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DEATHS

FLYNN.—At Riverton Hospital, on December 1, PhilipFlynn, of County Limerick, Ireland, the dearly beloved brother of Paul Flynn, Windsor, Mrs. Barry, Pukeuri, and Mrs. McGrath, Deborah; aged 37 years, deeply regretted.—R.I.P.

GRIMES.—At Auckland, on December 5, Isabella Grimes, native of Ballyshannon, County Donegal, Ireland.—R.1.P.



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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1904.

STATUTORY AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY.



the opening of the Little Sisters' home for the aged poor in Dunedin on the Feast of the Immagulate Conception, a non-Catholic speaker, Mr. J. M. Gallaway, said: 'There is among us a great deal of what may be called statutory charity. And this is right and proper. But nothing can take the place

of that charity which proceeds from the heart, and it is that the Little Sisters of the Poor strive to provide.' The one is the outcome of utilitarianism or of a laudable but purely natural sympathy. by common consent give it the name philan-The other-that of the consecrated daughters thropy. of the Church-is the sweet charity which sees Christ under the rags of the stricken beggar and the foetid ulcers of the leper and wills to be anathema for the sake of the least of God's poor. The difference between statutory and Christian charity is thus a radical one. It is not merely something external and accidental. It lies in the very mainspring of action-the motive-and thus gives a different character and complexion to the whole substance of the good deeds that are done their neighbors by, say. Fatthers Damien and Vandervuide and even the highest type of philanthropist. Worlds apart were, for instance, the motives which prompted the Sister of Mercy, in the weird and pitiful story of 'Ginx's Baby,' to rescue the little one on London Bridge, and those of the philanthropists who snatched the waif from her sheltering arms, wasted money on secretaries' salaries, etc., and let the little wanderer drift to the chilling depths of a workhouse and finally end its days in the dark waters of the River Thames.

A gulf separates Christian teaching and practice from both the old paganism of Greece and Rome and noo-paganism of Mandeville, Hobbes, Tingot, Rousseau, Proudhon, and their later cohoes. : 'Christianity,' says the Rationalist Lecky, 'for the first time made charity a radimentary virtue, giving it a leading place in the moral type. . . Besides its general influence in stimulating the affections, it effected a complete revolution in this sphere, by regarding the poor as the special representatives of the Christian Founder, and thus making the love of Christ the principle of charity.' The same writer adds: 'When the victory of Christianity was achieved, the enthusiasm for charity displayed itself in the erection of numerous institutions that were altogether unknown to the pagan world.' The charity of Christ urges it. It is ever in the rank green leaf. It knows no decay. It is trammelled by no boundary line: its held is the whole circle of human ills and woes, from the foundling infant on London Bridge to the dying leper on lone Molokai, and its clastic and energising eagerness adapts itself to every fresh form of misery that altered times or climes or social conditions bring in their train.

There was no such elevating sentiment of charity to soften the asperities of existence in ancient pagan days.