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## Friends at Court

### CLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

- November 18, Sunday.—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost. Dedication of the Basilicas of SS. Peter and Paul.
- 19, Monday.—St. Pontian, Pope and Martyr.
- 20, Tuesday.—St. Felix, of Valois, Confessor.
- 21, Wednesday.—Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- 22, Thursday.—St. Cecily, Virgin and Martyr.
- 23, Friday.—St. Clement, Pope and Martyr.
- 24, Saturday.—St. John of the Cross, Confessor.

Dedication of the Basilicas of SS. Peter and Paul.

These two basilicas are situated in Rome, the one on the Vatican hill, the other on the road which leads to the mouth of the Tiber. They are famous throughout the world for size, richness, and magnificence of decoration, but the most precious treasures which they contain are the relics of the two great Apostles—St. Peter, the Vicar of Christ, and St. Paul, the zealous missionary of the infant Church.

St. Pontian, Pope and Martyr.

St. Pontian was Pope from 230 to 235. He was exiled by Alexander Severus to the island of Tavolara, on the eastern coast of Sardinia, where he was put to death by order of Maximin.

St. John of the Cross, Confessor.

St. John was a Spaniard. He received his surname from his special devotion to the passion of Christ. He was associated with St. Theresa in reforming the Carmelite Order, of which he was a member. At the time of his death, in 1591, St. John was in his fiftieth year.

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#### UNLESS AS LITTLE CHILDREN.

Who loves Our Lady as a little child,  
Its mother loves, with fond, undoubting trust  
In her affection, and with faith robust  
That deems her power as boundless as 'tis mild  
To shield from harm, to calm all tempests wild,  
And turn aside each foeman's fatal thrust,—  
He, only he, hath formed conception just  
Of what is due God's Mother undefiled.

Unless as little children we become  
In simple, reverent humility,  
This life full weary grows and burthensome,  
Nor Heaven's glories may we hope to see:  
And they alone act well a childlike part  
Who love Our Mother blest with all their heart.  
—'Ave Maria.'

I believe in the rare only; great minds, great characters, great men. What matters the rest! The greatest praise that may be given a diamond is to call it a solitaire.—Henri Rene du Bois.

To look for praise or place is to work in the spirit of the hireling. That alone is good for me which gives me freedom and opportunity to lead my own life, to uphold the being which is myself.

Criticisms never hurt anybody. If false, they cannot hurt you unless you are wanting in manly character; and if true, they show a man his weak points and forewarn him against failure.

The truly charitable individual forgives all because he understands all; he judges not, 'lest he condemn himself,' and he gives not only of his material stores, but of his very self in the service of humanity.

Human nature is alike in its essentials, and there is the divine element in each of us. No two people can see the same scene with the same eyes, no two people realize the wonder of a divine thought on a human problem with the same degree of intensity. No two people, either, have the same gift of expression. Be satisfied that you can feel. Perhaps God has adjusted the balance in this wise—that while your lips are dumb your spirit is eloquent, bringing you where words never could.

## The Storyteller

### HER TRUE STORY

'And so you are a journalist?' said Captain John Denvers, looking intently into the pale, delicate features of the girl whom he had taken into dinner at Mrs. Dewbury's farewell party, given in his honor. 'Do you know, I do admire a woman who works for her living. There is something grand, something ennobling about her.'

Sometimes necessity makes us work when we should otherwise be lazy,' answered Silvia Clarke, with a wistful smile; 'and writing is not always such a spontaneous operation as people imagine it to be. To-night, for instance, when I get home I shall have to burn the midnight oil for many hours ere I close my eyes.'

John Denvers was looking incredulously, so the girl nodded her head, with a look of conviction on her features. 'Yes,' she continued, 'I ought not to have come here to-night, as I have a story to write. But dear Mrs. Dewbury insisted and would take no refusal, so I put my work aside to please her. I shall have to make up for lost time, since the printers will be waiting for copy to-morrow, that's all.' Oh, I don't mind a bit, really,' for Denvers muttered something about a 'shame.' 'And I believe I've got part of my plot already, and then putting the story together is only half the battle.'

'Brave little woman,' said Silvia's companion, admiringly. 'How long have you been doing this sort of work?'

'Since I lost my parents, three years ago,' she answered gravely, and there was a touch of pathos in her voice. 'And although it was very hard at first to get accustomed to continued disappointments, I tried to be patient and not to lose heart. I am quite successful and contented now—she feared her foregoing words had implied a complaint, and was eager to dispel that impression—so please don't pity me, for I have been very lucky on the whole.'

'Lucky,' repeated Denvers, with a curl of the lip, while it struck him that fate had been monstrously unkind to this lonely, beautiful girl. Lucky to have to fight her way in the world without a protecting arm to guard her from its bruising cares and vehement ills! Lucky, notwithstanding the daily struggle to keep body and soul together! Lucky! She had said it with a cheerful, hopeful smile, in spite of the heartache she must undoubtedly experience at times, when literary adventurers and dishonest editors failed to keep their faith with her. He glanced with gentle pity at the delicate ungloved hand at his side, and longed to take it and press it tightly in his own.

'It's hard on the little girl,' he mused, 'and she's awfully pretty, too. Why didn't I meet her before this? Just as I leaving for India, and the next two years are mapped out for me, I meet a girl, charming, accomplished, interesting—yes, by jove! extremely interesting—in fact, a woman after my own heart and taste. She fascinates me from the moment I set eyes on her, and I feel irresistibly drawn toward her. She is just the very girl I could have loved, although two hours ago I wasn't even aware of her existence. What an awkward beggar Fate is, to be sure; she's always upsetting somebody.'

And at that moment there was a stir, and the ladies were retiring from the dinner table and Silvia vanished from John Denvers' side—not without a smile, however, from her adorable, upturned face, which sent a rush of blood to his heart and made him wish more than ever that he might have postponed his journey to India indefinitely. Meanwhile Mrs. Dewbury had marched Silvia into the conservatory, and was chaffing her about her evident conquest of Captain Denvers.

'Isn't he nice?' Mrs. Dewbury was asking. 'What a pity it is that he is obliged to leave us so soon.'

'When does he go?' inquired Silvia, absently. Nothing mattered much to her in her dull, loveless world, and this man's coming and going were surely synonymous, considering she, too, had never heard of his existence until the day before, when Mrs. Dewbury's hurried little note had asked her to 'come and amuse a really charming soldier, who was just off to India.' The invitation has roused her in the midst of her work, and she had rushed to her scanty wardrobe to see whether or not her clothes would permit of her accepting. A black silk skirt, somewhat the worse for wear, and a pale pink chiffon blouse came to the rescue, and after some local attention to these with the aid of a flat-iron, Silvia had thought to abandon her dreary work for a few hours' pleasant recreation at Mrs. Dewbury's. Of course, she would have to work

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into the small hours to make up for lost time, but that mattered little; the evening was sure to be a pleasant one—Mrs. Dewbury's parties generally were.

'He leaves to-morrow night,' said Mrs. Dewbury, regretfully, 'and we shall miss him more than I can tell you, for he is always the life and soul of our gatherings.' 'You seemed to get on famously together, Silvia, as he never turned his eyes from your direction during dinner, and it's your own fault,' she added significantly, 'if you didn't meet him ere this. On both the previous occasions of his dining here you were asked to join us, but you wrote each time that you couldn't leave your work. I wish, child, that you were not so horribly conscientious,' Mrs. Dewbury continued, pinching Silvia's peach-like cheek. 'You are too young to give up all the pleasures of life for that monotonous writing, writing.'

'But I have no pleasures in life that I prefer to my work,' said Silvia, warming to her subject, 'excepting, of course, visiting a few old friends like yourselves. And besides, dear Mrs. Dewbury, I have my living to earn. No one can do that but myself, and so I ought to be grateful for small mercies and take what the gods give me and be content.'

'Fiddlesticks!' said Mrs. Dewbury, emphatically. 'You ought to marry. I call it perfectly disgraceful that a pretty, accomplished girl like you should not have been snapped up long ere this. How old are you? Twenty-two. Well, I call it disgraceful! I don't know what the men are about!'

Silvia laughed in a pretty, amused way, and took her hostess' hands between her own. 'You dear, kind, sweet enthusiast, I don't want to marry; I am quite content,' she said. 'I feel sure I'm destined to be an old maid.'

'Why?'

'Oh, because I have never seen anybody I could like sufficiently to care for always.'

'That's nonsense, my child; wait till Mr. Right comes. Good gracious, John, how you startled me!' for Captain Denvers had walked up to the ladies so quietly that they had not heard him, and he stood looking at them without speaking.

'Aren't you going to smoke?' Mrs. Dewbury inquired, rather ruffled at having been taken unawares.

'Of course I am,' he answered complacently, after a pause. 'And that's why I thought I would ask Miss Clarke to come for a stroll in the garden and keep me company. Will you?' he added, stooping over the girl. 'It's such a lovely night, and if you put on a wrap you can't possibly take cold.'

'By all means, go,' said Mrs. Dewbury, with alacrity, as she rose and answered for Silvia, who was hesitating. 'Take her for a turn, John, but don't let her take cold.'

Silvia rose in a half-shy, half-fearful way and silently took the arm that was proffered her.

Since the year in which she had been robbed of both parents, and had existed under the immediate guardianship of a deaf old maiden aunt, Silvia had passed through life with a sort of inanimate indifference. She had tried with passionate vehemence to bury her grief in her work, and had so far succeeded, inasmuch as her life had become a calm, uneventful one, neither joyful nor sorrowful, but just impassive.

Her daily occupations did not permit of her overstepping the confining poverty and narrowness of her surroundings, and so she just plodded on, trying to cheer the old lady with whom she lived from her state of muteness and lethargy, and working with might and main to keep her tiny household from actual want.

But to-night, it seemed as though, for the first time, she was living again purely for the sake of living. The warm night air out in the garden fanned her cheeks; the sweet scent of the flowers instilled her with a new thankfulness, and her senses seemed to have become possessed of an unknown, unexpected joy. And yet there was nothing strange, nothing unusual in a man whose dining companion she had been asking her to stroll with him round the grounds of a friend's house while he smoked a cigar.

They were seated below a verandah, the roofing of which was festooned by trailing vines, which hung down almost to their feet. Silvia sat against a background of huge vine leaves, and the shadows between her and a brilliant moon cast great patterns over her delicate form. Her head was uplifted, and the dark, luminous eyes, mysterious, intent, and searching, impressed John Denvers with marvellous possibilities. He watched her carefully through the drifting smoke of his Havana, and again wondered why, in the name of Fortune, he had never met her before. Silvia's mood alternated between enthusiasm on one point and seriousness on the other, and she chatted on from subject to subject, generally dealing with her work, her hopes, her aspira-

tions, but with all that charm of gentle docility which a man so indisputably likes. Her simple frankness and naturalness was fast adding new forces to her power of thrilling and fascinating him. Presently, Denvers laid his arm on the back of the seat, and, looking at the girl intently, he said: 'Do you believe in love at first sight, Miss Clarke?'

Silvia was not in the least taken aback at the strange abruptness of her question from a comparative stranger, and mused for a while, collecting her thoughts.

'Curiously enough,' she answered, presently, 'I myself was wondering whether such a thing really exists when you asked the question.' She turned her well-poised head with its wealth of hair towards him and looked him full in the face. It was Captain Denvers' turn to be surprised, and yet that there was not one iota of *arriere pensee* in the girl's mind was obvious by her perfectly natural way of expressing herself. 'I will tell you why I wondered,' she continued. 'I have a story to write to-night, and am rather fluctuating between two plots. The one embodies the idea that a girl loves the man who is engaged to her sister, and that he, although he, too, has ceased to care for his fiancée, is too much of a moral coward to confess to both girls; and the other—well, the story of a wonderful reciprocity of love at first sight. Now, such suggestion do you prefer? I don't believe I could make a hero out of a coward. A man must be noble, honorable, straight, reliable—in fact, everything that is upholding good and worthy of reverence in a woman's eyes. These confidences were spoken in a low voice, broken by swift catching of the breath, with her hands characteristically clasped across her bosom—it was a way of hers in moments of intentness—and an eagerness of purpose which was augmented by the subject of their discussion.'

'I like the suggestion of love at first sight,' said John, letting his eyes feast upon the idealistic face, 'and I do honestly believe that it exists. Come, will you let me help you with your story? Let us put our heads together, metaphorically speaking, and see what we can concoct.'

'Will you really?' The girl flushed, and her eyes shone mysteriously. 'You are very kind, considering we have only just met.'

'Don't say that, Miss Clarke. I feel as if I had known you a lifetime. The moments have been weeks, the hours years. You interest me. Your work, your life, your pluck, everything about you appeals to me tremendously, and make me wish—you'll think me mad for talking like this—that I were not going away, or that, at least, I were not leaving to-morrow.'

'To-morrow?' echoed Silvia vaguely. 'I, too, wish that you could stay.'

'Do you?' cried John, clasping her trembling hand in his, but only for a moment, for the girl withdrew it and turned away. 'Ah, forgive me; I have offended you. I have no right to speak like this, and you have every reason to be vexed.'

The tender face, with uplifted brow, was full of forgiveness as she turned to him again. The deep shadows of the rustling vine leaves played over them, and the moonlight filtered gently through the tendrils of her dark warm hair as she held out her hand in gentle remission.

'There is nothing to forgive,' she said, almost in a whisper, 'and I'm sorry you are going away.' She spoke her words with great simplicity, while John Denvers pressed her fingers to his lips and then released them.

Then Silvia started up from her reverie and came back with a rebound to the matter-of-fact realities of the situation.

'It is getting late,' she said, almost regretfully, looking down upon John. He was very handsome. The magnificently bronzed face, with a slight curving moustache of brown hue, which softened without hiding the fine mouth beneath, and the strong, dark glance, which embodies a look of splendid resolve, took her fancy.

'I like him, but he is going away,' is what she thought. 'But still I shall remember that he kissed my hand and told me he wished we had met before. No matter what happens, nothing can rob us of this secret night, these few happy moments spent in absolute harmony and sympathy together.'

'Don't go yet,' he pleaded anxiously. 'There is still our story to finish,' he added, 'and you know we agreed to compose it together.'

'It is not yet begun,' the girl answered with a tender smile; 'but I think now that I know how it will end.' Then a new firmness of manner took possession of her, and she said with decision, 'Will you take me back to the house, Captain Denvers? I must go. Remember, I have a long task before me, and—it is getting late.'

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Reluctantly John Denvers wrapped the shawl tighter round the girl's shoulders, and then slowly they walked towards the house.

'One thing you must promise me,' said John as they approached the illuminated hall, 'that you will send me the magazine containing your story. Will you?'

'If you really wish it, I shall,' said Silvia. 'But you will have forgotten that I ever wrote it long before it reaches you.'

'Ah, don't say that,' said John, turning with earnest supplication in his eyes. 'I shall never forget you—or our story.'

It was pleasant to hear him say 'our story.' To Silvia it seemed as though at least one undeniable fact formed a tiny bond between them.

'Where shall I send it?' she asked presently, and then John wrote on a card, 'The Orient Club, Calcutta.'

Once they had entered the house there was no further reason for delay, and Silvia, having informed Mrs. Dewbury that her aunt was sitting up for her, and that she was obliged to hurry home, she enveloped her head in a lace mantilla and hurried down-stairs.

In the hall John Denvers stood waiting to say good-night and good-bye.

She placed her hand in his and let her eyes rest on his face. It was to be a long good-bye—a good-bye like the story, that had hardly had a beginning, and yet the hands were firmly clasped and the two faces bore an intense look of tender longing.

Denvers pressed his lips tightly together, and Silvia agitatedly drew her cloak closer to her. The cab stood at the door, and Silvia tore herself away.

'You'll not forget?' he called to her, straining to catch a last glimpse of her face, and she answered back, with trembling lips, 'No; you shall read our story. Good-bye.'

That night in her lonely little room, Silvia Clarke wrote the story of her first and only love. It was the simplest little plot imaginable. Her heroine was called Sophia, and her hero James. It was the old, old story of love at first sight, while the lovers had to part and pass their lives in vain regret and longing for that which could not be.

But Silvia broke her word to Captain Denvers. When, after some weeks, the 'Fenwick Magazine' appeared containing her story, and she read it through for the first time in print, she was horrified at its realism, and almost regretted having written it.

'What would he think, after the lapse of time, were I to send it to him now? It would be impossible. I can't. That night he may have fancied that he liked me, but now he has probably forgotten my name. We must let our little story die its natural death; that memory is just a passing gleam of sunshine in my gloomy life.'

But John Denvers had not forgotten Silvia's name, or even the slightest detail about her personality. He had stolen a photograph of Silvia from Mrs. Dewbury's drawing-room mantelpiece with a sang-froid that defied competition, and he had pored over it every day since he had met and left her, until her face had become engraven on the tablet of his mind. He remembered everything—her sweet, perfect figure, her general delicacy and refinement of manner; and, above all, what charmed him most, her incomparable naturalness in saying things which, coming from the lips of any other woman, would sound inharmonious, impossible. 'Oh, Silvia, what a havoc you have wrought in this poor mortal's brain,' he said often to himself, and, 'Child, I am coming back to fetch you, never fear; there is only one woman in God's world for me, and she is Silvia Clarke!'

John Denvers had written to Mrs. Dewbury after his return to India, begging her to keep him au courant as to all home news, at the same time asking her to look out for the 'Fenwick Magazine' containing Silvia's story. He feared that she, woman-like, might feel reluctant to send it at the last moment, so in order to be on the safe side he begged Mrs. Dewbury to forward it to him, at the same time asking her not to let Silvia know of his request. He somehow felt that a great deal depended on that little story, and he awaited its arrival with feverish impatience.

The 'Fenwick Magazine' was brought to John Denvers one mail day just as he was sitting down to tiffin in his bungalow at Calcutta.

The simple, unaffected style of the girl's narrative, told tenderly and romantically, went straight to his heart. The blood rushed to his brain as he realised how she had taken her plot word for word from their own slender romance; how she had even named her hero and heroine after their own initials, and how the thread of the story faithfully followed its lead up to the time of John Denvers' departure for India.

John was crazy with joy when he had read the story. 'She meant it for me, and has loved me ever

since I left her.' He cried gladly, 'Oh, my sweet, brave darling, you were not ashamed to take the theme of our story. But why didn't you send it to me, as you promised to do?' And then a sudden fear beset him. 'Perhaps, since the writing of that story, she had fallen in love with some one else. Great heavens! how am I to know—to find out the truth? I can't remain in suspense for weeks; I must know at once.' Off he rushed to the telegraph office and wrote out a cable addressed to 'Clarke, care Dewbury, London.' The message was laconic, but to the point. 'Have just read story. Did you mean me, Silvia? If so, will you come out and marry me at once?' Wire.—John.

Silvia was at her writing table thinking out some new plots when, several hours afterwards, Mrs. Dewbury rushed into the room and thrust the telegram into her hand.

'There! What do you say to that?' cried Mrs. Dewbury triumphantly and in high glee.

Silvia, flushing to the roots of her hair, hid her face in the motherly breast of her friend and shed thankful, happy tears. 'I can't believe it, after only one meeting, she said between her ecstatic sobs. 'Does he really mean it?'

'Well, what do you suppose?' answered Mrs. Dewbury. 'You simpleton, do you think he would have cabled if he hadn't been serious? But don't lose a moment in answering, because you may be sure he is in a pretty fume of excitement.'

'What shall I say?' said Silvia, sitting bolt upright, and looking perplexed.

'Why, simply say, "Yes, I'm coming. Love, Silvia,"' said Mrs. Dewbury in a matter-of-fact tone. 'And now put that blessed writing away. It has served its purpose, anyway; but now you won't need to do another stroke, and if I were you I would turn my attention to my wardrobe.'

And so the writing was put aside for a new life, a new world, a new kingdom, of which John Denvers was to be the supreme ruler, and Silvia Clarke, happy, radiant, and almost intoxicated with her new-found joy, prepared to go and join her future husband at Calcutta.—'Catholic Home Journal.'

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## Current Topics

### The Irish Envoys

In another column there appear the latest particulars to hand regarding the approaching visit of Messrs. Devlin and Donovan, the envoys of the Irish people to New Zealand. The South is to be favored with the first visits of the delegates from the Green Isle. The time for preparation is short and precious; and in every centre where a visit is expected those interested should be up and doing, arranging for the welcoming of the envoys and the holding of meetings, and forming committees of people of every creed and country that believe in extending to the desolate and depopulated land of the tear and the smile those rights and liberties which have enabled these countries under the Southern Cross to grow almost at a bound into strong and prosperous young nations. We hope the air will vibrate with the welcome that will be accorded by this bright and happy young country to the envoys from the old and most distressful land seeking some of the elementary popular rights that we enjoy.

### Lest We Forget

'Tew bring up a child in the way he should go—travel that way yourself.' The 'wisdom' is right, although the (artificially poor) spelling needs reform. But the author, like Marlborough and Marshal Saxe, was stronger in action than in orthography. The true housefather and housemother, like the pastor of 'Sweet Auburn', 'allure to brighter worlds'; and, like him, too, they take care to 'lead the way'. A gossamer thread of good example will draw where a dozen stockwhips will not drive.

### Went to Smithers

Experience is (or should be) a lamp to the feet. But the lamp, like that which fired Chicago, sometimes gets kicked over, and with instructive if not often pleasant results. At the Presbyterian Assembly in Dunedin last week a genial Northern pastor told (according to the 'Star' report) how his experience led him to make up his mind never to join a society started by clergymen. But in a moment of good-natured acquiescence he kicked his lamp over. 'I joined', said he, 'the Bible-in-schools League started by Bishop Neligan, and it went to smithers'. It is a weakness of all such schemes. They are architected on the wrong lines. And when they fall and break into 'smithers', there is in every 'smithy' a warning lesson that he who runs may read. Has not Young somewhere said that even on the thorns of life 'delightful wisdom grows'?

### Prize Books

The approaching annual school distributions remind us once more of the need of an annual warning against the jolt-headed practice of selecting prize-books by no better criterion than the sound of the title or the glint of gold-leaf or silver-foil upon the binding. We have to remind those whom it may concern that such methods of choice have, to our knowledge, led to the circulation, among sundry Catholic children in New Zealand, of literature of an extremely objectionable kind. We have more than once pointed out specific instances in which No-Popery publications of an outrageous kind have been distributed as prizes to Catholic children at State schools. And we have reason to fear that slipshod and haphazard methods of selection have resulted in pupils attending even Catholic schools being 'rewarded' for proficiency in their work by gifts of the sort of printed stuff which Twain designated by the title 'literary oleomargarine', and to which another author affixed the apt verbal labels, 'exotic, neurotic, and tommy-rotic'. We know of no better service that could be done to deserving movements than to see the

annual prize distributions made the occasion for the extensive distribution of such excellent publications as those of the 'Ave Maria', the Boston 'Pilot' Publishing Company (especially Miss Conway's works), and the various Catholic Truth Societies (English, Australian, and International). To those interested we would repeat Captain Cuttle's reminder, that 'the bearings of this observation lays in the application on it'.

### Bible-in-schools, R.I.P.

The 'overwhelming majorities' of the Bible-in-schools leaders have at length vanished, their bounding hopes are shattered, and their rose-colored curtains are now drawn around the corpse of the movement for the sectarianising of our public schools. On last Friday the Rev. Dr. Gibb laid before the Assembly of the New Zealand Presbyterian Church at Dunedin a report from the Bible-in-schools Committee announcing the demise of the movement. The report said in part:—

'The hopes entertained a year ago that the general election would advance the cause of Bible-in-schools by bringing a Plebiscite Bill within measurable distance were unhappily falsified by the event. Very few of the members of the new Parliament favor any form of Bible teaching in the national schools, and only some thirty of them promised to support a special referendum of the question to the electors. In the face of these things, the executive of the Referendum League could only conclude that the time was inopportune for the continuance of the campaign which they had been strenuously conducting up to the date of the election. Very regretfully they resolved to discontinue the services of the agent, and to desist for the present from the various other activities in which they had been engaged. There is no good in blinking the fact that the cause of the Bible-in-schools, regarded both from the standpoint of parliamentary approval and popular sympathy, shows not a few symptoms of decadence when comparison is made between the state of matters existing to-day and that which obtained three years ago.'

And so on. Even the strenuous and roseate-viewed Dr. Gibb—who bore the movement on his shoulders—admits 'if not a defeat, at least a serious reverse.' 'The members of Parliament,' added he, 'knew quite well what the position was, and had decided to do nothing in the matter.' And the Rev. R. J. Porter averred that 'they were now further from having the Bible restored than they were five years ago.' The Bible-in-schools movement, like Macdonagh's cadaverous Irish waiter, was 'dead long ago,' only it 'had not energy enough to close its eyes.' This charitable office has now been performed for it. We cannot say that we regret its demise. It may, perhaps, lead to the formulating of some scheme of settlement of the school difficulty in which fair and equal treatment will be meted out to Catholics, Jews, and Protestant dissidents. If it does, the League will not have died in vain.

### Home Rule

There is (according to Livingstone) a tribe of barbarians in darkest Africa who have a motto which runneth thus: 'Labor kills a man but strengthens a woman.' And among the 'superior' races there are some who believe (or profess to believe) that the Home Rule which strengthens the rest of the Empire would kill Ireland 'fatally dead.' It is the only white man's country in all the King's dominions which (according to the same school of statecraft) it is right and proper to govern in accordance with the wishes of a small minority or 'garrison' that are alien in blood, in religion, and in sympathies and aspirations from the vast bulk of the population. Happily, in this connection, 'a great change' (says Mr. Labouchere in London 'Truth') 'has come over British public opinion. The colonies have always been in favor of Home Rule being granted. The Irish are steadfast in their demand for it. In England and in Scotland, my firm belief is that there is now a majority for it. I have always been a Home Ruler, because I believe in this

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way alone can there be an entente cordiale between the two islands that constitute the United Kingdom, and this is even more desirable than one between us and France. The Irish have good reason not to love us. For centuries we treated them as a subordinate race, cheated them, bullied them, and rode rough-shod over them. They have been more fairly governed of late, but they naturally wish to be masters in their own local affairs. We should do the same, if we were in their position. On the whole it is more convenient for one country to have one Parliament. But Ireland and Great Britain are two countries, and are termed officially the United Kingdom.

The Irish, says the same writer, want their own Parliament, and it has become part of their being to want one. But the present Liberal Administration is merely toying with the Home Rule problem. There is a dreamy vagueness and fuzziness and indecision about the mysterious promised thing which has been called Administrative Home Rule. Its over-optimistic advocates have been weaving words into webs of air round about it. But (to change the metaphor) there is no mistaking the clearness of the note with which the nebulous scheme has been received by the political leaders of the Irish people. Speaking at Grange, Mr. John Redmond said: "I declare here to-day that we stand where we always stood. We declare that nothing short of a complete measure of Home Rule, and with an executive responsible to it, nothing short of a complete scheme of Home Rule can ever be accepted as a settlement of the Irish question; that nothing short of such a scheme of Home Rule can ever bring peace, prosperity, or contentment to Ireland. Later on, the National Directory on the motion of Mr. Redmond, adopted the following resolution, which sounds a note as decisive and uncompromising as the snapping of a steel trap: "That we declare in the name of the people of Ireland the National demand remains unaltered and unalterable for a native Parliament with a responsible executive having power over all purely Irish affairs, and that nothing short of this can satisfy the aspirations of the Irish race. Further, we deem it our duty to declare that, while we believe the Irish people are prepared to give full consideration to any scheme for the extension of popular power and responsibility, no change which does not give to the freely elected representatives of the people full control over the affairs of Ireland can be accepted or treated as a settlement of the National question or can bring peace or prosperity to Ireland."

### A Neo-pagan Fad

The latest English illustrated papers to hand give process engravings of the latest fad of the wealthy and churchless lower orders that constitute the 'smart set'. It is nothing less than the revival of the worship of the Egyptian pagan goddess, Isis. So the fantastic Theosophic cult has found a rival at last in the absurd and idolatrous ceremonies—

Qualia demens  
Aegyptus, portentosa colit.

We are not told whether the leaders of the new cult—like those of old—avoid onions and salt, and abstain from the flesh of sheep and hogs. But it matters little. The society, which is high (in an unsavory sense) has long been familiar with other pagan modes—such as divorce, infant destruction, and the practices of the pythones. And in the evolution of folly, the spiritual phantasmagoria may yet resound to the clashing cymbals and the hysterical howl of the Corybantes. Such things are working possibilities to those who, having long ago begun with the theory of unrestricted private judgment in religion, are ending by repudiating the principle of inspiration and reducing Christianity to the level of a mere philosophy of fuzziness.

Disraeli was keen enough to see the drift of private judgment in his day. And he voiced his view in the concluding portion of the following speech which he put into the mouth of Cardinal Grandison in his 'Lothair': "There is only one Church and only one religion; all other forms and phases are mere phantasms, without root, or substance, or coherency. Look at that unhappy Germany, once so proud of its Reformation. What they call the leading journal tells us to-day that it is a question there whether four-fifths, or three-fourths of the population believe in Christianity. Some portion of it has, already, gone back, I understand, to Number Nip. Look at this unfortunate land, (England), subdivided, parcelled out in infinite schism, with new parties every day, and each more distinguished for the narrowness of its intellect or the loudness of its lungs; once the land of saints and scholars, and people in pious pilgrimages, and finding always solace and support in the divine offices of an ever-present Church, which were a true though a faint type of the beautiful future that awaited man. Why, only three centuries of this rebellion against the Most High have produced throughout the world—on the subject the most important that man should possess a clear firm faith upon—an anarchy of opinion throwing out every monstrous and fantastic form, from a caricature of the Greek philosophy to a revival of Fetishism."

The revival of Isis worship is, in all reason, a sufficiently "monstrous" and "fantastic" form of fashionable infidelity.

### Visor and Face

Marat and Robespierre have left a numerous political progeny. They 'guillotined' to the tune of 'Liberty, Equality, Fraternity', religious and political opinions that did not sit four-square with theirs. They

Stole the livery of the court of heaven,  
To serve the devil in.

Their mantle has fallen upon the atheistic Freemason-Radical-Socialist 'Bloc' or 'Machine' who now persecute religion in the name of 'right' and 'liberty', and 'Humanity' with a capital H. It is the old comedy of the Visor and the Face. Their tongues drop manna at times; but it is for export—for the foreign press and public—not for home use. On France's domestic hearth, the Pecksniffian Visor is off, the Mokanna Face shows itself in its native hideousness, and the raucous tongues of a Premier Clemenceau and of a Minister Briand hurl insults at the sacred name of the Saviour of the world, and at a teachers' congress call for the destruction of Christianity (*Kldee chretienne*) in France.

The voice that speaks for the foreign press, babbles sweetly of 'liberty of conscience'. But it is the sort of 'liberty of conscience' that the dour old Cromwell offered to the Governor of Ross during his Irish campaign. The grim Protector protested that he would not meddle with any man's conscience. But he added: "If by liberty of conscience you mean a liberty to exercise the Mass, I judge it best to use plain language and to tell you now that where the Parliament of England have power, that will not be allowed of." In France to-day the liberty to assist at Mass is curtailed in regard to State employees. The military officer who is reported by the Freemason spies (who are still as active as ever) as an attendant at Catholic worship is broken, or his promotion is stopped. And the postmaster or health inspector, or letter-carrier or official rat-catcher who is 'denounced' for assisting at the Holy Sacrifice may count on receiving his dismissal by an early mail. Yet President Loubet, and now President Fallieres, were graciously permitted by the 'Bloc' to allow their wives to attend the Sacred Mysteries. An English contemporary states that 'every Sunday morning, about ten o'clock, a handsome closed brougham sets down at the doors of St. Sulpice' (the church of our

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old alma mater) the wife of the President of the French Republic and Mlle. Fallières, who attend Mass with the utmost piety. Fallières, of course, takes his cue from his anti-Christian masters of the Bloc. In view of what has been stated above, the Catholic Times pertinently asks: "Why does President Fallières punish poor postmen because they allow their wives and children to go to Mass, and sometimes go to church themselves?" M. Fallières, adds our Liverpool contemporary, was particularly odd in his declarations on religious matters when at Marseilles. He congratulated the Government on its vigorous action and assured his colonial guests that he intended "that the ancient faiths of the aborigines should be respected and that nothing should be said or done to diminish the faith of the natives in their ancient beliefs." So here is President Fallières sending his own wife and child to Mass, preventing soldiers, sailors, and other functionaries from going to church, and affirming that the "ancient beliefs of savages would be respected!"

## CHURCH AND STATE IN FRANCE

### WHAT A NON-CATHOLIC PAPER SAYS

Misleading—not to say malevolent—cable-messages regarding the present conflict between Church and State in France keep coming week by week through the submarine wires from anticlerical agencies in Paris. Our secular papers also publish from time to time comments that are frequently extracted from scarcely less bigoted and untrustworthy sources on the other side of the straits of Dover—such as, for instance, the "Daily News," the organ of English Nonconformity, which has manifested throughout a bitterness against the Catholic Church in France as intense as that of the infidel Paris "Matin," whose echo it is upon this question. In the circumstances, we have deemed it desirable to reprint hereunder a thoughtful, fair-minded, and generally very well-informed editorial article, by a non-Catholic pen, that appeared some time ago in that well-known London weekly, the "Saturday Review." The article runs as follows:—

The Papal Encyclical upon the French Separation Law is a brave and uncompromising challenge. For this reason it has caused no small amount of irritation to that large section of opinion both in France and England which consciously or unconsciously holds that it is the primary duty of the Church to make its peace with the world.

This Erastian and unchristian temper is the bane of religion alike in England and in France, for in both countries it makes Caesar supreme over the Faith. Its forms and methods, of course, vary according to national characteristics.

English Erastianism allows the State to legislate on matters pertaining to the Sacraments, and endows lay tribunals with the power of the keys. French Erastianism at once more logical and more brutal, leaves dogmatic details alone but makes the will of an atheistic Caesar supreme in the internal administration of the Church.

So it comes about that the sort of French Catholic who in days past chiefly supported the Concordat on the ground that it subjected the Church to the State is intensely pained that the Pope should advise the Church to undergo temporal and even religious loss for the sake of

#### A Fundamental Principle

of Christianity. So keen is the vexation which exists in the camp of these Laodiceans, that Pius X., who takes his stand on a principle that is recognised quite as strongly by Calvinists as by Catholics, is one moment denounced as an Ultramontane dreamer, and the next is pitied as the victim of some deep-laid conspiracy of that bete noir of modern Liberalism, "Cardinal Merry del Val." If justification were needed for this Papal action, it would be found in these criticisms upon it.

When professing French Catholics insist on subservience in matters spiritual to an atheistic State, it is time for a protest against their cowardice. The only subject for regret is that the protest has been delayed so long.

In days gone by the Papacy in its relations with the French State had stood more on principle and less on expediency, if it had not (we quote the words of the Encyclical) supported "injustice on injustice in its love

for the proud French nation; if it had not sacrificed the spiritual interests and liberties of the Church to the Bourbon or Corsican autocracy, this Erastian heresy would never have taken root on French soil, and French Catholics would not to-day be trembling before a

#### A Persecuting and Intolerant Faction

The Encyclical, the bravest thing in truth that has come to France from the Vatican since the day when Pius VI. hurled the civil constitution of the clergy in the faces of the men of the First Revolution, should herald the dawn of a new era in the annals of French Catholicism, an era in which the Church will abandon the Erastian superstition that has been her blight in the past, and set up against the Jacobin's enthusiasm for the tyrannical State, the Christian's zeal for religion and ordered liberty. One thing is certain. The Church can not lose more by an appeal to principle than she has lost by her unwise and Erastian compromises of the past.

The details of the Encyclical are of less interest than the principle that it proclaims. The Pope has foreseen and refuted in advance the charge that in refusing to recognise the associations cultuelles he is condemning in France a system that his Church tolerates in some other countries. It is true that on canonical principles there is no objection to the employment of laymen as the trustees of ecclesiastical property. In England and in other countries before the Reformation the laity either as individuals or as corporate bodies, exercised considerable powers in reference to the fabrics and temporal possession of the Church, as the common-law powers of our churchwardens testify. In the Catholic Church in America to-day a similar state of things exists, and ecclesiastical associations of a like character are allowed in Germany. These precedents however have little application to the state of things contemplated by the French law. That law proposes to transfer Church property to associations legally established in conformity with the general regulations of the form of worship which they desire to maintain. The function of deciding whether a particular association falls within this definition pertains to the Council of State, a body which is in great measure the creature of the executive for the time being. In the Senate it was admitted that the disapproval by the Bishop of the association would not necessarily prevent its recognition by the Council of State. (The fact, by the way, that the law

sets up such a Secular and Partisan Tribunal to decide on grave questions of faith and morals is a proof that French Republicanism, while depriving the Church of all State aid, intends to preserve and exaggerate the worst features of the Erastianism of the Bourbons and Bonapartes.) This conception of associations of laymen for ecclesiastical purposes responsible to a Council of State and independent of the bishop is absolutely un-Catholic. When as in medieval England or modern America the laity are trusted with ecclesiastical functions, they are bound to act in obedience to the Bishop and to the ecclesiastical law. We have said that the principle of the associations is un-Catholic; no small proportion of Protestants would repudiate it as anti-Christian. Strange as it may seem to the ordinary Protestant, the Pope is to-day fighting with far better justification and far greater moderation the very war that Chalmers and the other founders of the Free Kirk waged in Scotland sixty years ago for the

#### Crown Rights of Christ

Such associations as the Law proposes are intolerable, and the Pope wisely refuses to consider any scheme for their modification. Un-Catholic as these associations may seem to us, they are far too Catholic to suit the taste of M. Clemenceau and his friends; consequently to suggest plans for their modification would be idle. At the same time the Pope gives the French Government to understand that on certain terms an understanding is possible. As we read the Encyclical it does not seem that the Papacy makes any impossible demands. All that the French State need do is to arrange with the Papacy for a concession to the French Church of a similar status to that which Mr. Gladstone allowed to the Irish (Anglican) Church at the time of its disestablishment. On these terms, it seems, there may be religious peace in France, if they are refused, the responsibilities of the disturbance and sacrilege that may follow will rest solely on the Republic.

Not the least melancholy feature in this unhappy story is the fact that English sympathy is generally on the Anti-Christian side. As a fact the Pope is in every way the injured party, and in this case the cause for which he is fighting is the cause of Christendom.

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Hatred and Contempt for Christianity, and its Founder. "You are like Jesus Christ," said M. Clemenceau to M. Jaures the other day. Who thought He was going to set the world right with His theories; and Who only succeeded in conjuring up an era of violence and blood. Less violent in tone, but even more illuminating, was the declaration made a few days ago by M. Aristide Briand, Minister of Justice and Education, to a congress of teachers at Amiens, for he told them that the time had come to root up from the minds of French children the ancient faith which had served its time and to replace it with the light of Free thought. "Il faut en finir avec l'idée Chrétienne." (It is time to get rid of the Christian idea.) The English press in general suppresses such interesting exhibitions of the attitude of French Republicanism to Christianity, which did space permit, we could multiply ad nauseam from the speeches of the present day rulers of France. We have no concern here with the political policy of these anti-Christian statesmen. They are, for what reason we will not inquire, apparently anxious to cultivate friendly relations with Great Britain.

Were Englishmen a little more logical, they would see the absurdity of allowing this absolutely irrelevant fact to affect their judgment of the struggle between Church and State in France. There is no question here of differences between Anglicanism and Catholicism, or indeed between Catholicism and Protestantism. The Pope in this matter is

#### Fighting the Battle of Christendom.

The secularist will, of course, be on the side of the French Government against the Church; so will the narrow and paltry type of Protestantism that can see no good in any form of religion but its own. This sort is quite content that there shall be no Christianity at all so long as there is no Rome. But the sober, moderate English Christian can not possibly doubt with which side his sympathies will be. Especially if he be a Conservative engaged during the last few months in denouncing our Government's Education Bill as an attack on religion, he can not for very shame approve a policy on the other side of the water which magnifies a hundredfold every vice he had been objecting to in the education and ecclesiastical policy of the Government here. A century ago, when English Protestantism and English politicians still had some regard for the common heritage and the common good of Christendom, English opinion in the majestic tones of Burke, held up the sacrilege and atheism of the first Jacobins to the scorn and detestation of Europe.

## CHRISTIAN BURIAL

(BY THE REV. J. GOLDEN, KAIKOURA)

[Concluded]

Now comes the question of the burial service. All aglow and bubbling over with zeal are now the relatives of the deceased. What do they want? The burial service. It is easy to send a telegraphic mandate: "Come to the burial to-morrow." The priest, in a certain case, was some thirty miles away on Sunday duties, having also other pressing engagements for Monday. Deceased was an old man, the only Catholic in the family. He had been ailing for some time, but no information was given the priest. Some of his daughters were at a ball the night of his death. On their return from the jading revelry they found their father a corpse! He was allowed to die without the life-giving rites of his Church; and nobody could tell when he had complied with his Christian and Catholic duties. He had not renounced the faith. Very little else could be alleged to his credit. Behold a typical case of indolent Catholics—making allowance for a large margin of variety. Unnatural unions, called mixed marriage, are accountable for many a death of the type just recorded. Other forces, such as intoxication, bad company, and unchristian literature, lead up to unholy endings.

Now, the friends of most of such spendthrifts of time and grace, regard their unfortunate death with the utmost composure. If they call in medical aid, they flatter themselves on having done their duty to the man sick unto death. When the patient has breathed his last, they quite composedly cry out: "Happy release. He's better off. He's happier now." Possibly they were anxious for the poor sinner's death, so as to be rid of trouble with him. And then come the

#### Urgent and Nervous Messages

for the burial service. No interest whatever had been taken in the immortal soul. Human respect is now supreme and most exacting. To refuse Christian burial would be high treason. Nor would it be a less grievous offence to omit the same because of more imperative duties. The people who had impiously neglected to secure the consolations of religion for the departed, are the most clamorous of all for funeral rites. This is a great abuse, the dictate of human pride and human respect.

The poor disembodied soul was in dire need of the last Sacraments. At the supreme hour of death there is the utmost need of Holy Viaticum, and the most virtuous cannot afford indifference to its reception. How much more the need for the sinner, after his reconciliation through the Sacrament of Penance! "Unless you eat of the Flesh of the Son of Man, and drink of His Blood, you shall not have life in you," are the words of Him who commands the reception of Himself in the Holy Eucharist. His command is most pressing at the approach of death.

Can the sinner afford to forego the strengthening and cleansing effects of Extreme Unction? St. James, an inspired apostle, admonishes: "Is any one sick among you? Let him call in the priests of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick man, and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him." (St. James v. 14, 15).

At the approach of death, the supreme hour of life, everyone anxious for his salvation seeks the invaluable benefits of absolution from his sins, of the Holy Viaticum, and of the Extreme Unction. Satan is then come down with great wrath, knowing that his time is short. The wily tempter, with ages of experience at his back, exerts his utmost strength and strategy to capture the dying Christian. The devoted Catholic will not rely on his own unaided powers, which are of no avail against the relentless foe. He will sedulously employ the weapons entrusted to the Church for his safe guidance from temporal to eternal life. He will carefully and seasonably receive the holy Sacraments, those divine channels of grace, which heal and sanctify the soul through the application of the Precious Blood. He will resign himself to the adorable will of his Maker. He will confidently commend himself and his eternal interests to the Sacred Heart of his Redeemer. Every prayer and aspiration are towards his God. The priests, and the friends around will engage in reciting the soul-moving prayers and litanies for the dying. The chamber of death will breathe the fragrance of faith and hope and religion. In the midst of such surroundings, and with crucifix in hand, the faithful Christian will yield his soul to his Maker and Redeemer. There are tears of deep gratitude on the part of the survivors, and the chamber is converted into a sanctuary of prayer and devotion for the assuagement of the liberated soul.

In the midst of natural grief, the friends are consoled with the cheering thought derived from the Book of Wisdom: "The souls of the just are in the hands of God. . . they are in peace." And in the Book of Revelations we read: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Does not the Holy Ghost call the death of the just a refreshing sleep? The Lord said to Moses: "Behold thou shalt sleep with thy fathers." (Deut. xxxi. 16). In the tenth chapter of the second Book of Kings, the demise of David is recorded thus: "So David slept with his fathers." Happy the soul that departs life adorned with the nuptial garment of sanctifying grace! They are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb to be celebrated in heaven.

How confidently the priest can speak of

#### An Edifying Death!

How naturally and joyfully he unburdens his mind to the congregation respecting the departed! The happy death has left a sweet fragrance in the parish. Many a heart feels the thought and expresses the same in earnest prayer: "May my last end be like unto his. He has found peace with his God." How confidently, also, the priest offers the Requiem Mass for the departed. How meaningful the prayer at the obsequies: "Come to his assistance, all ye saints of God; meet him, all ye angels of the Lord, receiving his soul, presenting it in the sight of the Most High!" And again: "May Christ receive thee, who has called thee, and may the angels conduct thee into the bosom of Abraham."

And the faithful, how free and devout their prayers for the departed! They feel impelled to succor him according to their ability. He had won their confidence, and now he gets their prayers. If Purgatory be his temporary abode, the charity of his generous friends will assuage his pains and hasten his release.

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from captivity. The ineffable benefit of the Holy Sacrifice will not be denied him. But these thoughts need not be pursued any further.

On the other hand, what a picture could be drawn of the

#### Death-surroundings

of such Catholics as have been brought under review. Objects of piety are conspicuous by their absence from the sick man's room. There is nobody to offer a prayer for him. He is writhing in agonies of pain and weariness. He is stupified by the miseries of his helpless condition. Does he pray? Or does he blaspheme, saying: 'What have I done that God should punish me thus?' He has long since lost the use of prayer. How unlikely that the faculty of prayer will now return, after years of disuse of the same and abuse of grace! Restlessness, impatience, obliviousness of religion settle down upon him. The death of the wicked is very evil, declares the inspired Psalmist. 'A hard heart shall fare evil at the last,' exclaims Ecclesiasticus, another inspired penman.

Does not Holy Writ abound in terrible examples of vengeance falling on the wicked? Core, Dathan, Abiron and their associates in rebellion against Moses, went down the gaping earth alive into hell, as we read in the sixteenth chapter of the Book of Numbers. Goliath, Absalom, Jezabel, Holofernes, Baltassar, Antiochus, Ananias and Saphira, Herod the impious—how dire the end of each! Sinners that glory in evil things, shall grow old in evil, said Ecclesiasticus, until bitter death overtakes them. And then the wicked hearts shall be laden with sorrows, according to the same infallible authority.

Has not Christ pronounced the sentence on the rebellious Christian: 'He that will not hear the Church, let him be to thee as the heathen and the publican?' And has He not also given forth the divine oracle: 'He that despiseth you, despiseth Me?' How dire and crushing the final judgment against those who would not hearken to the voice of God and His Church. 'Depart from me, ye accursed, into everlasting fire, which was prepared for the devil and his angels' (Matt. xxv., 41.).

It is superfluous to enlarge any more upon the consideration. The class of Catholics already noticed usually die without the Sacraments, those powerful safeguards for a happy death. The friends are utterly indifferent respecting the spiritual interests of the dying man. At its best their conversation with him only turns on matters altogether worldly. Then comes the all-important question of the burial service. Enough has been put forward to show how the Church desires to honor the dead, and to assuage the pains of the holy souls in a temporary middle state. But there is no folly or wickedness greater than to allow a friend to die without the saving sacraments and then make a howling cry over funeral honors. The burial service is not a Sacrament. All the funeral services yet performed, or to be celebrated to the end of time, could not in their added up value save one single soul. Of no worth whatever are they to the reprobate. The worthy reception of the Sacraments would have enabled the poor sinner to depart from life under the happiest auspices. But this aspect of the case is no concern to the unfortunate surroundings of many a dying Catholic. Instances are sufficiently numerous and up-to-date to warrant this strong statement. However, the priest gives the benefit of

#### A Charitable Doubt,

although he cannot rid his mind of reasonable misgivings respecting the health of the departed soul. For the Psalmist declares that God's 'tender mercies are over all His works.' And the great apostle of the Gentiles lays down the doctrine that 'it is the will of God that all men be saved.' Yes; but Almighty God also requires the co-operation of every adult in the supreme business of salvation. For this very purpose He endows every soul with free will—a noble gift. And He that wills man's salvation, and affords the means to this end, has laid down the condition: 'If thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.' Moreover, germane also to the question is that other divine oracle enunciated by St. Matthew: 'He that shall persevere to the end, he shall be saved.' But the sinner had spurned the 'sweet yoke' and the 'light burden' of his crucified and merciful Saviour. He had made, a perverse use of free will. He had resisted inspirations, entreaties, graces beyond number. The Good Shepherd had sought him most sedulously, but the 'wayward' and self-willed erring soul fled forever from his loving embrace. He has squandered the full measure of graces destined for his salvation. The end of the chain has been reached; and then it is to be greatly feared that the hardened heart is given over to final impenitence. 'Now we know that God doth not hear sinners,' exclaims St. John.

Is there no death-bed repentance? Yes, Longinus was saved on the bed of the cross. But does not St. Augustine make a striking comment on this remarkable conversion? 'One was thus saved, that nobody should despair; but only one, that nobody should presume.' Anyhow, God is absolute owner of His gifts, and He bestows them where He listeth. Nor must a man presume to limit His mercies. So the priest performs the funeral obsequies. He hopes for the better, though very telling arguments militate against him. Let him be ever so optimistic, he finds it hard to speak in the language of hope respecting the deceased. How unreal appear the words of that touching prayer: 'May Christ receive thee, Who has called thee! Is it to Paradise Christ, its Redeemer and Judge has called that soul? How void of life and truth appear, also, the words of the sweet invocation: 'May the angels conduct thee to the bosom of Abraham.' What avails to a lost soul the usual prayer for the dead? 'Eternal rest give him, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon him.' All is over. The friends of deceased are satisfied. They offer no prayer, but, after the manner of heathens, they load the coffin with flowers, and go away with the usual stereotyped judgment: 'Happy release, better off. May God preserve my readers from such friends!'

## Diocesan News

### DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

November 12.

The Right Rev. Dr. Lenihan, Bishop of Auckland, is expected in Christchurch next week.

The Rev. Father Melu, S.M., now at Kaikoura, is on a periodical visitation to the Maori settlements in the South Island.

The Rev. Father McDermott, C.S.S.R., opened a mission at Leeston on Sunday. During the week he is to be replaced by the Very Rev. Father Clune, C.S.S.R., and will then commence the annual retreat at Mount Magdala.

The Rev. Father Gilleran of Hobart and the Rev. Father O'Flynn, also of Tasmania, were callers at the episcopal residence during the week. The Rev. Father Gilleran was at Mount Magdala on Sunday, and the Rev. Father O'Flynn celebrated the half-past nine o'clock Mass in the Cathedral.

Although it may not be particularly proper to note the private life of notable persons, yet one naturally feels impelled to depart from the strict rules in this regard on occasions. The edification afforded by the example shown must be the excuse advanced. These remarks refer to Miss Tittell Brune, Mr. Kingston, and Miss Ferguson, members of Mr. J. C. Williamson's Company, who may be seen attending holy Mass daily in the Cathedral.

Pupils of the Sisters of the Missions (Sacred Heart Convent) figure prominently in the musical arrangements of the Exhibition. Miss Lottie Barker is leading harpist, Miss Rima Young was second harpist, and Miss Mary O'Connor sang in the chorus in the production of the Commemorative Ode at the opening ceremony. Miss Katie Young (Cathedral organist and an ex-pupil) is pianist—an official appointment for the season.

The attractions of Canterbury's Carnival Week and of the Exhibition brought together an enormous concourse from all parts. It has been a period of records in attendance at all the fixtures—race meetings, trotting meetings, and A. and P. Show, the latter also establishing records in entries and show days. On people's day (Friday last) it is estimated that fully 30,000 persons were on the ground, whilst at the Exhibition over 45,000 passed the turnstiles, bringing the total number of visitors there for the nine days up to 185,000.

On last Sunday week a number of the children at the Sacred Heart Church, Addington, who had been prepared in retreat by the Rev. Father Peoples, made their First Communion. After Mass the children were entertained by the ladies of the congregation at breakfast. There was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the day and Benediction in the evening, the altar and sanctuary being beautifully adorned for the occasion by the Altar Society, assisted by the Sisters in charge of the schools. In the afternoon there was renewal of baptismal vows in the presence of a crowded congregation. On the following day the whole of the school children thoroughly enjoyed a picnic arranged in the extensive church and school grounds.

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## Timaru

(From our own correspondent.)

November 12.

The annual retreat for ladies will be held as usual in the convent next year, commencing on January 9.

The convent chapel, by reason of its appointments and its style of architecture, has been considered since its erection one of the nicest of its kind in New Zealand. Lately its walls have been adorned by some beautiful paintings. Behind the altar there is a beautiful representation of Our Lord with attendant angels hovering round, the whole being most artistic.

A popular wedding was celebrated last Monday in the Sacred Heart Church by the Rev. Father Bowden, the contracting parties being Miss C. McGuinness, of Timaru, and Mr. J. Skinner, of Aberdeen, Scotland. Miss Brick, of Christchurch, was bridesmaid, and Mr. M. J. Doyle was best man. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. N. McGuinness. The marriage ceremony was followed by a Nuptial Mass. The organist (Mrs. Mangos) played the Wedding March as the happy couple left the church—a tribute to the bride for her long, devoted, and successful service as leader of the choir. The wedding breakfast was laid at the residence of Mr. N. Mangos, brother-in-law of the bride, and quite a large number of guests were present. Rev. Father Bowden paid a well deserved tribute to the good work done in the parish by the bride, and wished the newly-wedded couple every blessing and happiness. Rev. Father Finnerly was among the guests, as also were the members of the choir. The wedding presents were numerous and valuable. Mr. and Mrs. Skinner left by the afternoon train for Fairlie on their honeymoon.

## Greymouth

(From our own correspondent.)

November 6.

There was a large attendance at the St. Columba Club on Tuesday evening, October 30, the attraction being the competition for the diploma presented by the Federated Societies' Executive. The following members competed: Messrs. C. Simon, A. Fraser, R. C. Heffernan, W. Duffy, D. Butler, C. Carmine, and T. O'Donnell. Most of the members showed they had made a keen study of the subject, and some very good speeches were delivered. The judges, after much deliberation, gave their decision in favor of Mr. Donald Butler.

A very pleasing ceremony took place on Saturday night at Mr. C. Smith's drapery establishment, when the employees assembled to say good-bye to Miss Nellie Thompson, who is severing her connection with the firm. Mr. E. J. Smith, in making the presentation, which consisted of a handsome gold granny chain, referred in eulogistic terms to Miss Thompson, and expressed the firm's regret at losing the services of such a capable and painstaking young lady, and concluded by wishing her every success in the future. Mr. R. C. Heffernan returned thanks on behalf of Miss Thompson, and thanked the donors for their handsome present, which would always remind her of the happy days spent amongst them. Miss Thompson leaves in a few days for Wellington.

The members of the St. Columba Club held a very successful entertainment in the club rooms last Wednesday evening, the object being to obtain a supply of new books for the library. The entertainment consisted of musical and vocal items, guessing and other competitions. The club's orchestra rendered three items in its best style, and Miss Rose Weber and Mr. Allen contributed songs, which were much appreciated, whilst Masters Condon and Campbell entertained the audience with recitations. Another excellent item was the dumbbell drill by a squad of boys from the Marist Brothers' school, which was received with rounds of applause. Miss Phillips presided over the refreshment room. The entertainment proved a great success, the takings for the evening amounting to £19. After paying all expenses the library fund will benefit to the extent of about £14, which is considered highly satisfactory. The thanks of the club are due to the ladies' committee, who worked hard to make the entertainment the great success which it proved.

## DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

(From our own correspondent.)

November 8.

The roof is now being put on the sacristy situated on the northern side of St. Patrick's Cathedral. The whole work is going rapidly ahead.

A concert in aid of the Father Walter memorial church, Ellerslie, was given by St. John's choir, Parnell, in Cairns' Hall, Ellerslie, last Wednesday evening, and was a pronounced success.

The mortuary services held annually on the first Sunday after All Souls' Day were held last Sunday afternoon in the Symond Street Cemetery. At the appointed hour a goodly number of people gathered from the parishes in and around the city. The clergy present were Very Rev. Father Gillan, Rev. Fathers Mahoney, Holbrook, and McMillan. After the choir of St. Benedict's, under Mr. S. Jackson, had sung appropriate music, the whole body, priests and people, formed in processional order, and walked through the cemetery, reciting the Rosary. At its conclusion the assemblage again mustered around the cross, and the Rev. Father Mahoney, of Onehunga, addressed those present, and reminded them of the faithful departed. He enjoined upon all to constantly pray for the repose of the souls of the dead. Prayers for the dead were then offered up by all present. The priests, accompanied by the altar boys, then returned to St. Benedict's Church. A public meeting was afterwards held in St. Benedict's schoolroom, presided over by the Very Rev. Father Gillan, when the annual balance sheet of the Auckland Catholic Cemetery Board was read by the hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. M. J. Sheahan. It showed that after a liberal expenditure on the cemetery, a credit balance remained of £30. Much needed work had been left undone, but the committee's resources were limited, consequently it was much hampered. A vote of thanks was passed to Father Gillan for his untiring efforts as chairman of the Board, much of its success being due to him. Father Gillan briefly returned thanks, and the meeting terminated. The collection taken at the cemetery gates amounted to £9.2s.

## Wanganui

(From our own correspondent.)

November 8.

Messrs. Edgar McDonald and W. Power have been elected joint librarians of the St. Mary's Catholic Club.

I regret to record the death of Mrs. Stokes, wife of Mr. J. Stokes. The deceased, who passed away on November 1, leaves four young children to mourn their loss.—R.I.P.

The arrival of Mr. J. Stanbury, ex-champion sculler of the world, has created a great stir in aquatic circles, and has led to a deal of discussion as to whether the local man, W. Webb, will be able to defeat him on Boxing Day. At 11 o'clock and 4 o'clock daily there is quite a number of interested spectators watching the two rivals on the river.

The entries for the forthcoming Show of the Wanganui Agricultural Association total no less than 2516, of which 1169 are in the home industries section. This total is a record for New Zealand, and if the quality of the exhibits is only up to their number, which will probably turn out to be the case, the fixture should be one of the most successful held to date in the Colony. It will not be the fault of the secretary, Mr. Selby Morton, and his assistants if such is not the case.

## THE INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION

As was to be expected the attendance at the Exhibition was very good during the past week. The beautiful weather which prevailed and the attractions of the Agricultural Show, etc., brought great crowds of visitors to Christchurch, so that up to Wednesday evening the total admissions since the opening six days amounted to 107,000. Up to the present the visitors from Australia are comparatively few, but it is expected that very many people will be over here after Christmas. The great attractiveness of the Exhibition is yet to be made more widely known in the Commonwealth, and it is well-known that the great majority of people in New Zealand are not yet fully acquainted with its vast extent and importance.

On Thursday upwards of 10,000 visited the A. and P. Association's Show, whilst the admissions during the day to the Exhibition totalled 15,000, being 122,000 to date.

Miss Marie Narelle and her company were to have given a concert in the main concert hall on Thursday, but the company declined to appear owing to the Exhibition orchestra being engaged to provide free music in the main corridor. The contention of Miss Nar-

elle's manager was that a free entertainment would naturally interfere with the attendance at one which had to be paid for. The soundness of this contention is beyond question.

The Government have abolished the office of chairman of the Executive Commissioners, and have placed the Exhibition under the direct control of a Minister of the Crown.

At a meeting of the Executive Council the resignation of Mr. Munro as Executive Commissioner was accepted, and each member of the Government was appointed an Executive Commissioner. Ministers will in turn remain in Christchurch while the Exhibition is open, and as the Minister resident there requires under the Exhibition Act to be an Executive Commissioner the Government came to the conclusion that, with the responsibility devolving upon them in connection with a great undertaking such as the Exhibition, which was now in practical working order, it should be administered under the direct authority of the Government.

In recognition of the practical success which has attended his work, the Government decided to offer Mr. Munro the position of general manager of the Exhibition, and he has accepted the appointment. It is intended also to appoint Mr. Tom Pollard as director of entertainments.

On Friday—the People's Day—over 30,000 persons were present at the A. and P. Show, which was described by a visitor of large experience in such matters as follows:—It is the best all-round collection of live stock I have ever seen. At the large English shows more breeds are represented, almost every district having a local variety of sheep, and there being several breeds of cattle which have influential patrons, but which are little known in New Zealand. But no show in England, Scotland, or Australia presents such a large and meritorious display as is seen in the principal breeds. The attendance at the Exhibition was 45,348.

There was an attendance at the Exhibition on Saturday of 17,571 persons, the third largest during the currency of the big fair. Up to and including Saturday a total of 185,024 people had passed through the turnstiles, or an average of over 20,500 per day—a record of which the authorities may well feel proud. Out of 45,000 who passed through the Exhibition entrance turnstiles on Friday no less than 15,211 paid for admission to Wonderland. During the whole of Friday 10,000 people were carried on the water chute, and 9000 on the toboggan.

The Union Steam Ship Company have decided to run special week-end excursions from Dunedin to Lyttelton and from Wellington to Lyttelton on Friday 16th inst., giving the whole of Saturday in Christchurch, the steamers leaving on the return late on Saturday night. The saloon return fare on both excursions will be 20s, but this will not include meals, which may be had on board at 2s each.

A French statistician has calculated that there are in Europe at this moment 9,500,000 men under arms. If they were all lined up the line would be 1500 miles long.

The Catholic population of Boston is about 700,000. There are 488 diocesan priests and 110 priests of religious Orders. Number of churches, 226; churches having resident priests, 186; young people under Catholic care, 48,500.

A first-class luncheon can be had at the Silver Grid, corner of Arcade and High street, Dunedin. The proprietress (Mrs. Walker, late of Gore and Tuapeka) guarantees that everything is the best procurable.

A lady friend writes: Having been at the Retreats held yearly in January at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Timaru, I think more people would avail themselves of this opportunity if they were aware they could stay in the convent and have the kind care and help of the nuns during the Retreat.



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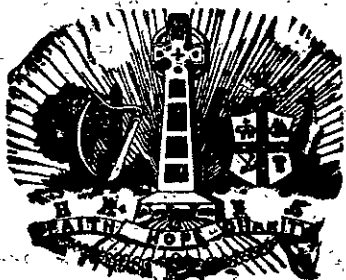
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Wellington, November 12.—The Department of Industries and Commerce has received the following cable from the High Commissioner, dated London, November 11:—The mutton market is speculative. Buyers do not seem inclined to make forward purchases at prices now ruling. Shipments of mutton now arriving are very small, and high prices are restricting business. Canterbury brands are quoted at 5d. and North Island at 4d. There is a better demand for lamb. Stocks on hand are light, and firmly held in a few hands. Canterbury brands are quoted at 5d. and other than Canterbury at 4d. Buyers are not inclined to make forward purchases at present prices. The beef market is very firm. Supplies from the River Plate are small. Hind and forequarters are quoted at 4d and 4d respectively. The butter market is steady, but is not likely to advance. Supplies are increasing, and buyers are holding back, expecting prices to go lower. October imports exceed those of the corresponding period of last year by 30,156 cwt. Choice New Zealand is quoted at 116s, Danish at 123s, and Siberian at 104s. Transactions in cheese are very limited. The market is quiet. Canadian makes are quoted at 63s per cwt. The hemp market is quiet, and prices are slightly weaker. Moderate business has been done at £36 1s for g.f.a.q. Wellington, on spot, at £35 5s; for January-March shipment, fair current, on spot, is quoted at £42 per ton. The cocksfoot seed market is dull, and there is scarcely any demand. Nominal quotation for 17lb bright clean, dressed seed is 44s per cwt.

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Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—Oats.—Business in this line during the week has been very quiet, stocks in store being very small. We quote: Prime milling, 2s 1d to 2s 14d; best feed sorts, up to 2s 1d. Wheat.—No alteration since last report. Millers are not inclined to buy anything except prime milling, and then only sparingly. Fowl wheat, of which there is plenty offering, meets with a steady local sale. Quotations: Prime milling, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; medium, to 3s 3d; fowl wheat, 2s 9d to 3s 2d (sacks extra). Potatoes.—The supply from the country has fallen off during the week, causing a slight advance in prices, although inferior lines are hard to get rid of. Prime Derwents and up-to-dates, £11 to £12; medium to good, £9 10s to £10 (sacks in). Chaff.—Nothing but prime quality has any attention from buyers, and recently changes hands on arrival, inferior stuff being hard to place. Prime oaten sheaf is worth £3 12s 6d to £3 17s 6d; medium to good, £2 15s to £3 10s.

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. (Ltd.) report:—We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday, when we submitted a full catalogue. The attendance was small, and compe-

dition only moderate. Most of the lots on offer, however, changed hands at prices about on a par with late quotations. Values ruled as under:—

Oats.—Local stocks are now considerably reduced, and most of those still on hand are A grade, for which holders are not disposed to accept prices offered by shippers. The demand for export is chiefly for B grade, and in this quality more business was done during last week. Quotations: Prime milling, 2s 1d to 2s 14d; good to best feed, 2s to 2s 04d; inferior to medium, 1s-10d to 1s 14d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—There is no change to report either in values or demand. Prime milling is the only class in favor with millers, and even for this quality their requirements are not heavy. Medium quality is practically neglected. Fowl wheat is offering freely, and for best whole wheat and clean seconds there is steady demand. Quotations: Prime milling, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; medium to good, 3s 24d to 3s 34d; whole fowl wheat, 3s to 3s 2d; broken, damaged, and good seconds, 2s 9d to 3s per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The market is kept fairly well supplied with Australian potatoes, but in other respects consignments have fallen off. For all prime, sound lots—Derwents or white sorts—there is strong demand at prices in advance of late quotations. Indifferent quality and small sorts are without attention and difficult to quit. Quotations: Prime table Derwents, £11 to £12; medium to good, £9-10s to £10-10s; small and inferior (according to quality), £2 to £3 per ton (sacks included).

Chaff.—The market continues to be well supplied with chaff of medium to good quality. Prime bright oaten sheaf has good demand, and is readily quoted on arrival, but for other sorts there is no inquiry. Quotations: Prime oaten sheaf, £3 12 6d to £3 17s 6d; medium to good, £3 5s to £3 10s; inferior and light, £2 15s to £3 5s per ton (bags extra).

### WOOL.

Adelaide, November 13.—At the wool sales 26,000 bales were catalogued, which is a world's record for a single day. Competition was very keen, the Bradford and American buyers being present in full strength, though the Continental buyers were not much in evidence. Nearly the whole quantity was sold, prices for good wools generally being 4d up.

Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—

Rabbit skins.—No sale since last report. Owing to small quantities now offering sales are now held fortnightly.

Sheepskins.—We offered a medium-sized catalogue on Tuesday, prices being up to last week's rates, with the exception of merinos, which declined fully 1d per lb. Best halfbreds are worth 104d, crossbreds up to 84d, merinos 7d, lambs up to 2s each.

Hides.—No sale to report. Next auction Thursday, 15th inst.

Tallow and Fat.—Market very firm, with an upward tendency owing to several new buyers being in the field. Best tallow, 19s to 22s; best rough fat, up to 16s 6d.

## Late Burnside Stock Report

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Fat Cattle.—167 head yarded, these consisting of more than the usual proportion of prime bullocks, which were firm at last week's rates. Medium cattle, however, did not meet with the same attention, and prices were slightly easier. Prime bullocks, £10 to £11-10s; medium to good, £8 to £9-5s; light, £5-10s to £7 10s; best cows and heifers, £7 15s to £8-2s 6d; medium to good, £5-5s to £6 15s.

Sheep.—The yarding numbered 1061—about half the number required for this market. Prices in consequence rose considerably, and the following rates were obtained: Extra prime heavy wethers, 31s 9d to 33s 3d; prime, 24s to 27s 6d; medium to good, 22s to 23s 6d; light, 19s to 20s 6d; extra heavy ewes, 25s to 31s; medium to good, 20s 6d to 22s; light, 16s to 19s.

Lambs.—130 yarded. All prime lambs met with a brisk sale at the following quotations: Prime lambs, 18s to 19s 9d; medium to good, 13s 6d to 17s; others 10s 6d to 12s.

Pigs.—There was a small yarding of 90. Some half a dozen pens were suckers, and these sold under good competition at last week's rates. Choppers and baconers were in short supply, and sold at satisfactory prices. Suckers, 16s to 18s; slips, 18s 6d to 21s; stores, 23s to 27s; porkers, 33s to 42s; light baconers, 45s to 49s; heavy do, 53s to 63s.

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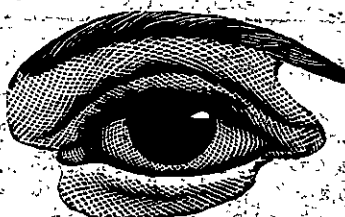
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Not less brave is King Carlos's beautiful Queen, who has probably saved more lives than any other Royal lady in Europe. Once she plunged into the Tagus and, battling with the strong current, rescued two children from drowning; and on a more recent occasion she saved a fisherman who was drowning in a rough sea of Cascaes—a feat which nearly cost her her own life, and in recognition of which the Kaiser presented her with the German medal for saving life.

Curiously enough it was near the same spot that Carlos himself was rescued when a boy. Near the fortress of Cascaes, on the Atlantic coast, is a chasm known as Hell's Mouth, in which the waters of the Atlantic form seething whirlpools. Just beyond the chasm the young Carlos and his brother were bathing one day when they were caught by a wave which would certainly have swept them into the chasm had it not been for the presence of mind and daring of Queen Maria Pia, their mother, who rushed into the sea and saved her sons from destruction.

Another Royal life-saver is King Oscar of Sweden, a man of enormous strength and absolutely fearless. His Majesty was walking in the streets of Stockholm one day when he saw a couple of runaway horses, attached to a carriage in which were a lady and her daughter, racing madly in his direction. The coachman had lost all control of the maddened animals and a terrible catastrophe seemed inevitable. As the horses drew near the King walked towards them and, with a leap, flung himself at their heads, seized the reins, and, after being dragged some distance, brought them, trembling and subdued, to a standstill. For this deed of heroism he received the medal of the French Humane Society.

The late King of Denmark performed a similar heroic act, to which there was an amusing sequel, by stopping a runaway cab-horse in the suburbs of Copenhagen. When the cabman realised that the danger was passed he turned to his rescuer and said, 'I don't know who you are, sir; but I shall be proud to drive you home for nothing.' 'Thank you, my friend,' was the smiling answer, 'I think I had rather walk.'

Twice at least the Dowager Empress of Russia saved her husband's life. Once, it is said, she saw a strange jewel-case on the Emperor's dressing-table, and on picking it up found that it was unaccountably heavy. Her suspicion was aroused, and carrying it into her own room she placed it in a basin of water and sent for the Prefect of Police. An examination of the case proved that it was a most ingenious infernal machine of terrible power.

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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.

April 4, 1900.

LEO XIII., Pope.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1906.

### 'LEAGUE OF FRENCH CATHOLICS'



ABLE MESSAGES that have for a long time past been coming to Australasia from Paris furnish melancholy evidence of the extent to which the sources of international communication in France are in the hands of organisations that are hostile to religion. Last week's foreign despatches supplied a fresh case in point. It took the shape of a cable-

message from Paris which stated that, 'notwithstanding the papal interdict,' the 'League of French Catholics' has established a number of associations for public worship through the various departments into which the country is divided.

The real significance of this item of news lies in what the cable-friend deemed it prudent to suppress. The 'League of French Catholics' is a misnomer, a false label, a fraudulent designation. Its founder is not a leader of French Catholic thought, but a mere journalistic hack. His name is Des Houx. He was, we imagine, once a Catholic of a sort. For a time he edited the 'Moniteur de Rome', but in such a manner that his services had to be dispensed with, and the paper (a Catholic one in the French language) was finally suppressed by Pope Leo XIII. Des Houx has been since then a man with a grievance. He is now employed as a writer on the 'Paris Matin', which (as is well known) is the organ of the atheistic Freemason-Radical-Socialist 'Bloc' that organised the present persecution. The 'yellow' men of Portadown are said to entertain a particularly poor opinion of the Pope. But their opinion and its expression are as gentle as the cooings of the sucking dove compared with those of the 'Matin', which is notorious for the vindictive bitterness of its antagonism to revealed religion. A known 'Papish' might, by some possible combination of circumstances, achieve the distinction of securing employment higher than that of a scavenger from the saffron city council of Belfast. But a known, professing, and practising Christian would never soar to the dizzy heights of the hope of employment in the office of the 'Matin'. Des Houx's position on that rabid organ of persecution sufficiently determines, by itself alone, his attitude towards religion. And the anti-Catholic character of the Des Houx 'League' may be sufficiently gathered from the offensive language of its first manifesto, and from the evident object of its formation—it having been 'inaugurated' (says a cable despatch of September 24 from Paris to the American associated press) 'with the purpose of creating a schism' and starting 'a distinct Gallican Church'.

In Paris Des Houx is a nobody. But even a stunted figure will pass at a distance for somebody. Out here on the rim of the world the anticlerical hack of the 'Matin' is made by the cable demon to pass for the leader of a new reform in France. And the so-called 'League of French Catholics' is made to appear a serious movement among professing and practising Christians. Judging by the information before us (which we believe to be in every particular authoritative), a more misleading conception of the Des Houx business could scarcely have been sent to our shores. We have already pointed out, in the columns of some of the secular papers, how, according to the despatch last mentioned, there was a small attendance when the League was founded, on September 24. No known Catholics, or at least no prominent Catholics, seem to have been present. According to a Parisian account before us, the opening of the new movement was a farcical affair, with Des Houx as its beginning, centre, and end. It seems as if the new association would have been more aptly named the League of French Anti-Catholics. The impression in Catholic centres in Paris seems to be that Des Houx (who, as stated, is nobody in particular) is simply the cat's-paw of M. Briand (Minister of Justice and Education), who urged the formation of worship associations without consultation with the bishops, and who, at the teachers' congress at Amiens, declared that religion must be banished from the minds of the children of France, and that 'il faut en finir avec l'idée chrétienne' (we must get rid of Christianity). Our readers should bear the following facts in mind: (1) The public worship associations, as provided for in the Separation Law that comes in force on December 11, are exclusively lay bodies. (2) They are to have full control of churches, seminaries, presbyteries, etc. (3) They are (as deputy Emile Molot declared) free to establish any form of 'worship' that they please, and the parish clergy would be merely their paid employees. (4) They are completely inde-

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pendent of the ecclesiastical authority. And (5) they are the mere creatures of the Council of State—that is (as the London 'Saturday Review' printed elsewhere in this issue, has pointed out) of the Executive for the time being. And the Council (as the same journal rightly declares) is constituted by law a secular and partisan tribunal to decide on grave questions of faith and morals.

The public worship associations, as thus constituted by law, were naturally and necessarily rejected by the Pope and the French episcopate as wholly incompatible with the constitution and discipline of the Church. It would be as if the New Zealand parliament were to permit Presbyterians to worship in their own fane only on condition that they radically altered their present system of Church government, and adopted another and wholly incompatible one drawn up by an anti-Christian machine, or 'Bloc.' The Pope, says the 'Saturday Review,' is fighting, with far better justification and far greater moderation, the very war that Chalmers and the other founders of the Free Kirk waged in Scotland sixty years ago for the 'Crown rights of Christ.' The Covenanters also fought to the death against the dominance of the secular arm over the Church or conscience of a free people. 'The Pope,' says the review already quoted, 'is fighting the battle of Christendom.' French Catholics may not, after all, sit down as quietly and accept the confiscation of their churches or their seizure by atheists masquerading as Catholics—as tamely as M. Des Houx and his anti-Catholic associations may imagine. Our readers have probably not forgotten so recent a matter as the history of the inventories.

## Notes

### School Tyranny

Victoria (as we have shown from time to time) has furnished some instructive examples of the sort of things that may befall Catholic and Jewish children under a 'free, secular, and compulsory' system of State instruction, with 'equal rights for all.' Pennsylvania has of late been emulating its more southerly rival, as the following paragraph from the Milwaukee 'Catholic Citizen' of September 29 shows: 'The A.P.A. of Williamstown, Pa., have won the first legal victory in their anti-Catholic crusade. At their request the school directors of that town ordered the Protestant version of the Bible to be read in the public schools. Catholic parents decided to send their children to the schools when the Bible reading was over. But then they were refused admittance. They thereupon applied for a mandamus compelling the directors to allow the children to enter after the Protestant Bible is read. Judge Kunkel has refused to accede to their request, and so, until a higher court pronounces upon the point, Catholic children are forced to attend a sectarian service in the public school.'

The Philadelphia 'Catholic Standard' of September 22 states that Judge Kunkel's decision was given in the Dauphin County Court; that the version of the Bible read in those public schools is the Protestant one; that Catholic children will (by virtue of the judgment) be compelled to attend the Protestant religious instruction under pain of expulsion; and that the Jews, as well as our co-religionists, are aggrieved by this ruling. If Catholics, Jews, Buddhists, agnostics, or atheists secured a majority on the School Board, they would (in virtue of Judge Kunkel's decision) be legally empowered to force the children of minorities to attend the expositions of the religious belief or unbelief of the dominant party. We have pointed out all this before in speaking of the Bible-in-schools movement in

New Zealand. And Pennsylvania, be it noted, is one of the States of the American Union that have been paraded by Bible-in-schools advocates as shining examples of the conditions that should prevail in the public schools of New Zealand. If in the green wood they do these things, what shall be done in the dry? The situation (as experience in Ireland and Australia shows) is not substantially improved by conscience clauses, which are mere ornamental make-believes, and, like clay pigeons, are meant to be knocked into smithereens as soon as the occasion offers.

### A Splendid System

They do things better in the German Fatherland. The German educational system (says the gifted Dr. O'Riordan in the September issue of the 'Irish Ecclesiastical Record') is denominational. The Catholics have their own schools. The other denominations have theirs. Where a community happens to be a mixed one, and the number is too small for a separate school, then a mixed one is formed, but careful and adequate provision is made for the dogmatic religious teaching of the minority by members of their own creed. And where such a school requires the services of two teachers, care is taken to provide that one of the teachers shall be, if possible, of the religion of the minority. The qualities which go to make the good citizen, and to form character and conduct, are inculcated, not alone on civic motives, but also on those of religion. Recently (says the 'S.H. Review') when the chairman of the Boston School Committee (Mr. James J. Storrow) was travelling in Europe, the fact that impressed him most was the surprising commercial progress of Germany. 'This progress' (adds our Boston contemporary) 'he attributes to the excellent system of education in that country. Mr. Storrow said: "She not only surpasses in higher education, but in the wonderful development of her industrial and commercial training schools she is rapidly establishing her commercial supremacy over Europe." And' (says the 'S.H. Review') 'this splendid system of education, which has placed Germany in the forefront of the nations is not, be it remembered, a secular system. It is a system which recognises God. It is a system which is fair to Catholics, Protestants, and Jews.'

## DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN

His Lordship Bishop Verdon is at present on a brief visit to Hanmer.

The following are the results of the practical examination in music held at the Dominican Convent, Queenstown, by Mr. Charles Edwards, on behalf of the Trinity College, London:—Senior grade.—Pearl Evans, 82, honors, recommended for higher examination; Chrissie Bonner, 78, pass; Intermediate.—P. Aldridge, 84, honors; Mary McCarthy, 80, honors; Letitia Constable, 61, pass; Junior grade.—Colleen Evans, 76, pass; Nell O'Connell, 69, pass; Monica McBride (singing), 63, pass; Letitia Constable (violin), 60, pass; Preparatory.—Molly Simmonds, 92, pass; Erin Constable, 78, pass.

The first full-dress rehearsal in connection with the Spanish-Columbian Festival took place on Friday night, when, in spite of its being a holiday night, there was a full attendance, over 200 taking part. Everything went with vim; the effect of some of the tableaux being brilliant. Advantage was taken of the presence of the stallholders to draw for colors, names, and places, with the following results:—Refreshment stall.—Miss Staunton, Fonda Espanola, costumes blue and white. Stall No. 1.—Miss Heley, dolls and lollies, Barcelona, costumes red and black. Stall No. 2.—Miss Mackay, Castille, costumes red and yellow. Stall No. 3.—Mrs. Mee, America, costumes stars and stripes. Stall No. 4.—Mrs. Milne, Madrid, pale blue and white. Stall No. 5.—Mrs. Marlow, Santiago, red and yellow. Stall No. 6.—Mrs. Meenan, Monte Video, pink and green. The secretary reported having secured the latest novelty in the shape of a 'Mammoth Duplex Rotoscope.' This was imported especially for the Exhibition, but arrived too late. The committee is

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fortunate in securing this novelty. The object of the festival is to liquidate the debt on the Convent of Mercy, South Dunedin. Those willing to assist the good Sisters are urged to forward blocks and remittances without delay, as the drawing of the art union will positively take place on the last night of the fête.

## THE IRISH ENVOYS

The following letter has been received by the editor of the 'N.Z. Tablet,' from Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P., Dubbo, New South Wales,

November 1, 1906.

My Dear Father Cleary, I have been waiting for definite information as to the exact time we will be required here before writing you fully in reply to the communication you sent me last week. It has now been decided that we will complete our work in Australia on the 1st of December, and leave by the first steamer we can get for New Zealand from Melbourne. Dr. O'Haran has been in communication with Mr. Kennedy, of Wellington, and I expect that we shall speak there first, but I am not sure whether anything definite has been arranged up to the present. With regard to small meetings, I may say that I have arranged to address demonstrations in the United States during the month of February, and it will therefore be necessary for me to leave New Zealand on January 11. I shall gladly speak every night if meetings can be organised during that time, and I think Mr. Donovan would be willing to give three weeks longer in New Zealand if it were found necessary. He could devote the time I am giving to America to such work as you might require him for in New Zealand. We could meet in New York say at the end of February, and return to Ireland together. I should like to know what you think of this idea. I think the best thing to do would be to arrange for the big centres first during whatever part of December meetings could be held, and leave to Mr. Donovan the smaller meetings, for which he would remain if you thought well of it. Thanking you for your warm interest in our mission, and looking forward to the pleasure of meeting you.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

JOSEPH DEVLIN.

Mr. Martin Kennedy, Wellington, writes to say that he has received a letter from the Very Rev. Dr. O'Haran, Sydney, to the effect that the Irish delegates are to arrive at the Bluff from Melbourne on December 3, and that they are to leave Auckland for San Francisco on January 11.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON.

(From our own correspondent.)

November 11.

The Irish envoys, Messrs. Devlin and Donovan, are to leave Melbourne on the 26th inst. by the 'Warri-moo' for the Bluff. They will visit various towns in the South Island and deliver addresses. During Christmas week they are expected to be in Christchurch and Wellington. A visit will be made to Blenheim from this city. After the conclusion of their mission here, the envoys will leave for Auckland, one going by way of Masterton, Hastings, Napier, and Gisborne, the other by way of Palmerston North, Wanganui, and Stratford. They are timed to leave Auckland on January 11 for San Francisco.

A very enjoyable day at tennis was spent on the Young Men's Tennis Court on Friday, when members of the Bidwell Street Club were present. A number of closely contested games resulted in victory going to the Catholic Club. The visitors were entertained at a luncheon in Godber's Rooms.

The Literary and Debating Society of the Catholic Young Men's Club is to hold an oratorical contest on Monday, 19th inst., in St. Patrick's Hall. The subjects of the several speeches will be characters from Irish History. The contest is expected to be a very keen one, and the public are cordially invited.

## Palmerston North

(From our own correspondent.)

November 11.

The devotion of the Forty Hours' Adoration, which began in St. Patrick's Church on Sunday, Novem-

ber 4, was unusually well attended, large numbers approaching the Holy Table. The Very Rev. Father Lewis, S.M., V.G., celebrated the 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday, and the Rev. Father Costello preached an eloquent sermon. In the evening the Very Rev. Father Lewis preached a most instructive sermon on the Real Presence. The Very Rev. Dean Grogan preached a most impressive sermon on Monday evening. On Tuesday morning Dean Grogan celebrated High Mass, Rev. Father O'Meara being deacon, Rev. Father Bowe subdeacon, and Rev. Father Costello master of ceremonies. After Mass there was a procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

A sacred concert was given by the members of St. Patrick's choir in aid of the parish debt in the Zealandia Hall this evening after Vespers, and was largely attended. Miss Cecilia Lorrigan (late of Auckland) made her appearance before a Palmerston audience for the first time. In her two items, 'Calvary' and an 'Ave Maria' by Millard, she excelled anything we have heard on the concert platform for a very long time past. A number of trios, quartettes, and choruses rendered by the choir, assisted by a strong orchestra under the baton of Mr. E. Hitchings, were well received, and showed great improvement on the two previous concerts. The accompaniments were played by Mrs. Hitchings and Mrs. J. Russell in their usual well-known style. The soloists were Misses C. Lorrigan, Thompson, and Watts, and Messrs. J. Russell, Jewett, and Higgins. Professor Earnshaw played two violin solos in a finished manner.

A most successful concert was held at Shannon on Wednesday night in connection with the Catholic church there. Both from a musical and financial point of view the concert was a decided success. The programme drawn up being more than usually attractive, while the presence of a number of visiting vocalists also contributed materially to the success of the evening. Mesdames Bruce and Dalton played a pianoforte selection as an opening piece in fine style, and were followed by a quartet of little girls from the Otaki Convent, who delighted the audience with their dancing. Mrs. D'Ath sang 'Tosti's Good-bye' in charming style, and, being recalled, sang 'My Rosary.' Misses Rabone and Lamacroft, pupils of St. Mary's Convent, Wellington, were heard to great advantage in vocal items and were encored. Miss McLeavey, an Otaki Convent pupil, made a success of her song. Miss Sylvester and Mr. McCormack were associated in an old favorite, 'What are the wild waves saying?' Other contributors to the programme were Mr. Rawle, Mr. Denton, Mr. and Mrs. May, Master Brooke Wallace, and Mr. Kearsley. The accompaniments were played by Mesdames Bree and Dalton and by Misses McLeavey and Stansell.

## LUMSDEN

A party of ladies, a portion of St. Joseph's Cathedral choir, Dunedin, on Friday last, gave an entertainment before the Lumsden people, the object being to raise funds to assist in freeing the residence belonging to the parish at Riversdale from debt. Amongst the ladies was Mrs. John Fuller, jun., and when this became known success was assured. The house was literally packed, every available inch of space being occupied. The entertainment (says a correspondent) was a musical treat such as the people here have never before had placed before them by amateurs, and much superior to more than one professional company. The first part of the programme consisted of solos and choruses by the lady minstrels, consisting of Misses A. Heley, M. Drumm, K. Carter, M. Mahoney, M. Heffernan, Lestranger, M. Bryant, A. Brady, M. Rodgers, H. Whelan, and Mrs. Flynn. Mrs. Fuller brought the first part to a close with 'Navajo,' for which she was vociferously encored. During an interval the Rev. Father Keenan thanked the audience for the manner in which they had patronised the function, and explained the purpose to which the funds were to be applied. The second part opened with an overture followed by a solo, 'A dream of Heaven,' by Miss Lestranger; a duet, 'Musical madness,' by Misses Heffernan and Drumm; solo, 'Gondolier,' by Mrs. Fuller; 'Idle words,' by Miss Carter; a comic trio by Misses Heley, Mahoney, and Drumm, which was very acceptable; 'Sunshine and rain,' Miss Heffernan; 'When in the twilight,' Mrs. Flynn; and 'I wouldn't leave my little wooden hut,' Mrs. J. Fuller, who had again to respond to an encore. The accompanist, Miss McCrorie, A.T.C.L., is an accomplished musician, her rendering of the overtures being a musical treat, and the manner the accompaniments were furnished was pronounced faultless.

A committee, consisting of Dr. McIlroy, Messrs. P. J. Rodgers, J. Moloney, E. Joyce, P. Crosbie, and M. Maley, entertained the visiting ladies at a picnic at Caroline Bush, some thirteen miles distant from Lumsden, and a most enjoyable day was spent.

## Interprovincial

Among the passengers by the 'Oruba,' which arrived in Melbourne on October 31, was the Rev. J. Williams for the diocese of Auckland.

Nine of the 25 workers' homes erected by the Government at Petone have been taken, and others have been applied for.

The Manawatu A. and P. Association has received subscriptions from 1460 members for the current year. This number does not include 110 financial life members.

The Dunedin New Railway Station was officially opened on Monday by Sir Joseph Ward, K.C.M.G., in the presence of a large and representative gathering. Sir Joseph Ward delivered an important address on railway progress in the Colony.

A sheep-shearing record was established on the Raukawa station, near Hastings, last week, nine men, working nine hours, shearing a total of 2394 sheep. The highest individual tally was 332, which beats the previous record in the Colony by ten. The other tallies ranged from 223 to 278.

A Christchurch telegram states that the Hon. A. Pitt, Attorney-general, who has been in indifferent health for some time past, has been removed to a private hospital in Christchurch. It is understood that when there is an improvement in his health he will take a trip to the Hot Lakes district.

A painfully distressing accident occurred at the Kaitangata coal mine on Thursday morning, whereby William Lee, engineer, a son of Mr. Robert Lee, managing director of the company, aged 24 years, and Frederick Olive Andersen, aged 46 years, deputy-manager, lost their lives.

The 'New Zealand Times' states that the Executive Committee for the colonial memorial to the late Premier is to be called together in a few days' time to further consider the proposal. Now that the Government has voted a subsidy up to £15,000, it is likely that efforts will be renewed to make a success of the movement. The replies from local bodies and societies as to what form the memorial should take will be before the committee at the forthcoming meeting.

The latest publications by the Australian Catholic Truth Society are 'The Lost Child; or, The Story of Heinrich von Eichenfels,' and 'Religion and Human Liberty.' In the first-named we have a very interesting story of a child who was stolen by gipsies, and was eventually returned to its parents in a most dramatic manner. The second publication is a reprint of a lecture by Rev. James O'Dwyer, S.J. After dealing with the condition of the great bulk of the people in pre-Christian times and comparing it with their state at the present day Father O'Dwyer goes on to show that the real cause of this moral revolution is due to Christianity.

At a meeting of the Cabinet held on Thursday the resignation of Mr. J. A. Kinsella, dairy commissioner, was considered. It was decided to appoint to the position Mr. D. Cuddie, who has been next in command to Mr. Kinsella. The appointment is one that will meet with very general approval. Mr. Cuddie having in the past years won golden opinions by reason of his courtesy and intelligence from the factory and dairy people throughout the Colony. At the same meeting of the Cabinet Mr. J. A. Gilruth, chief veterinarian, was granted six months' leave of absence, to enable him to take a course in pathology at Paris. During Mr. Gilruth's absence Mr. C. J. Reakes, the first lieutenant of the department, will be in command.

The Premier, speaking at the opening of the Dunedin Railway Station on Monday, said: Notwithstanding anything you have heard to the contrary, the Christchurch Exhibition is well worth going to see. It is the first concentration of what our people can do in this country in the way of exhibits that has ever taken place in New Zealand. As an educational institution it has exceeded anything that the most sanguine supporter of it could have contemplated; and I do hope that with cheap railway and steamship facilities you will take the opportunity of seeing what in the future will be regarded as a great move forward in connection with our industrial, agricultural, and commercial pursuits. I invite you all to go there and see it.

A very severe frost was experienced at Balclutha on Saturday morning. In many places (says the 'Leader') the potato crops were considerably blackened.

We have received from the Government Insurance Department a copy of the current issue of 'The Government Insurance Recorder,' which contains a good deal of information interesting to those about to insure, or who have already done so. A perusal of a copy of the annual report, which accompanies the current issue, gives a good idea of the substantial progress which the department is making.

Mr. Race, the Canadian Commissioner, considers that the Exhibition is a magnificent and wonderful display of the Colony's industries and resources. He states that his Government is not anxious to encourage settlers to leave this Colony for the Dominion, and therefore he is not pushing the land question at the Exhibition. He thinks that people in a grand country like New Zealand would hardly better themselves by emigrating to Canada to take up land. He would not leave it, he says, if he were a settler here.

In replying to a deputation from the Clutha Closer Settlement League on the question of the Clydevale Estate, the Minister of Lands (the Hon. R. McNab) said he regretted that a deal had not been effected. The Land Purchase Board had, however, offered a price, which was the highest its valuers said it should give. Further than that the Board did not feel justified in going, and it did not look with confidence on having the price fixed by the court. In many cases in the past it had not proved very satisfactory. The difference between the highest the Government was prepared to give and what the company would take was practically 15s an acre. He had, however, not given up hopes that the purchase might eventuate yet.

In the course of his speech at the opening of the Dunedin Railway Station on Monday, the Premier (Sir J. G. Ward) said: The railway business of New Zealand continues to maintain a remarkable buoyancy. For the six months ended September last there have been substantial increases in all classes of business, with one exception, and the indications are that this satisfactory condition of affairs will continue to the end of the financial year, which has every appearance at present of providing a record revenue. When delivering the railways statement this year, in the forecast I estimated that the revenue would be £2,450,000—an estimate altogether unprecedented in our Colony's railway history—and I am pleased to say that, notwithstanding that liberal estimate, the railway revenue, up to October 13 last, is £1,093,306 more than for the corresponding period of 1905. The total revenue up to October 13 was £1,296,972, as against £1,187,665 for the same period last year. I feel confident, therefore, that by the end of the financial year we shall find that, notwithstanding the liberality of the estimate which it was my business to forecast during the session, the actual earnings of the Railway Department for the year will exceed the estimate I gave by a very considerable amount. The concessions given on the railways since 1895 amount to the enormous sum of three quarters of a million, in round figures, and the increase of wages to the railway staff amounts to the very large sum of £350,000.

An ex-New Zealander now in China has been writing to a friend in Wellington, giving some very interesting information relative to present conditions in China. In the course of his communications this gentleman sounds a further note of warning on the subject of the 'Yellow Peril.' He states that he knows perfectly well, from close observations, that the Chinese will in the not distant future insist upon the restrictions now in force against their countrymen coming into British dominions and colonies being removed. They threaten, if these restrictions are not abolished, to take steps to make all Europeans get out of China. The same correspondent says, also, that it is well known amongst those who have an insight into these affairs that Japan is backing up the Chinese, though cleverly veiling the fact. He regards the situation as fraught with great menace to Australasia. In conversations with a Chinese mandarin of the very highest rank, one of the most intelligent of his class, and one who is intimate with the Imperial Court—the ex-New Zealander was told by him that the Chinese soldier of the future would be a far different being to the one the people of other countries had been accustomed to reading about in the past. He was also told by the same authority that facilities were now being placed in the way of the Chinese Government for the proper drilling and equipment of its forces, on a standard which would bear comparison with the best European armies.

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## Irish News

### ANTRIM—Death of a Belfast Man

The death is announced of Mr. John Justin Pender, eldest son of the famous Irish authoress, Mrs. M. T. Pender. The deceased, who was only a little over 30 years of age, and had married recently, had been for many years assistant inspector of factories in Belfast, and was for the past three years senior inspector in the same department in Glasgow.

### Launch of a Large Steamer

The list of ocean leviathans to the credit of the Belfast shipbuilding yards was increased recently, when the new White Star liner 'Adriatic,' the heaviest ship in the world, left the stocks at Messrs. Harland and Wolff's, Queen's Island, and entered upon her seagoing career amid the plaudits of a big assembly. The launch, whilst not marked by any formal ceremony, was made the occasion for a general holiday in the yard, and there was a numerous gathering of the public to witness the proceedings, the crowd being, indeed, one of the largest ever seen at Queen's Island. The 'Adriatic' is a worthy successor of the many fine large steamers previously launched at Belfast for this famous line, and will be an important addition to one of the finest fleets in the world. The 'Adriatic' is 725 feet long, 75 feet beam, and about 50 feet deep. Her gross tonnage will be about 25,000, and her displacement will exceed 40,000 tons.

### DUBLIN—A Nonagenarian

Dr. Henry Tweedy, who died at his residence in Rutland Square on September 21, had all but completed his ninety-sixth year. He was born in 1810, and was the oldest of three nonagenarian Dublin physicians—the two others being Sir John Banks, K.C.B., Physician-in-Ordinary to the King, and formerly President of the Royal College of Physicians, and Dr. George Ellis, of Lower Leeson street, Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons.

### The Archbishop in Poland

A press message from Siedlce, Poland, under date September 23, says: A deputation, accompanied by a large number of horsemen, met the Archbishop of Dublin on his arrival here and presented him with a magnificent cushion, on which was worked the national emblem of the Kingdom of Poland, a one-headed white eagle with red beak. The emblem also appeared on the Polish national costumes of the riders and their banners. In all the places he passed through the Archbishop was presented with bread and salt by the Jewish inhabitants.

### GALWAY—A Bye-election

A cable message received last week stated that Mr. Stephen Gwynn had been elected for Galway City in place of Mr. C. R. Devlin, who is about to re-enter the Dominion Parliament, as member for Nicolet, Quebec. Mr. Devlin had sat for Galway since 1903. Mr. Gwynn's opponent was Captain Shawe-Taylor, a devolutionist.

### The Archbishop on Education

Most Rev. Dr. Healy, Archbishop of Tuam, presided at the annual distribution of prizes to the students of St. Jarlath's College, and referred to the great success which attended the college during the year, and, continuing, said—What are we to think of the successive Governments that have such brilliant students at the portals of a university career, but close the door against them except they enter those university colleges which their conscientious convictions forbid them to enter? Can such Governments of Ireland be called just or liberal or wise? Nearly all our students come from Galway or Mayo; some of them from the mountains around the great lakes, from which almost entirely the Provost of Trinity College, for his own private purse, derives an income of £1500 a year, not to speak of some £1700 more which the same official receives from other sources. Fifteen hundred pounds for the Provost of Trinity College from the blood and sweat of the parents of these poor boys, but for them to help them on their onward career not a sixpence, except they place themselves under the intellectual and moral guidance of the said Provost and his Protestant staff. But I believe they will at any sacrifice keep their conscience and their poverty rather than share in the ill-gotten goods of Trinity College, Dublin. They do not want to share its prestige. If they can get fair play they can create a higher prestige for themselves. The State may help to give you

knowledge, but it can never teach these manly Christian virtues that are a better possession than anything the State can give them. The future is yours. Without them, no matter what may be your learning, your lives will be a failure. I again congratulate you all on your splendid successes, and pray God to bless your efforts in the future. These efforts may not always be equally successful, but they can always be made equally meritorious.

### LIMERICK—No Half Measures

At a great National demonstration held at Grange, County Limerick, on September 23, Mr. John Redmond, M.P., referring to the promised Irish legislation of next year, said nothing short of complete Home Rule would ever bring peace, prosperity, and contentment to Ireland.

### ROSCOMMON—The O'Connor Don's Estate

The Right Hon. Charles O'Connor, the 'O'Connor Don' of Clonales, Castlerock, County Roscommon, P.C., LL.D., J.P. for County Roscommon, and descendant of Roderick O'Connor, the last King of Connaught (temp. 1475), and who died on the 30th June last, aged 68, son of the late Denis O'Connor, M.P., left personal estate in the United Kingdom valued at £33,272 14s 4d, of which £6937 15s 4d is English estate. The testator left his estate in the County of Roscommon in trust for his son Denis, with certain sums amounting to about £20,000, and he left certain funds to which his son Roderick Joseph would have been entitled to take to his sons, Owen, Felim, and Charles Hugh; and he left his real estate at Kingstown in trust for his wife for life, with power of appointment to his children, or in default of appointment to his said eldest son Denis. He desired that his funeral should be as simple as possible, and any sums which would have otherwise been spent on mourning to be distributed among poor at the discretion of his said eldest son. He left £300 to the Catholic Bishop of Elphin for the convent recently established there, and £200 to be distributed among such charitable purposes or for Masses as his wife shall determine. Should either of his sons, Owen or Charles, enter a religious Order, he is only to receive £400 as being ample provision for him. Subject to other provisions, the testator left the residue of his estate in equal shares to his three sons, but directed that certain sums advanced to his son Charles should be brought into account.

### TIPPERARY—Death of a Noted Soldier

The death has taken place at Grantstown Hall, County Tipperary, of Lieut. General Denham Massy, C.B., D.L. The deceased belonged to an ancient Tipperary family that always took a pride in their native county as well as a deep interest in its public affairs, and 'The General,' as he was popularly referred to, was not an exception to his ancestors. He was elected to every position that it was in the people's power to bestow upon him, and in recognition of their good faith in him, he unhesitatingly made his tenants peasant proprietors at the inception of the recent Land Act. His popularity was undoubted, and his death comes as a serious loss to the locality. When only a boy of sixteen he displayed much more than conspicuous bravery at the Redan, in his conduct there, and earned for himself the soubriquet of 'the Redan Massy.' He was then only an ensign. His last military employment was that as Commander of the Forces in Ceylon. Since the passing of the Irish Local Government Act, he has held the position of, amongst other things, Vice-Chairman of the County Council of the South Riding of Tipperary, as well as being a member of the Asylum Committee, Tipperary Technical Instruction Committee, and numerous other Boards.

### A Priest Honored

The congregation on Sunday, September 23, at Cappawhite was addressed by the Rev. Dr. Treacy, Dixie, Toronto, a native of Cappawhite, who said he had the honor of a private audience with his Holiness Pope Pius X. on September 5, and took advantage of the occasion to present the literary works of their parish priest, Father O'Keefe, to his Holiness. These were 'Moral Discourses,' 'Sermons at Mass,' and 'Self-teacher of Music and Singing.' The Pope inquired of him if the good pastor had been able to write these books and still was able to perform his parish duties, and he replied, 'Yes, your Holiness, and you will see by the criticisms of the ecclesiastical authorities given in the books—notably Cardinals Newman, Manning, and Vaughan, and also Archbishop Croke—how strongly they are recommended to the public.' The Pope then carefully examined them and the criticisms. The 'Musical Chant' said he is a most important subject in our time, etc., one which I deemed it necessary to write about recently in an encyclical letter addressed to the

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### TYRONE—Searching for an Heir

For some time past the Mayor of Wellesville, Ohio, U.S.A., has been searching for Irish heirs of one General James W. Reilly, an old veteran of the Civil War, who died a few years ago, leaving a fortune of over 200,000 dollars. General Reilly had practised as a lawyer at Wellesville for years before his death, and when he died it was discovered that he had no relatives in America. The mayor of the town communicated with several members of the Irish National Party, the mayors of Irish cities, and other prominent Irishmen, and since then the search for relatives in Ireland has been carried on, unceasingly, and many claimants have been mentioned. William Reilly, a well known resident in Dromore, County Tyrone, has the best chance of proving himself the nearest relative and direct heir.

### WATERFORD—A New Convent of Mercy

On September 24 the Most Rev. Dr. Sheehan, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore, opened a new Convent of Mercy in Waterford, and delivered an address regarding the admirable work done by the members of the Order.

### GENERAL

#### Increase of Insanity

A Blue Book was published in September containing a special report on the alleged increase of insanity in Ireland, the inspectors of lunatics' summary of which states that the census statistics for a number of decades past show that while the population of Ireland has continued to decrease the number of registered insane has largely increased, and this has given rise to the widespread belief that an actual increase of occurring insanity has taken place in Ireland. Whether or not this belief is well founded it is impossible to state positively, as available statistics do not afford that precise information on which a definite conclusion can be based. Without venturing to affirm that there has been no increase of occurring insanity, notwithstanding the great numerical increase, we can only conclude that the very great increase which has taken place in the ratio of insanity to the population is largely due to the accumulation which is taking place in public asylums. The emigration of strong and healthy members of the community, amongst whom if they had remained at home the ratio of insanity would have been very small, not alone increases the ratio of insane left behind to the general population, but also lowers the general standard of mental and bodily health by eliminating many of the members of the community best fitted to survive and propagate the race.

#### Teachers' Grievances

Speaking at a largely attended meeting of National teachers in Ballagaderin, Mr. John Dillon, M.P., said he had strong reasons for confidently believing that the present Government would without delay apply a remedy to the grievances of National teachers. He urged, however, that vigorous agitation should be started, and meetings like that held all over the country. He called for the sweeping away of the Boards that were now ruining Irish education. The Most Rev. Dr. Lyster presided, and Dr. Douglas Hyde, P. A. M'Hugh, M.P.; J. O'Dowd, M.P.; Canon O'Hara, and Father Keaveney, P.P., also addressed the meeting.

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Father Bernard Vaughan, S.J., on the new General of the Jesuit Order.—Father Wernz is perhaps better acquainted with the Society as a whole than any other man in it. He is a tremendous worker, and he believes that true progress will be in the measure of real work. At my examination in theology 25 years ago he attacked me on the Divinity of Christ, and fired off a rapid succession of telling Latin syllogisms from German rationalists for me to take up and tear to pieces. I recollect what a good marksman he was, and how I got pelted with his shot.

Mr. Daniel O'Day, business associate of Mr. Rockefeller, whose death is announced from Paris, was born in Ireland sixty-two years ago, and went to the United States in infancy. In 1865 he went to the Pennsylvania oil regions, and became connected with the oil transportation business there, constructing in 1873-76 the pipelines which were afterwards consolidated with the United Pipe Line system. This was afterwards consolidated with other systems in the National Transit Company, of which Mr. O'Day became a vice-president. He was also president of the North-Western Ohio Natural Gas Company and of the People's Bank of Buffalo. His body will be conveyed to the United States for burial.

The Pall Mall Gazette says: Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, who has escaped from shipwreck on the Zuyder Zee, betrayed one side of his versatile character the moment he got safely on shore. He is a skilled photographer, and carried his camera with him, whereby he was enabled to take a "snapshot" of the wreck. Dr. Walsh has found time, amidst a strenuous performance of spiritual duties, to master more than the mysteries of the camera. He is an expert shorthand writer; he has written a grammar of Gregorian music; he has toured the Continent on his bicycle, and far from regarding the motor-car as an invention of the devil, he was one of its early patrons, and rode in one to witness the Gordon-Bennett Cup Race, which was run partly in his own archdiocese.

Sir Thomas Grattan Esmonde, Bart., M.P., celebrated his forty-fourth birthday on September 20. The indefatigable whip of the Irish Party is a great grandson of Henry Grattan. He might have been Lord Esmonde, Baron of Limerick, says the Evening Standard. Sir Lawrence Esmonde obtained large grants of confiscated land in Ireland in the reign of James I., and was created Lord Esmonde. During a military expedition into Connaught he married a fair daughter of O'Flaherty. The bride was a Catholic, the bridegroom a Protestant. A son was born to them, but Lady Esmonde, fearing that the boy was to be brought up a Protestant, fled with him into hiding. Her husband then took action and repudiated his marriage as being between a Protestant and a Catholic, and married again. He had no further issue, and on his death-bed he left his estates to his only son. The peerage could not descend, but the son was made a baronet.

Lord Gerard, whose marriage to Miss Gosselin at the Brompton Oratory the other day made a brilliant interlude in the dull season, is the grandson of the first peer. Sir Robert Gerard, who was called to the Upper House in 1876, was the only Catholic commoner raised to the Peerage by Lord Beaconsfield. The late Lord Derby is reported to have said that he did not think it likely that the third baronet in the realm would accept of a nineteenth-century barony. Mr. Gladstone's creations of Catholic peers during the preceding Administration were numerous. Besides giving Lord Ripon his marquise, he recommended Lords Acton, Howard de Glossop, and Emly for their respective honors. In the first years of Queen Victoria's accession there was a remarkable revival of ancient peerages claimed by Catholics. The baronies of Camoys, Braye, Beaumont, and Vaux of Harrowden were recalled into existence. The aggregate number of years in which these four titles were in abeyance amounted to 1175. Up to George III. no abeyance, save one, had been terminated which had lasted for more than thirty years.

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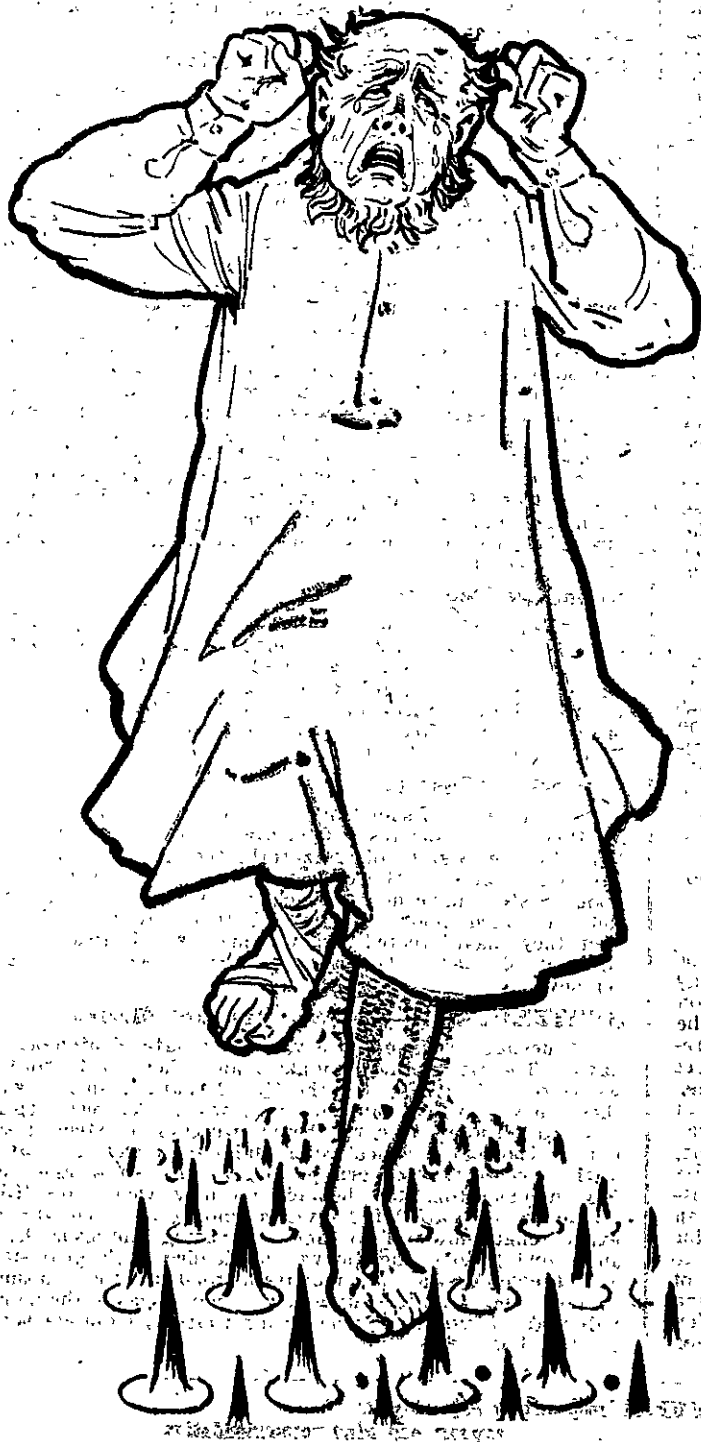
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# The Catholic World

## AFRICA—The Vicar-Apostolic of Liberia

The Right Rev. Stephen Kyne, D.D., has been appointed Vicar-Apostolic of Liberia, Africa. Dr. Kyne, who has been recently honored by Pope Pius X., is a Mayo man. He joined St. Joseph's Society for African missions and made his preparatory studies at the College of the Order in Cork, completing his course in the mother house of the Order at Lyons. He was for ten years professor in the seminary of the Order in Egypt. The mission over which Dr. Kyne is to preside as Bishop is a territory twice as large as Ireland, and it is called the America of Africa, from the fact that it was colonised by American slaves set free in 1820. They carried with them to Africa the American Constitution and a republic was set up and still exists on the lines of the Greater Republic they left. They have two legislative chambers and a president.

## CANADA—An Oblate Missionary

The veteran Oblate missionary, Father A. G. Morice, is one of the most interesting figures among the many men of science who have been collected at Quebec to assist at the International Congress of Americans. Anthropologists owe a great debt to this broad-minded Frenchman. A great part of his life has been spent in the interior of British Columbia, many miles away from civilisation, among the Carrier-Indians, so called because, before the advent of white men and Christianity, it was the custom for the widows among them to carry on their persons for a definite period of mourning, portions of their deceased husbands' bones. Besides evangelising this people, Father Morice has given years to studying their manners and traditions.

## ENGLAND—Golden Jubilees

Monsignor Provost Clegg, of Hooton, Cheshire, and Canon Duckett, D.D., Norwich, have just had their golden jubilees. The two events were enthusiastically celebrated, presentations being made to the jubilarians.

## Death of a Jesuit

A distinguished and very able Jesuit has passed away in the person of Father Peter Gallwey, who died in London on September 23, in his eighty-sixth year. The rev. gentleman filled the highest offices in the Order, and was well known throughout the United Kingdom. Born in 1820 at Killarney, he was a brother of Mr. Thomas Gallwey, who for many years acted as land agent to Lord Kenmare, and whose name is still deeply respected by the people of the town and neighbourhood as that of a man whose heart was full of kindness. Father Gallwey entered the Society of Jesus in 1836.

## Catholic Conference

The Catholic Conference, which took place at Brighton during the last week in September was decidedly one of the most successful annual meetings ever held by the English Catholic Truth Society. The Bishop of Southwark, and all the ecclesiastical authorities of the diocese, encouraged by his Lordship's practical zeal, did everything that was possible to achieve success. In the attendance, the papers read, the speeches delivered, and the proofs of Catholic unity which the Conference afforded, the Brighton gathering gave splendid evidence of the power of the Catholic body.

## Pastoral by the Hierarchy

The Archbishops and Bishops of the province of Westminster have addressed a Pastoral to the clergy and laity of England and Wales on the education question, in the course of which they say:—In the case of about half of our schools all public aid is refused, though rates will still be demanded of us, part of which will be devoted to a religious teaching alien from, and in many things opposed to, the teaching of the Catholic Church. These schools will be starved to death by the action of the Liberal Government, in defiance of all the principles to which it owes its appellation. Then, in the areas where, under these circumstances, no Catholic primary elementary school can any longer exist, Catholic parents may be left under the compulsion of the law to send their children to non-Catholic schools in opposition to the dictates of their conscience. The Government is thereby creating a situation of peculiar difficulty and delicacy, in which Catholics may be obliged to disregard a law which

is manifestly unjust, and to obey, rather, the law of God, which no Legislature has power to abrogate or set aside. In those schools in which it may, according to the provisions of the Bill, be possible to teach Catholic doctrine to Catholic children, no guarantee whatever is given that the teachers shall be Catholics. We are told to trust to the goodwill and fairness of the local authorities. Such assurances are unworthy of serious legislation. Lastly, the oversight which the Catholic Church has always claimed in connection with the religious teaching and influence to which her children are entrusted, receives no recognition of any kind, but, like the appointment of teachers, it is left absolutely to those who, if they are candid, would be the first to acknowledge that they are not competent to deal with matters of this character. It is unnecessary to state the position at greater length. Our claims are well known to all who care to know them. Their justice is clear to all those who will cast prejudice from their minds. They have been set forth on many occasions and on many platforms, and nowhere more eloquently or more forcibly than by the Catholic Members in the House of Commons. Our public appeal now lies to the House of Lords, and we call upon the Members of that House to prevent the injustice which is contemplated, and to see that fair treatment is meted out to all parents alike, without violating the religious convictions of any.

## INDIA—A Nun Honored

The Lieutenant Governor of Burma a few weeks ago presented to the Rev. Mother St. Vincent, Superior of the Rangoon Convent, the Kaiser-i-Hind Silver Medal, which was conferred on her by the Government of India for 34 years of faithful and devoted service in the cause of charity and education.

## SCOTLAND—Catholic Truth Society

The proceedings at the meeting of the Scottish Catholic Truth Society, which was held at Aberdeen this year, were marked with great enthusiasm. Whatever subject was taken up (says the 'Catholic Times')—whether it was the situation in France and the rights of the Holy See, lay help, the connection of the Holy See with Scottish Universities, or Catholic apologetics—it was dealt with in a thorough and up-to-date manner. The spirited and kindly words in which Bishop Chisholm—who is such an invaluable supporter of the Truth Society—conveyed to the Archbishop, Bishops, and clergy and laity of England and Wales whole-hearted sympathy from their Scottish brethren in the fight for the schools will be cordially appreciated, and we thank the Bishop and the Catholics of Scotland for their cheering message. There was a peculiar appropriateness in the fact that the Catholic Conference and the centennial celebrations of Aberdeen University fell at the same time, for the University is a Catholic foundation, and it was also fitting that the Very Rev. David Fleming should by his presence in Aberdeen at the juncture have renewed the ties that once bound the Franciscans to the city.

## Honorary Degrees

Among those on whom honorary degrees were conferred in connection with the celebrations of the Aberdeen University Centenary are—Right Rev. Mgr. Robert Frazer, Scots College, Rome; and Right Rev. Mgr. Gerald Molloy, Vice-Chancellor of the Royal University of Ireland, and Rector of the Catholic University of Dublin (Doctor of Laws).

## A Work of Charity

No more self-sacrificing or noble work is performed in this city (writes a Glasgow correspondent) than that by the Sisters of Nazareth, the majority of whom are Irish ladies. Since their coming to Glasgow the good Sisters have done much to assist young orphans and the aged poor. To extend their labors still further they have erected a new home at 'Halfway,' at a cost of £18,000. The new home was opened on September 23.

## SWITZERLAND—The St. Bernard Monks

A despatch from Geneva, under date September 18, says: The St. Bernard monks made their first trip this week from Martigny to the St. Bernard hospice with their new motor transport car, which has been specially constructed to carry heavy weights on steep gradients. The car, which is of 40-horse power, is fitted with special tire coverings to grip the snow and ice. Six monks from the hospice recently went to Milan to learn the art of driving a motor-car, and are now expert chauffeurs. Two monks, wearing the usual habit and cowl, drove the heavy car loaded with provisions and firewood up the mountain road to the hospice without the slightest difficulty. Next season the monks will start a motor-car service for tourists from Martigny to the hospice.

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### In the Cause of Charity

At the laying of the corner stone of the Hospital de Santa Maria, in Roswell, New Mexico, the other day, the Governor of the territory, Mr. Hagerman, was present and paid a fine tribute, in his address, to the work of the Church in the field of charity. He said that this charitable endeavor of the Church is a perennial source of admiration to the Protestant world.

### Parochial Schools in Chicago

The growing popularity of parochial schools in Chicago is one of the most striking signs of the times (says the 'New World'). The people seem to be awakening from the cataleptic trance into which they were cast by the alluring fantasy of State education. The biennial school census presented by Secretary Larson to the Board of Education is a document of the greatest significance and value. 'Since 1904 the attendance in the public schools has only increased by 2770, while the attendance in the private, which practically mean the Catholic schools, has increased by 9895. Thus, to quote the analysis of the 'Chicago Record-Herald': 'The public school attendance has increased but little more than one per cent. in the last two years, while the private schools have increased more than 12 per cent.' The total number of pupils attending the public schools last June was 248,503, while the number attending the private schools was 81,612. There are, therefore, almost one-third as many pupils in the parochial as in the public schools.

### Charitable Bequests

The will of Patrick J. Sullivan, which was filed for probate in Boston recently, contained bequests amounting to £14,000 to different Catholic institutions. He left £1000 each to the Catholic University, Washington, the trustees of Boston College, St. John's Seminary, Brighton district, the Boston Public Library, the Little Sisters of the Poor, the House of the Good Shepherd, the St. Mary's Infant Asylum, the Carney Hospital, and the Free Home for Consumptives. His gift to the Public Library was for the purchase of standard Catholic books.

## The Old Irish Parliament House

The old Irish Parliament House, which, according to rumor (says the London 'Daily Chronicle'), may be occupied by a National Council under a devolution scheme ere long, is one of the architectural glories of Dublin. In its exterior aspect it remains the same as it was when in possession of the Lords and Commons of Ireland, but internally it has been knocked about to meet the requirements of the Bank of Ireland, into whose hands it passed after the Act of Union.

The legislative hall of the Commons, which once resounded with the eloquence of Grattan, Curran, Plunket, and Flood, has been practically destroyed, and the present public banking chamber occupies part of its site. But the House of Lords remains intact, just as it was at the time of the Union, and is the most interesting and attractive part of the building to visitors. Curran, who was a determined opponent of the Union, was one day passing the old Parliament House in the company of a member who had voted for it. That member displayed signs of irritation, and expressed a wish to see the building removed. "I am not surprised," said Curran, "there never yet was a murderer who was not afraid of a ghost."

The Irish House of Commons sat for the last time on June 10, 1800. It was the duty of Lord Castle-reagh to move the third reading of the Union Bill, and he discharged the duty with the utmost apparent equanimity. Other members were not so composed, and to conceal their emotion hurriedly left the room. The Speaker, who hated the measure, rose to put the fateful question. He held up the Bill for a moment in silence, and looked, according to a spectator's account of the scene, steadily round on the last agony of the expiring Parliament. He at length repeated in an emphatic tone, "As many as are of opinion that this Bill do pass say Aye; the contrary say No." The affirmative was languid but indisputable. Another momentary pause ensued. Again his lips seemed to decline their office. At length, with an eye averted from the object which he hated, he proclaimed with a subdued voice, "The Ayes have it." The fatal sentence was now pronounced—for an instant he stood statue-like, then indignantly, and with disgust, flung the Bill upon the table and sank into his chair with an exhausted spirit.

## Domestic

By 'Maureen'

### Digestion and Geniality at Meals.

One of the strongest pleas in favor of dinner parties, large or small, public or private, is the fact of social intercourse at, and after, dinner being favorable health. It is pronounced by high authority that solitary meals are decidedly difficult of digestion, and that there is no situation in which digestion goes on so favorably as during the social or family circle. The merrier the assembly the better the digestion. The Spartans used to have a little statue of the god of Laughter in their dining halls, probably for the purpose of provoking mirth at meal times. Laughter, says a famous doctor, is one of the greatest helps to digestion with which I am acquainted; and the custom prevalent among our ancestors of exciting it at table by jesters and buffoons was founded on true medical principles. What nourishment one receives amidst mirth and jollity will certainly produce good and light blood.

### To Clean Water Bottles.

Put a teaspoonful of tea leaves and a tablespoonful of vinegar into the bottle, and then fill with cold water. Shake, then let the bottle stand a while, after which empty it out, rinse in clear water, and it will be bright and clean.

### To Stop a Leak in a Pipe.

A temporary stopping of a leak in a water or gas pipe is easily effected with a paste made of yellow soap and whiting. This, of course, should not prevent one's sending immediately for the plumber, but it will make waiting for him less trying if he is somewhat slow in coming.

### To Clean a Mackintosh.

Spread the cloak out on a deal table, and go over it carefully with a small scrubbing brush and some soap moistened with rain-water. Rinse in plenty of clear cold water and hang out in the shade to dry. Stains which will not yield to soap and water will probably be easily removed by rubbing them with a little ammonia.

### The Care of Oil Lamps.

Plenty of oil should be kept in the lamps, but never fill them quite up to the burner. Should you fill them too full by mistake it will be better to go to the trouble of pouring some of the oil out rather than to run the risk of repentance when it is too late. A space should be left for air, and as oil expands when it becomes warm, you will readily see the danger of filling a lamp too full.

Burners that have become blackened and clogged after long use may be cleansed by boiling them in strong soapsuds for three or four hours. I clean my burners in this way once in a while, and they reward me by coming out as good as new. A little soda in the water is a good addition, and helps to clean the burners. The oft-repeated precautions against filling lighted lamps, filling near a gas jet, carelessness with the can after filling, etc., seem unnecessary, but the young are sometimes thoughtless, and a casual reminder where edged tools are used does no harm. Do not use a large lamp with a standard to carry around from one room to another. The small lamps with handles and broad bases are made especially for carrying, and are safe and convenient as well. There is no danger in blowing out an ordinary lamp if the wick is first turned very low. Burners with round wicks should be turned low and allowed to go out, but never blow out a blaze in a lamp having one of these burners. Some lamps have extinguishers attached, but I have not seen any that were entirely satisfactory.

### To Smooth Flat-irons.

If from any cause your iron is rough and refuses to go, take a slice of common salt side bacon, such as is found on every farm, rub your hot iron quickly over it, and immediately after over several thicknesses of paper, being careful to clean the edges thoroughly, and you will be surprised to find how slick your iron is. If it should be very rough, or a little rusty, it may take a second or third rubbing; but, if persisted in, will surely clean the most stubborn iron. In case you have to rub it over the bacon several times, do not iron fine white clothes right afterwards, but use a coarse or colored garment, so that a slight smut will not damage.

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### Bone-grafting.

A novel bone-grafting operation is reported from Egypt by Dr. Voronoff. The removal of a tumor left a large hole in the rear of the skull, and instead of inserting the usual metal plate the surgeon decided to try a piece of the shoulder-blade of a live sheep. The wound healed promptly, when the accurately-fitted graft was found to be perfectly joined to the surrounding skull.

### A New Motor.

A new motor, which it is believed will drive steamships through the ocean at the rate of 100 to 150 miles an hour, has been invented. It consists of a pipe which runs through the hold of the vessel below the water-line. Near the after end of this pipe is a cylinder charged with gas, which is vaporised from kerosene oil. An electric sparker explodes this gas, which is forced out through the pipe at the end of the boat. This gives the boat a kick which drives it ahead. At the same time the gas driving through the pipe at the stern creates a vacuum at the forward end into which the water rushes, so that the boat is drawn ahead at the same time that it is driven forward by the kick.

### Paper from Cotton.

Another use has been found for the great cotton crops of the South. The manufacture of paper from the fibre of the cotton stalk is said to be possible. It is asserted that all grades of paper, from the best linen to the lowest commercial grade can be manufactured from cotton stalks; and in addition many by-products such as alcohol, nitrogen, material for gun-cotton and smokeless powder. It is estimated that on an area of land producing a bale of cotton at least one ton of stalks can be gathered. Upon this basis, from 10,000,000 to 12,000,000 tons of raw material could be secured for the production of paper, which would increase the value of the South's cotton crop nearly £2,000,000.

### A Gigantic River.

In South, as in North America, nature does her work on the grand scale, and one of her noblest achievements is the Amazon River. Rising in the Andes, it flows across the continent and discharges into the Atlantic Ocean at the Equator. The vastness of the area which it drains, amounting to 2,368,000 square miles, will be evident when it is borne in mind that this is more than the area of Russia in Europe and Austria-Hungary. It has a length of nearly 4000 miles, is navigable for 2300 miles from the sea, and is fed by numerous streams, which in any other country would be ranked as great rivers. In the wet season, which lasts for about eight months, its width varies from five miles to 400. No wonder the Amazon has been called a gigantic reservoir, rather than a river.

### The Human Voice by Post.

To send the human voice on a card through the mails is the object of the phonopostal, an invention which, like the record of a phonograph, registers and reproduces the human voice. The records are made by an ordinary phonograph of the simplest possible type by means of a stylus provided with a sapphire point. This point presses on an impressionable substance, called 'sonorine,' spread on the surface of the card. Sonorine is able to stand the strain of transmission by mail. The sounds are inscribed in a spiral, which commences at the outside edge of the card and continues in an ever-narrowing curve until it forms a small circle, hardly the diameter of a small coin. The record is so deeply engraved in the coated cardboard that not more than two or three syllables are lost by the two stampings of the post office on the concentric lines.

## Intercolonial

A number of priests for Australian dioceses arrived by the 'Oruba' in Melbourne on October 31.

His Lordship Dr. Broyer, Bishop of Samoa, was expected to reach Sydney last week from Europe, where he had been some eight or nine months. He is bringing with him several missionaries for the Pacific Islands.

During the last week in October the Irish envoys, Messrs. Devlin and Donovan, held meetings at Bathurst, Wellington, Parkes, Dubbo, Forbes, and Cobar. At the first mentioned place a sum of £140 was subscribed.

The Victorian Government statistician (Mr. E. T. Drake) has issued returns showing that the population of Victoria has increased during the last nine months by 13,162 persons.

Miss Dolly Castles concludes her engagement under Mr. J. C. Williamson at the end of November, and will leave for London in January. She received by the last English mail an invitation from the London Gramophone Company to sing on her arrival in London all the principal airs from Gilbert and Sullivan's operas for the company's records.

His Lordship Bishop Murray, Bishop of Cooktown, has recently travelled over a large portion of his extensive Vicariate, and reports that nearly everywhere there are evidences of remarkable progress and prosperity. Several new churches are being erected or projected in various centres, and his Lordship is very pleased at this proof of the faith and energy of his people.

On Sunday afternoon, October 25, his Eminence Cardinal Moran blessed the foundations of the new wing and additions to Mount St. Mary's Convent, Golden Grove. There was a very large gathering, and when his Eminence, who was accompanied by the Right Rev. Mgr. O'Haran, and Messrs. Joseph Devlin, M.P., and J. T. Donovan, the Irish delegation to Australia, arrived, he was met by the Rev. Father M. Fitzpatrick, who has charge of the parish, and a guard of honor of the Hibernians, Guilds, and Foresters in regalia.

In every branch of a liberal education, the schools and colleges conducted by the religious teaching Orders of this, as of the other parts of the Commonwealth (writes the Melbourne correspondent of the Sydney 'Freeman's Journal'), show marked excellence. In music-loving Australia it is an advantage to find these scholastic institutions holding their own—and more than their own—in vocal and instrumental music. This statement rests on the University test. The results of the theoretical and the practical examinations in music have been given to the public, and our conventual establishments hold a splendid position.

The cabled report of Mr. D. O'Connor's success in the United States following upon his misfortune in San Francisco, is very gratifying to his friends in Australia (says the Sydney 'Freeman's Journal'). The cable message which was received by Mr. O'Connor's son in Sydney recently stated that the reception given the veteran in New York by Mr. Spalding, the publisher, was royal. That gentleman's firm placed 5000 dollars to the credit of his guest, whose book he intends to publish, and Mr. O'Connor had the splendid opportunity of speaking at the monster meetings addressed by T. P. O'Connor in New York, and in the cities of Pennsylvania and Canada. Mr. O'Connor adds that 'Sir Wilfrid Laurier treated me nobly,' and that his health is magnificent.

The Bishops of the Victorian Province, under the presidency of the Archbishop of Melbourne, held a conference recently regarding the new training college for teachers at Albert Park. The inspectors of schools, a clergyman representing each diocese, and four representatives of the training college were also present. It was decided to establish a loan fund in connection with the college similar to that which exists at the Cambridge Training College. The object of the fund is to enable promising students of limited means to pursue their studies in the college, on the understanding that they afterwards repay the amount advanced to promote their education. The prospects of the college were said to be very satisfactory, seeing that, although it had been established only six months, a large amount of work had been already accomplished. The systematic training of teachers for Catholic secondary and primary schools was said to receive considerable attention, and the interchange of opinions had led to the adoption of uniformity in the management of the schools in the various dioceses of the State.

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## A LITTLE MAN

I've jes bin thinkin,' sittin' here, how fortunate I am, That God made you a little miss an' me a little man. I wouldn't like ter be a girl, I'd rather be a boy, To run an' jump, an' swim, an' fish—the sports o' life enjoy.

You can't have any fun at all, like me an' Dan an' Joe.

All you can do is stay at home ter wash, er cook, er sew.

Yer can't ride Billy bareback, er yer can't climb up a tree,

The best that you can ever do is sit an' look at me.

You take a music lesson while I chop up the wood, To make er fire on which ter cook the household's daily food.

You've always got ter ride ter church, while I walk all ther way,

You sit an' read a magazine, while I rake up the hay.

An' these is only half the things that I can eas'ly do,

Ter keep the mill a goin'—not sit all day like you.

I'm always handy 'round the house, an' so are most all boys,

While chatterin' girls pretend thet we are makin' all the noise.

But still somehow when all is said, I'm glad yer what yer are,

Because with all yer uselessness yer still my little star,

Some day, perhaps, when we grows up, I'll teach yer how ter be

Of use to all the folks aroun', especially ter me.

Fer then instead of loafin' yer can keep my house an' sew,

An' train the children 'how to walk the path they oughter go.

I guess 'tis this that makes me think how fortunate I am,

That God made you a little miss an' me a little man.

—'Catholic Standard and Times.'

## THE HERO OF THE BRIGADE

Mike was the pet of the fire brigade men. He was only ten, quite a little boy, in fact, but he liked to be considered a man. His father had belonged to the fire brigade, and he died from the wounds inflicted while endeavoring to save the inmates of a burning house. His mother had died from the shock, and had left behind her little baby boy Mike, when he was only a few days old.

Another fireman's wife had taken the tiny fellow to nurse with her own children, and he had been called Michael, after his father. As he grew up he loved to go to drill with the brigade men, and to watch them cleaning the brass of the big fire-engines and escapes. He would run, fetch, and carry for the reward of hearing some story about people rescued from burning houses, and so on. If any boy were liable to be spoiled, that boy would have been Mike, but it seemed impossible to spoil him. He was always obedient to his foster parents and teachers and unselfish toward the children when he played with them.

Mike's ambition was to go on the fire-engines with the men when they were called to action. He had often pleaded to be allowed to go, but in vain.

One night as he lay dreaming a strange light seemed to fill the room through the window from outside. Then the cries and shouts of men and women from the street below filled his ears. Something was on fire! For a moment his brain grew dizzy, and he felt afraid, for he knew that the fire must be near. Then he jumped up and looked out of the window.

The fire station was built with two great wings from the main building, and between them was a large courtyard. In this courtyard Mike could see a throng of people looking up toward the house, their faces lit by some light which came from above—whence he could not tell. With trembling hands he pushed up the window and looked up. The flames came from the roof of the very building he was in. The fire was quite close to him!

When the people saw Mike at the window they gave a great shout.

The little fellow looked down on the great seething mass of faces, and then above and around at the huge flames leaping and jumping higher and higher. They seemed to be closing in all around him. He wondered how it was he had been left there alone, when a child's cry of fear made him turn round to see little Willie, a child of three, come through his bedroom door. As the door was opened a volume of dense smoke poured in, and beyond Mike could see the angry red flames that curled up and up. For a moment the smoke blinded him; then he rushed forward and slammed the door to, clasping the little sobbing boy in his arms.

'I'se so fwighted,' Willie whimpered.

'Hush! hush!' said Mike soothingly, to the little fellow, who was motherless like himself, and a great favorite. 'Mike will take care of you.'

This he said with great courage, but feeling as if he were telling a story, for he was perplexed and bewildered, and saw no way of escape.

He took Willie to the window and called and shouted to the people below. They called and shouted in return, and in the din and roar of voices Mike could scarcely hear what they said. It seemed as if they were bidding him have courage, that the fire-escapes were all in use on the other wing of the building, and that help was coming.

He tried to be brave for Willie's sake, who was quite happy now he was no longer alone. He clapped his hands with glee as he saw the flames leaping up, and laughed in childish mirth as he watched the people below.

'What are they all doing, Mike?' he asked.

And Mike, who saw the smoke slowly creeping in under the bedroom door, and heard the hissing and crackling of the burning wood, laughed too, watching all the time for the promised help to come.

Then he saw the firemen take a large blanket and hold it under the window where he stood, and which was three stories high. He knew what that meant well enough; he had not lived in a fire station all his life for nothing. It meant that he was to leap from the window into the blanket, which would be lowered as he reached it.

For himself he was not afraid, but for Willie. He was such a little chap and could never be persuaded to jump. He could not throw him into the blanket, for he was small himself, and knew instinctively that his strength would not be equal to the task of aiming straight.

With a cry, almost of agony, and with a tightening of his arms around Willie's baby form, he hurled himself into space below.

Cheer after cheer arose from the anxious spectators, but Mike heeded them not, for he was quite stunned by the fall. When he came to it was to find himself and Willie in a warm room with a cozy fire, while his foster mother was bending over him and trying to get him to drink some cordial.

'Brave boy!' she whispered, and Mike's heart leaped at the words.

Then she explained to him how he had been left behind in the hurry and confusion of the fire alarm. She had taken her two children away, meaning to return for him and Willie. But the fire had gained ground so rapidly that she had been unable to do as she wished.

'But you are safe now, my darling, and little Willie, too. You saved his life, Mike?'

'Oh, no!' cried Mike, flushing all over.

'Yes,' she returned, 'if you had not carried him in your arms he would have dropped to the ground through fright, and have been dashed to pieces, and you risked your life by carrying him, too. Every one says so.'

But Mike would not have it. 'There was nothing else to do,' he answered, simply, and said the same when he was grown up and a fireman, with more than one medal from the Royal Humane Society for saving lives at the risk of his own. 'Little Folks.'

## THE NOVELIST'S JOKE

Alexander Dumas was one day the guest of Dr. Gistal, a leading practitioner in Marseilles. After dinner, while the coffee was being handed round, the host requested the great novelist to enrich his album with one of his witty improvisations.

'Certainly,' replied Dumas with a smile; and drawing out a pencil, he wrote under the eyes of his entertainer, the following lines:

Since Dr. Gistal came to our town,

To cure diseases casual and hereditary,

The hospital has been pulled down—

'You flatter!' exclaimed the doctor, mightily pleased; but the poet went on:

And we have made a larger cemetery.

## CHARM OF MANNER

A gracious gift the two races—Irish and French—undoubtedly have in common is charm of manner (writes Miss Susan Gavan Duffy, in 'Donahoe's Magazine.') This charm, though it exists all along the line, is only to be found in perfection at the two extremes of society, for the vast middle class, naturally most in evidence, has not wholly escaped the taint of vulgarity and aggressiveness which has everywhere invaded model manners. But I hold that those quite delightful people, well-bred men and women of French or Irish birth, are as a rule so tactful, courteous and genial, that they are fitted without any special training to take their place in diplomatic circles; so certain are they to always say the right thing in the right way, to steer clear of embarrassing subjects, to conciliate and win over the people with whom they have dealings, and to make social-intercourse run on pneumatic tires. Indeed it seems to me, prejudiced woman that I am, that a French or Irish grandmother is a luxury no good old English family can afford to deny itself, as the sweetness and light she will have bequeathed to her descendants, will, without undermining the national character, add a piquancy and zest which will probably have been omitted in the pate of which they were originally formed. Let any one count up the brightest and most lovable of their English friends, trace back their descent a generation or two, and see if it does not lead to this sprightly grandmother. Just a modification of the universal axiom, *Cherchez la femme!*

## ODDS AND ENDS

I want a hat, don't you know!' said a stylish young man.

'Yes, sir,' replied the hatter; 'what sort?'

'Oh, something to suit my head, don't you know!'

'Here, James,' cried the hatter, 'show this gentleman some soft felts!'

Mrs. Nexdore: 'A piano's a nice thing to have; so comforting. My daughter finds it so easy to kill time on—'

Mrs. Pepprey: Yes, but why does she torture it so?'

## FAMILY FUN

The Prisoner Released.—Place a sixpence in the bottom of a glass, and over the latter put a half-crown. The puzzle is to remove the small coin from beneath the larger one, without touching either of the coins, or touching or upsetting the glass. To do this capital trick you must blow with considerable force down one side of the glass upon the edge of the half-crown. The sixpence will be expelled by the force of the air, and will fall upon the upper surface of the half-crown or upon the table. A little practice will render the performance of this feat very easy.

The Double Meaning.—Place a glass of any liquor upon the table, put a hat over it, and say: 'I will engage to drink the liquor under that hat, and yet I'll not touch the hat.' You then get under the table, and after giving three knocks, you make a noise with your mouth as if you were swallowing the liquor. Then getting from under the table, you say: 'Now, gentlemen, be pleased to look.' Some one, eager to see if you drank the liquor, will raise up the hat, when you instantly take the glass, and drink the contents, saying, 'Gentlemen, I have fulfilled my promise. You are all witnesses that I did not touch the hat.'

Pleasing Optical Appearance.—If a soap-bubble be blown up and set under a glass, so that the motion of the air may not affect it, as the water glides down the sides and the top grows thinner, several colors will successively appear at the top, and spread themselves from thence in rings down the sides of the bubble; till they vanish in the same order in which they appeared. At length a black spot appears at the top, and spreads till the bubble bursts.

The thinnest substance ever observed is the aqueous film of the soap bubble previous to its bursting; yet it is capable of reflecting a faint image of a candle, or the sun. Hence its thickness must correspond with what Sir Isaac Newton calls the 'beginning of black,' which appears in water at the thickness of the seven hundred and fifty thousandth part of an inch.

## All Sorts

The consumption of tobacco in Great Britain has increased a little more than a third in fifteen years.

In 1900 there were 109 concerns in the United States manufacturing automobiles, with an investment of £1,000,000. In 1905 about £8,000,000 was the investments in plants.

The baby of the family was showing a group of admiring relatives how high he could kick. As he always used his right foot, one of the aunties asked him: 'Can't you kick with your other foot?' 'Course not,' was the answer; 'I've got to stand on that one.'

After Willie had put on his shoes in the morning he complained of their hurting his feet. His mother looked at his shoes and said, 'Why, Willie, you have them on the wrong feet.' Willie began to cry. 'Well, mamma, they're the only feet I've got,' he said.

Russia has just taken the delivery of the first of several hundred war automobiles ordered from a French concern. A Hotchkiss rapid-fire gun is mounted on a rear turret, and the gunners are screened and look through loopholes. Two steel rails are carried, which can be quickly unshipped and placed over a ditch.

A parvenu, noted for his violent temper, said to a painter: 'I want you to come to my house, for I have just bought a picture by Rubens. It is a rare one. That fool Dauber says it's a copy. A copy! If any man living dares to say it's a copy, I'll break every bone in his body. Now I want you to see it and give me your candid opinion.'

The United States has become the greatest coal-producing country of the world. The production of American coal in 1905 was 392,919,341 tons. In 1904 the production amounted to 351,816,398 tons. The year's tonnage increased 11.7 per cent. and the value 7.3 per cent. The total number of men and boys employed was 626,124, against 593,693 in 1904.

A statistical paper on India shows that in 1904 there were killed in that country by snakes and wild beasts 24,034 persons—21,880 by snake bites, 796 by tigers, 399 by leopards, and the rest by other animals. The number of cattle killed was 98,582. The other side of the account shows that 65,146 snakes and 16,121 wild animals were killed.

Some years ago a battery of artillery was at big gun practice at Bermuda. One of the guns (a 38-ton) was found to have a serious flaw. The officer in charge, not caring to risk half a dozen valuable lives, inquired: 'Sergeant, have we any time-expired men here?' 'Yes, sir,' answered the sergeant, 'John Jackson has just completed his time.' 'Well, then,' replied the thoughtful officer, 'John Jackson will fire the gun.' And John Jackson did fire the gun, happily with no fatal result.

Strikes increase in number every year in Germany. As shown by the published statistics, the average number of strikes for the years 1899 to 1903, inclusive, was 1242; in 1904 it rose to 1870, and in 1905 to 2057. Of much significance is the increasing number of lockouts, which show that combination among employers is also developing. The number of lockouts, which averaged only 42 for the period 1899-1903, rose in 1904 to 120, and in 1905 to 200. It is expected that the figures for 1906 will show a further increase.

The Mexican Government is seeking to develop the cultivation of bananas in that country. For some years past experiments have been made with a view of converting the fruit into a flour for food purposes. These experiments are said to have been successful, and it is intended to start two establishments on the Gulf coast in Mexico for the purpose of converting the banana into a flour, and of shipping the product to the United States. As the flour is exceedingly nutritious, it is anticipated that there will be no lack of demand for it.

Here is a story of Lord Kitchener's recent tour along the defences of the Indian frontier. He visited one place where a new fort had just been erected. When he got there, Kitchener was astonished to find that the fort had been so erected that it was easily commanded from a high hill close by. The officer who had been in charge of the erection, and who had selected the site, was present with the party, and Kitchener called him forward. Instead of the outburst that the staff expected, Kitchener merely held out his hand and said, 'I congratulate you, Colonel—! What a capital place for a fort! When do you commence to remove the hill?'