

successor of St. Peter, that the Anglo-Saxon St. Boniface, the Apostle of the Germans, insisted that a whole-hearted obedience to the Pope should be a cardinal principle of religious life in connection with all the churches he founded.

UNITED STATES.—A Benefactor

Mr. James S. Coleman has presented to St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, a costly and artistic chapel, to be dedicated to St. Bridget and St. Bernard. It occupies the first sanctuary at the north side of the Cathedral, and is built entirely of marble and onyx, seven kinds of the stone from as many districts being used. The design is Celtic.

An Archbishop's Crest

In place of the crest of Archbishop Corrigan, which formed the background of the throne in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, has been put that of Archbishop Farley. The new crest tells symbolically of the Archbishop's career. The new shield is violet on a crimson background. The Roman biretta indicates that the Archbishop studied for the priesthood in Rome. Below this and crowning the shield are double episcopal crosses, with the mitre and crozier, symbols of his exalted office. The shield is divided by a golden cross. In the upper right and lower left quarters is the eagle holding a ring in his bill—the insignia of St. John, whose name the Archbishop of New York bears. In the upper left and lower right quarters are the winged arm, bearing the lily, which is the emblem of St. Gabriel, from whose church Archbishop Farley was taken. In the centre of the cross is a branch of shamrock, symbolic of the Trinity. The Archbishop was consecrated on Trinity Sunday.

Churches and Schools

An analysis of the statistics contained in the American Catholic Directory of 1903, with special reference to parochial schools, yields some interesting and surprising results (says the 'Southern Messenger'). There are in the entire country, according to the Directory, 7005 churches with resident priests and 3978 parishes with schools, the percentage of schools to churches being 56.78. In twelve dioceses the percentage of schools is over 75; in 37 dioceses and vicariates the percentage is over 50 and less than 75. In 41 dioceses and vicariates the percentage is less than 50. One of the most striking facts revealed by the figures is that so many of the smaller and poorer dioceses make such an excellent showing in comparison with the populous and wealthy ones. The southern dioceses generally stand high on the list. The Indian Territory outranks New York, Galveston is in advance of Chicago. Dallas excels San Francisco, while the poor and struggling vicariate of Brownsville has more parish schools in proportion than cultured Boston. Little Rock holds the place of honor at the head of the list with more parish schools than churches. San Antonio, Texas, is second.

Divers Tongues

In the worldwide celebration which did honor to the great Father of Christendom on the completion of the 25th year of his glorious pontificate, the observance held in Cleveland (says the 'Catholic Universe') was probably unique. The audience which filled Gray's Armory, numbering more than 3000 persons, was made up of many races, speaking various tongues, nurtured in various environments, swayed by various traditions, and having in common only their faith and an impulse to show their loyalty to the remarkable old man who is the common shepherd of them all. The composition of the gathering was interesting in its variety. While it was impossible for any one auditor, however great his linguistic ability, to appreciate all the addresses in the twelve languages in which they were delivered it was evident that every speaker found some intelligent listeners among the multitude. And the whole gathering was quick to take up the applause started by those who were able to discern when it was due. If the bursts of enthusiasm were not always properly placed, their frequency and heartiness at least testified that the audience was unanimously in the spirit of the celebration, though the letter of its expression was sometimes incomprehensible.

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Canada and Home Rule

The following cable message appeared in the New Zealand newspapers of April 3:

'The Canadian House of Commons, by a majority of 61, adopted a resolution, moved by Mr. Costigan, expressing the hope that the Irish land question would be permanently settled.'

It is somewhat strange that the cable agent forgot to mention that the principal resolution referred to Home Rule, that relating to the land question being only of secondary importance. The Ottawa correspondent of the Montreal 'True Witness' gives the following account of the proceedings:—

At last the long-expected debate on the Home Rule Resolution has stirred the House of Commons into unwonted excitement. It is a debate that will remain memorable in the annals of the Irish question. It has afforded opportunity for expressions of sentiments that, as a rule, are not generally voiced abroad. On the one hand it has given an opportunity to members of the House, of different races and creeds, to state their cherished views in favor of justice to Ireland; on the other hand, it has afforded an opportunity to a few, whose ideas are antagonistic to all that is Irish and—for some of them—to all that is Catholic, to find a ventilation. It was a curious scene and a remarkable discussion; it gives a fair idea of the sentiments throughout Canada and of the proportions in which they are entertained. The following were

The Resolutions—

'That an humble address be presented to his Majesty as follows: We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled, desire most earnestly in our name and on behalf of the people whom we represent to renew the expression of our unserving loyalty and devotion to your Majesty's person and Government.

We would respectfully represent to your Majesty that in 1882 the Parliament of Canada adopted an humble address to her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen expressing the hope that a just measure of Home Rule would be granted to the people of Ireland, and that in the years 1886 and 1887 by resolution of the House of Commons the sentiments of the said address to her Most Gracious Majesty were earnestly reiterated and the hope again expressed that such a measure of Home Rule would be passed by the Imperial Parliament.

That the years that have elapsed since the adoption of the aforesaid address and resolutions to your Most Gracious Majesty's illustrious and ever to be lamented predecessor have but served to emphasise the blessings which accrue to this Dominion from the federal system under which the people live, the benefits of which the Commons of Canada rejoice to see are about to be shared in by their fellow-subjects of the Australian Commonwealth, and, therefore, this extended experience which your Most Gracious Majesty's subjects have had of the inestimable benefits resulting from the said Government bestowed on the whole of British North America but intensifies their desire to affirm through their representatives in Parliament the sentiments expressed in the said address and resolutions with regard to the bestowal of self-government upon your Majesty's subjects in Ireland.

We have observed, may it please Your Majesty, with feelings of profound satisfaction, the evidence afforded in debate in the House of Commons of the United Kingdom on the speech from the throne, of a sincere desire on all sides to usher in a new era of lasting peace and goodwill in Ireland, and this House congratulates the people of the mother country on the legislation, just and equitable, which it is believed will follow the recent conference on the land question and hopes for an early and lasting settlement fair to all of that long-vexed and troublesome problem, the solution of which has for so long taxed the powers of British statesmen.'

The resolutions were moved in a speech of great power by the Hon. Mr. Costigan, and supported by the Premier (Sir Wilfrid Laurier), the Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, and others, whose contributions to the discussions were distinguished for their loyal, lofty, and patriotic character, and were in great contrast to the narrow and prejudiced tone adopted by the opponents of the motion.

The result of the debate was that 102 voted in favor and 41 against the motion the majority being 61. Included in the majority were twelve members of the Opposition.

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