

lesson you will not soon forget. As a balm to your wounded pride at having been haunted by Phillips, however, I will tell you that the report of you he brought to me was so excellent that I am glad to have it. He who is doing right may be watched by all the world.'

'But the money? I certainly am bound to make good the loss of it,' stammered Neil.

Yet his heart sank as he realised that to do this he and Claire must postpone their wedding day. He could not give her wealth, but at least they would not begin with a burden of debt.

Mr. Van Nostrand came unexpectedly to the rescue. 'I consider five hundred dollars a small price to pay to get rid of a dishonest clerk,' he said. 'Had Nichols remained in my employment, he might have cost me many thousands. We will say no more about the money.'

So well did Bailey profit by the lesson of this experience, and so faithfully did he perform his duties thereafter, that six months later the senior partner voluntarily increased his salary.

And when the next month of May lengthened into June, the hope that had brightened many a day of hard work for Neil came true. He married Claire and took her to a pretty little home in the suburbs—near enough to the great city to admit of his reaching the office easily, yet far enough away to be beyond the turmoil and noise of crowded streets, amid wide fields and wholesome air, and an environment of simple content.—'Ave Maria.'

The Catholic World

ENGLAND—A Priest Honored

There was a crowded meeting of Catholics in the Mechanics' Hall, Halifax, recently, for the purpose of congratulating the Rev. Patrick Mulcahy on his elevation to the dignity of a Canon. Dr. T. M. Dolan presented Canon Mulcahy, on behalf of the Catholics of the district, with canonical robes and a purse of gold. The Canon feelingly replied.

Procession in Liverpool

On the afternoon of Sunday, May 21, the fifty-sixth annual church parade of the Catholic Young Men's Societies of Liverpool and District took place on the Cheshire side of the Mersey. Upwards of 5000 people took part in the procession, and created quite a big stir in the somewhat quiet suburban districts through which they passed. The great procession made a most favorable impression on the crowds of spectators that lined the route, many of whom, no doubt, had never seen such a large gathering of Catholics before. Universal praise was bestowed on the organisers of the procession for the manner in which the arrangements were carried out.

GERMANY—St. Boniface

His Grace Archbishop Bourne on visiting Fulda (says the 'Catholic Times') will join with members of the German hierarchy in honoring the memory of St. Boniface. Englishmen of every class and creed should rejoice that England is thus represented. St. Boniface was one of the greatest Englishmen that ever lived—a man whose name to-day, after the lapse of 1150 years, is a wonderful power amongst Germans. And yet because he was a Catholic there are multitudes of Englishmen who are unacquainted with his work; yea, multitudes of them who do not even know his name. Boniface was born at Crediton, or Kinton, in Devonshire, about the year 680, and received at Baptism the name Winfrid. It was a time when missionaries from Ireland and England were carrying the cross through many of the Continental countries. Winfrid joined St. Willibrord in Friseland; then passed into Hesse and Saxony, winning converts, destroying the temples of idolaters, and building Christian churches. Pope Gregory III. commanded him to repair to Rome, confirmed the evangelist's change of name from Winfrid to Boniface, and gave him a general commission as a legate of St. Peter. Then the saint went forth and earned the title of the Apostle of the Germans, fixing the constitution of the Church in Germany. He was martyred by infidels in East Friseland at the age of seventy-five.

SCOTLAND—Presentation to a Priest

The Rev. Timothy O'Shea, who has been recalled by his Bishop to his native diocese of Kerry, where he will begin the mission in Castlemain, has been stationed in Port Glasgow for the past eight years, where his zealous ministrations and kindly nature had won him the respect and affection of all. Before his departure he was entertained at a concert in the Town Hall, at which a large and representative gathering assembled. At the close he was presented with many souvenirs, and with a purse of sovereigns and accompanying address.

SOUTH AFRICA—Impressive Ceremony

On Lady Day a most impressive and solemn ceremony took place at St. Dominic's Catholic Church, Wynberg, Cape Colony, when four Irish novices pronounced their vows. The names of the young ladies were:—Miss L. O'Connor (Sister M. Malachy), Cashel, County Tipperary; Miss K. Nagle (Sister M. Columbkille), Rathmore, County Kerry; Miss M. M. Halliden (Sister M. Agatha), Lyre, Banteer, County Cork; Miss S. Allen (Sister M. Gabriel), Belfast. The ceremony took place in the afternoon, the Right Rev. Dr. Rooney officiating, assisted by Rev. C. McCarthy, D.D., and Rev. J. M'Loughlin, Wynberg.

SPAIN—The King's Birthday

Replying to the congratulations of the Senate on his birthday, the King of Spain said: 'I hope with you that my forthcoming visits abroad will serve to strengthen the ties of friendship, of good feeling, and of co-operation towards universal peace which unite us to other peoples. Our action will thus respond at home as well as abroad to the needs and desires which our country feels for its reconstitution, and for the development of its agricultural and industrial wealth and its commerce, those noble weapons which civilisation places in the hands of peoples to stimulate them to the fruitful humanitarian struggles of our times. As for that event, fraught with happiness for my country and my hearth, which you await with such anxious desire, I have confidence in God that it will be realised for the good of the nation, for family love is so closely united in my mind with love for my country that I can have no other idea of my marriage than that of two people loving and seeking the happiness of the country and its greatness.'

UNITED STATES—Archdiocese of St. Louis

... At a reception tendered by the citizens of St. Louis to his Eminence Cardinal Gibbons on the occasion of his visit to the city in connection with the investiture of Archbishop Glennon with the pallium it was announced that a sum amounting to 600,000 dollars (about £120,000) was in hand for the erection of a new Cathedral. Mr. R. C. Kerens, a prominent Catholic, made the pleasing announcement at the gathering that thirty-two prominent Catholics had subscribed 260,000 dollars (£52,000), the amount being handed to Archbishop Glennon, who was both surprised and pleased with the generosity of the donors. Later on the Archbishop announced that the clergy had, that afternoon, tendered a sum of 60,000 dollars in cash (£12,000) for the same purpose, with the assurance that the sum would reach 75,000 dollars when the amounts promised had been handed in. The Archbishop then stated that with the sum of 250,000 dollars, the amount of the fund started by Archbishop Kenrick, the total of available funds now in hand for the erection of the new Cathedral was 600,000 dollars.

Catholic Population

Recent statistics show that there is an enormous increase in the proportion of the Catholic population in the United States, as compared with other denominations. In New Mexico the Catholics represent 96 per cent. of the population; in Montana, 85 per cent.; in Arizona, 74 per cent.; in Nevada, 72 per cent.; in Massachusetts, 71 per cent.; in Rhode Island, 69 per cent.; in New York State 58 per cent.; in California, 55 per cent.; in Colorado, 54 per cent.; in Connecticut 53 per cent.; in Minnesota, 53 per cent.; and in Michigan, 50 per cent. In Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New York State fifteen years ago Catholics were in a great minority.

A Venerable Priest

Monsignor Bernard O'Reilly, whose 93 years make him the oldest living prelate of his rank, lies very ill at the house of the Sisters of Charity at Mount Vernon, New York. Monsignor O'Reilly is best known as a historian and biographer, having written the official 'Lives' of Pius IX. and Leo XIII.

A New See

It is reported that the Holy Father has assented to the petition of the Archbishop of Milwaukee and his suffragans, to divide the parent diocese and establish a new episcopal See, either at Madison, Fond du Lac, or Racine. The diocese of Milwaukee has now 349 priests, 293 churches, and a Catholic population of 294,000.

GENERAL

Tending the Lepers

It is a forceful commentary on the self-devotion and self-sacrifice of Catholic missionaries to hear from the Lazarist missionary, Frere Praneuf, in Farafangana, in Southern Madagascar, that only the Catholics have hitherto ventured to fight the scourge of leprosy which is rife in that region. The Sisters of Charity, says