

Here and There

Passing of a Notable Priest. A notable priest passed to his reward in London on April 11. Many readers will remember the Anglican rector of Shoreditch, the Rev. H. M. Myddelton Evans, who was received into the Catholic Church in 1903, and who was followed by large numbers of his former flock. He became a fellow-student in Rome with Robert Hugh Benson, and both were ordained together. Father Evans was a tall, handsome man of such an imposing appearance that the Vatican Guards presented arms when the student had occasion to enter their domain. On his return to England he worked at London and later at Brighton, and was specially successful in bringing large numbers of converts into the Church. He was 63 years at the time of his death.

A Remarkable Missionary Lady.—A remarkable woman died at Nairobi, Central Africa, on March 31, at the age of 64. Thirty years ago Alice Foxley went out to Africa as an Anglican representative of the Universities Mission. When she became a Catholic in 1912, her one desire was to continue her work. But there were difficulties to be overcome. Her private income was too slender, and as she was over 50 she was ineligible for a suitable religious Order. A friend, however, agreed to make her a sufficient allowance if she could get the Bishop's permission to work in British East Africa. The Bishop was glad of the opportunity, and gave her charge of a mission station under the "Black Fathers," which had been closed for lack of priests. Here she worked unceasingly for 10 years, teaching, doctoring, nursing, and baptising, living on the poorest native food, and rarely seeing Europeans. Several boys who were trained by her are now studying for the priesthood. Sometimes she was in danger of her life, especially when the natives had access to drink.

Brother of the Great Irish Leader.—The death occurred in Dublin on April 3, of John Howard Parnell, elder brother of the great Irish leader. He was born at Avondale, and was 80 years of age. He spent many years in America, and it was not until after his brother's death that he returned to Ireland and entered Parliament. He was elected for South Meath in 1895. In 1900 he again went forward, but when his nomination papers were lodged, the necessary deposit was not made, and his nomination was worthless. The late Mr. J. L. Carew was returned unopposed, and on his death in 1902 Mr. Parnell again sought election, but was defeated by Mr. D. Sheehy. In the same year he was elected City Marshal of Dublin. Over ten years ago he published a life of Charles S. Parnell. In 1907 he married Olivia Isabella, daughter of the late Colonel J. Smithe, 69th Regiment, and widow of A. Matier, J.P., The Grove, Carlingford. He was one of the founders of the Irish Forestry Society. He was a capable exponent of chess, and took part in several international contests. The only survivor of the Parnell family is now Mrs. Dickenson, sister.

A Well-remembered Singer.—There are very many Australians (says the Melbourne *Argus*) in whose affections Mlle. Dolores holds a warm place who will hear with pleasure that she contemplates returning to Australia and New Zealand towards the close of this year or the beginning of the next. An Australian friend, who visited her in Paris in April, writes that Mlle. Dolores is looking forward to seeing all her friends there again. She will probably go first to New Zealand, coming later to Melbourne, and will bring with her some charming modern French songs, as well as those others with which her name is so closely associated, notably old English works. Since she returned from Australia in July, 1920, Mlle. Dolores and her companion and life-long friend (Mlle. Vaudeur) have spent the greater part of their time at Dolores's home at Les Ronces, in the Department of Loir et Cher, a beautiful district in the centre of France. Mlle. Vaudeur had a serious illness soon after their return, and on her recovery Mlle. Dolores and she interested themselves in reviving the languishing church life of the village. They were chiefly instrumental in restoring the village church, which had fallen sadly into decay. Dolores also organised and trained a village choir, playing the organ herself, and

she did not leave the village until she had placed the church on a sound basis and arranged for the maintenance of the good work she had begun. From Les Ronces she and Mlle. Vaudeur came some months ago to Paris, where she found a great deal to interest her in a congress on Gregorian music, under the Cardinal Archbishop of Paris. Since then she has been practising and revelling in all the delightful music of which there is such an abundance in Paris, and, incidentally, renewing old friendships and welcoming many Melbourne and other Australian friends visiting the Continent.

A Notable Convert.—Dr. Josephine Letitia Denny Fairfield, C.B.E., who was called to the Bar at the Middle Temple by Lord Carson, as treasurer of the Inn last term, has, says a London correspondent, been received into the Catholic Church at Westminster Cathedral. Her conversion followed upon her call to the Bar, and she was admitted into the Catholic Church a few weeks ago. Dr. Fairfield, despite her girlish appearance, is one of the brainiest of the ladies who, since the profession was thrown open to them, have been called to the English Bar. Dr. Fairfield, who is the eldest daughter of the late Mr. C. Fairfield, has been assistant medical officer to the London County Council, since 1911. She was educated at Richmond High School, Edinburgh University, and University College, London.

National Honors for French Catholics.—The long list of Catholics who have been honored of late for literary and other eminence has just been increased by the French Academy, which has elected a priest, the Abbe Henri Bremond, who is given the seat in this illustrious assemblage left vacant by the death of Mgr. Duchesne, the great archaeologist and historian. The choice of the Abbe Bremond is looked upon as a happy one by French Catholics. He has done notable literary work, and has shown great admiration for Cardinal Newman. It has been said that few French writers have understood as well as he the great Cardinal's spirit and character. His principal work, which is not yet completed, is a voluminous history of religious sentiment in France from the reign of Henry IV. to the present time. This work interestingly deals with beliefs and sentiments illustrated by holy and heroic deeds. The volumes introduce the reader in an illuminating way to many saints. Six large volumes of this work have already appeared, and the others are in preparation. The French Academy has also elected as a member M. Jonnart, the French Ambassador at the Vatican.

Notable Convert.—A great sensation (says a Home paper) has been caused in German Protestant circles by the submission to the Catholic Church, a few weeks ago, of the Rev. Hans Huebner, rector of the most important Protestant church in Vienna. A distinguished scholar, Herr Huebner will now devote himself to literary work for the Catholic cause.

Germany's Thanks for Assistance.—Cardinal Michael von Faulhaber, Archbishop of Munich, who recently paid a visit to the United States, the object of his visit being to personally thank the people of America for the aid they had given the suffering people of Germany during the last few years. "I come on a mission of peace—not as a propagandist," he told newspaper men who interviewed him upon his arrival at New York. The Cardinal was met by members of the Mayor's committee of welcome headed by Mr. Murray Hulbert, President of the Board of Aldermen; Mgr. Joseph P. Dincen and Father Stephen A. Donahue, representing Archbishop Hayes; and Dr. Hans Heinrich Diekhoff, counsellor of the German Embassy at Washington. Subsequently his Eminence was driven to the residence of Archbishop Hayes.

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Mr. Maurice D'Oisly writes:—"Miss Rosina Buckman and myself have derived the greatest benefit from the use of Fluenzol as a gargle." Mr. Percy Kahn and Mr. D'Oisly have suggested that Fluenzol and Q-tol (for Pianists' hands) should be available on the London market.

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