

[For The Casket.]

The Lay of the Inconsistent.

What! Write you the life of a poet? Oh, then you must bring unto me The rarest and richest of treasures, From Orient, clouddland, and sea.

My pen must be dipped in a liquid Compounded of dewdrops and tears, With essence of all the warm tinting At sunset in heaven appears;

Add to it the heart's blood of eaglets, The blood from the heart of a dove, The essence of bitterest hatred, The sweet, tender warmth of first love,

Then bottle it tight till it frets like A soul that is beating its bars, And longs to spread out with the comets Past satellites, planets, and stars,

-Mary Agnes O'Connor.

The Late General Wauchope.

(London Daily News.)

'General Wauchope,' by William Baird, F. S. A. Scot (Oliphant, Anderson, and Ferrier,) is a small octavo volume of some two hundred pages, dedicated to the officers and men of the Highland Brigade who bravely fought at Magersfontein.

Andrew Gilbert Wauchope came of a long line of Scottish country gentlemen, and was born at Niddrie House, in Midlothian, on the 5th of July, 1846. He was a high-spirited boy, a born leader, who drilled the lads on the estate, and early in his fourteenth year was entered as a naval cadet on board the Britannia.

On one occasion a body of rebels held a portion of the city, from which they were to be dislodged. Wauchope got the order to clear the streets. Coming to a house, from every window of which rifles were pointed, he halted his men, but only for a moment.

The death of his elder brother without issue, brought him home from Egypt to take possession of the family estates. The date of his marriage to Miss Erskine, of Cambo, was fixed, but on the wedding morning Wauchope was snowed up at Anstruther, and did not arrive until the next day.

Colonel Wauchope's boat was in trouble, and the staff officer was shouting any amount of advice gratis from the bank. Thinking, apparently, that enough notice was not been taken of his instructions, he called out, "You No. 2 boat there, do you know who I am? I am Colonel Primrose of the Guards."

In the fight at Kirbekan, Wauchope was again badly wounded. In June, 1889, after service at Malta and Gibraltar, he received a C. B. His great political campaign in Midlothian, ended in a vast reduction of the great Minister's majority. He married a second time in 1893, his wife being Miss Muir, the daughter of the Principal of the Edinburgh University.

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New Year Greetings.—T. J. Bonner.

Local Items.

WALDREN'S PHOTOGRAPH Studio will be open from January 8th to 12th.—adv. 21.

A MEETING was held at the C. M. B. A. hall, Glace Bay, on last Friday evening to discuss a proposition to incorporate the districts of Glace Bay and Caledonia.

A FUR COAT was presented on Monday to Rev. Father McIsaac, curate of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Sydney, by the parishioners.

HOGS.—Upwards of 1000 hogs from Charlottetown to the Sydney market, via Pictou, went through by freight last Thursday.

THE OCTOBER NUMBER of the *Journal of Education*, owing to delay in the printing office, was only received by the Inspector on December 21st. He has since forwarded them to the teachers.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE held at Stella Maris Convent, Pictou, on the 12th inst. was very satisfactory, having netted over \$212.00. Much credit is due to the ladies of the parish for this grand success, for they worked earnestly and in perfect harmony with the Sisters, from the inception to the close of this good work. COM.

WORK at the Big Marsh coal mine is stopped until after the holidays. The seam of coal on which the men were reported working on last week is eight feet thick. The promoters of the work propose sinking the present shaft further, in the hope of finding other bodies of coal underlying the lately discovered seam.

AT MIDNIGHT, the beginning of the new century, His Lordship will pontificate in the Cathedral. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed immediately before Mass, the exposition continuing till noon. There will be perpetual adoration during this time. At the end of the adoration Benediction will be given.

THE CONCERT AND CHRISTMAS TREE at McDonald's Hall on Christmas night was largely attended. The recitations, songs, and instrumental music, which were rendered chiefly by the younger members of the Church—in several instances by mere tots, who were remarkably self-possessed—delighted the audience. After the concert Santa Claus arrived, and the Sunday School pupils were well remembered by him.

THE REV. Dr. Thompson celebrated Midnight Mass in the College Chapel on Christmas. A few ladies and gentlemen of the Town kindly gave their services, and during the Mass sang some very appropriate hymns. Miss A. McKinnon presided at the organ and was ably assisted by Mrs. McPherson, Miss M. McKinnon, and Messrs. McPherson, Connolly, J. Power and P. Power. The High Altar, surmounted by the statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague, was beautifully decorated with garlands, plants and a multitude of lights.

THE SEVERAL STATION HOUSES yet to be erected by the I. & R. Railway will be done by days' labour. Mr. Allan Gillis, of Antigonish, will be foreman of construction, and Mr. John McDonald, builder, Antigonish, will supply the material. The Port Hood station, a contract job, has been completed. The erection of this Mabou station, which was also given out to contract, has been postponed, and work on it will not commence before spring. The Judique station is now well under way, and a start has been made at Creignish. These will be followed by the Long Point and Pt. Hastings stations.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL.—His Lordship Bishop Cameron celebrated Pontifical High Mass in the Cathedral at five o'clock Christmas morning, Rev. Dr. Thompson and Rev. J. McDonald, P. P., were deacon and sub-deacon respectively. Rev. M. McAdam was master of ceremonies. After the Gospel, Father McAdam preached an able and eloquent sermon on the Nativity of Christ. The decorations of the Altar and Crib showed the loving and devoted care of the Rev. Mothers of Mt. St. Bernard. The choral service, as usual, denoted careful practice and the expenditure of much time. The solos were pleasingly and appropriately rendered, as were also the choruses. The programme was as follows:

- Boulangers March,
Violin, Trombone and Organ.
1st MASS.
Kyrie, Loesch's
Gloria, Loesch's
Offertory Solo.—"Ave Maria."
Sanctus, Loesch's
Agnus Dei, Loesch's
2ND MASS.
Kyrie, Rouche's
Ave Verum.—Solo.
Spouse Me.—Duett.
3RD MASS.
Kyrie, Dorrington
Pastorale.
Xmas Hymn.
Adeste Fideles.
March.

THE CONTRIBUTION from Thorburn and West Merigonish to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith was inadvertently omitted from the list published last week. The amount was \$17.00.

THE SEWERAGE EXCAVATIONS at Sydney have probably led to the discovery of a new coal mine. On last Friday the workmen excavating on South Charlotte street when twelve feet deep were digging into shale. This fact caused some persons during the night to sink a shaft twenty-five feet deep, and a seam of coal was struck, which is reported to give every indication of richness.

THE FERRY STEAMERS Acadia and Hygeia, plying between Sydney and North Sydney, collided on Wednesday night, 19th inst. There were a large number of workmen on board each steamer at the time, and much excitement followed. A young man named Whittier, from Canso, who has been living in Sydney, has been missing over a week, and it is now feared he was drowned during the confusion on the steamers.

THE TOWN was shocked on Saturday afternoon by the sudden demise of William McDonald, C. P. R. telegraph repairer. Although the deceased had been in failing health since over a year his friends did not expect that the end could be so near. On Monday previous to his death he was about town attending to his duties as usual. That evening he had a hemorrhage of the lungs but nothing serious was feared. On Saturday afternoon he had another hemorrhage to which he succumbed in about half an hour after the attack. The deceased was in his fiftieth year. He was a man of irreproachable character and excellent habits. A practical sincere Catholic all his life, death found him not unprepared. He had been in the employ of the C. P. R. Telegraph Co. during the past ten years or so, and was highly esteemed by his employers as well as by every one with whom he came in contact. The large concourse of citizens of the town and county that followed his remains to Heatherton where they were laid to rest, after Requiem High Mass celebrated by Father Grant, testified to the respect in which he was held in the community. There is much sympathy for his aged father and brothers and sisters in the sad bereavement. R. I. P.

The Halifax Chronicle office was on fire on Sunday. The whole interior was badly scorched and damaged by water. The new newspaper press and stereotyping plant are uninjured, but the typesetting machine is

are useless. With the assistance of the other printing offices the *Chronicle* appeared in good form on Monday. The building and plant was insured.

A deputation representing the Presbyterians, Methodists, Anglicans and other denominations waited on Premier Ross of Ontario last week, and requested that half an hour be set apart two days in the week for the purpose of giving practical religious instruction from the Bible in the public schools of the Province, and that the Lord's prayer and the ten commandments should be printed in large type and be posted in the various school houses. The Premier said he was in favour of the fullest extent of religious instruction compatible with the non-denominational character of public schools.

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