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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

Current Topics

Bazaars and 'Gambling'

When Sir Edward Fry was appointed to investigate the working of the Irish Land Acts, he opened the proceedings by advising the opposing lawyers 'so to present the case on either side as to generate the maximum of light and the minimum of heat.' The advice was wise and timely. The pity of it is that there are sundry contentious subjects to the discussion of which the disputants almost invariably bring an abnormal fund of unreason and an inexhaustible supply of high-voltage temper which, in debate,

'Begins to rage and burn as
Implacably as flame in furnace.'

Who, for instance, has ever read, heard, or heard of, a discussion on prohibition and gambling that was on both sides calm and temperate? Both parties commonly lose or mislay their temper—that is, their good temper; at least one party invariably does. That grandmotherly old scold, the Sydney 'Telegraph,' kept its bad temper well in evidence when it lately flew in editorial wrath at Archbishop Kelly for remarks made by him at Redfern in favor of bazaars. The 'Telegraph' quacked at his Grace like an angry duck and accused him, in the customary question-begging way, of favoring 'gambling.' Of course Archbishop Kelly did no such thing. And he made this clear in the course of a letter in the columns of the same paper. He laid down the principle: 'Scienti et volenti non fit injuria'—'To him who advertently assents, no injury is done.' And he summed up his case in the following words: 'We consider as commendable that means which, while lawful in itself, enables one to compass a desirable purpose; if to the qualification of lawfulness we may join agreeableness and special efficiency, the means is more commendable; and if we super-add advantageousness, in our spiritual and even temporal interests, the means in question must be regarded as something superlatively good. Now, as we have shown, the bazaar in question and all similar fairs intended to provide necessary funds for religious and charitable institutions, are invested with the conditions set forth, usefulness, enjoyment, efficiency, merit, and prosperity. Therefore, these works, due supervision being supposed, claim the appreciation and the cordial support of the community.'

As to the art unions or lotteries which are permitted at bazaars: according to Catholic principles, they are in

themselves harmless and may be indulged in without sin so long as the chances are equal, the object good or at least indifferent, and the amount staked such as one may lawfully spend without injustice to himself, his family, his creditors, etc. The moment the dice are loaded in any way—that is, the moment the chances made uneven—or the object of the lottery bad, or an excessive amount of money—considering individual circumstances—is staked upon an issue, then the lottery becomes at once sinful. It is scarcely necessary to say that lotteries of this kind are not carried on at Catholic bazaars, nor, we believe, at bazaars got up for church or charitable purposes by members of any denomination. A man might squander his money till his family would touch starvation, or he might 'lay' on the totalisator till his pockets were empty and his face blue, but the 'Telegraph' would make no protest. It has, we presume, a 'gamble' or lottery called a fire-insurance on its premises, plant, and stock, and is not ashamed; and its proprietors are probably known in the great gambling saloon known as the Stock Exchange. And yet the 'Telegraph' is not on fire. But it finds it in its heart to enter a pharisaical protest against persons who, 'invest' an odd sixpence or shilling, not with a view to gain, but for sweet charity's sake. The trifling 'speculation' that is made in lottery tickets at our bazaars is practically never entered upon with the mere mercenary spirit of making a profit. It is invariably, or almost invariably, done because the purchaser desires to help the object in view or to oblige a friend. Of course even the most legitimate pursuit may be abused by excess. But such excess is not likely to take place at any well-conducted bazaar. And, in any case, to reason against the legitimate use of a thing, because of its misuse by some, would lead—even in the case of such necessities as food and clothing—to consequences worthy of the padded cell.

A few years ago a leading New Zealand daily published the following on the authority of 'one who knows something of the ways of stock-jobbers': 'Some people have altogether erroneous views of what gambling is. But what is gambling in one way is not gambling in another. Let me explain: By staking with the broker one per cent. of the amount it is determined to nominally expend, the investor can give his orders. Thus £5 commands £500 of stock. Should the stock fall sufficiently to exhaust cover, the transaction is at an end; the investor loses his cover, which goes into the pocket of the broker. If the stock rises in the market, the investor can claim the difference between its present value



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and the price at which he bought, or nominally bought, for no stock changes hands. As palatial offices are occupied, it would appear that large numbers of speculators lose their money in this way. This system, when analysed, is neither more nor less than betting upon the rise and fall of the market, the broker being to all intents and purposes the bookmaker. And yet our intigambling leagues quietly swallow this camel and then strain mightily at the gnat of the sixpenny 'chance' in a bazaar ticket. Consistency is a jewel, but theirs is clearly not a jewel of everyday wear.

Some New Zealand 'Bulls'

'Bulls'—by which we mean, not the quadrupeds, but the mental no-thoroughfares, of that name—are not by any means all raised in Ireland. In his 'Irish History and Irish Character' Goldwin Smith says: 'The source of Irish bulls is a national quickness of wit, which, when uncontrolled by judgment and education, tumbles in its haste into laughable blunders. Such a "bull" as "The Minister had a majority in everything but numbers," is merely a lively idea expressed without reflection.' In his 'Irish Life and Character,' MacDonagh gives expression to a similar idea. 'A "bull,"' says he, 'is not evidence of stupidity; quite the contrary. Mental confusion is, of course, in every case the source of its origin, but that mental confusion often arises from rapidity of thought—from a plethora of ideas which, in the course of expression, get mixed up and confused in an odd and ludicrous fashion, like objects in a dissolving view. "Bulls," to put it briefly, more often spring from mental quickness than from mental sluggishness.' A 'bull' is no blunder, according to MacDonagh; it is a gift. Sydney Smith's long and labored definition of a 'bull' may be very well in its way but it is scarcely as illuminating as that of the Irish peasant: 'If you was dhruvin' along the road and you seen three cows lyin' down in a field, an' one of 'em is stan'in' up—that one is an Irish "bull".' When the Yorkshire and Lancashire Agricultural Society ordered some copies of Miss Edgeworth's 'Essay on Irish "Bulls"' for the use of members, they were indignant at finding that the book treated of a form of mental confusion and not of sturdy quadrupeds from the rich pastures of Kildare, Meath, or the Golden Vale

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But we have said that all the 'bulls' are by no means raised on Irish pastures. Practically every country furnishes its fair quota of this delightful confusion of thought to add to the gaiety of the nations. New Zealand political life has produced a goodly collection of this form of unconscious drollery. On Saturday week, for instance, the spokesman of the Taranaki deputation to Ministers worked off the following exquisite specimen: 'While coming to attend this deputation in the coach with three horses we got stuck firmly in the mud, and had to walk back one mile and a half to get shovels to dig ourselves out.' Some time ago, the Chairman of the Wellington Conciliation Board, in addressing the parties to the tailoring dispute, declared that they were 'flinging formidable-looking logs at each others' heads and asking them at the point of the bayonet to swallow these things.'

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During the past few years members of the New Zealand House of Representatives have collectively perpetrated nearly as many 'bulls' as did Sir Boyle Roche in his palmiest days in the Irish House of Commons. 'Never!' exclaimed an indignant legislator some time ago, 'never! as long as I have a seat on the floor of this House!' On another occasion an Opposition member was rib-roasting one of the occupants of the Treasury benches and described him as 'a cock-robin crowing on his own dunghill.' During the same sitting a Ministerialist member summed up the individualism and keen competition of our day by declaring that 'every man had to paddle his own canoe, and if he didn't he

would be kicked to one side and walked over.' 'I am glad,' said Mr. Hogg in the House two years ago, 'to see that there are no absentees present.' This was, on the self-same day, equalled by Mr. Haselden. In the course of his maiden speech on the Compulsory Taking of Land Bill, he spoke of a woman who was the first 'man' to carry a gun into the wild and woolly back-blocks in order to prevent her land from being taken away. And—not to mention other 'bulls' galore—did not Mr. Buchanan refer to Mr. O'Meara as, in his haste to speak, 'straining like a greyhound at the leash trying to get in his oar'? It is comforting to reflect that such unconscious expressions of incongruous ideas are due rather to mental quickness than to mental lethargy. But the Green Isle clearly enjoys no monopoly of the business of raising 'bulls,' although there seems to be a freshness and flavor about the Irish article which is all its very own.

Mourning over Leo

It has been said that Leo XIII. was the first Pope that the Protestant world has known. Leo gave to the Papacy a temporal prestige such as it had never known since the Piedmontese troops entered the Eternal City through the breach in its walls in 1870. The mantle of his far-spreading charity extended to the separated Churches of East and West, and, largely through him, the Protestant denominations, for the first time since the Reformation, laid aside to a great extent the old bogie fear of the Papacy, forgot to refer to the occupant of St. Peter's Chair as the 'Man of Sin' and 'Son of Perdition,' and joined in eulogy and sorrow around his open grave. When the last and long-expected summons came, the aged Pontiff received it in the spirit which found expression in the words of the Catholic poet Davenant:—

'O harmless death, whom still the valiant brave,
The wise expect, the sorrowful invite,
And all the good embrace, who know the grave
A short, dark passage to eternal light!'

The mails during the past two weeks convey a pleasing idea of the wondrous change which has come over the spirit of the non-Catholic world in reference to the Papacy. Not alone the secular papers, but the Protestant press and pulpit, and non-Catholic officialdom, in Great Britain, America, etc., have vied with each other in eulogies of the late Pontiff. Of the many poetic tributes to his memory that appeared in the non-Catholic press of England and America, we extract the following stanzas from the pages of 'Punch, the London Charivari':—

'The long day closes and the strife is dumb,
Thither he goes where temporal loss is gain,
Where he that asks to enter must become
A little child again.

'And, since in perfect humbleness of heart
He sought his Church's honor, not his own,
All faiths are one to share the mourner's part
Beside the empty throne.

'High Guardian of the mysteries of God,
His circling love enwrapped the human race;
For every creed the Pontiff's lifted rod
Blossomed with flowers of grace.

'The nations' peace he had for dearest cause;
Kings from his counsel caught a starry sign;
Christlike he fostered loyalty to laws,
These earthly, those divine.'

And it concludes by saying that 'so shall the heart of grief not soon be cold' for the venerable old Pontiff who worked his work and went to his rest in the fulness of labors, years, and honor.

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ST. PETER'S ROMAN EPISCOPATE

DEAN BURKE AND BISHOP NEVILL

In the 'Otago Daily Times' of Monday appears the following additional letter on the above subject from the Very Rev. Dean Burke in reply to his Lordship Bishop Nevill:—

'Sir,—Allow me to reply to Bishop Nevill's latest productions. The reply to his arguments will not prove a difficult matter; but to reduce to order a chaos—running through two and a-half columns of your paper—of words, complicated sentences, and dislocated paragraphs seems a formidable task. I shall try to manage it.

'1. His Depreciation of Modern Scholars.—He cavalierly brushes aside the conclusions of writers who have devoted much time to the investigation of this and cognate subjects. They were able men—experts in the matter in hand;—but their testimony, apparently, has little value in the eyes of Bishop Nevill, whose information is, I strongly suspect, confined to what he derives from the shilling shocker of the lovely Littledale. The layman who, despising the learned opinions of his lawyer or doctor, would follow his own devices, should have, I opine, a fool for his client or patient. I should observe here that I quoted Protestant historians only—persons quite naturally opposed to the Papal claims. If Catholic experts were quoted by Bishop Nevill against me I should feel rather uncomfortable, I fancy. If I attempted to waive them off it would be with a trembling—not with a majestic—movement of the hand.

'2. He Shirks the Giving of Proof.—In his now famous sermon he set about showing the Roman episcopate of St. Peter to be "a figment." He pretended to allege "evidence" to establish his thesis. He has since been challenged and asked to produce some clear, positive evidence calculated to upset a cause in firm possession. He refuses to produce it! He complains that I have asked him for "a mass" of positive evidence. Well, if his contention were true, evidence—protests, denials, indignant rejections—would be found scattered over the pages of Church history. But I was generous with him. I asked him to bring forward any positive evidence whatever—any protest made during the first thousand years of the Church's history by one obscure heretic, rejected and excommunicated by the Popes. He has since written three times to your paper, but no evidence appeared! He says he is not bound to prove a negative! But his negative is a mighty positive—"a figment" (i.e., "a fabrication, a story invented, a fable," "Encyc. Dict.")—a false claim, "upon which," he says himself, "the most stupendous issues are made to hang"—a false claim constantly asserting and proclaiming itself. Why not allege the decrees of synods, of angry bishops flouting it. But no;

There it is in Calm, Immemorial Possession, with all its prescriptive rights. In logic, law, and common sense, on the principles of historical investigation, only strong, positive argument can shake such a claim.

'3. Rather Queer Evidence.—Notwithstanding his protests, the Bishop feels all this, and so he makes a supreme effort to quote from early councils, with the following results:—(a) There was a meeting of the Apostles about the year 51 at Jerusalem; when there had been much disputing Peter, the chief of the Apostolic College, rising up, spoke; then Barnabas and Paul spoke; finally the "insignificant James" said "ego krino," "my judgment or decided opinion (on the matter) is," etc. (Bishop Bloomfield in loco); therefore, according to Bishop Nevill, Peter was never Bishop of Rome! (b) Some 20 canons were drawn up at this Council of Nice (A.D. 325), presided over by Hosius, Bishop of Corduba, and by Vitus and Vincent, the legates of Pope Sylvester. I have before me in Greek and Latin, the sixth canon of this council. An extraordinary translation and modification of this canon, made at Bishopsgrove, Dunedin, on September 3, 1903, puts Rome, of course, in an inferior place. Remembering the place and time of the production of the revised canon, you, Sir, will be able to appreciate the conclusion: Therefore, Peter was never Bishop of Rome; it's all a figment! So it is when he sets about it, that his Lordship alleges clear, certain, convincing evidence—all with "exhaustive effect." If, dear reader, you feel convinced of Bishop Nevill's point by this much positive argument, it is your own fault. I pity you, but I cannot help you.

'4. St. Irenaeus and Bishop Lightfoot.—Bishop Nevill falls back for the fifth or sixth time upon his denial as to that Irenaeus ditch and those parallel columns. Yet my references are there before him; "littera scripta manet"—the written letter remains. Lightfoot exposed his little game in the matter of Irenaeus. I quoted Lightfoot word for word as he wrote, whilst he was

stating facts and referring to "all the authorities." Bishop Nevill complains that I did not quote a suspicion or little personal inclination of his, expressed at the close of the note! What are Lightfoot's personal inclinations to me? When he has no reason to give for them they are no more in my estimation than Bishop Nevill's inclinations as to "the figment . . . of St. Peter having been Bishop of Rome."

'5.—Inquiry into a Murder Case.—His Lordship follows the lovely Littledale, using almost his very words, when he "murders" St. Cyprian. I told you, Sir, before that I strongly suspected his information was derived—though he assured us it was very extensive—mostly from occasional dips into "the useful little books" of that charming writer. The lovely Littledale wants "expressly" a quotation from Cyprian like this: "St. Peter was Bishop of Rome." His Lordship wants some passage in which Cyprian "directly affirms any residence of Peter at Rome at all." Littledale and the Bishop should know that indirect reference to a fact, provided it be unmistakable, is often stronger than a direct, express statement, because it implies that

The Fact is Commonly Known

and stands uncontradicted. An indirect statement clearly assuming that St. Peter had been Bishop of Rome—a fact of deepest interest to all Christians, and one which many would have denied in those early times if it were possible to do so—is the best proof of the point.

'Let us take a few such statements from Cyprian. Referring to some troublesome parties who were going to Rome to try and deceive the Pope, he says: "Yet after all this they dare not set sail and to carry letters from schismatic and profane persons and to the Chair of Peter and to the principal (or ruling) Church, whence episcopal unity has taken its rise, not reflecting that those to whom they went were Romans—whose faith was proclaimed as worthy of praise by the apostle—to whom perfidy cannot have access."—(Ep. 59.) Rather Romish after that! The Roman Church the Chair of Peter! The principal (or ruling) Church! the source and centre of sacerdotal—i.e., episcopal—unity! the Church to which perfidy cannot have access! Hence we can understand what Cyprian meant when he said that "Cornelius (the then ruling Pope) was made Bishop . . . when the place of Fabian (his predecessor)—that is, when the place of Peter and the dignity of the sacerdotal chair—was vacant . . . when the tyrant (Decius, the Emperor) would hear with more patience and equanimity that a rival prince rose against him than that a rival priest (the Pope) was constituted at Rome." Hence we can understand what Cyprian meant when he told Cornelius that he had sent letters to the bishops of his province telling them of Cornelius's election. "In order that all our colleagues may firmly acknowledge and hold your communion—that is, the unity and

The Charity of the Catholic Church."

'The practice of Cyprian was of a piece with his doctrine. He knew nothing of the independent bishop theory so dear to Dr. Pusey and to the Anglican Puseyite school. He earnestly requested Pope Stephen to depose Marcian, Bishop of Arles, in distant Gaul, who was infected with the Novatian heresy, and to get another appointed in his place. He sent to the Pope the Acts of the Councils of Africa and the Decrees against the "lapsi." Do Anglican bishops when they assemble periodically at Lambeth send their decrees to Rome for approval? St. Cyprian knew simply nothing of our independent bishop. It is a wretched twisting of his words—the effort made by Dr. Pusey and by Bright and Puller, in our day, to make him appear to do so. Cyprian "redivivus" would prove a terror amongst the independent bishops of the present day;—Cyprian, who put down abuses in subordinate bishops with an iron hand, who excommunicated such as defied his authority, and threatened with like measures those who refused to accept the terms laid down by him—as, for instance, in the case of the "lapsi." Indeed, he was often accused of overstraining authority; hence, in exculpation, he used words now twisted into a meaning contrary to his doctrine and practice. Hence "Some of the most brilliant German Protestant writers, such as Neander and Harnack, and, amongst Americans, Schaff, maintain

That Cyprian's Teaching

necessarily issued in the Papal and Roman form of Church government."—(Rivington's Prim. Ch., p. 48.) "Cyprian looked upon the Roman Church," says the Protestant historian, Neander, "as really the Cathedra Petri—(Chair of Peter),—and as the representative of the outward unity of the Church."—(Vol. 1, p. 299.)

'6. A Small Proposal.—I agree with his Lordship that short extracts do not always give a grasp of the author's meaning. Hence, I would, in all respect, submit this proposal to him: Let him bear half the cost, I shall gladly bear the other half of printing and circulating gratis St. Cyprian's treatise on "The Unity of the Church"—a work very suited to our time—together with

some long extracts from St. Irenaeus on the point in dispute. I feel confident that such a little publication would be read eagerly by, and would do some good among, the congregations of St. Paul's, Dunedin, and St. Mary's, Invercargill.

'7. Continued Ill-treatment of Eusebius.—The Bishop says that the passage I quoted from the Chronicle of Eusebius, wherein it is expressly stated that St. Peter had been "prelate of the Church" at Rome, "is considered to be an interpolation"! The lovely Littledale so considers it. Is it? The passage is perfectly genuine, and well authenticated; it is found in the original Greek fragments preserved by Syncellus; it is found in the Armenian version; it is found in the independent Syriac version; and it is found in the Latin translation by St. Jerome! How unfortunate a thing it is for a man to have anything to do with that lovely Littledale! The Bishop tells us that Eusebius's Chronicle is contradicted by many passages in his history. Perhaps so, when both are interpreted by persons who will not grasp their plain meaning.

'8. Valesius to the Rescue.—By-the-bye, Sir, you remember that his Lordship introduced to us an old gentleman by the name of Valesius—a narrator of some "curious facts" about old engravings; facts which did not turn out very propitiously for the Bishop. Now, had his Lordship taken Valesius a little more into his confidence, the old Gallican would have enlightened him considerably in the matter of understanding Eusebius. Valesius was endowed with an acute mind, and he used it much in the study of

The Ancient Fathers

—of Eusebius especially. Hear what he says:—"We would observe that Eusebius never reckons the apostles in the number of the bishops; and, in fact, he has said already that Paul together with Peter had founded and planted the Roman Church, appealing to the words of Dionysius of Corinth, as, later on, he does also to those of Irenaeus. When, however, he speaks of the Roman Episcopate" (mark this) "he attributes it to Peter alone, as is clear from his Chronicle. It is thus too," (mark this also) "we must reconcile Irenaeus speaking of Hyginus (Adv. Haer., Bk. I. and Bk. III, 4) 'as holding the ninth place of episcopal succession from the apostles' with what he says in Bk. III., c. 3; since Irenaeus, in the same way as Eusebius, speaks of the Apostles Peter and Paul having both founded the Roman Church, though he does not reckon them in his catalogue of bishops. It is in a like sense that St. Epiphanius, treating of the heresy of the Cerdonians, says that Hyginus held the ninth place of episcopal succession after James, Peter and Paul. Now, should anyone maintain from this passage, that James was Bishop of Rome along with Peter, he should simply be laughed at. And in the same way we may argue in regard to Paul" (III. 21). What a shame! There is old Valesius, introduced to us by Bishop Nevill himself, turning round and laughing at his Lordship's interpretations!

'9. Some Trifling Items.—My letter should run to length too great were I to treat even briefly such petty points as the episcopate of Linus, "superstite Petro"; Tertullian's mention of the ordination of Clement by Peter; the chronological mess made by the compiler of the Liberian Calendar, etc. To one who has any firm grasp of the literature of the subject these are no difficulties whatever; they can be swept away like dust. His Lordship just referred to the "Clementine Recognitions" as being responsible, however, for the universal belief that St. Peter had been Bishop of Rome. If his Lordship cares to enlarge upon those writings—no new matter with those from whom he gets his information—I shall undertake to show that the Clementine romance had about as much to do with propagating the belief under consideration as these, my letters, shall have to do with promoting Bishop Nevill to the Primacy of the Anglican sect in New Zealand.

'10. The Records of Councils.—His Lordship volunteered to quote the records of Councils for me; he did so, as we have seen, "with exhaustive effect"! In the matter of Councils, he took, he thought, a pace with which I could not dare to keep up. "But the records of Councils—no, not these—I don't think he will quote these," said the Bishop. Well, now, I shall exhibit a few examples, just to please his Lordship:—(a) The "acts" of the first General Council, that of Nice, are lost; but the Council of Sardica, held in 342, and attended by more than 300 bishops, is commonly regarded as a continuation of that of Nice. This Council says in its third canon, repeated in the synodical letter to Pope Julius "This will seem the best, and by far the most fitting, if the bishops make reference from all the provinces to the Head—that, is the See of the Apostle Peter." Now, we must remember that those ancient bishops, assembled in solemn deliberation, knew what they were about. They also knew the history of the Church up to their time; they had before them evidences of that history, since lost. Those old Fathers were not,

as some people, themselves not overburdened with cerebral grey-matter, would have us think, mere simpletons prepared to swallow any bolus presented to them. Yet they all admitted and declared the Bishop of Rome to be

The Successor of Peter,

Peter's Roman episcopate must, therefore, have been regarded by them as a fact admitting of no possible question. (b) Let us come to the General Council of Ephesus, held in 431. The attending bishops were all Easterns, and not at all inclined to "obsequiousness" towards the Bishop of any Western See, no matter how great in itself. St. Cyril, of Alexandria, presided as representative of Pope Celestine, and the rapal legates Arcadius, Projectus, and Philip attended to "carry into effect what we have before determined; assent to whom we doubt not will be accorded by your Holinesses"

(letter of the Pope to the Council). The Fathers did assent and carry out the Pope's directions, "compelled by the sacred canons and the letter of our most holy Father and fellow-minister Celestine." They call the Pope "Bishop of the Apostolic See," "the successor and place-holder of the blessed Peter. . . who even until now lives and exercises judgment in his successors." These few extracts give an idea of the spirit running all through the "acts" of this Council (Hard. v., 1). (c) In the year 451 was held the General Council of Chalcedon, at which were present about 630 Eastern bishops—none of whom was likely to have been ignorant of the early traditions of his own Church, or to have been unduly biased in favor of those of the Latin world. Yet the bishops of this great council, in their synodical letter to Pope Leo, tell him that by his legates he "had presided over them as head over the members . . . being appointed unto all men interpreter of the voice of the blessed Peter." When Leo's "tome" was read in the second session the Fathers unanimously cried out, "Peter has spoken these things by the mouth of Leo"! (Hardouin's "Council," II., p. 305.) I think, Sir, I am keeping up pretty well with his Lordship in the matter of quoting councils, especially when we remember his "ego krino," and his absurd mutilation of the sixth canon of Nice!

'11. Compulsory Omissions.—The fear of exclusion from your columns, Sir, compels me to omit reference to the canons of the Western Councils, to the "acts" of the Popes themselves, to the declarations of great Fathers like Augustine and Ambrose, and to the teaching embodied in liturgies and hymns, etc. I have by me pages and pages of Greek originals testifying to the grand historical fact attacked by Bishop Nevill. I must also, out of deference to his Lordship, omit the learned conclusions arrived at by Protestant experts like Pearson, Cave, Lardner, Milman, Harnack, Schaff, etc. Of course, the great works of Catholic historians are out of court; mere Ultramontane opinion, no matter how erudite, is not to be for a moment entertained!

'12. Some Light on a Dark Corner.—Those who talk loudly of the pretensions of the Popes find apparent support in "the historical blank," to use an expression of Lightfoot's, beginning in the last quarter of the first century and extending on through the second. Those were days of direst persecution; Christians hid away or went about in constant fear of death. The heads of the Popes were knocked off, during those times, in regular succession, by the swords of the Pagan legionaries; vast numbers of Christians were put to death. That was not a time for exercising much authority or for making a display of it. On the contrary, men in high places hid away, for they were sought after particularly. That was not a time for writing books; yet some were written, but nearly all have perished—(Lightfoot, "Hist. Essays.") Now the dark literary barrenness of that period is lighted up by

The Patristic Works

and the ecclesiastical "Acta" of the third, fourth, and fifth centuries. These testify, constantly, universally, unmistakably to the Roman episcopate of St. Peter. The testimony of these must have been grounded upon the universal belief and testimony of the previous period. A grand universal effect must always owe its existence to an adequate cause. To say that this great Petrine fact, so intimately and actively intertwined with the entire growth and development of Christianity, with the spread of missions, the contest with heretics, the disciplinary legislation, and the doctrinal unfolding of the Church—to say that it was based on an unaccountable second-century "figment" is to introduce historical scepticism and to subvert the principles on which the human mind acts and must act. Beside, let us not forget that fragments remaining from that dark corner confirm, as I have shown, the later teaching, and not one of them supplies a word against it. Still, the "historical blank," referred to above, affords a happy hunting-ground to faddists and theorists of all sorts from Straus and Baur to the "authorities" relied upon by Bishop Nevill.

'13. "Catholicism" and Catholicism.—On the death of the Pope some weeks ago his Lordship made the welkin of Otago and Southland ring with his challenge to all and sundry to controvert with him this Petrine fact. He has since strung together in your columns an immense quantity of words and words and loosely constructed paragraphs, but he has not, I submit, thrown one glimpse of light on the subject. The people of Southland are still "waiting," and the people of Otago are still "wailing" for his evidence, positive, clear, convincing. But he wound up his last long letter in, at all events, an edifying way—that is, with a "hearty prayer" that the veil should fall from our "faces" so that we could all see the beautiful lineaments of his insular "Catholic" sect. It will, I know, take a good many "hearty prayers" from Bishop Nevill to make your humble servant set much value upon his Royal-Supremacy, Act-of-Parliament, rather many-colored affair. A recent scholarly Protestant historian, Mr. G. W. Child, tells us that the Church of England, having separated under its first popes, Henry VIII., Edward VI., and Elizabeth, from the rest of Christendom, "became for the first time in its history a separate Christian community, of which little could be affirmed, but that, for the time being at any rate, it agreed with no other, that it retained

An Anomalous and Decapitated Catholicism,

and that in practice, if not in theory too, it owed its doctrine as well as whatever of discipline it retained to its lay Supreme Head" ("Church and State," London, 1890, p. 264).

'To this "anomalous and decapitated Catholicism" I prefer that Catholicism of which the great Augustine of Africa said, more than 1500 years ago: "The agreement of all peoples and nations keeps me there. Authority—begun in miracle, nurtured in hope, increased by charity, and confirmed by antiquity—keeps me there. The succession of bishops from the See itself of Peter (to whom the Lord committed the feeding of His sheep) down to the present episcopate, keeps me there. Lastly, I am kept there by the very name of Catholic, which, among so many heresies, that Church has, not without reason, alone held in possession. So much so, that though all heretics wish themselves to be called 'Catholic,' yet when any stranger asks where the Catholic service is held no one of them dares point to his own church or house." And again: "I am held in the communion of the Catholic Church by the succession of bishops from the very chair of the Apostle Peter. . . . For if the order of bishops succeeding to one another is to be considered, how much more surely and beneficially do we reckon from Peter himself. . . . And to Peter succeeded Linus," etc. (Ep. contra Man. and Ep. 53, Gener. n. 2).'

Diocesan News

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

September 12.

His Grace Archbishop Redwood leaves next week for Westport to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation and to open the new school.

The Very Rev. Father Olier, Provincial of the Marist Fathers in Australia, arrived from Sydney by the Mokoia this week on a visit to New Zealand.

Mr. W. Edward Butler has been appointed hon. captain of No. 1 Company of St. Patrick's College Rifle Cadets, and Mr. Richard Timmins, hon. captain of No. 2 Company.

The generosity of Mrs. Segrief, one of our highly-esteemed Catholics, has again been shown by the gift of an organ for the convent chapel, Hill street, and a donation of £30 towards the new music rooms which will be built shortly.

At the Foresters' Hall on Thursday evening the Hon. W. Beehan, who has been recently appointed to the Legislative Council, was the recipient of a presentation from the Irishmen of Wellington. The affair was most successfully carried out. Mr. P. J. O'Regan occupied the chair, and spoke in terms of praise regarding the guest of the evening. He felt quite sure Mr. Beehan would give a good account of himself in Parliament and act up to the traditions of the race from which he had sprung. Mr. E. Arnold paid a tribute to Mr. Beehan and to the Irish race. Other speakers were Messrs. F. McParland, J. Stratford, J. McInerney, and M. Bohan. The health of the guest was drunk with musical honors. Mr. Beehan replied with a few appropriate words. During the evening songs were given by Messrs. Smith, Hanifan, and Corliss, Mr. Corliss also contributing a recitation. Mr.

Sawtell gave some amusing imitations. Miss Lawlor danced an Irish jig. Mr. D. Murphy was secretary of the gathering.

It is with deep regret I announce the death of a second beloved sister of the Very Rev. Father Lane, Lower Hutt, which took place at St. Mary's Convent, Hill street, on Sunday morning, September 6. Sister Mary Catherine entered St. Mary's in 1890, and was professed in 1894. During her voyage out from the Old Country, Miss Lane seemed to have caught a chill and never to have been able to shake it off. This eventually undermined her constitution so much that none, not even those who came in daily contact with her, understood the full extent of her sufferings. However, with the bravest of hearts, she was ever at her post till the beginning of the present year, when obedience exchanged her school duties for others of a lighter nature. Sister Mary Catherine was best known amongst the junior pupils of St. Mary's High School, where she will long be remembered for the sweetness and gentleness with which she ruled the little ones confided to her care. She was two years younger than her late sister—Sister Mary Vincent. During life they were both so remarkable for their spirit of perfect detachment that few were aware of the deep affection existing between them. But now even death seemed anxious to compensate them by placing them side by side on the lonely hillside, never more to be separated. Sister Mary Catherine died on the feast of our Lady Consoler of the Afflicted, and truly she could not have had a more appropriate day than that on which our consoling Mother chose to take to herself one of the most afflicted of her lowly children. On Monday a Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in the convent chapel for the repose of the soul of the late Sister Mary Catherine. Rev. Father McNamara was celebrant, the Very Rev. Father Keogh deacon, Rev. Father O'Shea sub-deacon, the Very Rev. Father Lewis master of ceremonies. Very Rev. Father Lane and Rev. Father Walsh were present in the sanctuary. The requiem was chanted by the priests present in the choir. Mr. D. Kenny presided at the organ. In the afternoon the remains were borne to the Church of the Sacred Heart, the pall-bearers being four members of the Hibernian Society, while the Sisters followed in processional order. The Very Rev. Father Lewis read the burial service and also preached a short panegyric on the deceased. The funeral then left for the Karori cemetery, the chief mourner being the Very Rev. Father Lane, of the Lower Hutt. About thirty of the Sisters of Mercy attended the last obsequies in addition to a large number of clergy and a representative gathering of the public.—R.I.P.

DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

September 14.

The Very Rev. Dean Foley, who remained on the West Coast laboring in the interests of the Cathedral and diocese, has telegraphed to the Bishop to the effect that he had succeeded in securing a site and was arranging for the building of a church in the locality where one does not exist but is urgently needed.

Sunday last being the feast of the Holy Name of Mary and patronal feast of the Marist Order, his Lordship the Bishop preached on Sunday evening at Vespers an occasional sermon at St. Mary's, Manchester street.

Speaking at the complimentary conversazione on last Tuesday evening, his Lordship the Bishop said that despite the numerous calls recently made on the people of the West Coast, and the appeal made by himself for the Cathedral building fund was the third for that object, he had received over £600 during the visitation.

In carrying out the expressed desire of the late Mr. Quinn an iron arch and lamp have been erected over the gateway of St. Joseph's Church, Temuka, the cost being borne by the estate of the deceased gentleman.

Very deep sorrow is felt by all who knew him at the death, which occurred last week, of Mr. Michael McNamara, at the early age of 30 years, after a brief illness. The deceased was a general favorite with the many who enjoyed his acquaintance, and was, on account of strict adherence to religious duty, unimpeachable character, and praiseworthy zeal in all good works, universally respected. He was a member of the Catholic Club, of the H.A.C.B. Society, and Pro-Cathedral Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society, all of which bodies were represented at his funeral on Saturday last. He was the life of all social functions in connection with the Catholic Club, and many former members of the Catholic Literary Society will long entertain pleasant recollections of the part he took in its pursuits, combined with his unobtrusive and genial manner. Prior to the interment in the Linwood Cemetery a Requiem Mass was

celebrated in St. Mary's Church. Sincerest sympathy is expressed for the bereaved widowed mother and sorrowing relatives.—R.I.P.

In view of the advanced state reached by the Cathedral building it is probable that at an early date arrangements will be made to afford a public inspection.

The following pupils of the Convent of Mercy, Lyttelton, passed the theory examination held in connection with Trinity College, London:—Intermediate honors—Myrtle Wilson, 83; Alice Davies, 80; Lancel Loader, 80; Intermediate pass—Minnie Richardson, 77; Elsie Wilson, 75. Junior honors—Lucy Childs, 93; Joyce Stuart, 84. Preparatory—Sarah Welsh, 93; Kitty Purcell, 93; Maud Hannay, 93; Beatrice Wales, 87; Mary Welsh, 80; Johanna Lugaro, 79; Alice Beecroft, 62. Alice Davies also passed the senior local centre of the Royal Academy of Music, with 83 marks.

The following pupils of the Convent of Mercy, Akaroa passed:—Intermediate—Eveline Le Lievre (honors), Martha Vangioni (honors), Ada Hammond (pass), Olive Le Lievre (pass). Junior—Ursula Le Lievre (honors).

The following pupils of the Sisters of Mercy, St. Mary's Convent, Colombo street North, were successful in passing at the recent musical examinations in connection with Trinity College, London:—Intermediate division—Trudie Schmidt, 93 (honors); Kathleen Molloy, 70; and Gertrude Cassin, 66. Junior division—Maud Cassin, 97; Kitty Zachariah, 95; Violet Shaw, 94; Nessie Bower, 92; Ada Shepherd, 90; and Mary Molloy, 89 (all with honors). Preparatory division—Vera de la Cour, 93; and Julia Scully, 93 (both specially commended). The following pupils were also successful at the examination in connection with the Royal College of Music:—Florence Agnes McDonnell, 92; Nellie Turner, 82.

The following pupils from the Convent of Mercy, Darfield, were successful in passing the theory of music examination, held last June, in connection with Trinity College, London:—Junior division—Annie Gill, 98 (honors); Cissie Baker, 95 (honors); Maggie Gill, 95 (honors); Maggie McMullan, 95 (honors); Vera Holmes, 92 (honors); and Alice Jarman, 87 (honors).

The complimentary conversazione tendered to his Lordship the Bishop in the Alexandra Hall on last Tuesday evening was largely attended, the building being quite crowded. Among those present were a number of the clergy. Part of the hall was furnished as a drawing-room and the remainder carpeted, provided with small tables, and set off with palms and pot plants. At an interval in the programme Mr. E. O'Connor, on behalf of the parishioners, welcomed the Bishop, eulogised his work on the West Coast, and expressed kindly regards for future success in all his undertakings. In replying the Bishop expressed pleasure at being again in their midst, and narrated the nature and results of his work during the past two or three months. Referring to the Cathedral, he thought the contractors would complete its building in time for opening at the end of next year. He thanked those present for gathering in such numbers around him and hoped he would long have health and strength to carry on the work God had placed before him. He most cordially thanked those who had organised the social and also those who had supplied the programme. Refreshments were handed round, and during the evening songs were contributed by Miss L. Cameron, Miss Pender, Mrs. A. Mead, Messrs. C. Read, E. McNamara, R. A. Horne, E. Akins, selections by Painter's (ladies) Estudiantina Band, and Geoghegan's orchestra, violin solo by Herr Zimmerman, clarinet solo by Mr. W. H. Corrigan, and a lecturette on early Canterbury experiences by Mr. G. H. Hart, of the 'Press.' The duties of accompanists were shared by Mrs. A. Mead, Miss Katie Young, and Mr. R. A. Horne. Mr. E. O'Connor, as secretary, supervised the arrangements, and with the valued assistance of a ladies' committee ensured the thorough success and enjoyment of the occasion.

DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND.

(From our own correspondent.)

September 10.

The interior work in St. Benedict's Church is nearly completed, and the Rev. Father Gillan is working hard in order that the improvements shall be free of debt on completion.

The Rev. Father O'Gallagher, of Huntly, is progressing well after his accident. It was not so serious as reported. Rev. Father Patterson journeyed up to see him, and was pleased to find him better.

'Catholic Presbyterian Church' was the title assumed by a rev. gentleman at the Presbyterian Jubilee here last week, and its adherents (we are told) numbered forty millions. How many more 'Catholic' churches will there be?

A large gathering of the parishioners of St. Patrick's assembled in St. Patrick's Convent High School last Thursday evening to commemorate the first anniversary to the priesthood of the Rev. Father Holbrook, of the Cathedral. Amongst those present were Rev. Father Patterson, Adm., Fathers Tormey and Furlong, of St. Benedict's, and Father Holbrook. An address to Father Holbrook was read by Miss Gladys Foley, after which she handed him a beautiful bouquet. After a few musical items had been got through the Rev. Father Patterson rose and said it gave him infinite pleasure to be amongst them that night to do honor to Father Holbrook upon his first anniversary of his ordination to the holy priesthood. He had been closely associated with Father Holbrook since his arrival in Auckland, and he could assure them that in him they possessed a good and worthy priest. To him had been allotted the work of the Sunday School, and right well he had attended to it. With them all he wished him 'Ad Multos Annos.' Father Patterson then presented Father Holbrook, on behalf of Mesdames McIlveney and McDonnell, Miss Hobbs, and Messrs. M. O'Connor, M. Walsh, and A. Kohn, with a fine watch guard and greenstone pendant, a travelling rug from Mrs. A. Martin; a rattan lounge from the teachers and pupils of the Sunday school; a sofa cushion from Miss Harkins; a gold cross from Miss Leonardo, and a silver matchbox from the boarders of St. Patrick's convent schools. Father Patterson, in conclusion, remarked that such evidence of practical sympathy was an encouragement to Father Holbrook. Rev. Father Furlong, as a friend and companion of Father Holbrook from boyhood, and later on in College, said it gave him much pleasure to be present to do honor to Father Holbrook. He liked to see such a good spirit existing between priest and people, and said it was a good augury for the future. Father Tormey expressed his delight to be amongst them. St. Patrick's parishioners were noted for their kindness and generosity towards their priests, and what he saw to-night but confirmed the good opinion he had held. To the Sisters of Mercy he paid high tribute, saying he had known the Order in the old country, and here it was worthily fulfilling its traditions in inculcating a love for the Church, its prelates, and pastors. He congratulated Father Holbrook, and hoped he would celebrate many anniversaries. Mr. M. J. Sheahan added his quota of praise to the good work performed by Father Holbrook, notably his arduous work in the Sunday school. Father Holbrook, who was loudly applauded on rising, said he could hardly express himself in words, as he felt overwhelmed with the praise bestowed upon him, and the numerous and valuable presents showered upon him. He heartily thanked his generous donors, and all who participated in bringing to a head the successful gathering to-night. In particular the good Sisters of Mercy, with whom he was associated in the good work of the parish, also their administrator, Father Patterson, Fathers Furlong and Holbrook, and Mr. Sheahan for their kind references to him. Not even in dear old Wexford could he have received such honor. This day twelvemonth was brought forcibly to his memory, and he felt pleasure in having beside him in Father Furlong, one who was present at his ordination. He only wished that one other who was present that day outside the altar rails were here to-night—his dear mother, whose heart would be gladdened. In conclusion, he hoped to continue to merit their hearty co-operation in the performance of God's work. Vocal numbers were given by Misses Maud Donovan, Graham, Duffin, Beehan (2); choruses by the convent pupils, duet, cornets by Masters J. and W. Ewart and sailor's hornpipe by Misses Barry and Fairweather. Misses Graham and Fairweather and Rist were accompanists. The pleasant evening concluded with the singing of 'God Save Ireland.'

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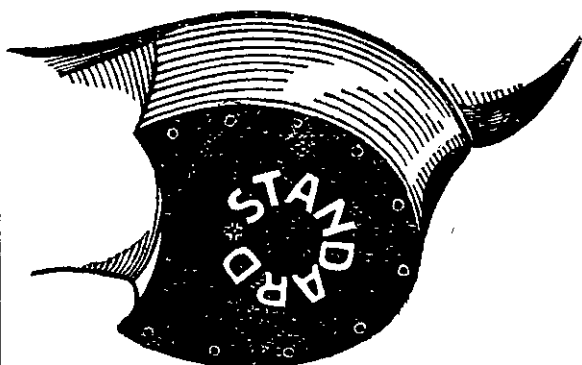
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Irish News

DERRY.—The King's Visit

The King was paying his visit to Derry on the anniversary of the relief of the city in the siege of 1689. King Edward is the first English Sovereign to visit Derry, but James II. appeared before its walls during the historic siege. Lough Swilly, on the shores of which the Royal party landed, has many historic associations. It was in Lough Swilly that Queen Elizabeth's deputy kidnapped Red Hugh O'Donnell, who, after long imprisonment in Dublin Castle, escaped to become a formidable foe to England as the ally of Hugh O'Neill. From Lough Swilly O'Neill and other Irish earls made their historic flight never to return. It was in Lough Swilly, too, that Wolfe Tone was captured in 1798, after a severe naval fight, and it was from Buncrana Sir Cahir O'Doherty marched to burn Derry in 1608, an incident on which the arms of Derry are based.

DOWN.—Distressing Accident

An accident of a melancholy character occurred on the Dublin road, near Newry, on July 26. Two women named Mrs. MacGennity and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rice, were returning to their home in Faughiletra in a cart, when the horse took head, and Mrs. MacGennity was found lying dead on the road with her skull fractured and Mrs. Rice had her leg fractured.

A Young Hero

Thomas Murphy, aged 14, of Newry, was drowned on July 23, while gallantly saving the lives of two boys named Richard and Robert Burland. The three boys went to bathe, and one of the Burlands got into difficulties and sank. Murphy seized him and landed him on the bank. The other boy, who had evidently become frightened, also went under, and Murphy jumped into the water and saved him also. The poor lad, however, was by this time so exhausted that he could not reach the bank, and was drowned in the presence of the boys whom he had rescued.

DUBLIN.—The Hospice for the Dying

Among the charitable institutions visited by the Queen while in Dublin was the Hospice for the Dying, Harolds Cross. Her Majesty was received by his Grace the Archbishop, the Very Rev. W. Delany, S.J., Very Rev. Canon Fricker, P.P., and the clergy of the parish. The nuns and entire nursing staff of the hospital were in attendance. Her Majesty distributed flowers among the patients, to each of whom she addressed words of sympathy.

The Gold Ornaments

It will be remembered that shortly after Mr. Justice Farwell delivered judgment in the gold ornaments' case it was announced in Parliament that it was the pleasure of his Majesty the King that these ornaments should be presented to the Royal Irish Academy. This intention was carried out towards the end of July, when Sir J. B. Dougherty, Assistant Under-Secretary to the Lord-Lieutenant, handed the ornaments to Professor C. J. Joly, secretary of the Academy, and Pr. R. MacAlister, assistant secretary, who received them at the Castle on behalf of the Royal Irish Academy, and accompanied by the officer in whose charge they had been sent from London, deposited them in the Royal Irish Academy's section of the National Museum in Kildare street, where they are now on view.

Death of a Priest

The death is reported at Dublin of the Rev. Father Anderson, a well-known member of the Augustinian Order and a devoted friend of the Nationalist cause. Few priests have shown themselves more earnest in their devotion to the cause of faith and fatherland. It was only a few Sundays before his demise that he unveiled the monument in Dowth Cemetery, near Drogheda, to the memory of the late John Boyle O'Reilly. His death occasioned sincere and widespread regret in Nationalist and Catholic circles.

GALWAY.—The County Council

At a recent meeting of the Galway County Council, on the motion of Mr. J. O'Donnell, vice-chairman, Mr. John Joyce, of Oughterard, was co-opted a member in place of Professor Pye, resigned. Mr. J. J. O'Loughlin and Mr. P. O'Hara, who were present, retired in favor of Mr. Joyce, whose co-option was carried unanimously, amid applause.

Laying a Foundation Stone

His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Healy, Archbishop of Tuam, visited Aran Isles towards the end of July for the purpose of laying the foundation stone of the new church of St. Brigid at Kilonan. On approaching the South Island he was met by large numbers of the islanders, who came to meet the steamer in currachs and

yawls, and some of the latter being dressed with bunting. A similar greeting awaited his Grace at the Middle Island. On disembarking at Kilonan Pier he was received by the Rev. Father Farragher, P.P., and a large concourse of the people, and was most warmly greeted. Father Farragher offered him, on behalf of himself and the islanders, their most respectful homage and their most cordial welcome. He most respectfully expressed the hope that henceforward they would have the advocacy of his Grace in forwarding the material interests of the people. He could see that since his last visit to the Islands a very great change had taken place in the material prospects of the people, and while that was in a great measure due to the efforts of the Congested Districts Board he should say that these efforts made by the Board had been in every way seconded by the people. Up to the present, while the loans given by the Board amounted to many thousands of pounds, the bad debts were practically nil. They hoped that with the aid of the advocacy and the wise counsel of his Grace they would be as progressive in the future as they had been in the past. The Archbishop warmly thanked Father Farragher and the people for the kind greeting they had given him, and promised that he would leave nothing undone that he could do to help their parish priest to forward their interests.

KERRY.—An Action for Damages

In the case of Lyne v. the Great Southern and Western Railway Company, an action in which John Lyne, farmer and cattle dealer, Kilgarvan, County Kerry, sued the defendant company for damages owing to serious injuries caused to him by his foot being crushed in a hydraulic lift at the Cork Station on October 18, in consequence of which it had to be amputated, the judge put 14 questions to the jury, in several of which they disagreed. They found, however, for the plaintiff £300 damages, and that he was forced on the lift by the pressure of the crowd on this occasion, when there was an excursion. Counsel on both sides asked for judgment on the findings, but his Lordship refused to give judgment for the defendants, but gave the plaintiff leave to move for judgment.

KILDARE.—The King's Visit to Maynooth

An incident in connection with the Royal visit to Maynooth of a specially interesting nature was the presentation by the Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, of a superbly bound edition of the Centenary History of the College, written by the Most Rev. Dr. Healy, Archbishop of Tuam. The work originally was published for the College by Messrs. Brown and Nolan, and the edition presented was specially bound for the occasion by the same firm in red morocco, bearing on the outside of the covers the Royal Arms and the Arms of the College. The original work and now the special Royal edition have been produced in a manner reflecting the highest credit on the eminent Irish publishing firm. The volume is of Irish manufacture throughout. The leather in the binding of the book itself and in the case in which it was enclosed is Irish, and was tanned and dyed in Dublin. The gold leaf with which the cover and book is gilt was beaten in Dublin. The insides of the covers are of Irish poplin. The design and the workmanship, the paper, printing, and binding are all the work of Irish people.

TIPPERARY.—Death of a Christian Brother

The death is announced of Brother C. Maguire, of the Christian Brothers' Order, stationed at Nenagh, which took place on July 26 in the Mater Hospital, Dublin. He had been ailing for some weeks before, but no one suspected the serious malady from which he was suffering. Towards the beginning of July his illness rapidly developed, and an operation was judged necessary, but he succumbed the fourth day after. The Christian Brothers have lost in him one of their truest, most exemplary, and most successful members. The people of Nenagh, among whom he passed the last twelve years of his devoted life, will deeply lament his loss.

TYRONE.—Industrial Revival

In the course of an address to the workers in St. Macartan's Home Industries' Society, Dromore (County Tyrone), Most Rev. Dr. Owens, Bishop of Clogher, expressed the great pleasure it gave him to visit their society, and the deep interest he took in the industrial revival in Ireland generally, but more especially in the old diocese of Clogher. In Monaghan they started classes some years ago which had since given remunerative employment to a large number of the girls of that and the surrounding parishes, and these same classes had furnished one of the teachers of the girls he was addressing. Father Marron started three classes about six years ago in the parish of Brookeborough. They had made great progress, and afforded much-needed employment to numbers of girls. The first year the classes earned about £300, and the next year about £1000, and since then they had kept steadily increasing their earnings and their work. Of course they of St. Macartan's

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WEXFORD.—The Dawn of a Brighter Day

In opening the Summer Assizes at Wexford Judge Johnson, addressing the Grand Jury, said there were only six cases to go before them—two of larceny and four of assault—none of them being of a serious nature. They did not in any degree reflect upon the tranquility or peace of the country. The country appeared to be settling down everywhere, and in the peaceful pursuit of industrial enterprises the bitter past of Ireland would recur, he trusted, to their memories only as the imperfect recollections of the disordered dream of a troubled and restless night on the approaching dawn of a bright and happy day.

GENERAL

The Dog Tax

A Parliamentary return shows that during the year 1902 432,847 dogs were registered in Ireland, and the amount of dog license duty received was £43,284, 14s. The proportion of this payable to town and county authorities was £17,748 19s.

The King's Example

In estimating the effect of the Royal visit to Ireland the "Sheffield Daily Telegraph," whilst holding that allowance must be made for the natural desire of the Irish to show kindness to strangers, wisely points out that the English people may well draw a moral from the King's example. His Majesty's words in his message of condolence on the death of the Pope, in his references to his audience with the Holy Father, and in his public thanks to the people of Dublin were so tactful that the writer in the Sheffield paper wishes he could impart the secret to his Ministers. When George III. was told that a certain energetic officer must be mad, he said he wished that officer would bite his generals, and on the same principle the "Sheffield Daily Telegraph," comparing the King's sureness of touch with the bungling way in which Chief Secretaries have often dealt with Irish affairs, sighs for some method of inoculation. It is to be feared that even if the inoculation took place the effects would only be temporary. The most distinctive feature of the Government's Irish policy has always been its varying character. When it has been conciliatory for a while, it then repents and takes an opposite direction.

Agricultural Prospects

Reports from nearly all parts of the country regarding the present appearance of the crops at the close of July (says the "Irish People") would go far to indicate that farmers have strong reason to look forward to a fair average harvest. In the early part of the season growth was in a very backward state, owing to the severe climatic conditions, which were succeeded by such a prolonged period of comparative drought, but since the more genial weather recently experienced set in growth has progressed wonderfully. Grain crops generally seem to be doing well, though in oats there will be disease of a light kind is manifesting its presence in some, taken all round, is one of excellent promise, though disease of a light kind is manifesting its presence in several centres. Spraying has been largely availed of by farmers. Root crops have been greatly assisted in their growth by the recent rains, and mangolds and turnips are up to a good standard.

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People We Hear About

Mr Alfred Percival Graves, author of 'Father O'Flynn,' has contributed a poem on the death of Leo XIII. to 'John Bull.'

Mr. William O'Brien, M.P., has undergone a slight operation for an affection of the throat, and has been ordered abroad for some time.

Cardinal Vaughan's small estate of £700 at his death is no new thing in the diocese of Westminster. His predecessor, Cardinal Manning, left only £100 as his whole worldly wealth.

'There are many men,' says the Sydney 'Telegraph,' 'who have closely watched the work of the Federal Parliament, and seen something of the methods of the Federal Administration, who regard Mr. O'Connor as the real strong man of the Barton Cabinet. Certainly, as a Parliamentary tactician and as a manager of men he has no equal in either House.'

Mr. Justice Conolly, who is retiring from the Supreme Court Bench, has just entered on his 82nd year. When in Gisborne lately he expressed himself that August had been his eventful month. He was born in August, called to the Bar in August, made Minister of Justice in August, and would most likely die in the month of August.

Mr. F. R. Chapman, barrister and solicitor, of Dunedin, son of the late Mr. Justice Chapman, has been selected to succeed Mr. Justice Conolly as a Supreme Court Judge. The new Judge, after completing his education in England and on the Continent, was called to the English Bar in 1871. He came out to Dunedin in the following year, and was in partnership for some time with Mr. Strode before joining the firm of Messrs. Smith, Chapman, and Sinclair.

Mr. W. F. Massey, the member for Franklin, who has just been appointed leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives, is an Irishman. He was born in Londonderry in 1856, and arrived in New Zealand in 1871, being then only 15 years of age. He is engaged in farming pursuits at Mangere, Onehunga. In 1894 he was elected as member of the House of Representatives for Waitemata. He represented this constituency for three years. Since then he has represented Franklin. He was appointed Opposition Whip in 1895, and has practically acted in that capacity ever since.

It is a mistake to suppose that Dr. Kevin Izod O'Doherty is the last survivor of the Young Ireland men. Mr. Martin MacDermott, also a 'Nation' poet, and the man who represented the Young Ireland Party in Paris before the attempted insurrection, is still living, and is at present residing in Bristol. He was born in Dublin just eighty years ago. Mr. MacDermott was chief architect of the Khedive of Egypt for many years. A few years ago, at the request of Sir Charles Gavan Duffy he edited the 'Poems and Ballads of Young Ireland,' and also Tom Moore's 'Memoir of Lord Edward Fitzgerald.'

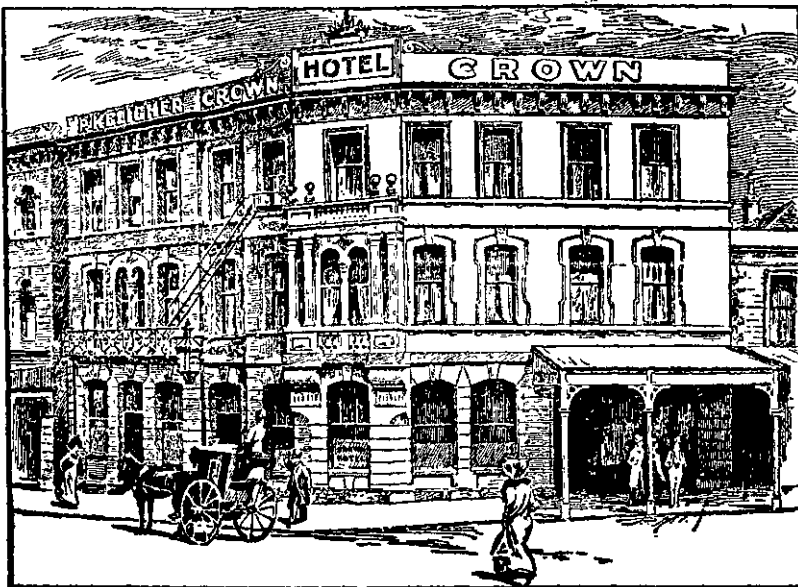
Sir Anthony MacDonnell, Under Secretary for Ireland, has (says the 'Tablet') been added to the Privy Counsellors of Ireland. The honor, high in any case, is enhanced by the fact that its latest recipient was only last year created a Privy Councillor in England. Fifty-nine is the age of the new colleague of the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland, of Mr. Justice Kenny, of the MacDermot, K.C., of the O'Connor Don, of Lord Chief Baron Pales, and of the Earls of Fingall and Westmeath—to name the Catholics already upon that Dublin roll of responsibility and honor.

The Right Rev. Dr. Bourne, Archbishop-designate of Westminster, was born in Clapham, London, four years before the death of Cardinal Wiseman. His education up to his ordination was obtained at St. Cuthbert's College, Ushaw; St. Edmund's, Ware; St. Sulpice, Paris; and the Louvain University. His brilliant attainments caused his appointment as Rector of Southwark Diocesan Seminary in 1889. In 1895 he was appointed Domestic Prelate by Leo XIII., and in 1896 was chosen as Coadjutor-Bishop of Southwark; and in 1897 succeeded to the full government of that diocese. Youth, scholarship, zeal, and a training amid the new conditions which affect his native London more perhaps than any other portion of the world, distinguish Dr. Bourne as a fit successor of the three great men who in modern times have well filled the chair of Westminster.

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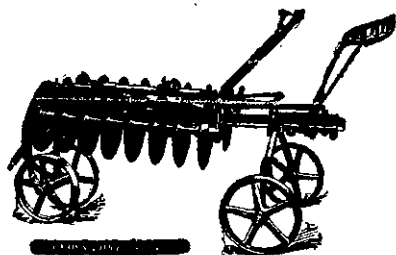
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Commercial

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PRODUCE.

London, September 13.—Frozen Meat—Mutton and beef quotations are unchanged. Lamb: Canterbury, 4½d; Dunedin and Southland, 4½d; North Island, 4½d. The weakness is chiefly due to damaged cargoes by the Perthshire and Banffshire.

Wellington, September 14.—The Department of Industries and Commerce has received the following cablegram from the Agent-General, dated London, 12th inst.: 'There is a better demand for mutton, and the market is firm at the price cabled last week. The lamb market has been unfavorably affected by damaged carcasses, but the downward movement is not likely to last. The average price to-day for Canterbury lambs is 4½d per lb; brands other than Canterbury, 4½d. Beef: The market continues dull. Average price to-day. Hindquarters New Zealand beef 4d; fores, 2½d. There has been no alteration in the butter market since last week. The cheese market is firm; spot demand good. The average price to-day for finest Canadian is 53s per cwt.

SOUTHLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

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Mr. F. Meenan, King street, Dunedin, reports:—Wholesale prices only—Oats: Seed, 1s 10d to 2s 3d; milling, 1s 8d to 1s 9½d; feed, 1s 3d to 1s 7d. Wheat: Milling, 3s 10d to 4s 2d; fowls' wheat, 3s to 3s 4d. Potatoes: Derwents, £4 5s; seed kidneys, £3 10s to £4 10s. Chaff, £2 10s to £3 7s 6d. Straw: Pressed wheat, 27s 6d; oats, 30s; loose, 35s. Flour: Sacks, £10; 50lb, £10 15s; 25lb, £11. Oatmeal, £9. Pollard, £4. Bran, £3. Butter: Dairy, 8d to 10d; factory, 11d. Cheese: Factory, 6½d; dairy, 5½d. Eggs, 10d. Onions: Melbourne, £5.

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. (Limited) report:—We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday, when we offered a full catalogue to a good attendance of buyers, and, under moderate competition, quitted most of the lines on offer at prices on a par with late quotations. Values ruled as under:—

Oats.—The market is without animation, and there is little change in values to report. Prime milling and seed lines continue to move off slowly, and for prime B grade there has been rather more inquiry, but at no improvement in value. Medium and inferior sorts are offering more plentifully at slightly reduced prices. Quotations: Best seed lines, 1s 10d to 2s 3d; prime milling, 1s 7½d to 1s 9½d; good to best feed, 1s 6d to 1s 7d; inferior and medium, 1s to 1s 5d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—Local stocks of prime quality are small, and are being readily taken up by millers. The same buyers also give more attention to medium milling lines, which for some time have been neglected, and these show most improvement in value. Fowl wheat is scarce, and commands ready sale. Quotations. Prime milling, 4s to 4s 3d; medium to good, 3s 6d to 3s 10d; whole fowl wheat, 3s 3d to 3s 5d; broken and damaged, 2s 9d to 3s 2d per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The market continues to be moderately supplied with prime Derwents, for which there is steady demand. Medium sorts are in fair supply, but not strongly competed for. Good, early seed lines are scarce and have strong inquiry. Quotations: Best seed, £4 10s to £5 10s; prime table Derwents, £4 to £4 7s 6d; medium to good, £3 10s to £3 17s 6d; other sorts, £3 to £3 10s per ton (sacks in).

Chaff.—The market is still well supplied with chaff of medium quality, for which there is only a weak demand. Prime oats sheaf is arriving in moderate quantities, and finds ready sale ex truck. Inferior sorts and straw chaff have little attention. Quotations: Prime oats sheaf, £3 to £3 5s; choice, to £3 7s 6d; medium to good, £2 10s to £2 15s; straw chaff, inferior and light, £1 10s to £2 5s per ton (bags extra).

Straw.—Quotations: Oaten straw (pressed), 27s 6d to 30s; wheat, 25s to 27s 6d per ton.

Turnips.—Quotations: Best swedes, 16s per ton loose (ex truck).

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

Wheat.—There has been a move in this cereal. Millers and others are now inclined to do business, at the following prices. Prime milling, 4s to 4s 3d; medium do, 3s 6d to 3s 11d; whole fowl wheat, 3s 2d to 3s 5d.

Oats.—The market continues lifeless and there is little business doing. Quotations remains the same as last report.

Chaff.—Best, £3 to £3 5s; medium to good, £2 10s to £2 15s.

Potatoes.—Prime Derwents, £4 to £4 7s 6d; medium, £3 10s.

Straw.—Best oaten, 30s; best wheat, 27s 6d.

WOOL.

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

Rabbitskins.—Prices at Monday's sale were on a par with previous week's quotations, best winter greys making 15½d to 16½d; blacks, to 24½d.

Sheepskins.—Our catalogue to-day was again a large one, containing several lots of good shipping skins. Competition was keen, and all descriptions sold at prices quite up to last quotations.

Hides.—No sale since last report.

Tallow and Fat.—All coming to hand finds purchasers at for tallow—best, 21s to 23s; good, 19s to 20s; best rough fat, 16s to 16s 6d.

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LEO XIII. to the N.Z. TABLET.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1903.

PERPETUAL ATTACK



HE days are happily past when men suffered stripes and chains and stocks and prison-cell for their religious beliefs. But there exists even to the present day a form of persecution against which Emancipation Acts can afford no protection. It is calumny. 'A nickname,' said Isaac Disraeli, 'a man may chance to wear out; but a system of calumny, pursued by a faction, may descend even to posterity.'

It is the cruellest of all forms of religious persecution. The Protestant view of the Church has undergone full many a change since the white-hot fury of the days when Newman wrote his 'Present Position of Catholics in England' Outside the lodge-room and the platform of the roving gaol-bird, the old fierce epithets, the hissing theological nicknames, resound no longer; the movement towards Catholic doctrine and ritual has swept over the face of Anglicanism—even the minor dissident sects are drawing gently and tentatively in the same way; and practically the whole ground of controversy between us and the Reformed creeds has shifted since the days of Milner. The grosser superstitions regarding the Catholic Church are, like the last rose of summer, faded or gone. But a full knowledge of us is still a far-off hope. Titcomb could write learnedly on Buddhism, Clarke on fetich-worship, and Brown on the Moki snake dance. But the Catholic Church is even still to the average Protestant divine an unexplored, or almost unexplored,

land. The Protestant view of her has still tradition for its sustaining power, fable for its basis, prejudice for its life, assumed principles for its intellectual ground, and ignorance concerning us for its protection. The world moves. But it takes time to shuffle off the thick coil of three and a half centuries of prejudice.

When prejudice is ingrained and strong, the tongue is commonly limber and as given to wagging as an aspen leaf. Once in a while some cleric delivers his 'protest' against 'Rome' from the pulpit. Then he hastens to the press with his oratorical tornado condensed and bottled up. Perhaps a controversy ensues. When it does, it almost invariably shows that the assailant does not know the contents of the Catholic penny catechism, that he has never seen so much as the cover of the 'Romish' authors whom he professes to 'quote,' and that his well-meditated attack is marked by lack of knowledge, of cultivation, of accuracy and deliberation in statement, of justice, charity, and every other requirement that befits the character of a minister of the Gospel. In our small way we have shown this full many a time. But newspaper discussions are merely the play of intermittent geysers. Beneath the public surface of things there is a constant 'bubble, bubble, toil and trouble' of religious controversy. It hums and simmers, here more, there less, in shops, factories, public departments, and in practically every place where men or women of different creeds are gathered together. Every priest engaged in the work of his mission is well aware of this. Our Catholic men and maidens are frequently assailed with the coarse brutalities of itinerant impostors like the Slatterys and of gaol-birds and 'soiled doves' like Margaret Shepherd of the many crimes and aliases. They hear, in substance at least, the disgraceful and unconscionable misrepresentations, garblings, and 'doctored' 'extracts' of Blakeney, Littledale, Collette, Salmon, and other Protestant writers who, whatever their standing in ecclesiastical circles, have forfeited the right to honest men's consideration by pursuing the dishonorable methods of the tag-rag-and-bobtail of cheap and nasty controversialists. No point of the Catholic faith remains unassailed. Even the foundations of belief in revealed religion are made the object of frequent attack by more or less fluent and empty-pated gabblers who have caught a few hollow-sounding shibboleths from a chance newspaper paragraph or letter or from the shallow 'popular' scientific romances of Clodd and Grant Allen.

The interest of our Catholic masses in the work of the Catholic apologist who accepts the gage of battle, is a keenly personal one. It gives them—perhaps for the first time, the reply to fallacies and objections that, in various crude or cunning or cutting ways, they have heard urged scores of times against their faith. Others of our fold are guarded by educational advantages, by social position and social conventions, against this ding-dong of nagging controversy. But our workers, male and female—our young men and maidens especially—have to bear the brunt of battle. They have to go into the arena, to bear the bitter sneer, to endure the grievous calumny, to hear the subtle or the shallow sophism of 'no-Popist' or Agnostic day by day. For them the work of the Catholic apologist is a God-send. It is chiefly a keen sense of their perils and their needs that has impelled us to make almost every issue of the 'New Zealand Tablet' in small part a Catholic Truth Society publication. But that is by no means sufficient. There is a crying need, among our young people especially, for systematic and more advanced dogmatic instruction than is furnished by the Sunday or parochial school. Much of that could come from the altar. But the organised, persistent, and extended circulation of the various Catholic Truth Societies' publications would meet that urgent need best of all. It would enormously strengthen the faith and devotion of our young people of both sexes at a perilous age, enable them to give a reason for the belief that is in them, enlighten others outside our fold,

and save many a precious soul from lapsing into indifferentism or infidelity. There is a wide field in New Zealand for the operations of an energetic Branch of the Catholic Truth Society.

Notes

Father O'Mahony

True charity 'beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things'—

'Tempering her gifts, that seem so free,
By time and place,
Till not a woe the bleak world see,
But finds her grace.'

When the burrowing microbe of smallpox sent liquid fire through the veins of hapless sufferers over in Tasmania recently, Father O'Mahony, the gifted editor of the 'Monitor,' bore all things and endured all things for sweet charity's sake. He almost forced his way into the stricken ones, and remains in quarantine among the sufferers until the pestilent microbe has locally ceased from troubling, and the plague has died away. Father O'Mahony, so to speak, carried the position by storm. Permission to enter the guarded enclosure was at first peremptorily denied. Then there ensued some emphatic correspondence with the Chief Secretary, Dr. McCall. In the course of these communications our esteemed friend of the 'Monitor' pushed his right to the post of danger in uncompromising fashion. He even accused Dr. McCall of cruelty in preventing a dying Catholic patient receiving the consolations of religion and the last rites of the Church. Father O'Mahony's charitable violence carried the day and he is now in happy spiritual charge of those of his faith who are temporarily segregated with him from contact and communication with the outside world.

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His case reminds one of an incident in the life of the late Cardinal Vaughan. When touring in America in search of funds for the foundation of his Foreign Missionary College of Mill Hill, he arrived on a sweltering day in Panama. The population was being decimated by smallpox. They were dying in hundreds. The atmosphere was fetid, the bodily attendance on the sufferers of the most casual and slipshod kind, their spiritual needs wholly unattended. For the autocratic Freemason President of the swampy and malarious little republic had banished all the priests, and the administration of the Sacraments was treated as a criminal offence. But Dr. Vaughan set the President's iniquitous decree at calm defiance. He ministered to the sick and dying all over the place. He was at last placed under arrest and was only released from durance vile on heavy bail. The long history of smallpox, cholera, yellow fever, and other deadly epidemics, whether at Liverpool, Dublin, Hamburg, Naples, Bombay, New Orleans, or elsewhere, shows, after all, the wisdom of the Church's discipline of celibacy, which enables her priests to dare and do, as a sheer matter of course, for the souls of sufferers what is out of the question for a married clergy to attempt.

It is satisfactory news to householders to hear that in these days, when the prices of nearly all necessities are on the up-grade they can purchase a ton of the well-known Lovell's Flat Coal at 21s delivered in the city, or at 11s on trucks at Lovell's Flat railway station. Our readers would do well to give this coal a trial...

We are very pleased to draw attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Dey and Stokes which appears in this issue. This firm are agents for the Massey Harris and Red Bird Bicycles. This latter machine has come into great prominence lately through the marvellous performance of J. Arnst, the young New Zealand representative in the Warrnambool to Melbourne Road Race, which he won from scratch, doing the distance, 165 miles, in 7hrs 43min, which constitutes a world's record, showing an average of over 21 miles an hour. This speaks volumes for the qualities of the Red Bird Bicycles...

DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN

The Rev. M. Howard, of St. Joseph's Cathedral, has been appointed to the Port Chalmers mission, and took up his duties there on last Sunday.

The plans for the new Catholic church at Invercargill are now completed by Mr. F. W. Petre, architect, and show that the building will be a very handsome one in the Byzantine style of architecture. Tenders for the erection of the church will be called at an early date.

On Monday evening an eucharist tournament was played in St. Joseph's Hall between the members of the Catholic Men's Club and their lady friends and those of St. Patrick's Catholic Literary and Social Institute and lady friends. After a very enjoyable evening the visitors won by the small majority of 15 points, the scores being 164 to 149. During the evening Miss Davis and Mr. P. Carolin favored the company with songs, that were very well received, and Mr. Marlow, on behalf of the visitors, thanked the St. Joseph's Men's Club for a pleasant evening.

St. Joseph's Men's Club were provided with a first-class evening on Friday last by Mr. T. J. Hussey, who introduced his second number of 'The Spectator.' That the first issue was a great success and very interesting goes without saying, but the second fairly eclipsed it, and the applause which followed the reading of the articles left no doubt whatever that everyone had thoroughly appreciated it. The editor, in his leading article, dealt with State Fire Insurance and the way the subject was treated showed that he had a comprehensive knowledge of it. Then there followed in well-arranged order, club notes, sporting news, humorous and witty items, and articles of a serious and instructive nature. Mr. Hussey deserved the many congratulations extended to him by the members of the Club.

The following are the results of the theory examination of Trinity College, London, held on June 13, at St. Dominic's College:—Intermediate grade—L. Leslie (Lawrence), honors, 88; A. Gilray, honors, 80; A. Ward, (Milton), 76; C. Ward (Milton), 72; H. Moody (Lawrence), 70; G. Taylor, 69. Junior grade—K. McGuire, honors, 94; K. McKlosky, honors, 92; A. Jefferey (Lawrence), honors, 92; E. Smythe (Lawrence), honors, 80; L. Prendergast, honors, 89; J. Morony (Milton), honors, 88; A. Browne, honors, 82. Preparatory grade—M. Wood (N.E. Valley), 93; M. Lemon (N.E. Valley), 67; M. Lynch (N.E. Valley), 81; C. Douglas (N.E. Valley), 82; L. Doocey (Milton), 89; M. Broderick (Lawrence), 87; E. Smith (Lawrence), 89; R. Stewart (Lawrence), 70.

A very enjoyable social (writes a correspondent) was held in the Arrow Athenaeum Hall on Friday, September 4, in aid of St. Patrick's Church funds. The weather, on which the success of these functions largely depends, was most favorable, consequently the hall was taxed to its utmost to contain the large gathering, visitors being present from all parts of the surrounding districts. The programme for the evening's amusement was somewhat altered from the usual style of social, the first part being made up of musical items, which, judging from the applause, were much appreciated. Three choruses were given by the following ladies and gentlemen:—The Misses McDonnell (2), Jopp, Graham, Cotter, Robinson (2) and McEntyre and Messrs. Robinson, and De la Perrelle. Mr. Firth contributed two solos in a finished style. Mr. J. Mackenzie gave a splendid recitation, 'The last shot,' completely carrying his hearers with him all through the piece. Mr. Turton's recitation 'The races at Dandeloo' was also very favorably received. Miss A. Cotter sang very sweetly 'Only a leaf,' and was warmly applauded. The Misses Robinson were heard to advantage in the duet, 'Nocturne,' and also in a trio rendered in conjunction with their brother, Mr. C. H. Robinson. These two items deserve special mention, as the performers came a long way to assist the entertainment, and contributed greatly towards its success. Special features of the entertainment were the picture-songs—four in number—which were given at intervals during the programme: No. 1, 'The wreath of roses,' the solo being sung by Miss Cotter, and the pretty dresses and bright lights flashing on the tableau combined in making the item something to be remembered by those who had the pleasure of seeing it. No. 2, 'Tit for tat,' which Miss Graham's splendid voice did full justice to, quite surprised the audience by the graceful attitudes and quaint costumes of the performers. No. 3.—A capital rendering of 'The angel's whisper' was given by Miss Jopp, her sweet voice suiting the song admirably, and the tableaux shown being most picturesque. No. 4.—'A bird in the hand' was sung by Miss A. Cotter, and the grouping of the stage for this item fairly brought down the house. In the unavoidable absence of the Rev. Father O'Donnell, Mr. R. Cotter, in a few well-chosen words, thanked the assemblage for their attendance, and also the performers for the capital night's amusement. Mrs. De la Perrelle kind-

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ly acted as accompanist for the various items. Abundant and choice refreshments were handed round during the evening.

Mr. Cecil Morkane, a student of Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, leaves for Sydney by the Moeraki on this day (Thursday). He will proceed thence by the 'Omrah' to Naples on his way to Rome, where he will complete his course of studies in Propaganda College.

Father McGrath's many friends throughout the diocese will be pleased to learn that he is progressing most satisfactorily after the operation which was performed on him at the Chalet private hospital, Dunedin.

The Very Rev. Dean Lighthearth (writes an occasional correspondent) is at present in Invercargill, and on Sunday preached twice at St. Mary's on behalf of the Maori missions. On Monday evening he lectured in St. Joseph's, when, despite the inclement weather, there was a large attendance. The audience were delighted with the lecture, which dealt with the early history, mythology, and modern customs of the Maoris. The Very Rev. Dean has already met with a large measure of success in Invercargill.

The Clyde Dramatic Club (writes a correspondent) performed 'The Magistrate,' a comedy in three acts, to an appreciative audience in Cromwell on Friday night of last week. Too much praise cannot be bestowed on the ladies and gentlemen who filled the principal roles. When all the performers acquitted themselves so well, it would be invidious to draw comparisons, but a general consensus of opinion gave the palm to Mr. H. E. Stevens (Magistrate), Mr. J. E. Stevens (Col. Lukyn), and Mr. R. Stevens (Cis. Davingdon). Miss Stevens, Miss Ethel Fache, Mrs. Higgins, and Miss Flannagan filled their parts to perfection. During the interval Mr. E. Murrell, Mayor, thanked the audience on behalf of Father Hunt (who unfortunately was not able to be present) for their attendance. The performance was given in aid of the new Catholic church, Clyde, and resulted in the sum of £22 being added to the fund.

ASHBURTON

There was an unusually large attendance at the meeting of the Ashburton Catholic Literary Society, held on Wednesday evening, August 26, the occasion being a social tendered to Mr. H. McSherry, who is shortly leaving for Pahiataua. Mr. Mueller (president) occupied the chair. The Catholic boys' schoolroom (says the 'Guardian') was very tastefully decorated with flags and Chinese lanterns, and was furnished drawing-room fashion.

The chairman said they met that evening for the purpose of making a dual presentation—one from the choir and the Literary Society, to Miss Bournique, the church organist, who was about to be married, and one to their very great friend, Mr. McSherry, who was leaving them. They regretted Mr. McSherry's departure from their midst, but if that gentleman paid the same attention to business and other matters in his new home as he had done in Ashburton, he was bound to succeed. He had their hearty good wishes. Miss Bournique had been very good to the Literary Society, and had come there often at great inconvenience to herself, to assist the members.

The Very Rev. Father O'Donnell said it was due to him that Mr. McSherry came there six years ago, and he had always found him a real sterling man, and one whom he might choose to know and esteem as a friend. He wished him every success in life. But he supposed he had violated all feelings of good taste by referring to Mr. McSherry first. But while Mr. McSherry was leaving them, Miss Bournique was not. She was going to be more firmly rooted in their midst than before. It was rather a coincidence that Mr. McSherry and Miss Bournique had assumed their respective positions just about the same time—Miss Bournique as organist, and Mr. McSherry as leader of the choir and master of the boys' school—and that they were resigning them about the same time. The presents he had to make to Miss Bournique consisted of a cruet and jam dish from the choir, and a butter dish from the Literary Society. Miss Bournique had been most regular in her attendance, and had been a most attentive organist, and he was very glad to see that the choir appreciated her services. For Mr. McSherry he had a brief bag, which he hoped would be filled very soon, and a gold fountain pen, the latter suitably inscribed, which would be useful to him in making out those bills which none of them particularly liked to receive. He wished Mr. McSherry a very prosperous career.

Mr. John Moison returned thanks on behalf of Miss Bournique, who had desired him to convey to the choir, and also to the members of the Literary Society, her heartfelt thanks for their beautiful presents.

Mr. McSherry said that, having been connected with the choir as conductor, for the last five or six years, he could fully support the remarks which had been made concerning the services rendered by Miss Bournique as

organist. It was deeply painful to him to part with the people of Ashburton. From the time he came here until now, he had received uniform kindness at their hands, and he deeply regretted parting with them, and more particularly with the Literary Society, of which he might claim to have been one of the founders. He desired to personally thank Father O'Donnell for the many kindnesses and favors he had received at that gentleman's hands. He was glad to have the opportunity of testifying to the esteem in which he held Father O'Donnell, and to thank him and them for their many kindnesses.

Among the others who testified to the worth of Mr. McSherry and expressed regret at his departure were Messrs. J. Moison, M. Moriarity, F. Scrint, H. P. Madden, M. J. Burgess, D. Moriarity, and T. Adams.

A pleasant little musical programme was given during the evening, songs being contributed by Mesdames Mueller and Scrint, Miss May Madden, and Messrs. M. J. Burgess and Mueller, Messrs. J. Moriarity and Cooper contributing recitations, and Mr. D. Crowe gramophone selections, each item being evidently appreciated and warmly received. A capital repast was subsequently provided by the ladies. The proceedings closed with cheers for Miss Bournique and the singing of 'For he's a jolly good fellow,' Mr. McSherry's friends taking their leave of him with characteristic warmth and keen regret.

On Thursday night a concert, under the auspices of the Ashburton County Brass Band was given in the Odd-fellows' Hall, Ashburton, in the presence of a large and appreciative audience. The entertainment (says the 'Mail') took the form of a concert composed entirely of numbers of an Irish character, and was a pleasing variation from the usual amateur concert. Great credit is due to the Catholic Literary Society for organising and carrying it to a successful issue. Mr. A. Muller, the able president of the Society, presided. Among those who contributed items were Mr. J. J. Moriarity, who recited 'Fontenoy,' which was encored, Mr. J. Healy, who sang a comic song, Mr. P. D. Wilson, who danced an Irish jig, and Messrs. Wilson, Moriarity, and Healy, who took part in a farce, which was very creditably acted. Mr. T. M. Brophy, secretary of the Catholic Literary Society, and Mr. F. K. Cooper, stage manager, though not before the public eye, none the less assisted in the successful carrying out of the entertainment.

WEDDING BELLS

NOLAN—PEARSON.

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Dunedin, on Wednesday, September 2. The Rev. Father Coffey officiated. The contracting parties were Mr. W. P. Nolan, of the Railway Department, youngest son of the late Mr. John Nolan, Middlemarch, and Miss Constance Pearson, youngest daughter of the late Richard Brooks Pearson, of Dunedin. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. W. K. Pearson, Lawrence, was attended by Miss Bevin (niece of the bride), as bridesmaid, Mr. W. O'Leary, Dunedin, acting as groomsmen. The bride was attired in a very pretty costume of ivory silk, with court train, and wore the usual wreath and veil. The bridesmaid was becomingly dressed in dove grey with large picture hat. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a handsome gold cross, and to the bridesmaid a very pretty sapphire brooch. The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a set of green-stone sleeve-links, mounted in gold, and pearl studs. The presents were numerous, valuable, and useful. The happy couple left for the north on their honeymoon.

Tenders will be received at the Chief Post Office, Dunedin, until October 5, for the conveyance of mails between the various places in the postal district of Dunedin, for a period of three years from the 1st January, 1904, to the 31st December, 1906. Particulars will be found on page 29 of this issue...

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OBITUARY

MR. PATRICK McNAMEE, GARSTON.

As briefly announced in our last issue, Mr. Patrick McNamee, an old and highly-esteemed Catholic resident of Garston, passed away to his eternal reward on September 7 after a few days' illness, at the age of 64 years. The late Mr. McNamee was born in County Cavan, and whilst yet in his early boyhood came out to South Australia with his parents. At the age of 13 years he went to the Ballarat diggings, and after staying there for some years he came to this Colony in the early sixties, where he engaged in gold-mining at Tuapeka. In 1867 he went to the Shotover. About four or five years after his arrival at Shotover he was married at Tuapeka, gave up his search for the precious metal, and engaged in farming pursuits at Garston, which he successfully followed up to the time of his demise. The deceased was one of the most highly esteemed residents of the Garston district, and was respected by all sections of the community. He was a generous supporter of every good cause, and his purse was ever open at the call of faith and fatherland. He was a generous donor to every claim of religion and his valuable and handsome gifts to the new church in Garston will long be remembered. He was a very patriotic Irishman, and although he had left his native land at a very early age still his love for it had never cooled, and no appeal for monetary assistance to forward the national aspirations passed by him unheeded. The late Mr. McNamee was a fine specimen of an Irish Catholic, fervent in faith, and highly honorable and straightforward in all his actions. It is needless to say that his death came as a great shock to his family, and was deeply regretted by the whole community. He was attended in his last illness by the Rev. Father O'Donnell, of Gore, and received the last Sacraments of the Church in the most edifying manner. The funeral, which took place on Thursday of last week, was the largest ever seen in Garston, the cortege being representative of all classes. The last solemn rites at the graveside were performed by the Rev. Father O'Donnell, of Queenstown. The deceased leaves a widow, two sons, and seven daughters to mourn their loss, and to these we tender our sincerest sympathy in their bereavement. —R.I.P.

NEW ZEALAND: GENERAL

Several reports are crowded out of this issue.

The usual fortnightly meeting of St. Patrick's branch of the H.A.C.B. Society (writes our Palmerston North correspondent) was held in the parish school on Wednesday last with a full attendance of members. Two new members were initiated and seven candidates were proposed.—A concert, followed by a social, will be held in the Theatre Royal on Wednesday, 30th inst., on behalf of St. Patrick's Choir.—I hear on good authority that Dr. Noonan, of Blenheim, is about to reside and practise in Palmerston.—The many friends of Mr. Tulley, of Hunterville, will be pleased to hear that he has so far recovered from his recent operation as to be able to leave Dr. Graham's hospital, though it may be some time yet ere he will be sufficiently strong enough to resume his duties.

The Bluff Bazaar

(From an occasional correspondent.)

On Wednesday evening a bazaar in aid of the local Dominican convent was opened at the Bluff by the Mayor. The attendance was good, and business was very brisk. The programme for the evening consisted of a musical march and a song by the pupils of the Dominican nuns, a Highland fling, in costume, by the elder pupils, an Irish jig by six mites, a gavotte by eight pupils, and several beautifully-arranged tableaux. All the items were under the direction of Miss Anthony. Miss Sheehan acted as accompanist. The following is a list of the stalls:—Left bower—Stallholders, Mrs. Rose and Miss Hargraves; assistants, Miss Rose and Miss McCarthy. Right bower—Stallholders, Mrs. McGrath and Mrs. Tulloch; assistants, Mrs. Sutherland, Miss Sutton, and Miss Gillholey. The joker—Mrs. McNeish and Mrs. McIntyre Lollies, Miss Urwin. Ferns, Mrs. Gilroy and Miss Gilroy. Tea rooms, Mrs. Finnerty and Mrs. Vettie; assistants, Miss McIntyre and Miss Vettie. The assistants in the hall were Misses McDonald, Hamilton, Williamson, Metzger, McGrath, E. Urwin, and Gibson. The hall, and especially the stage, were beautifully decorated with greenery and bunting. On Thursday night a concert was held, under the direction of Mrs. Murphy. A solo by Miss Eva was very well received, and Mrs. Mur-

phy had to respond to an encore for her vocal contribution. Mr. Eva also sang a very pleasing item. Gleees and choruses completed the programme. On Saturday night a repetition of the opening night's performance was gone through with even greater success. Taken on the whole the bazaar was a decided success.

WAIHI

(From our own correspondent.)

September 5.

Last night in Meyer's Hall the choir and congregation of St. Joseph's Catholic Church tendered a farewell social to Misses Bella and Adelaide Parkinson, who are leaving Waihi. Despite the terrific downpour of rain in the early part of the evening there was a large number of friends present. During the evening Mr. H. L. Simmons, on behalf of her friends, presented Miss Bella Parkinson with a handsome gold cross and chain, and Miss Adelaide Parkinson with a handsome gold brooch. In making the presentation Mr. Simmons referred to the willingness and heartiness with which the young ladies had always entered into any work in connection with the church. The Rev. Father Brodie replied on behalf of Misses Parkinson. He read a letter from the Very Rev. Dean Hackett, in which the dean apologised for his own and sister's absence, and eulogised the good work of Miss Bella Parkinson while he was parish priest of Waihi. Father Brodie said that when he first came to Waihi the Very Rev. Dean Hackett had told him he would find several young workers who would lighten his work, and Miss Parkinson was one of those. He had been here long enough to know that in her departure a place would be left vacant which would be hard to fill. Miss Bella Parkinson had done good work in teaching Sunday school in the days when there was no resident parish priest, or no convent or Catholic school here. She had always been a most consistent worker in the choir, and it was with a deep sense of regret they bade her farewell that night. He wished the Misses Parkinson all health and happiness in their future home at Opotiki. During the evening songs were contributed by Rev. Father Brodie, Mr. B. Humphreys, Mr. F. Lawless, Mr. S. Paul, and Miss Blackburn. Miss Fortzer played the accompaniments. Light refreshments were provided by a committee of ladies.

PAEROA

The devotion of the Forty Hours' Adoration began in St. Mary's Catholic Church on Sunday (says the 'Paeroa Gazette,' August 26), and was brought to a conclusion on Tuesday morning. The church was filled with worshippers at the morning and evening services on the three days, and the sanctuary was beautifully decorated with hangings, ferns, flowers, etc., by the Sisters of the convent. Dean Hackett preached an explanatory discourse on Sunday evening, when there was a crowded congregation. He defined the teaching of the Catholic Church on the Real Presence, and showed how in the Blessed Sacrament Christ continued to manifest His love for the children of the human race. On Monday evening another large congregation assembled for special devotions, and Monsignor O'Reilly, who had come from the Thames to assist, preached on the miraculous multiplication of food in the desert by Christ, and showed how this was but a type of the sacramental food with which the Redeemer would feed mankind until the end of time. On Tuesday morning Monsignor O'Reilly again addressed the congregation at the conclusion of the ceremonies, and expressed his pleasure at the numbers who had approached the altar rails that morning. In the early days, when his ministrations extended to Ohinemuri, the people were very few and scattered; now they had services not only on Sundays but also on week days. Moreover, a Catholic school had been established, and nuns were in charge who were doing a noble work on behalf of Christian education, so necessary at the present time in the Colony.

Monsignor O'Reilly was formerly in charge of Paeroa, Te Aroha, Waihi, etc., and paid periodical visits to these parts while ministering to his own flock at Thames. Many of the older residents of Paeroa were present at his sermon last Monday evening, and remarked that he still possessed the vigor and eloquence of his younger days.

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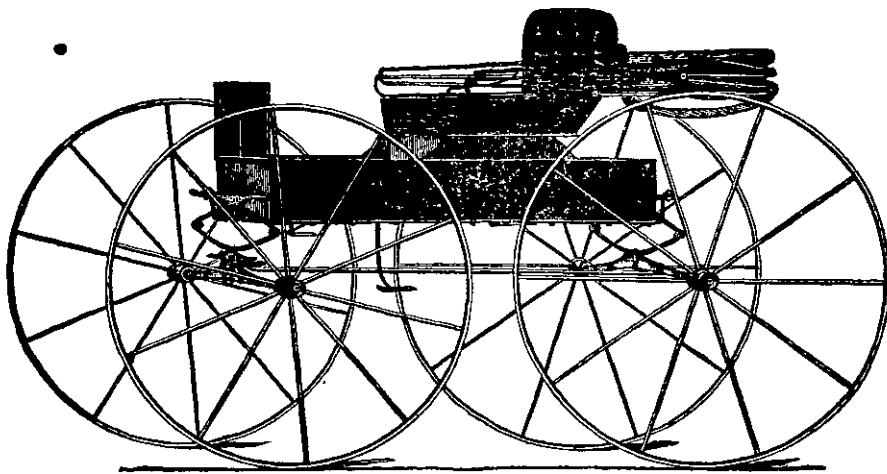
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GLORIANNA M'GINNIS

'Andy,' said Julia Reilly to her brother-in-law, Andrew M'Ginnis, as the christening party marched up the street, 'Andy, don't raise a row before the priest about the name.'

Andy looked defiance and disgust, but maintained silence, a silence so ominous that the wily Julia was inspired to change the base of her appeal.

Andy, dear,' she asked persuasively, 'wasn't Nora always a good wife to you?'

'The devil a better,' Julia,' he agreed heartily, thrown off his guard for a moment by a wave of tender feeling towards the mother of the pink and white bundle they were taking to the church.

'Sure then you wouldn't want to break her heart. An' she says to me comin' out, she says, "If Andy won't let me call the darlin' Gloriana it'll break me heart." An' she cried that hard! God forgive me!' she ejaculated to herself.

'She cried!' exclaimed Andy, repenting his bitter opposition. 'Well, I never made her cry before, an' I won't do it now. You can give the middle name Gloriana—oh, but it's disgraceful! An' I'll give the first name Honora. But it's against me principles, Julia, an' I'll always call the child Nora. It was good enough for me own mother an' for her mother, an' it'll be good enough for me child. Ye can call her anything you want, but I never will.'

Further discussion was prevented by their arrival at the parochial house. It was well for Andy's principles that the slippery-tongued Julia did not have more time to work upon his softened mood. She might have persuaded him to repudiate the name of Honora altogether. He had accepted Gloriana though with a feeling of guilt, and now as he sat in the office, waiting the coming of Father Doyle, his heart reproached him with a thousand reasons against sanctioning the assumption of such a name. The entrance of the priest at this critical moment drove from his mind all method of argumentation, and cast an indefinable fear upon him. What would he say to such a name? Ah, there he was asking the question.

'What name are you going to give her, Andy?'

'Yes, Father,' Andy stammered, his heart beating wildly as he strove to defer the humiliating moment.

'What name? I asked,' kindly ventured the amused priest again.

'Oh, the name! Yes, Father, Honora, after me—father—mother—I mane.'

The priest wrote it down. Julia gave the excited Andy a nudge. Sure enough he had forgotten the second name.

'That's the first name, Father. An' me wife wants a second one.'

'Well, what is it?' asked the priest, looking up.

The look disconcerted Andy. His lips seemed to struggle with something, and then he blurted out 'Honora Gloriana.'

Father Doyle almost dropped his pen, and a faint smile showed upon his face—a smile that Andy felt was levelled at him for his folly in calling the child such an outlandish name.

'It isn't me, Father Doyle,' he protested, in self-excuse. 'It's them women. They would have it, an' pushed me to give it. I don't blame you if you refuse to take it.'

Father Doyle continued to smile, but wrote down the name, though in his heart he agreed with common sense Andy.

So the child was baptised, and her father drew a sigh of relief as the door closed behind them. 'I knew you'd make a fool of me,' he said bitterly. 'To bring me before the priest an' cover me with confusion and disgrace. But ye'll carry it no further. I'll never call the child anythin' but Nora, nor will the rest of ye, if I'm to be master in me own house.'

And Andy kept his word heroically, as we shall see later on.

Honora Gloriana grew as all youngsters grow. For little Nora, as he called her, Andy had planned a future of unalloyed bliss. He had already picked out the place in the parlor where, in the near future the child would be drumming scales on a fine big square piano that he had in his mind's eye. With this end in view he had applied himself more than ever to his daily toil, for the advent of the first child had taught him the great lesson of providing for the future of the charge that he in his true child-like faith believed God had entrusted to him. More than ever was he a home man, delighting in the

company of his wife and child and refraining from the crowd that was happiest over the bottle.

So it was that when Andy's Norie could look back on two sisters and as many brothers, all of them with names in no way approaching the style of Gloriana, her father's perseverance and shrewd ability had placed him in partnership with O'Malley, the contractor, and on the high road to prosperity. It was no surprise to Andy himself. He had promised it to himself and he had kept his promise. It was not the only promise he had kept, for as you passed by his still unpretentious house you might hear the sound of the piano at which the prodigy of a Norie was doing her best to try the patience of her neighbors. But Norie was really a smart child, and her success in school, as in music, would have delighted the heart of a father less doting than Andy. It was the essence of happiness to him to sit on the piazza while Norie within wrestled with a popular song or two-step. When anyone passed the house and looked towards it at the sound of the music Andy's bosom swelled with pride as much as to say, 'That's the daughter of Andy McGinnis.' But Andy's adoration for Norie was not a little due to the fact that she was the child of his victory, after what was once his miserable defeat. There was never a mention now of Gloriana. For upwards of two years the women-folks had endeavored to use exclusively the name of their own choice, but Andy was not balked by their persistency. He was fully as persistent. He had set out to win the day for Nora as against Gloriana, and he would succeed in the effort or die. And he had succeeded. He had tried everything in his power to make the name ridiculous—in which effort he was nobly seconded by all the boys in the town. With the abundance of ridicule and the counter efforts of Andy in calling the little girl Norie whenever he had a chance, even in times unnecessarily, Gloriana soon lapsed from popularity and finally became a bit of ancient history, and when Honora Gloriana was conducted to school for the first time her name was entered on the books as plain Norie McGinnis, with not even an initial letter to mark the ruin of the glory that had been. So it continued during the child's preparatory studies, a name as unpretentious as the sweet-faced little girl who answered to it; and even when she entered the high school she was still Norie McGinnis, the girl that sang like a nightingale and played the piano like Paderewski. But at this very time began the evolution of Norie.

Everything that Andy had touched became on the instant gold. He had built a new house, one of the finest in the town, and ten times better, he boasted, than the O'Brien mansion. This fact alone would have turned a more settled head than Andy's. But not so with him. He was still unpretentious Andy, respected on all sides for his honesty, and above all for his democratic manners, despite his money. Mrs. Andy, however, was more prone to social aspirations, and felt in duty bound to preserve the honor of the noble family name by the assumption of airs quite at variance with her meagre education. Andy noticed this shortly after he had moved into his new palace. He had been contented where he was, but Mrs. Andy had nagged at him till in sheer desperation, and to have peace at home, he followed out her every desire in building an up-to-date mansion of which she was extremely proud and he supremely ashamed, except for the fact before stated, that it beat the residence of the O'Brien's.

He did not feel at home there. It seemed to him to be beyond his element, even though he could afford it, and above all he feared the evil influence it might have in the education of his children, and its tendency to make them consider themselves of a superior mould and thus assume airs which, to Andy, were detestable in an extreme degree. The idol of his heart, Norie, he trusted, would keep her simplicity in the new house, although he had his fears, seeing the added airs of his wife when she came into the place of her ambition.

'Don't be having the people laughin' at you,' he said to her. 'Sure everybody knows you were poor Nora Reilly when I married you, without a cent no more nor meself. Don't be givin' bad example to Norie and the childer. I'll not be bringing them up Yankee dudes, nor sports. Now mind that, Nora, an' quit your nonsense.'

Norie was impatient at these obstacles to her social advancement. The point she aimed at was very high, so high that she almost became dizzy as she yearningly looked to it. It worse might come to worst she was not averse to being content with the social superiority of Newport, though, to tell the truth, she did not shudder a bit at the possibility of being transplanted to foreign soil and in close proximity to the throne. 'The newspapers had done this. Mrs. Andy had read so much about the fads of the wealthy, their social ways and aspirations, and she had come to think that here alone was happiness, and here alone the great destiny of the McGinnis family. To Norie she had confided her heart's desire, and though the more sensible daughter had smiled at the career marked out for her, she, nevertheless, was

dreaming dreams hardly less startling than those of her fond mamma. It was not surprising that when Mrs. Andy reached this stage of delirium, her thoughts should revert with such a pang of regret to the ill-fated day when she stopped called her child by the glorious name of Glorianna. Why, she reproached herself, had she ever relinquished that name? How suitable it would be now when the McGinnisses had advanced to such a state of social superiority! Honora, Nora, Norie, none of those would look stylish in fine society. True, McGinnis was rather common and Irishy, but after a while she would remedy that. A little hyphen with the aid of her maiden name would make good style out of the plainness and Reilly-McGinnis would be as aristocratic as any hyphenated combine in America. This scheme was also confided to winsome Norie, with the result that next day—it was Norie's last year in the high school—the subscription to one of Norie's letters was tremblingly autographed Honora Glorianna. A week later with all the conviction accruing from mamma's persuasiveness Honora had dwindled down to a mere initial, and by its side in courageous attitude stood Glorianna. It was a rapid transformation, of course, but then it was only a month to graduation, and if anything was to be done it had to be done quickly, or a golden opportunity was gone forever.

Honora Glorianna, however, was not satisfied with signing herself in this sweet romantic manner. Her dear girl friends, who, needless to say, were legion, and, much to Andy's disgust, nearly all 'high-toned Yanks,' were persuaded to address her in fond familiarity as Glory. This, be it said was all foreign ground, never within the democratic companionship of Papa McGinnis. That would be the end of it, if he ever heard of it, and Glorianna knew it. With her brothers, who were as democratic as Andy, and her sisters, who were not yet old enough to acquire the airs of a princess, Glorianna was abridged to Nance or Nancy, sometimes much to her discomfiture, though when her father was present she seemed to delight in such truly common names.

So went the struggle for style till the great night of graduation. It was a proud night for Andy. Norie was going to sing a French song—she was the only soloist in her class, a fact which delighted Andy still more. After that she was going to read an essay on 'The Nebulous Phenomena.' It was a very nebulous subject to Andy. He knew much more about laying bricks and making money, but he bobbed his head very knowingly when Norie made known to him the title of the work she had laboriously compiled from some of the standard encyclopedias. He was gratified to think that a daughter of his knew so much about things that he never heard of, and he pictured to himself the great sensation she would make with a French song and that essay. The whole town would be at her feet and raving about her! He could hardly be blamed for feeling quite elated as he proudly marched down the aisle of the Town Hall, with Mrs. Andy by his side. They were somewhat late, but she had caused delay on the plan that the distinguished are never on time, and, moreover, she was wearing a glorious creation made especially for this night at such an expense that everyone must see it. Of course only a late arrival could accomplish this.

They were seated just as the piano struck up a march to accompany the graduates to the stage, and Andy, with a contented smile on his face, turned around to get a glimpse of the fair procession, and especially Norie. But a reprimand from his very correct consort re-directed his face to the front. Ah, there she was leading off the march with the Mayor's son! She was handsome, the handsomest there, Andy knew, and this was a joy to his heart. The programme began, but he paid little attention to the speakers. The heavy essay which a fair girl was sending forth as a message to the world on the subject, 'Time is Money,' seemed very puerile to him. What did she know about the Nebulous Phenomena? What did she know about French songs? Wait till Nora stood up with a voice like a thrush's, and that girl with the essay on 'Time is Money' would be sorry that she ever graduated.

'She is going to sing now,' whispered Mrs. Andy, and Andy craned his neck to see how she looked on the stage.

'The next number on our programme,' announced the master of ceremonies, 'is a French song by Miss N. Glorianna McGinnis.'

Andy's face assumed a look of surprise, then indignation, then anger.

'What did he call her?' he said to Mrs. Andy.

'N. Glorianna. It's that way on the programme.'

'It's all your fault, woman. Let me out of this.'

'Be quiet. Where are you going? Listen to her. She's singing.'

'I don't give a damn,' said Andy. 'She's disgraced me. Let me out, I say.'

'All eyes were turned upon Andy, for he had taken no pains to moderate his expression of wrath. Mrs. Andy heard the subdued laughter about her, and her face

was flushed with shame. But that did not subdue her husband. He took his hat and started for the door, while Mrs. Andy became deeply interested in the programme upside down to the accompaniment of a French song of the unflinching Glorianna.

Andy went home immediately. He felt disgraced. He felt that he was beaten. He had killed that name once, and here it was cropping up again with new vigor, and with not even a mention of the name which his mother had always borne with never an attempt to smother it with high-falutin titles.

'N. Glorianna,' he muttered, angrily. 'N.G., that's what it is, an' they're all N.G. It's too many airs they're gettin'. But this is the end. I'll show them that Andy McGinnis is boss, an' that he'll have no upstarts in his house.'

While he waited for the return of the women, his anger increased in proportion, and he flashed indignant glances at them as they entered the house with enough flowers in their arms to stock a good-sized greenhouse. They had trembled all the way home in fear of papa's indignation, but they were hurt most by the fact that his rude behavior before such a crowd would be the talk of the town and bring eternal opprobrium upon them.

'Aren't they lovely?' said the sweet girl graduate, holding out a bunch of roses by way of an attempt to soften his wrath.

'No, they ain't,' said he, tartly, 'they're glorious, gloriannerous. So you did the dirty work on your old man, did you? An' now the old man'll work it back on you. You pack up as soon as you like. Ye'll move back to the old house. I'm goin' to sell this place.'

'Andy!'

'Papa!'

But the imploring voice smote upon a hardened ear.

'Papa!' he sneered. 'Call your old man father. I gave ye all ye wanted, an' now ye repay me by bein' upstarts. Pretty soon ye'll be changin' the name of McGinnis. Ye're ashamed of me now because I'm an ignorant Irishman, but I'll give ye cause to be ashamed of me. Gwan now, no more talk. Ye'll pick me up in the mornin'. Gwan now, I say.'

The two women retreated, but not in joy. There was a heavy weight upon their hearts. Oh, the awfulness of it! What would people say? Go back to the old cottage and leave this fine palace? Ah, death was better a thousand times. Glorianna felt bad, but her mamma felt a thousand times worse. Her dreams of the social whirl were, alas, in vain. Neither slept much that night, and Andy knew it. He was happy in the thought that he was bringing home a lesson to them, and he remained implacable.

Early in the morning he rapped on the door of Miss Glorianna's room. She called it her boudoir.

'Get up with you. The movin' waggon's outside.'

'Yes, father.' There were tears in her voice, but apparently Andy did not notice such a trifle. She looked out the window to see if the horrible dream were true, and sure enough the moving van was patiently awaiting operations! Oh, misery and degradation!

Why had she been so foolish! She heard her father turning to the stairs. It was all lost. He was getting his revenge.

'Father,' she called out in desperation, 'come here.'

Andy heard the voice and turned back.

'What is it?' he asked sharply.

'Come in.'

The indignant papa, the iron ruler, entered and was immediately assailed with feminine argument. The face of the sweet girl graduate of last night was now tear-stained and pained in expression. In his heart Andy was sorry for her, but still unrelenting. She threw herself at his feet, and, grasping his hands, poured out a torrent of invocation. She would never do it again, no, never, never! She would do this, she would do that. The promises came so fast Andy lost count of them. Like an immovable judge he stood.

'Will you promise never to use that name again?'

'Yes, oh, yes.' Interspersed with sobs.

'Will you promise to leave off yer high-toned airs?'

'Yes, oh, yes.' Interspersed with tears.

'Will you promise to do all I tell you about the company you keep, an' so on?'

'Yes, father.'

'Well, thin,' decided Andy, 'if so, I won't be too hard on you. You needn't pack up this time. But (it was an awful but) if ever agin—you know what that means. I'll go now an' send away the movers, but—gwan now an' tell it all to your high-toned mother. I'll have a word with her by-an'-by meself.'

With the same dignity wherewith he had entered, he now left the room. But when the door closed behind him the dignity dissolved, and a broad smile illuminated the face of the democratic Andy.—'St. Patrick's.'

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EAST INDIES.—The Catholic Hierarchy

The Indian hierarchy consists of eight archdioceses, 21 dioceses and seven Prefectures Apostolic, supervising and directing over 800 European missionaries, nearly 2000 native priests and 4500 members of religious communities. There are 4500 churches and chapels, 2885 schools and colleges, some of them second to none in the country, with an average of 168,200 children; 24 seminaries for the training of priests, with 668 ecclesiastical students, and 180 orphanages supporting over 10,000 orphans. The hierarchy was established by the late Pope by his apostolic letter 'Humanae Salutis Auctor,' dated September 1, 1886. To carry out this provision Leo XIII. appointed an Apostolic delegate, who is at present the Most Rev. Ladislas Zaleski, residing in Kandy, Ceylon. The Pontifical seminary for all India and Ceylon is at Kandy, and is under the care of the Belgian Jesuits. At present the students number close upon 100. Some time ago the Rev. Father Considine, of Gorakhpur (Ceylon), started the project of collecting a lakh of rupees (about £6000) to found ten burses in the Pontifical seminary of Kandy in honor of the pontifical jubilee of his Holiness. The Catholics of India are not a wealthy body, but they have succeeded in raising a portion of the amount, and there is a prospect of the sum slowly amounting to the lakh.

ENGLAND.—Westminster Cathedral

A set of oaken stalls, carved in the sixteenth century by monks in a Swiss monastery, has been presented to the new Westminster Cathedral by an anonymous donor. They have been purchased from the present Lord Kinnoull, and presented to the Cathedral authorities by the purchaser. They will be put into position in the Cathedral, where they now are, as soon as possible. Altogether there are 62 stalls. The carving is superb. On each stall is a panel representing Biblical incidents.

French Exiles

A French Catholic community of nuns has acquired a mansion at Gillingham, Kent, and will convert it into a convent.

A College Closed

St. Charles' College, Bayswater, founded by Cardinal Manning, and conducted by the Oblate Fathers, has been closed.

Requiem at Brompton Oratory

A Pontifical Mass of Requiem for the Pope was celebrated on July 28 at the Brompton Oratory, and was attended by an immense congregation. The King was represented by Lord Denbigh, who was in uniform, and drove in a Royal carriage to the Oratory, where he was received by the clergy and escorted to a special seat facing the altar. The Duke of Cambridge attended in person, and also occupied a special seat. The diplomatic representatives present, including the wives of some of the ambassadors and Ministers, numbered about 80. The sacred music was sung by the combined Catholic choirs of London, under the conductorship of Mr. Arthur Barclay, to a composite setting from the works of Palestrina and Casciolini, and the music at the offertory was the quintet from Verdi's 'Requiem,' unaccompanied.

FRANCE.—Mass in the Open Air

The Fathers of the Congregation of Eudistes at Paris celebrated Mass on a recent Sunday in the courtyard of their monastery. A large crowd attended. The Barnabite Fathers have also had open-air Masses since the commencement of the persecution.

Too Literal

A good story is told of the Prefect of the Ardeche Department, who, on the receipt of one of M. Combes' circulars relating to the closing of unauthorised places of worship, proceeded to order the closing of all Protestant churches and meeting houses, synagogues, and Masonic temples which could not produce proof of authorisation. The outcry may be imagined, and M. Combes was not

long in repairing the mistake of his subordinate, for, of course, the circular was intended to apply only to convent chapels. But it did not say so, and the prefect was acting in strict accordance with it in doing what he did. History does not say whether he 'winked the other eye' in doing it, but it says that M. Combes was terribly angry, and all the more so because he could not dismiss that Prefect on the spot, the latter having only acted in strict accordance with his instructions.

Not to their Liking

It may be remembered (writes a Paris correspondent) that some months ago M. de Pressense introduced, with a hardly concealed blessing from M. Combes, a Bill providing for the denunciation of the Concordat and the separation of the Church from the State. This was perhaps more than the traditional 'ballon d'essai.' At any rate, it was an open secret that the Ministry, no less than M. de Pressense, counted upon the enthusiastic support of the non-Catholic communions. They have been sadly disappointed. Most of the Protestant 'Consistoires' have been invited to express an opinion upon the merits of the Bill, and this opinion is unanimously unfavorable. The Consistoires of Paris, Nancy, Castres, Lille, and Lyons have denounced M. de Pressense's Bill and a large section of the League of the Rights of Man, headed by M. Gabriel Monod, have published a protest against it on the ground that it merely put new arms in the hands of the Government against the inalienable right of man to worship God according to his conscience. This unanimous condemnation from authoritative Protestant circles is said to have rather damped M. Combes' ardor. Of course, so long as it was merely a case of the condemnation of Catholics, who form nine-tenths of the population, it did not matter.

Cardinal Gibbons Speaks Out

Cardinal Gibbons, whilst in Paris, was interviewed by a representative of 'La Croix' and in reply to the pressman he drew a contrast between the two republics—France and the United States. His Eminence did not mince his words in describing the policy of the French Government. It was, he said, a wretched Government. Frenchmen had nothing more than the name of liberty. In the United States no Government dare interfere with a Bishop's action in employing members of the religious Orders to do spiritual work. In his diocese of Baltimore there are representatives of all the Orders. Nor could the Government in the United States presume to dictate to a preacher what he was to say or to avoid saying. The priest who entered the pulpit was free to discuss morals and denounce corruption, and were the Government to attempt to arrest him or otherwise to interfere with him, it would soon find that it would not be tolerated by the citizens. 'Americans,' observed his Eminence, 'may differ from one another in politics, in religion, and on various public questions, but they all believe in liberty.' This lecture ought to produce a good effect upon the French people. They are, after all, the rulers of France, and they cannot be insensible to the judgment of friendly nations upon the conduct of their Government.

ROME.—An Ancient Custom

The custom of burying the heart apart from the rest of the body, which was observed in the case of Leo XIII. (says the 'Catholic Times') dates as a Papal tradition from Sixtus V., who died in 1590. He decreed that his heart and those of his successors should be buried in the Church of San Vincenzo and Santi' Anastasio, the parish church of the Quirinal, a decree which was later on renewed by Benedict XIV. (1740-1758), who also decorated the 'loculi' in which these portions of the remains of the Pontiffs are laid to rest. A plain tablet without inscription still awaits the name of Pius IX., whose heart is at present kept in the crypt of St. Peter's.

A Fiction

Father Thurston, S.J., writing to the London 'Daily Chronicle' with regard to the story of the Cardinal Camerlingo's hammer, says: 'A few years ago I went to considerable trouble in order to ascertain the truth, through the medium of some friends in Rome, who were in a position to obtain accurate information. The story is as old as the eighteenth century; but the fact seems to be that, although an official "recognizione" of the body takes place, and a formal "rogito," or attestation, is drawn up by a notary in the presence of the Cardinal Camerlingo, the supposed ceremony of the silver hammer has no foundation.'

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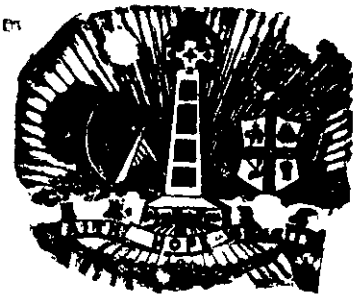
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Mr. Joseph Winter (Melbourne 'Advocate') and his brother, Mr. S. V. Winter (Melbourne 'Herald'), who have been on a health trip to China and Japan, have returned to Melbourne.

The parishioners of North Fitzroy (Melbourne) recently presented the Rev. Father P. J. Fitzgerald, who has been transferred to St. Mary's, Geelong, with an illuminated address and a purse of 100 sovereigns.

The Rev. Father T. Kenny, S.J., of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, has been transferred to St. Patrick's College, East Melbourne, in place of the Very Rev. Father T. Keogh, S.J., who goes to St. Ignatius' College, Richmond.

The Sydney papers announce that Miss Ada Crossley, who is coming to Australia, made it a condition of her engagement with Mr. Williamson that she should sing in St. Mary's Cathedral. She desires to redeem a promise she made Dean O'Hara before leaving Australia.

The Rev. Father M. Ryan, who has been transferred from Woodend, Victoria, to Dandenong, was presented with a purse of sovereigns by the parishioners of Woodend on Wednesday evening, August 14. On the following evening he was entertained at a banquet by the people of East Trentham, where he was the recipient of another purse of sovereigns. He was also entertained at a farewell concert by the children attending the Trentham Catholic schools.

The Very Rev. Father Fitzgerald, O.F.M., who sailed for Europe recently, after 19 years' work on the Australian mission, left amid the universal regret of the whole Catholic community (says the 'Catholic Press'). Previous to his departure he was entertained at dinner by the suburban and metropolitan clergy, and he received an enthusiastic send-off and testimonial from the eastern parishes in which he had chiefly labored, as well as one from the members of the Waverley branch of the A.H.C. Guild. At the wharf bidding him farewell were hundreds of friends, whilst a specially chartered steamer, thronged with well-wishers went as far as the Heads to give him a parting cheer as the vessel proceeded out to sea.

Irish Nationalism (writes a Tasmanian correspondent) has had a complete revival in Hobart this year. A branch of the United Irish League was founded in February, and formed a strong and energetic committee, which succeeded in celebrating St. Patrick's Day by sports, after 11 years' cessation of any such, and resulted in £50 being sent to William O'Brien, M.P., founder of the League, for distribution among pressing demands for relief of Irish evicted tenants, and £10 to the Orphanage in Hobart. William O'Brien distributed the £50 among tenants in exceptional distress: First, £10 on the Luggacurran Queen's County estate, £10 on the Clanricarde County Galway Estate, £10 to the Maggerone County Louth Estate, £10 to the Coolgraney County Wexford estate, and £10 to the De Freyne County Roscommon estate, and sent an eloquent reply to Mr. M. M. Ryan, president of the Hobart League, describing the great effect messages like that from the Irish across the seas have in encouraging those at home in their battle for freedom.

The death of Monsignor O'Hea, of Coburg, Victoria, (says the 'Freeman's Journal') was not unexpected; for although he is said to have come of a family distinguished for longevity, the weight of his 89 years had for some time been accentuated by failing health. The passing away of this venerable dignitary is another sad reminder that the ranks of the fine old pioneer band of priests are being rapidly thinned by the inexorable Reaper. Of the men who helped to build up the Church in Australia a couple of generations ago with the example of personalities which blended piety, simplicity, wisdom, and indomitable endurance, Monsignor O'Hea was a type. Born at Cork in April, 1814, he reached Melbourne in 1852, when the social elements of the country were mixed and rugged. For a time he ministered to these elements in their most emphatic form as chaplain at Pentridge penal establishment, but for the past 40 years had been identified as pastor with Coburg. He brought to the ministry of Victoria just those qualities needed for the priest in a country where everything was in the making. As well as a priest he was an Irishman whose geniality, while it covered a commanding personality, made many friends even beyond his own denomination. His charity was in keeping with his character as priest and citizen, and will now evoke the reciprocal charity of many prayers for his repose.

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CLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

- September 20, Sunday.—Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 „ 21, Monday.—St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.
 „ 22, Tuesday.—St. Thomas of Villanova, Bishop and Confessor.
 „ 23, Wednesday.—St. Linus, Pope and Martyr.
 „ 24, Thursday.—Our Lady of Mercy.
 „ 25, Friday.—Saints Eustace and Companions, Martyrs.
 „ 26, Saturday.—St. Eusebius, Pope and Martyr.

St. Matthew, Apostle.

St. Matthew is the same as Levi, mentioned in the Gospel of St. Luke (v. 27). He was the son of Alphaeus, and was born near Capharnaum. He was a collector of taxes which the Jews had to pay to the Romans. Tradition relates that he labored for some time in Palestine, after the Ascension of Christ, and then preached the Gospel in Syria, Persia, Parthia, and Ethiopia. In the last-named country he is said to have ended his course by martyrdom. Matthew was the first of the Evangelists who wrote a Gospel, which appeared between the years 64 and 67, or, according to others, in the year 42, about the time of the dispersion of the Apostles. He wrote in Hebrew or Syro-Chaldaic, the language spoken in Palestine at that time. The original is no longer extant, but the Greek version, even in the time of the Apostles, was of equal authority.

St. Thomas of Villanova.

St. Thomas was born at Fuenlana (Leon), Spain, in 1488, and died at Valencia, of which he was Archbishop in 1555. He was distinguished for his humility and charity, and merited the glorious surname of the 'Father of the Poor.'

St. Linus, Pope and Martyr.

St. Linus, the immediate successor of St. Peter, received the martyr's crown after a Pontificate of 12 years.

Feast of Our Lady of Mercy.

In the thirteenth century, when the Mediterranean was swept by Moorish pirates, a religious Order was instituted, under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary, for the purpose of collecting alms for the relief and ransom of Christian captives, of visiting them in their captivity, and restoring them when possible to their friends and families.

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St. Eustace and Companions, Martyrs.

St. Eustace, a Roman general, suffered martyrdom together with his wife and two sons, shortly after the beginning of the second century.

St. Eusebius, Pope and Martyr.

St. Eusebius, who succeeded St. Marcellus on the Papal throne, was banished by Maxentius to Sicily, where he died of the hardships inflicted on him.

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