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Bishop Hay sppeared to think that considerable advantage belongs to the commencement of ecclesiastical training at the age of twenty and upwards. Bishop Geddes, on the other hand, thought that such advantage is much diminished by the increased difficulty experienced at that age, in undertaking a long course of study, and by the novelty of the mode of life. A special gift of perseverance and more than oroinary grace were necessary, that age, in undertaking a long course of life. A special gift of perseverance and more than oroinary grace were necessary, he believed, to ensure the constancy of an adult candidate. It was manifest, both from resson and experience, that children and boys were trained to the observance of exact discipline more easily than men whose habits of liberty had become formed, and who were naturally inclined to consider the exactness of seminary life unnecessary. "In this matter," said Bishop Geddes, addressing the senior bishop, "you cannot judge solely from yourself. You had been accustomed to a studious life, and you liked regularity; but, you may believe me, to the generality of grown up men, to be tied down, every hour of the day, to some fixed task, appears a great confinement and a kind of slavery, especially if the first fervor should cool." Allusion was made to one or two points more in repard to which an adult especially if the first fervor should cool."
Allusion was made to one or two points more in regard to which an adult student labored under peculiar disadvantages, and then the learned bishop concluded by stating, in his usual gentle style, that what ne had said was not mere speculation, but the result of his own observation and of that of many others. Hence arises the desire of superiors of colleges in general to have young boys sent to them, whom they may train up in their own way. There are exceptions to what I have here said but I think I have given the general rules, which I could illustrate with many examples, but it might be too long and

which caused them much concern. At a general meeting in 1782 a committee, called "The Catholic Committee," had been appointed for five years, having for its object "to promote and attend to the live object to be now being population. The nopes of Bishop Ged-des have been more than realised. It is only to be regretted that he did not live unpaid; nearly all the provisions to enjoy the satisfaction of beholding at least a fair commencement of the great developments which have given to Glasbeen appointed for five years, having for its object "to promote and attend to the ite object "to promote and attend to the ite object to promote and attend to the affairs of the Roman Catholic body in England." This committee, when first constituted, consisted of Lords Stourton and Petre, Mr. Throckmorton, Mr. Stapleton and Mr. Thomas Hornyold. They seem to have limited themselves to the devising of a plan for the restoration of the hierarchy in England. But when they came to consult the four bishops on the subject, they found such a variety of opinion, that the measure was dropped. As their power expired in 1787, a new committee was appointed at a general meeting of the English Catlolics on the 3rd of May, in this Catholics of the writer) from the Shenval mission, to take charge of the seminary, and to supply his place in the Cabrach. The increasant rains were an impediment to putting things in order out of doors. There was, however, no worse inconvenience than some delay. Only a sufficient may be a catholic of the writer) from the Shenval mission, to take charge of the seminary, and to supply his place in the Cabrach. The increasant rains were an impediment to putting things in order out of doors. There was, however, no worse inconvenience than some delay. Only a sufficient supply of peats for one year had been carried in—a quantity deemed in adequate, it appears, by provident house keepers. Within doors the bishop gave and the increasant rains were an impediment to putting things in order out of doors. There was, however, no worse inconvenience than some delay. Only a sufficient may be a catholic of the writery from the Shenvier of the tion of the hierarchy in England. But when they came to consult the four bishops on the subject, they found such a variety of opinion, that the measure was dropped. As their power expired in 1787, a new committee was appointed at a general meeting of the English Catholics on the 3rd of May, in this year. It was then resolved that the regulations under which the former committee had acted should remain in force, and that the new committee should force, and that the new committee should nsist of ten members instead of five. Half their number were to be elected by the general meeting and the other ive returned by the gentlemen of the four ecclesiastical districts and by those of Lancashire and Cheshire as a fifth ecclesiastical district. It was further resolved that they should meet annually on the first Thursday of May and the on the first Thursday of May, and that Mr. Charles Butler should act as their Mr. Charles Butler should act as their secretary. Many of the clergy felt uneasy at the prospect of innovation which arose. Bishop Hay shared in this feeling, and applied to Bishop Talbot for information as to the proceedings decided on at the meeting. The bishop replied, stating that, much against his will, he had been induced to attend the meeting, and that he had found the meeting; and that he had found the meeting; and that he had found the committee full of sanguine hopes for their projects, but openly declaring, at the same time, that nothing should be done without the concurrence of the clergy; and, indeed, nothing was determined on as regarded their future opermined on as regarded their future opermined on as regarded their future opermined on as regarded the development of the institution. In addition as increased "ways and means" to the seminary, he was pleased to devote to their projects, but openly declaring, at the same time, that nothing should be done without the concurrence of the collegy; and, indeed, nothing was determined on as regarded their future operations, and the whole question was posting was postered for a year. On receiving this reply, Bishop Hay concluded that nothing would ever be done if the intentions ing would ever be done if the intentions of the committee corresponded with their promise of scting in concert with the bishops.

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abled to erect. Such important places as Huntley, Glenlivat and Strathdown as Huntley, Glenlivat and Stratbdown were now to possess churches, so steadily was the light of religion spreading from the private dwelling and the hidden chamber, to the more public places of the land, and edifices devoted to its celebrations, where all men could come and experience its consoling influences. The churches now built were not of a high style of architecture; but were solidly constructed and roofed with slate,—not with humble thatch, as at a less prosperous epoch. Mr. Geo. Mathieson had, this year, enlarged the chapel at Tynet, adjoining the park of Gordon castle, greatly adding to the commodiousness and beauty of the building, which his predecessor, Dr. Alex. Ged. commodiousness and beauty of the build ing, which his predecessor, Dr Alex. Geddes, had begun. It may be mentioned, as indicative of the more moderate spirit of the time, that the ducal family of Gordon, now Protestant, allowed the states belonging to the deserted chapel of St. Ninian to be used by Mr. Mathieson for his new building. The bishops congratulated themselves on the happy circumstance that churches were increasing "beyond what could have been dreamed of some time ago" (Bishop Hay). Hay).

DUNDEE MISSION.

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THE CATHOLIC COMMITTEE.

The bishops were now engaged in the discharge of their episcopal duties, add inging the whole of August in order to line, proceedings of the English Catholics, and the thriving industries of the place were already attracting that Irish immigration which was destined to increase so repidly on account of their inability to digest time, about a sixth part of the entire already attracting that Irish immigration which was destined to increase so repidly on account of their inability to digest time, about a sixth part of the entire already attracting that Irish immigration which was destined to increase so repidly on account of their inability to digest already attracting that Irish immigration which was destined to increase so repidly on account of their inability to di part of the building. Those in ordinary use among the students were much worn, particularly Butler's Lives of the Science, the English Bibles and Chalworn, particularly Butler's Lives of the Saints, the English Bibles and Challoner's Meditations, all of which it was necessary to renew. The bishop stayed a week more at the seminary. Mr. Daw son willingly adopted his views of economical reform. In the second week of August he hoped to be able to leave for the Enzie. The subject of Scalan particular great great concern both to the for the Enzie. occasioned great concern both to the bishop and his coadjutor. Nevertheless, they thought they saw the hand of Pro-vidence in all that had happened, as the means necessary and appointed for placing that house of ecclesiastical train-ing on an efficient footing for the time to come. The expense incurred in reforming the seminary caused the bishop to contract considerable debt. Time only was wanting, however, for retrieving his financial condition. He enjoyed the financial condition. He enjoyed the satisfaction, meanwhile, to reflect that he had succeeded in clearing the seminary of all its liabilities; and whatever he had suited in sadding he shootful had

RESS RELIGION HAD MADE; the greater number of Catholics, their freedom from persecution, and the better state of their church accommodation. After twelve days' sojourn at the capital, he returned, in improved health, to the north. On his return to Aberdeen he subscribed, together with some of his friends there, for The Edinburgh Advertiser, in order to see "how the threatening embroils on the continent might turn out." The political aspect was such that he was very much inclined to be of Pastorini's opinion. But he was confident that our good Lord would prepare him and all our people for what might be coming, and "enable us to act our part so as to please Him."

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"At what time did you see him?"
"And Rosalie raised her little arms over her head and geneficed as the priest does at the Elevation.
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It is highly interesting to note the pains which Bishop Geddes took with the infant mission of Glasgow. He little knew at the time what a giant he was so carefully nursing. In December of this year he spent ten days there in order the better to ascertain the wants of the small congregation and devise means of making some provision for them. One result was an arrangement with some of the chief people of the flock "to begin a little fund" for deiraying the expenses of the priest who visited them from time to time, Not only did he ask nothing for himself, but also paid from his own resources the "And now what do you see?" as with only did he ask nothing for himself, but also paid from his own resources the expenses of the visiting priest. He hoped that by summer the fund subscribed would amount to £20 (twenty pounds sterling). A society was formed for the purpose of forwarding the subscription; and a small house was to be leased in which the Catholics should meet an Sundays for prayers and spiritual be leased in which the Catholics should meet on Sundays for prayers and spiritual reading, and where also the priest should lodge on occasion of his periodical visits. The zealous bishop entertained the best hopes; and not without good grounds. The merchant princes of the western capital had shown friendly feeling; and the thriving industries of the place were already attracting that I wish immigration.

For Children Starying to D

gow so high a place in the Catholic TO BE CONTINUED.

A CHRISTMAS MIRACLE IN 1392.

We read in the "History of the Eucharist," written by the Dominican Father Pere Rivera, in 1392, the story of a great miracle which Our Lord worked in favor of a holy man, who was then Rector of the Church of Moncade. This good priest was constantly tor-mented with doubts as to the validity of his ordination, which he had received at the hands of a bishop conescrated by Clement VII., elected Pope during a time of schism in the Church. At last so terrible were these doubts that he was about to apply to be crdained conditionally anew, when God deigned to ditionally anew, when God deigned to put his troubles to flight in a very won-

derful manner. It was Christmas Day. The holy rector celebrated Mass, as usus!, with lively faith, intense fervour, but, alas! with the same intense fervour, but, alas! with the same terror of scruple and doubt. Amongst the congregation was a little girl of five years of age, named Rosalie Phez. When Mass was over Rosalie refused to leave the church, imploring her mother to let her stay a while, as she had seen in the priest's hands Madame Favre's little baby. Madame Favre was a neighbor of theirs, whose baby son was a delight to Rosalie. The mother, who had not shared her child's privilege in beholding the vision, was at a loss to understand what she

"And did you never tell another lie?"
"Ob, never, never!"
"Very well, my dear. Now, what did
you see during my Mass?"
"A dear, little baby boy."
"Where was he when you saw him?"
"In your hands, father."
"At what time did you see him?"
"When you did this."
And Rosalie raised her little arms over her head and geneflected as the priest does at the Elevation.

"And now what do you see?" as with trembling hand he lifted the unconse-

crated Host.

"Only a little white thing," cried the innocent child, with deep disappointment in her tone.

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heart and soul to the heavenly joy which had come to him. He called together all his parishioners, and begged of them to join him with heart and voice in hymns of thanksgiving; and all thanked

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