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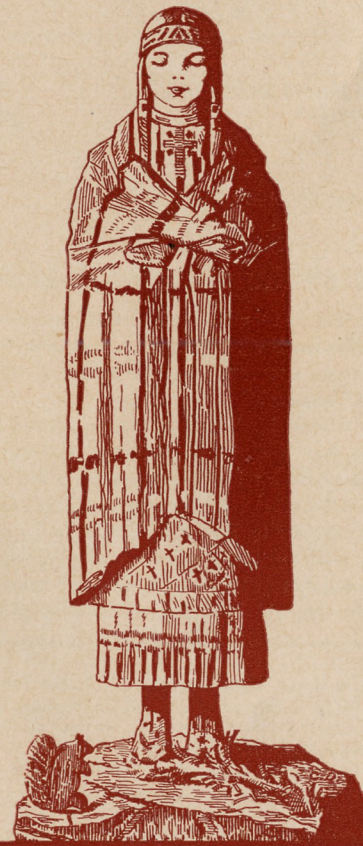
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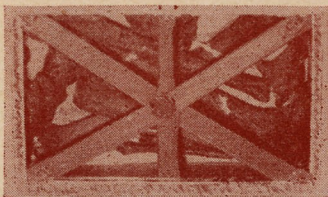


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THE KATERI TEKAKWITHA GUILD

The sodalists of the Blessed Virgin of Caughnawaga, Quebec, who are descendants of the earliest Christian Indians in Canada and New York State, have formed themselves into a Guild to spread devotion to the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha.

Our quarterly bulletin KATERI intends, above all, to tell her tale, to foster devotion to her and to record the favors both spiritual and temporal you receive through her intercession. As a result, it is hoped the cause of her Beatification will progress more rapidly.

A one year subscription to KATERI (\$1.00) or any other offering, no matter how modest, will enroll you as a member of the Kateri Tekakwitha Guild for one year, to share in a special Mass offered each week for your intentions in the old Mission of St-François-Xavier.

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SUBVERSIVE ?

In 1744, Fr. de Charlevoix remarked that "for the last sixty years Kateri had been universally recognized as *the protectress of Canada*." Today he probably would write "protectress of North America."

Just now, here in Canada, the Commies are not over popular ; out in British Columbia, the Doukhobors are being chastized for their antisocial practices ; and recently, on more than one occasion, a much trumpeted Indian, a Huron, was behind the bars for 'subversive activities'.

A legitimate government certainly has the right to protect itself from outside and inside aggressors. Even when these aggressors are Jehovah Witnesses The Commies are dangerous and are recognized as such. The Jehovahs are dangerous slinking about in the dark as they did here in Caughnawaga (Night of April 17th), spreading in their wake incendiary leaflets... More dangerous, in a way, because many influential people know little about them.

Any association whose leaders openly preach revolt has no place in the Indian Reservations of this country. Nor anywhere else.

Do the Jehovahs really aim at the overthrow of organized government ? The following Rutherfordiana aptly summarize this motivating principle of theirs :

1° — "They (the Jehovahs) must not only separate themselves from that wicked organization, but must be in full-heart accord with God's determination to execute his vengeance upon them." (*Riches*, p. 119)

2° — Special antagonism is reserved for the British Empire and for the U.S.A., "those beastly governments of earth which are Satan's organization." (*Light*, Vol. I, pp. 226, 234, etc. etc.) "In the formation of the Hague Court of the League of Nations, America and Great Britain took the lead and this is proof that the Anglo-American Empire is the 'two-horned' beast." (*Light*, Vol. II, p. 96)

3° — If Soviet Russia attacked his country, no Jehovah Witness would fight to defend it. (See *Neutrality IN EXTENSO* and the *Year Book*, 1941, pp. 103-104.)

The champions of unlimited liberty such as the *Edmonton Journal*, the *Leader-Post* of Regina and the *Star-Phoenix* of Saskatoon, quoted in *Awake* (April 8, 1950), would do well to stop, look and listen when they come to crossings.

And certain magistrates, undoubtedly well-intentioned, but insufficiently informed, could do worse than meditate upon the decision they handed down in the Boucher case, last autumn.

Kateri, "protectress of Canada", this country needs your assistance more than ever before !

H. B., s.J.

✉ Help make Kateri better known: join the Tekakwitha Guild! ✉

“Let Them Sing His Name in Choir!...”

(Ps. 149)

For over two decades, the Iroquois Mixed Choir has enjoyed an enviable reputation for its singing, a result of strenuous artistic training under the expert direction of Rev. Fr. Alfred Bernier, S.J., Doctor in Sacred Music (Roman Pontifical Institute). Since 1930, when he began helping Rev. Fr. C.M. Hauser, S.J., the worthy founder of the Choir, Fr. Bernier has unsparingly lent his time and talents to his successors. To this day, he has not ceased inspiring the Indian singers and developing with them a style of their own. This, he has applied to music which is often of a very high order, as one may judge on glancing rapidly through their rich repertoire. First, one meets with Palestrina, Lassus and Vittoria of the Renaissance School; then comes César Franck, Boyer, Pineau, Noyon, Dubois and others of the Franco-Belgian School; the great Beethoven, Bach, Mozart and Handel are found alongside of Casimiri, Perosi, Refice and Pietro Yon. Mention could be made of many inspiring Canadian compositions, among which Dr. Bernier's song to *Kateri Tekakwitha*. The complete music library contains hundreds of different hymns, motets and masses plainly multicopied and arranged in three or four parts for the Iroquois Mixed Choir enjoying the three-century-old privilege of using the vernacular in all liturgical functions including Holy Mass.

Gregorian Chant was given the place of honor it deserved. The first Indian translations of the ordinaries and proper of the mass, adapted to plain chant as early as 1850 by Rev. Fr. Marcoux and revised in 1898 by his successor, Rev. Fr. Burtin, O.M.I., were later brought up to date by Rev. Fr. Hauser and completed by Rev. Fr. R. Lalonde with the cooperation of our organist, Mr. E. Piché. Dr. Bernier then applied the Master's touch to the *Kyrie* and now the Choir enjoys the satisfaction of using the Vatican Edition of Gregorian Chant, translated into Iroquois and bearing the “Imprimatur”.

After hearing the Indians singing in their Mission church, enthusiastic friends expressed the hope of hearing them in Montreal. This wish came true when the Choir was first invited to the Gesù to sing at the Solemn Mass on Mission Sunday 1939, under Fr. Bernier's direction. Widespread acclaim made it both gratifying and imperative to accept further invitations. A public concert was also suggested. The performance took place in December 1942 and was greeted with enthusiasm and high praises from the audience and the newspaper reviewers. Following this success, radio programmes were also broadcast over C.B.C.

✂ Always block-print your name and address when writing to “Kateri”. ✂

But the marked preferences of the Choir and its directors were for the musical pilgrimages to the Jesuit Martyrs' Shrines where they returned as the descendants of the early Indian converts to sing with artistic piety their gratitude to their great Fathers in the Faith. Just last year, they were privileged to play an important role in the Tercentenary Celebrations of the Martyrdom of St. John de Brébeuf and his Companions. First at Midland, Ontario, through Rev. Fr. Lally's gracious invitation; later at the Quebec Basilica, thanks to Rev. Fr. Germain, S.J., in charge of the Martyrs' Sanctuary in that City. Three years previously they had shared the same honor when invited to the American Shrine of the Martyrs at Auriesville, N.Y., for the celebration of St. Isaac Jogues' glorious death. On that occasion, Rev. Fr. Coffey, S.J., the Shrine Director, had graciously arranged for a half-hour programme over W.G.Y. in Schenectady.

At Caughnawaga, during the summer months, each Sunday at 10:30 A.M., the Indian Mixed Choir will sing at the Solemn Mass. RÉAL LALONDE, S.J.

The Iroquois Mixed Choir singing at Schenectady under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Alfred Bernier, S.J.



OUR HEROINE

THE LIFE OF KATERI TEKAKWITHA

by Lorraine Fitzgerald

CHAPTER III HER PERSECUTION



FROM the first Kateri overcame the greatest demon among the Indians, that of impurity, a sin the very shadow of which frightened her. She was always careful to flee the occasion of it and had no trouble in avoiding it; but she had a special grace which God had sent her in order to make her His spouse.

Her lodge began to persecute her, saying that since she became a Christian she had become lazy, for she did not work in the fields on Sunday. They rebuked her for this pretended negligence and ill-treated her in many ways. One way common at the time was to make her give up the rosary. She said that she would rather die than do so.

Many of her race dared not declare themselves when they were the only Christians in their lodge, but Kateri

showed an extraordinary strength of spirit against human respect. The children, pointing their fingers at her, no longer called her by her Indian name. They called her by the name of Christian, in derision, as one would speak to a dog. This went on for so long that they forgot her name and called her "The Christian" because she was the only one baptized in her lodge. Instead of lamenting their contempt she considered herself fortunate to have lost her name.

Kateri was subjected to many taunts and jeers from the sorcerers, the drunkards, all the enemies of The Prayer and from her uncle. A plan was contrived to make her give up her good resolutions. Her uncle sent a young man into the lodge with a tomahawk pretending to kill Kateri, perhaps with the intention of terrifying her and preventing her from following the others whom the Great Mohawk carried off to dwell in Laprairie. Finally, the last persecu-

tion she suffered was a calumny invented to completely ruin her reputation with the priest who directed her.

It was spring, during the hunting season, and Kateri went with her uncle and relatives near the Dutch settlement. The wife of one hunter disliked Kateri, perhaps because her virtuous life was a reproach to her own heathen behavior. This woman watched Kateri's every action, listened to her every word, in an effort to find fault with her. It is common custom among the Iroquois to treat an uncle as a father and to call him by the same name, father. One day Kateri, speaking of this old man in company, named him without using the name of "father" or "my father". The woman noticed this and rashly judged that Kateri had sinned with her husband. She went to Father de Lamber ville to tell him that the girl he esteemed so highly had sinned. The priest after questioning the woman, was satisfied that her accusations were groundless and reproached her severely for her slanderous tongue. He then spoke to Kateri, instructing her about sin and the pains of hell which God has prepared to punish it, and finally he questioned her. The young Christian replied firmly and modestly that she had never fallen into this sin on this or other occasions. She assured the priest that she was not afraid of being damned but much more of not having enough courage to let herself be slain, rather than to work in the fields on

Sundays. She believed she had not done enough by going whole days without eating, for they hid all the food in the lodge in order that her hunger might drive her to the fields, where they would have forced her to work.

The life of a Christian in pagan surroundings is never an easy one and Kateri had many trials and crosses. When some extraordinary accident occurred she sought the priest to whom she told all her troubles. The priest found the little Indian maiden to be simple, obedient and profoundly humble. In advising her he always proposed two things to her: first, to leave the country where she was unable to win her salvation in peace; second, to have recourse to prayer. The first proposal frightened her as she knew her uncle would never consent to her departure, the second pleased her greatly since God was her only consolation. As she grew in sanctity even the worst of her tribe respected her and the best found in her a worthy model.

Her surroundings made her afraid of sinning and she often desired to leave the country, but did not dare to mention it. The Christians who came from Laprairie to the Iroquois brought her consolation, as when the Great Mohawk visited them, but when they returned without her, her grief was extreme.

Help us erect a life-size, bronze statue of Kateri in her own parish. After her death she appeared to her friend Anastasia and requested that images of herself be made!... 23

23 Mention the word *subscription* when you write; it will help us in our dealings with the Postal Authorities. Otherwise they will not consider you as a *bona fide* subscriber. 23



The Waiting Lily

*The patience that her lot endured,
When waiting for the Blackrobe's word,
The virgin gifts for her procured,
And made her humble in the Lord,
Her soul with Him in full accord.*

*Thus while we wait and hope and pray,
That she the bliss of Altar know,
He probes our faith with visions gray,
That we, like her, may humble grow,
Lest pride impose its absent sway.*

T.F. KRAMER, C.P.P.S.



LUCKY IRISHMAN!....

and a radio car police officer at that!...

I was born in her month of May, and perhaps I am the only officer who carries her relic, a small piece of her veil obtained for me by a Passionist Bishop, now in China. I used to serve his mass when he was a young priest. He used to say: "Walter, you are a lucky Irishman". And perhaps he is right. I had a beautiful locket made, just for Our Lady with my name and police dept. engraved in case of loss. Always told her nothing else would go into her locket.

I started to pal around with a big Franciscan priest who was loaned to help out in a Secular parish here... He sure was swell and many an evening we went to the Basket-Ball games at Madison Square Garden. One night he asked whether I ever had any devotion to any particular saint. He tried hard to get me interested in the "Little Flower", also mentioning others. You must have heard him laugh way up in Canada when I said: "Listen Father... Nothing doing! Will still send red roses to my only heart interest, the lovely Queen of Heaven." Then it happened. About a week later

It's nice to write to a priest, especially a Jesuit interested in lovely, little Kateri.

Well, Father, I may as well start telling you about the fellow who is now taking up some of your time.

I was appointed a police officer in 1930... Never married and at 43 years, don't think much of the idea now. Perhaps being a radio car patrolman so many years changed my ways of thinking.

I like Our Blessed Lady very much; to me she will always be most beautiful. You see, Father

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on a lonely patrol on a Sunday afternoon, I met Miss Tekakwitha, in the New York Journal American, read of the efforts of the Jesuits to have her canonized, read it over so many times my partner, who was not a Catholic, cracked: "That's all we need in this police department, an Indian!" That night, I wrote to my uncle, the Passionist, asking him about Kateri. He gave me a gift: "The Lily of the Mohawks," and since then Kateri has been in the police department.

I have a very close friend, Fr. Emmanuel. He sure "kidded" me plenty about Kateri. He looked up the Catholic directory and gave me Fr. G.'s name. I wrote and shortly afterwards he answered asking whether I would meet him in New York as he was going to give a retreat here. (You see, Father, at last there was someone whom I wanted to share the other side of Our Lady's locket.) We had dinner and he came with me and met Father Emmanuel with me. When he left, a piece of Kateri's bone was left in Our Lady's locket. I sure went all out for that little Indian, promising a mass

for each year since her death for the success of her canonization (have 98 said so far).

Father, I'm a cop, and we fellows see too much of life and death to go too much for myths. We meet all sorts of people and especially women who take all they can get. Looked at Kateri's picture and told her she was a nice little Indian and my soul would always be her responsibility. For the first time in life, I started to *really* love God. Favor after favor followed. Every dollar spent for Kateri was returned within twenty-four hours, even to finding money on the station house steps. It was so uncanny, Father, it "got" even a cop. Affectionately call her, "The Girl who insists on paying her own way".

Enclosed also find a verse I wrote to Kateri and hand-painted by Dominican nuns for me. Tried my best; it's yours, Father, also a picture of Kateri rephotographed from the one in the Journal that Sunday. Also a picture of a cop who likes Kateri and his radio patrol car.

Gosh, Father, have you the time to read this?

Walter.

✂ To carry on our work for the Cause of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha we greatly need your financial support. We need it to meet the printers', the engraver's, the postmen's bills. We need it to buy steel files. We need it—let us use the word!—to *advertise* her Cause in the newspapers! We need it to organize investigations concerning cures attributed to the intercession of the Lily of the Mohawks! ✂

LETTERS TO KATERI

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

Baghdad, Iraq, Jan. 27, 1950: I'm "all out" for Kateri. Just read "Kateri" for the first time last night. But I expect to find in heaven that she helped in the moral miracle a very dear friend had in breaking away entirely from drink 12 years ago. God bless you and your Mission! And promote your most appealing "cause" for Kateri... (Rev.) L. J. S., s.j.

So. Hadley Falls, Mass, Feb. 1: I enclose \$5.00 for a favor I obtained. I was very sick and asked Kateri to help me. I did recover... so I'm very thankful... Mrs. A.P.

Lunenburg, N.S., Feb. 5: Some time ago I read in the "Ensign" of your school at Caughnawaga, and I promised then if I would obtain a favor I would send a donation towards the statue in honor of Kateri Tekakwitha to be placed in front of the school. I am therefore enclosing \$5.00 towards this statue, as this is the second favor I have received through the intercession of Kateri Tekakwitha. I hope she will be canonized... Mrs. E.A.K.

Lima, Ohio, April 28, 1950: Enclosed please find one dollar for the furthering of the Canonization of the Venerable Catherine Tekakwitha in thanksgiving for a favor received... Mrs. W.L.

Chicago, Ill., May 1: I enclose herewith \$2.00 and ask that you do something with it in honor of "Little Catherine" as she has helped me in a recent dilemma... This is the second time she has helped me. You know, Father, it

seems to me that Catherine must have a liking to help in the difficulties of the youth of today... Miss A. St. A.

Brooklyn, N.Y., April 30: Please accept small offering toward the Cause of Venerable Kateri. I will try to send such an amount monthly. I have been burdened with serious financial crisis for two years, and since I have been asking Kateri to intercede for me, the matter is improving gradually, for which I am so grateful. Her life sketch in the form of a nine day Novena is wonderful... Mrs. C.N.

Lindsay, Ont., April 11: Enclosed please find one dollar as an offering to the Cause of Kateri. This is made in thanksgiving for favor received in finding steady employment. I hope I shall soon be in a position to send more to help the cause as I have great faith in her. Mr. L.B.

Pottsville, Pa., March 14: I received the letter you sent me and I started to pray to Kateri. My husband was killed in a coal hole and I have a little boy and get very sick. I wish you would pray for me and for my little boy so that he will pass in School and that I will be able to pay my bills. I will send you more money as soon as I get some... God bless you and help you with your work... Mrs. C.J.

Summit, N.J., March 5: You may remember a few weeks ago I wrote to your mission, asking help from Kateri for my father. My father had the operation on February 14 and he pulled

through it. He is 60 years old and had a cancerous lung which was removed. Two weeks later he was home recuperating—much to our amazement. I'm sure it was Kateri's intercession that helped him... Miss J.F.

New Orleans, La., March 7: Enclosed is a money-order for one dollar as an offering for a low mass for the Cause of Kateri, that is for the Cause of her Beatification. This is a mass of thanksgiving for a favor received, namely that a young man would be successful in obtaining and keeping a job under very unfavorable circumstances. We are happy to say that he procured one much suited to his abilities and with a good salary. We are very grateful for this favor obtained... Mrs. M.L. McW.

Palo Alto, Calif., Feb. 9: Enclosed find \$1.00 for my sincere thanks for a favor received thru the intercession of Kateri Tekakwitha... Mrs. J.F.C.

P.O. Tinpahar E.I.R.Y., India, Jan 12: I have learned... that you have started editing "Kateri". As I have translated into Santali the life of the Ven. Kateri Tekakwitha and published it in our Santali paper, I should be grateful if you could send one "Kateri" now and then for further news about her and her Cause... Very Rev. J.P., s.j.

St. Catherine's, Ont., April 5: I am enclosing a small offering for "Kateri" in thanksgiving for a great favor received thru her intercession. For three years, I have been praying to the Lily of the Mohawks for the return to the Church and the Sacraments of a person who has been out of the Church for thirty-eight years and by almost an unseen miracle that person has been

blessed by the reception of the Sacraments and a return to the faith. Please publish this... as I promised Kateri... Mrs. N.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 20: I am sorry I did not write sooner, but I have been very busy. I want you to know how happy I am. I have been employed in the last two weeks and I want to thank the Lily of the Mohawks that my favor was granted thru her intercession. The work is hard, but I am praying to God that I will be able to conquer it... I am sending \$5.00 towards Kateri's statue... Mrs. F.G.

Winnipeg, Man., March 25: I am still praying to Kateri for the return of my health; I prayed to her for the success of a Banquet which was a great responsibility for my husband on the 17th March and from all accounts it was a wonderful success... Mrs. H.H.

Manchester, N.H., Feb. 3: I am forwarding you \$1.00 in thanksgiving for a favor received from Little Kateri Tekakwitha. I had dropped something on my foot and was unable to walk. I promised I would send this offering to her, if I could walk the next day. I could walk the next day. Mrs. F.P.

Toronto, Ont., March 19: I promised to send a subscription for "Kateri" for favor received... Mrs. F.G.

Gaylordville, Conn., March 18: I am enclosing a check to aid the cause of Ven. Kateri Tekakwitha. I made a promise of this offering if a wish of mine was granted and it was... Mrs. J.R.D.

Hamilton, Bermuda, March 10: Enclosed a little promise I made. If I have my wish, I hope to help further... E.B.



(Kateri ends the recitation of the rosary by kissing the Cross...)

INTERVIEW WITH KATERI

— No. 3 —

CLIENT: Even at the end of the Joyful Mysteries, you kiss the Cross, little Kateri !...

KATERI: The Cross is the cause of our joy !

CLIENT: That 's a lesson you never forgot : the walk you took barefoot, through the fields of the Mission, with snow up to your knees !... The birchings you inflicted upon yourself... The iron-spiked girdle you wore... The unheated hut you lived in when the trees outside cracked like pistols from the cold !...

KATERI: But Jesus said: "He is not worthy of me, that does not take up his cross and follow me." (Matt. X, 38.)

CLIENT: Nowadays, Tekakwitha, people are forgetting that lesson. Supposedly learned men never learned it. A New Hampshire doctor recently injected 40 cubic centimeters of air into the arm of a cancer patient—to end her suffering !

KATERI: (Softly) "...There is no excuse for them ; although they had the knowledge of God, they did not honor him... ; they became fantastic in their notions, and their senseless hearts grew benighted ; they who claimed to be so wise turned fools..." (Rom. I, 21).

CLIENT: What do you think about Hooton of Harvard ?... He endorsed this doctor's injection. "It merits," he claimed, "universal commendation !"

KATERI: "And as they scorned to keep God in their view, so God has abandoned them to a frame of mind worthy of scorn..." (Rom. I, 31.)

CLIENT: Kateri, you never went to Harvard ; I doubt if you could write your own name, but you certainly knew better than Dr. Sanders and Anthropologist Hooton, the value of suffering !

KATERI: Through suffering did "I help to pay off the debt which the afflictions of Christ leave still to be paid, for the sake of his body, the Church." (Col. I, 24.) Suffering is of more value to the sufferer and to society in general than anything else when, in a spirit of love, it is offered to the Father in union with the sufferings of a King crowned with thorns...

H. B.

✠ To carry on our work for the Cause of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha, we need yours prayers! Your communions! Your sacrifices! Two miracles are required for the Beatification of Kateri. Why are so many Italian Saints canonized so rapidly? Could not one of the reasons be that the Italian people pray with the faith that moves mountains? Why not make the Novena for the Beatification of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha? ✠

CALENDAR TIDBITS

March 26, 1949. —Mrs. Claire Borden and her family of Swanton, Vt., U.S.A., were here to thank Kateri for a cure from phlebitis, that she received through her intercession. She had come in Oct. 1948 to pray at the Mission here, and was cured overnight while going back home.

April 7.—The ceremonies of Holy Week prepared our parishioners for the great celebration of Easter. A capacity attendance filled the church, beautifully decorated with flowers offered by the faithful, on Easter Sunday morning. The traditional ceremony of the Blessing of the Holy Bread was performed at the beginning of Mass. The loaves were offered this year, by the storekeepers and souvenir-stand owners of Caughnawaga. Rev. Fr. Alfred Bernier, S.J., who has been directing the Choir for over 15 years, was at the podium. The singing, all in Indian, was outstanding. The expression 'outstanding' may appear trite, but here, it corresponds to reality.

April 16.—Forty Hour Devotions. (270th anniversary of the death of Tekakwitha.) Jesus, really present in the Sacred Host, looked down from the altar in the same monstrance that had witnessed the fervent prayers and acts of adoration of the Ven. Kateri Tekakwitha. This monstrance tells us its own tale: "Claude Prevost", one can read on the pedestal, "Ex-Alderman of Paris and Elizabeth Legendre, his wife, gave me to the Rev. Jesuit Fathers to honor God in their first church of the Iroquois. 1668."

April 18.—This red-letter day marks the Centenary of the Foundation of the Sisters of St. Ann who teach at Tekakwitha School. The Most Reverend C.A. Chaumont, Administrator of the

Montreal Diocese, officiated at the opening ceremony held at their former Motherhouse in Lachine. On the 23rd, another Pontifical Mass was sung by His Excellency the Apostolic Delegate to Canada. To commemorate this great event, the pupils of Marie Ann College and St. Ann's Boarding School, Lachine, interpreted on the various occasions a Floral Pageant representing the saintly life of the Foundress, Mother Mary Ann, popularly known as the "Violet of Canada." The Sisters who, incidentally have taught in Caughnawaga since 1915, will hold their Alumni gathering on May 21.

His Excellency, Archbishop Antoniutti, whom the Vice Postulator met on this occasion, had words of great encouragement for the advancement of the Cause of Kateri.

April 21.—Among our distinguished visitors this month, we note the presence in the Mission of Mr. William S. Flynn, formerly Governor of Rhode Island, accompanied by Dr. Augustine W. McGarry of Boston. Mr. Flynn never comes to Montreal without coming to the Mission.

April 23.—About 100 persons came on pilgrimage today from St. John, Que. to pray for the Beatification of Kateri. This is the 1st pilgrimage of the season.

April 24.—A very dear and faithful friend of Tekakwitha, Rev. Fr. J.J. Elias of Kingsville, Ohio, said mass this morning here at the Mission.

The Recreation Committee, recently organized by the Federal Government to foster sports in the Mission, visited our School today. Popular hockey player, Billy Reay of the Canadians, accompanied them.

FATHER BURNS.

Tekakwitha Cottage
Saginaw, Michigan.

