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## Golden Jubilee of Dornoch R.C. Church

The Golden Jubilee of St. Paul's Church, Dornoch, was celebrated on Thursday, October 24th. The Solemn High Mass of Thanksgiving was sung by Rev. G. M. Ryan, assisted by Rev. T. B. Grace, Markdale, as deacon, and Rev. E. Pakrifka, C. S. B. of Owen Sound, as sub-deacon. The master of ceremonies was Rev. E. J. Hartlieb, P. P. of Deemerton. Paul Vasey, was the assistant master of ceremonies and Edward Casey, was thurifer. Leo Vasey and Bernard Sweeney were the acolytes.

Present in the sanctuary were Fathers I. J. Hoffarth, P. P. of Hanover; T. J. Clancy, P. P. of Ayrton; W. J. Hawkins, P. P., Teeswater; W. Murray, P. P. of Owen Sound. The choir under the capable direction of Mrs. James Lister, sang the beautiful Mass of the Angels. Rev. Father W. Murray of Owen Sound preached, recalling the events of the past 50 years.

His sermon follows: "Let us praise men and our forefathers glorious in their generation. These words of Holy Scripture give us the key note of our celebration today." Today is a day of retrospection—of looking back—back fifty years and beyond—back over the history of the Catholic Church in Dornoch. It is a day when we recall those who have gone, their deeds and the monuments of their faith that they have left behind them. I cannot do better today, I feel than to bring before your minds those gleamings of days gone by that I have been able to bring together, memories of the far away past that have been lovingly preserved and handed down by faithful souls since first the Holy Sacrifice was offered up in a church dedicated to God in this mission.

**DORNOCH GOLDEN JUBILEE**  
The first Catholic Church in Dornoch was built in 1858. The priest attending the mission was Father Bardou. Before the first church was put up, mass was said in the present house of Wm. O'Mara. It was then a hotel and run by Bartholomew Griffin. Mass was said in the south end. The present two rooms were then one. Confessions were heard upstairs. At that time the priest came about every three months. In 1858 Father Bardou had the first church built. It was a log building 30 X 40 feet and ten logs high. The first trustees were Patrick Walsh, Wm. Brennan and Michael Coleman. They remained trustees until they died or moved away. The Catholics numbered nearly sixty families. When the first log church was built the men who put on the corners were John Vasey, John Atchison, J. Gallagher and Andrew Priel. To meet the demand for material, each man of the parish was assessed two or three logs for the building. It stood right in the corner of the present cemetery. It was later used for a school until 1918. It was heated by stoves. When Father Bardou would arrive at the mission the people came to church, they brought him his supper and breakfast. There was a sleeping room behind the church where he rested from his labors. The priests attending the mission continued to use this room until Wm. O'Mara came to Dornoch. Then the priest stopped at O'Mara's hotel.

There was a stable in the churchyard for the priest's horse. To maintain a proper amount of feed for the animal the people gave oats as required, one bag a year from each parishioner. When there was a funeral the corpse was brought to the church in a sleigh or a democrat. Sometimes it was carried on the shoulders of the polebearers. It was quite common to carry it for several miles as, for example when the first schoolmaster, John Bresnahan, from Co. Kerry Ireland, was buried, he was carried by the scholars to the cemetery, a distance of three miles. The first person to be buried from the church was Margaret Brennan. The village consisted in those days of a store and hotel. In 1861 Bart Griffin ran the hotel and a store. Philip McIntosh opened a store

shortly after in 1862. Father Bardou was followed by Father Mahent who attended the mission from about 1861-1863. Then came the first Basilian Father, Fr. F. X. Granottier. Then the priest came about every three weeks. Fr. Granottier started that custom. It remained that way for a long time. Fr. Granottier covered the territory west to Port Elgin, on Lake Huron, and south to Dundalk, going about mostly on horseback. Then he got a cart and carried a satchel. He had the church plastered and seats put in and arranged a presentable altar in it. The first altar was built by Louis Didner. He also made the confessional in the sacristy.

As the years went on, the need of a new and larger church was felt, a building committee was formed, composed of P. Malone, James Vasey, Sr., Wm. O'Mara, and Isaias Meloche. They took up subscriptions in the form of notes. The general run of the notes was for \$100, a few gave \$50; James Brennan, uncle of Wm. O'Mara gave \$150. The total amount subscribed was \$3,200. When Fr. Lawrence Brennan, then in charge of the Mission learned that they had that amount subscribed he thought it well to begin the erection of the new church. And so the present church was built in 1890—50 years ago. The architect was A. A. Post of Toronto. The contractors were Stevens Bros. of Chesley. Then mason work was done by Philip Karn. The brick cost \$5.50 per thousand at the kilns in Chesley. The congregation hauled them by team.

On the day selected for the bee to get the ground ready for the new church, make excavations, etc., there were 25 or 30 teams on hand, 84 loads of sand were hauled, besides a large quantity of rough stone and the excavations for the basement were made in one day. The sand was hauled from lot 69, 2nd concession of Holland. Stone was at hand and mostly taken from Wm. O'Mara's stone fences. The new church was 37 ft. long, outside measurement, and 25 ft. wide.

The building cost over \$4000.00. Fr. Brennan began the work but took sick and had to go to North Carolina. Fr. Mingovan laid the corner stone. He was then in charge. He was changed in Sept. 1890 and Fr. Granottier had charge of the opening. Fr. Brennan was present for the occasion. The Saturday before the opening, he had a bee. Everybody was on hand and was working hard under his directions. They removed the remains of stone and broken bricks. About 20 rods of siphon fence that ran down to the road was removed and the road graded. They fixed the cemetery fence and put things in shape for the opening of the church.

The church was opened Sept. 20th 1890. Bishop Dowling of Hamilton preached the sermon. The collection amounted to \$425.00. The altar cost about \$700, and was made by a professional altar builder from Formosa, who did that line of work extensively throughout the western part of the province. The bell was given by Thomas Brennan. It was originally bought for the use of the village. The committee who purchased the bell did not make full payment and it remained in Mr. Brennan's hands for he had advanced the money.

The night before the church was opened, he and Timothy Duggan and Wm. O'Mara put it in the place where it now swings. No one else was aware that it was there until they heard it begin to ring in the tower on the morning of the opening. It was a surprise to the congregation. All were delighted and it is there still. The carpet was L-us-sells with floral design of roses, months ago, and soon after was taken ill and suffered a stroke of paralysis. She was kindly waited for by son and daughters until death came on Sunday. The remains were taken to the home of her daughter

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## THE ROLL CALL

THOMAS BINNIE

Over sixty-four years a resident of British Columbia, Thomas Binnie, a former Glenelg resident, and a brother of the late Mrs. McGirr of Durham died in New Westminster hospital on October 19th, in his 89th year. He survived his sister here, only four weeks.

The late Mr. Binnie was one of the well-known Binnie family, who came to Canada with their parents, Thomas and Isabelle Binnie, in 1861 and settled in Glenelg. He was born at Riccarton, near Jedburgh, Scotland, on June 10, 1852, and at the age of 9, arrived near Bunesan, and finished his schooling at that school. In young manhood in April 1875, he left home to work his way to British Columbia, arriving there in April 1876. En route he had worked on the boats, Sarnia to Port Arthur and in the woods in Wisconsin.

In B. C. he was a pioneer and had a widely varied career, working first in a logging camp; on a construction gang in the building of the C. P. R.; later as a brakeman. When the construction gangs met at Port Moody in 1885 signaling the completion of the transcontinental railway, he was present. He widened and raised roof of 6 C.P.R. tunnels; was in dray business, home-steaded; was foreman of Dominion Gov't. quarries; a sub-contractor on a C. P. R. branch line in 1893. In 1897 he took a course in assaying; was with Athabasca Gold Mining Co. as manager of their cyanide plant at Nelson till 1911. He went back with C. P. R. as inspector of ties, and from 1915 to 1929 (when he retired) he was at Trail, B. C. with Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co.

In 1891 he married Christie Brine, who died in Nov. 1902. One daughter, Mrs. A. R. McLean (Jean) and two grandchildren, Douglas and Rae Christie, survive. In recent years he made his home in New Westminster. Rev. James Binnie of Toronto is now the only survivor of the Binnie family.

The deceased was 56 years a member of Union Lodge A. F. & A. M., New Westminster. A member of the Pioneers' Association of Vancouver, and charter member of 1st Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and its last charter survivor. He was back to South, Grey in 1929, 1933 and lastly at Durham Old Home Week in 1935, and enjoyed good health until last spring. He was buried under Masonic minister cemetery. A niece, Mrs. Byron Auspice on Oct. 22nd in New West-Weir of Cloverdale, B. C., formerly May Dixon of Egremont was present at the funeral.

MRS. JAMES HAY

(by our Swinton Park Cor.) This community sympathizes at this time with the family and friends of Mrs. James Hay, who died on Sunday, October 27th, aged 83 years, at the home of her son Wm. Hay here. Besides him, there are two daughters left to mourn: Bella, Mrs. Ely Ostrander here, and Jessie, Mrs. Murray Wells of North Egremont, and several grandchildren as chief mourners. All old acquaintances and neighbors will often think kindly of the deceased. Mrs. Hay was born in Scotland, coming to Canada in young womanhood, and to Proton over 30 years ago with husband and family. The youngest daughter, Annie, was killed in a motor accident several years ago, and Mr. Hay died about ten years ago.

Mrs. Hay has lived with her daughter Mrs. Wells in North Egremont for a number of years, coming to visit her son Wm. here about two months ago, and soon after was taken ill and suffered a stroke of paralysis. She was kindly waited for by son and daughters until death came on Sunday. The remains were taken to the home of her daughter

Jessie and from there, the funeral is to be conducted today, Tuesday, with burial taking place in the family plot in Maplewood cemetery. Undertakers McMillan of Holstein and Dundalk are in charge.

## Dirstein Transport Borne! near Priceville

At the overhead bridge east of Priceville, about nine o'clock last Saturday night, a large new Dirstein truck ran into the wire fence in making the turn, but did not go through over the bank. The gas tank sprung a leak and the truck was burned. We have not heard what insurance was carried.

## Pres. Young People Held Fall Rally

On Monday evening, Oct. 28th, with excellent weather conditions prevailing, about 140 young people of the various Presbyterian Young Peoples' Societies of Saugeen Presbytery gathered at Drayton for their Fall Rally. During the calling of the roll, nine Societies responded out of a possible thirteen. Those present were: Arthur, Gordonville, Harrison, Rchasy, Palmerston, Fairbairn, Mt. Forest, Drayton, Durham. The Durham Society had the farthest distance to come also had the largest representation present, 26 members.

The President of the Presbytery, Douglas Dodge, called the meeting to order and presided during the service. Miss Jean Adams, Fairbairn, conducted an inspiring song service. Miss Margaret Stevenson read the scriptures lesson taken from Samuel 1: 20 to 37 and Donald McQueen led in prayer. Greetings were extended to the visitors from Drayton Y. P. S. by their pastor Rev. G. H. Duncan. Rev. Mr. Hirtle, Durham, also brought greetings from the Presbytery also by Mr. Don. MacPhail from the Guelph Presbytery. Dr. Aitken, Harrison, led in the Offertory Prayer. The gathering was favored by two well-rendered vocal numbers. One a solo by Miss Jean Adams, "Where is Thy Refuge, My Brother," and a duet by two Drayton girls, "Have Thine Own Way." Later in the evening a telegram of good will was received from Charlie Cunningham, a member of the Provincial Executive.

The main interest of the evening was the timely message of the theme speaker, Rev. A. H. Wilson of Eden Mills, of Guelph Presbytery. His text was taken from Timothy concerning the letters written by Paul to his young friend Timothy. The speaker concluded his remarks by stating the young people of today will carry on just as skillfully as did their forefathers.

The installation of the officers of the Saugeen Presbytery Executive was conducted by Rev. Mr. Ferguson of Mt. Forest. At the conclusion of the meeting a light lunch was served by the hostess and a social half hour spent. Those attending from Durham were: Misses K. McMeekin, G. Corrick, A. Becker, E. Becker, H. Becker, E. Ledingham, I. Marshall, J. Moffat, M. Tobin, M. Moffat, D. Hirtle, J. Daniels, I. Atkinson, Stella Connolly, A. Wilton; M. Tovil, I. Becker, Mae Hopkins; Mr. Hirtle, Tom Firth, Russell McTavish, Murray Hirtle, Ellison Edges, Danny Edge, Frank Ritchie.

BORN

HAY—At Durham Hospital, Saturday, October 26th, to Mr and Mrs George Hay, a son. (Murray Alexander).

DANIEL—In Durham hospital, Monday, Oct. 28, to Mr and Mrs Percy Daniel of town, a daughter.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Messrs Wm. and Chas. Ritchie with the latter's wife, are now in Tilbury, Kent Co., residing with Mr and Mrs Clarence Ritchie, son of Chas., while the men will be engaged several weeks there in building work. Their nephew Cliff Ritchie also goes there next week to assist them.

Mr and Mrs Jas. J. Finnegan and daughters Reta, Margaret and Laura, of Detroit, are visiting with his brother Wm. Finnegan, Orchard; with Mr James Walsh, Dornoch; and with other friends in the locality. Mrs Finnegan was formerly Miss Hartford of South Glene. Pleased to have a call from them.

Mr and Mrs G. R. Padfield visited on Sunday in London with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Alder. Messrs John and Will McGowan and Bob, their mother Mrs. John McGowan, and Miss Catherine Tilker of Harrison, attended the funeral of Mr John H. Montgomery near Notawa on Sunday. The deceased was a cousin of Mrs McGowan, and died in his 75th year.

Mr and Mrs James Miller, Rocky Saugeen, wish to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Georgina Elizabeth, to Harold Percy, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Percy Barber of Owen Sound. The marriage to take place in Owen Sound the second week in November.

Miss Isobel Trimble, Mount Forest, was a Sunday afternoon guest of Mr Robert Milne. Miss Marie McLachlan of Priceville, who has spent the summer months in North Bay is now residing with her cousin, Mrs. John Burgess here for a few months and has commenced a course in Durham business college.

Mr Harold Noble, of the R. C. A. F. office staff, was home over the weekend. He is in charge of the business at a new airfield being opened at Burford, near Brantford. Miss Margaret Fletcher is a patient in Durham hospital.

Mr and Mrs E. R. Simmons and family of Durham visited over Sunday with Mr A. Strachan, of Southampton. Rev. W. H. Smith occupied his own pulpit at Knox Sunday, after he and Mrs Smith had spent a few holidays with their daughter, Mrs J. J. Bowden, at Timmins.

Mr. Ed. Gibson, formerly on the C. N. R. section here, and recently stationed at Guelph has been transferred to Hanover as section foreman and assumed his new duties there on Monday. Mrs. Gibson is a Durham girl, Florence McCallum. Mr Mark Wilson is closing up his butchering business here this week and in two or three weeks' time, expects to take a position in Toronto or Kitchener.

To Report For Duty.

Miss Louise Jamieson R. N., who volunteered her services as overseas nursing sister, some months ago, has been at home recently, and on Monday received her call to report next day at Toronto. She expects to be on duty at Camp Borden at first, but has no intimation at present as to when she will be sent to bombed Britain, or elsewhere.

TO LEGALIZE SKI-TRAINS FOR SUNDAY TRAVEL

Ski trains may be operated in Ontario on Sunday, under legislation which the attorney-general plans to introduce at the next session of the legislature. For many years ski trains have operated in Quebec on Sunday while Manitoba has similar legislation. The legislation here, it is expected, would be made effective from Dec. 1st, so the excursions could be started early enough to catch the best skiing weather.

## Killed When Car Overtaken

Jimmy Noble, a Markdale young man, 31 yrs. old, was fatally injured between four and five o'clock this Thursday morning, on Highway No. 4 a mile west of Priceville. He was driving his car east from Durham, after having attended a military ball of the 2nd batt. Grey-Simcoe Foresters in Markdale Wednesday evening.

For some reason the car overturned on its side and pinned him beneath, smothering him to death. Three others in car escaped unhurt—his wife, and her brother and a girl friend. They climbed out of the overturned car and on the highway, stopped Bowman Jamieson and Glen Rowe of Durham, returning from the same dance. They raised the car and released the victim, summoned help, and applied artificial respiration, until Dr. D. B. Jamieson arrived, who pronounced life extinct. The other three were somewhat hysterical, and in a daze. Coroner Dr. Card of Ayrton, Chief Scott and neighbors were soon on the scene but nothing more could be done.

The unfortunate victim of the accident was married ten long ago, and is employed with the Hydro at Markdale. There will be no inquest.

## DURHAM BRIDE-ELECT HONORED BY FRIENDS

Two pleasant social events took place in honor of Miss Mary Pickering, the bride-elect. At Miss Alma Kress' the home was decorated in Halloween colors with bronze and yellow mums centring the table at which Mrs. Pickering poured tea. The assisting the hostess serving were Beryl Backus, Marjorie Pickering, Anne Baldwin, Louise and Isabel Jamieson. A delightful surprise was given Miss Pickering when she was presented with a large basket of gifts, which proved to be supplies for the pantry shelf. Mrs. C. F. Wolfe entertained a number of girl friends with Miss Pickering as honor guest and was presented with dusters hemmed and designed by the guests.

Mrs Victor Blythe also entertained in honor of the bride-elect, when the guests tendered her a red and white granite shower. Mrs. Blythe assisted Miss Pickering in opening the gifts and reading v.c.s. Mrs. Pickering poured tea, and assisting were Mrs. S. Bolton of Toronto, Mrs. H. Skales of Mount Forest, Miss Alma Kress and Mrs. Norah Hamilton.

## COMING EVENTS

The Durham Women's Institute will hold their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. J. C. Nichol, Thursday, November 7th.

Come to the euchre party and Dance at the Latona Schoolhouse on the evening of Nov. 1. Proceeds for War Charity purposes. Admission 25cts.

The regular monthly meeting of Canadian Greys Chapter I. O. D. E. will be held at home of the regent, Miss Marion Cudde, Tuesday Nov. 5th, at 8 p.m.

## Presentation to Three Soldier Boys

Friends and relatives to the number of 125 met at the home of Mr and Mrs Herb Greenwood last Friday night to honor three Greenwood boys now serving in the Grey-Simcoe Foresters—their son Grant, and his two cousins, Cecil and Ross Greenwood, sons of Mr and Mrs Arthur Greenwood of Toronto. All three were expected home on leave that night, but unfortunately, only Cecil was there, the two other boys being stranded in Mt. Forest, and unable to get a ride up until next morning.

On behalf of their friends and relatives, each of the three boys received, a gold engraved signet ring, presented by Percy Greenwood to Cecil, while Charlie Robson read an address. Cecil made an appropriate reply.

Then his home section, No. 9, Glenelg, had a military wrist watch for Grant Greenwood, which in Grant's absence was presented by David Allan to Murray Greenwood, his brother as proxy, while the section's address was read by his teacher, Miss Scott. Murray thanked all for the gift.

**DIED**  
SCHUTZ—In Durham, on Saturday, Oct. 26, infant son of Mr and Mrs. Erben Schutz.

## Used Articles for Sale

- 1 Electric Washing Machine.
- 1 Quebec Heating Stove.
- 1 Kangaroo Kid Gang Plow.
- 2 Crown Gang Plows.
- 2 Fleury Gang Plows.
- 1 John Deere 20 disc Sood Drill.
- 1 Auto trac attached to '29 Chev.
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