

The Irish in America.

A Distinguished List.

It is said that two-thirds of the entire Irish race are in the United States, says the Buffalo Evening Times, and that there are more Irish in Boston than in any other city in the world. South Carolina has the largest Irish population of any State in the Union. Nearly half of the continental troops under Washington were of Irish descent, and many of the most valiant officers of the Revolution wore small green flags on their coats to mark their double allegiance.

The connection of the Irish with America goes back to the earliest history of the country. First there is the legendary visit of St. Brendan, devout missionary and daring navigator, whose supposed visit to our shores antedated the landing of Columbus by a thousand years. There were Irish pilgrims on the Mayflower, and 500 or 600 members of this race came over in the stormy times of Cromwell. As early as 1716, 500 Irish families went to South Carolina. There were Irish Quakers in the settlement of William Penn, and before the Revolution nearly half of the members of the Pennsylvania Legislature were Irish.

Nine of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were either Irish or of Irish descent. John Barry was given the first captaincy of the American navy, and the naval honors he won for the Emerald Isle were continued by Stephen Decatur of direct Irish extraction. "Mad Anthony" Wayne was Irish to his finger-tips, and was belligerently proud of it. Capt. Daniel Patrick, the noted Indian fighter of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, was born in Ireland. This undaunted people were the first to make their way across the Alleghenies, under the leadership of their countrymen, Daniel Boone and David Crockett. Gen. Sam Houston never failed to remark of his Irish blood, of which he was aggressively proud. Both Miles Standish and John Alder were Irish.

The popular conception that there are more Irishmen in politics than anywhere else, is not far from the truth. There is an old saying that they have ruled every other country in the world but their own. Seven of the 25 American Presidents have been of Irish descent, and two Presidential candidates, James G. Blaine and Horace Greeley, were of that blood. John C. Calhoun, the master statesman and orator, was the son of Patrick Calhoun, born in Donegal County, Ireland. The first Mayor of New York after the Revolution was Joseph Duane, the son of a County Galway Irishman. Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont were once governed by three brothers named Sullivan. One of the most picturesque figures in the whole history of American politics was Gen. James Shields, hero of the Mexican and Civil Wars. Governor of Oregon, Chief Justice of Illinois, and the only man who ever served three terms in the United States Senate, each time from a different State. He was first sent from Illinois, then from Minnesota, and finally from Missouri.

The power of the Irish in New York politics is proverbial. The first grand sachem of Tammany was William Mooney, also the first to sign its constitution. "Honest John" Kelly and Charles O'Connor were both leaders of Tammany who fought against the Tweed ring. Richard Croker, and his lieutenant and his lieutenant and successor, Charles F. Murphy, are both Irish. We also have many Irish reformers, such as Patrick Moran, District Attorney of Boston, Mayor Dunne of Chicago and Mayor Fagan of Jersey City. Patrick J. Boyle, has served eleven terms as Mayor of Newport, R.I.

Among the Irish in high political places in all parts of the Union might be named Tom Taggart of Indiana, Senator Patterson of Colorado, Senator Carter of Montana, Representative Bourke Cockran of New York, Representative Burke of South Dakota, Bernard S. Rodney, delegate from Mexico, and Justice Edward D. White and Justice Joseph McKenna of the United States Supreme Court. Edward A. Moseley, Secretary of the Interstate Commerce Commission, who has labored for years to get the railroads to adopt protective appliances for the personal safety of their employees, is always jokingly insisted on his Irish blood.

The Irish have a large representation in the realm of finance. Thomas Fortune Ryan, a loyal son of Erin, is said by many to be the coming king of American finance, if indeed

that honor has not already fallen upon him through the failing health of J. Pierpont Morgan. James J. Hill is the greatest commercial pathfinder of the present century, having laid open the great Northwest with his railroads, and sent his commerce-laden ships to the ports of Japan, Russia and China. Alexander E. Orr, president of the New York Life Insurance Company, is only once removed from an Irishman born in County Cork, and John A. McCall, his predecessor, was also Irish. Daniel O'Day was one of the presiding geniuses of Standard Oil. Capt. John Flannery was president of the Southern Cotton Exchange, and Col. C. C. Sanders headed the State Banking Company of Georgia.

Capt. John J. Healy was the commercial discoverer of Alaska. When he had burrowed his way through the frozen North to the largest Alaskan settlement, he found four of the 16 men already there to be Irishmen. Thomas F. Walsh, of Washington, is president of the Irrigation Congress. George J. Whelan, with his 300 cigar stores, is the largest retail tobacco dealer in the United States. Samuel G. Bayne, has organized more national banks than any one man in America, having spread his labors over seven States. Samuel Sloane, railroad president, and Richard C. Kerens, capitalist, are fellow-countrymen from the Emerald Isle.

The four Cudahy brothers, Patrick, John, Edward and Michael, exercise a large control over the food supplies of the world, and their native cities, Milwaukee, Chicago and Omaha, owe an enormous commercial debt to their unflinching enterprise. George Russell of Nevada and Timothy Kinney of Wyoming, are cattle barons. Thomas Mellon is dean of the Pittsburgh bankers. Three Irishmen, James C. Wood, William S. O'Brien, and James G. Fair, with their leader, John W. Mackey, took from the famous Comstock lode in Nevada \$150,000,000 worth of silver, thus reversing the silver markets of the whole world. It was John W. Mackey and James Gordon Bennett who financed the scheme to connect Europe with America with an Atlantic cable.

Not many people know that in addition to establishing the Catholic Church in the original 13 colonies, both the Presbyterian and Methodist denominations in America were founded by Irishmen. Philip Embury founded the Methodist Episcopal sect, and built the John Street Church in New York, called it the "Cradle of American Methodism." Rev. Francis Makemie, an Irish immigrant, was the first regularly established Presbyterian minister in New York, and was known as "The Father of the Presbyterian Church in America." The first American Cardinal was John McCloskey. Cardinal Gibbons is also Irish. Ireland has given us 24 Bishops and five Archbishops, the latter being John Ireland, John J. Keane, Patrick J. Ryan, John M. Farley and John J. Glennon.

The Irish have made a great record as inventors and builders. The Morse system of telegraphing is the product of an Irishman's brain, and so was the steamship of Robert Fulton. Alexander and William Orr, father and uncle of the president of the New York Life Insurance Company, were the first to invent machinery for printing wall paper by cylinders, and the first to make printing paper with wood fibre. William Kelly built the first two brick houses in Pittsburgh, and "Pig Iron" Kelly was the constructor of the first successful pneumatic tube of large diameter, the kind that is now used in the government postal service. John B. McDonald built the New York subway and the Baltimore belt line, and David Lynch laid the Alaskan cables.

The newspapers of the country owe an amazing debt to the Irish. The New York Sun became great and famous under the guidance of Charles A. Dana and John M. Laffan; the first daily paper in Boston, called the Polar Star and Daily Advertiser, was founded by John Daly Burke; the St. Louis Republic was founded by Robert Charles, the Chicago Tribune by Joseph Medill, and Collier's Weekly by P. F. Collier. All of these men were of the talented Gaelic race. Henry W. Grady, the former brilliant editor of the Atlanta Constitution, was also an Irishman.

As educators the Irish have furnished such men as William Rainey Harper, father of the University of Chicago; Robert Alexander, the founder of Washington and Lee University; William H. Maxwell, for

eight years the superintendent of the New York public schools; Maurice Francis Egan, professor in the Catholic University; Jeremiah Curtin, one of the greatest philologists and linguists; and Archibald DeBow Murphy, "the father of North Carolina public schools," the first native historian of the State of North Carolina, and the foremost geological worker in America.

John Mitchell, the labor leader, comes of the "fighting race," so does James Whitcomb Riley, F. Marion Crawford, and Cyrus Townsend Brady, the well-known writers. Among prominent living Irish players are Ada Rehan, John Drew, Marie Cahill, James O'Neill, Andrew Mack, and Chauncey Olcott. The present day Irish boast of Victor Herbert, the tuneful composer and brilliant leader. The Corcoran Gallery of art in Washington was founded by an Irishman. The work of no American sculptor is superior to that of Augustus St. Gaudens, and it was an Irishman, Thomas Crawford, who chiseled the Goddess of Liberty which stands on the capitol dome.

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Lay Apostolate Movement in the United States.

For many years there has been a question as to what should be done with the increasing number of Protestant ministers who become Catholics. Where those ministers are unmarried there is practically no problem. Like Cardinal Newman, Father Maturin and similar they naturally gravitate into the priesthood. But where they are married and have families there is often genuine difficulty. Trained in one direction, it is well-nigh impossible for them, late in life, to take up another profession, with any chance of success.

Out West they seem in a fair way of finding a solution. Dr. Liley, the Protestant Episcopal minister who recently entered the Catholic Church, last week lectured to non-Catholics in Cleveland, and each of his lectures crowded the hall. Bishop Horstmann, at the close of one of them, said that he went to the meeting to give expression to his approval of the great movement inaugurated, the splendid realization of his hopes of many years. No one could measure, he declared, the possibilities of this apostolate or predict what far-reaching effects this new missionary effort would have upon the future of the Church in this

country. He wished the movement Godspeed and he hoped from its auspicious beginning in St. Agnes' parish it would spread throughout his diocese and throughout the country.

Just the Thing That's Wanted.—A pill that acts upon the stomach and yet is so compounded that certain ingredients of it preserve their power to act upon the intestinal canals, so as to clear them of excreta, the retention of which cannot but be hurtful, was long looked for by the medical profession. It was found in Parneel's Vegetable Pills, which are the result of much expert study, and are scientifically prepared as a laxative and an alterative in one.

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The London Tablet announces that the Rev. J. H. LeBreton Girdlestone, M.A., late vicar of St. Andrew's Worthington, England, has been received into the Catholic Church at Lourdes, by the Bishop of Tarbes. It is somewhat noteworthy at a time when so much hostility is shown towards Lourdes by free-thinkers, that it is there the Rev. Mr. Girdlestone has been received into the Church.

The Sale of Liquor.

The Third Council of Baltimore, held in 1884, declares, No. 263:

"We admonish Catholics engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors to consider seriously how many and how great are the dangers and the occasions of sin which their business though not in itself illicit, is surrounded. Let them if possible choose some more honorable way of making a living. And if they find it impossible to quit it, then let them strive with all their might to remove the occasions of sin from themselves and from others. Let them not sell drink either to minors or to those who they foresee will go to excess. Let them keep their saloons closed on the Lord's day. Let them at no time permit on their premises blasphemy, cursing or obscene language. But if through their action or with their co-operation, religion is dishonored and men are led to ruin, let them remember that there is an Avenger in heaven, who will certainly demand of them a terrible retribution."

Catholic Church

Most Efficient.

Rev. Dr. Walter Laidlaw, the Protestant executive secretary of the Federation of Churches and Christian Organizations in New York City talking at the federation's annual meeting in Calvary Episcopal Church, said: "We can fairly say that the Roman Catholic Church is the most efficient in Greater New York; that the Protestant churches are twenty-five per cent. inefficient, and that the Jews conserve their faith by attending special feasts rather than by regular appearance at the synagogue." Dr. Laidlaw explained that this was not merely his opinion. He had a stereopticon full of figures to prove it, collected by federation agents in 1906. In Brooklyn, he said, it is not unusual to find forty different forms of Protestantism, represented among four hundred people in a single block, yet forty per cent. of them don't go to church at all. Everywhere in the city except Brooklyn there are relatively fewer Protestants than there were fifty years ago. "And the difficulty is not in immigration from abroad, but in emigration of Protestants from church habits." Dr. Laidlaw continued, "At bringing back the unchurched the Catholics succeed far better than we do."

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