

A SANCTUARY FOR PILGRIMS AT SKIFF LAKE, YORK COUNTY

(St. John New Freeman.)

Unique among the places of Christian worship in New Brunswick today stands a quaint little church in North-western York county that bids fair to become to the devout pilgrim a much sought sanctuary and to the tourist and stranger, a sacred place of much interest. Some sixty miles northwest of Fredericton, the capital of New Brunswick, twelve miles southwest of Meductic, near where once stood, in 1717, an ancient chapel; five miles west of Canterbury Village and one mile north of Skiff Lake, the now famous summer resort and the still more famous fishing waters of landlocked salmon, stands secure and peaceful in a sheltered nook on the crest of a New Brunswick hill an antique little church. Unlike any other church, it has undergone no modern improvements, but stands today as it was on the first occasion when opened for public worship. The building itself

is of Old Country style in appearance, being 21x22, with vestry 10x12 and high-pitched "split hail stone" roof as it is called. The furnishings inside are of the humblest. The altar sets well back in the little vestry, which serves as a sanctuary and is separated from the main body of the church by an unpainted hand-made wooden rail. A large old-fashioned crucifix stands above the tabernacle, on either side of which are small candlesticks, above the altar are three statues, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony and St. Anne. Over the middle statue, St. Francis, in gold on brown background, are the words, "Thy Kingdom Come." Hanging on the bare walls about the sides are imported pictures from France of the Way of the Cross, depicting soul-stirring scenes in the life of our Lord, from His condemnation by Pontius Pilate to the crucifixion on Calvary. Here no cushioned pews will be found, but hand-

sawed deal, 3x6 inches, eight feet long, resting on four round wooden legs set in bored holes, two at either end of the plank. All evidences of modern worldly improvement are absent and the worshipper of today within this humble shrine finds himself back in an atmosphere of pioneer days that is most conducive to silent and humble worship.

The unique primitiveness of this little chapel and its favored location would seem to suggest that it may become to pilgrims in New Brunswick what like places have become to pilgrims of Europe and other lands. Out amid the hills, removed from the busy active life of the world, easy of access, surrounded by peaceful rugged hills and valleys and woodlands, it has a charm and attraction that must appeal to the pilgrim worshipper. The first public pilgrimage was largely attended as well as all succeeding ones. An immense gathering of people came, not only from New Brunswick, but far beyond its boundaries. Among the worshippers on that occasion were citizens from Houlton, Bangor, Boston, New York, Buffalo, Detroit and Chicago. For long distances on either side of the little church the road was

lined with autos.

Distinguished prelates have officiated in this ancient chapel while other distinguished men of different creeds have visited it.

Were St. Francis of Assisi with us here today this would be his Portiuncula of the new world; were Benedict Joseph Labre, who found his delight in spending long hours of prayer in the shrines of Italy here he would be found at this humble shrine; were the Great St. Leonard of Port Maurice with us, he would find this simple shrine as dear as his beloved St. Mary's of Incontro amid the hills of Florence; in fine, were St. John of the Cross, that great mystic of the sixteenth century, with us today he would find that solitude of Ubeda that he sought, here in our Portiuncula of the new world. Great favors have been granted here already in answer to prayer, for, says our Divine Lord, My eyes, alas shall be open and My ears attentive to the prayer of him that shall pray in this place. For I have chosen and sanctified this place, that My name may be there forever and My eyes and My heart may remain there perpetually.—Par. Ch. vii, 15-16.

Here will be found the relics of many Saints and Martyrs, among them those of the Canadian Jesuit martyrs, Fathers Brebeuf and companions; Blessed Charles Cornay, Theophane Venard, Clet, Perboyre and Chancel as well as many others.

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OFFICER BATTLES A MONSTER SWAN

London Aug. 13.—A policeman's fight with a swan was watched by a large crowd at Golders Green crossroads recently. Police Constable Hunt was directing traffic when the swan, a great creature with a wing span of more than five feet, which had been wandering about in the tube station yard all the afternoon, flew into the air, struck the overhead trolley wires, and fell to the ground.

The policeman tried to pick it up, and the swan resisted.

The bird, which appeared to be injured, flapped around, striking the policeman with its wings. The po-

liceman finally managed to grasp the bird under his arm, and amid the cheers of the crowd, carried it off to the police station. The fight had held up traffic for a considerable time.

Two or three times during the quarter of an hour's journey to the station the bird almost escaped. At last the constable arrived with his capture, and for want of a better place it was lodged in a cell.

The police made inquiries, and eventually the bird was returned to Mme. Pavlova. Mme. Pavlova keeps seven swans in her garden, and this one, a valuable bird, flew away about three weeks before.

Perhaps the Tunney-Heeney battle will go on record as the most unique in history, in that the conquered got married before his wounds were healed and the conqueror permitted his engagement to be announced.

FIRE ALARM LOCATION IN THE CITY

- 6 Argyle and York Sts.
- 7 Victoria Public Hospital.
- 8 Children's Home.
- 12 Westmorland and Aberdeen Sts.
- 13 Northumberland and Saunders Sts.
- 14 Brunswick and Smythe Sts.
- 15 Charlotte and Smythe Sts.
- 16 George and Northumberland Sts.
- 17 King and Northumberland Sts.
- 21 York and Queen Sts.
- 23 York and George Sts.
- 24 Queen and Westmorland Sts.
- 25 Brunswick and Westmorland Sts.
- 26 Charlotte and Westmorland Sts.
- 27 King and York Sts.
- 28 Saunders and York Sts.
- 31 Queen and Regent Sts.
- 32 Needham and Regent Sts.
- 34 Queen and Carleton Sts.
- 35 Brunswick and Carleton Sts.
- 36 Charlotte and Carleton Sts.
- 37 George and Regent Sts.
- 38 King and Regent Sts.
- 43 Aberdeen and St. John Sts.
- 44 Queen and St. John Sts.
- 45 Brunswick and St. John Sts.
- 46 Charlotte and St. John Sts.
- 51 King and Church Sts.
- 52 George and Church Sts.
- 53 Union and Church Sts.
- 54 Shore Street and Waterloo Row.
- 55 George Street and University Avenue.
- 56 Lansdowne and Waterloo Row.
- 57 Grey Street and University Ave.
- 112 Aberdeen and Smythe Sts.



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