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"CHRISTIANUS MIHI NOMEN EST, CATHOLICUS VERO COGNOMEN."-"CHRISTIAN IS MY NAME, BUT CATHOLIC MY SURNAME."-St. Pacian, 4th Century.

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esteem the highest religious truth of the Christianity they profess." This is precisely the platform upon which the Catholic Church stands in re-gard to the public schools of America-We. Catholics, desire that all religious denominations should possess the right to give religious instruction—combined with sound secular education—to the children of such Protestant parents and

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### DIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

#### PASTORAL LETTER

OF HIS LORDSHIP THE BISHOP OF OTTAWA ON FREEMASONRY. JOSEPH THOMAS DUHAMEL

By the Mercy of God and the Favor of the Holy Apostolic See, Bishop of Ottawa, Assistant at the Pontifical Throne, &c.

To the Clergy, the Religious Communities and the Fasthful of the Diocese of Ottawa, Health and Benediction in our Lord.

Health and Benediction in our Lord. DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN,—He whose commission it is to feed the sheep and lambs of Christ and to guard them against the wolves, has, by the memor-able Encyclical Humanum Genus sounded a note of warning and pointed out to the favoured flock the presence of an enemy. favoured flock the presence of an energy. He has shewn us in secret socie-ties a deep-seated conspiracy of evil-doers bent upon devastating the fold wherein the Heavenly Shepherd harbours his faithful followers and to which He his faithful followers and to which he calls His erring ones. The fearless voice of the Pope has rung throughout Chris-tendom calling upon all to stand firm around him, and offer an impregnable barrier to the hordes of destruction.

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Dearly beloved Brethren, read over the Pope's Encyclical; you will find therein a schedule of freemasonic tenets,

and you will appreciate yourselves the principle, the extent, the depth of their

aberrations. They inaugurate at the outset the revolt of reason by declaring its inde-pendence, then error follows upon error. At last a point is reached where every-

At last a point is reached where every-thing is denied; the supernatural order, the primary truths of nature, the human soul, the unseen world, creation and even God Himself. Nothing then remains but the lowest forms of pantheism or material denies of the supernature supernature of the supernature of the supernature of the supernature of the supernature supernature of the supernature of th

The incipient freemason, once a Cath-olic, is brought into contact through the

lodges with this deceptive enlighten-ment; soon however be may perhaps be undeceived; and, patented with a special diploma, be installed forthwith as a pa-tron of the sect, and a disseminator of its

By a guilty compact blindly entered into, he has handed himself over soul

and body to unknown masters and sworn to carry out their instructions with mute

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The encroachments of Freemasonry are boundless. Here as elsewhere it extends to both town and country; it has even thrust itself into the privacy of domestic life with intent to remove the domestic file with inter to remove the child from the holy influences of its mother, to keep from it the essential requisites of Christian training and Cath-olic schooling, and also to separate it from associations where religious influ-

olic schooling, and also to separate is from associations where religious influ-ences are still felt. Dearly beloved Brethren, you have indeed heard the voice of the Chief Pastor of the Church, but has it con-vinced your minds or touched your hearts? If so, your first duty is honestly to admit the existence of the danger which has been pointed out to you. We should be unduitul to the Church and rebellious in the sight of God, were we to question the utterances of the Pontifi representing our divine Master. Let us then not weary of considering the peril in which we stand, or of pondering the solemn words of warning. In previous pastoral documents we have examined siz of the motives which induced Leo XIII. to denounce Free-masonry as the enemy against which we

masonry as the enemy against which we have at present to struggle; in this let-ter we purpose developing to the same effect another and

#### VIITH REASON.

VIITH REASON. "By opening their ranks to comers hailing from every shade of religious dis-crepancy, Freemasons," says the Pope, "are materially assisted in giving ground to that great contemporary error which consists in holding all religious solicitude as a matter of no import, and in placing upon a footing of equality every form of religious belief. "Such a principle carries with it the

It places them at par with Protestants, Jews, free-thinkers, pantheists and athe-ists: it would have them believe that all creeds are equally valueless, and destined to vanish like a vapoury mist before the light it has in store for them. Between the doctrines of Freemasonry and those of Christianity there exists as wide a divergence as between our Saviour and Satan. Faith has brought us the true light: it has taught us the knowl-edge of God and ourselves, and given us what it behoves us most to possess, the key to our origin, our present condition and our future state; and Freemasonry with its chaotic conceptions would cast us once again into abysmal darkness. Either ignoring God and His Christ, or affecting to despise them, it hoodwinks the minds of men as to the facts of orig-inal sin, of their present order of being, and of their responsibilities and obliga-tions towards God, themselves, their families and society in general. It asserts the dissolubility of marriage at the mere pleasure of contracting parties, with personal caprice for its only safe-anad children of such Protestant parents, and that we be guaranteed the same right concerning Catholic children. In this concerning Catholic children. In this way Christianity will be preserved in this country, but under the present system—as we pointed out last week— the non-Catholic systems of Christianity are sure to be submerged beneath the waves of infidelity injected into the minds of children by teachers who are some-times immoral, often infidel, and fre-quently fanstical—in their antagonism to any belief in God. What can be expected of the great mass of children who grow up under such tutors i As well send our of the great mass of children who grow up under such tutors ? As well send our children to learn morality in bagnios, as to imagine that they will learn to love God or to serve Him under a system from which Christianity is excluded, and the dissolubility of marriage at the mere pleasure of contracting parties, with personal caprice for its only safe-guard: it denies the child any settled religious training or teaching, and it bears with it the abrogation of civil together with spiritual authority. It is therefore evident how widely the operations of such a system are at vari-

from which Christianity is excluded, and under teachers who often treacherously betray their trust and try to prejudice the minds of their pupils against the religious belief of their Christian paroperations of such a system are at vari-ance with the Gospel and with our ents. Public school teaching at best is only

Fubic school teaching at best is only "a lifeless, boiled down, mechanical" cur-riculum of studies, which tend to make men and women "smart" enough to cir-cumvent their neighbors in trade, and cunvent their neighbors in trade, and to turn all worldly affairs to personal advantage. It will produce a selfish, sordid, sinful race in the future history of this country, and—unless public school education is purified by Christian teaching—the day will come when the old pagan *regime* will supplant Protestan-tism in the land of the stars and stripes.

#### SCANDALOUS MISREPRESENTATION CORRECTED.

The following letter has been forwarded for publication by the editor of this jour nal to the Canadian Freeman, Kingston : To the Editor of the Canadian Freeman, Kingston: -Sir, -- I beg to ask you the favor of publishing the following letter, by me ad-dressed on the 4th inst. to the Irish Can-

Sig.—In your issue of the 3rd inst. there appears a letter dated from King-ston and signed "A True Irish Catholic." From this communication I take the following : "The Post is following Riel's example,

to carry out their instructions with mute fidelity. In thus making himself their tools, he has abdicated his reason, his liberty, the dignity of his manhood. Now he finds it no easy matter to break loose from the sect, and he must obey the fatal orders driving him into the by-ways of perdition. Courage and will-power are both wanting that he may escape the bonds it were so desirable to be freed from. "The Post is following Riel's example, being rebellious to priestly authority, when that authority proves an obstacle to its political chicanery. Therefore the Post is ignoring Father Dowd's counsels, and has published a letter purporting to be from a distinguished ecclesiastical dig-nitary, stating that 'he was opposed to the hanging of Riel because called for by the Orauge demon.' The letter is wrongly attributed to Archbishop Lynch. If any ceclesiastic of Ontario penned that letter it must be Rev. Father Coffey, the Ialen-Let such a one then beg of God the assistance of His all-powerful grace, which he can of a certainty obtain by the intercession of our Lady of the Rosary. As to ourselvee, dearly beloved Breth-ren, let us continue to implore His divine help for those who need it, while it must be Rev. Father Coffey, the talen-ted editor of the CATHOLIC RECORD, whose paper has been trying to fix the onus of the execution of Riel on the Orange in-fluence in the Legislature. Since the anubling administered by Father Dowd and Mgr. Grandin the CATHOLIC RECORD has 'backed down' and taken a good fling at the Orange Association." divine help for those who need it, while we also lift up our suppliant hearts to Jesus Christ, Saviour of men, that He may once more manifest unto the world the triumph of His Church and of His Vicar in full possession of temporal power for the spiritual welfare of nations

consists in holding all religious solicitude as a matter of no import, and in placing upon a footing of equality every form of religious belief. "Such a principle carries with it the destruction of every religion and especi-ally of the Catholic one. In fact, the ssion, 1 may state:

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pressed I most heartily concur and believe them to be the honest opinions of ninety-nine out of every hundred Irish Catholics in the Dominion. Faithfully yours, JOHN F. COVERT,

I may add that I do not believe that the correspondent of the Irish Canadian is really a resident of your city, as the letter signed "A True Irish Catholic" bears a most remarkable resemblance to one received at the RECORD office from Toronto. So close is the resemblance that there is, in my estimation, no mistak-ing the authorship, which, like that of the letter addressed to the CATHOLIC RECORD, must in charity be ascribed to a temper not even, and to a mind not well bal-anced. I am. sir. London, Dec. 5, 1885.

#### CATHOLIC FRESS. Catholie Columbian.

Ninety-nine out of every hundred persons who put a cent in the collection basket on Sunday, do not fulfill the obli gation of supporting their pastors. And their failure to contribute according to their means is sinful, for it is a viola tion of the Fifth Commandment of the Church. One cent a week to support the pricet, one cent to keep the church

in repair, and pay its running expenses for light, and fuel, and insurance, one cent to meet the needs of the altar for candles, and wine and bread, one cent to keep up the parish schools, to relieve the wants of the por-one cent a week ! Surely that is too much for one cent to accomplish! And those who put this miserly contribution into the basket, are

miserly contribution into the basket, are the very ones who criticise the living of the priest and the management of the Church's finances. They are also the same persons who, when there is any one ill among them, expect the priest, at noon or midnight, in rain or snow storm, sick or well, to rush to the bedside of the inrel, to rush to the bedside of sick or well, to rush to the bedside of the invalid, and to neglect every one else for them. But worse than they are the mean creatures who give nothing. They let the basket go by them, and at that moment they are absorbed in prayer. They accept all that the Church has to bestow—assist at Mass, hear instructions, receive the sacraments, and yet they give nothing in return. The men among them can always find money for tobacco and liquor, and the women among them always have means to purchase a ribbon or a gew.gaw that to purchase a ribbon or a gew-gaw that strikes their fancy. But they have nothing for God They are niggardly wretches, who have no sense of honor or honesty, and have none of the Christian

spirit. The cable announces that the Pope has The cable announces that the rope has written an encyclical letter in which he "condemns the liberty of the press and universal suffrage." The cable lies, as usual. The Pope denounces the license of the press whereby the details of filthy crimes are printed and malicious attacks are made on the character of public men. are made on the character of public men. And who would not join him in denounce ing villainous journalism? To say that he condemns universal suffrage is silly.

Philadelphia Standard. If a special telegram to the New York Herald can be relied upon as true, His Holiness, Leo XIII., has drawn up and signed a new Encyclical Letter, of which authorized translations are now being made into English, French, German and **Tradiant** The document, according to the *Herald's* correspondent, is in two parts. The first part defines the rights of the Church in all existing governments. The second part describes the deplorable condition of modern society, and traces its miseries and moral delinquencies to their real fundamental cause\_the aban. donment by modern society of the prin-ciples of the Catholic religion, and its severance from the Church. According to the *Herald* the Encyclical points out the miseries and oppression under which the poor and working classes are groan-ing, the indifference of modern society to their complaints, and its failure to re to their companies, and its hattire to re-move their grievances and to provide for their relief. Hungry, miserable and deceived, the poor and the working. classes have generally lost all respect for civil and religious authority in Europe, and seem to be on the verge of overturning the social fabric, and introducing revolution and anarchy. If these statements of the Herald are true, the alleged Encyclical will be one of the most important of the many weighty and important documents sent forth by His Holiness, Leo XIII. North-Western Chronicle It is in youth as in atter life that vicious propensities are best coun-teracted, not by stern precept and rigid laws, but by turning the feelings and passions into a purer channel, by giving a higher object to generous ambition, by concentrating the active energies on more worthy pursuits; by teaching them in short, to find their highest gratification in mental and moral culture. Let a man's pride be to be a gentleman nish him with elegant and refined pleasures—imbue him with the love of intellectual pursuits—and you have a better security for him turning out a good citizen, and a good Christian, than if you had confined him by the strictest moral and religious discipline, kept him is increased and resummer in increased in innocent and unsuspecting ignorance of all the vices of youth, and in the mechanical and orderly routine of the severest system of education.

has succeeded in purifying Catholicity, in tearing out the weeds, and leaving her more vigorous than before. Only four-teen thousand are recorded, according to their own official count. This is an insignificant number out of fitteen million Catholics in Germany, so far as Germany is concerned.

London Universe. For powers of invention, commend us to Lord Plunket, titular Archbishop of Dublin. At a so-called synod of his sect on Monday, he said they had borne the title of Church of Ireland by prescrip-tive right for fourteen hundred years. In Anno Domini, 485, the Church of Ire-land was Catholic—as planted there by St. Patrick. Not till the middle of the sixteenth contury did Martin Luther sixteenth century did Martin Luther arise to found that rebellious communion arise to found that rebellious communion to which Lord Plunket belongs. Per-haps, like the late Mr. Whiteside, he holds that the apostle of Ireland was a member of the Church by law recently disestablished. We shall believe that as readily as the thesis of his lordship's predecessor, the logic-chopping Dr. Whately, that there never was no such a person as Naroleon Bonarate. St A person as Napoleon Bonaparte. St. Patrick a Protestant! By the piper of Blessington, if that were so St. Malachy must have signed the Thirty-nine Arti-cles, the blessed Columbkille had a copper-nose, and sweet St. Bridget her-selt was a deaconess and presided over a tea.drinking, scandal mongering Dorcas society.

#### FATHER CAMPBELL AND MR. A. D. KEAN ON HOME RULE.

At the Orillia Home Rule meeting the Rev. Father Campbell delivered a very able and conclusive address. The following resolution was moved by the Rev. K. A. Campbell, seconded

would make it prosperous, happy contented, and that it would make people second to none in loyalty to the crown of England, for which she has been pre-eminent when occasion called for it,

pre-eminent when occasion called for it, even in her sufferings. In speaking to the resolution the Rev. Father said he felt honored that it was placed in his hands. He felt it a pride to take part in this movement as well as contribute by his means, though not an Irishman or the son of an Irish-man Everyone who read the literature man. Everyone who read the literature of the day must know full we'l, and we know it to our cost, that poverty exists know it to our cost, that poverty exists in Ireland, notwithstanding that Ireland is the most productive of the three countries—quoting statistics showing that while England and Scotland pro-duce respectively only 18 and 16 bushels to the acre, Ireland produces 20 bushels. Among the coarse grains England and Scotland produced 12 and 10 only, while Ireland pro-duced 32; therefore Ireland holds a lead-ing place in a productive point of view,

day she brilliantly flashes as the crown jewel colony of the British empire. Many other instances could be given but this suffices. To these views many objections are raised, the chiefest of which is that it would tend to split the Empire No. the desided testiment of

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which is that it would tend to split the Empire. No; the decided testimony of history again settles the verdict the other way. Note well a hundred years ago Home Rule was practically de-manded by the United States and refused by Britain with result of cracking the national structure from keystone to corner.stone. Had it been granted then, to day the work North American conto day the whole North American con tinent would have been a vast a dony of tinent would have been a vast c dony of Britain! Home rule was gradied to Canada with the result of such a bond between mother country and daughter colony as the destruction of the globe will alone rupture. These are plain facts, But it is urged that in these cases there was a great distance between the two countries and the analogy will not anoly to Ireland, so near at hand : not apply to Ireland, so near at hand; and if parliaments were to sit at London and Dublin there would certainly be disand Dublin there would certainly be dis-union quickly. History again shows the falsity of this argument and justifies Ire-land's plea. Take the case of Austria and her provincial daughter Hungary. It is well known that Hungary has had a Home Rule parliament since 1865. In this case the analogy is far beyond the Irish question, for Hungary comprises a large portion of the very heart of the Austrian empire. It is as if Bristol, Cambridge, York and Liverpool and all the intervening country were to unite and demand an independent parlia-ment to meet yearly at Manchester in England. Just imagine that ! Why, of course, Austria refused it as fatal to the empire. Yet, after a long and bloody course, Austria refused it as fatal to the empire. Yet, after a long and bloody struggle and all the horrors of a civil war, it had to be granted; and now behold after twenty years of independent Parliament Hungary to-day stands as the very back-bone of the Austrian empire, and Austria in continued peace and prosperity and union holds her place in the front rank of the world. Every year the parliament of the empire meets at the front rank of the world. Every year the parliament of the empire meets at Vienna and the parliament of Hungary meets at Pesth, 110 miles distant on the same river, the Danube. Viewed in the objections to Irish Home Rule are seen to be only the shadows of blgoted prejudices. In conclusion, the consummation of this glorious hope was at hand. Ireland no longer torn by the treachery of inward foes now presented a solid front of at least 85 out of her 103 members, standing heart and hand together with their noble leader Now now presented a solar how to be the s5 out of her 103 members, standing heart and hand together with their noble leader Parnell for Home Rule. Yet, further, Gladstone, in his last speech at Edinburgh about two weeks ago, gave two clear utterances which show the victory is nigh if only Irishmen are firm. He said : (1) "The Irish electors are as well qual-fied to judge of what is for their own interests as those of Scotland or England;" and again, (2) "E-rg-land will never repent of placing Ireland on a perfect equality with herself." Now was the grand chance, at the coming Par-liament one solid front and all pull to-gether and victory was guaranteed. And once again would be heard the builhant eloquence of an O'Connell, the clear-cut arguments of a Carran and the fiery

and 10 only, while ireland holds a lead-ing place in a productive point of view, but the country is sadly neglected. Out of 40,000,000 acres there are only 21,000, 000 cultivated, but such was not the case formerly—Ireland was well able to sup-port in comfort 9,000,000. The reverend gentleman quoted Redpath in contrasting the Irish peasant with the American slave, showing the lack of philanthropy of the Irish landlord. He deeply sympathized with the Irish movement. They had a parliament of their own for eighteen years called the Grattan Parliament, and the firish pase made more progress during that time than did the Irish people. They have been the most docile people, in the world under the most she is and ever will be the foundation corner stone of the grandest empire of the globe. Finally, it is the highest privilege of Irish manhood to assist practi-cally in so righteous a cause. Disgract ful indeed the conduct of him who at the present crisis closed his heart or purse to his motherland, (Great cheering) to his motherland. (Great cheering) Dr. Slaven, in moving the second resolution, said he did not think is necessary to say much after what had been said by the abis speak-ers who preceded him, but with regard to the Parliamentary fund, w came here not only to sympathize bit pecuniarly assist the great Home Ra leader, who by legal and constitution agitation is steadily gaining every gris-ance complained of. He was glad to se such a mixed and representative and such a mixed and representative and ence. The noble chairman, Mr. Bolste he likened to a second Parnell, wh though a loyalist was a staunch Hom Ruler. The Doctor complimented th meeting on their patriotism some in coming 18 miles to assist this movement, and closed his remarks by urging all to contribute liberally to the Parliam u. tary fund. [Applause.]

# Germany is concerned. London Universe.

ally of the Catholic one. In fact, the sect gives those who become aggregated to it full liberty of opinion one way or another, either in affirmation or negation of the existence of God," (Encyc.)

Not only then is there no question of revealed religion, but the very basis of natural order is shaken or shattered, "and human reason no longer knows what to believe, either in regard to universal creation emanating from a divine act free and supreme, or in reference to the after existence of the soul and the h of a future life, everlasting and equent on the present one." truth of a future

(Encyc.) Now, all this means the absolute Now, all this means the absolute denial of the main dogmas of our Creed and of our very faith itself: the total subversion of religion.

A dogma is a truth revealed by God and proposed by the Church to the belief of the faithful. Any one of these truths taken separately constitutes a dogma, and the aggregate of all these truths makes up the substance of Catho-lia dogmetic truths makes up the substance of Cathotruths makes up the substance of Catho-lic dogmatic teaching. These truths rest on one general basis: they derive in principle from God, considered in His Persons, His attributes and His works; from the mysteries of Jesus Christ, and from the origin and ultimate destiny of manking. They are decay and intim mankind. They are deeply and intim-ately co-relative: they are linked with and proceed one from another, and form a compact and indivisible whole, spring-ing from God, towards whom, as Fountain Head of all being, they make everything converge. en any man is so bold as to deny a

single one of these dogmas, that man is shipwrecked as to faith; having set aside shipwrecked as to faith, having set aside the authority of the Church, that of God himself. By the rejection of this double authority, Catholic dogma, which is the word of God manifested by the teaching Church, is swept away. Now the destruc-tion of dogma is the destruction of religion, since dogma is the ground work of the whole fabric of faith. To deny a single dogma implies the denial of them all; and to question a single one leads to the same disastrous result. Whoever persists in doubting when God has spoken and the Church is teaching, does, by that very doubt, set at nought the authority of God and of the Church, thus authority of God and or and religion. destroying both faith and religion. Freemasonry induces its Catholic adherents firstly to doubt, then to deny and lastly to spostatize from their faith.

ing upon the reception thereof. Given at Ottawa under Our signature and the seal of the diocese, and countersigned by Oar Secretary, on the six-teenth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eightyfive. + J. THOMAS, Bishop of Ottawa. By Command.

J. A. SLOAN, Priest. Secretary.

#### THE BRITISH PREMIER ON RELIG. IOUS EDUCATION.

(From the San Francisco Monitor)

The words uttered on a recent occasion by Lord Salisbury concerning the im-portance of religious education for the rising generation are of priceless value, because they come from an exalted Eng-lish official whose sentiments are not in any way swayed by even a grain of love for the Catholic Church, or by even a scintilla of sympathetic sentiment for the manner in which the Church insists upon blending the religious with the secular instruction imparted in her

chools. "It is," said Lord Salisbury on a recent "If is," said Lord Salabury on a recent occasion when addressing a large meet-ing on the political questions of the day in England, and alluding to religious education, "one of our most cherished privileges. I am not speaking for my own denomination alone. What I claim I would extend equally to the Noncon-formist of Wales or the Remen Catholics of Ireland. But I do claim that what-ever Church or form of Christianity they belong to, they should be given the opportunity to educate the peo-ple in the belief of the Christianple in the belief of the Christian-ity which they profess, instead of giving them a liteless, boiled-down, mechanical, unreal religious teaching which is prevalent in the board schools. which is prevalent in the board schools. Believe me, the essence of true religious teaching is that the teacher should believe that which he teacher should believe that which he teacher, and should be delivering, as he believes it, the whole message of truth. Unless there is that sympathetic, that magnetic feeling established between children and teachers that the teacher is dealing hon. teachers that the teacher is dealing honestly with them, the public will believe

or indirect, with the Post on the subject of Riel's death; (2) that the RECORD has never been snubbed by either Father Dowd or Mgr. Grandin; (3) that my views on the subject of Riel's execution are in thorough accord with those of that vener-ated prelate; and (4) that the RECORD has not backed down and never will back down from its attitude on the Riel question. Your correspondent states that I have been trying to fix the onus of the execution of Riel on the Orange influence execution of Riel on the Orange influence in the Legislature. I regret, sir, that your "true 1 rish Catholic" did not amplify his or her charge by stating that I have been seeking to fix that onus on Orange influ-ence both within and without the Legis-lature, that I might plead guilty thereto. To the limited charge I do most willingly enter that plea, and am consoled to have as companions in misfortune every Irish Catholic journsl in the country. Why, sir, did you not yourself, just after the execution, write in these terms: "Had the law in the case been allowed to take its course, as in the case of ordinary

to take its course, as in the case of ordinary criminals, Riel might have passed away unnoticed, and naught would have remained to rankle and fester long after the malefactor had crumbled into clay. But the law was not enough to ensure the doom of Riel-at least the Orangemen though so-for no sooner was Riel sentence than the brethren began to fume and fret; and they threatened destruction to the ormists of Wales or the Roman Catholics Government of Sir John Macdonald if he did not carry out the sentence of the to avenge the death of those who had fallen in the late rebellion, as they were to avenge the death of those who had fallen in the late rebellion, as they were to avenge the death of their brother, Thomas Scott, who had fallen during the troubles of '69; and Riel having escaped orea they were reached that he should once, they were resolved that he should not escape this time. Hence they kept badgering and browbeating the Premier incessantly; although there was nothing to show that the Premier ever had any other intention than to hang their victin The implacable hate of the Orangemen it was that conjured up the victim's possible escape, and no act or word on the part of Sir John that would justify the suspicion of undue leniency on Riel's behalf. \* \* \* The truth is, the fate of Riel turned on a

Church Progress.

Bismark is not a success as a religion maker. Luther was greater under similar circumstances. For fifteen years his incessant labors and influential position as Chancellor, have been employed in tearing down the Catholic Church by persecution and exile of her

people in the world under the mos aggravating circumstances. He briefly referred to the Canadian rebellion in '37, ably showing the grievances and the man-ner in which they were redressed. It should therefore be no crime for the Irish to agitate for a similar state of things. We are here to day to help and endorse Mr. Parnell and his party, not merely by saying we are in sympathy with him—by putting our hands into our pockets and giving generously according to our means. It is nonsense to say that home rule would dismember the British Empire ; on the contrary, it would cement it more firmly. He was thankful for being allowed to express his ideas on the Irish question, and ed his remarks eloquently amidst great

applause. Mr. A. D. Kean, on coming forward to second the resolution, said he considered second the resolution, said he considered his privilege a happy and honorable one. The truth of the resolution was beyond question. The problem before the meeting was not a question of religion or politics, but of manhood and justice, as could be seen by noting those on the platform. Side by ride were the most prominent Tories and Grits in town. For example, Dr. Slaven and S. S. Robinson, and here was himself, a hardshell Baptist, support-ing a motion moved by our Catholic priest, ing a motion moved by our Catholic priest, Father Campbell. In the first place, was the present deplorable condition of Ireand caused by the present system of gov-ernment? Yes. Let us apply the ordinary every day judgment passed on our own Government. If a certain form of gov-ernment prevails for even 10 or 15 years and is unfortunate enough to have run ning parallel with it a depressed condition of affairs, we might charge such ruin or the government, and here much more so when we find that through ninety long long

when we have brack system of governing Ireland has been followed by a condition of ruin, poverty and death, going from bad to worse and from worse to worst, it is fair and reasonable to charge that desolation and misery and the life-blood of those hundreds of thousands of faithful Isish upon the head of that hundreds 

#### BOOK REVIEWS.

The Nativity Play or Christmas Cantala, by Rev. Gabriel A. Healy, Rector of St. Eer-nard's Church, New York: D. & J. Sadlier & Co., 31 & 32 Barchay St. 1885.

This most pleasing of Christmas productions is a Christmas Cantata for several years most favorably received by large audiences in the hall of St. Bernard's Church, New York City. It is truly a Christmas play and most suitable for Christmas holidays. We bespeak for it a very hearty reception.

The Angel Guide, or Year of the First Com-munion. Translated from the French, by a Child of Mary. Montreal : John Lovell Son

This little work, approved by His Grace of Toronto, and dedicated to the memory ofithe late Bishop O'Brien of King-ton, is