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"Truth is Catholic; proclaim it ever, and God will effect the rest."—BALZ.

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## FIXITY AND FLUX.

The words begin with the same letter but have not much affinity in meaning. Ever moving, ever still, excitement and repose, storm and calm, the morn sleeping upon the midnight lake and the heaving ocean snapping like pipe shanks the stoutest ship which man can build; the contrast of all these and a thousand similar things, how violently unlike! It reminds one of the old notion about a double principle in creation, and makes one feel as if born to be merely a helpless onlooker at the mighty strife which shakes the earth, and seems to threaten heaven itself.

What is the purpose of it all, what is to be the issue? Which of the contestants shall fall upwards? Shall peace be eternal, or war?

These are questions that have been asked from the beginning, every one who has ever dipped into the records of paganism is familiar with the queer notions about night and day, sunshine and darkness alternately slaying each other yet strangely enduring through the process. The seasons, too, grow each out of the other's destruction, light and life are constantly attacked, and overthrown but as constantly re-appear in all their vigour.

The Phoenix is immortal, not because it does not die, but because in spite of death, or rather out of and through it, it is ever renewing its youth.

Where did those notions come from? What do they represent? Are not light and darkness, the storm and the calm, life and death, the very contradictions of each other? Where the one is there how can the other be?

This is the conclusion from a first and headless look at the world as it is, and where everything is in a state of chronic flux, passing, like shadows in the night, hurrying by an uncontrollable impulse away into we know not what. Where are the habits and manners, we were familiar with when young? Are more painful still, where are the companions and friends who made the sunshine of those sweet days? Alas, where? Yet the world is as full and apparently as busy as ever, the birds fly and the cattle play in the meadows, the bee still makes his comb, and the beaver builds his dam on the same lines as a thousand years ago. The mountains and hills, the courses of rivers, though we see the waters ever receding, are not the least bed are all what they always were, in spite of the wild elements that so frequently thunder, strike them, or of the sea-like scratches, strike them, or of the heave-like scratches, strike them, and when man attempts to quantify or analyze the world as it is, he is met by the fact that it is a fair face of nature. There is a mighty flux, then, to set off against the wide-spread ravages of flux, which, at worst, are only superficial, accidental, local. Out of this constant, of what does one complain, though we are passing we know not whether, so long as the great substance of nature is sure to remain behind, to minister to other generations the comforts and joys we have known from the one day to the next, indefensible self-interest, this wish to grasp both present and future; and the supreme necessity to think we can both advance and be at rest, at one and the same time? Any way, to be not moving, is not the only way to live, and to be always going without power to stop, is not this lion on his wheel, the old image of flux? Why then should we not be satisfied with the present state in which there is a blending of the opposites, Fixity and Flux, each yielding the repose we need, and the other furnishing a fitting outlet to the activity which is a part of nature?

So I suppose we should be if we were merely rational creatures, born to live in this lower world. The animals have no regrets about yesterday nor anticipations of to-morrow, because they don't think. And if our reflections convince us beyond a doubt that we have only to live for this time and then die, it is not reasonable to cease bothering about what we are powerless to change? Reasonable I really think it is. If we were rational, and no more, if we had no higher intelligence than springs from the source of life, it should be foolish indeed not to acquiesce in the all-too-common habit of looking neither back in penitence, nor forward in hope. The one were as useless as the other most prove disappointing.

There are two instincts in every breast which protest against this conclusion were constituted, as the Council of Trent infamously says, not merely in a rational, but in a supra-rational state. Grace, the principle of immortality, and the natural man above the region of which reason is the light, and gave a glimpse into eternity for which he is always longing and struggling. Disobedience, with the train of woe, both blocks the way, and wastes the power of the soul on the long journey from earth to heaven, yet still he sojourns, nor would care sought for the fatigue if only there was one on the right path, and had strength to reach the end, and gain the crown whose name is Peace. We are not aiming at anything theological but expressing a merely human feeling. Oh how tired we often are under the burden of life! How the limbs ache, and the head throbs, and the soul is plunged in fever, because

neither the rest nor the movement of life, the Fixity nor the Flux of things, brings comfort. And how thoroughly does this prove to ever natural rest that religion speaks true when she bids us bear and suffer now, in the strife of well doing, waiting for the moment when if I live I will find it all in me to hear the Saviour's favourite greeting, Peace, and enjoy in it the double or rather united blessings of supreme rest and highest utility for all eternity.

## HON. JOHN COSTIGAN HONOURED.

ST. JOHN, N.B., April 6.—The complimentary banquet at the Hotel Dufferin last night, tendered to Hon. John Costigan, by his St. John friends, was an unqualified success. The seating capacity of the dining hall was tested to the utmost. The only official guests, in addition to Mr. Costigan, were the United States Consul and the city news paper representatives, Count de Bury presided, with Mr. George Robertson, M.L.A., in the vice chair. The tables were beautifully decorated, the dinner excellent and well served.

Those present were Hon. John Costigan, Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways; Hon. Chas. Fitzpatrick, Solicitor General; Senators Wood and Baird, Premier Emmons, Hon. Messrs. Tweedie, Dunn, Farris, Labliss and White of the Provincial Cabinet; United States Consul Myers; ex-Judge Palmer, Hon. Mr. Richard, G. N. Skinner, ex M.P.; Count de Bury, Mayor Sears; the following members of the Provincial Assembly, Messrs. Whitehead, Dr. Pugsley, Vercott, Humphrey, Lawson, Barnes, Moit, O'Brien, Purdy, Carvell, Burns, Wells, McKelown, Robinson, Orman; Police Magistrate Ritchie, Rev. Father Dollard, James Sherry, of McGranra, Cook, J. J. McCalligan, J. L. Payne, secretary to the Minister of Railways; Mr. Farrell, H. Maher, G. R. Guel, Joshua Corkey, John Connor, L. A. Carey, Q.C., D. Mullin, E. Laustaur, R. W. Connor, T. Kiebbam, Dr. Quigley, W. K. Reynolds, John A. Boves, James Hanny, Thomas L. Bourke, Frank McCafferty, T. T. Laustaur, John Walsh, Hon. Robt. Marshall, John F. Watson, Frank H. Foster, James Kelly, Ald. McDougall, John K. Storey, Michael Connolly, G. Y. Dibble, of Fredericton; Dr. J. Boyle Travers, J. Keefe, Alex. Wilson, W. E. Sully, Timothy D. Novan, C. J. Kane, F. Curran, John McDougall, Joshua R. P. McHenry, P. J. MacNeil, James Berry, Alex. Lindsay, J. A. Kelley, Miss E. Ayar, B. Rogers, Dr. J. H. Murrill, James Morgan, P. Grannan, E. S. Carter.

THE DINNER AND THE EVENING.  
The Government of New Brunswick was given by the vice chair and Count de Bury, in proposing the health of the guest of the evening, expressed the belief that Mr. Costigan could not look upon this gathering of his friends without feelings of gratification. All classes and creeds were present to do honour to him, and to express their long political life had secured the reputation of being an honest man. (Cheers.)  
The toast was received with musical honours, followed by the singing of "He's a Jolly Good fellow," three cheers and a hurrah.

As Hon. Mr. Costigan rose to reply, the cheering was renewed with increased volume. He said that all the eloquence he could command was far from sufficient to express the gratitude he felt at this grand demonstration in his honor. He looked around the hall and he saw before him as representative a lot of men as could be found in all Canada. He felt that, indeed, he was greatly honoured. He was glad that the gathering was so non-political and specially pleased that there were many from Canada who could meet socially, out politics to the winds and spend a few pleasant hours together. He had spent thirty-eight years in political life, and in this connection he desired now to say that the little province by the sea had sent to the Canadian Parliament some of the brightest men in the whole Dominion, no matter what was their class or their creed. All must specially rejoice in the fact that Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, Hon. Mr. Emmons, and the Cabinet members of the Legislature of New Brunswick. He had attended the banquet tendered Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick because he (Mr. Costigan) was the representative of a section of the people which Mr. Fitzpatrick represented. He, therefore, thought it was only fair that Mr. Fitzpatrick should be present that evening (laughter and applause). Some of the newspapers had announced that Mr. Costigan had not been invited, but that was a mistake. That night, but they were very much mistaken. The banquet was non-political, and apart from that, if he had any announcement to make he would make it from his place on the floor of the House of Commons.

After a reference in feeling terms to his content in Victoria and Madawaska and to the work performed in his behalf by the late Mr. Baird, and more recently by his son, the present Senator Blair, Mr. Costigan concluded by again thanking his friends for the honour they had

that night paid him. The speaker sat down amid a storm of applause.

## MR. LAUSTAUER HONOURED.

After John Costigan had sung the "Dear Little Shamrock," Daniel Mullin proposed the Dominion Parliament and paid a glowing tribute to Mr. Costigan. With the toast he coupled the names of Mr. Blair and Mr. Fitzpatrick, Senator Blair and Mr. G. W. McLaughlin, M.P. Hon. Mr. Blair made an eloquent response. He claimed that the Canadian Parliament was a credit to the British Empire, pronounced the banquet one of the most pleasant he had ever attended, and endorsed Mr. Costigan as a broad minded public man. In local politics Mr. Costigan had been his friend and, while in Dominion affairs they might not see eye to eye, yet the strong friendship which had existed between them for years had not been in the least weakened by progress of events. He hoped that his friend, John Costigan, might long live to be a representative in the Parliament of Canada. Go to Quebec and Ontario, and you will find that Irish Catholics there whom they look upon as their representative, and they will say "John Costigan." (Prolonged applause.)

## THE OTHER SPEECHES.

Solicitor General Fitzpatrick paid a warm tribute to Mr. Costigan's private and public worth. Senator Baird said that Mr. Costigan was a man who always kept truth on his side, was broadminded and tolerant. Mr. Geo. Y. McLaughlin, M.P., was received with three cheers and a hurrah. He said that the only man now in Parliament who had occupied a seat continuously since Confederation. Mr. McLaughlin's speech was well conceived and his tribute to the guest of the evening was couched in eloquent terms.

T. T. Laustaur sang "My Own Canadian Home" and W. K. Reynolds, in a witty speech proposed the Legislature of New Brunswick. Premier Emmons said that while all present knew he had done little towards the political advancement of Mr. Costigan, they would, he felt, credit his statement that he was present to do honour to their guest, whom he recognized as one of New Brunswick's most distinguished public men. Provincial Secretary Tweedie said that, as a member of a Cabinet which had for years endeavoured to manage the affairs of the province, irrespective of party, he had been particularly particularly at home at a non-political banquet, and more especially so on this occasion, when he recognized that Liberal and Tory clasped hands with honest John Costigan.

Attorney General White, Surveyor-General Dunn, Commissioner of Agriculture Labliss, Honourables A. D. Richard, L. P. Farris, Dr. Pugsley, Lawson, Vercott, Carvell, O'Brien, Orman and H. Robinson, all M.L.A.s, also responded. Mayor Sears, Ald. McGullich and Recorder Skinner replied to the Mayor and Corporation, Hon. N. J. Ritchie and Dr. Pugsley to the legal profession, and G. C. Ross and E. Laustaur to the ladies. It was quarter of eight in the morning when Aud Lang Syne was sung, and the gathering dispersed.

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## Holy Name Cadets.

The Holy Name Cadets of St. Paul's Church gave a grand concert in St. Paul's Hall last Monday evening. The proceeds being for a new gymnasium. The hall was packed full, standing room being at a premium. The cadets acquitted themselves very creditably, the whole of the programme being given by themselves with one or two exceptions, notably Dr. J. Gilroy who gave the solo, which was in excellent style. Those taking part in the musical programme were: Cadets, McDonough, Lyons, Reed, Sullivan and McNamee, Messrs. Reed gave a clog dance and the boys gave a very interesting and well acted comedy. "The Chimney Corner" the characters being well sustained by Cadets Simons, Duffy, Harris, Whelan, Boylan, Smith and Sylvias, the two latter making really excellent imitations of soldiers, under the direction of Mr. Harry Troman rendered good and inspiring music. The director, Rev. Father Finesse, was indefatigable in helping to make the affair a success. The concert was a grand success, and will soon have a good gymnasium wherein to exercise and amuse themselves, and wish them every success.

The Proprietors of Parmelee's Pills are constantly receiving letters similar to the following, which explains them: "Mr. John A. Bean, Waterloo, Ont., writes: 'I never used any medicine that can equal Parmelee's Pills for Dyspepsia or Liver and Kidney Complaints. The relief experienced after using them was wonderful.' As a safe family medicine Parmelee's Vegetable Pills can be given in all cases requiring a cathartic."

## THE NEW ARCHBISHOP.

In all the churches of the city on last Tuesday, according to the instructions of the Administrator, the "Te Deum" was solemnly intoned in thanksgiving for the accession of the new Archbishop. The Administrator himself, upon the announcement in St. Mary's Church and in the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, the rector, Rev. James Walsh, spoke at some length in the most felicitous terms of the experienced and accomplished churchman who the Holy See has appointed to preside over the Archdiocese.

## ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL.

On last Sunday the Rev. Father Richard officiated in the Cathedral. According to instructions the Rev. Father intoned the "Te Deum" after the usual manner. The prayer was then recited. This was done in solemn thanks to the Almighty for the election of the new Archbishop, the Most Rev. Denis O'Connor, D.D. In the morning the Rev. Father intoned the "Te Deum" in the Cathedral, and the choir sang the observations about the new Archbishop. He was, he said, a model churchman, a wise and careful administrator and would continue the happy and successful reign of the late prelate. The choir also spoke on the election of the new Archbishop. Rome had spoken, Rome had chosen a good, prudent and learned man and Rome never made a mistake. He was a child of the Archdiocese of Toronto, belonged to the order to which we all owe much of what is good in Toronto; and being such a prelate we bespeak for him that obedience, loyalty and love which were given so joyfully to his predecessor. The choir intoned the "Te Deum" and the organ rendered appropriate solos with good taste.

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## ST. JEROME'S.

The official announcement issued by the Administrator of the Archdiocese was read in St. Jerome's Church by the pastor Father Cruise. He congratulated the people upon the appointment and their prayers for the new Archbishop. He also commented upon the persistent report in the newspapers that had been appearing for a considerable time prior to the date of the appointment, that the clergy who were in Toronto were not in danger of being ousted by such reports as they knew what to expect from the newspapers and knew also that when there was ecclesiastical news it would appear first in their own papers. The appointment of the new Archbishop appeared at once and in official form in THE CATHOLIC REGISTER.

## THE INSTALLATION.

The installation of the new Archbishop takes place on Wednesday the 3rd of May. All the ecclesiastical dignitaries of the Archdiocese will be present, together with the priests of the diocese of London and Toronto. The various civil officials have also received invitation to be present. The ceremony of installation begins with a procession of the members of the clergy who occupy the new prelate to the door of the cathedral. There he is met by one of the older and more eminent priests of the diocese who gives him the holy water, a kiss on the cheek, and the "Te Deum" is chanted. Then the above-mentioned priest recites prayers for the welfare of the Bishop. Afterwards the Bishop receives the obedience of the diocesan priests who kneel before him. He again returns to the altar and recites the prayer of the Titular of the Cathedral. Mass is then celebrated as usual. When the Archbishop has been introduced to his throne the clergy of the Archdiocese will present their address of welcome to be read by one of the deacons. This will be followed by an address from the laity which will be drawn up

at a meeting to be held in St. Peter's Church on Thursday evening.

A brochure is prepared by Rev. Dr. Tracy which explains the various ceremonies. It may be had next week at St. Michael's Palace or at Sadler's Book store.

## New Windows in St. Mary's Church.

The Very Reverend Administrator of the Archdiocese, Father McCann, has long had in contemplation the matter of beautifying the fine parish church of St. Mary's with windows of stained glass. The first step in the undertaking has just been accomplished and the people having seen the result are warm in their expressions of admiration. The large and gracefully cut Gothic window in the south transept now presents a striking picture of the Crucifixion. The figure of the Saviour hanging on the cross would be attractive in a fine cathedral, and the effect is enhanced by the artistic truth and religious sympathy of the figures of the Three Marys beneath the tree. Angelic adorns are also in waiting in air, two or each side of the cross, and the background of the picture shows the Judean hills, the Jordan flowing beyond them and the mountains of Moab breaking the dim sky-line. The picture seems to be framed into the lacings of a living tree—in which there is a very real inspiration. The three sections of the window itself remain in distinct divisions although united by the general art scheme. The arch on the left hand bears the inscription: "Donat. a. by St. Mary's Altar Society 1899." The centre piece is inscribed: "In memory of Rev. John McCann; died 1897. Donated by his wife." The arch on the right bears the motto on the words which give a commemorative value to the entire window: "Donated by Vice-Chancellor General McCann, ordained St. Mary's Cathedral, Toronto, 1867." The large circular window above the triple arch is a rose worked out with beautiful effects of colour. We understand that the companion window on the north will be put in next week. This window will bear the inscription: "Donated by the late Archbishop, and the scene will be the Transfiguration. The work on both windows is by Lyon. The intention is to fill in also with stained glass the other large windows of the church."

## Insulted but not "Saved!"

LONDON, Oct. April 4.—Rev. Henry Ostrom, a United States evangelist, created a sensation at the First Methodist Church Sunday night. He conducted special services all day Sunday in the above named edifice from early morning, and at 8 p.m. began a special session to young people on "What do I live for?"

Many of the congregation attended church all day, and when Mr. Ostrom concluded his lengthy sermon were somewhat wearied. The preacher began to single out the saved from the unsaved and to divide the congregation into sections for the purpose. The sections were small and the work promised to be prolonged. The majority of the congregation rose to go, and they proceeded to disperse, when Mr. Ostrom called out: "Look at them, London towards." Cowardly they got up to see to their mothers, and were rocked in your cradles."

The preacher's indiscretion has left a very bad impression and the majority of the members of the big church are very much insulted. Mr. Ostrom lives near Belleville, and recently has been doing evangelical work in the eastern states, in connection with the Episcopal Methodist Church.

## Death of James Curran.

With deep regret we publish the death of James Curran of Montreal who died at his home in that city, Friday morning, March 21st at the early age of thirty-four. The deceased who had been ailing for some time was a son of John Curran and Catherine Fox, formerly of Osgoode, Ont., but now also residents of Montreal. He was employed for some time in the C.P.R. cars and was a very clever bicycle rider, doing every thing with the luckless wheel except ride on it in the usual fashion. The stage was hardly large enough to do the clever young rider credit. The profession was hunted to close with a well acted comedy. "The Chimney Corner" the characters being well sustained by Cadets Simons, Duffy, Harris, Whelan, Boylan, Smith and Sylvias, the two latter making really excellent imitations of soldiers, under the direction of Mr. Harry Troman rendered good and inspiring music. The director, Rev. Father Finesse, was indefatigable in helping to make the affair a success. The concert was a grand success, and will soon have a good gymnasium wherein to exercise and amuse themselves, and wish them every success.

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## Forty Hours at St. Peter's.

The devotion of Forty Hours opened in St. Peter's Church, Bathurst street on Low Sunday at the last Mass. The church was crowded to the doors, and was altogether inadequate to accommodate the numbers who flocked thither in the evening. A pleasing feature of the morning service was the perfect order which the school children took their part in the procession. The recently trained sanctuary boys' choir made their first attempt to sing verses in the evening and acquitted themselves

excellently. Father Ryan preached a characteristically eloquent sermon on the Blessed Eucharist, describing it as the culmination of God's goodness towards man and taking occasion therefrom to point out man's duties towards God, his duties towards his fellow men, his duties towards his neighbor, his duties towards his country, his duties towards his race, and his duties towards his God. He concluded with a stirring appeal to his listeners to take advantage of the special graces and opportunities of the Forty Hours. He also paid a graceful and well merited tribute to the staging of the choir and the excellent taste shown in the altar decorations. Rev. Father Dollard was the preacher on Tuesday evening.

## Splendid Victory in the Irish Elections.

LONDON, April 9.—The results of the first Irish County Council elections under the new local government act are arriving slowly. It is known that 800 Nationalists and 88 Unionists have been elected. The results in Dublin County are 13 Nationalists and 10 Unionists; Kilkenny 20 to 1; Wick 10 to 1; Mayo 6 to 0; Westmeath, 21 to 2; Derry, Carlow, 20 to 0. Miss Charlotte Barrington, the only woman candidate, was elected in Limerick. Lord Mayo resigned only 19 votes in Wick, and Lord Castletown only 12 votes in Cork. Labor candidates won 11 of the 10 seats in the Limerick districts.

## MIR NORMAN'S COMMENT.

NEW YORK, April 9.—The London correspondent of "The Times" says:—Results of the Irish County Council elections are not yet in, and, as they will not be completed for several days, but enough is known to justify the remark of "The London Times" correspondent that "Unionism has been annihilated in Munster and Connaught, almost totally exterminated in Leinster, and badly wounded in Ulster." The Unionists of position and property and with a lifetime of experience in public affairs have been defeated by the wholesale. Even many of the better class of Nationalists, who have been chosen by Labor candidates. The Council elections, in spite of everything foretold to the contrary, have been fought solely and wholly upon political lines, and the result is an overwhelming victory for Nationalism. The Nationalist, Lord Frederick Fitzgerald, a landlord and Tory, secured an election as the only Unionist among seven Nationalists, by reason of his rank appeal to the rebels and the fact that he issued a placard calling upon the voters to remember the traditions of Lord Edward Fitzgerald.

## THE LANDLORD'S FAZE.

Even their enemies could not fail to sympathize with the Irish landlords in their position to-day. By-the-by, they are not yet voters in Wick, and Lord Castletown only 12 votes in Cork. Labor candidates won 11 of the 10 seats in the Limerick districts. The Nationalist, Lord Frederick Fitzgerald, a landlord and Tory, secured an election as the only Unionist among seven Nationalists, by reason of his rank appeal to the rebels and the fact that he issued a placard calling upon the voters to remember the traditions of Lord Edward Fitzgerald.

It is needless to dwell upon the fact that Thursday's startling elections will give an enormous impulse to some home in the not distant future, on two conditions: First, that the new Nationalist Councils do not plunge Ireland into an uproar, but show some capacity for the management of public affairs, and, secondly, that the Nationalists fully manage to subordinate personal jealousies to patriotism.

## A POSSIBLE RESULT.

The Tribune's London correspondent says:—Politics have been at a low ebb, except in Ireland, where some progress is making in the direction of the restoration of a unity of the Nationalist party, and where a first election under the local government act has placed the tenant farmers on top and the landlords at the bottom. Mr. Dillon's overtures for a coalition have not yet been accepted by Messrs. Redmond and Healy, but his attitude is so patriotic and disinterested that they will be placed in a false position unless they meet him part way. Already there are signs that the Nationalists will make use of the new Councils as bridges for union with the Nationalist administration in touch with all local bodies. That would be a close approach to Gladstonian home rule, with a body of control after the fashion of the County Council substituted for the National Parliament.

## DUBLIN, April 9.—The Earl of Dunmore, Baron Montagu of Brandon and Sir Henry Lytton, were elected in the Limerick districts.

## John Kay, Son & Co.

"Canada's Greatest Carpet and Curtain House," is, by common consent, the greatest store in the above named firm. The founder of the house, the late John Kay—was a man strict and impartial in his business relations, thoroughly honest and reliable. His integrity has descended to his successors, and the house is now being run as a representation with the same high standards. As a consequence the firm has steadily progressed; the season finds them in the rush of a grand spring opening. The stock, it is unnecessary to say, has been carefully selected. It is rich and varied, both as to texture, shade and pattern, and the best of value for the prices charged.