



IT IS EASY TO DIE!

It is easy to die when one's work is done! To sink to the grave, as a summer sun...

CATHOLIC NEWS.

THE MONTH OF MARY AT THE MISSION OF THE IMMACULATE VIRGIN, NEW YORK.

The poet-priest, Father Faber, asks: "Can we help a certain jubilee of heart in thinking that the month of God's Mother has now begun?"

Mary's shrines were deck'd with roses, Bright and beautiful, sweet and gay!

The Holy Sacrifice was begun at 6:45 a.m. The singing was first-class; an original poem on the "Month of Mary," set to stirring music by the organist, was exquisitely rendered.

The Pope has issued an order decreeing the formation of an ecclesiastical commission to investigate the apparitions at the Church of Knock and report upon the same.

It is rumored that the Pope is about to issue, or has issued, a Papal manifesto based on the political struggle in Ireland.

Large prints of the new Roman Catholic Cathedral at South Kensington, which is to be raised on the site of the Brompton Oratory, are exhibited in all the print shop windows in London.

most Edward, but most effective; and as the structure will be very large in size and detail, the character of its architecture will give it all the nobler aspect.

On the 19th of April the Queen signed the charter of the new Royal Irish University and named its Chancellor and Senate. The Chancellor is the Duke of Abercorn, K. P., and the Senate is composed of the following prelates, noblemen, and gentlemen:

Among the distinguished Jews who have within the past number of years embraced the Catholic faith are included names renowned for ability and learning, and of all grades and professions, such as physicians, lawyers, and even rabbis, which may easily be concluded from the names Cohen, Levy, Lefmann, Lehmann, etc.

IMPOSING CEREMONY AT THE VATICAN.—Yesterday, 18th April, at the Vatican a grand philological rite, or, as it was called by the originators, a polyglot academy, was given in honour of the exaltation to the Pontifical Throne of his Holiness Leo XIII.

SIR CHARLES GAVAN DUFFY—A HISTORY OF '48.

By the late Assam, which sailed for Europe on Wednesday, Sir Charles Gavan Duffy took his departure. He visits the old country for the purpose of superintending the publication of a work which he has written on the '48 movement.

LETTER FROM LACHINE.

THE OPINIONS OF MR. MYLES OREGAN.

Mr. Editor, I don't know how you and the generality of the public feel about it, but the broken heart of the future editor of the "Scourge" is rejoiced that summer has come with the grass growing greener, and the trees budding, and the streams running and singing as they run, while the frogs and the darling little pollywogs join in the chorus, and even with the dust rising, and the miserable flies buzzing round your ears and lighting on your nose.

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On Tuesday I took a trip to Montreal to see the sights generally, but principally to see a fellow-lion in the person of the Rev. Mr. Hammond. He preaches in the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, but after the singing he holds a levee. I found it was not easy to gain access to the world-renowned pulpit orator, but I sent up my card and waited patiently.

"Well, I really don't know what difference a tie or a hirsute appendage can make in a man's calling. Not only am I reverend, my dear sir, but I was very near establishing a new religion in my time; and were it not for a hat that had too many holes in it—"

"Here," said the great evangelist, calling for the pious youth, "bring a policeman; this man is mad."

And so I was, but it was because of his stupidity. "Oh fortune, reckless goddess! I exclaimed in my agony, "When will thou cease persecuting a simple child of genius whose only object in life is to run a newspaper, become a bank director, own a stone house on Sherbrooke street, obtain Government patronage and stand for Parliament on strictly independent principles."

It was the Yankee who so strongly advised me not to despair of my religious movement at Lachine, against whom I struck, and I was glad to see him for I felt lonesome. We adjourned to one of the twenty-seven thousand saloons that grace Craig street, and I told him my troubles and how Blatherskite and the evangelist refused to have anything to do with my journalistic enterprise.

Nevertheless, Mr. Editor, when May morning dawned I resolved to have one week's holidays at least, and so I hid away my pick and shovel and strolled down town to purchase a few personal adornments for I am yet a young man and a bachelor.

But what old woman shall I operate upon? There is the difficulty. Mayor Rivard is surrounded by an army of detectives, who, though unable to obtain Mr. McNamee's money, would very soon dispose of me if I came along with a mountain howitzer, or a mitrailleuse or catapult, or other engine of war, which cannot be easily concealed.

Dear Mr. Editor, I am in a fix, I am on the horns of a dilemma, and there I shall remain until next week.

Your cheerful friend, MYLES OREGAN.

THE FAMINE UNMITIGATED.

DUBLIN, May 9.—A deputation of the Mansion House Relief Committee waited on the Hon. Mr. Forster, Chief Secretary for Ireland, on Saturday, to call attention to the continued distress in Ireland.

To WHOM IT APPLIES.—The Catholic Columbian, which among its other good features has that of speaking right to the point, says: "Even when people are dying of starvation individuals seeking notoriety are very plentiful. The citizen, soldier, monk or nun, before the world becomes disgusting, to say the least."

The Duke and Duchess of Leinster were not present at the marriage of their son, Lord Maurice Fitzgerald, with Lady Adelaide Forbes, the Earl of Granard's daughter, in the Catholic church at Newtown Forbes, notwithstanding several newspaper reports to the contrary.

THE IRISH ELECTIONS.

EXTRAORDINARY ADVANCE OF NATIONAL SENTIMENT.

DUBLIN, April 18, 1880.—Notwithstanding the want of a thorough system of organization, the popular party in Ireland have secured a complete and crushing victory all along the line. Even the apparent failure to carry Cork and Leitrim does not take from the correctness of this statement, for the former county was lost to the active section only by the over-confidence of the electors, and the want of sufficient time to place the real issues before that huge constituency, while Leitrim was lost by the bitter divisions which for the moment transformed the National party into two hostile factions.

MR. PARNELL'S VISIT TO AMERICA, while pregnant with ultimate good to the national cause, was a source of weakness in the contest which has just closed, because it was to him that the constituencies looked for the selection of men to fight the battle of Ireland in the British House of Commons.

A COMPLETE VINDICATION OF THE NATIONAL PARTY.

by the electors. This spirit of independence was especially manifested in Roscommon, Sligo, Wexford, and Mayo, where the candidates of the advanced party defeated their opponents by immense majorities.

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Irish cause by the American people would have been of the greatest use could it have been utilized, but the Land League, with the very best intentions, had announced that none of the money collected for the purpose of the land agitation should be used to send members into Parliament.

THE EXPENSES OF THE ELECTIONS.

This has in many cases been a great hardship, and many of the men who may be depended on to do the very best work in Parliament will find themselves financially crippled for a long time unless the Irish in America come to their aid, and for a distinct fund to help the more impecunious members.

A WIDE DISTINCTION.

between going to Parliament to fight for Ireland and going to Parliament in order to sell out the interest of the Irish people for personal gain, but no doubt they will understand it better by the time they will be called upon to elect a new Parliament.

PLEDGED TO FOLLOW MR. PARNELL.

the Government of the day will have a pleasant time of it trying to get through the public business, especially as nearly eighty (80) of the Irish members are pledged to very radical measures of land reform.

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