

BOOK NOTICES

The Life of St. Francis Xavier, by M. T. Kelly. Published by B. Herder, 68 Great Russell Street, London. (6/- net.)

Inspired by Father Henry Browne, S.J., Miss Kelly has given us a life of the great Jesuit apostle which she also makes a memorial of love to her two Jesuit uncles, so well known a few years ago in the English-speaking Catholic world. The authoress could not have selected a more suitable subject for that memorial. No satisfactory popular life of the Saint has been hitherto available in English, and the older works were not immune from errors which recent researches have exposed. Miss Kelly avails herself of the investigations of Brou, Michel, and Father Clos who had the advantage of being able to use the Monumenta Historica Societatis Jesu, a collection of documents which contain a mine of information. That the book was to some extent at least written under the guidance of the distinguished Professor of Greek in the Irish National University is a further guarantee of its worth. Miss Kelly's book is well written and agreeable reading. She gives us fully the engrossing story of the labors and prayers and sufferings of the devoted missionary whose heroic example has kindled the flame of zeal in so many levites since his death. This book will serve to make the life of the Saint widely known, and we commend it to our readers who desire to have at hand edifying and interesting spiritual lectures. It is tastefully bound in green and gold, and has four full-page illustrations.

Is There Salvation Outside the Church? Bainvel. Herder. (2/6 net.)

The Catholic teaching on the subject of salvation outside the Church has so often been misrepresented that it is not rare to find that even devout Catholics have rather hazy notions about it. Non Catholics have for centuries scoffed at our alleged narrowness and bigotry in this regard, holding up the axiom "Outside the Church there is no Salvation" as a relic of the days of the Inquisition. The subject is interesting and we are glad to be able to recommend in this book a clear and scientific exposition of the Church's doctrine. The subject is thoroughly discussed and the translation from the French original is well done by Father Weidenhan, S.J.

CHURCH DESTROYED BY FIRE

ST. PATRICK'S, RAETIHI.

On 19th of March, 1918, St. Patrick's Church, Raetihi, was burnt to the ground in the terrible bush fire that swept over this district. We are now making an effort to raise money to build another Church so that our people may have a proper place of worship.

Who will help us in this good work?

Who will honor St. Patrick by raising a Church to his name?

We are holding a Bazaar in May. Donations in kind or money will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address—

FATHER GUINANE, Ohakune.

IN INDIANA

Snow on the hills, and stars in a crystal sky
Around me the golden leagues of the prairie lie
Under the blaze of July.

And my heart turns home to the hills in their wintry white,
As I saw them last on that last December night
Radiant in cold star-light.

To the hills of my heart that are far over land and sea
And the little snug house on the beacon where I would be,
That is all in all to me.

So under the blaze of July,
While round me the golden leagues of the prairie lie,
I long for the snow on the hills and the stars in a crystal sky.

WILFRID WILSON GIBSON, in the *New Witness*.

OBITUARY

MR. T. V. MOLLOY, WAUBRA, BALLARAT, VICTORIA.

The death of Mr. Thomas Vincent Molloy, of Marysvale, which occurred on March 31, has come as a great shock to the community, and caused profound sorrow among a wide circle of friends by whom the deceased was highly esteemed (says the *Ballarat Star*). The deceased had been ailing for some time but the end came with tragic suddenness after a severe illness of a few days. He came to the Waubra District 18 years ago, and in partnership with Mr. J. Flynn, purchased the extensive property known as Marysvale on the Ereildoune estate, on which he had resided ever since. He was a man of most genial and charitable disposition, and one whose opinion was always valued. He was closely associated with the management of the Waubra Farmers' Co-op. Association, and was always to the fore in movements for the good of the district. The late Mr. Molloy was a regular attendant at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Waubra, and was a member of the church committee. He leaves a widow and eight young children, to whom much sympathy has been expressed. Mother Phillips and Sister Gaizeil, Nursing Sisters from St. John's Hospital, Ballarat, were at his bedside to the end. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in the district. The deceased was a brother-in-law of William and Thomas Dawkins, of Invercargill and Timaru. At the conclusion of the 11 o'clock Mass on the following Sunday, Father Hennebry feelingly referred to the lamented death of Mr. Molloy. He remarked that not only would the loss be felt in the district where the deceased had proved such a worthy citizen, but also in other localities. He had through life shown to them such a Christian example by his devotion to the faith and had been a pattern that any true Christian might be proud to imitate. It was with feelings of deepest regret that he joined with the congregation of Catholics of Waubra in expressing their deepest sorrow on the loss of such a true Christian man, a devoted father and loving husband.—R.I.P.



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