C. M B. A.

Death of Brotner O'Rellly. Death of Brother O'Rellly.

C. M. B. A. members will regret to hear of the death of a well-known brother of Montreal Mr. P. O'Reilly. Some time since he was a member of the Grand Council of Canada, but was afterwards connected with the Grand Council of Quebec under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of the United States. The Montreal Gazette of the 30th Nov. makes the following reference to Mr. O'Reilly's death:

death:
There will be a feeling of general regret
this morning in City Hall circles over the
death of Mr. Patrick O'Reilly, Secretary of
the Road Department, and one of the best indeath of Mr. Patrick O'Reilly, secretary of the Road Department, and one of the best in-formed civic cflicials. Mr. O'Reilly, up to a very few days ago, was in the enjoyment of his usual health, but early in the week con-tracted a severe cold, which rapidly developed into a sharp attack of pneumonia, to which he succumbed late on Friday might at his scaldence on Murray street. In addition to into a sharp attack of pneumonia, to which be succumbed late on Friday night at his residence on Murray street. In addition to holding the important office of Secretary of the Read Department, the deceased was an active member of several Irish national and benevolent societies, being Grand President of the Quebec Council C. M. B. A., a member of the Patriotic Society, Ancient Order of United Workingmen, C. B. L., also of the Order of Select Knights and other similar organizations. At a special meeting of the Grand Council C. M. B. A., yesterday after moon, Mr. P. McDermott presiding, and attended by a large number of officers and members, resolutions of condolence with the family of the deceased were passed, and arrangements made to attend the funeral. The late Mr. O'Reilly, who was about fifty years of age, leaves a write and five children to mourn his loss. The funeral will leave his late residence, 150 Murray street, at 7:45 Tuesday morning, to St. Ann's church, and thence to Cote des Neiges cemetery.

Death of Bro. Barry, of Morrisburg. We regret to announce the sad and unex pected death of Brother Richard H. Barry

pected death of Brother Richard H. Barry, secretary of St. James Branch, No. 33, Morrisburg, since his initiation.

Deceased was the younger son of Mr. John Barry, sr., merchant and councillor of this village. He died Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1896, in the thirtieth year of his age, of peritonitis, after an illness of only twenty four hours. He was a young man of exceptional char-acter, a popular favorite, beloved of young and old. His death was a shock to the entire community.

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The funeral was conducted by the local Branch of the C. M. B. A., and was one of the largest concourses of people, of every creed, ever assembled in this place to show their respect for the honcred dead and their sympathy with his respected parents and friends in their sad bereavement. There were three priests in attendance at the funeral. Fathers Twomey and Masterson headed the procession to the Catholic church, where a solemn Requiem Mass was offered up by Father McDonald, of Kemptville, Ont. The church was profusely draped in black and his seat in the church was draped in mourning, and a large wreath Kemptville, Ont. The church was profusely draped in black and his seat in the church was draped in mourning, and a large wreath of flowers donated by his friends supplied his accustomed place. The impressive service of the Catholic Church on funeral occasions, with its solemn chants, the mourning emblems and the vacant seat all combined to enliven the sympathy of every heart. But this was more sensibly felt whon Father Twomey, in his accustomed eloquence, preached a very impressive sermon, carefully reviewing the exemplary life of the young man. His great moral and social worth as a member of the Church, as a citizen of the community, as a loving child in the household and as a devout worshipper at the shrine of God's altar in the faith of his fathers. He dwelt forcibly on the Christian fortitude of the young man in his last moments, and his readiness to obey the unexpected summont to appear before his Eternal Judge, and contrasted the hope of the devont Catholic on his death bed, with those who fail to see beyond the tomb. His words were whole souled, kind and sympathetic and caused the tears to flow from many an eye. After the service the procession reformed and his remains were conveyed to their last resting place in the church yard to await the judgment day; and our only last and fervent tribute to his memory shall ever be "Requiescat in pace!"

The Late Brother Fitzgerald.

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From the Montreal Gazette of December 5, we learn that the funeral of the late Thos. Fitzgerald, late Chief Clerk of the London Assurance Corporation, took place from deceased's late residence, 61 Andrew street, on Friday morning, and was largely attended. The members of the C. M. B. A., the deceased being a member of Branch 26 of that Association, preceded the hearse, and amongst those in its ranks were: Grand Chanceller Finn, Grand Deputies T. P. Tansey, P. Rey nolds, James J. Costigan; Brothers M. Sharkey, Jas Meek, W. Scullion, F. Langan, ex Ald. Cunningham, O. Tansey, B. Tansey, Frank Collins, D. J. McGillis, John H. Feeley, G. A. Gadbois, John Walsh, C. O'Brien, W. Gorman, S. Cross, Thomas Cunningham, Thos. F. Flynn, Jas. Callaban, Thos., Harding, Jas. O'Toole, W. J. Kerr, Tansey, Frank Collins, D. J. McGillis, John H. Feeley, G. A. Gadbois, John Walsh, C. O'Brien, W. Gorman, S. Cross, Thomas Cunningham, Thos. F. Flynn, Jas. Callaban, Thos. Harding, Jas. O'Toole, W. J. Kerr, John Murphy, and a large number of other members of the Association. Following the hearse as chief mourners were: Masters William, Harry and Frank Fitzgerald, sons of deceased; W. Fitzgerald, of New York, brother; W. Murren, father-in-law; Hy. Murren, Portland; T. Murren, J. Drury, and other relatives. Amongst others present in the sad procession were: Messrs, E. A. Lily, Ald. Connaughton, John Hammill, J. M. Quinlan, A. Smart, G. R. C. Johnson, J. Ewart, L. Forbes, P. J. McCaffrey, P. M. Wickham, T. J. Donovan, G. Weldon, Ed. Fitzgerald, Sergt, Loye, J. J. Milloy, P. J. Goulon, Jas. Callary, the staff of the London Assurance Corporation, representatives from nearly all the other insurance companies in the city, and a large number of others. The remains were taken to St. Patrick's church, where a selemn. Recoilem service was cole. remains were taken to St. Patrick's church where a solemn Requiem service was cele-brated. Rev. Father Quirlivan officiated with the Rev. Father M. Callaghan, deacon, with the Rev. Father M. Calinghan, deacon, and Rev. Father Lussier as sub deacon; Rev. Father McCallen and Rev. Father Devine, S. J., assisted in the sanctuary. After the service the remains were taken to Cote de Neiges for interment. The floral offerings were many and costly. The deceased leaves a widow and eight children to mourn his loss.

Resolutions of Condolence. At a special meeting of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Assocation of Canada, held in the hall of Branch 33, Morrisburg, on Mon-day evening, November 22, A. D. 1896, the following resolutions were unanimously

hereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to visit our branch with the Messenger of Death and remove from our midst and take to Himself in the springtime of life, our dearly beloved and esteemed Brother, Richard Henry Barry, thereby re moving from our Brotherhood a young man of noble and brilliant parts, bright aspir-ations, hopeful ambitions, with a heart over-flowing with human kindness, and creating a void in our hall that neither time nor money

Can ever efface.

Whereas, as brothers in the bonds of our benevolent brotherhood, we cannot but benevolent brotherhood, we destimable a benevolent brotherhood, we cannot but deplore the loss of so worthy and estimable a member in the midst of his usefuleases commensurements of the work they had star bearts with meek and silent submission to His diving week, for they are the ways of instice and truth.

Whereas, the death of our esteemed brother occurred at an early age, when the heart is full of the joys, the pleasures and sociabilfull of the joys, the pleasures and sociabilities of life—at a time, too, when his loving parents beheld with grateful hearts, his kind and amiable disposition, his submissive will to duty and his constant and unerring aim to give joy to the household, and his brother and sisters sought the benign influence of his loving companionship. Be it Resolved that the members of Branch 33 of the Catholic Mutual

Benefit Association of Canada tender our deep and heartfelt sympathy to the kind and loving parents of our departed Brother in their sad affliction, and also to his brother and sisters in their sudden and unexpected bereavement; and our united prayer shall be that God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes and secure for them a resting: place in heaven whither their son and brother has gone forward to prepare. Be it, further, Resolved that the Branch charter be draped in mourning for twelve months; that

Resolved that the Branch charter be drapped in mourning for twelve months; that a copy of these resolutions be entered on the minutes; that a copy be forwarded to the CATHOLIC RECORD for publication, and a copy be sent to the family and friends of our late Brother.

W. H. McGanmon, Pres.

J. P. Gormely, Rec. Sec.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 7, 1896. Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 7, 1896.
At the last regular meeting of Branch 56,
Hamilton, held in their hall, Wednesday, Nov.
18, 1896, the following resolution of cond-bence
was unanimously carried, on motion of Bro.
B. J. Conway, seconded by Bro. B. Cauley;
That whereas it has pleased Almighty God
to call to his heavenly home our esteemed
Bro., D. J. O'Brien, we desire to express our Bro., D. J. O'Brien, we desire to express our deep and heartfelt sorrow at the loss of our worthy Brother. That our charter be draped in mourning for one month, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to deceased Brother's widow and family, and also published in the CATHOLIC BECORD.

Frank Burdett, Pres.
M. F. Fitzpatrick, Rec. Sec.

C. O. F.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 4, 1896.
At the last meeting of Sacred Heart Court, No. 201, it was decided that Sacred Heart, St. Joseph's and St. Leo's courts attend Vespers in a body at St. Mary's church on the third Sunday in December, when a sermon will be preached by Vicar-General McCann. Committees were appointed to make arrangements for the same.

At the next regular meeting election of officers for the year 1897 will take place. Every member of the court is invited to be present. A very large attendance is expected, as elections are always interesting. Ten gentlemen will have their names added to the long list of Foresters in Toronto on that evening.

The next reeting of the court will take place Thursday, Dec. 17.

A. McC.Kerr, Sec.

E. B. A.

St. Paul's Branch, No. 8. At their last meeting this branch welcomed back one of their ex-members, and at their next meeting others are expected to follow his example. The work done at the last convention was fully approved of, and good results will very soon be seen in the branch.

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The regular mentings are well attended, and great interest is taken in the work of the association. At the last regular meeting the following officers were elected for 1897: Chaplain, Rev. Father Cruise; President, J. McCarthy; Vice Pres., J. J. Fullen; Rec. Sec., J. F. Holland; Fin. Sec., J. Strickland; Treusurer, W. Lane; Stewards, James Gore, John Gore, J. O'Rourke and J. O'Connor; Marshal, G. Marlborough; Asat. Marshal, M. Sheehan; I. Guard, J. Delory; O. Guard, M. Mahoney. Very few members were absent, and the offices were keenly contested.

On Tuesday evening this Branch and St. Helen's Circle held an open meeting and tree concert, for the purpose of laying before the members of the parish the advantages to be gained by becoming memof the association. A large number of triends were present, including the President of No. 12, the President and other officers of No. 29. A splendid programme of vocal and instrumental music was rendered, to the great satisfaction of the assembled party. The thanks of the Branch and Circle are due and tendered to the whole of the talent for having kindly voluntered their services. During the evening a very able address was given by the Grand President, D. A. Carey, showing the objects and aims of the E. B. A., and from the very enthusiastic manner in which his remarks were received good re sults must follow.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON.

Mr. J. F. White, Inspector of Separate ichools, is now making his annual visitation to t'e city schools, St. LAWRENCE'S ANNIVERSARY.

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Auniversary services were held in St.

Lawrence's church yesterday, it being just
six years since the church was first opened.

In the morning at 10:30 High Mass was celebrated, at which Rev. Father Brady officiated. The text was: "I have heard thy
prayer and have chosen this place to myself
to make it a house of sacrifice." He said
that the congregation had reason to be
especially thankful on this anniversary, as
the church was now nearly free from debt, especially thankful on this anniversary, as the church was now nearly free from debt, and they would present it to God as a thanksgiving offering. Since the erection of the church it had been a great blessing to that section of the city, as it had brought back many who had strayed from the fold, besides doing a great deal of good to the regular congregations. He hoped his hearers would often be seen in the church, as it was but the stepping stone to the greater temple in heaven.

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In the evening a Vesper service was held. Very Rev. Dean Harris, of St. Catharines, who was one of the delegates to the recent Irish convention in Dublin, delivered a powerful and eloquent lecture on the last judg ment of Christ. He referred to the barning of the great temple at Jerusalem, and, as Christ had said, it never was rebuilt; for although several times efforts were made to rebuild the temple every time in some way or another it was destroyed before completion, until at last the workmen became panic-stricken and fled from the city in great fear. He also gave several other illustrations to show that it was useless for man to try to defeat the power of Christ. Rev. Dean Harris was assisted in the evening service by Rev. Mgr. McEvay and Father Brady.

The congregations were large at both services and the collections were very liberal. In the evening Est's Vespers were sung by the choir, under the leadership of Mr. J. B. Nelligan, who also conducted a competent

the choir, under the leadership of Mr. J. B. Nelligan, who also conducted a competent orchestra. Mozart's "Magnificat" was sung with good effect, the solo parts being taken by Misses Annie Scorey, A. Ryan, Aggie Mulcahy and Messus, Fred Shelter and Alex. Nelligan. Miss Scorey's singing was very plassing. "O Salutaris" and Lambilotte's "Tantum Ergo" were alsofrendered, Mr. A. Nelligan rendering the solo in the former

number The regular meeting of St. Patrick's Literary Society was held in Andrew's Hall last evening. The Concert Committee reported a very favorable balance from the concert lately given under the auspices of the society. An interesting debate on the respective merits of reading and travelling was held. Mr. J. F. White, Separate School Inspector, addressed the meeting, urging the members to continue in the good work they had started under such favorable circumstances, and giving them much useful information on the requirements of their future paths in life. His address was listened to very attentively by the members, and ADDRESSED BY THE INSPECTOR. to very attentively by the members, and judging from the remarks made by many of them atterwards, they were all deeply im pressed by his words.

NEW BOOK.

"Passing Shadows" (by Anthony Yorke) is the title of the latest of a series of Catholic novels to be issued by the firm of Benziger Bross, New York. It is a splendid reflection of Catholic life woven into a simple tale of love, the scene of which is laid in the city of New York. Price (cloth), \$1,25.

OUR SEPARATE SCHOOLS

The following is a synopsis of the report of Inspector White in regard to the Separate schools of Walkerville, taught by the Sisters of St. Joseph. The average number of marks of the pupils who passed the Entrance Examination was 5475—above all the Public schools of the average was supplied to the schools.

of the county of Essex:

1. Sandwich East, (Forms I., II., III., IV., Organization quite satisfactory, and excellent order is maintained. The school buildings are brick, new, of good design, and in proper condition. There are good halls, cloak-rooms, wide stairs and a large hall or assembly room on the second story. The class-rooms (two) are large, of good proportions, very neat, bright and comfortable. Lighting is good, windows being on three sides, but curtains are provided. A good system of heating, by warm air furnace, is supplied, and very good provision is madifured to the supplied of the supp of the county of Essex:

1. Sandwich East (Forms I., II., III., IV. supplied, and very good provision is made for ventilation. The desks and seats are very good, but scarcely enough for the junior room; and there is a good supply of all necessary appliances such as maps, globes and charts. Blackboards are large, and in good position. A very encouraging beginning for a library has been made. The Inspector further reports this schools "as being thoroughly good in all respects, as to accommodation, equipment, order and studies. The excellent showing of the senior class at the las: Entrance Examination—when five pupils wrote, and all passed

order and studies. The excellents knowing of the senior class at the last Entrance Examination—when five pupils wrote, and all passed most creditably—is clear evidence of thorough and intelligent teaching." He also states that the answering on the day of his visit "was highly satisfactory, showing a good knowledge of the work gone over."

2. Sandwich East, Forms (I, II.)—Organization and Discioline—Both very good. School Buildings—Brick, of next appearance and good design, being most complete for a rural school. School Grounds—Large enough; well fenced. Water Closets—Suitable. Class Room—Large enough, neat, cheerful and comfortable. Water Supply—Convenient. Lighting—Windows on three sides, but curtains are provided. Heating—By stove, Ventilation—Suitable provision. Desks and Seats—Excellent in kind, and enough. Blackboards—Large; well placed. Maps, Globes and Charts—A suitable supply.

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We are glad to state that Inspector White also reports this school as having made ex-cellent progress during the year, and as be-ing in a highly satisfactory condition.

THE LATE MRS. BULLEN.

A beautiful soul passed to its eternal reward last Saturday when Mrs. W. F. Bullen breathed her last. Deceased had attained the age of eighty-five years, being one of the oldest revidents of this part of the country. She was the relict of the late William Fitzherbert Bullen, of Delaware, afterwards a resident of London. Mrs. Bullen reared a tamily of seven sons and three daughters, the survivors being W. F. Bullen, manager of the Ontario Loan & Debenture Company; Albert F., George and Fred. F. of Chicago; Mrs. George Harris, Mrs. William Graham and Miss Bullen, of this city.

We had the pleasure of Mrs. Bullen's acquaintance for a number of years, and were at all times impressed with her beautiful and gentle character. Charitable, kind, loving, pious, her whole life was a model for her surroundings. It was a life of peace, and her end was likewise peaceful. Her pure spirit ascended to its eternal home accompanied not only by the love of her own kindred but by that of all who knew her. Prayers, too, were offered up that she who had done so much for the glory of her Divine Master would now be given the reward promised to His faithful children.

On Monday morning a High Mass of Requiem for the repose of the soul of the departed was sung at St. Peter's cathedral. May she rest in peace!

BEQUESTS FOR MASSES.

'An examination of the present condition of the law in this country regarding the validity of bequests for Masses for the sonis of deceased persons, by William Dillon, L. L. D., of the Irish Bar, and of the American Bar, States of Illinois and Colorado."

Of this book the Hon. Thomas A. Morar late judge of the Court of Appeals of the State of Illinois, writes: Chicago, November 17, 1896.

Chicago, November 17, 1896.
William Dillon, Esq.:
Dear Sir: I have read with interest your little book entitled "Bequests for Masses." It is such a book as should be in the hands of all lawyers who may be called on to draff wills for Catholics. The cases you cite show very clearly that the doctrine that a bequest for Masses for the soul of a deceased person is for a superstitious use, has been entirely exploded in this county, and the error which the New York courts have fallen into i. e. that the intended beneticiary of such a bequest was not a living person, and therefore the New York courts have taken into 1. e., that the intended beneficiary of such a bequest was not a living person, and therefore the request not enforceable, is clearly pointed out. As shown by the English and Irish decisions, where the service is in a church, and is open to all persons who may wish is open to all persons who may wish to be present thereat, the Masses pro vided for in such bequests are acts of public worship, and therefore legally "charitable." The distinctions which you point out, and the explanations which you make of the different cases, have escaped the authors of the ordinary text books on wi and charitable trusts, and will be new many members of the profession.

many members of the profession. I congratulate you on the clearness and succinctness with which you have discussed the subject. The practical suggestions which you make for drawing such bequests are pertinent and valuable. If they are followed, I think there can be no difficulty from such provisions in wills.

The "practical suggestions," referred to a Judge Moran's letter, contain precise irections as to how bequests of this charac-er should be framed, and are accompanied The book is published in two forms, viz The book is published in two forms, viz.: (1) bound in card-manila cover, price Scents; and (2) printed on extra fine, heavy, book paper, and bound in cloth, price SLO. It can be had in either form from the author, William Dillon, Rand McNally building, Chicago.

A Useful Catalogue.

Benziger Bros., 36 Barclay street, New York, have issued a catalogue entitled "Best Books for the Carbolic People," and also an illustrated Catalogue of Prayer Books. Both will be mailed free to any one writing for them. Both books will be found very useful.

Brockville Business College.

We beg to call attention to the advertise ment of the above excellent institution. Young men and women desiring a first class business education should write at once to Mr. C. W. Gay, principal. They may be as fortunate as Mr. McCord.

Phelpston Bazaar.

Ticket-holders for the above bazaar should send returns to Rev. M. J. Gearin, P. P., Phelpston, Ont., before Dec. 28th inst., as on that date the bazaar will begin.

Gold Ring Consolidated Mining

Company Have six mines and have \$250,000 worth of ore blocked out ready for mining. I can sell the stock of this company at 20 cents per share. Where buyer can take a thousand shares I will give one hundred shares as a bonus, if ordered before 15th Dec. Write for particulars. John A. Moody, British Columbia and Ontario Mines and Mining Stock Agent, London, Ontario.

ADVENT TIME.

We have now come to Advent, the opening of the Church's new year : that is to say, the ecclesiastical or liturgical year. The name which the period bears, though of somewhat later origin than the season itself, suffic-iently intimates for what purpose the Church instituted it, to wit, as a time wherein it behooves us to prepare for the proper celebration of the great feast of Christmas and the coming anew of the Christ Child to earth. Evidences of the observance of the Advent season are to be found in the works of the earliest ecclesiastical writers, and it is generally believed that the keeping of the season began in the Western and passed thence, towards the fourth century, into the Eastern Church. There are various views that may

be taken of this period which antedates the joyful day of Christ's birth at Beth lehem We may regard it as a time when, by works of penance, by good deeds, by charitable works, by pious meditations, etc., we should endeavor to fit our souls for the due observance of the great feast which Advent pre cedes, so that ours may be a goodly share in the bounteous graces which are then showered upon the world. Or, again, we may view it with the eyes of the Church, that eagerly awaits in its days the coming of her divine Founder, who is her head and her spouse; and who gives expression in her liturgy to her ardent aspirations for His speedy advent. We are im pressed with the penitential character of the period when we see the sombre of the vestments used by the priests at the altar : when we note the omission of the "Gloria" in the Masses of the season, and hear the "Benedica mus Domino" substituted for the "Ite Missa est," as though, to quote an emi nent writer on the subject, the Church feared to interrupt the prayers of the people and wished them to understand that their devotions cannot possibly be made too long during these days of

holy waiting and fervent expectation. And yet the sorrow of Advent is not the grief of Lent. For the Church is looking forward, not to Calvary, but to Bethlehem, and even in the first of these Advent days she seems to catch faint and far-away echoes of that glor ious anthem of joy which the shepherds of Judea first heard when the angelic choir sang it above the Syrian plains, and she hails its sweetness and glad tidings in anticipation by keeping the joyful Alleluia in the Masses and offices of the season. Nay, as the time of he waiting and expectation grows shorter, she gives, on the third Advent Sunday greater scope to the gladness that fill her heart at the contemplation of the Saviour's speedy coming; and she bids her children rejoice with her at His nearer approach and more certain ar

But from whatever point of view we regard this Advent season, we should be always mindful that it is too precious a period to be allowed to pass unprofited by, too gracious a time to be neglected. On our observance of it will depend to a large extent the measure of the favors and blessings that will fall to our individual lot when the Christ-Child again visits the world which He gladdened with His first com ing, long centuries ago, and which be long s in a particular manner to Him who redeemed it by His Passion and death. It is not enough for us to await His coming; we must prepare ourselves for the due celebration of His arrival. We ought in these days to hear forever sounding in our ears, and prompting us to constant action, the words which the Baptist of old uttered in Judea when He urged the people of that land to "prepare the way of the Lord and make straight his paths." We should hear and heed the Saviour's own words, so peculiarly appropriate in this holy season: "Let your kins be girt, and lamps burning in your hands, and ye yourselves be like unto men who wait for their Lord." We should strive to imitate, as far as we may, the saintly fervor and the ardeut desires with which the prophets of old sighed for the coming of the Messiah, whose glorious birth at Bathlehem it will be our privilege to celebrate anew with the Church in a few more days, when the wistful anticipations of Advent give place to the ons s in a particular manner to Him who redeemed it by His Passion and ew more days, when the wistful anticipations of Advent give place to the joyful realities of Christmas.

Our sanguine Advent anticipations should not, however, cause us to overlook and forget the need of our prepar ation by penitential practices for the coming of Him whose approach this period heralds. During these Advent days in an especial manner is it true that the Divine Saviour stands at the door of our hearts and knocks. He comes to ask if we are ready to receive Him when He will again revisit the earth as the Babe of Bethlehem; He wishes to know if our souls, which should all be His temples, are fitted, by their freedom from sin and corruption. for His reception on Christmas morning He wants none of us to be comprised in the category of those ungrateful souls of whom the Evangelist said "He came to his own, and his own re-ceived him not." On the contrary, He wishes us all to be of those to whom, because they received Him, "He gave them power to be made the sons of born not of blood, nor of the flesh, God. but of God.

And, finally, we can ever look beyond Bethlehem in these Advent days and see that other coming of Christ to judge the world at the last day. Church does not torget that view of the season while she prepares for the celebration of Christmas and yearns for the coming of the Infant Saviour. get glimpses of her visions of that Advent liturgy where she employs

scriptural passages that tell of the iread which will befail the world when the day of final judgment comes, and employs them for the purpose of awak-ening from the sleep of sin those of her children who have allowed themselves to fall into that dreadful lethargy. But if from this point of view Advent be a season of fear, wherein it behoove us to remember the dread judgment that awaits us all it is also a time o oyful preparation to welcome the Infant Saviour to Bethlehem-a time velcome Him into our hearts at Holy Communion. Surely, if we study the Church's liturgy devoutly and humbly, under the Holy Spirit's guidance, praying with faith and fervor, we may joy fully, in the words of to-day's gospel, "look up, and lift up our heads, be-cause our redeemption is at hand."— Sacred Heart Review.

Sickness of the Soul.

In a review of some of the hitherto unpublished writings of Charlotte Bronte, says the Catholic Columbian, the critic says that in a letter to her sister Emily, she describes in full the incident of which she made such a dramatic chapter in "Villette"-the con fession to a Roman Catholic priest in a cathedral. The priest discovered tha she was a Protestant, and at first was not going to allow her to confess. she adds:- "I actually did confess-a real confession." I understand that, under certain circumstances, where there is evident sincerity, the confessions of Protestants have been heard just as a confidential disclosure might be made to the priest at any time and in any manner. Absolution is another thing. I know a Protestant lady, burdened with many sorrows and temptations, who expressed an ardent desire to reveal her conscience to priest. The poor soul had no way, in ner own church, to satisfy spiritual needs, and yet lacked the faith and

resolution to be converted and live. There are many thousands similarly situated. They feel a sickness of the soul and would be glad to have a covereign remedy, but hait this side of 'the washing of the sinner." been in the habit of praying for some of these brethren. Now and then, of these brethren. Now and then, am encouraged at their progress, and now and ther, they have relapses, that cause me serious apprehension est death surprise them without the hope of "invincible ignorance." we must pray without ceasing. A good priest told me once that conver sions were sometimes wrought when least expected and when the subject seemed a desperate case.

Our souls are like wood— the more they at sorb the oil of humility and submission the sooner they will possess Divine love.

MARKET REPORTS.

London, Dec. 10.— Wheat, 82 to 84c per bushel. Oats, 15 3 10 to 19 7 10 per bush. Peas, 35 to 42c per bush. Barley, 19 1 5 to 31 1 5 c per bushel. Buckwheat, 26 2 5 to 28 4 5 c per bushel. Buckwheat, 26 2 5 to 28 4 5 c per bush. Rye, 25 1 5 to 30 4 5 c per bush. Corn. 28 to 33 3 5 c. per bush. There was a large meat supply, and beer was dull, at 85,50 to 85,50 per cwt. Lamb. 95 to 7c. per pound by the parcass, and 7 and 8c a pound by the quarter. Dressed hogs, 84,50 to 84,75 for No. 1 light pigs. Very heavy only brought 81 per cwt. Turkeys were in fair demand, at 7 to 8c. a pound. Geese, 5c a 1b. Ducks, 50 to 70c a pair. Fowls, 35 to 60c a pair, Fowls, 35 to 60c a pair, excerding to quality. Butter, 14 to 15c, a 1b. by the basket. Crocks, 13c, a 1b. Eggs, 16 to 18c, a doz. Apples 65 to 76c, a bbl and 20 to 25c a bag. Potatoes, 35 to 40c, a bag. Cabbages, 20 to 30c a doz. Turnips, 25 to 30c a bag. Onions, 50 to 60c a bag. Hay, \$7.50 to 88.00 a ton.

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