

burst into tears.

If a proud woman's pride as a shield to thee, O man, as well as to her, against the sorrows of love remember that if ever she throws it away, after she has compelled you to acknowledge its value, you are both utterly defenceless.

Frederick Tyrawley capitulated at once. They are to be married immediately. And if Mr. Tyrawley does not, at some future time, achieve a reputation which no mystery can cloud, it will not be Mrs. Tyrawley's fault.—Catholic Citizen.

Catholic World

AFRICA.—Spreading the Light.

When the Right Rev. Mgr. Hanlon went to Uganda after his consecration, seven years ago, he had but four priests, and he found but 200 Catholics. He had to live in a tent, there being no established missions. He has now 30 priests, and his report presented to Propaganda shows that while 8000 converts have been baptised in the Vicariate, there are 16,000 catechumens: in all, 24,000 converts have been made in seven years. He has also established 10 permanent missionary centres.

ENGLAND.—The Pope's Jubilee.

The Duke of Norfolk has forwarded a subscription to a fund which is being raised among the Catholics of England for the presentation of a tiara of gold to the Pope on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee. The Catholic Bishops will meet soon at the residence of Cardinal Vaughan, and it is expected that some decision will be arrived at for the simultaneous celebration in England of his Holiness's Jubilee.

Bishop of Clifton.

The Rev. George Burton, D.D., St. Bede's, South Shields, has been appointed Bishop of Clifton. Like Dr. Brownlow, his predecessor in the See, Dr. Burton is a priest of marked intellectual ability.

Catholic Truth Society.

There was a large gathering of influential Catholics in the lecture room of Archbishop's House, Westminster, on April 7, on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Catholic Truth Society. The report for the past year, by Mr. J. Britten, defined the objects as (1) to disseminate among Catholics small and conventional works; (2) assist the uneducated poor in a better knowledge of their religion; (3) spread among Protestants information about Catholic truth. (1) promote the circulation of good, cheap, and popular Catholic books. A list of new publications issued during the year was given, and it was mentioned that the Conference at Newcastle had proved one of the most successful that had been held. It had been hoped to hold the Conference for the present year at Manchester, in ac-

cordance with the invitation of the Bishop of Salford, but local circumstances rendered this impossible. The Bishop of Newport, however, had kindly invited the Conference to meet at that place, and they had every reason to expect a successful gathering. The work for which the Society was established was continuing to spread in other countries, and was not now confined to the English speaking world. A Catholic Press Association had been established in Bavaria, and in America various local Catholic Truth Societies existed, the most active of which were those of Chicago and San Francisco. Nearer home the kindred societies of Scotland and Ireland were making satisfactory, and, in the latter case, rapid progress. According to the financial statement of 1901, read by Mr. J. B. E. Stansfeld, treasurer, the receipts were £466 in excess of those of 1900, and the Society commenced the present year with improved financial prospects. Bishop Belford, in moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, expressed satisfaction that the Mayors and corporations in different parts of the country were more reluctant than formerly to let public halls for lectures adverse to the Catholic Church and faith.

GERMANY.—A National Loss.

The German Press of all shades of opinion on the occasion of Dr. Lieber's death bore testimony to his eloquence and Parliamentary skill. The 'Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung' speaks of him as one of the most distinguished personages in the public life of Germany, and in his capacity of leader of the strongest party in the Reichstag one of the most influential of German politicians. There is also a general acknowledgement by the German journals that his extensive knowledge was of exceptional advantage in the solution of difficult Parliamentary questions. Great is the loss which the Centre Party has suffered. When Windthorst died it was assumed on all hands that no one could replace him and exert the power which he exercised over the Catholics of Germany. But Dr. Lieber gradually won his way to the leadership, and under his guidance the Centre fully maintained its strength, playing a decisive part, notably on military and naval questions. Some of the organs of Social Democracy have been finding fault with him for a readiness to fall in with Government proposals and an inclination to adopt the policy of 'No ut Des'. There can, however, be no doubt that Dr. Lieber was rigid in his adherence to principle. If the Government's plans or concessions were not out of harmony with his principles they were naturally enough regarded by him with favor. Such a course was wise statesmanship.

ITALY.—Anti-Divorce Agitation.

The imposing movement organised by the Catholic Press and Catholic associations throughout Italy against the proposed Divorce Bill (says a Rome correspondent), which

the anti-clerical Zanardelli Cabinet regarded as one of the most important items of its political programme, has been crowned by complete success. After the resignation of one of its members, Signor Giusso, who, being a fervent Catholic, openly opposed the Bill, the Zanardelli Cabinet, badly shaken and materially weakened, will not dare to replace the question on the tapis, at least for many years to come. It would not, however, be surprising if the Extreme Left, nothing abashed by so imposing a manifestation of the nation's opinion, were to persist in its desperate attempts to get the Bill through. But even if the Chamber of Deputies gave its sanction to the proposed law, the Senate would most certainly blackball it, so that Zanardelli's pet scheme may be considered as definitely buried among the numerous other 'fiaschi' for which his administration has been far more conspicuous than for any useful measure or wise reform.

ROME.—A Change.

The Roman correspondent of the 'Daily Chronicle' telegraphs: 'The "Voce della Verita" publishes an article which has caused much sensation. The clerical organ intimates that Catholics may shortly take part in political elections, in order to arrest the progress of Socialism. As regards the internal history of Italy, nothing so important has happened during the last 30 years. All the journals discuss the probable effect of this sudden change on future politics.'

The Sacred College.

The year 1902 has dealt hardly with the Sacred College. In little more than two months, from the 18th of January to the 24th of March, three of its members have died, namely, Cardinals Dall'Olio, Casca, and Missia, thus confirming once more the strange Roman maxim that whenever a Cardinal dies two of his colleagues invariably follow him to the grave. The Sacred College is now composed of 63 Cardinals, 38 of whom are Italians and the remaining 25 of different nationalities. The majority necessary for the election of a Pope is equivalent to half the total number of votes plus one, should a Conclave be held in the present condition of the Sacred College, therefore, 32 votes would suffice to create a majority, and as the Italians are 38, the election of the future Pope is entirely in their hands.

Death of a Cardinal

The death of Cardinal Missia, Prince Archbishop of Goritz, has removed one more member of the Sacred College appointed by Pio Nono. Cardinal Missia is, in fact, the 140th Cardinal who has departed this life since the elevation of Leo XIII to the Pontifical throne. There are now alive only three Cardinals who owed their appointment to the predecessor of Leo XIII.

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