoughts of love.
Then guard thy thoughts, for all thy thoughts are given
As swiftest messengers twixt thee and Heaven,
With thee, depends if they be angels bright
Or demons, dark as gloom of Hades' night;
So strong the power of every human will
Then guard good thoughts, but oh! reject the ill!

H.

OUR NEW TEXT BOOKS OF THEOLOGY AND
PHILOSOPHY.

CONSISTING OF THE *Summa Summarum* OF ST. THOMAS,
BY REV. C. R. BILLUART O. P., CORRECTED AND ENLARGED
BY P. F. ECALLE; AND THE *Prima principia Scientiarum*
ACCORDING TO ST. THOMAS, BY M. ROSSET.

The desire manifested by His Holiness Leo the XIII to see once more the scholastic method used in the teaching of seminaries, which desire the fathers of the III Council of Baltimore have embodied in their decrees 168 and 169, has imposed upon us the necessity of selecting a compendium of Theology reproducing the doctrine of the Angelic Doctor and not only his doctrine, but likewise his method and order of teaching.

This new edition of the Compendium of Billuart, a most faithful commentator of St. Thomas, compiled from the Master's great work some 130 years ago and so properly entitled the “*Summa Summarum Summi Tho-*

mae” seems to answer perfectly our purpose. However the Compendium such as it came from the hands of Billuart 120 years ago is far from being complete at the present day. Since that time many new questions have arisen, and have been treated by more modern authors. Many also have until now been neglected. Moreover Billuart, otherwise so judicious, permitted himself in the moral part of his doctrine to be ruled by that spirit of rigorism so rife in France during his epoch. The Rev. M. Ecalle, for many years Professor of Theology in the Grand Seminary of Troie, France, and a writer of note, has in his edition of Billuart supplied these deficiencies and made the necessary corrections.

In his work he has imposed upon himself two invariable rules, 1o to maintain strictly the order adopted by Billuart which is the same as that of the “*Summa*” of St. Thomas; the necessary additions can easily and naturally be embodied in that plan. 2o the “*Summa Theologica*” of St. Thomas being the abridgment of universal science, every one of the new theses is derived from the doctrine of the Angel of the School and resolved according to his principles and method. Furthermore, every rectification in the moral part is taken from St. Thomas, St. Ligouri and the decisions of the Roman Pontiffs. However the work of Billuart remains untouched; all the additions, which are very extensive, are included between brackets. In case of divergence the theses of Billuart become objections against those of his modern editor. The additions of Rev. M. Ecalle do not in any wise disfigure the work of Billuart; some of his theses are really very remarkable. The whole work comprises 6 volumes in 12o.

The adoption of the Scholastic Theology called for the introduction of the Scholastic Philosophy. Here two compendiums with the plain reproduction of the doctrine of St. Thomas called our attention: *Summa Philosophiae in usum scholarum*, by Cardinal Zigliara, and *Prima Principia Scientiarum, seu Philosophia Catholica juxta Divum Thomam*, by Bishop Rosset. The work of Cardinal Zigliara, whose intrinsic merit is out of question, does not seem to answer the needs of our American students. It is easy to see that the eminent Professor was used to teach a class of select students as are in fact those who follow the courses of the Academy of the Minerva in Rome.

Bishop Rosset, on the contrary was for one fourth a century Professor in an ordinary Grand Seminary where the class of Philosophy is composed of students of all degrees of intelligence and who have had no other preparation than the common classical course of college. His long experience had taught him the requirements, the necessities in the teaching of such a class of pupils. And although perfectly a Thomist he knows however, how to render elementarily methodic and clear enough

to be understood by the average mind. He may without disadvantage be compared, as to his philosophical value, to Cardinal Zigliara. In a paper published by the *Civiltà Catholica*, the Rev. Liberatore, so competent in such matters, writes; "No, the book of the illustrious professor of Chamberry (now Bishop Rosset) does not contain a poor and miserable philosophy as do the trivial works produced within an unwholesome atmosphere, and bearing the marks of their author's mediocrity. As a proof take either of the two volumes of the work and you shall readily discover the philosophical riches therein contained. They are exposed in all truth; everything is treated with clearness, order, and profoundness, in these two volumes which are wholly substance and solidity without any ostentation. As a class text-book it is a perfect work".... We shall not add anything to this competent judgement.

P.

ADDRESS

OF FAREWELL DELIVERED BY

MR. GLENN PARK OF THE GRADUATING CLASS OF '86.

Rev. Sirs, Ladies and Gentlemen:—

Already the exercises of this, our Annual Commencement, are drawing to a close. The bright pageant upon which our eyes now rest will soon fade from our view, and, ere another hour has passed, nothing will be found around this, our college home, to indicate the life and joy which once reigned within it—the crowded hall deserted, the noisy room and corridor left vacant and the dreary echo of perhaps a single footstep alone breaking the solemn silence. To us students who have witnessed the long year with its heavy burdens of study and confinement drag slowly by and who now behold spread out before us and almost within our grasp the pleasures of a free and happy vacation; but who at the same time feel twined around our hearts the tendrils which fall from those old gray walls clinging to us, as it were, and striving to hold us yet longer within their loving embrace, to us the occasion suggests a thousand conflicting thoughts which, mingling together like sunshine and rain, form in our souls a counterpart of the bright arch of heaven. As the child in its early years naturally looks forward with anxiety to the time when it will be a man and will be able to enjoy life to its fullest measure; in like manner have we looked forward to this day, as the opening into a world of new delights, new pleasures, which, like music in the distance, charmed our young listening ears and stirred up within our buoyant hearts fond hopes and bright expectations.

The more it approached the stronger grew its influence and the brighter grew those visionary scenes

which it suggested; so that, at the present moment, you wrongly estimate our joy when you judge it is confined to this hall, however beautiful, or to those companions, schoolmates, however dear. Oh no! Although this home is bright and attractive, fancy sees one compared with which the glory and splendor that our eyes here behold, grows pale. Although these companions of our college life are dear to us, indeed, and riveted to our hearts with the surest ties of friendship, our wandering imagination perceives faces and homes a thousand times dearer than they. Yonder is the fond mother—waiting and watching her boy's return. Already, with tears of joy glistening in her eyes, she stretches forth her arms to embrace the idol of her affections, the hope of her declining years. There too stands the father joyful and happy. Brothers and sisters cluster around. The old home! The blessed fireside! Oh consecrated spot! Yes, there our young fancies fly. There already are our hearts. Soon, but not too soon, will this bright dream be realized. Even now we stand at the door which opens into those blissful scenes—Yet, at the same time, we stand upon the threshold of our college home. Ere we bid welcome to the world and its delights, to parents and friends, we must tear ourselves from the embrace of this good foster-mother, this dear Alma Mater. Turning to her with reverent tenderness, we feel perceptibly the ties of love which bind us to her; we feel the delicate threads which she has wound around our hearts, threads as pure and as holy as ever a mother's fondness weaves. Turning to her at this solemn moment, when about to part from her, perhaps forever, the splendor in which she is clothed grows brighter, her beauty more fascinating, her charms more magical and our love for her deeper and stronger. Oh sweet Alma Mater, mother of our happiest days, thy venerable form to us is dear. Thy old walls to us are shrouded with a beauty and a glory upon which our eyes would feign linger longer. Around them are clustered a thousand fond bright memories which will ever remain deeply engraven in our souls—memories which, like stars, will shine..... "in the sky of our spirits forever fond and over our pathway will flash afar, a radiance that perishes never."

Those sacred precincts, those halls and corridors, those beloved companions with whom we studied, played and prayed, fond associates in whom we have always found a brother's love and tenderness, a brother's warm affection; those dear superiors, parents with parents' heart, how can we leave their sweet embrace, and how, when gone, can their memory be ever dimmed in our souls? Oh! we go; but in the shadow of these walls, in those vacant empty rooms our spirit shall remain, hovering about them, like the fabled fairy which was said

to have followed in the trail of death with piteous cries and mourns; our thoughts, our souls will return, and will live again those happy days, as the poor orphan child, thrown into the cold company of strangers, often is again in memory upon its blessed mother's knee. But the parting tears asunder ties as pure and heaven-like as angels' hands could bind. Reverend and dear director, to you, especially we feel and have always felt the strongest attachment, and, to think of separating from you, dear father, brings to sorrow the joy which we anticipate from a mother's fond embrace. You have done for us more than a parent could do, for besides being a devoted parent you have been to us a guide and a model. By your word, you encouraged and pointed out the way which leads to virtue and truth, and, by your actions, you placed before us examples worthy of the closest imitation. We ask your prayers when we are gone, and hope to be remembered by you especially when you stand before the altar of God offering up that solemn sacrifice which you have taught us to love and venerate. Parting, dear director, perhaps for a short time and perhaps for ever, we bid you solemn farewell. Teachers, superiors, companions, friends—All farewell. If we meet not again in this world, we will hope to meet in that calm bright land where separation is unknown, where hands once clasped never parted. Farewell ye old familiar halls! Dear little chapel in which we always knelt and prayed with tears of holy joy—farewell! Hail me of our youth's best days! Dear Alma Mater, to you, we bid farewell! farewell to thee. In our heartily memory shall live forever fresh and forever cherished. No matter where we roam the magnet of our souls will always turn instinctively to thee.

EXCHANGE GREETING.

We wish our exchanges to be a thousand times welcome, or at least as many times welcome as they do come. It is our purpose to give this department of our *Journal* all the attention it deserves. We will try to give as far as possible an appreciation of the merits and demerits of our literary visitors as we ourselves would like to be fairly dealt with at their hands. Our end is literary improvement. We are students and we expect to be considered as such. It is plain we cannot give that finish to our essays which ripe professionals would. Our paper is "ourselves in print," and our aim here is the perfecting of ourselves; so the bettering of our paper walks only abreast with our course. We trust our former exchanges will promptly renew the old friendship by being forthcoming. Some new papers sought as

out and we greet them with pleasure. May this new friendship be lasting and reliable as the old. May this year be a full one.

MY LITTLE TREE.

Out on our play grounds, near the old turning-pole close to the clean white-washed fence, at the north end of that long double row of healthy soft maples, there stood a beautiful little maple tree in full luxury of life and greenest foliage. I had chosen it as my own, the inseparable companion of those happy hours of our May days for its shade seemed more invitingly cool, its green greenest, more smooth and velvety....

Vacation came and I found other shades and pastimes more enjoyable.... But I returned once more to the peaceful solitude of our college home and after meeting the old friends and the new and exchanging a long chat those warm news of our vacation, I secured a book from the library and, intending to rest me a while, I scribbled out, as I had been wont to do, in quest of my little favorite.

But how changed, alas! I found it: its pretty head of grey leaves, prattling as sisters together, was bent low; but these, though dead had assumed that lovable rosy tint so pre-eminently the glory of the autumn woods; on its slender trunk still gaped a wound.... was it of a thorn, derbolt, or a passing gush of whirlwind?... While I stood musing on the luckless accident of my little pet, I imagined its premature fall was perhaps the result of other causes. Could it not have been the fatal, though not malicious knife of the small boy? Many a half-healed scar indicated the unmistakable work of boyhood's tool, the hatchet. With my sombered thoughts I walked from thence while this train of thoughts passed through my mind: The small boy and hatchet ought to be planted in the sun and watered abundantly so as to grow fast like a corn and lose his juvenile taste for soft maple juice....

Old Boy.

SPORTIVE.

Ball players to the front and center,—match. We must recognize reason in order to play a few games before the cold weather resumes us. Although we will not have all our old players back, still the majority of them

will spend the present year with us and together with those among our new arrivals a good nine can be formed.

A little apology for the defeats in Chicago last June and July will not be out of place. It might be known that but few of our players took part in either of the games. Mr. Sullivan, our backstop, was missing in the first game and Mr. McGavick our old reliable on 1st. did not play in the second game; and Messrs. Legris, Park, Cusack and O'Neil played in neither, and instead of it being St. Viateur's College nine it was a Picked team.

At the present outlook hunting will be excellent this fall and Winter. Our sportmen are now shining up and cleaning their kit, preparatory to scouring the woods between here and the neighboring cities. "Jacko" has a new boat on the river; launched some time during the vacation which will be let at reasonable rates to hunting parties.

Progress is of this age: We have now brand new from Spaldings' store rooms, 3 sets of Indian clubs, 2 sets of dumb-bells, quoits, foot-ball, baseballs, etc., etc. Further gymnastic appliances, parallel bars, rings, turning poles, etc., are in way of preparation and Bro. Gallagher, of the Holy Name School, Chicago, Prof. of gymnastics, promises to come in a short time to assist us in making a suitable disposition of these in our halls.

Wednesday last a very exciting game of base-ball was played between two picked up nines, just at the end of the 9th. inning the game was tied and had to be suspended, dinner being in order. After the repast another, the decisive, inning was played and the Victors won it and the bushel of apples that Fr. Marsile had set up.

While this game was tossing on the main diamond three other games of ball as spirited were going on in different parts of the campus, apples being also there *au jeu*.

The score is as follows:

THE VICTIMS.

VICTIMS.		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	T to B	R
H. Lesage	P	1	x	0		2		1		0		6	2
C. Legette	2 B	0	3	0		3		x	x	2		7	2
E. Bennett	C	x	0	3				1	3		x	6	1
J. Bigham	3 B	x	0	1		0		2		x		6	2
C. Ball	cf	2	0	0		0		1		3		6	2
J. Moore	ss	3	1	x		2		x		1		6	0
J. McGavick	lf	1	0	x		x		3		x		6	1
J. Bennett	rf	0	2	3		3				0	2	6	2
A. Frazer	1 B	2	0			1		2		1	3	6	1
TOTAL		1	1	7	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	55	13

THE VICTORS.

VICTORS.		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	T to B	R
F. Dandurand	P	0		x		2	2	3		2		7	1
W. Cutsinger	rf	1		1		0	x		x			5	1
H. O'Neil	1 B	0		2		0	3		1			5	2
A. Leach	ss	2		3		0		1	2	3		6	1
T. Normoyle	3 B	3				1		0	3		0	5	2
D. Cahill	cf		1		2			0		1	1	5	1
H. Legris	C		2		3	3		0		0	2	6	2
W. Deering	2 B		3			1	1	2		0	3	6	1
W. Convey	lf		x			0	0	x		0		5	3
TOTAL		2	0	0	0	4	1	3	0	3	1	50	14

UMPIRE C. HARBOUR.

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To people living in this century of steam and electricity, when manual and intellectual skill are everywhere exerting their energies to the utmost, there may seem little need to speak of the importance and necessity of labor, or of the wonders which labor accomplishes. But as there still are many, especially among the young, who look upon mental or bodily exertion as something unnatural, something to be avoided; who see in labor nothing but a curse, a heavy burden disgracing those who bear it, as there are yet, practically speaking at least, many of those professional doers-of-nothing, these few lines may not be entirely out of place.

Labor is natural to man. When God created us, he created us with faculties of action, with powers of self development and self improvement. Assuredly it was not his intention that we should be mere idlers or doers of nothing. We have a destiny to work out, a perfection to acquire, an end to attain, and these things cannot, and never could be done without exertion, without labor. Man, therefore even though he had never sinned, would still have had to work; labor is his natural portion, God created him for it; formed and fashioned him for it. However much his fall may have embittered it, or robbed it of its sweetness, the fact still remains that by nature we are laborers. And why should it be otherwise? Is man of all created things to be the only exception in that regard? Look around you, glance even at inanimate nature. Everywhere is everything working, working out its own appointed destiny. The earth by turning on its axis, and by its yearly revolution round the sun, supplies us with heat and light, and all the varied blessings which the different seasons bring. The sun, the planets and starry host have each its appointed task, each its own portion of labor.

They move without ceasing in their vast orbits, continually dispensing blessings in their never ending

march, and proclaiming everywhere even to the remotest ends of the universe the glory of the hand that made them. Their song is a song of labor; their music the music of restless activity. Coming again to our own small world, what do we see? Her atmosphere is never at rest. Her oceans and seas are ever heaving and surging, ever ebbing and flowing. The babbling brook, the whistling wind, the sweet songs of birds, all speak to us of labor. The bee gathers honey; the ant builds for itself a home; wild beasts nightly go forth to seek their prey: man surely is no exception. He too, must work; nature has ordained it so. She gave him faculties and powers; she gave him especially limbs, endowed with strength and durability, adopted to different movements and postures and so well suited to various kinds of employment. This she did for a purpose, and that purpose is no other than that we might be able to work.

Since therefore labor is a necessity of our nature, it follows that our existence demands it. But if our mere existence demands from us labor, how much more does our development and perfection demand it. The truth is that in this world nothing great or good nothing worthy of recognition is able to be accomplished without labor. With it, we may even say, are all things done, and without it nothing. The world is a vast workshop and anything that the world boasts of is the product, the creation of those who toil therein. The wealth and the power of nations are the result of labor. The money of the rich man and the knowledge of the learned were never acquired without toil; they are invariably the result of labor. The old saying is still true; "no cross, no crown." The gold of this world lies deep: constant, incessant labor alone can reach it.

He therefore who during life would do anything good or useful should first understand well that nothing good or useful has ever been, or ever can be, done without labor. If you are a student seeking after knowledge, either give up seeking after knowledge, or make up your mind to be a hard earnest worker. The citadels of truth can be stormed and taken only by an army of giants.

M.

LOCALS.

- Rally!
- Once more at our *stark*!
- The woods are loaded with nuts.
- Squirrel hunting is huge sport.
- Draw the programme for St. Viateur's day.
- Mr. Sullivan, the terror of the K. K. Kees, is still behind the bat.
- The minims have two diamonds on their new grounds.

— Crush the chestnut-bell fiend at the very start. *Ex.*
 — The new village bridge speaks for itself and for the Grove.

— Hot tea is a warm friend. Ah! Oh! Gee! Mr. G.

— If shortly is not in "luck" he is in Horace just the same.

— The pro: James D. has been waiting all last week; the con: nine luckless boys at same table likewise in waiting.

— Our corridors and halls have been much embellished with handsome pictures obtained by our pains-taking prefect Rev. Fr. Dooling.

— Prof. Therrien, our successful musical instructor, has resumed the direction of the orchestra. The absence of such members as graduated the preceding year always necessitates the admission of new members and certain changes in this as in other organizations. Our orchestral circle this year is thusly wound: Prof. Therrien wields the baton. Messrs P. Sullivan and G. Martineau play first violin; H. O'Neil and W. Muehlendfordt, second violin. W. Convey the viola; F. Dandurand the flute and A. Frazer the clarinet; H. Legris, baritone; M. Roy, first B. flat; P. Wilstach, the violoncello; Rev. Fr. Legris. and Mr. Suerth. the pianoforte and Alex. Granger, the bass. Fr. Marsile, who entered the music hall on the night of their first practice, promised the musicians a treat as soon as they are able to play "Heart in Hand," a piece on which the Professor was trying his new artists. From results so far obtained Fr. Marsile will soon have to set them up for the boys.

— The band, too, has undergone some important changes and is assimilating new elements unto itself. Rev. Fr. Mainville has procured new and quick methods of instructions for the new fledged pipers and already they toot in the measures of their seniors. H. O'Neil replaces Jos. Kelly of "Big Base" fame, and Alex Granger beats the big box; J. Bennett rattles the snare drum. J. Cabill will play the B flat base, a new instrument; H. Legris blows the baritone. Mr. P. Sullivan first E. flat cornet, E. Ragotte second, A. Marcotte third, E. Adams fourth, J. Suerth first Alto, J. Rivard second, A. Lesage third. V. Roy first tenor, E. Grandpré second, A. Frazer B. flat Clarinet. F. Dandurand piccolo. Father Mainville will lead with a splendid first E. flat clarinet he has just purchased from M. Cyrier of the Village band.

— The billiard club needs repairs....The chill season and dark evenings are here, and the cues are not yet tipped. Where are you, boys?

— Rev. F. Reilly, of Gilman, in a recent letter, tells us he is preaching a jubilee at Chebanse for Rev. C. Gonant and is also to assist Rev. Z. Berard at Momence. Success attend your good work.

— Rev. J. Moysant, of the Immaculate Conception

Church, Chicago, our former prefect and teacher, paid us a pleasant visit a week ago. At Fr. Rivard's request, he visited his class of elocution and on entering thundered forth: "Ye crags and peaks, I am with you once again" which shook the pillars of the old hall. Fr. Moysant seemed delighted at finding that everything looked so cheerful and like itself at St. Viateur's. He likes his new field well.

— Bro. Lauzon will soon set to work at the new turning poles, parallel bars, swings and other gymnastic fixtures.

— Rev. Z. Berard, Pastor at St. Anne, Ill. payed us an agreeable visit a week ago.

— Master Louis Falley gave a recitation on his guitar last sunday evening in the minim's hall; he was listened too with breathless attention and thus procured his little companions most agreeable amusement for the evening. Everybody says; *encore*.

— Tommie McNamara, the minstrel, and Johnnie Collett, his partner, are an entertaining match and give the little boys much fun with their pranks jokes, songs and dances.

— Where is the foot-ball?..bursted. The other foot-ball?..bursted too? Well the other then?..gone too. Then let's get a (new) one.

— Tilaire says there is a sad mixture of *character* in the printing office this term.

— Mr. T. McCormick of 84 and 85 has returned and entered the novitiate.

— The class of book-keeping under Rev. A. Mainville is largely attended. The philosophers are taking the course.

— Moses Roy has been charming our musical ears with the Grand March of Cardinal Tascherreau a new piece of canadian composition.

— There was not a single exception to universal glee on St. Michael's day on which Fr. Dooling procured the boys a holiday. The campus was alive all morning with ball games, which even the dinner bell could scarcely end. The after noon was well spent in nutting excursions. Everybody came back with a satchel, a bag, a handkerchief and his pockets full of nuts which are plentiful all over the woods. Thanks to Fr. Dooling.

— Jos. of vocal fame, inhabits still in the sleepy heights above. Prepare us a new song for St. Viateur's day, Jos.

— Prof. Thérien and Fr. Rivard have exchanged rooms for the greater convenience of the musicians.

— Prof. Thérien has just received a new roll of sheet music from Quebec and intends beginning immediately to prepare the Musical programme of the 21st. of October.

— Dr. Peborde is now preaching the jubilee to the parish of Bourbonnais. The people manifest a great

zeal by their assiduity to the regular exercises of devotion and will no doubt benefit by the many graces offered them in these days of pardon. The jubilee will probably close by a solemn renewal of the promises of baptism and a special consecration of the parish to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

OUR STAFF.

J. CUSACK.....'87 A. GRANGER.....'87,

P. WILSTACH.....'89.

DEATH.

I

Death is here, and Death is there,
Death is busy everywhere;
All around, within, beneath,
Above, is Death—and we are Death.

II

Death has set his mark and seal
On all we are and all we feel,
On all we know and all we fear.

III

First our pleasures die, and then
Our hopes, and then our fears: and, when
These are dead, the debt is due,
Dust claims dust—and we die too.

IV.

All things we love and cherish,
Like ourselves, must die and perish.
Such is our rude mortal lot;
Love itself would, did they not.

Shelley.

Personals.

Murphy—Mr. Joseph Murphy, A. M. for three or four years past our able professor of Commerce and penmanship, has forsaken our quiet and poetical Grove to take himself a better half. He has lately been united in wedlock to one of Wilmington's fairest daughters, Miss Mary Maher, sister of James Maher '84. Prof. is now enjoying his honey moon in Chicago and will soon get to work for the C. B. & Q. R. R. Co., for which he

used to work before coming to Bourbonnais. All his friends of St. Viateur's wish him success and all possible happiness in his new state of life.

Lesage—We miss the serene countenance of Philip Lesage, A. B., '86. After eight or nine years attendance he had become so intimately connected with the college that it must be almost as hard for him to bear the separation from his old friends as it is for these to think of his absence. It is generally understood that Philip intends to become a disciple of old Æsculapius.

Dore—Mr. John Dore, A. B., '86, is back to St. Viateur's to begin the study of Theology. His beaming countenance tends not a little to render our college home cheerful and agreeable to all. The boys murmur that he will yet be able to help them in their plays.

Brosseau—Dakota seems to be very distant, indeed so distant that we have not as yet obtained any definite information concerning Alfred Brosseau, '86. It is probable that he is yet at his home in Doland. We hope to hear from him soon.

Cowley—By the latest news we heard that John Cowley, '86, of Wisconsin, is pursuing his studies in Sandwich college, opposite Detroit.

Kennedy—We greatly miss the salutary influences of the benign countenance of our Deacon who, we are sorry to hear, is now given up to the worldly study of telegraphy. May fortune smile on John, '86, whose memory will ever be cherished by those who knew him.

Leach—It is joyful for us to hear that Albert Leach, '86, is coming back to continue his classical studies. May he find pleasure and enjoyment in his noble occupations.

Murphy—The base-ballists, now proceeding to reorganize their nines, mourn the almost irremediable loss of their renowned pitcher, James Murphy, '86. James is now taking the lead in the business of his mother's store.

McMullen—Alfred McMullen, another of our base-ball players of last year, is already engaged in the dry goods business in Chicago. May Mac find the time as good at his new work as he used to in St. Viateur's and no misery will ever befall him.

Mohr—We hear that William Mohr, '86, is already hard at work with his brother in Minnesota. We will probably know more about him in a few days.

Park—Glenn Park, '86, of the stony South whose many social qualities we will long remember is going heart and soul into business. He is book-keeper for one of the best stores of his native town, Troy, Alabama. He has our best wishes.

Quinlan—William Quinlan, '86, is employed with his brother Edward in G. Seage's large clothing store in Chicago. We are happy to see him in such a house where there are chances of distinguishing one's self, for we remember Will's dashingly spirit.

Ryan—We know of nothing definite in regard to Thomas Ryan, '86. By the latest we heard of him, he was taking it cool and easy, enjoying his vacation at his home in Danville.

Roy—Moses Roy, '86, our popular musician, the parish-church Organist, whose kind musical help we feared for a while to lose, is back from a pleasure trip to his home in Canada, where he spent his vacation. He is devoting himself more assiduously than ever to his musical studies and no doubt will succeed in his praiseworthy ambitions.

Saindon—It was no little surprise for many of us to meet the smiling face of Samuel Saindon, '86, as he arrived in our midst exclaiming; "I come to live with you again. Sam will continue his classical studies, not content with his commercial diploma of last June.

Colfer—It will be a source of pleasure for the old students of St. Viateur's who are now spread broad-cast in the world, to hear a few words in praise of Thomas Colfer whose many genial qualities they still remember and cherish. We clip the following from the McCook Democrat, Red Willow County, Nebraska. After announcing him as candidate for representative, the paper adds: "As a man Thos. Colfer possesses the double advantage of being the son of an old-timed and esteemed farmer of Livingston county, Illinois, whose family record has been out of honesty and industry, and being a man of education and learning inferior to none in the state of Nebraska. As a lawyer we have to but look at the records of our district and minor courts where we find his name connected with either the defense or prosecution of almost every case of importance. The legislature of the state requires men of sufficient judgment to determine the necessity of a salutary and beneficial legislation, and a man, too, with the firm conviction to use and demand it. For this position THE DEMOCRAT asserts that there is no man in whom the combination of sound sense and ability is so happily met as in Hon. Thos. Colfer".

O'Connor—Edward O'Connor, '86, is acting as shipping-clerk in his father's wholesale grocery store in Indianapolis.

Rev. Frs. Dunnigan, Shanahan and Gibbons, ordained last June, are stationed at the cathedrals of Davenport, Peoria, and Denver, respectively.

Father Gibbons, assistant pastor at the Denver cathedral, preached an able sermon on Sunday night last. The newly ordained father is making a good beginning in his oratorical efforts" (Colorado Catholic).

Father Soumis is stationed in Beardsley, Minn., on the borders of Dakota Territory. He is pastor of the above-named place and tends to three missions, one of which among the Indians of the adjoining reserve, six-

ty miles from Bearshley. He is for the present under the direction of three bishops namely: Mgr. Ireland of St. Paul; Mgr. Marty of Yankton; and Mgr. Seidenschuss of St. Cloud. He is to have a fair for the benefit of his church on the 5, 6, and 7, of October. May success crown his apostolic labors.

Father Labrie is hard at work at the French church of Notre Dame, Chicago. He enjoys good health and bears the troubles of the ministry manfully.

OFFICES

— Rev. Fr. C. Fournier, Superior, has returned to Chicago accompanied by six Brothers for the Holy Name School.

— Rev. M. J. Marsile, our esteemed Director, retains the position he has filled with such zeal and success these many years.

— Rev. A. Mainville has charge of the Novitiate, he has resumed the direction of the house of which he has proved himself such an efficient leader.

— Rev. G. Legris, the devoted guardian of our infant steps in the ways of science, has accepted for another year the prefectship of studies. May the successes of years past ever attend his efforts.

— Rev. Chas. Pelorde D. D. fills the chairs of Philosophy and Theology.

— Rev. M. A. Deslaurier remains our obliging head disciplinarian with Mr. Burns as assistant in the Senior department and Bro. Bechir in the Junior.

— Bro. L. A. Senechal, our genial procurator, procures by wholesale and by retail the many many things every body needs.

OUR CANADIAN CONFREERES.

We transcribe this interesting bit from *L'Eclair*, Montreal, Canada, which gives an account of the students' visit to the bazar of the Cathedral:

— "Friday the 15th. inst. Today the clerics of St. Viateur to the number of one hundred accompanied by over one thousand of their students visited the bazar of the Cathedral. A beautiful address was presented to his Lordship Monseigneur Fabre with a very true bust of Father Champagneur, founder of the Canadian houses of the order. The bust, executed by Carl of Montreal, was surrounded by 26 pennants each bearing the name of one of the 26 schools or colleges and the number of students representing each.

Joliette College was represented by upwards of 200 students accompanied by their Band and the Rev. Fathers C. Beaudry, Superior, P. Sylvestre, Prefect of

discipline, M. Lavigne, Prof. of music, P. Charlebois, Prof. of philosophy, F. A. Baillarge, Prof. of Theology, M. Corcoran, Prof. of Rhetoric and M. P. Beaudry, parish priest of Joliette.

The students of this college have subscribed \$180.00 for a window of the dome. The collegians arrived at 9 A. M. and returned at 6 P. M.

The following are some of the many colleges and academic schools represented: Joliette College, the schools of St. Joseph de Levis, St. Remi, St. Eustache, La Pointe aux Trembles, La Cote St. Louis, Boucherville, Mile End, St. Rose, Berthier, Terrebonne, Verchere, St. Thimothée, Beauharnois, Vaudreuil, St. Jean Baptiste de Montreal, and the Deaf and Dumb Institute.

SOCIETY DOINGS.

THE THESPIANS.

A meeting of the Thespian Association was called Sept. 19, for the purpose of reorganizing for the season and electing the officers. Fr. Rivard who was unanimously chosen by the society as its moderator accepted the office. After the usual balloting the offices were thus sorted out:

Mr. Harvey Legris	President.
Mr. Thomas Normoyle	Vice President.
Mr. John Golden	Secretary.
Mr. William Conway	Treasurer.
Mr. James Devaney	Stage Carpenters.
Mr. James Rouch	Stage Carpenters.
Mr. Oscar Knox	Green Room Manager.

At a subsequent meeting the following new members were voted in: Messrs. P. Wilstach, W. Cahill, J. Bennett, E. Bennett, A. Leach, L. Duret, F. Lesage, J. Bigham, A. Frazer, J. Moore, P. Burns, S. Saindon, J. O'Neil, and J. McGuck. The number of members at present is 24. The honorary members are Mr. Dore, Mr. Enn, and Messrs. Ambrose and Alex. Granger, who with Bro. Gignac, will be our scenic artists.

It was decided to have an entertainment on the eve of St. Viateur's Day in honor of our patron. Certain plays were suggested and sent for, others were handed for examination.

On motion meeting adjourned.

J. Golden, Sec.

ST. PATRICK'S

For the purpose of affording the immediate use of St. Patrick's library to such candidates as were proposed for admission, the old members found it advisa-

ble to call a meeting for their election and transacting of other business.

Fr. Rivard assists as Moderator.

The offices are held as follows:

Mr. Alex. Granger.....President.
Mr. Thomas Normoyle.....Vice President.
Mr. Harvey Legris.....Secretary.
Mr. Oscar Knox.....Treasurer.
Mr. Paul Wilstach.....Sergeant at Arms.
Mr. John Golden.....Librarian.

Messrs. Cleary, McGavick, Frazer, and Saindon were elected members and on being notified entered the meeting where they received an enthusiastic welcome.

The regular meetings of the society will be held as usual after St. Viateur's Day.

It was proposed by some member and seems the sentiment of the society to have the rules of the constitution and the by-laws printed for the accommodation of all concerned. As a great deal of the success and good tone of the society depends upon the observance of society rules it would be desirable that all were familiar with them. The Moderator was requested to select a committee who will investigate and take proper steps for the execution of the project. The officers of the Society are the acting committee. There being no further business adjournment was moved and carried.

H. Legris. Sec.

Le Cercle Molière.

The Cercle Molière under its same management has decided to play a drama for the entertainment on St. Viateur's Day. The plays are coming from Montreal and all will be in working order in a few days.

G. Sec.

OBITUARY.

It is our very sad duty in this the first issue of the Journal to announce the death of our former classmate, Eugene A. Dory. Although he was with us but for a short time, we remember him as a pious, well applied student, and a model companion. At the time of his death he was a little over fifteen years of age, and had been an invalid for some ten months previous. Death came to him on the evening of September 12. We cannot but recall those beautiful words of our director, spoken at the death of our little friend Willie Reaume: "As a gardener in selecting a beautiful bouquet plucks the fairest and most fragrant flowers first, so the purest and most innocent souls are first chosen from the great garden of the world by our God to adorn heaven." We present the family with our most sincere condolences.

R. I. P.

A SILVER JUBILEE.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF ARDUOUS LABOR

IN THE MINISTRY.

The ordinary calm that rests about the village of Bourbonnais, was ruffled last Wednesday by an event of unusual gaiety. The twenty-fifth anniversary of Father Beaudoin's ordination to priesthood was the occasion which summoned his many friends to these silent groves. The arrival of invited guests and the serenade by the gentlemen of the village band in the evening, presaged a day that was to be made joyous and glad-some on the morrow. As such it proved to be. The weather was all that could be desired and though a week day, which means a day of labor, farmers left their work in the field, the villagers their business in town, to share in the feast's proceedings.

Long before the stated time the parishioners gathered around the church which was well decorated in the interior, to attend solemn High Mass. At the appointed hour the holy sacrifice was offered up in thanksgiving by Father Beaudoin, with Fathers Chouinard and Goulet as deacon and subdeacon. Contributing much to the solemnity of this ceremony, was the good singing from the choir accompanied by the organ and orchestra under the able leadership of Mr. Therien, who was kindly assisted by Father Mainville, Father Rivard, a silvery-voiced tenor of the congregation of St. Viateur, and Brother Mainville, a violinist of no inferior order.

In the course of the service Rev. Father Poulin, a venerable priest and one of those who, twenty-five years ago, imposed hands on the newly anointed of God, paid in feeling terms a fitting tribute to him in whose name we were assembled. The reverend gentleman reviewed briefly the life of the present pastor of Bourbonnais since the latter's elevation to sacerdotal dignity, and captivated his hearers' attention when reaching the present scenes of his life and works.

"The great achievements," he said, "which have crowned his incessant efforts, speak to you eloquently in testimony to the fact that his has been the character of the true priest who is another Christ on earth; and could it not be said that the important institutions of this favored parish, which have been reared by his untiring zeal and energy, are the fair blossoms of that mustard seed of faith which he planted 'mid toil and care and many times watered with his tears." After setting forth the many motives which should incite us

to gratitude this day, the orator concluded with an earnest exhortation in this direction to all present. After Mass, followed an interesting portion of the day's program, the token of esteem and gratitude presented to the pastor by the parishioners. The gift consisted of an exquisite fruit basket appropriately laden with silver coins amounting to upwards of \$300. Sheriff Letourneau read in clear tones, the accompanying address, to which Father Beaudoin replied in that pleasing manner for which he is noted. At this moment appeared on the scene, the genial countenance of Father Marsile, who invited the guests to the spacious hall of the college where numerous tables were sumptuously spread and where music and song commanded our divided attention throughout the repast.

Among those seated, were: Father Goulet, Joliet; Father Birtz, Montreal; Father Langlais, St. Mary's; Father Chouinard, Manteno; Father Paradis, Kankakee; Father Gonan, Chebanse; Father Lesage, St. George; Father Clancy, Woodstock; Father Toomey, Chicago; Father Reilly, Gilman; Father Berard, St. Anne; Father Perry, Chicago; Dr. Frazer, Kankakee; Messrs. Legris, Souliguy, Byron and others from Bourbonnais.

In the afternoon, a reception was tendered the reverend pastor by the sisters of the congregation of Notre Dame, and during the day numerous congratulatory letters and telegrams were received from those whose absence was unavoidable.

The hero of the occasion, Father Beaudoin, was born in the humble parish of St. Paul, Canada. When yet a child, his parents removed to Joliette, Canada, where he afterwards pursued a full course of classics and theology. Having completed his ecclesiastical education, the young Levite was summoned to Montreal by his Superiors where he was ordained priest by the late Bishop Bourget. While the oil of unction was still fresh upon his consecrated hands, a call for assistance was made by Father Coté, in favor of the far off mission of Bourbonnais then under his care. The voice found a responsive echo in the breast of the young priest. In answer to the request, with promptitude and generosity worthy of a foreign missionary, he left home, country and all that was dear to him, to bring sadly needed aid to the distant mission of Illinois. On arriving with two brothers in religion, he found the place slowly recovering from the severe shocks sustained in a recent schism, and immediately set about forming the important ingredients of a parish, which are its schools.

Since then, almost nineteen years ago, the progress of the place has been remarkable. The small district schools which were once shaded by the large stone church, have grown to the present day into a large and beautiful Convent.

Father Beaudoin has now attained the fifty-third year of his life, the last twenty-five of which have been spent in the arduous labors of the ministry. He is a man of prepossessing appearance, affable in manner and pleasing in conversation, he wins the favor of every-one he meets. He is esteemed and respected by his fellow priests in the arch-diocese of Chicago, but singularly so by those of his flock. The widow and orphan cannot soon forget his consoling words in the sad hour of their bereavement nor the poor his substantial friendship in their need or distress. Though time and labor have besprinkled his venerable head with gray hairs, his vigor of mind and affection of heart are ever youthful and strong, and his health indicates a long life and the very probable celebration of his golden jubilee.

Kankakee Times,

CATHOLIC NOTES.

There are at present 33 foreign cardinals and exactly the same number of Italian cardinals. This never occurred before in the history of the Papacy.

The Pope has thanked the Emperors of Germany and Austria for having considered the critical condition of the Holy See in their recent meeting at Gastein. This kindly disposition of the Emperors bears a deep significance for those who have a knowledge of the present politics of Europe.

Three years ago the Ohio Western Reserve, of which Cleveland is the metropolitan, was the most bigoted section in the country, with Catholicity weak and unknown. To-day the Catholics are one-fourth of the population, taking prominent rank in all the callings of life with large and handsome churches, schools, colleges, asylums, etc. (New York Tablet)

A German paper says that one of the results of the peace between Prussia and the Vatican will probably be the return of the Jesuits to Germany. Leo XIII indeed has always been loud in his praises of the Society of Jesus and it is but lately that he gave to the world a striking proof of his great love and esteem for it.

The wealth of the Catholic Church in the Province of Quebec can only be guessed at, for no data can be obtained for its computation. It owns a third of the area of the city of Quebec, and it is the largest property holder in Montreal. The estates of several of the religious orders, as the Grey Nuns and the Ursulines, yield princely revenues. But the Church's real estate forms the smallest portion of its wealth. (New York Tablet)

A lady belonging to one of the most illustrious European families, and counting among her relatives personages closely allied to several royal houses, has just applied a robust application of the crown of Protestantism to the crown of Catholicism.

of the English Passionists, avenue Hoche, Paris. For the present she wishes her name, in connection with this happy event, kept secret, for reasons personal to herself. She will however soon allow the publication of her name, and also furnish the details of the circumstances which, under God, have led to her reception into the true Fold.

Four years ago Father Waldron was assigned pastor of Pullman, near Chicago. Mr. Pullman, who then possessed every foot of his little city, would not for the world have sold an inch of it to the new priest who intended to build a church there. Other churches had been built and leased by the great owner and a Catholic church would also have been built and leased by him, for good rental, had not the policy of the Church forbidden such secular proprietorship. The priest then had to seek a location at some distance from the town to the great inconvenience of the parishoners. The zealous pastor did not give up his intention in despair. After these four years of inconveniences, he is now allowed by Mr. Pullman himself to procure within the limits of the city a splendid location for his church which will be built in the Roman Style, at a cost of \$10,000.

Heart-rending details of persecutions of the Christians in certain parts of China are given in the *Univers* of the last days of August. The poor habitations of the Christians and the churches, or chapels, are sacked and burned, the priests are scourged and dragged in the streets by the infuriated populace, and even children find little mercy at their hands. Yet among all these trials it is wonderful to note how calm and resigned are the good missionaries. Will not these sufferings, these sacrifices, and martyrdoms, bring down blessings, upon those poor missions? Will they not draw down

graces of conversion upon that multitudinous nation sitting in the darkness of superstition and idolatry?—It was in the time of the persecutions of its emperors that Rome was being converted!

Amid the political disturbances and confusions which excite the world to-day, it is cheering for the Catholic heart to be able to find persons who can raise themselves above the busy turmoil of affairs to render due homage to God and His Saints. We are daily edified by the accounts of pilgrimages given in Catholic papers. But the other day, the French papers were publishing extensive details of their National pilgrimage to the miraculoûs sanctuary of Lourdes. Fifteen thousand persons had come from all parts of France to join together so as to give a solemn proof of their veneration to the immaculate Queen of Heaven. They marched humbly and reverently through cities and towns unmindful of the hellish scorn and derision of atheists and unbelievers. The sick and the infirm, to the number of 800, followed with the multitude, until finally all had the happiness of finding themselves in the holy retreat of Lourdes. The devotions of the pilgrims were presided over by bishops and priests, numerous miraculous cures were recorded after being testified to by able physicians, and after many fervent prayers had been offered for France and for the World, the pilgrims cheerfully returned home to their occupations, bearing in their souls the remembrance of holy impressions which neither time nor eternity will ever efface. We may here remark that all the pilgrims had received the special blessing of His Holiness, the Pope, to whom on their arrival in Lourdes they had addressed in the name of France a letter replete with the most filial sentiments of devotion and respect to the Papacy.

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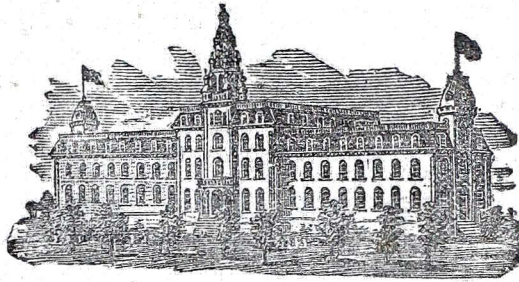
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