

He also eulogised the work of Father Golden during the past 50 years, and said that like his Divine Master, he had gone about doing good, and had done all things well, and he prayed that God would bless him. A poem specially composed by Father Mangan, C.S.S.R., and dedicated to Father Golden, was then read by the Bishop, as well as a letter from the Mother-General of the Little Sisters of the Poor.

Monsignors Mahoney and Gillan also congratulated Father Golden on the great work he had done, and also on his exemplary life as a priest—all that a priest should be.

Father Golden, who was visibly affected, said his heart was too full to permit him to give proper expression to his thoughts. He felt that he was not at all worthy of the praise he had received. The fact that the jubilee was that of a priest ordained in the diocese must be the cause of the great rejoicing—not any special merit of his; and he thanked them all from the bottom of his heart. He was overwhelmed with joy to think that every priest in the diocese had that morning celebrated for him the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and to them he was most grateful. He also thanked the Bishop for his beautifully-worded expressions of friendship.

An illuminated address from the old folk of the Home was read and handed to Father Golden by Mr. Denton, and a specially composed "Golden Jubilee Greetings" was feelingly rendered by a choir of the Sisters and men of the Home.

Father Golden could say but little, except that the six years during which he had charge of the Home were the happiest of his life. Never had he seen such noble and self-sacrificing work as that of the Little Sisters of the Poor—never a murmur was heard about too much work—nothing was a trouble—always a smile and a comforting word for the poor souls whom they regarded as their children. Many edifying deaths (120) he had assisted at during his term of office. Twenty were prepared for First Communion and 16 for Confirmation.

Refreshments were then enjoyed by the old people, and the Sisters entertained Bishop Liston and priests to dinner.

In the afternoon at 2.30 a splendid musical and elocutionary programme was submitted, some of the items being specially composed for the occasion. Afternoon tea was served, and another congratulatory address from the inmates of the Home was read by Professor Swallow. Those contributing included Misses Nellie Ormond, Kiely, and McVeigh, Fathers Taylor and Furlong, Professor Swallow, Messrs. Kenworthy and Ray Kiely, the two former playing the accompaniments.

Further celebration of the event was observed on Tuesday, March 1, when Solemn Pontifical Mass of thanksgiving was offered in St. Patrick's Cathedral by

his Lordship the Right Rev. Dr. Liston, Coadjutor-Bishop of Auckland. Very Rev. Dean Cahill was assistant priest, Father Bradley deacon, Father Hunt subdeacon, Father Forde master of ceremonies, Monsignors Mahoney and Hackett deacons at the throne. About 39 priests were present on the occasion. At the conclusion of the Mass Bishop Liston read a special cable he had received from Cardinal Gasparri conveying the blessing and congratulations of our Holy Father and tendered Father Golden his felicitations on behalf of Dr. Cleary and himself, and the priests and people of the diocese. The clergy entertained the jubilarian to dinner on Tuesday in St. Benedict's Hall, which was gaily decorated in green, white, and gold, with suitable mottoes. The dinner was prepared by the Sisters of St. Joseph and served in first-class style by the Catholic ladies of the city. After dinner Dr. Liston, who presided, expressed to the Sisters and the members of the laity the hearty thanks of the clergy assembled, and once again congratulated Father Golden. Monsignor Mahoney read an address from the clergy, and made a presentation of a costly set of vestments to mark the occasion. Monsignor Hackett, Dean Van Dyk, and Very Rev. Father Whelan, C.S.S.R., also tendered their congratulations. Dear old Father Golden then replied in most touching and affectionate terms, and concluded his speech in poetic strains composed by himself.

Father Golden, although in the 81st year of his age, took an active part in all the festivities.

THE STRENGTH OF RESTRAINT.

Only when the black cloud of oppression is lifted, and the outside world is allowed to know what has been happening in Ireland (so different from the pictures of propaganda cables), will it be seen what heroism and restraint have been displayed by the men, women, and children of Ireland. Even the murders of their priests have not goaded them into madness. This is the kind of wise advice that their leaders have given them, in the words of one of their leaders: "The counsel that we have to give to the people of Ireland, in the hour of their bitter and just anger against England's felonious and bloody policy, is the counsel that the late Mayor of Cork gave them in his agony: 'Remember that the victory is not to those who can inflict most, but to those who can endure most.' It is by calmness and restraint and discipline that Ireland has baffled those who had conspired to take her life: it is by the maintenance of calmness, restraint, and discipline, that Ireland will in the near future triumph over those who sought to trample her down." The Irish people is endeavoring to hold out, until the moral force of Ireland's friends is able to assert itself fully. We can only say: God bless Ireland and set her free!—*Catholic Magazine of South Africa.*

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