the Domain of Woman.

TALES BY "TERESA."

I am very pléased to insert the following account of an At-Home at Barrie:

"The ladies of \$\frac{1}{2}\$. Mary's ohurch, Barrie, gave a very successful At-Home to thoir friends in the Town Hall, on March 17th, and they have every reason to feel proud of the success of their efforts in this respect. The hall was beautifully decorated, the principal decorations being green and white, and acried out very artistically throughout the large hall. The windows were prettily draped with lace curtains, the doors with chemile cortains.

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carried oue very arisancinity throughout the large hall. The windows were prettily draped with lace curtains. The back of the sta, e was draped in green and white. In the centre was hung a large picture of her Majesty, encircled with the Union Jack and a protty green itag. Under this was a large painting of Gladstone, and on either sides were pictures of different Irish patricts. The stage floor was covered with rugs and mats and any amount of protty farniture, chairs, sofas, tables and such like. On a large casel was a painting of St. Patrick. Upon the main floor in the corners adjoining the stage were a candy and a flower table, which were well patronized.

At 8.30 the hall was comfortably filled, a half hour later the large building was crowded. Mayor Wells presided, and in a short and witty speech opened the programme, which was as follows:

Mayolo, by eighteen little girls of the Separate school. They were dressed in white and with their pretty colored ribbons made a beautiful picture. Vocal solo, by Mr. A. Saunders, which was well received. Oxford minuet, by three little girls and three boys, who certainly deserved the hearty encore they received, and for which they gave the Scotch roel, which was very pretty. Then followed a piano and violin duett, by Meesrs. J C. Morgan and M. Shansay, "Tommy Atkins" was rendered in faie style by six boys in soldier cost tume, which created a fund of amusement for the audience. They were heartily encored and gave "St. Patrick's Day" very nicely. A vocal duett by Mis Bingham and Mr. W. A. Boys was loudly applauded.

After the singing of the National Anthem refreahments were served, after which the evening was apent in a pleasant and social manner. The young people had dancing and games until 12 c'elock, which brought to a close one of the most successful affairs held bere for some time. Thanks are due the Sisters of St. Joseph for their kindness in training the school children who took part,

o'clock, which brought to a close one of the most successful fafairs held brer for some time. Thanks are due the Sisters of St. Joseph for their kindness in training the school children who took part, also Miss Hornsby, who trained the dancers, and for her kindness in placing the children on the stage. Her pleasant and gracious manner certainly made her many warm friends. Also Miss Birdie Hinds, the Misses Fletcher, Messrs J. C. Morgan, F. Clark and M. Shanaoy, who so kindly acted as pianist during the evening. We hope this is only the forerunner of many such pleasant social gatherings yet to be held. Proceeds, 950.00 in aid of the Convent. Very Rev. Dean Egan is to be contractabled upon his energetic congregation.

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An entertainment such as this is dedidedly a step in the right direction and
one worthy of imitation by every Catholie congregation in Canada and else-

where. Not only does it tend to draw the young people together and enable them to become better acquainted with each other, but it foaters a spirit of friendliness and good fellowship that is in-

young people together and enable them to become better acquainted with each other, but it fosters a spirit of friendliness and good fellowship that is lavaluable. The provide them with some bealthy recreation and to withdraw them as far as possible from the constant association with Protestants that is no fruitful a cause of the deplorable prevalence of mixed marriages. Concerts and similar entertainments are all very well in their way, but they do not enable people to make one another's acquaintance in the same manuser as they can at an "At Home" or conversalone, where freedom from the stiffness and restrant of an ordinary entertainment is so pleasing a feature.

Another extremely good departure is the training of the school children to appear upon the platform. The giving of entertainments by the children of the different public schools is a thing that I should very much like see imitated by the Spearate school.

Not only would it be fund for various objects, but it would also tend in a great measure to give the pupile confidence in themselves, encourage refued deportment and good manuers and inculcate a feeling of price in their school children before the public in such a manner, we could undoubted loc away with a vest amount of prejudice and prove the equality if not the untriced and prove the equality if not the whether the property of Cabello choosternal methods as compared with those of the National achools.

Only two weeks to St. Paul's Fancy Fair which is to be head?

fancy table will be in charge of lies of St. Paul's Sodality, and rations of fancy articles &c., may be Rev. Father Hand, St. Pauls.

I trust those of my good readers who can find time will do their mite towards helping to pay off the debt on this beautiful to the control of the control of

I have received the following letter in roply to "Fair Play"
"Drau Mana—I hear that some of our people are indignant at what has been said regarding the visiting and helping our poor Catholies in Toronto.
The lady whose letter appeared last week under the name of "Fair Play" would seem to be herself a Fair Play" would seem to be herself a most charitable person, and one who does a great deal of good in her own parish, and therefore it seems to me the queerest thing in the world that this lady should be inclined to take offence. In the first place it was never intended for people like herself, we know they ere doing their part; and secondly, if the is an old resident of this place, as her letter indicates, she must know quite well that there are many who are doing absolutely nothing for the pow or the sick is this city.

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there are many who are doing absolutely nothing for the powr or the sick in this city.

My letter was intended for the great mass of selfah Catholies who, secure in their good homes and feeling like the Pharisee of old a most comfortable sense of being very good people, care verylittle for the poverty which is all around thom. Lazarus may lie at their very door but Dives is indifferent to the fact of his being there.

I doubt if there is much chance of rousing them to a sense of their duties either, and I feel so ashamed of them when I see and know what Probestant ladies are doing. They are indeed setting a good example solved facts we should be taking the lead but I doubt very much if we could claim even the second place.

setting a good example to our shame be it said. With our beautiful faith we should be taking the lead but I doubt very much if we could claim even the second place.

The beautiful precept, Love your neighbour, was surely intended to teach us to divide up a little of our abundance with our poorer sisters, instead of which the Commandment appears to read like this: Love your neighbour, that is be very good to your own family and intimate friends. To all of these you cannot be too good. Take great care to obtain all the comforts of life for all who belong to you and at intervals enterain; your friends as cordially as possible. Give the control of the common of the comm

disposition of any person. (This is especially true of men.)
There is a great cry of hard times now in Toronto, and I know it is true. But all should not be crying out about this and making it in many instances the excuss for not giving where help is needed My own means are limited an outside the own in the control of t

as regards what is necessary and what is not so.

I am glad to hear, Teress, that you have come to stay. That is right, and I for one wish our every success, pray don't let yourself be discouraged.

When all is said about the different sewing societies in the city if does not amount to very much, granted that good work is being done. It is only a few who are doing its. Are you willing the who are doing its. Are you willing the who are doing its. Are you will all the work of the work and I remain, Teress, your sincers frank Heigh Corthey.

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I believe my correspondent's conjec-tures about "Fair Play" are quite sortest. In fact I know from heartsy

that she is a very good and charitable woman who would do anything for a person in need, and who has found work of the control of the control

or not it may no convergent manner and with less appearance of anmosity.

I am very much indebted to "Hugh
Courtney." I trust, in time we shall all
come to a perfect undorstanding and be
be to work in harmony, as we must do
if we are to accomplish any good at on
our of the good ladies as-sociated with
her. She thought, evrongly packy as the
they were not treated just it at the
same time that I point out her mistake
in thinking my remarks to be levelled at
any one but the careless and lukowarm,
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to defend.

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From The Arthur Enterprise we get the following particulars of the life of the late Michael Donnelly, C. P.R., stailon agent at Mount Forest, whose death occurred on March 20th. It appears that he fell from a freight car some time last fall, and austained injuries affecting his heart, the effects of which he felt ever since. Recently he had an attack of la grippe, from which, however, he recovered sufficiently to be able to go out on the Sunday proceeding his death, but atterwards suffered a relapse, which speedly proved fatal. Deceased was a native of Ennis, county Clare, Ireland, and was an only son. With his parents and sisters same to New York State when a mere boy. At an early age he took to rallocating and worked at it in New York State. Coming to Canada he obtained a position on the luffalo and Lake Huron R. R. at the Cale donis station. Here he married Mies Fury, of Hamilton, who with six daughters and two sons are the surviving members of the family, one daughter having died several years ago. From Caledonia he went to Toronto working in some of the head offices there until he was appointed station agent at Bolton on the T.G.B. (Narrow Gauge) line. As this line became brilt westward, he was, after a few months's stay in Bolton, given the more important position of station agent in Mount Forest. This he held up to the tims of his death—a period of over twenty-five years.

For many years he was a member, and for a term, Chairman of the High School Board. He was also a workly member of the Mount Forest branch of the C.M.B.A., and the beautiful fioral tributes which advanced his coffin egitts from the C. M. B.A., High School Board, railway conductors, station agents and private donoresties more eloquently than words the high school Board. He was also a workly member of the Mount Forest branch of the C.M.B.A., and the beautiful fioral tributes which advanced his coffin egitts from the C. N. B.A., High School Board, railway conductors, station agents and private donores—attest more eloquently than words the

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