

High School, Coorji; St. Patrick's High School, Asansol; and the Catholic Male Orphanage—are under the direction of the Irish Christian Brothers. The other, St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling, is under the direction of the Jesuit Fathers. St. Joseph's, Bow Bazar, as usual heads the list, having the greatest number of passes—namely, 52, with 51 distinctions. St. Michael's, Coorji, comes next, with 37 passes and 62 distinctions, the middle school alone accounting for 37 of these distinctions. Amongst the girls' schools, the convent schools have maintained their reputation. Loretto, Asansol, besides taking the twelfth place amongst all the schools, heads the primary list.

ROME.—A Reception

Cardinal Perraud, Bishop of Autun, whose stipend from the State was suspended in consequence of his censure of the Government, was received with particular cordiality by the Pope when in Rome for the Jubilee celebration. He was granted two special audiences. It will be remembered that when the stipend was suspended three times the amount was contributed by the faithful.

The Pope's Health

A message from Rome on St. Patrick's Day states: The Holy Father continues in good health, and astonishes everybody by his vigor and his unfailing memory. Dr. Lapponi in vain urges him to spare his strength, his Holiness refusing to listen to his exhortations and persisting in granting audiences and receptions and in occupying himself with the work of his high office. From the fatigues attending on high functions he appears to emerge with fresh strength, and is now preparing to give a cordial reception to the German Emperor, towards whom his sympathies become more marked as the causes of differences between the Vatican and France increase.

Consecration of Mgr. Stanley

The consecration of Monsignor Stanley, Bishop of Emmaus and Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, took place on Sunday, March 15, in the Church of St. Gregory, on the Coelian, Rome. Cardinal Gotti, Prefect of Propaganda, was the consecrating prelate. He was assisted by Monsignor Stonor and Monsignor Merry del Val.

SOUTH AFRICA.—Return of a Prelate

Bishop McSherry received an enthusiastic reception on his return home. A meeting to welcome him, held in the Town Hall, Port Elizabeth, was attended by the Mayor, Mr. Bell, C.M.G. (Acting Resident Magistrate), the Hon. A. Wilnot, Father Bader (who presided), J. Wynne, M.L.A., R. S. Drungoole, and many other representative men. Dr. McSherry was heartily greeted by the speakers, and the Hon. Mr. Wilnot said they thanked Divine Providence for having given them a good Bishop. In Dr. McSherry they had a masterly man, an able administrator, and a guide whom they could thoroughly trust.

Honoring St. Patrick

Special services of a unique and edifying character were held on Sunday, March 15, in St. John's Church, S.S., Glasgow, when two thousand of a congregation from all parts of the city gathered together to take part in a Gaelic Catholic service in honor of St. Patrick. The Rev. Justin White, of St. John's, recited the Rosary in Irish, and the responses of the vast congregation were also made in Irish. The Rev. Father Cunningham, of Gweedore, Donegal, Ireland, preached in Irish, while the Very Rev. Canon MacLuskey, assisted by Fathers Cunningham and White, gave Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The hymns, which were in Gaelic and Latin, were rendered effectively by the Gaelic League Choir. At the close of the Benediction service the Very Rev. Canon MacLuskey congratulated the promoters of the service on the large turn-out, and said that everybody would pray that God would bless and direct this Gaelic movement.

The Shrine of St. Mungo

With a view to mark in a special manner the thirtieth centenary of St. Mungo, who died in 603, the Catholic Teachers' Association in Glasgow and district resolved to visit the shrine of the founder of the city and the diocese. At the request of the president, Mr. J. Bonner, F.E.I.S., Coatbridge, the members were fortunate in securing the services of the well-known authority of the Cathedral, Mr. MacGregor Chalmers, I.A., F.S.A. (Scot.), who very kindly consented to explain the leading architectural and historical features of this old relic of Catholicism in Scotland. The lecturer had the crypt lighted for the occasion, and it was, indeed, a strange and novel experience, to hear 'Faith of our Fathers' sung round the crypt by a band of Catholic teachers in a building where rarely, if at all, has a Catholic hymn been sung for the last three centuries.

SCOTLAND.—Obituary

Our last exchanges report the death of two Scottish priests in the early part of March—Rev. Father Rochard, of Rutherglen, and Rev. Father John Mackintosh, of Campbelltown. Father Rochard was a native of Leith, and was born in 1857. He studied for the priesthood at Blairs College and at the Scots College, Valladolid, and was ordained in 1882. After laboring for some years in England and America he returned to Scotland in 1894, and was appointed to Partick, and later on to Rutherglen, where he died. Father Mackintosh was born at Lochaber in 1859, and entered Blairs College at the age of 13. He pursued his ecclesiastical studies at Douai, Issy, and Valladolid. After his ordination he

was appointed to Moldart, then to South Uist, and later on to Campbelltown, where he passed away.

UNITED STATES.—A Benefactor

Mr. J. J. Daly, of Salt Lake City, has donated 5000 dollars to the building fund of the new Cathedral now in course of erection in that city. This, with the 5000 dollars recently donated by his wife, makes one of the largest family contributions to the fund.

University Education in Ireland

The final report of the Royal Commission on University Education in Ireland was issued in the early part of March. The following is a summary of the principal conclusions and recommendations in the report:—

1. That the present arrangement by which the Degrees of the Royal University are obtainable by examination alone has lowered the ideal of university life and education in Ireland, and should be abolished.

2. That the system by which, in making appointments to the Senate and all the offices of the Royal University, account must be taken of the religious profession of the persons to be appointed with a view to maintain the even balance between the Churches is educationally indefensible.

3. That the system by which an indirect State endowment for certain Colleges is provided by means of Fellowships in the Royal University held by Professors in these Colleges, who act as University Examiners, must be condemned.

4. That the Royal University should be converted into a teaching University.

5. That the present Senate of the Royal University should be superseded by a governing body constituted on an academic basis in the manner explained in Section VI. of this report.

This section proposes to replace the Royal University by a 'teaching University,' in which each of the Colleges 'should have a large measure of autonomy,' and in each college should be held the University Examinations 'counting towards the degree.' For the purpose of this scheme it is proposed to add 'a new Roman Catholic College' to the three existing Queen's Colleges.

6. That the reconstructed Royal University should be a Federal University with constituent colleges.

7. That the constituent Colleges should be Queen's College, Belfast, Queen's College, Cork, Queen's College, Galway, and a new College for Roman Catholics to be established in Dublin, and constituted on the lines suggested in Section VI. of this report.

8. That the endowment and equipment of the new College in Dublin should be on a scale required by a University College of the first rank, which is intended to draw its students from all parts of Ireland.

9. That the Catholic University School of Medicine should be absorbed into the new College in Dublin.

10. That the present Government and constitution of the Queen's Colleges should be remodelled on the lines suggested in section VI.

11. That the Colleges should be accorded a large measure of autonomy, so that each may be enabled to develop freely on its own lines while at the same time conforming to the common standard of culture prescribed by the University.

12. That a liberal increase should be made in the endowment and equipment of Queen's College, Belfast, so as to remove the deficiencies which at present hamper its work and hinder its expansion.

13. That, while we are aware of existing deficiencies in the equipment of the Queen's Colleges of Cork and Galway, we are unable to recommend that any addition should be made to the present endowments of these Colleges, until in altered circumstances they give evidence of increased utility.

14. That the Law Schools in the Queen's Colleges at Cork and Galway should be abolished, and that the School of Medicine in Queen's College, Galway, should be limited to the first two years of the medical curriculum.

15. That the Degree of the reconstituted University should be open to women on the same terms as to men.

16. The attendance at lectures in one of the four constituent Colleges of the reconstituted University should be required from all candidates—without distinction of sex—who seek the advantages of University training, due exception being made in the case of matriculated students at present engaged in a course of extern study.

17. That Halls of Residence for men and for women students be provided in connection with the two Colleges in Dublin and Belfast.

18. That the duplication of extensive equipment for the teaching of applied science should, as far as possible, be avoided. With this view, courses at the Royal College of Science for Ireland should be recognised as qualifying, in whole or part, for certain degrees of the University.

19. That provision for higher technical instruction should be made in Belfast, and that the co-operation of the authorities of the Queen's College and the Municipal Technical Institute for this purpose is desirable.

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