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OUR ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER.

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GENTLEMEN—I see by the last issue of the Northwest Review that you have been instructed by the directors of the journal with the management of the company for the present retaining charge of the editorial columns.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL, 26.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A New Jersey preacher has discovered where Heaven is. He says it is the star Alcyone, the bright white star in the Pleiades.

Vera Ava, alias Ann O'Della Diss Debar, the spook priestess and heavy-weight prophetess, was incarcerated in the Illinois State Prison recently to serve out a two years sentence for theft.

Several Catholic editors are now posing as the apologists of the late Editor Shepherd. They bitterly denounced him during his life.

The Milwaukee Catholic Citizen suggests that there be a convention of the Catholic press at Chicago in September.

"By rail to Europe" would be a new "route" indeed, and yet it may come in the not distant future.

To the "dark lantern" conspirators in our city we charitably recommend a perusal of the following passage from the address of ex-Mayor Hewitt of New York, at the formal opening of the United Charities building in that city.

The Methodist preachers work hard to maintain the summit of absurdity among the sects. No denomination has received the room it required in the World's Fair exhibit for which, with a contempt of common sense that is charming, the Methodists blame the Catholics.

Our esteemed contemporary the Pittsburg Catholic has come to us in a new dress. Quite recently many of our contemporaries from the United States have been doing the same thing.

Our contemporary, the Regina Standard has the following editorial note: "For a year past the air around Cartersville, Georgia, has been laden with stories of an unsavory nature in which prominent families have been victims."

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL.

To-day, April 26th, is the feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel. This should be a day of great joy and happiness to the devout clients of the Virgin Mother of God.

PRAYER.

To the Virgin Mother of Good Counsel. (Feast celebrated 26th April) Most Glorious Virgin! Chosen by the Eternal Word to be the Mother of the Eternal Word MADE FLESH, Treasure of Divine Grace and advocate of sinners.

THE READING, BUT NOT THINKING AGE.

This is a reading age. The reading appetite is a voracious one. It can scarcely be satisfied. Yet the reading seems to be without thought. Read, read, seems to be the mania.

MGR. SATOLLI SPEAKS FOR PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.

Our able contemporary, the New World of Chicago commenting on a recent public utterance of Mgr. Satolli on the question of education, says:

The Apostolic Delegate concluded his mission at the church of St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi, Philadelphia, on Sunday March 26. In the afternoon of that day he spoke to the young people of the parish in the English language.

"The most interesting portion of Christianity, in regard to religious sentiment and matters of faith, and in regard to truly Catholic morals and every observance of the Catholic religion, we must hold firm. It is better to be well educated to an honest life than to be simply instructed. Nay, for us Catholics, education in a moral sense that is not Catholic is impossible. This is the supreme reason for parochial schools, namely, of those schools of ours which, besides teaching all that is useful to the domestic and civil interest, perfect it by means of moral and religious education."

A CORRECTION AND EXPLANATION.

It has never been the policy of the Northwest Review to misrepresent any of our contemporaries, and should we have the misfortune to inadvertently do so, it is our invariable habit to promptly withdraw it at the earliest possible moment.

feelings of justice to a persecuted minority, as to forward its own particular leanings towards secularism, a condition against which the Catholic conscience revolts.

To this, our contemporary replies: "On one occasion," forsooth! Has the Northwest Baptist ceased making the most explicit statements to that effect? In trying to save itself from the rebuff we gave The Review at this point, it has sinned more grievously.

"The present school bill does not suit us inasmuch as it gives just cause for our fellow citizens, the Roman Catholics, who have equal rights with us, to accuse us of having what practically are Protestant schools while we call them Public schools. We call for amendment in this respect in the name of justice and equal rights."

Our explanation to the Northwest Baptist is that we never saw the article quoted by it, or had entirely forgotten it. We are glad to welcome the Northwest Baptist's remarks and to quote them against the dishonest utterances of other Protestant bodies who say that the present schools are not Protestant.

"MISERABLE HYPOCRISY."

This is the way our esteemed contemporary, the Philadelphia Catholic Times describes the miserable cant of those "Catholics" in Ireland who are sending in petitions of protest against Home Rule because, forsooth, it "would be most prejudicial to our religion and disastrous to the best interests of Ireland."

If analyzed it would be found that those "Catholics" were of the landlord class—a class that has been among the very worst of Irish landlords. It is a notorious fact that the "Catholic" landlords of Ireland have been the most wicked, cruel and exacting in that unfortunate land.

Some persons in Ireland have sent "a humble petition of Roman Catholics in Ireland" to the English Parliament. These petitioners say:

"We believe the establishment in Ireland of a separate legislature and executive in the manner proposed in the government of Ireland bill recently introduced into your honorable house would be most prejudicial to our religion and disastrous to the best interests of Ireland."

As an illustration of how men of transcendent genius rarely transmit their great qualities to their children, we find this sniveling petition signed by two of the descendants of Daniel O'Connell, whose life work was for the "repeal of the Union." It was also signed by certain Catholic earls and baronets.

Of course every one of sense knows that such a cry coming from such sources is mere humbug, a mere pretext to cloak over designs which even they themselves are ashamed to avow openly and frankly.

better. Their extraordinary interest is centred in themselves. They use religion precisely as they would use any other pretext that serves their selfish purposes. Such people do an incalculable harm to religion by making it appear as the champion of oppression.

AN UNJUST ACCUSATION.

The NORTHWEST REVIEW is not a political journal and it is always pleased to note the stand taken by the rising young men in public life. Among those for whom it has a true friendship and a sincere hope to see one day occupying a prominent place in the councils of the nation, is the talented young member for Ottawa county, in the Parliament of Canada, Mr. C. R. Devlin.

It was as uncalled for as it was unjust, to accuse the secretary of state of winning his place in the government, on his stand on the New Brunswick school question and now remaining silent in the Manitoba school debate. This was a two-fold act of injustice, (1) because it imputed sinister motives to the action of Mr. Costigan at that time and (2) because Mr. Devlin could not be ignorant of the fact that the Hon. John Costigan fought the battles of the Catholic minority even to the extent of offering, on that question, the most active opposition to a government he was elected to support, because of their conduct to the Catholics of his province.

AT MARY'S SHRINE.

A Protestant's Inspiration at a Wayside Grotto.

The influence of Catholic art is at all times wonderful and especially so upon minds that are not biased by the prejudices that arise from pride or ignorance.

Whatever may be the belief of non-Catholics concerning the mysteries of our faith or the practices of Catholic devotion, we find large numbers ready to acknowledge that the Church speaks inspiringly in her ceremonies and whatever else she does by way of artistic effect in appealing in the hearts of men.

A prominent Protestant citizen of Columbus, a gentleman of rare culture and intelligence, who has traveled much in Catholic countries and studied with a scholar's care their history, customs and works, and he told the writer in private conversation of the many favorable impressions made upon his mind as he observed the deep faith of the people and the beautiful productions it inspired.

He carries with him, carefully preserved, a memorandum of such an impression as he received as he contemplated a statue of the Blessed Virgin that graced a wayside shrine in a secluded spot amidst the wilds of nature. The memorandum is a French inscription placed on the base of the statue and reads in English as follows: "Mary, thou art rich in mercy. Pray for all those who invoke thee."

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The Pittsburgh Diocesan Catholic Total Abstinence Union has issued an appeal to all Catholic saloon-keepers in Allegheny county to get out of the liquor business as Christians and American citizens.

cannot weaken the moral force of such a fact. But we are not appealing against anything which the Privy Council has decided. Out of five millions we number over two millions. Does that count for nothing? We fear so, unless the men who should be the guardians of those rights unite and organize and demand that justice be done and that the rights of conscience of all citizens be protected from the brutal invasion of those who may, for the time, be in the majority.

A Headless Church.

An incident which has happened in the colony of British Columbia, illustrates very clearly the necessity of having a head for a church, whether that head be Pope, king or parliament. It seems that the rector of an Anglican church in Vancouver had a dispute with his diocesan concerning the ablutions in the administration of the sacrament, and the end of it was that the rector preached a mutinous sermon, likening himself to Wicliffe and the whole noble army of martyrs, and the bishop replied by withdrawing the rector's license.

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