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MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIII. TO THE N.Z. TABLET

Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet, Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitiæ causam promovere per vias Veritatis et Pacis.
Die 4 Aprilis, 1900.

LEO XIII., P.M.

TRANSLATION.—Fortified by the Apostolic Blessing, let the Directors and Writers of the New Zealand Tablet continue to promote the cause of Religion and Justice by the ways of Truth and Peace.
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LEO XIII., Pope.

Current Topics

A Conspiracy of Silence.

There is a Celtic proverb which saith: 'Melodious is the closed mouth.' All over New Zealand the mouth of the secular press is humming an inaudible melody about the fierce and searching proscription which French Freemasonry has, with the criminal co-operation of the War Office, been for years past putting into operation against Catholic officers in the Army of the Third Republic. The facts of this great national scandal were set forth in our issue of last week. But, so far as we are aware, no whisper, not a breath regarding it has been permitted to appear in the secular press of New Zealand. How is it that the papers—which 'tore round' like wounded sperms in the fury of their last 'flurry'—over the Dreyfus case—are as tame and silent and undemonstrative as door-mats in the face of what is, perhaps, the greatest and most far-reaching scandal in military history. Artemus Ward once said to a meeting of his fellow-citizens of Baldinsville: 'We should be weak in the knees, unsound in the heart, milk-white in the liver, and soft in the head, if we stood quietly by and saw the Glorious Govymnt smashed to peeces.' Our secular papers split their cheeks with shrieking over the wrongs, real or supposed, of one Dreyfus; now, with 20,000 Dreyfuses before them, they look hard at their boot-tips, turn chivalrously to the right about, and serenely march away. What is the matter? Weakness of knee? Unsoundness of heart? Whiteness of liver? Softness of the head? Or is it that persecution and espionage are meritorious when practised against Catholic officers? Or that French Freemasonry must be protected at all costs against the indignation of honest men in New Zealand?

The last-mentioned question has been suggested to us by an editorial paragraph in the Liverpool 'Catholic Times.' It is scoring the apologetic reticences of the English secular press, which, however, had sufficient saving grace to make at least some passing mention (though of the pooh-pooh order) to the degrading system of espionage practised by uniformed Freemasons beyond the Strait of Dover. 'Are the Paris correspondents Freemasons?' asked our English contemporary. 'When we put this question we refer to the Paris correspondents of the great English dailies. We do not know whether they are or are not Freemasons, but

this much we do know—that they have left the British public in ignorance of the iniquitous anti-religious practices of the French War Office. We defy any one to gather from their reports an adequate idea of the unjust and corrupt policy conducted by General Andre and his subordinates. Even the "Times" which is usually so informative on foreign affairs, does not enable its readers to form anything like a proper conception of the dimensions of the scandal. The correspondents write around the subject, but avoid its heart—the documentary proofs. They have all sorts of apologies for the Government and champion it in the attempted defence that it is not guilty because the Catholics were equally black. The correspondents may not be Freemasons, but they are evidently pliable as wax in the hands of the French Ministers who are the obedient servants of the Grand Orient. If it had been a Catholic Government that was in power the correspondents would not only bring out all the documents and explain all the malpractices, but would wax eloquent in increasing the gravity of the offences by suggestions and innuendoes.'

A Word to the Unwise.

Full many a time and oft we are made by Catholic correspondents here and those throughout New Zealand to feel that, to some extent, we have during all those long years been engaged in the useless and interminable labor of digging holes to bury heaps of earth—or, to cast the thought in Cowper's more poetic phrase, in

'The toil
Of dropping buckets into empty wells,
And growing old in drawing nothing up.'

We can fairly claim that a special feature of our work has consisted in the dynamiting of calumnies against our religion, its ministers, and its institutions. In our efforts to cope with the tribe of Ananias we have put ourselves into communication with the civil, military, or ecclesiastical authorities of almost every civilised country under the sun, and with results which, we venture to hope, have met with the approval of our readers, whom it is our duty, as well as a labor of love to serve. Yet each passing month brings us a number of more or less urgent appeals from various parts of New Zealand for statement of the 'real facts' of sundry cases of calumny or misrepresentation that have already been fully dealt with in our news or editorial columns. It is needless to say that such appeals come to us from the Catholics who welcome to their homes the books and

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papers that occasionally spit venom at the Church and its institutions, and who raise bolt and bar against the journal that wipes from the fair face of the loved Mother of us all the mud and slime that are flung upon it by the thoughtless and the malicious. From motives of charity we have frequently repeated, in private correspondence, for the benefit of inquiring non-subscribers, the substance of articles that have already appeared in our columns. This, however, has entailed upon us an enormous amount of labor—hampering to some extent at times our ordinary and proper work. There is one obvious and common-sense remedy open to those non-subscribers who wish to keep in touch with Catholic thought and incident and to be armed against the slanders upon our faith that creep—like bubonic rats—into New Zealand over the cable, or come in the holds of ocean tramps and are let loose in the country by the members of the Scissors and Paste Brigade. A weekly copy of the 'N.Z. Tablet' in the home will overtaken the evil.

Misther McCarthy, Esquire.

We have been led to the outpouring of our soul printed above by having just received from a non-subscriber in the Marston district a request for our opinion on a wretched agglomerate of sheets of printed No Popery in which one Michael McCarthy slanders the priests and people of Ireland. This is about the eleventh-leventh time that we have been asked to deal with that envied thing which has been called by courtesy a book. We might once for all remind inquirers that on two occasions we exposed the outrageous nature of the publication—a pretty exhaustive editorial article in our issue of December 25, 1902, running into more than a page of the 'N.Z. Tablet.' We might furthermore plead that we like not the operation of pouring a fresh bucket of water on a drowned rat. At this hour of the day it ought not to be necessary to point out that with the same class of people 'Misther McCarthy, Esquire' is wholly discredited. He has been abandoned by the glib critics of even the country papers to sundry clergymen and other old women of both sexes, and by the old women to the Orange lodges, which have been feting him, making him presentations, treating him as a man and brother, and—as a reward for his rough and slipshod slanders on the Catholic Church and body—placing him almost on a level with the fanatical No-Popery firebrand who is known to fame (or rather to infamy) as the Reverend Johnnie McCnæ. Even in New Zealand no celebration of the 'Glorious Twelfth' is complete without a flaming panegyric and a brand-new aureola for Misther McCarthy. And that is, perhaps, the cruellest thing that could well be said against him. You are entitled to judge a book, as you would judge a man, by the company it keeps. And Michael McCarthy's rubs covers with 'Maria Monk' and the productions of the Slattery impostors and such other 'gems of purest ray serene' of Orange 'literature.' And that's surely degradation enough to meet the ambition of any man whose tastes run in that direction.

For people that like that sort of thing it is just the sort of thing they like. There are, no doubt, in New Zealand many who, through lack of knowledge of recent or current literary history, might be disposed to take McCarthy at his own estimate and that of his 'yellow' friends. For such we may make the following brief summary statement bearing upon the man and his 'book,' referring inquirers to our fuller articles thereon:—

In order to give currency and an air of authority to his slanders, McCarthy calls himself a Catholic. This is a misdescription. The man was brought up a Catholic in the city where

'The Bells of Shandon

Sound so grand on

The pleasant waters of the River Lee.'

But, as somebody has remarked, his early piety—if he had any—was not fitted with watertight compartments. It soon leaked away after his father—who, by the way, 'rattled' from the Nationalist cause and became a violent anti-Irish Irishman—sent him to be educated at the Protestant Grammar School of Middleton. From that seat of ultra-Protestantism he proceeded to Queen's College, Cork, which was to all intents and purposes a Protestant establishment. His faith—if he had any left—clung only in rags and patches to him there. He next entered Trinity College Dublin—an institution of which every professor and superior must be a Protestant, and which was established for the express purpose of weaning Irish 'Papists' from their 'Popery.'

For many and many a year Misther McCarthy has had no practical communion with the Catholic Church. The very book referred to here proves conclusively that he has thrown over not alone the practice of the faith, but the faith itself. He, for instance, denounces the Mass, the Papacy, the doctrine of Transubstantiation, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, religious processions, confession, and almost every distinctive doctrine and practice of the Catholic Church. They are 'unintelligible gibberish,' 'unnecessary and thread-bare trash,' 'nummeries,' and so on. His 'books' are simply wild, incoherent, and untruthful attacks on the Catholic Church, its doctrines, its practices, its ministers, its devotions. McCarthy's almost equally unmeasured praise of the Reformers and of the Reformed creeds would prove that, despite his fatuous claim to be a Catholic, he is in reality a Protestant—that is, supposing him to be a Christian at all. At any rate, in posing as a Catholic—and a 'Roman Catholic' at that—McCarthy is perpetrating a clumsy and unscrupulous fraud on Protestant readers. It may sell the book, but it will also 'sell' those who buy it. As to its literary quality, the London 'Times' refers to it in the following terms of splendid contempt:—

'Mr. McCarthy's new book is, like its predecessor, an untidy and clumsily composed volume; its style is poor and pretentious; and on a rough calculation the book has about as many split infinitives as there are priests in Ireland. The dominating idea, which is again the evil character of ecclesiastical authority in Ireland, gives "Priests and People in Ireland" a sort of intellectual unity, but materially it is slipshod and incoherent.'

The great literary magazines tore Michael McCarthy's book to tatters and flung them to the winds of heaven on a storm of ridicule. And one of his critics aptly remarked that 'as an illustration of what anti-Catholic education can do, his book should rank as a classic.' But 'the most unkindest cut of all' came from the Brethren of the Saffron Sash when they placed it on their lodge shelves side by side with the assaetida of Maria Monk and the putrid rotteness of Margaret Shepherd. It is their verdict on the book. We content ourselves with making a record of this most damning fact of all. Further comment is hardly needed.

Messrs. T. Earnshaw and Co., George street, Dunedin, direct attention to their large and superior stock of art pictures, steel engravings, mirrors, and picture framings, which are quoted at very moderate rates...

The Rev. Brother Director notifies in our advertising columns that the Sacred Heart College, conducted by the Marist Brothers, will re-open on the 8th prox. This college is charmingly situated, overlooks the Waitomata Harbor, and has extensive grounds, which afford the students splendid accommodation for recreation and athletic games. The college is built in brick, on concrete foundations. The dormitories are large and lofty, the class rooms well lighted and ventilated, and the baths supplied with hot and cold water. The great object of the Brothers is to give their pupils a sound religious training and enable them to discharge the duties of their after-life with honor to religion, benefit to the State, and credit to themselves.

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NEW ZEALAND'S
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"The History of Our Own Times."

The years since he left politics have been kind to Mr. Justin McCarthy (says the 'Book Monthly'); they have touched him lightly and graciously, as became them. His outlook is the bright outlook of youth, and his health is admirable, as his bronzed face tells. His single burden is a weakened eyesight which does not permit him to read, because he has to rubsand it for actual literary work.

Our talk fell upon the 'History of Our Own Times,' and how that book came to be written. It is a story which has been told before in one form or another, but Mr. McCarthy was good enough to give me the full and true particulars of a little chapter in English literature.

'I had,' he said, 'a general idea of writing a history of our own day, and my friend the late Sir John Robinson knew this. He happened to hear that Cassells were thinking of publishing what they meant to be a history of the life and reign of Queen Victoria. Well, he brought Cassells and myself together, as it were, and it was arranged that I should go on with my book, which they would publish. They were to buy it outright from me, and I was to receive in payment £500. How long it would be it was difficult to say, but it was understood that it was certain to run to more than one volume. I was very little known in those days, being simply a worker in the world of London journalism, and I was glad of the opportunity which this task implied.'

'Everything had been settled, and I was making progress with my MS., when one day there appeared in the papers the announcement that some Irish constituency was likely to ask me to be its Home Rule candidate, and that, if I accepted, I was sure to be elected. Home Rule at that date was a sort of brand, and I received a communication from Cassells saying they were afraid my going into Irish politics might prejudice the history, and that they would prefer to abandon it. Eventually we had a sort of literary court to arbitrate on how much I should be paid for what I had written, and the arbitrators named £100, which quite satisfied me. Being free to do with my MS. what I liked, I took it to Mr. Chatto, whose firm had somewhat earlier published a novel for me. He looked over it, heard what I had to say, and then turned to me with the words, "I think this is going to be a big thing, Mr. McCarthy. We'll do it." They did, and I hope neither Mr. Chatto nor myself has had cause to regret a bargain which was completed almost within half an hour.'

'Two volumes came out pretty soon, and I was a trifle disappointed, perhaps, that they were scarcely reviewed at all. Meanwhile, however, the public had somehow taken to them, and before a single review, worth speaking about, had appeared, Chatto's were advertising the third large edition. I have sometimes thought that circumstance a reflection upon all of us who think we guide the world by writing reviews. Be that as it may, the history went surprisingly well, and my election for an Irish constituency in no way hurt it. When I took my seat and went to shake hands with Speaker Brand, he said to me, leaning over the side of his historic chair, "I am glad to see you here, Mr. McCarthy, and I congratulate you upon the success of your history." These words of the Speaker of the House of Commons almost healed the little sore in my heart caused by the absence of reviews, only now they were coming thick and fast.'

Our Schools.

MARIST BROTHERS' SCHOOL, CHRISTCHURCH.

(From our own correspondent.)

His Lordship the Bishop presided at the distribution of prizes at the Marist Brothers' School, Barbadoes street. The Very Rev. Father Le Menant des Cheneais, V.G., and Rev. Fathers Mahony and O'Connell were also present.

After the distribution of the prizes His Lordship congratulated the prize-winners on their success, and expressed his sympathy with those who were not successful. He pointed out to the boys the advisableness of making good use of their schooldays, and even of their vacation time, by reading with attention the valuable books they had just received. Brother Basil, Di-

rector, on behalf of the Brothers and the boys, thanked Bishop Grimes for his presence, and said that the spirit of study shown by the boys during the year was very satisfactory. The boys' energies were not exclusively devoted to books. They took a keen interest in sports, and were very successful. They won the Public Schools' Football Banner, and in the cricket competition tied for first place with two other schools.

The following are the prize-winners:—

Good conduct (prize presented by Bishop Grimes), P. Dwyer. Dux of the school (gold medal), P. Dwyer 1, J. M'Albon 2, W. Murphy 3. Christian doctrine, P. Dwyer 1, J. McAlbon 2. English, J. M'Albon 1, P. Dwyer 2. Essay, J. M'Albon 1, D. Fouhy 2. Arithmetic, P. Dwyer 1, J. M'Keefrey 2. Orthography, F. Poff 1, J. M'Albon 2. Heat, P. Dwyer 1, Leo Poff 2. Magnetism, W. Murphy 1, W. Birmingham 2. French, P. Dwyer 1, D. Fouhy 2. Reading, E. Cummings 1, J. O'Brien 2. Writing, E. Poff 1, W. Birmingham 2.

Standard VI.—Aggregate merit, John Steinmetz (silver medal) 1, F. Ruck 2, T. Hannan 3. Christian doctrine, J. Steinmetz. English, W. Rogers. Composition, W. Dobbs. Arithmetic, T. Hannan. Orthography, J. Walsh. Geography, Leo Beary. Drawing, A. Dunn. Reading, F. Woodham. Writing, R. Boswell.

Standard V.—Aggregate merit, M. O'Malley 1, M. M'Keefrey 2, A. Mason 3. Christian doctrine, M. M'Keefrey. Arithmetic, C. Barrett. Essay, L. Clancy. Writing, J. Moran. Orthography, J. Crooke.

Standard IV.—Aggregate merit, E. O'Brien 1, T. Dwyer 2, J. M'Keefrey 3. Christian doctrine, Edward O'Brien. Arithmetic, J. Yedoon. Composition, A. Rodhe. Writing, J. Marshall. Orthography, J. Barron.

Standard III.—Aggregate merit, J. M'Albon 1, E. Brosnahan 2, M. Riordan 3. Geography, F. Cronin. Reading, K. Boswell. Arithmetic, J. Foster. Writing, C. Churtney. Christian doctrine, C. M'Swiggan.

Standard II.—Aggregate merit, D. Evans 1, H. Cronin 2, M. Murnane 3. Reading, W. Mullane. Writing, W. Gregory. Arithmetic, F. Wain. Composition, W. O'Loughlin.

Standard I.—Prize-winners were—H. Sutton, C. Lawrence, M. O'Loughlin, J. O'Dowd, H. Stratford, Leo O'Donnor, and C. Williams.

MARIST BROTHERS' SCHOOL, WELLINGTON.

(From our own correspondent.)

The prizes at the Marist Brothers' School were distributed in the presence of Very Rev. Father Lewis, V.G., Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, Rev. Fathers O'Shea and Kimbell, and the parents and friends of the boys. A short musical entertainment was given, in which the pupils were assisted by Miss Amy Hyde. Brother Paul in a few words thanked the donors of the various prizes, which were won as follows:—

Civil Service Class.—The Archbishop's gold medal for general proficiency, awarded to Raymond Fahy; Christian doctrine, gold medal presented by Old Boys, Bernard Ryan; good conduct medal, R. Fahy; English composition medal, John Dwyer; algebra medal, Hilary Henderson; geometry, R. Fahy; English history, Thomas Davis; geography, Richard Davis; orthography and writing, James McGrath.

Standard VII.—General proficiency, James Hopkins; Christian doctrine, Joseph Devlin; good conduct, Ernest Mulhane; English composition, James Walsh; English grammar, Thomas McElligot; English history, George Newton; writing, Leonard King and Valentine Ross; orthography, Joseph Stratford; diligence, John Gosling; drawing, James Hopkins; arithmetic, Thomas McElligot; reading, Joseph Devlin; science, William Dwyer; geography, James Hopkins; mental arithmetic, James McKeegan; home exercise, Valentine Ross. Second prizes were also awarded to Robert Daniel, L. King, D. O'Donovan, and E. Ryan.

Standard VI.—General proficiency, John Scott; Christian doctrine, Geoffrey Hill; good conduct, Charles Meachen; English composition, John Scott; English grammar, William Buckley; writing, Henry Flanagan; orthography, Peter Cimino; diligence, Percy Cashman; drawing, Walter King; reading, Patrick Parker; science, John Scott; geography, John Scott; mental arithmetic, Walter King; home exercise, Donald McKay; arithmetic, Francis Galvin. Second prizes were also awarded to F. Brown, H. Carruthers, L. Devine, P. Tracy, and J. Young.

Standard V.—General proficiency, James Smith 1, Patrick Lawlor 2; arithmetic, John Devlin 1, F. Davis and C. Murphy 2; reading, John James 1, George Ness 2; writing, James Kelly 1, A. McGreal 2; orthography, John Carrigan 1, John Helgesen 2; composition, F.

Leary; grammar, Patrick Lawlor 1, D. McKivett 2; drawing, Leslie Brooky 1, P. Muir 2; scale drawing, John Burke; geography, A. Dwan 1, John Nolan 2; mapping, M. Bouzaid; home work, Thomas McGrath; mental arithmetic, Lawrence Butler; attendance, F. Foster 1, John McGuire 2.

Standard IV.—Good conduct, Oscar Edmonds; Christian doctrine, Edward Duggan; arithmetic, Henry McKay 1, Thomas Devine 2; reading, Helmore Johnson 1, Edward Newton 2; writing, Robert Scott 1, John Smith 2; orthography, John O'Shea 1, Ovid Fennell 2; composition, Edward Byrne; grammar, Patrick Scanlon; drawing, Aloysius MacDonald; geography, Robert Ready 1, Edmund McCarthy 2; attendance, Wilfrid Blake; general proficiency, John O'Brien.

Standard III.—General proficiency, P. Hopkins 1, C. Tandy 2; good conduct, J. Callanan; Christian doctrine, F. McArdle; reading, J. McElligott; orthography, B. Benson; writing, G. McGrath; geography, G. Sievers; arithmetic, D. Burke; mental arithmetic, H. Buckley; poetry, H. Corrigan; home work, C. Shanahan; drawing, P. Keeney; tables, W. Jennings; English, T. Foster, C. Hill; composition, R. Taylor; attendance, C. Mulhane 1, J. Maher 2.

Standard II.—General proficiency, S. O'Donovan; good conduct, F. Moore; attendance, G. Wynne; Christian doctrine, F. O'Driscoll; orthography, E. Casey; reading, J. Boyce; writing, J. Whitman; geography, D. Campbell; arithmetic, B. Mathews; mental arithmetic, A. Johnson; poetry, A. Sievers; home work, W. Wareham; drawing, P. Stratford; tables, J. McMurich; English, D. Welsh.

Standard I.—General proficiency, W. O'Dea; good conduct, L. Crigg; Christian doctrine, J. Cumming; reading, C. O'Shea; writing, F. Burren; arithmetic, G. Fitzgerald; mental arithmetic, J. Hyde; orthography, P. McMahon 1, R. Laurent 2; tables, E. Prestidge; home work, R. Scanlan; drawing, J. Tandy; diligence, U. Campbell; poetry, D. McLaughlin; attendance, J. Keeney.

CONVENT OF MERCY, WELLINGTON SOUTH.

The Victoria Hall was well filled on the two evenings when the pupils of the Sisters of Mercy, Wellington South, gave their annual entertainment. The prizes were presented by Rev. Father O'Shea. Previous to the presentation the parish priest, Father Ainsworth, referred to the splendid results attained at the annual examination—results that proved conclusively that the standard of our schools was at least equal to that of the State-supported schools. He would take this public opportunity of again entering his protest against the injustice under which our schools labored. There seemed at present but little hope of getting justice in this respect, but in the meantime Catholics were determined to make sacrifices in order that their children might secure a Christian education.

The prize list is as follows:—

Good conduct (medal)—Ivy McLaughlin.

Christian doctrine (medal)—Moya O'Sullivan.

School singing (medal)—Katie Jamieson.

Music—First division: Mabel Bourke 1, Mabel Fowles 2; second division: Annie Flanagan, Elizabeth Marshall, equal in merit; third division: Annie Hickey 1, Eileen Uridge 2.

Clavier—First division: Teresa Flanagan 1; second division: Berinice and Bessie Eggers, equal in merit.

Needlework—First division, Annie Davis; second division, Annie Flanagan.

Wood-carving (girls)—First division: Mary Carrigan, Eileen Carrigan, equal in merit; second division, Maggie O'Leary; wood-carving (boys), Arthur Ridler. Improvement in wood-carving, Charles Rouse.

The most popular girl (medal)—Evelyn Parnell.

Civil Service Class.—Dux, Ivy McLaughlin; reading and spelling, Ivy McLaughlin; composition and grammar, Frances McCarthy; improvement in penmanship (writing desk), Moya O'Sullivan; Latin translation and algebra, Frances McCarthy; Euclid, Moya O'Sullivan; French and arithmetic, Moya O'Sullivan; Latin grammar, Ivy McLaughlin; French, second division (dressing case), Kathleen Taylor; diligence, Kathleen Taylor.

Class I.—Christian doctrine, Annie Flanagan; composition, Grace Nelson; Latin, Nellie McCarthy; French, Grace Ridler; arithmetic, Grace Ridler; improvement in penmanship, Mary Campbell; algebra, Frances Colley; drawing, Eileen Carrigan; general improvement, Katie Jamieson, Cicily Reardon, Nellie Beagley.

Class II.—Christian doctrine, Mary Davis; reading and spelling, Myrtle McLaughlin; composition and grammar, Myrtle McLaughlin; Latin and French, Myrtle McLaughlin; algebra, Mary Davis; arithmetic, Ivy

Daniel; penmanship, Mary Davis; Latin (second prize), Evelyn Parnell; general improvement, Mary Sullivan, Phyllis Hanify, Kathleen Sullivan; drawing, Nellie Adair.

Class III.—Christian doctrine, Josephine Keogh; reading and spelling, Josephine Keogh; arithmetic, Josephine Keogh; composition, Eileen Lavery; French, Eileen Lavery; arithmetic and penmanship, Bessie Jamieson; drawing, Jack Fitzgerald; diligence, Kathleen Davis.

Class IV.—Christian doctrine, Eileen Corby; reading, Louis Becker; arithmetic, Louis Becker; drawing, Louis Reardon; penmanship, Eileen Corby; tables, Kathleen Corby; spelling, Victor Becker; diligence, Gerald Davis.

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Dux, Arthur Ridler; Christian doctrine, Violet Beveridge; good conduct, Mary Delaney; regular attendance, Louis McDonald, Teresa Flanagan, equal in merit.

SACRED HEART COLLEGE, AUCKLAND.

(From our own correspondent.)

The annual musical and dramatic entertainment by the students of the Sacred Heart College took place on December 16, the programme submitted reflecting great credit on both pupils and teachers. The following was the programme:—Overture, 'Donauwellen,' college orchestra; chorus (2 parts), 'Ye banks and braes,' students; chorus (3 parts), 'Comrades,' students; piano solos, 'Invitation a la Valse,' 'Killarney,' Master H. Kearin; drill, Indian clubs, students; duet, 'Music and her sister song,' students; recitation, 'Not understood,' Master Horace Speight; solo, 'Mid the hush of the corn,' Master J. Quinlan; play, 'As You Like It' (scenes from acts I. and II), in which the following took part—Masters G. Ricketts, F. Beehan, K. Kearin, C. McDavitt, I. Fitzgerald, A. McCabe. Part II.—Overture, 'Maritana,' college orchestra; chorus (2 parts), 'Erin the tear and the smile,' chorus (3 parts), 'Let Erin remember' (arranged by Harry Hiscocks); instrumental trio, 'Serenade,' Masters T. Higgins (piano), J. Crosby (violin), P. Amodeo (flute); solo and chorus, 'Sweet bells are ringing,' soloist, I. Fitzgerald; recitation, 'Leave the fatherland,' Master G. Ricketts; gymnastics on parallel bars; Latin dialogue, scene from Plautus—'Amphitruo'—Mercury, Master E. Mahoney, Sosia, Master P. Amodeo; chorus, 'Adeste Fideles.'

His Lordship the Bishop, at the conclusion of the programme, distributed the prizes, the list being as follows:—

Special Prizes: Good conduct (boarders), E. Mahoney; good conduct (day boys), H. Kearin; Christian doctrine (matriculation class), V. Blake; aggregate merit (matriculation class), E. Mahoney; aggregate merit (sub-matriculation class), E. McDavitt; highest in junior civil service, P. Amodeo; recitation, H. Speight; honors (caps for distinction in football, given by the Auckland Secondary Schools' Union), Ray Delany and E. Mahoney; best batting average, Valentine Blake.

Junior Scholarship Class: Aggregate merit, P. Amodeo; physics and trigonometry, P. Amodeo.

Matriculation Class: Aggregate merit—First prize, E. Mahoney; next in merit, V. Blake and A. Tobin. Latin—First, E. Mahoney; next in merit, P. Amodeo. French—First, E. Mahoney; next in merit, R. Knight. English—First, R. Knight; next in merit, E. Mahoney. Chemistry—First, V. Blake; next in merit, E. Mahoney. Arithmetic—First, A. Tobin and C. Cosgrove, equal. Algebra—First, A. Beehan; next in merit, E. Mahoney. Geometry—First, V. Blake; next in merit, A. Tobin. History—First, F. Farrell; next in merit, C. Dunn. Geography—First, J. Donovan; next in merit, G. Fraser. Christian doctrine—First, V. Blake; next in merit, H. Heighton.

Sub-Matriculation Class: Aggregate merit—First prize, C. McDavitt; second, G. Hansen. Religious knowledge—First prize, H. Kearin; next in merit, A. McCabe. English—Prize, G. Hansen; next in merit, R. Taylor. Arithmetic—Prize John Franklin; next in merit, C. McDavitt. Geometry—Prize, F. Beehan; next in merit, O. Alley. Algebra—Prize, G. Hansen; next in merit, O. Alley. Latin—Prize, C. McDavitt; next in merit, A. McCabe. French—Prize, G. Cole; next in merit, J. Donoghue. Geography—Prize, J. Fitzgerald; next in merit, A. Ryan. Book-keeping—Prize, R. Taylor. History—Prize, C. McDavitt. Reading—Prize, Horace Speight; next in merit, George Ricketts.

Class III: Aggregate merit—First prize, E. Blake; second, T. Higgins. Religious knowledge—Prize, John Crosby. English—Prize, William McClellan; next in merit, E. Blake. Reading—Prize, G. Woodlock; next in merit, M. Sneddon. History and geography—Prize,

E. Buckler; next in merit, T. Higgins. Arithmetic—Prize, J. Fischer; next in merit, J. Crosby. Mathematics—Prize, E. Blake; next in merit, J. Crosby. Book-keeping—Prize, E. Gallagher; next in merit, R. Fairweather. French—Prize, N. Sneddon; next in merit, T. Higgins. Orthography—Prize, J. Kelly; next in merit, J. Fischer. Latin—Prize, T. Higgins; next in merit, W. McClellan.

Class IV.: Aggregate merit—First prize, D. O'Connor; second, E. McClellan. Religious knowledge—First prize, H. Brennan; next in merit, D. O'Connor; English—Prize, D. O'Brien; next in merit, D. O'Connor. English composition—Prize, J. Paul; next in merit, D. O'Connor. Reading—Prize, D. O'Brien; next in merit, J. Quinlan. Writing—Prize, J. Quinlan; next in merit, N. Hutchinson. Orthography—Prize, E. McClellan; next in merit, D. O'Brien. History—Prize, D. O'Connor; next in merit, D. O'Brien. Geography—Prize, W. Fisher; next in merit, E. McClellan. Arithmetic—Prize, J. Quinlan; next in merit, C. Sneddon. Book-keeping—Prize, C. Sneddon; next in merit, J. Paul. Latin—C. Fraser; next in merit, W. Fisher. French—Prize, E. Fraser; next in merit, D. O'Connor. Shorthand—Prize, J. Paul; next in merit, C. Fitzgerald.

Class V.: Aggregate merit—First prize, H. Brennan; second, Wm. Fischer. Religious knowledge—Prize, H. Brennan; next in merit, W. Sheath. English—Prize, H. Brennan; next in merit, W. Sheath. English composition—Prize, W. Sheath; next in merit, H. Brennan. Reading—Prize, T. Carroll; next in merit, Wm. Fischer. Writing—Prize, J. Phelan; next in merit, Wm. Fischer. Orthography—Prize, T. Carroll; next in merit, H. Brennan. Arithmetic—Prize, W. Fischer; next in merit, W. Sheath.

Class VI.: Aggregate merit—Prize, Lawrence Quirk; next in merit, D. Kenealy. Religious knowledge—Prize, Fenton Dalton; next in merit, W. Floyd. English—Prize, Leonard Buxton; next in merit, L. Quirk. English composition—Prize, L. Quirk; next in merit, M. W. Floyd. Reading—Prize, W. Sullivan; next in merit, E. Kelly. Writing—Prize, L. Quirk; next in merit, D. Kenealy. Orthography—Prize, Robert McVeagh; next in merit, Fenton Dalton. Arithmetic—Prize, Lawrence Quirk; next in merit, Fenton Dalton. Drawing—Prize, D. Kenealy; next in merit, Lawrence Quirk.

MARIST BROTHERS' SCHOOL, AUCKLAND.

His Lordship Bishop Lenihan presided at the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Marist Brothers' School, and in the course of a short address complimented the Brothers and scholars on the enjoyable programme that had been submitted.

The annual report on school work, presented by the principal (Brother George), stated that the Bishop had been responsible for certain improvements to the school building prior to the opening of the school. The annual examination had been held in August and was conducted by the Board of Education's inspector, Mr. Goodwin, who, in his report, had characterised the work done in the different subjects as very good, good, and satisfactory. The inspector went on to say that the general tone, order, and discipline, attention, and behaviour had been very good, that the oral answers had been given in a very satisfactory style, that the written exercises had been very neat, and that the instruction generally had been of good quality. Early in November Inspector Petrie had paid a visit of inspection and reported that the organisation and time-table were suitable, the methods and quality of instruction very satisfactory, and the general tone and behaviour good.

The Bishop then distributed the prizes, the list being as under:—

Campbell gold medal (presented by his Lordship the Bishop), for regular attendance—Dillon Browne.

Gold medal (presented by Mr. J. J. O'Brien), for good conduct—Francis Bacon.

Gold medal (presented by Mr. A. Kohn), for highest marks at examination—Arthur Lees.

Gold Medal (presented by Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Association), for dux of school—Thomas Charles.

Gold medal (presented by the Rev. Father Patterson), for Christian doctrine—Charles Williams.

Presented by Mr. F. Bacon for arithmetic—Standard VI., John Maxwell; Standard V., O. Robertson; Standard IV., C. Woolley; Standard III., W. Everson.

Presented by Mr. T. Guscott for written exercise—Standard VI., L. McCarthy; Standard V., J. Levin; Standard IV., C. Morris; Standard III., John Early; Standard II., H. Taylor; Standard I., W. Fairweather.

Standard VI.—Christian doctrine, Charles Williams; good conduct, Francis Bacon; regular attendance, Dillon Browne; general proficiency, Thomas Charles 1, John

Molloy 2, Francis Bacon 3; reading, Francis Dwyer; English, Charles Williams; writing, Charles Molloy; arithmetic, John Maxwell; geography, Joseph Dempsey.

Standard V.—Christian doctrine, Leo Cullen; good conduct, Eugene Mooney; regular attendance, Reg. Amodeo; general proficiency, Arthur Lees 1, Leo Cullen 2, Ray Jenkinson 3; reading, Sidney Bickerton; English, James Levin; writing, Charles McCarthy; arithmetic, Owen Robertson.

Standard IV.—Christian doctrine, Wilfrid Taylor; good conduct, Robert Hansen; regular attendance, general proficiency, Charles Woolley 1, Gordon Christopher 2, Andrew Smith 3; reading, Charles Woolley; composition, Charles McCullough; writing, Joseph Martin; arithmetic, Charles Woolley.

Standard III.—Christian doctrine, Michael Hogan; good conduct, Claude Bacon; regular attendance, John Early; general proficiency, George Ryan 1, Charles Shivan 2; reading, Eddie Carver; composition, Beresford Nelson; writing, Charles Browne; arithmetic, William Everson.

Standard II.—Christian doctrine, Thomas Scott; good conduct, Gordon Bryant; regular attendance, Michael Henderson; general proficiency, Thomas Browne; reading, Michael Ferris; writing, E. Early; spelling, mas Browne; arithmetic, George Bryant.

Standard I.—Christian doctrine, Edward Sharpe; good conduct, Roy O'Shea; regular attendance, Walter Fairweather; reading, Michael Sayegh; spelling, James Cassidy; writing, Walter Fairweather.

The following programme was gone through during the evening:—'Ecce Sacerdos Magnus,' pupils; overture, orchestra; recitation, Master C. Bacon; song, Master A. Smith; drill, gymnastic squad; chorus, junior pupils; dramatic sketch, 'A pair of lunatics,' in which Mr. H. Herbert and Miss Clarice Campbell took part; overture, orchestra; choruses, pupils; recitation, Master Geo. Mann; comic song, Master Eugene Mooney; drill, gymnastic squad; chorus, pupils. Mr. P. F. Hiscocks was leader of the orchestra, and Messrs. T. Guscott and H. Kearin acted as accompanists.

ST. BENEDICT'S SCHOOL, AUCKLAND.

(From our own correspondent.)

A concert was held by the pupils of St. Benedict's Hall in connection with the annual vacation. Misses Denz, Hilda Heighton, Rita Grevatt, Edith Foreman, Louie Gaspard, Maggie McEvoy, Frances Field, and Effie Sheath were the recipients of certificates for passing musical examinations, and the Rev. Father Gillan stated that gold medals would be presented later to Misses Frances Denz and E. Grevatt, and also a silver medal to Miss Edith Foreman for passing with honors in theory.

ST. JOSEPH'S PAROCHIAL SCHOOL, DEVONPORT.

At the annual distribution of prizes in connection with St. Joseph's Parochial School, Devonport, the following were the successful pupils:—

Standard V.—Good conduct and composition, Maud Forwood; arithmetic and reading, Lily Forwood; highest marks and Christian doctrine, Willie Parker.

Standard IV.—Reading and composition, Florrie Forwood; drawing and brushwork, Reggie Wynne; highest marks and arithmetic, Edward Parker.

Standard III.—Reading, Daisy Bond; writing, Rose Tilton.

Standard II.—Highest marks and reading, Kate McKearnin; arithmetic and writing, John Grimshaw; spelling, Michael Cunningham.

Standard I.—Highest marks and catechism, Eileen Bannon; regular attendance, Hilda McKearnin; writing and arithmetic, Ethel McKearnin; recitation and drawing, Katie Harrison; spelling, Willie Harrison.

Primer III.—Reading, Myrtle Deakin; writing, Mary McChute; good conduct, Alice Cunningham; spelling, Willie Harrison.

Primer II.—Tables, Mona Beamish; good conduct, Laura McKearnin.

ST. LEO'S ACADEMY, DEVONPORT.

The awards gained by pupils attending St. Leo's Academy, Devonport, were as follows:—

Matriculation Class—Latin and mathematics, W. Hipkins; French and drawing, H. Houghton.

Class IV.—Music and singing, E. Sykes; composition and reading, G. Grey; art needlework, G. Ewington; art needlework, D. Meehan.

Class V.—Arithmetic and music, D. Boylan; writing and geography, V. Waller.

Class VI.—Music and singing, E. Sykes; drawing and brushwork, H. Martin; reading and recitation, K. Lott; good conduct, M. Boylan. Class III.—Spelling, A. Cleland; writing, R. Cleland; reading, K. Nicol; arithmetic, D. Amodeo; music, M. Coyne; arithmetic, L. McCallum.

Class III.—Reading, V. Kuhn; writing and neatness, J. Nicol; good conduct, A. Mathias; needlework, K. Hogue.

Class I.—Writing, D. O'Leary; arithmetic, G. Lindsay; singing, R. Wynyard; tables, J. Cooke; arithmetic, C. Grey; spelling, H. Cogan; writing, E. O'Leary.

Kindergarten.—Tables, E. Grey; reading, G. Boyle; paper-folding, J. Nicol; reading, J. Boylan; writing, C. Boyle; writing, G. Croll; singing, F. Kuhn; spelling, K. Beetham; singing, S. McCallum; counting, O. Crooke; counting, P. Whitfield.

ST. PATRICK'S CONVENT, AUCKLAND.

The pupils gave their annual concert in the Hibernian Hall, his Lordship the Bishop presiding. The programme was as follows:—Overture, Ewart's orchestra; action song; recitation and song, junior pupils; duet, Misses Rogers, Clayton, Matthias, and Smith; physical drill, pupils of St. Joseph's School; action song; dialogue, Misses Bryant, McDonald, and Molloy; overture, Ewart's orchestra; chorus; violin solo, Miss Sybil Lewis; duet, Misses Smith, Matthias, Rogers, and Brown; trio, Misses Rodgers, Reardon, and Smith; chorus; National Anthem.

The prize list was as follows:—

Christian doctrine, Jessie Little; good conduct, Flossie Foley; junior honors in musical theory, Bessie McDonnell; maximum marks in examination, Annie Clayton; success in examination, Jessie Little; success in examination, Violet Johnston; good conduct and music, Ethel Keaman; attendance, Annie O'Connor. Special prizes were given by Monsignor O'Reilly, Very Rev. Father Patterson; Rev. Father Holbrook, Mr. Foley, Mr. R. Mackay.

The following certificates for music, awarded by Trinity College, London, were presented.—Intermediate pass theory, I.C.L.—Gladys Foley, Hilda Brown, Eileen Kearney, Emily Clark, Hilda McMahon, Annie Clayton, Kitty Rogers. Junior honors (theory)—Bessie MacDonnell, Keaman. Practical music (pass)—Irene O'Connor.

OTAKI CONVENT SCHOOL.

Notwithstanding very unfavorable weather, there was a very large attendance at the Hall, Otaki, on the occasion of the annual entertainment by the pupils of the convent school. The entertainment (says the 'Mail') was a most enjoyable one, every item showing signs of preparation, and that attention to detail which is so effective and pleasing. Many of the items were of a novel nature, and their preparation must have entailed an enormous amount of work, but the enthusiastic manner in which these items were received well repaid the trouble in production. The instrumental selections were a feature of the evening, quite a number being played.

At the conclusion of the concert the prizes were distributed by the Rev. Father Ainsworth, of Wellington, who complimented the children on their excellent performance, which, he said, was a credit to the splendid work done by the good Sisters.

The following is the prize list:—

Christian doctrine.—Class I.: Gertrude Hurley 1, Lily Williams 2; next in merit, Eileen Tompsitt, Flora McDonald, Eva McLeavey. Class II.: Muriel Bevan 1, John Gordon 2; next in merit, Lily Hurley, Courtney O'Rourke, Kathleen Quill. Class III.: Agatha Hannan 1, Katie Herrigan 2; next in merit, Bride O'Rourke, Ethel Bennett. Class IV.: Elva Wallace 1, Markham Eyre 2; next in merit, Queenie Russo, Joseph Lima.

Good conduct.—Senior girls: Maggie Kerrigan 1, Enid Wallace 2; next in merit, Daisy Milne. Junior girls: Violet Landall 1, Ruby Batten 2. Senior boys: Courtney O'Rourke 1, Joseph Bennett 2; next in merit, Richard Williams.

Politeness.—Girls: Eva McLeavey 1, Eileen Stansell 2. Boys: Richard Williams 1, Reggie Ryder 2.

Amiability.—Kathleen Quill.

Singing.—Girls: Flo Stansell 1, Kathleen Quill 2. Boys: Joseph Bennett 1, Joseph Lima 2.

Music.—Senior division: Flora McDonald 1, Eva McLeavey 2, Regina Bartholomew 3; next in merit, May Petrie. Junior division: Kathleen Quill 1, Ruby Stansell 2; next in merit, Eileen Tompsitt, Lily Williams.

Sewing.—Senior division: Ruby Stansell 1, Daisy Milne 2. Junior division: Katie Kerrigan 1, Mary Gordon 2.

Cooking.—Flo Stansell 1, May Petrie 2.

Attendance.—Christie Russo 1, Queenie Russo 2, Mary Ahern 3; next in merit, John Gordon, Joseph Bennett, Courtney O'Rourke. Special to the Maori children, Lona Grey.

Competition medal.—Gertrude Hurley.

Highest marks in each class.—Standard VII., John Gordon 1, Eva McLeavey 2, May Petrie 3. Standard V., Flora McDonald 1, Eileen Tompsitt 2, Lily Williams 3. Standard IV., Muriel Bevan 1, Janet Becker 2, Winnie Hall 3. Standard III., Eileen Hurley 1, Florence McClelland 2, Agatha Hannan 3. Standard II., Ethel Bennett 1, Bride O'Rourke 2, Eileen Stansell 3. Standard I., Ruby Batten 1, Leslie McDonald 2, Harriet Gordon 3.

Diligence.—Hugh Ahern 1, Darcy Ryder 2, Josephine Lelievre 3.

Special prizes presented to the boarders.—Good conduct, Eileen Tompsitt; generosity, Flo Stansell.

General improvement.—Annie Cootes 1, Eva Landall 2, Katie Arekatara 3, Harry Becker 4, Melville Ryder 5, Joseph Ayre 6, Harold Batten, Lucy Lima, George Landall, Joseph Ahern.

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL, WAIMATE.

The distribution of prizes of the above school took place on Thursday, December 15. The Rev. Dr. Kennedy, of Measee, was present with the local clergy. Aften a few musical items by the pupils, the Rev. Father Regnault asked Dr. Kennedy to distribute the prizes. In the course of a few words of congratulation and advice to the children Father Regnault referred to the sacrifices made in their behalf by their parents, who, besides contributing their share to the support of the public schools of the Colony, have for conscience sake to bear the whole burden of the education of their own children in a Catholic school. It is well known that any help or grant they ask for from the Government is not for the purpose of teaching religion, but for secular instruction. Catholics save the State close on £60,000 per year, and only a fraction of this amount is asked for to help them to educate their children. So reasonable is this demand that it was sustained by a commission of statesmen appointed about twelve months ago to inquire into the working of the whole system of education in New South Wales. Should this reasonable demand be granted, it is quite clear that neither priest nor bishop nor Catholic people could object to the introduction of Bible-teaching in public schools. Rev. Father Regnault concluded by wishing the children a happy Christmas and an enjoyable holiday.

The following is the prize list:—

Standard VII.—Shorthand medal, M. Bartos; general proficiency, M. Bartos, W. Fitzgerald; arithmetic and writing, E. O'Brien; composition and spelling, M. Fitzmaurice; English, M. Bartos; neatness and amiability, M. A. O'Brien.

Standard VI.—General proficiency, F. Flynn, F. Cleary, D. Delahunt, M. Cleary. Special prizes—Geography, F. Flynn, M. Cleary, J. Twomey, F. Cleary; spelling, W. Mellon, E. Cornelius, K. Kiely; English, J. Fitzgerald; drawing, J. Twomey, E. Cornelius, J. Flynn; arithmetic, E. Cosgrave, M. Meagher; reading, A. Gorman, K. Kiely, N. Cremin; composition, J. Flynn; politeness, J. Cremin.

Standard V.—General proficiency, W. Mellon, T. Twomey, J. Healy, M. A. O'Brien, K. Gough; writing, M. Pound, E. Frost, J. Pearce; reading, M. Nolan, M. Thyne, J. Fitzmaurice, K. McDonald; geometry, M. Hickey; drawing, J. Pearce; arithmetic, L. Flaherty, L. Vaillant. Special prize—Geography, W. Mellon; punctuality, M. Hogan, J. Fox; spelling, E. Meagher, E. Kennedy.

Standard IV.—General proficiency, A. Delahunt; arithmetic, C. Twomey, J. Keane; reading, M. Bell; geography, M. Cosgrave; history, W. Kelly; neatness, K. Frost; writing, J. McCarthy, A. Packer; drawing, M. Muirhead.

Standard III.—General proficiency, A. Fitzgerald; arithmetic, W. Landon, W. Kennedy; writing, M. Cleary, J. Foley; drawing, C. Landon; reading, A. Costello; spelling, B. Foley.

Standard II.—General proficiency, H. Mellon; arithmetic, N. O'Shea, F. Meagher; spelling, K. Nolan, G. Landon.

Standard I.—General proficiency, T. Cleary, V. Hansen; writing, S. Fox; tables, P. Pearce; reading, M. McCarthy; arithmetic, C. Edwards, C. Fitzmaurice; modelling, M. McCarthy; spelling, R. Frost.

Attendance Prizes.—F. Flynn, M. Cleary, J. Fitzgerald, M. Pound, M. Hickey, W. Mellon, A. Delahunt, C. Twomey, A. Packer, M. Cleary, H. Mellon, T. Cleary, C. Edwards.

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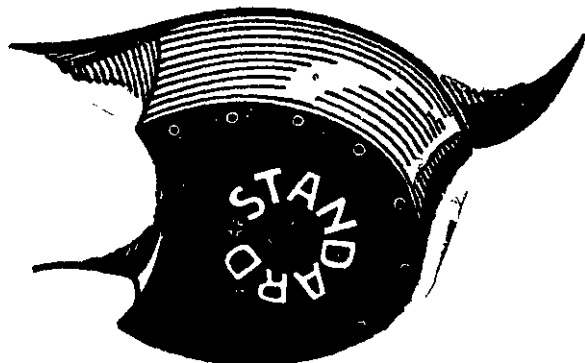
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Irish News

CORK.—An Unpopular Scheme

Speaking at a distribution of prizes at the Christian Brothers' Schools, Cork, the Bishop of Cork said there would be no end of trouble if anyone undertook to secularise the schools.

The Mayor Honored

His Holiness the Pope has granted the Cross 'pro Ecclesia et Pontifice' to the Lord Mayor of Cork in attestation of approval of devotion and fidelity shown to the Church and its Supreme Head.

DONEGAL.—Value of Home Industries

The fact that emigration from County Donegal is below the average should offer an encouragement to those who are concerned about the other Irish counties. It may be added as an interesting and peculiar fact that it is in the most barren and desolate districts of that county that the population is maintained. In fact, his Lordship the Bishop of Raphoe, in 1898, was heard to boast that in the Rosses the population was increasing. It is partly owing to the amount of home industry carried on in the cottages that this is so.

DUBLIN.—A New Weekly Paper

It is stated that a new weekly journal will shortly be published in Dublin. Its programme will be on the lines of Mr. William O'Brien's conciliation policy, and it will be run by a company of which Mr. O'Brien, M.P., will be the most prominent member.

University Education

Before leaving for Rome the Most Rev. Dr. Healy presided at the opening of the medical session in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital. Speaking on the University Question, he said not only had the existing system of university education in Ireland been condemned by all statesmen who had undertaken to govern Ireland for the last thirty or forty years; not only had it been condemned by a Royal Commission—it had been effectually condemned by the Senate of the Royal University. It was deplorable and shameful that in face of facts known to the whole world, the Government should leave the matter in statu quo.

Home Rule

At a complimentary banquet to Mr. John O'Callaghan, Hon. secretary of the United Irish League of America, given in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, the Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, who proposed the toast of the Irish race, said the tide of the young blood of Ireland flows across the ocean and stop that tide they could not until Ireland obtained Home Rule. The industries of Ireland languished and revive they could not, except under the magic touch of Irish National Government. They were taxed to an enormous extent to keep up myriads of placemen, and placemen would keep their places until they had native government.

KERRY.—Killarney Lace

A gold medal has been awarded to the Convent of Mercy, Killarney, for the lace exhibited at St. Louis Exhibition.

KILKENNY.—Appointed Bishop

Very Rev. James Davis, Vicar-General of the diocese of Davenport, Iowa, U.S.A., has been selected by Pope Pius X. to be Coadjutor-Bishop to the Right Rev. Henry Cosgrove, Bishop of the same diocese. The new Bishop was born in November, 1852, near the village of Knocktopher, County Kilkenny. That his parents were devoted and exemplary Catholics is proven by the remarkable record of their children in entering the religious life. The eldest brother, Thomas, whose death occurred on October 4 of last year, entered the Order of Calced Carmelites, in which he rose to the rank of Provincial in Ireland. Another brother, Richard, is now an esteemed priest of the Louisville, Ky., diocese. Three sisters are in the religious life, one, Madame St. Basile, being Superior of the Convent of the Sacred Heart at Sag Harbor, Long Island; another, Madame St. Sebastian, is a member of the same Order in France, and a third is Superior of the Immaculate Heart Academy at Newport, Ky. He who has now been raised to the purple studied in the College of Mount Carmel at Knocktopher and at St. Patrick's College, Carlow. In June, 1903, the Bishop-elect celebrated the silver jubilee of his ordination.

LIMERICK.—Death of a well-known Athlete

Mr. Spenser Lyons, Croom, a well known member of the Gaelic Athletic Association, died suddenly about

the middle of November. The deceased was a nephew of the late Dr. Lyons, of Dublin, and grandson of the late Sir William Lyons, of Cork.

A Memorial

A meeting was held at Emly with the object of considering the means of perpetuating the memory of the late Father Alexis Quinlan, of the Cistercian Order, Mount Melleray. The original idea of the promoters was to confine it to the immediate friends of the deceased monk, but the desire of the people to share in the proposed tribute was so strongly manifested that the friends felt it incumbent on them to yield to this wish and allow it to take a public form.

The Last of a Noble Line

Sir Stephen Edward de Vere, Bart., died on November 10 at his residence at Foynes, County Limerick, in his 94th year. Deceased, who was at one time M.P. for Limerick, had published a translation of Horace. He was brother to Aubrey de Vere, the poet. Sir Stephen Edward de Vere, fourth baronet, was the second son (says the 'Times') of the elder Sir Aubrey de Vere (author of 'Mary Tudor'), and brother of the younger Aubrey de Vere, the tender Catholic poet, whose life has lately been written by Mr. Wilfrid Ward. From that book it is possible to glean a few interesting facts about the quiet and retiring life of Sir Stephen, between whom and his brother there existed to the end the very closest affection. Their different characters were illustrated by the ways in which they were converted to the Catholic Church—for both were brought up as Protestants. While Aubrey reached Catholicism through the philosophy of Coleridge, the writings of Newman and the other Tractarians, and the subtle influences of the city of Rome itself, Stephen joined the Church from simple admiration of the religion of the Irish peasantry, and from a desire to be in harmony with them. His intense feeling for the people among whom his lot was cast was the most notable and the most fruitful element of his character. It gave him the remarkable and unique influence which he possessed, till the time of the Land League troubles, with all classes in County Limerick. While in the Sunday services near his island home in the Shannon he worshipped with the people as one of themselves, he was the most respected and the most often consulted of country gentlemen, the Nestor of local government, and the invariable foreman of the grand jury. For a few years, 1854-59, he sat in Parliament for the County of Limerick as a Liberal. He had also something, but not much, of his father's and brother's turn for literature. He wrote various pamphlets, and a few years ago published a verse translation of the Odes of Horace, of which it may fairly be said that if it was inferior to Conington's it was not much worse than Mr. Gladstone's. His writings showed him as he was—an excellent man and citizen, tender-hearted, but no sentimentalist. Sir Stephen de Vere, like his brother Aubrey, was unmarried, and by his death the baronetcy becomes extinct.

LOUTH.—Freedom of Drogheda

Mr. J. E. Redmond, M.P., was recently presented with the freedom of the borough of Drogheda, and, in reply, delivered a speech dealing with the condition of the Irish Party.

TIPPERARY.—Prohibitive Transit Rates

At a meeting of the South Tipperary County Agricultural and Technical Committee, Father Dunne, of Cashel, produced a return relating to transit facilities and charges as they affected the district. These figures showed that eggs from Fethard to London cost 47s per ton at owner's risk, and at the ordinary rate, 65s, and that butter at owner's risk was 35s per ton, and at the ordinary rate 47s per ton. The rate from all the Baltic ports to London, Father Dunne pointed out, 'was only £1 per ton for butter, and 22s 6d per ton for eggs; from Denmark the rate was 30s, and from Canada 15s per 40 cubic feet. Russian butter came through the Baltic ports at £1 per ton. The rates had been reduced since October from the Baltic ports to the £1 standard; from Denmark the rate was 25s. The rate for eggs via Charleville to Liverpool was 45s per ton, and from Tipperary 50s. These figures showed that their instructress and the committee were quite correct in what they wrote to the Department on the question of excessive Irish railway rates. How could they in Drangan or elsewhere in Tipperary compete for a place in the London butter markets with a transit rate of 47s 6d, when Russian butter had only to pay £1 from the Baltic ports to reach the same market, or try to sell eggs in London when they had to pay 65s per ton freight as compared with 22s 6d on eggs from the Baltic ports. Mr. Field, M.P., points out that in England some attempt has been made by the railway companies to meet the wants of their customers, but that no-

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thing has been done in Ireland, although the Department of Agriculture has been especially charged by Parliament with this duty. Has the Department made any effort whatever to face this question of such grave and far-reaching importance to the country? Members of the Agricultural Board have again and again brought the matter up at the Board's meetings, but without effect. Three or four years ago the Department intervened in one case, but it has not exerted itself in this field since.

GENERAL.

Aid from America

In the early part of November the Irish National Defence Fund was augmented by a draft from America for £1000, same being the third instalment of like amount forwarded since the convention recently held in New York. Our American friends (says the 'Belfast Weekly') pledged themselves to send forward £10,000 in response to the appeal of the Nationalist leaders. The third instalment of £1000 is announced. No doubt the pledged word of the Irish in America will be honored in the fullest degree. Their unshaken constancy in the National movement is one of the most encouraging signs of the times.

Strong Language

The Irish Attorney-General, one of the 'parasites' denounced by Mr. T. P. O'Connor as living on the corruption engendered by minority ascendancy in Ireland, lately asserted that the Dunraven devolution proposals were the outcome of a 'deal' between Nationalists and Unionists at the Lamb Conference. Mr. Redmond, in his speech at Limerick, said that the man who made such a statement must know it to be untrue. Captain Talbot Crosbie, in a letter to the 'Times,' declares that the assertion is a 'malicious fabrication.' If the Irish Attorney-General has any spirit or sense of honor he cannot sit down under such imputations.

Crops in the West

Reports from various parts of the West of Ireland indicate a winter of acute distress. Cereal crops and hay seem to have been a favorable harvest, but the staple crop, the potato, is described on all sides as 'almost a total failure.' Public Boards are exerting themselves in the matter, and there is a general demand for relief works. Landlords are also being called upon to give substantial reductions. The outlook is decidedly black in that part of the country.

A Protectionist Press

The 'Daily News' remarks that on top of the startling news of the capture of 'The Standard' comes the rumor (from a correspondent) that others of Mr. Chamberlain's flock are about to embark upon journalistic enterprise in Ireland. The avowed followers of Mr. Chamberlain in that country are certainly not many, but they are gentlemen of undoubted enterprise and enthusiasm. Lord Dunraven is an out-and-out supporter of Mr. Chamberlain's schemes. Protectionism has also a devoted friend in Mr. Moreton-Frewes, brother-in-law to the late Lord Randolph Churchill. Lord Mayo, who is at once a Land Conference and a 'Devolution' man, is also in the Chamberlain camp. Sir William Goulding, chairman of the Great Southern and Western Railway of Ireland, and a gentleman of undoubted influence in commercial circles in Ireland, is a member of Mr. Chamberlain's 'Commission.' Sir John Nutting is also in the Protectionist swim. There is money enough behind the movement, in fact, to buy up many papers and foud many more. Also, there is money enough to run Tariff Reform candidates all over the country.

Distress in the West

The 'Pall Mall Gazette' publishes the following from its correspondent in Dublin:—I have just returned from a tour in the West of Ireland, and can vouch for the fact that the outlook there for the coming winter is extremely black. Almost all over the province the potato crop has been a failure, and the peasants are face to face with a famine. In some districts the crop has been so deplorably bad that the farmers are inclined to let the tubers remain in the ground; and in the localities that have come off best the yield of edible potatoes is only about one-third of the average. Spraying improved matters in some places, but the use of the spray was largely neglected in the country, and this fact, coupled with the moist summer and the deterioration of the Champion seed, which is almost universally sown, accounts for the present position. Unless something is done for the peasants they will in many localities be almost as badly off as were their ancestors in the historical famine year in the last 'forties.

People We Hear About

Mr. Francis M'Cullagh, who was a member of the Glasgow 'Catholic Herald' staff a few years ago, is at present on active service in Manchuria as the special war correspondent of the 'New York Herald.' Since leaving Bradford Mr. M'Cullagh, who is an Omagh man, has been editor of the 'Catholic Messenger' in Ceylon, and more recently of the 'Siam Free Press' in Bangkok.

Mr. John Dillon, M.P., is in public life the most distinguished of the surviving students of the Catholic University of Ireland. Mr. Dillon studied medicine in the Medical School of the University, which stood, and stands to-day, on the site of the historic old theatre of Crow Street. Curiously enough, on the site of the even more famous Smock Alley Theatre in Dublin a Catholic church now stands.

Sir George Errington, Bart., is another of the survivors of the old Catholic University—of which Newman was the first Rector—who sat in the House of Commons but whose politics were not those of the distinguished member for East Mayo.

In the Crown Prince of Japan the Emperor Mutsuhito has an heir-apparent after his own heart. Although he has never travelled beyond his father's dominions, Prince Yoshihito is a remarkably enlightened young man, and one who has never been pampered. As a small boy he was sent away to school, where he was treated in much the same way as his companions. He is fond of athletics, is a fine long-distance walker, and is, or rather was until recently, something of a wrestler.

Some of the peers in the House of Lords have peculiar mannerisms. Lord Lansdowne will probably never get out of the habit of twirling his fingers round his fingers when addressing the House. Lord Spencer, who sits on the opposite side of the table, most often lays his left hand on his breast. The Duke of Devonshire always puts one of his hands into his trouser pockets when making a speech. Among the younger members of the House, Lord Dunsborough, the Under-Secretary of State for War, always ends his periods by slapping a file of notes in front of him. He has also the trick of turning upon their lordships with an expression of bland surprise and extending both hands palms upwards.

The Earl of Gainsborough has let Campden House, his beautiful seat on a spur of the Cotswold Hills, and will reside during the winter at Exton Hall, his place in Rutland. Exton is a larger place than Campden, but neither so picturesque nor so interesting as the old Gloucestershire manor-house, which is a many-gabled mansion dating from the time of Charles I., and occupying the site of a grange once belonging to the great Cistercian Abbey of Bordesley. The present Lord Gainsborough's father was a great friend and patron of Welby Pugin, who built his private chapel at Campden, and designed for him wall-papers and sideboards of the ultra-Gothic kind affected by the famous reviver of medieval art. Lord Gainsborough owns one of the finest sandstone quarries in the West of England, and has built in the pretty old town of Campden a very ornate and handsome Catholic church, which rivals in beauty, if not in antiquarian interest, the ancient parish church at the other end of the town.

The death has just taken place at Clevedon, Somerset, in her 77th year, of a notable Irish lady, the Hon. Letitia Vesey-Fitzgerald, twin daughter of the Very Rev. Henry, third and last Lord Fitzgerald and Vesey, LL.D., Dean of Kilmore, 1826-60, by his marriage to Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Standish Grady, of Elton, County Limerick. This branch of the ancient house of Fitzgerald descends from the family of the celebrated Edmund Fitzgerald, well known in the reign of Queen Elizabeth as 'The White Knight.' Miss Vesey-Fitzgerald's grandfather was the Right Hon. James Fitzgerald, a leading and impressive member of the Irish Bar, noted as a brilliant orator in the Irish Parliament, strenuously opposed to the Union. He latterly refused a peerage for himself, but his wife was created Baroness Fitzgerald and Vesey in 1826. Their younger son was Henry, the late peer aforesaid, at whose death in 1860 the title became extinct. The elder son, William, was at one time Minister to the Court of Sweden, where he spent several years in unsuccessful attempts to persuade Bernadotte (who was then King) to repay the large sums of money that had been advanced to him during the wars with Napoleon. He was afterwards defeated by Daniel O'Connell at a memorable bye-election in County Clare, but was eventually a Cabinet Minister under Peel.



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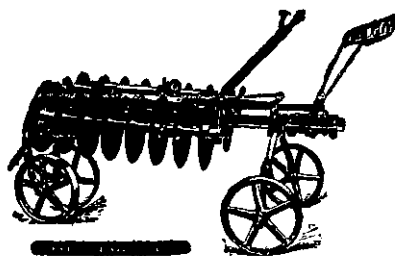
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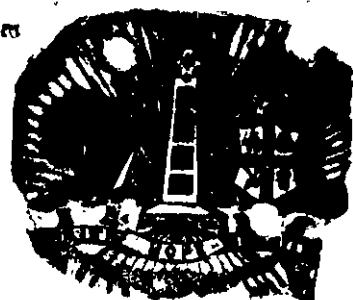
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London, December 30.—A healthy holiday tone pervades the European wheat market. The liberal offers of Argentine and Indian stocks are depressing values, and there is consequently a poor demand. Cargoes of Australian (January-February shipment) were sold at 32/1½, and the same figure was offered for off-the-coast cargoes. Blizzards having resulted in unfavorable crop reports, the American market has a stiffening tendency. Australian and New Zealand wheats on the spot are nominally unchanged.

Flour in London is unchanged, but the Glasgow market is recovering at 26/3 to 26/9.

Rabbits are in poor demand.

Butter is quiet and weaker, owing to large arrivals. Choicest Victorian fetdhes from 96/6 to 98/-; New South Wales, 94/- to 96/-, and a few lots 98/. South Australian and Queensland, 92/- to 94/-; New Zealand, 100/-.

Cheese is in strong demand. Canadian realises 54/-; New Zealand, 51/- to 52/.

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The Addington Market was of a holiday character, both entries and attendance being small, the entries comprised 4312 sheep, 252 cattle, and 153 pigs.

Fat Cattle.—Eighty-eight head were yarded. The demand was very languid, and the sale was very irregular at an average range of prices considerably lower than has been recently current, a large proportion being withdrawn. Prime beef sold at the rate of 22/6 and cows and secondary, 19/- to 20/- per 100lb. Per head steers made £7 to £8/17/6; heifers, £5/12/6 to £7/12/6; cows, £5 to £6/17/6.

Fat Calves.—The entry was of good quality. Prices ranged from 14/- to 40/-.

Store Cattle.—The entry was small, and there was no change in value. Sales were made at the following prices:—Yearlings, 26/-; 15 to 18 months, 39/6 to 53/-; two-year heifers, £3/10/- to £4/3/6; three-year steers, passed at £6/8/-; dry cows, 30/- to £4.

Dairy cows.—There was a small entry and business was unimportant.

Fat Sheep.—Business was extremely dull, and the small entry was not fully cleared at the lower prices which were current. Wethers were easier, while ordinary ewes suffered a further decline of 1/- to 2/-. Prime wethers sold at 21/- to 22/6; others, from 18/-; prime ewes, 18/- to 19/-; and aged, from 16/-.

Fat Lambs.—The supply was small, but included a good proportion of prime quality. Prices were very irregular, but on the average 1/6 lower than last week. The best pens sold at 17/- to 20/-; others, 13/6 to 16/8.

Store Sheep.—A fair entry of store sheep came forward. The sale was rather irregular, but on the whole previous values were maintained. The principal sales were of two-tooth wethers—a small line at 19/6, 94 at 18/5, 82 at 17/9, 72 at 17/4, and 267 at 16/9; two and four-tooth wethers—295 at 17/3; halfbred and crossbred ewes, at 19/- to 19/9; 241 ewes with lambs, at 11/6, all counted; a small line of lambs at 12/9.

Pigs.—A small entry averaged previous rates—namely, 4d to 4½d for baconers, and 4½ to 4¾d for porkers.

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Presentation to Mr. H. Cullen, Eiffelton.

One of the most enthusiastic gatherings ever held at Eiffelton (says the 'Ashburton Guardian') eventuated there on Tuesday evening, December 20, when a farewell social was tendered to Mr. Hugh Cullen and family, who are leaving after a long sojourn in the district to take up their residence at Alford Forest. The school-room, where the gathering took place, was artistically decorated, and the seating accommodation was taxed to its utmost capacity. The audience was representative of the district, many being present from Ashburton and elsewhere. In opening an excellent concert programme, which preceded a presentation, Mr. A. Moore, who presided, made a brief speech in which he traced his association with their guest and family for some years.

At the conclusion of the concert Mr. J. McLachlan, M.H.R., said that although he had attended at some inconvenience, still he was more than pleased to be present. In common with those assembled he regretted the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Cullen from the district; but when it was considered that the guests of the evening intended to better their circumstances, no one could censure them for severing their connection with a section of the community among whom they had so long resided. He felt sure he was only voicing the sentiment of all assembled in regretting the departure of the Cullen family from the district, and expressing a hope that their future would be marked with success. The speaker here paid a tribute to the kindly qualities of Mrs. Cullen, who was always ready to assist her neighbors in time of trouble or sickness, and who had at all times been a worthy partner of her much respected husband. He was pleased to see the Misses Ellen and Annie Cullen and Mr. P. Cullen present that evening. They were known as 'Cullen's orchestra,' having been at all times ready to place their talents gratuitously at the service of organisers of concerts and entertainments in the district. He felt that their departure would be keenly felt. He had much pleasure in presenting to Mr. Cullen, on behalf of friends and admirers, a handsome gold Albert chain, as a small token of the esteem in which he was held. To Mrs. Cullen he had also pleasure in handing an overmantel mirror, and it was his wish that both recipients would live long and enjoy good health and prosperity and each other's society for many years to come. Mr. and Mrs. Cullen would not, he felt sure, receive the gifts for the mere intrinsic value, but for the accompanying expression of goodwill on the part of the subscribers. The speaker then read the following letter from the Right Hon the Premier:—

'Dear Mr. McLachlan,—It is with pleasure that I learn from you that it is intended to make a presentation to my old friend, Mr. Hugh Cullen; and it is gratifying to know, as at Kumara and the West Coast, he has at the East Coast proved himself a deserving colonist, and deserving of the esteem of all those who have had the pleasure of his acquaintance. My great regret is that I shall be unable to be with you, and as an old friend to personally join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Cullen and their family every happiness and prosperity in their new home. To yourself and those assembled, I wish you one and all a happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.'

Mr. Cullen, in thanking the donors on behalf of Mrs. Cullen and himself, said he would have to make use of an old hackneyed phrase in saying that the unexpected and handsome treatment he had received at their hands had, in a measure, robbed him of words in which to convey his thanks. He could assure them that the gifts tendered him that evening were accepted in a way that had moved the subscribers to show their appreciation of the past services he and his family had rendered the district, and that those gifts would be highly treasured in days to come was unnecessary on his part to mention. In conclusion Mr. Cullen said he desired to publicly acknowledge the receipt of a cheque for £50 that had been tendered to him by Mr. J. C. N. Grigg, as an appreciation of a service to the district he (the speaker) was not aware of.

Mr. D. Thomas, who had known Mr. Cullen for upwards of 25 years, also added his meed of praise, and said that it was an evidence of the esteem in which their guest was held to find among those present the Very Rev. Father O'Donnell and the vicar of Lowcliff.

Several communications are unavoidably held over. The Religious of the Sacred Heart are about to open a convent at Melrose, Wellington, where at present only a limited number of pupils can be taken. Application is to be made to the Rev. Mother Superior at Timaru...

THE FAITH IN JAPAN.

The Rev. Thomas J. Campbell, S.J., writing in 'Benziger's Home Annual,' contributes an informing article on the state of Catholicism in the dominions of the Mikado. Most Catholics are aware that in the middle of the sixteenth century St. Francis Xavier left the field of his apostolic labors in India fired with the desire of converting the inhabitants of Japan and the other Eastern islands to Christianity. The record of the heroic labors of the saint and a few companions is one of the most glorious chapters in the history of the Church. By the end of the century, says Father Campbell, 750,000 converts had been made. Then the era of persecution commenced. In 1612 William Adams, an English sea captain, secured the confidence of the Emperor Daifosama and persuaded him that the Catholic missionaries were political emissaries of Portugal, bent on preparing the way for the conquest of Japan. In the persecution which Daifosama began, and which was continued by the Shoguns, hundreds of thousands—men, women, and even little children—suffered death in the most cruel forms for the faith they had adopted. Christianity was overwhelmed in the deluge of blood, and for centuries no effort availed to raise again the ruined Church of Japan. For two centuries

Japan Remained Closed to Foreigners. But at length, in consequence of the ill-treatment of some shipwrecked American sailors by the Japanese, a squadron of American warships entered the port of Tokio, and as a result of their demands certain Japanese towns were opened to the trade of foreign nations. The treaty by which this concession was granted was concluded in 1854. With the traders the missionaries also entered. The Catholic missions to Japan were entrusted to the Fathers of the Society of Foreign Missions. The work of the Catholic missions was, at first, beset with many difficulties, and its progress was necessarily slow. But the unexpected discovery of some important remains of the older Church at length offered the laborers a brighter prospect. How that discovery was made Father Campbell tells us in graphic fashion. Father Petitjean, one of the Japanese missionaries, had succeeded, after many efforts, in building a small church at Nagasaki in 1865. 'The church had hardly been opened a month when, on March 17, something extraordinary happened. On that day, after Mass, the priest was kneeling in his little church, somewhat dejected at heart, for his efforts did not seem to be as successful as he hoped. Suddenly he found three women kneeling alongside him. They bluntly told him that they thought their religion was the same as his. Father Petitjean had never seen them before, and was quite taken aback by three questions proposed by the strangers: 1st. Have you a Pope? 2nd. Do you pray to the Blessed Virgin? 3rd. Are you married? To the first two questions the priest, of course, answered in the affirmative; negatively to the last. "Then we are like you," said the inquisitors. To his amazement, the missionary found that there were

Groups of Catholics scattered through the country, who had handed down the faith from father to son during almost three centuries; mutilating the doctrine, of course, to some extent, but preserving substantially what had been the treasure of their martyred ancestors. Baptism and marriage were the only sacraments they could administer, but through these two channels God had poured forth His Grace in marvellous abundance. Around Nagasaki alone—which will be remembered as the principal scene of the old martyrdoms, 2500 of these Crypto-Christians were found. In one place there was a settlement of as many as 1000 Christian families. Twenty-five other groups were found in various localities. There are at present four dioceses, Tokio, Osaka, Nagasaki, and Hakodatie, with 55,450 Catholics, a small number now when we consider that there were at one time 2,000,000 Catholics. Scarcely ninety years elapsed between the arrival of Francis Xavier and the last persecution, which was supposed to have completely blotted out the Church; and, nevertheless, in that extraordinarily brief period,

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Mr. P. P. Fleming, of the postal department, who has been transferred to Dunedin, has received the following resolution from St. Mary's Church committee, Christchurch:—'That the thanks of the committee be tendered to you for the way you have worked for the good of the Church and greater glory of God while acting as a member of the committee.'

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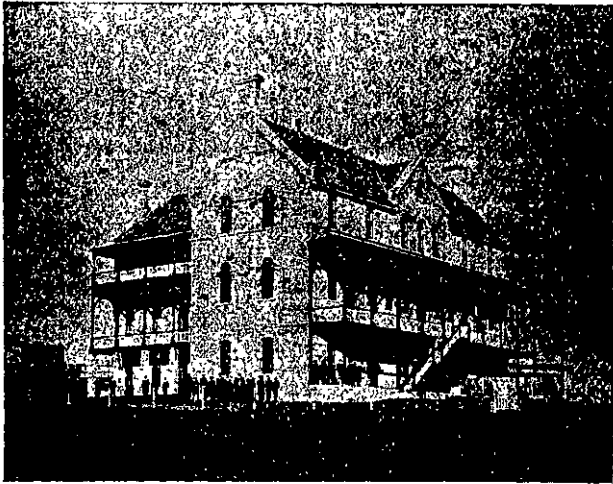
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 months.

FOLEY.—At the residence of her daughter (Mrs Cullen,
 Grafton road, Auckland), on December 21, 1904, Mrs Mary Foley;
 aged 96 years. Fortified by the rites of Holy Church.—R.I.P.

O'SULLIVAN.—On December 22, at the residence of her
 sister, Mrs Craighhead, Rakain, Katie O'Sullivan, fifth daughter of
 the late Eugene O'Sullivan, Gurrane, County Kerry, Ireland; aged
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1905.

A HOT SPELL



AMONG the many droll wood-cuts in Tom
 Hood's works there is one which represents
 two shock-headed malefactors upon the scaf-
 fold with the hangman by their side and two
 fatal nooses dangling behind their polls. It
 was in the days of public executions, which
 did not cease in Great Britain till 1868. The
 scaffold was represented by the king of pun-
 ster's as standing in the open street; an infuriated
 steer was thundering past in full career, trampling upon
 and 'skying' the spectators; and one of the condemned
 pair was made to remark to the other: 'Say, mate,
 isn't it well for us we're up here?' A somewhat simi-
 lar expression of self-congratulation must have risen
 to the minds, if not to the lips, of dwellers in and
 visitors to New Zealand—the land of green fields and
 clear streams—on reading of the fierce tidal wave of
 heat which broke from its home in the tropics and sub-
 merged New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia
 in an atmosphere fit only for a coolie or a salamander.
 With wintry storms in Wellington, a snow-fall at Han-
 mer, sleet and boreal blasts and blue-cold noses all over
 the south, life could scarcely be called gay over a good-
 ly portion of New Zealand as the young new year en-
 tered in cape of fur upon the scene. Yet it is better
 to be 'up here,' in the summer cold from which there is
 a ready retreat, than held fast in the relentless grip of
 an Australian summer heat that rises high enough for
 a convention of salamanders.

Some of the facts and figures revealed by the sub-
 marine cable make woful reading indeed. Here are a

few random readings of the thermometer in the shade: Lismore, 112; Adelaide, 114; Braxton, 116; Sydney, Parramatta, and Burke, 117; Mildura (Victoria), 121.5; Mount Hope, 124; Berrigan, 125. These readings by no means constitute a record, but they represent a little world of physical discomfort and suffering. At Euston (N.S. Wales), for instance, the thermometer reached 124 in the shade during the heat-wave that ushered in the new year of 1898. And Baron von Mueller, in his 'Select Extra-Tropical Plants,' tells how a district in the Riverina (N.S. Wales) once stewed to the tune of 124 degrees in the shade. The deserts of the interior, however, seem to be the recognised hot-blast furnace of Australia. Lumboltz, in his work, 'Among Cannibals,' describes them as 'hotter and more arid than any other part of the earth.' An idea of their higher capabilities may be gained from the experiences of Sturt and his fellow-explorers in the intensely hot summer of 1844. 'The earth,' says Sutherland, summarising their report, 'split the hoofs of the horses; it scorched the shoes and feet of the men. . . The heat was sometimes 130 in the shade, and in the sun it was altogether intolerable. They were unable to write, as the ink dried at once on their pens; their combs split; their nails became brittle and readily broke, and if they touched a piece of metal it blistered their fingers. In their extremity, they dug an underground room, deep enough to be beyond the dreadful furnace glow above. Here they passed many a long day, as month after month passed without a shower of rain.'

During the heat-wave of the past few days, New South Wales has been the chief sufferer. The Mother State has had keener sufferings than those that arise from unpleasantly high temperatures, and the devastation caused within its borders by bush fires recalls in a measure, the agony which Victoria went through on the day known in its history as Black Thursday, when almost the whole colony was ablaze, when the ashes from its burning fields and forests fell thick on the decks of vessels sixty miles out to sea, when the smoke impeded navigation, and many of the scared inhabitants fancied that the world's last day had come. Vast and widely separated areas of New South Wales have been afire during the past few days. Reports trickling through the submarine wires tell, for instance, of fires that swept an area of fifty miles by thirty between Tuntut and Junee; 200,000 acres in the Carcoar district; ten miles by sixty around Burrowa; and a hundred and fifty miles square about Gundagai. Grass, crops, stock, fences have been eaten up by the flames—1000 sheep destroyed here, 2000 there, 10,000 elsewhere. One station alone in the Riverina lost 40,000 acres of grass. The destruction on Kimo station is set down at £10,000. Numbers of farmers and pastoralists have been ruined. Exciting tales have been told of townships combating the advancing fires for dear life, and (says one of the latest cable messages) 'many harrowing details are given by those suffering losses, as well as narrow escapes by women and children, who saved themselves by lying in tanks, in water-holes, and in the rivers, while their menfolk fought the flames.' As we write, the fires have been somewhat checked by welcome falls of rain, and the end of the spell of red destruction has, we hope, at length come to our afflicted fellow-subjects beyond the Tasman Sea.

Notes

Thanks, Kind Friends!

Our unpaid pen is unable to thank individually the scores of kind friends in every part of New Zealand who have honored us with Christmas and New Year greetings. We ask them to accept this cordial assurance that our heart beats a grateful measure to them, one and all.

Port Arthur.

Port Arthur has fallen, after Jap and Russ on each side of its vast fortifications had been injecting hypodermic arguments into each other at long and short range for three hundred and twenty-eight days. In duration, and in the valor displayed alike in defence and attack, the siege takes its place among the great events of the world's military history. But, thanks to God, the agony is over.

Togo a Catholic.

Here is an interesting note from the Boston 'Pilot': 'A correspondent of the "Westminster Gazette" makes known for the first time the interesting fact that Admiral Togo is a Catholic. His conversion took place many years ago in England. Simultaneously with his instruction in the art of modern warfare, he directed his attention to the evidences of Christianity. As a result of this study he decided to become a Catholic, received the necessary instruction, and was duly received into the fold. While he studied at Woolwich, England, he frequently assisted at the service of the Mass.'

Rampant Meddlers.

The Rev. S. Lawry, President of the Methodist Conference, has had a characteristic sample of the nose-poking and petty tyranny of the Christchurch Protestant Offence Association. In the sacred names of 'liberty and truth' (!) the members of that delectable association have twice publicly interfered in the domestic concerns of the Rev. Mr. Lawry by pillorying him for the heinous crime of sending his daughter—for reasons which many of our readers will readily appreciate—to a Catholic school. The Offence Association, by the way, is not a Methodist society. It is an Orange 'concern,' that carries on its operations in the dark, like rats in a cellar. Its impertinent interference with the Rev. Mr. Lawry's private affairs is a fair sample of the wider tyranny which its saffron-sashed members would exercise if they had the power.

A Hokitika Snake-yarn.

In the process of snapping up sundry unconsidered trifles of 'late mail news,' the 'Hokitika Guardian' recently inflicted upon its readers the following painful yarn: That a 'Roman Catholic sect' in Bucharest, known as that of 'Notre Dame de Lira,' has 'for a number of years been permitted to carry on educational work in Roumania'; that the lady heads of this 'sect' have taken a number of 'the daughters of the highest families,' instilled into them 'the tenets of Rome,' forced them to 'become nuns and sign over the whole of their property to the superiors,' and then spirited them away to places unknown; and that 'a rigorous investigation has been ordered and is proceeding in the Roumanian capital.'

No information is given by our Hokitika contemporary as to the source of this rawhead-and-bloody-bones tale. But our readers have legitimate grounds for doubting that it came from the alleged place of its origin—to wit, Bucharest, the capital of Roumania. Its substance and diction, moreover, stamp it as apparently one of the savage anti-convent fictions which (as we showed some time ago) are being industriously invented and disseminated throughout Europe by a gang under the leadership of a Swiss criminal) whose headquarters are in Milan. For the present, it will be sufficient to lay the following information before our readers: (1) Catholics are only about one in forty of the total population of Roumania, the overwhelming majority of which belongs to the 'Orthodox' Greek Church. (2) There is no 'Roman Catholic sect' either in or out of Roumania. (3) There is no Catholic religious Order, Congregation, or community, in all Roumania—or, indeed, in any part of the world—known as 'Notre Dame de Lira.' There are only two Catholic Sisterhoods in that kingdom. One is the famous teaching Congrega-

tion known as the 'Dames Anglaises' or 'Sisters of Mary.' They have in Bucharest two boarding-schools and an orphanage, and three other private schools in other parts of Roumania proper. The only other Catholic teaching communities of religious women in the kingdom are the Sionites. And they have two houses in Moldavia. A correspondent writing (as alleged) from Bucharest would certainly avoid so patent and tell-tale a blunder as to speak of 'the Roman Catholic sect' of religious teachers known as 'Notre Dame de Lira.' (4) The date assigned to the impossible tale under consideration is October 2. We have been perusing a considerable number of European and American papers, secular and religious, before and since that date, and have failed to come across any trace of this story, which, if even one-tenth true, would indeed be a God-send to the world's sensational press. (5) A liar might at least pay his readers or hearers the compliment of trying to be plausible. But the wild romance about 'forcing' the non-Catholic 'daughters of the highest families' to become nuns and to sign away their possessions—and that, too, in the heart of a strongly anti-Catholic population—is one which the disreputable Margaret Shepherd or the Slattery impostors might be expected to spin to an Orange lodge or a corps of the horse-marines. The 'Hokitika Guardian' probably published the preposterous story in solemn good faith—in which case the fooling of our western contemporary seems to have been a conspicuously easy job. The 'Guardian' has apparently a low estimate of the intelligence and good sense of its readers. We shall probably have something more to say at a later date about this grotesque fairy-tale from a far-off land.

Diocesan News

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

December 31.

The Rev. Father Murray, C.S.S.R., was engaged during the week in preaching a retreat to the local Sisters of Mercy.

Messrs. Leydon and McKeowen speak in high terms of the warm welcome they received from the Dunedin young men at the recent Conference.

The Very Rev. Father Lewis, V.G., and Rev. Fathers Ainsworth and Holley were present at the Maori festive gathering at Otaki, held in honor of the visit of Lord Onslow's son, Huia.

I regret to report that the health of Mr. Owen McArdle during the week was for a time such as to cause his numerous friends some anxiety. He is now reported to be progressing satisfactorily.

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Mary of the Angels', Boulcott street, on Tuesday last, when Mr. Richard Fantham, of Hawera, was married to Miss Gertrude B. Walsh, youngest daughter of Mr. E. J. Walsh, of this city. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father O'Shea.

The monster Catholic picnic on Boxing Day eclipsed all previous records. It is estimated that close on 10,000 people visited the gardens during the day. Among those present were Lady Onslow, her son and daughter, Sir Joseph Ward, Mr. Seddon, Bishop Wallis and Mrs. Wallis, and Colonel S. Porter. A large committee, with Father O'Shea at its head, worked hard to secure the enjoyment of all. Needless to say, their efforts were well rewarded with success. The children were catered for in every possible way and the sports for adults invited keen competition. The schools championship was won by young Harold Vaney, of Wellington South. He therefore secures a medal and a cup to be held by his school for the year. The tug-of-war contest caused, as usual, great excitement, and ended in a win for the Thorndon team. Mr. John Hyland acted in a very capable way as secretary for the affair. The various prizes were presented in St. Patrick's Hall to the winners on Thursday evening by Rev. Father O'Shea. The captain of the Thorndon team handed over the handsome cup won in the tug-of-war to the Rev. Father Holley.

Greymouth

(From our own correspondent.)

December 31.

The Rev. Father Venning, of St. Patrick's College, Wellington, is assisting the Very Rev. Dean Carew in the work of the parish during Rev. Father Herbert's absence.

Yesterday morning a large concourse of people assembled to witness the laying of the foundation stone for the new Town Hall. The Mayor (Mr. James Andrew Petrie) gave an address suitable to the occasion, and then laid the stone. Several other gentlemen also made remarks, including the Hon. A. R. Guinness. At the conclusion three hearty cheers were given for the Mayor and Mayoress. The contractor (Mr. Bell) presented the Mayor with a silver trowel suitably inscribed. The new hall when completed (which should be in some six months) will be one of the finest for the size of the place in New Zealand.

The church presented a beautiful appearance during the Christmas festivities, being decorated with flowers, evergreens, and banners. The Very Rev. Dean Carew celebrated the midnight Mass, and preached an able sermon on the feast of the day. The congregation was a large one and filled the spacious church to its utmost. The choir were in excellent form, singing admirably Mozart's Twelfth Mass. The leading soprano solos were taken by Miss Eily Hannan, except the 'Benedictus,' which was sung by Miss Bremer. The alto solos were taken by Misses Slattery and Beresford. Messrs. Doogan and Fraser were the tenors, and Mr. K. T. Dillon sang the bass solos. Miss E. Kemple presided at the organ, assisted by a full orchestra, consisting of Messrs. F. McCarthy and B. J. Phillips (violins), T. Goodall (cornet), F. Seabrook (cello), and D. Cocks (bass). The conductor of the choir deserves every praise for the high efficiency of the choir. The Christmas Day Masses and Benediction were also attended by large numbers. Miss Jeanie Burke gave a beautiful rendering of the 'Adeste Fideles.'

Wanganui

(From our own correspondent.)

On Thursday, December 22, a large audience assembled in St. Mary's Hall, Wanganui, on the occasion of the entertainment given by the pupils of the Marist Brothers' school. The object of the entertainment was to provide prizes for the boys who had merited them, and to form a nucleus of a school circulating library. Although it was the first time the boys had appeared in public, they nevertheless acquitted themselves in a manner for which they and their teachers deserve the greatest credit. Especially in the play the youthful performers displayed great ability. The following was the programme:—Solo, Master Loftus; chorus, 'The harp that once,' pupils; dance, Irish jig, Mr. R. McGregor; recitation, 'The Irish drummer boy,' Master William Neylon; song, 'Happy little Sam,' Master Sydney Stafford (encored); viola solo, 'Marianne Waltz,' Master H. Jury; recitation, 'Guilty or not guilty,' Master Leo Duffou; infant song, 'He, she and it,' Masters F. Jefferson, Celestine Duffou, and B. Kiely; solo, 'A boy's best friend,' Master H. Jury (encored); recitation, 'When I'm a man,' Masters F. Jefferson, J. Quirk, T. McFadden, H. McAlinden, O. Grogan, G. Cronin, and M. Grogan; chorus, 'Slumber, gentle infant,' pupils (encored); chorus, 'Haste away,' pupils. The play was entitled 'The Harvest Storm,' and the various characters were ably presented by the following boys: Charles Cronin, Thomas Boyle, Robert Flynn, L. Norwood, W. Quirk, M. Crotty, P. Lloyd, L. Loftus, and K. Orotty. The programme concluded, the Very Rev. Dean Grogan addressed the audience, and in the course of his remarks said that the entertainment was an indication of the training the boys received at the Brothers' school. He complimented the Brothers on the excellent results achieved, and asked Rev. Bro. Coleman to repeat the performance later in aid of the bazaar fund.

Rev. Brother Coleman, Principal of the school, then made a brief and appropriate speech, after which the prize list was read.

DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN.

The Rev. Father McGrath, who has been absent on sick leave, is on his way back to New Zealand, having left London on December 2 by one of the Orient liners.

The annual retreat of the clergy of the diocese opens on Monday evening, the 16th inst., in Holy Cross College, Mosgiel. It will be conducted by Rev. Father Claffey, S.J.

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The Handsome new church in Invercargill is fast approaching completion. The dome is now being covered, and a good idea of the soaring height and fine proportions of the new building can now be obtained.

A bazaar was (says a local correspondent) held in the Athenaeum Hall, Cromwell, on December 26 and 29, and was a great success financially and otherwise. A splendid assortment of beautiful and useful articles was exposed on the various stalls, the ladies superintending them doing a brisk trade on both evenings. The following ladies were stall-holders:—Rising Sun stall: Mesdames Kerin and Thomas; Hartley and Riley stall: Mesdames Goodger and Shimbles; Rise and Shine stall: Mesdames Lister and Donnelly; Electric stall: Mrs. D. A. Jolly and Miss Mary Cahill. A bevy of fair damsels also assisted and were fitting about the hall raffling various articles and raking in the shakels. The refreshment stall was managed by Mesdames Chas. Mitchell, Jas. Richards, and Miss Shimbles. Some very beautiful pictures were exhibited, the one attracting most attention being a beautiful copy of Carlo Dolci's Madonna and Child. The sum of £171 was taken during the two days, which will enable the balance of the £700 the convent cost to be paid off, and leave a sum as a nucleus of a fund towards erecting a handsome stone church in the near future.

The annual distribution of prizes to the pupils of St. Joseph's School, Port Chalmers, took place recently, Rev. Father Howard presiding. There was present a large number of the parents of the children. Mr. Allen, M.H.R., presented the prizes to the boys, the Mayor to the girls, and the Mayoress decorated the winners of medals. After a short programme had been gone through, Rev. Father Howard thanked the Mayor and Mr. Allen for this, their third, visit to the school, congratulated the Sisters and pupils on the success of the last examination, and concluded by wishing all a happy Christmas and very pleasant holidays. Mr. Allen also spoke very encouragingly to the children, exhorted them to follow the advice their devoted pastor had given them, and to remember kindly wherever they went the Sisters, who were making so many sacrifices for them. Mr. De Maus, whose genial manner always brings a smile to the faces of the young people, said he was delighted to hear so good an account of the children, and called for three cheers for the Sisters and Rev. Father Howard, which were heartily given. A similar compliment to the Mayoress, the Mayor, and Mr. Allen brought the proceedings to a close.

DIocese OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

January 2.

His Lordship the Bishop was, I am glad to state, sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to be able to celebrate Mass on Sunday.

The Very Rev. Father Keogh, S.M., Rector of St. Patrick's College, Wellington, passed through Christchurch last week to South Canterbury.

Two Sisters of the Missions leave Christchurch this week en route for Canada, to assist in founding a community in the town of Regina, the capital of the province of Assiniboia. Already a number of houses of the Order exist in the Dominion.

Preliminary arrangements are being effected for the celebration of next St. Patrick's Day by a national entertainment on an extensive scale, in aid of the Nazareth House for the aged needy and afflicted of any denomination.

The balance sheet of the memorial concert recently tendered to the relatives of the late Mr. E. T. McNamara showed a credit of £85 11s 5d. Messrs. J. Little and H. Schwartz were appointed trustees to administer a trust fund for the benefit of those interested.

A letter has been received by his Lordship Bishop Grimes from our late Governor, Lord Ranfurly, who after tendering hearty Christmas and New Year greetings, writes: 'I trust your Cathedral is now nearing completion. It will, I am sure, when finished, be one of the finest in the Southern Hemisphere.'

At the novitiate, Sacred Heart Convent, Barbadoes street, on Tuesday afternoon there was a reception and profession of Sisters in the Order of Our Lady of Missions. The Very Rev. Vicar-General presided. Nine received the holy habit and four Sisters were professed, the candidates being from various parts of the Colony.

In addition to Archbishop Carr of Melbourne and Archbishop Kelly of Sydney, the other prelates from Australia expected to be present at the dedication of the Cathedral in February are their Lordships Bishops

Corbett (Sale), Dunne (Wilcannia), Murray (Maitland), O'Connor (Armidale), and Reville (Sandhurst).

The French barque 'Boiledeu,' after a chequered career at sea and in port over a period of seven months, resumed her voyage (Sydney to Falmouth) with a cargo of wheat last week. Mr. W. S. Malaquin, who acted as interpreter during the vessel's stay in Port Lyttelton, and Mr. G. Humphreys, Consul, took final leave whilst the barque was in the stream, and were accorded cheers by the crew, at the call of Captain Bouisson.

His Lordship the Bishop announced on Sunday the receipt of a letter from his Holiness the Pope wherein the Holy Father conveys congratulation to the Bishop on the completion of what he describes as 'a magnificent Cathedral.' The Holy Father also conveys a special blessing to all those who have contributed and those who will contribute towards its erection. The noble pile has thus the unique distinction of having the benediction of two Sovereign Pontiffs.

Mass was celebrated on Christmas Day at the various suburban churches attached to the two city parishes. At St. Mary's, Manchester street, there was Solemn High Mass at 11 a.m. Rev. Father Marnane was celebrant, Rev. Father Graham deacon, and Rev. Father McDonald subdeacon. The music was selected from Masses by Gounod and Dumont, sung by a full choir. Mr. W. H. Corrigan conducted and Miss Cissie O'Brien was organist. At Vespers the Rev. Father Graham preached on the Nativity. The church, which has recently been renovated, was tastefully decorated. At St. Joseph's, Lyttelton, the Rev. Father Cooney celebrated Mass at 8 a.m. and Missa Cantata at 11 a.m. In the evening there was Rosary and Benediction. The Christmas festival and its lessons formed the subject of sermons by the pastor. Great artistic taste was exercised by the Sisters of Mercy in decorating the church.

At the invitation of his Lordship the Bishop a number of gentlemen met at the episcopal residence on Sunday afternoon to arrange a welcome and suitable reception to the Sisters of Nazareth on their arrival at Lyttelton. The 'Ionic,' on board of which the Sisters are passengers from London, is expected to arrive at Wellington on Wednesday afternoon. From that vessel they are to tranship to the first available steamer coming south. The Bishop, who presided, stated that originally it was his intention to meet the Sisters in Wellington, but unfortunately the present state of his health did not permit this. The courtesies therefore in this regard would be extended by friends there. At the suggestion of his Lordship those present—all of whom had from the first interested themselves in the introduction of the Sisters to Christchurch and the establishment of a Nazareth House here—were formed into a reception committee. The details of the welcome were then arranged.

OBITUARY

MISS K. O'SULLIVAN, RAKAIA.

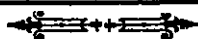
It is with sincere regret (writes a correspondent) I have to record the death of Miss Katie O'Sullivan, which occurred early on Thursday morning, December 22, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Craighead, Rakaia, at the early age of 27 years. The deceased was the fifth daughter of the late Mr. Eugene O'Sullivan, of Gurrane, County Kerry, Ireland. She came to the Colony six years ago, and had resided with her sister in Rakaia ever since, where she was well known and highly respected by a very large circle of friends. When the sad intelligence became known it cast quite a gloom over the district. Mr. and Mrs. Craighead received a very large number of messages of sympathy from all parts of the Colony. A Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Ita's Church, Rakaia, on Saturday morning by the Very Rev. Father O'Donnell, after which the remains were conveyed by first express to Waimate for interment, where Rev. Father O'Connor officiated at the graveside. A large number of friends, including many from Rakaia, attended the funeral, thus showing their respect for the deceased and her family, who have the heartfelt sympathy of a large circle of friends in their sad bereavement.—R.I.P.

The unseasonable weather militated somewhat against the attendance on the first day at the sports' gathering of the Caledonian Society of Otago, yet the splendid programme arranged attracted over 6000 persons to their grounds at Kensington. On Tuesday also the programme was admirably carried out, and the officials are to be complimented for bringing the gathering to a successful issue under any but favorable conditions.

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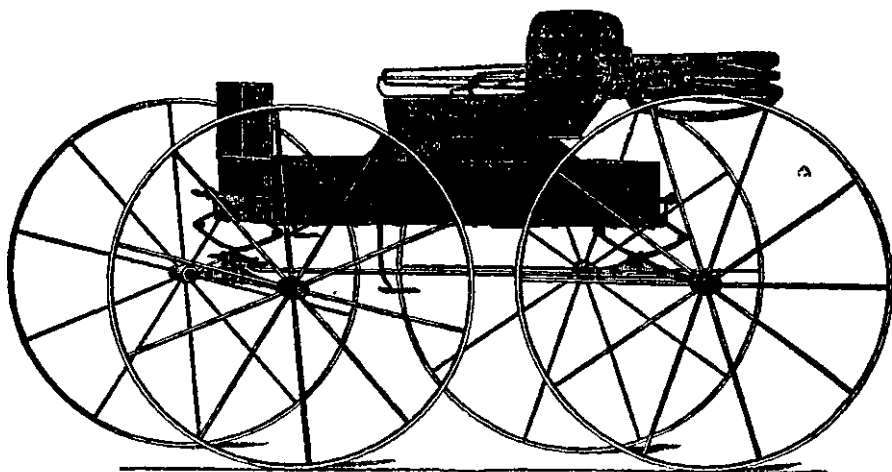
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THE BELL-RINGER OF GARLAU.

I.

It is a quaint old parish in the depths of the Morlaix, on the other side of the ridge of Dourdu. A chain of hills surrounds and isolates it. There it lies in a nest of verdure, far from the public highway. Neither by the pointed spire of its tower nor even the voice of its sweet-toned bells ringing joyous carillons on Sundays or holidays does the world know of its existence. The odd, pretty name of Garlau came to it from some long-forgotten saint. The entire village is composed of the church, the presbytery, and a few stone houses built close to the cemetery, their old-fashioned roofs projecting over the sacred enclosure.

In one of these, surrounded to its very doorsill by flowering elder bushes, lived, at the time of this history, Agapit Quesseveur, better known under the affectionate sobriquet of Gapit. At the age of sixteen, he had begun as an apprentice to a cooper at Morlaix. Then one evening before his time was up he had returned to the village—but how thin, how tall, how entirely changed! For a long time he hovered between life and death. His limbs, it was said, were afflicted with a strange disease, for which there was no remedy.

His mother, a widow, to whom he alone of five children had been left, took excellent care of him, using all the unguents she knew of; and often repaired besides on pilgrimages to famous miraculous shrines. He improved, but remain infirm—his body bent almost in two at the waist, leaving him an object of commiseration and astonishment to the kind neighbors, who pitied while they deplored the spectacle of the head of a youth united to the body of an old man.

It was months before he could bring himself to venture out: his misfortune seemed to him like a disgrace. By way of consolation the Cure said to him one day:

'We must submit to the will of God, Agapit.'

'Yes, Monsieur le Cure,' he replied. 'But it is hard to do so—with the proper spirit.' Then, with a deep sigh, he wiped a tear from his pale cheek. 'I am a useless being,' he continued: 'unable to either help myself or anyone else.'

Although this thought afflicted him very deeply, there was still another, unwavering, unsuspected, which caused him still greater suffering, filling his soul with intense sadness.

Little by little, nevertheless, he began to go out, to walk about; and in order to be less of a charge on his mother, who subsisted by carding flax, he undertook certain light tasks around the house and garden. Some of his old energy seemed to return in the performance of them; he dreamed of a possible restoration, and hope began to stir anew in his heart.

One Sunday in early spring he made his appearance at High Mass. He noticed with gratification during the service that curious eyes were seldom turned upon him, and this was in itself a source of great consolation. When Mass was over he joined the group of young men who took up their usual station in the graveyard, with his back to the bevy of girls issuing from the church porch on their way homeward.

'God be thanked you are on your feet again, Gapit Quesseveur!' said one of these, in a pleasant voice, which seemed a fitting accompaniment to her bright eyes and cheerful countenance.

'Yes, Jeanne Louise,' he responded in a low tone.

He could not utter another word. Pale and embarrassed he stood before her, all the blood in his body seeming to gather about his tumultuously beating heart. But his large, beautiful eyes looked pleadingly up into hers; and the girl, herself a little disconcerted by his seriousness, withdrew her gaze and feigned to look for someone in the crowd, as she said with an effort at carelessness:

'Since you are feeling so much better, Gapit, if you should be coming our way stop in some time and have a glass of cider.'

'Yes, Jeanne Louise,' he answered for the second time.

She turned away with a kind smile; and as he watched her form disappear between the trees, his soul once more descended into the ocean of bitterness which now so often threatened to overwhelm it.

He had sat beside Jeanne Louise Mevel at catechism; they had made their First Communion together; and often, under the pretext of hunting for birds' eggs, he had accompanied her with other young girls of the

parish far along the road which led from the village to Kergoz, where her parents owned a flourishing farm.

Their fathers had been boyish friends, and, later, companions in the same regiment. Pierre Mevel had been cross-bearer at the funeral of Agapit's father, who had died early, when the boy was fifteen. Afterward he had kindly proposed taking the orphan into his service, provided his widowed mother intended him to spend his life on a farm.

'But look you,' Pierre had said to the widow. 'He is your only one, and you have nothing. He can never make much headway as a farm laborer. He is intelligent, learns quickly at school, and in your place I should give him a trade. It will not be so hard, and ought to be far more profitable.'

It was on account of this advice that Agapit Quesseveur had been apprenticed to a cooper at Morlaix. And laughingly—but earnestly Gapit thought then—Pierre had said as he bade him farewell:

'When you are able to earn three francs a day, Gapit, come back to Kergoz and under our roof-tree you shall find a dove waiting for you.'

And Agapit had set forth, tears on his cheeks but laughter in his heart, as he trudged along, all his worldly possessions slung in a bright-colored handkerchief over his shoulder.

Alas! thus he had set forth, and how had he returned? Dragging a body under the grasp of an incurable malady. Gone were his youth, his vivacity, and his ambition; all that remained to him, the now hopeless love of his happy childhood. Never would he be able to earn them now, those three francs per day which were to have been the price of his heart's desire; never would she be his on earth, the sweet white dove of Kergoz.

Slowly and sadly he took his way homeward, and as he paced beneath the trees bitter thoughts began to take possession of his soul. If it had not been for the advice of Pierre Mevel, he might now be a strong and healthy man. If he had never left his native village, the mysterious malady which had wrecked his youth and happiness might never have afflicted him.

Then his reflections changed, and he began to wonder whether perhaps, conscious of this and regretting it, the farmer might not still be willing to take him for a son-in-law. Might it not be possible Jeanne Louise herself would look upon him with favor? She had, indeed, appeared glad to see him; had invited him, as one who meant what she said, to take a glass of cider at the old farm house. But these later reflections were short-lived, for Gapit Quesseveur was no craven heart.

'Away with ye, cowardly hopes, unmanly thoughts!' he exclaimed almost aloud. 'Get ye gone and forever! What am I that I should dare to think of crossing the threshold of Pierre Mevel as a suitor for the daughter who is to him as the apple of his eye? No, never again until these limbs have recovered their power, until I can stand erect among my fellows, until I can present myself in the stature and strength in which I gloried of old—never until that day comes shall my feet cross the threshold of Kergoz.'

Five or six months later the bell-ringer of Garlau, a very old man, was stricken with fever and died after a few days' illness. Gapit Quesseveur had often given him a helping hand, persuaded that the exercise necessary in ringing the bell was beneficial to his spine, wherein the seat of his disease seemed to be located. He asked for the place and obtained it.

From that moment life assumed a new aspect to Agapit. His mother was growing old, and he need no longer be dependent upon her. While the position yielded only a regular income of fifty francs a year, there were additional fees for marriages, christenings, and burials.

'I am no longer a pauper,' he said to himself, as for the first time he summoned the parishioners to High Mass.

He was, besides, an incomparable bell-ringer. He loved the music of the chimes with the love of a true artist. Suffering had refined his whole being, and now he gave expression to his pent-up feelings with the only music known to him. He had a veritable passion for the bells.

'He makes them say whatever he pleases,' remarked one villager to another as they passed, to the sound of the carillons, within the porch of the old village church.

But it was when he saw Jeanne Louise approaching to High Mass that he set forth all his energies, giving vent to his feelings in a very exultation of harmony. Seated one morning on the edge of the stone wall with the bell-cords in both hands, he said to the young girl:

'Well, did you like my music to-day, Jeanne Louise?'

'Very much indeed,' she answered, with a radiant smile, blushing slightly as she spoke. His eyes were

upon her, but she did not turn hers again toward him. With a slight inclination of the head, she passed into the church.

'The bend of her neck is like that of a pigeon,' murmured Gapit, gazing after her. 'My pure little white dove of Kergoz.'

In the parish of Garlau it was customary from time immemorial for the bell-ringer to make a visitation among the better class of inhabitants for the purpose of collecting what were called his 'Easter-eggs' as an acknowledgment of his services. Remembering his self-registered promise, Agapit had refrained from visiting the farm of Pierre Mevel, until he reflected that the omission to do so might look churlish and could hardly be explained or excused. He made several ineffectual efforts to call there, hovering near the outskirts and then shrinking away on some trifling excuse of going to another patron in the vicinity.

At length on Good Friday afternoon, about four o'clock, he summoned courage to enter the gate and knock at the door of the kitchen. It was Jeanne Louise herself who opened it.

'Ah, it is you, Agapit!' she said. 'Come in. My father is just taking a bite.'

'Yes, yes, here I am!' cried Pierre from the long table where he was attacking a huge piece of dry bread. 'This is my breakfast, boy,' he continued. 'Will you not join me? Good Friday, you know, and the fare meagre. But Jeanne Louise will fetch us a pitcher of cider.'

The girl had already gone for it, and, presently returning, placed it on the table before them.

'It took you a long time to respond to my invitation, Gapit,' she said, pouring out the sparkling draught with a charming smile that went to Agapit's head like new wine.

He could not answer her. She remembered, then, that she had asked him! She had meant it! She still thought of him, perhaps, as of one who might have been her lover—if—if—if— Then he said:

'Yes, I was not well, but now I am better.'

Judging from the manner in which you ring those bells, you are,' interposed the farmer. 'So you feel your strength returning, Gapit?'

'Yes, indeed.'

The boy straightened himself as he answered; and he felt afterward that he felt a sensation as though all his bones had cracked on the instant. So strong was the impression that he looked at his companions for some observation; but apparently they were unaware of it, for they said nothing. At the same time his limbs trembled so violently that he pressed his arms on the table and his feet firmly to the floor, so that the father and daughter might not notice it.

'Perhaps you may entirely recover after a time,' said the farmer kindly.

'I am almost well already,' replied Gapit. 'The doctor says I shall soon be all right.'

Pierre Mevel arose from the table and went into an adjoining room. Jeanne Louise had remained standing, and was now smiling at Gapit with a sweetness that completely upset him. The love he had so faithfully tried to repress again reasserted itself under the magic of her presence. Hope filled his heart; health seemed to glow in his enfeebled limbs, his sluggish veins.

Soon the farmer reappeared. In his hand he held a five-franc piece, which he extended to the young man.

Agapit's face turned pale.

'No,' he said, shaking his head—'I cannot take it. That is not what I want.'

'You do not want it?' exclaimed Pierre Mevel in surprise. 'Is it not enough?'

'It is not money I would ask from you, Pere Mevel,' answered Agapit, with strong emotion.

'What, then?'

'It is your daughter, Jeanne Louise—when I shall be well.'

'My daughter!' cried the farmer. 'What are you saying, Agapit?'

'I love her. I shall soon be well. Will you give her to me?'

'Poor fellow, you will never be well!' said Pierre Mevel, laying one hand on the shoulder of Jeanne Louise. 'Be a man, Gapit. Do not even in thought seek to link the life of a cripple with that of a bright young girl.'

Agapit raised his eyes to those of her whom he loved. In a moment he realised what he had done—the selfishness of it, the horror of it.

'You are right—oh, you are right! Forgive me, Pierre Mevel! Forgive me, Jeanne Louise—Jeanne Louise!'

Tears were streaming down his cheeks. Father and daughter turned away; they could not bear to witness his anguish. He went so quietly that they did not know the moment of his departure; but when they

looked again upon the place where he had been standing he was gone.

II.

On Holy Saturday, after two days of funeral silence, the bells, to use a phrase common in that Morlaix country, 'came back from Rome.' It is a return always impatiently awaited by that primitive people, some among the younger and less pious of whom do not enter the church until the joyful carillons of the 'Gloria in Excelsis' have rung from the gray turreted steeple.

As Agapit made his appearance in the porch, one of the girls cried out:

'You must give us your best touches to-day, Gapit!'

'I will try—you shall see, Pierrette,' he said briefly, as he passed them.

'How sad he looks,' remarked another. 'But I think he is straighter than he used to be.'

There was no sadness, however, in the peal that rang out from the tower a few moments afterward. Loud and long rang the bells; never had the oldest inhabitant of the parish of Garlau heard them give forth so jubilant a song. But even as the people looked at one another in pride and delight, the chimes suddenly ceased in the midst of an exuberant theme; three solemn funeral strokes succeeded each other, strange, muffled, slow—then there was silence.

Louis, the old sacristan, hurried from the vestry. At the same moment several of the men left the church. They met at the foot of the tower.

'Something has happened!' cried Louis. 'Let us go up.'

He took the lead, and, following him, the others ascended one by one. When they reached the top, the three bell cords were still swinging, but the longest and thickest had been wrenched apart. Half of it dangled from the roof of the belfry, the other could not be seen. And Gapit Quesseveur was not there.

There is something wrong,' said Louis, going at once to a small trap-door near the wall. 'Look here, my friends! The old rope parted in twain: Gapit, standing near the trap, was thrown violently upon it. It is old and rotten. He has fallen through. We shall find him at the bottom.'

'We shall find him dead, then,' said Athanase Du-four. 'It's a fall of sixty feet at least.'

Without another word they slowly descended the stair; and there, behind it, as Louis had predicted, they found the apparently lifeless body of the young bell-ringer. Blood was flowing from a wound in the back of the head; there was also a deep cut in the forehead. They bent over him.

'He breathes,' said Louis—'very faintly, but he breathes. Run, Victor, for the doctor! There may be some hope. Meanwhile, before the people come out of church, you and I, Athanase, can easily carry him home.'

In a second Victor was gone.

The Widow Quesseveur lived close to the church. A premonition of accident had caused her to come out. They met her at the door of the tower, surrounded by a crowd of idlers eager to learn what had occurred. One glance at the pale face covered with blood told the true Breton mother that action was required at present, whatever weeping might come after; and she led the way to her humble home, where the doctor had already arrived.

(To be concluded next week.)

The observation of Lord Hugh Cecil the other day at Greenwich that the King would, in the exercise of his undoubted prerogative, convene Parliament, as in former times, at places other than the Palace of Westminster, may render it of interest to know that the ancient Parliament House of Ireland was not the only place in which the Irish Parliament held its sessions. It sat at many other places, as, for instance, Drogheda, Trim, Kilkenny. The Irish Parliaments of Elizabeth, James I., and Charles I. assembled in rooms prepared for the purpose in Dublin Castle; the Parliament of James II, sat in the Four Courts, which was then the King's Inns, and the site of an ancient abbey. From the Restoration till 1725 the Irish Parliament sat at Chester House, which was the site of the existing edifice.

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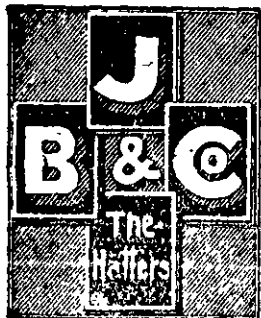
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ENGLAND.—An Appointment

The Rev. J. Driscoll has been appointed provisional head master to the new secondary schools at Westminster, to be built in memory of Cardinal Vaughan. The new head master took his M.A. degree at the London University, and is a Roman Doctor of Divinity. He has had considerable scholastic experience at St. Edmund's College, and is on the register of secondary teachers. Father Driscoll, as his name indicates, is of Irish extraction. He was born in London, but both his parents came from Cork.

Catholic Progress at Holyhead

The Catholics of Holyhead are having their future marked out broad and sure. Their schools have just been gazetted as the best in the country; built largely by the help of the late Lord Stanley of Alderley, they were made quite freehold last summer by the great kindness of his brother, the present Lord Stanley, and now through the generosity of the late Mr. Cormac Flanagan and his family, nearly three acres on the crest of a green hill in the town have been made over to the Oblate Fathers for a new church, presbytery, and graveyard. The cemetery has just been consecrated by the Bishop, who was brought in procession by the whole body of Catholics from the present little chapel in Market street to Cormac's Hill, as the new ground is called. In the streets and on the hill they had with them a great orb of well-wishers from their Welsh neighbors. Bishop Mostyn addressed them all in stirring words, congratulating the Catholics on their eager spirit, and telling them it was a read-letter day for his diocese.

A Profession of Faith

Dr. Windle, the recently appointed president of Queen's College, Cork, was entertained to a banquet at the Grand Hotel, Birmingham, on the occasion of his leaving that city, and at the same time an illuminated address was presented to him in recognition of his services to the Catholic body in the city and district during the last twenty years. The address stated that since his reception into the Church, twenty-one years ago, he was regarded as the type of a Catholic layman. The Bishop of Birmingham, who presided, said he was proud of Dr. Windle's efforts to lift up the Medical School, and of the leading part he had taken in connection with the scheme for promoting the University of Birmingham. He was convinced that the establishment of the Catholic Pupil Teachers' Centre in Birmingham was due to the influence of Professor Windle. Professor Windle remarked that when he became a Catholic twenty-one years ago he was told he should not be very long in the Church, but he might say he was a stronger Catholic to-day than when he joined the Church. He was pleased to have an opportunity of returning to Ireland.

The Sisters of Nazareth

What a difference there is (says the 'Catholic Times') between a prejudiced platform orator or a newspaper writer whose mind is tinged with bigotry and an impartial observer who examines facts for himself. We often find the inmates of convents bitterly assailed—but not by those who are really familiar with their rules and their work. The 'Special Medical Commissioner' of the 'Pall Mall Gazette' has been contributing to that paper a series of articles on the great charities. In the course of his investigations he visited Nazareth House, Hammersmith, and the impressions he received filled him with delight. Amongst three hundred children he saw that every possible provision is made for comfort and happiness. Not only are the children housed and clothed and taught and doctored, they live in a loving environment which puts many a home to shame. When at the age of fifteen or so they are sent out into the world they have a permanent refuge, where they can always obtain advice and shelter, whilst sickness gives them a passport to the Sisters' admirable home, with its opportunities for out-door work, at Bexhill-on-Sea. As to the old, says the Commissioner, Nazareth House supplies them with that affection in which Christian England, with nearly a million paupers, is so far behind pagan Japan, whose larger population yields only twenty-nine thousand. A tribute such as this from a careful observer offsets a multitude of calumnies.

FRANCE.—Forced to Resign

General Andre, French War Minister, is succeeded by a civilian, M. Berteaux, who leads the Radical-Socialist section of the Bloc. M. Combes has thrown the Gene-

ral overboard to save the Ministerial craft in the storm that has arisen over the Masonic espionage in the army, but it is doubtful if he will succeed.

INDIA.—Protection of Missionaries

The Holy Father has received a personal report from the Prefect Apostolic of India, and expresses satisfaction with the protection extended to the missionaries by the British authorities.

ITALY.—The Elections

The results of the second ballots in Italy show that the Socialists have not only lost seats, but that their revolutionary leaders have been unsuccessful. As a result of the elections, moreover, the hands of Conservative representatives in Parliament have been greatly strengthened.

ROME.—The Holy Father's Health

A Rome correspondent writing on November 6 says: An attempt to get up a scare this week about the Holy Father's health has not been a success. Every now and then his Holiness suffers some inconvenience from a rheumatic affection in one foot, and he has been troubled for some days in this way, but not sufficiently to compel him to suspend even for a single day the usual audiences. His general health is excellent.

The Pope on the War

His Holiness Pope Pius X. is stated to have expressed his great grief at the war in Eastern Asia, and to have described it as being no longer a war but a massacre. It was, he added, greatly to be regretted that the civilised Powers remained indifferent to the struggle, and had not succeeded in uniting in common action to bring about the end of the war. His Holiness concluded with the wish that Divine Providence might as soon as possible put an end to the sanguinary strife.

Death of a Cardinal

Cardinal Mocenni died at Rome on November 14. The Cardinal was present at the Consistory, when he was seized with a sudden illness. His Eminence was attended by Dr. Lapponi until he breathed his last. The Pope had previously retired, and Dr. Lapponi immediately went to the Pope's apartments to prepare his Holiness for the sad event, fearing that the shock might have a bad effect on his health.

Consecration of a Bishop

The consecration of Monsignor William Giles, Rector of the English College, as Bishop of Philadelphia (Asia) took place in the Church of St. Thomas, attached to the English College. The consecration was performed by Cardinal Serafino Vannutelli, assisted by Archbishop Suenor and the Bishop of Nottingham. Monsignor Giles wore robes presented by friends. The pectoral cross and gold chain were the gift of the students and staff of the College, whilst Cardinal Vannutelli placed the Episcopal ring, the gift of the new prelate's relatives, on his finger. Three of Monsignor Giles's brothers came from England to Rome. Over two hundred persons were present from the British Catholic colony, and received the Episcopal blessing.

UNITED STATES.—Death of a Convert

Rev. Father Benjamin F. De Costa, whose retirement from the Episcopal ministry five years ago and subsequent reception into the Catholic Church attracted widespread attention, died on November 8 in St. Vincent's Hospital, New York. He was 74 years old and had been in poor health for more than a year.

The Painters' Saint.

The 18th of October is celebrated in the Church as St. Luke's Day, and he is the saint to be invoked by artists. He was educated as a physician, but is said by the early Church writers to have been an artist as well as a doctor. Several paintings of the Blessed Virgin are still extant which are believed to be authentic portraits painted by him. This constitutes him patron of painters, and he is usually represented as painting or writing, behind him the head of an ox, sometimes winged.

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(From our own correspondent.)

The large study hall of St. Patrick's College was well filled on the occasion of the distribution of prizes earned by the students during the year. The rector presided. Among those present were the Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, the Very Rev. Father Lewis, Sir Joseph Ward and Miss Ward, and Mr. Martin Kennedy. The prizes were presented by Sir Joseph Ward, the list being as follows:—

Good Conduct.—Gold medal presented by his Grace the Archbishop—Cameron Campion; second medal, Hamilton Redwood. Joseph Stewart, Henry Seymour, Francis O'Connor, James Fraher, Mark Devoy, Joseph Herring. Day boys—Gold medal, Vincent Ward. Robert McLaughlin, Denis Duggan, Kerin McGrath, Edward Prendeville, Louis Chapman.

Diligence.—Gold medal presented by the Very Rev. the Provincial—Leo Blake. Cameron Campion, Charles Casey, Joseph Herring, John Monaghan, Francis O'Connor, Mark O'Leary, Hamilton Redwood, Robert McLaughlin, James Butler, James Fraher, Robert Lavery.

General Excellence.—Gold medal presented by Old Boys' Association to first and second class (two years' best notes)—Charles Casey, Leo Blake, James Butler, Thomas Segrief, John Monaghan, Joseph Herring.

CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE.

First division.—Gold medal presented by the Bishop of Christchurch—Alphonsus Cullen. Prize—Reginald Hill. Next in merit—Charles Casey, John Monaghan, Francis Ryan, Joseph Cullen.

Second division.—Gold medals presented by the Bishop of Auckland—Ernest Casey, Archibald Morgan, Cameron Campion. Prizes—Joseph Ryan, John Duggan. Next in merit—Robert Lavery, Francis O'Connell, Mark O'Leary, Norman Bennett, Henry Seymour, William Ryan, Henry McArdle, Michael Maher, David London, Francis Kelly.

GENERAL CLASS-WORK.

First Class.—Gold medal—Charles Casey. Next in merit—Joseph Cullen, Francis Ryan.

Second Class.—Gold medal—Alphonsus Cullen. Next in merit—Thomas Boyce, James Fraher, Reginald Hill, Bertie Kelly.

Third Class.—Medal—Ernest Casey. Next in merit—Archibald Morgan, Cameron Campion, Francis O'Connor, Charles Gasquoine, Joseph Ryan.

Fourth Class.—Medal—John Duggan; second medal, Mark O'Leary. Next in merit—David London, Francis Kelly, Robert Miller, Joseph Ryan, Robert Lavery, Kerin McGrath.

Fifth Class.—Medal—Terence Malone. Next in merit—William Moynihan, John Maher, Brian Malone, John Hennessy, Charles Lagan.

ENGLISH.

First Class.—Composition—Francis Ryan, John Monaghan, Charles Casey. Historical grammar and philosophy—Charles Casey, John Monaghan, Francis Ryan. Literature—John Monaghan, Thomas Segrief, Charles Casey.

Second Class.—Grammar and analysis—Thomas Boyce, Alphonsus Cullen, Bertie Kelly, James Fraher. History—Alphonsus Cullen, Thomas Boyce, Bertie Kelly, Reginald Hill. Geography—James Fraher, Alphonsus Cullen, George Miller, Vincent Ward, Richard McDonald.

Class III.—Grammar and composition—Ernest Casey, Cameron Campion, Joseph Ryan, Archibald Morgan, Francis O'Connor. Geography—Francis O'Connor, Ernest Casey, Cameron Campion, Archibald Morgan, Joseph Ryan. History—Archibald Morgan, Ernest Casey, Francis O'Connor, Joseph Ryan, Cameron Campion.

Fourth Class.—Composition—Henry Seymour, Francis Kelly, Mark O'Leary, Kerin McGrath, William Ryan, Norman Bennett, Francis McKenna, Robert Lavery, David London. Grammar and author—John Duggan, Francis Kelly, William Ryan, Mark O'Leary, Robert Lavery, Robert Miller, Norman Bennett, Francis McKenna, David London. History and geography—John Duggan, Mark O'Leary, Francis Kelly, Robert Lavery, Robert Miller, Norman Bennett, Francis McKenna, William Ryan, David London.

Fifth Class.—Composition—Harold Jansen, John Hennessy, Charles Lagan, William Moynihan, Brian Malone, William Maher. Grammar—Charles Lagan, Terence Malone, Harold Jansen, Brian Malone, William Moynihan, John Hennessy. Geography—John Hennessy, Charles Lagan, Harold Jansen, Terence Malone.

LATIN.

First Class.—Grammar and composition—Francis Ryan, Charles Casey, James Butler. Translation—

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Second Class.—Grammar and composition—Alphonsus Cullen, Thomas Boyce, Reginald Hill, Joseph Herring, Vincent Ward, William Moore. Authors and translation—Reginald Hill, Alphonsus Cullen, Thomas Boyce, James Fraher, Bertie Kelly, George Miller.

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MATHEMATICS.

First Class.—Algebra and arithmetic—Joseph Cullen, Charles Casey, Francis Ryan. Geometry and trigonometry—Joseph Cullen, Charles Casey, Francis Ryan.

Second Class.—Arithmetic—Bertie Kelly, James Maher, Edward Prendeville, Richard McDonald, Thomas Boyce. Algebra and geometry—Alphonsus Cullen, James Maher, Bertie Kelly, George Miller, Thomas Boyce.

Third Class.—Arithmetic—Charles Gasquoine, Francis O'Connell, Ernest Casey, Francis O'Connor, Archibald Morgan. Algebra—Charles Gasquoine, Ernest Casey, Reginald Miles, Joseph Ryan, Archibald Morgan. Euclid—Francis O'Connor, Ernest Casey, Charles Gasquoine, Joseph Ryan, Cameron Campion.

Fourth Class.—Arithmetic—John Duggan, Mark O'Leary, Robert Miller, David London, Lawrence McKenna, Henry Seymour, Kerin McGrath, Francis McKenna, Robert Lavery. Algebra and geometry—John Duggan, Francis Kelly, Mark O'Leary, George Miller, Robert Lavery, David London, William Ryan, Francis McKenna, Arapata Akuhata.

Fifth Class.—Terence Malone, John Hennessy, William Moynihan, John Maher, Charles Lagan, Harold Jansen.

SCIENCE.

First Class.—Mechanics and heat—Charles Casey, Joseph Cullen, Francis Ryan.

Second Class.—Mechanics—James Fraher, Aloystus Cullen, Thomas Walshe, Thomas Boyce, Bertie Kelly.

Third Class.—Physiology—Ernest Casey, Francis O'Connor, Cameron Campion, Patrick Kelly, Archibald Morgan.

COMMERCIAL COURSE.

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Second division.—Terence Malone, George Broadbent.

Third division.—John Campbell, William Maher.

WRITING.

First division.—John Monaghan, Ernest Casey, Thomas Segrief, Hone Maru, Francis Ryan, Reginald Miles, Leo Blake, James Fraher, Henry McArdle, Joseph Ryan, Cameron Campion, Paul Kavanagh, Patrick McNamara, Bertie Kelly, William Moore.

Second division.—Moritz Colman, Edward Brady, John Maher, David London, William Quill, Robert Miller, William Moynihan, Robert McLaughlin, John Duggan, Michael Sullivan, Joseph Casey, George Broadbent, Arapata Akuhata, John Quinn.

DRAWING.

Geometrical.—William Moore, Bertie Kelly, Alphonsus Cullen, Thomas Boyce. Model freehand and brushwork—Archibald Morgan, Ernest Casey, Francis O'Connor, John Dignan. Freehand—Joseph Stewart, John Duggan, Wiremu Pohau, David London, Louis Chapman, Henry Seymour, Arapata Akuhata.

MUSIC.

Vocal.—Edward Brady, Leo Blake, Thomas Segrief, Robert Miller.

Pianoforte.—First division—William Sullivan, Joseph Ryan, William Quill. Second division—Terence Malone, Brian Malone, Laurence McKenna, Wiremu Pohau.

PHYSICAL CULTURE.

First division.—Leo Blake, Reginald Hill, Patrick Kelly. **Second division.**—William Sullivan, John Dignan, Kerin Garvey. **Third division.**—Terence Malone, Francis McKenna, Brian Malone.

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The prizes won at the college sports were also presented.

The college orchestra, under the conductorship of Mr. T. Trowell, contributed several selections. The college Liedertafel, under Mr. L. F. Watkins, rendered 'Three crows,' 'Love's ritornella,' and the college song, 'Blue and white.' 'Will o' the wisp' was sung by Rev. Father Hills, and he had to respond to an encore. Master Leo Blake and Master George Miller also contributed songs to the programme. Master William Sullivan played a piano solo, 'The march of the foredoomed.'

The Rector referred to the work done during the year by the pupils as being most satisfactory. Changes had been made to give the college the exclusive character of a school for secondary education. Those pupils who had secured recognition for their prowess in athletics were first among the prize-takers. The football teams were singularly successful during the year, and the college cadets had also won high honors.

Sir Joseph Ward complimented both teachers and pupils on the successes achieved both in class and in the field of sport. Education was at the present time a most important factor. It was needed to fit us to compete with outside nations.

Cheers having been given for Sir Joseph Ward, the Very Rev. Father Keogh, and the visitors, the gathering dispersed.

The Cathedral of Cologne.

In the Dublin 'Freeman' Mr. P. L. Connellan has been devoting attention to the Cathedral of Cologne and its statues. He says:—

'The great church of Catholic Germany is the Cathedral of Cologne. When the city was in its glory and the merchants were distinguished for their wealth, the foundation stone of the Cathedral was laid. A century later a king of England raised money in Cologne for his wars with France. In 1340 King Edward III. pawned all his queen's jewels, even to her crown, wrote the late Hungerford Pollen, to raise money for his French wars from the merchants of Flanders; he had pawned this crown the year before at Cologne for 12,500 dollars, till his subjects sent 30,000 packs of wool up the Rhine to redeem it. This furnishes an indication of the wealth of Cologne. This grand Cathedral is of the early pointed style of architecture, known as Gothic.

To the cloisters of the convent once belonging to the church, fled the bruised spirit of a royal sufferer—the victim of Richelieu—the unfortunate and ambitious Mary de Medicis. It is the largest Gothic edifice in the world. No one knows for certain who was the marvellous genius who designed it. Popular fancy has, in the form of legends, settled this question to its own satisfaction; and while one of these legends attributes the design to heavenly inspiration, the other associates it with diabolical agency.

The Cathedral of Cologne was built to enshrine the remains of the Three Kings who, led by the Star which appeared in the East at the time of the birth of Christ, came to Bethlehem to adore the King of the Jews. The two great towers that rise in the front of the building reach the enormous height of 525 feet—the same as the length of the Cathedral itself.

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Very Rev. Father Lassetter, C.S.S.R., a brother of Colonel Lassetter, is coming to Australia. Father Lassetter, who is a convert, is an eloquent preacher.

As a result of last half-year's operations, Sydney 'Freeman' has paid a dividend of 8 per cent.; and after making due provision for reserves, has carried forward a considerable balance of profits.

The Government Statist of New South Wales on the 20th ult. issued a report on the wheat harvest. He sets down the estimated yield at 16,121,000 bushels, or 10.2 bushels per acre. This is slightly in excess of the last decennial average, viz., 9.9 bushels.

Much interest (writes a Melbourne correspondent) is being evinced in the approaching visit of the great 'Temperance Advocate,' Rev. Father Hays. A meeting was held last Sunday afternoon in the Cathedral Hall to make final arrangements for his campaign. From the 17th to the 31st January, Melbourne and suburbs will occupy the attention of Father Hays, who will also visit the country centres.

During his brief stay in Sydney Mr. William Redmond, M.P., renewed acquaintance with many old friends—amongst them Colonel Freehill, with whom he had a long chat over things National and otherwise. He was especially pleased to see the Cardinal, for he had not forgotten that when he was in Kilmainham in 1882 amongst the earliest letters of sympathy and admiration was one from the Most Rev. Dr. Moran, Bishop of Ossory.

Mr. William Redmond, M.P., and Mrs. Redmond arrived in Sydney by the R.M.S. 'Ophir' on December 16. They had been warmly welcomed at Fremantle, Adelaide, and Melbourne, and they were enthusiastically greeted in Sydney. Mr. and Mrs. Redmond were driven to the Wentworth Hotel, where their health was proposed by Mr. J. F. Hennessy. Hundreds of the leading citizens of Sydney, including his Grace the Coadjutor-Archbishop and several priests, called on Mr. and Mrs. Redmond. On Saturday Mr. Redmond and Mr. James Dalton visited the Cardinal and had a long audience with his Eminence at the Palace, Manly. Mrs. Redmond, as is well known, is a daughter of Mr. James Dalton, of Orange. She has been 19 years in Ireland, and she says she loves the country and the climate, which certainly agrees with her. Mr. Redmond has been in poor health for over 12 months. He spent some months in Switzerland, and he intends making a prolonged stay in Australia. It is more than probable that before he leaves he will address the people of Australia.

That grand old veteran Irish baronet, Sir Bryan O'Loughlin (writes a Melbourne correspondent), has not been favored by the gifts of fortune, and has, in consequence, to accept the tangible proof of those who admire sterling patriotism. He formed the twenty-first Victorian Ministry, 9th July, 1881 to 8th March, 1883, since which date there have been ten Ministries. He has been a prominent figure at Catholic and Irish National gatherings, and has ever maintained the best traditions of his noble Clare ancestral house. Just now an effort is being made to raise a fund which will practically provide for his old age, now weighing its threescore years on his honorable head. The chairman of the Victorian Legislative Council (the Hon. Nicholas Fitzgerald, K.S.G., M.L.C.) has taken the lead in the proposed testimonial, and in response to a circular issued by the member for the Southern Province, an influential meeting assembled in the Melbourne City Hall on the 16th inst., when the movement was formally launched under very favorable auspices. The Mayor was in the chair. Among those present were his Grace the Archbishop, the Premier (Mr. Bent), Sir Matthew H. Davies, Messrs. W. H. Irvine, M.L.A., Nicholas Fitzgerald, K.S.G., M.L.C., F. G. Duffy, K.C., Hon. J. G. Duffy, and D. White. Resolutions expressive of the esteem in which Sir Bryan O'Loughlin was held and of the respect due to him in return for the services he had rendered the State, were passed, and an influential committee was appointed to collect subscriptions to provide a substantial testimonial fund. A subscription list was opened in the room, and a considerable sum contributed by those present. Sir Bryan is the third son of the late Right Hon. Sir Michael O'Loughlin, an Irish judge, who was created a baronet in 1838, and was the first Catholic raised to judicial office either in England or Ireland after the revolution of 1688. Sir Bryan's elder brother, Sir Colman O'Loughlin, represented Clare in the House of Commons from 1863 to 1877. Sir Bryan is now 76 years of age, and has been 42 years in Victoria. He married a daughter of the late James Mackay Seaward, of Melbourne.

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GLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

- January 8, Sunday.—First Sunday after the Epiphany.
- " 9, Monday.—Of the Octave.
- " 10, Tuesday.—Of the Octave.
- " 11, Wednesday.—Of the Octave.
- " 12, Thursday.—Of the Octave.
- " 13, Friday.—Octave of the Epiphany.
- " 14, Saturday.—St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor.

St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor.

St. Hilary was the scion of a noble family of Poitiers, France, and was born between 320 and 325. He received his scientific education in his native town and in Bordeaux, where he more especially applied himself to the study of rhetoric. The more he saw of the profligate life of his fellow-citizens, the more his noble soul was filled with disgust and longed after the knowledge of truth. The perusal of Holy Scripture freed him from all the doubts which heathen philosophy had raised in his mind, and together with his wife and daughter he embraced Christianity in 350. On account of his holy life, both the clergy and people demanded his elevation to the bishopric of Poitiers, and he was consecrated shortly before 355. Thenceforth he lived a life of continency, devoting himself entirely to his episcopal duties. His uncompromising opposition to Arianism, favored by the Emperor Constantius, caused him to be banished by that prince to Phrygia. But as his influence here seemed to be still more dreaded by the Arians, he was allowed, in 359, to return to his bishopric, where he continued, by word and writing, and especially by means of synods, to combat Arianism with such success that he caused the Gallican bishops completely to renounce it. True, he was not able to gain over Auxentius, Bishop of Milan, which city was the stronghold of Arianism, but he forced him to be more cautious. The latter years of his life were spent in quietude, occupied with exegetical labors. He died at Poitiers, January 13, 366.

The beautiful statue of the Immaculate Conception, which has been erected in the convent grounds at Bathurst, was blessed on Sunday, December 11, by his Lordship Right Rev. Dr. Dunne. His Lordship, after blessing the statue, alluded to the improvements made in the convent garden during the last three years. The inscription on the tablet is as follows: 'Statue of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin, presented by the Ven. Archdeacon D'Arcy, Wellington, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Jubilee Year, 1904, Pedestal presented by John Meagher, Esq.'

The many friends and ex-pupils of the venerable Father Joseph Dalton, of the Society of Jesus, will regret to hear (says the 'Catholic Press') that he lies in a very low state at St. Ignatius' College, Riverview. It is well known that for a long time past he had to be always attended. He is now in the 88th year of his age. Father Dalton is a native of Waterford, Ireland, was one of the first Irish Jesuits who came to Australia, having arrived here in 1863 or '64. He was stationed at Richmond, Melbourne, for some years, coming on to Sydney at the end of '78, when he established the first Jesuit House in Sydney at Woolloomooloo. In '79 he founded St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, of which he was first Rector, and at the same time Superior-General of the Order in Australia. After some years he was succeeded by Father Keating, S.J., who in turn had as successors the Very Rev. Father Ryan, S.J. (the present Superior of the Jesuits), Rev. Father Luke Murphy, S.J., and the Very Rev. Father Thos. Gartlan, S.J., who is now Rector at Riverview. Father Dalton, who has been living at Riverview so many years is a great favorite with the students and ex-students of the college, and at the annual banquet of the 'Old Boys' Union every year affectionate reference is always made of him.

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