

The Catholic World

CANADA

DEATH OF AN ARCHBISHOP.

The Most Rev. Louis Philip Adelard Langevin, O.M.I., Archbishop of St. Boniface, Manitoba, died on June 15. Archbishop Langevin was metropolitan of St. Boniface since 1895. The province included also the suffragan sees of Prince Albert and Regina, Saskatchewan, and the Vicariate Apostolic of Keewatin.

ENGLAND

CATHOLICS IN A TRAIN DISASTER.

There were about twenty Catholics amongst the injured in the Gretna train disaster who were taken to Carlisle. Several of them have since died. One of the saddest cases was that of the three brothers Kerr, of one of whom no trace could be found. Corporal Kerr died soon after the accident, and the third brother, Sergeant Kerr, was lying seriously ill at one of the private hospitals in Carlisle when the last mail left.

FRANCE

DEARTH OF PRIESTS.

By the incorporation of so many thousand priests the French Army has more religious consolation than could have been expected. However, the absence of so many priests from their parishes is making itself felt more and more every day. The calling out at the present moment of numerous other parish priests, to serve in the auxiliary forces, will considerably add to the disorganisation of public worship, especially in country places. Many of them were already entrusted with the charge of two parishes, and now they are gone or are on the point of leaving, there is no one to replace them. The result must be the closing of the churches.

ITALY

CARE OF THE SICK AND WOUNDED.

The Holy Father has been interested himself in the arrangements made for the care of the sick and wounded. A large number of portable altars have been sent to the camps, and measures have been taken to facilitate in every way the work of the chaplains. His Holiness has generously offered Castelgandolfo Villa to the Red Cross Society for its humane labors. Queen Elena has offered the floor of the Quirinal Palace, where the Sovereigns live when in Rome, and will install a hospital in the Royal Palaces at Mantua, Verona, and Caserta, which her Majesty will personally overlook. Queen Margherita has given for the purposes of a hospital the house standing in the grounds of her palace.

UNITED STATES

THE DIOCESE OF SALT LAKE.

The Very Rev. Joseph S. Glass, C.M., rector of St. Vincent's Church, Los Angeles, California, and formerly president of St. Vincent's College there, has been appointed Bishop of the Diocese of Salt Lake City, Utah. Bishop-elect Glass has been nearly all his life identified with Los Angeles, his boyhood, school, and college days and fourteen years of his priesthood having been spent in that city.

THE MARIST FATHERS.

The Marist Fathers have just celebrated the golden jubilee of their establishment in Algiers, Louisiana (says the Philadelphia Standard and Times). The Marists, who were called to Louisiana by Archbishop Odin, in 1862, took up their work in the little town of Convent. From the parish Church of St. Michael's

it was only one step to the then all but defunct Jefferson College, of which they assumed direction at the earnest solicitation of citizens. Jefferson College is now one of the greatest educational institutions in the South, and has sent out students who have risen to eminence in every department of religious, professional, and commercial life. When the Order assumed charge of the parish in Algiers fifty years ago that now thriving populous Louisiana centre was but a simple rural town.

SOME PLAIN TRUTHS.

The editor of *The Age* (New York), one of the most influential Negro publications in the country, quotes from the *Catholic Directory's* figures showing growth of the Catholic body in the past twenty years, and adds: 'These figures will alarm a great many good people, who will see in them the ultimate downfall of the Republic and a lot of other dire disasters. For our part, we should like to see more of the Catholic spirit instilled into our great Protestant and other denominations. The Catholic Church in this country is that religious body in which wealth, social distinction, class and race count for the least. The humblest, poorest, and most ignorant immigrant entering New York can go into the great Cathedral on Fifth avenue and feel that he is welcome. Any one in such circumstances would hesitate for some time before entering a rich Protestant church. It is almost impossible to think of a Catholic priest preaching race discrimination or urging his congregation to go out and lynch somebody. If all the great Christian organisations in this country had the religious and moral courage to openly disapprove the injustice, lawlessness, and cruelty which the Negro has to suffer, these sins and crimes would soon be stopped. But they haven't got it.'

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(From our own correspondent.)

The half-yearly meeting of the local branch of the Hibernian Society was held last Tuesday night. There were sixteen members present, and the president (Mr. J. M. Deegan) presided. The secretary reported that the branch finances were in a satisfactory condition. Three candidates were proposed and accepted. The following officers were elected for the coming term: President, Bro. C. Horgan; vice-president, Bro. D. O'Sullivan; guardian, Bro. L. MacReynolds; warden, Bro. R. Fleming; secretary, Bro. A. H. Brennan; treasurer, Bro. Geo. Holmes. A hearty vote of thanks to the out-going officers, especially the secretary (Bro. E. O'Hanlon), terminated the meeting.

The bazaar canvassers are working quietly, but in real earnest, and are meeting with a generous response.

The Hibernians intend holding a social at an early date, the proceeds to be in aid of the wounded soldiers' fund.

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