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THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

The recent death of the great humoris who so long instructed as well as amused orld, under the pseudonym of "Pe-m V. Nasby," has drawn renewed the world, un attention upon his writings.* America has created a class of humorous writers more niversal and potent in their charm, per-haps, than those of any other country or period. Of these, it is not exaggeration to say that "Petroleum V. Nasby" was the greatest, in that his humor, if less unfailing, ess controlling, than that, for instance, of Mark Twain or Artemus Ward, is more securely based upon moral purpose and an earnest humanitarianism. In the great struggle between North and South, the work of "Petroleum V. Nasby" counted definitely as a potent factor-and counted for the right. This help was recognized with continual gratitude and admiration by Lincoln himself, who once said to Sumner, regarding the Nasby letters, "For the genius to write these things I would gladly give up my office." The volume entitled. The Struggles of Petroleum V. Nasby, is prefaced by an introduction from the pen of Summer himself, who testifies warmly to the part these letters played "in the war with slavery, and in advancing reconstruc-tion." Mr. Summer says further: "It is impossible to measure their value." The humor of Nasby is not at all dependent upon grotesque spelling, but shines forth more attractively, to our mind, in those works wherein the orthography of our English tongue is respected. Such are the shrewd and inimitable Morals of Abou Ban Adhem, and the racily realistic story of A Paper City. The work called Haunat Jane is a pocin, serious and sincere, without a trace even of sportiveness. Its deep human note, and its unaffected pathos, afford a striking evidence of the richness of the author's nature. Of him, far more than of his fellow humor-ists, may it be said that the world is not of Sumner himself, who testifies warmly to ists, may it be said that the world is not interest.

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his rich knowledge of our history and our local development. This renders the work faithful, and of special value to the Canadian reader. Miss Wetherald supplies the omance, the skilful and racy dialogue. She has a trained and effective pen, and a marked gift for spirited fiction. She has insight also, and will and we expect of her, with her very evident' powers, better things than those she has yet given us. We cancannot but think that such a partnership as this between Miss Wetherald and Mr.

magazine. This number, fresher a magazine. This number, fresher and brighter than ever, begins the 27th volume. The illustrations are numerous, varied and good; the contributions as used above the standard. Edward Evere: Hale writes very interestingly of The Gtory of Bosten Common, Two Hundred and Ffty Years-Ago. The frontispiece is an admirable piece of work, showing the original polo players. Plucky Small and Double Roses, two bright serials are begun, and the short stories are very entertaining, one of them, "Eurania's Boys," being a charming production by Margaret Sidney. Published by D. Lothrop. company, Boston. Price 20 cents. A new book by Robert Louis Stevenson is about to be published by Scribners under the title of *The Black Arrow: A Tale of the Two Roses*. The story is full of the atmosphere of adventure, and is one of the strongest pieces of romantic writing ever done by Mr. Stevenson. Twelve full-page illustrations by Will H. Low and Alfred Brennan will be included in the book, which the publishers are to put forth both in cloth and paper forms. Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett's spark-ling story of *A Fair Barbarian*, pronounced by many to be the best of this author's mature works, firs-just, heen added by the Scribners to their paper-covered books by popular authors.

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ists, may it be said that the world is not only the more cheerful but the better for his work. ** In this compact little volume,† we have in fact two works—an abridgement of Dr. Withrow's well known *History of Canada*, and a sketch-survey of Canadian literature, by Mr. G. Mercer Adam. The former

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Church of England.

At the morning and evening services in St. John's church last Sunday, hymns were sung illustrative of the history of Psalmody in the Christian church. The hymns sung and the periods of history which they illus-trate are given below :— The Early Church : (a) "O Jesus, Lord of heavenly grace,"

(No. 2.in H. C.)-Translation by the Rev. John Chandler from the Latin of Ambrose, bishop of Milan (340-335) the reputed anthon of the 'Te Denne landamus', and the creator of western hymnology.

Methodist.

PROGRESS, SATURDAY, JUNE 16.

Wide Awake for June is a delightful A MAN OF THE PEOPLE.

The Works of His Life Have then Min Great, — The Welfare of His Feople First Consideration—The Jubilee Ad and Charity Hospital. The portrait of Bishop Swe

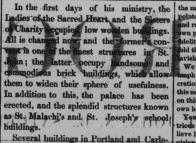
The portrait of Bishop Sweeny given be-low is the first likeness of his Lordship i which has appeared in any journal. The biography which accompanies it sims not at minuteness—it would take pages in that case—but to collect and note the important events in the life of this man who has done so much for the city in which he was reared,

educated, and has lived.

Everyone knows Bishop Sweeny. He is a man of the people. Bred with them, taught with them, he is loved by the people of the Roman Catholic church and respected

and honored by those of other denominations. His friends are legion, his enemies few, if any. From the day he became bishop of St. John his aim has been the good of his people and the advancement of prosperous settlements in Johnville in his church. Thousands will bear testimony to the grandness of his labor among the poor and scores of handsome buildings and it difficult to eke out an existence in the city,

towering spires are some evidence of now possess happy homes in these places



Several buildings in Portland and Carles-ton can be pointed as evidences of his ener-getic interest in everything which was for the peoples' good. One of his greatest works in this respect was the establishment of St. Patrick's Industrial school in 1880. His great completed works of later years are the magnificent edifices in Portland and the church of St. John the Baptist in Lower Cove.

So much has been said of his Lordship's regard tor the welfare of his people that PROGRESS will cite but a few instances. The most successful of his schemes are the Carleton county and St. Paul's in Kent

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John, but in county Tyrone, Ireland. When his father, Mr. James Sweeny, came to St. John his son, who was but a boy, accompanied him, and from the time he set foot in the new hemisphere he began to display those habits of industry and appli-ance which have helped his advancement, and, with native ability, placed him in his proud position of today.

This education was begun in 'the old grammar school, where he attended many years, and gained a thorough preparation for more advanced studies pursued in later days at college. These he pursued at St.

tal Pius IX. for having appointed over us one not only worthy of our obedience and rever uses as relate of the church, but in his own peirs ennine w deserving of all our love and delity. Iny God veguite to you even, a hundred old the benchts your Episcopal administration has aviabled on us! We have wit ph the imposing ecremony of the solemn tion in all the splendor of the church's riv

we heart. You have often spoken with love or your trious predecessor in this Sec. We would fain be-lieve his spirit is present here now amongst us. The index of his mitred head rises to the minds of many the bink us ungenerous and

lieve his spirit is present here now amongst us. The vision of his mitred head cines to the minds of many here today, and you would think us imgenerous and unjust, if we failed on this occasion, fo offer a tribute of gratitude to his memory. And now, my Lord, we take the liberty of offering for your acceptance, along with this address, this purse as a faint and inadequate expression of our es-teem and affection. May you continue in the high place you now occupy for many years—years which we know will, if granted, be like those that have preceded them and that now go to make up your Silver Jubice, not only golden, taken year by year, but each one composed of golden days and hours. Signed on behalf of the Cathedral congregation, R. J. RTEGERS. R. J. RITONT

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My LORD,-On behalf of the Catholics of Portland, we beg to On behalf of the Cathôlics of Portland, we beg to tender your lordship our sincere congratulations on this the 25th anniversary of your consecration as bishop of St. John. It is with deepest feelings of devotion towards your lordship, and gratitude for all the good you have done, that the Catholics of Portland look back upon the many years your lord-ship has been connected with them, both as priest and bishop, and that they see in their own parish, as well as all through the diocese, the fruits of your successful 'administration. The temples crected everywhere, the many useful foundations for the untring energy and zeal during the 25 years of yos successful administration. The temples creek everywhere, the many useful foundations for th good of the poor and the orphans will bear forcy testimony of your lordship's solicitude for the po-of your flock and perpetuate your memory in th

country. We appreciate also your noble efforts in the great cause of education, and shall always gratefully re-member how you have struggled to insure to our children the benefits of religious training, which alone can make them good, law-abiding citizens in this world, and secure their happiness in the next. We seize also this opportunity to thank your Lord-ship for having placed in charge of this parish, the zealous priests of the Redemptorist order, whose un-casing efforts and anxious care for the spiritual wel-fare of the parishioners, have fully institled the wis-dom of your choice. Our prayers will accent constantly to beaven to ask (od to reward your Lordship's labors here and hereafter, and to grant us the blessing that your Lordship's life may yet be long preserved for the good of your spiritual children. Signed on behalf of committee, I. V. DEBURY, Chairman, Joux Coxyong, Rishon Swoony has here descripted as of we appreciate also your noble efforts in the great

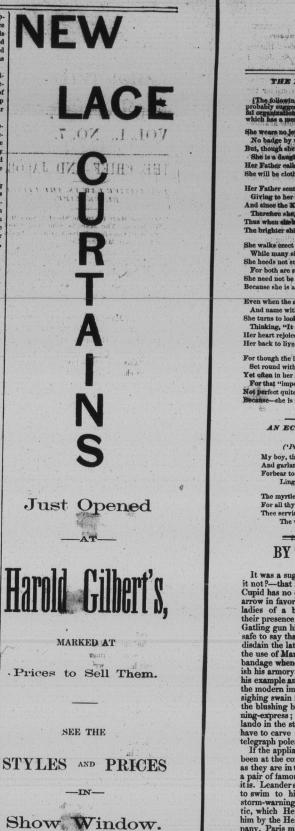
Bishop Sweeny has been described as of edium stature and of slight build. Although he has reached his 67th year, the only sign of age is a sprinkling of gray through his hair. He walks with an elastic but deliberate step. His voice is low but exceedingly clear and sweet in its tone, and when he occupies the pulpit of the cathe-dral, can be heard distinctly in every portion of the large building. No bishop in this diocese has ever before so thoroughly won and retained the confidence of his people. He is respected by the great and lowly alike, and metes out even handed justice to all. Although somewhat reticent he is like most of his countrymen, a good conversationalist and an excellent and forcible preacher. The office of bishop requires good executive and administrative ability. Both of these Bishop Sweeny possesses m a large degree and to these are due a great share of his success.

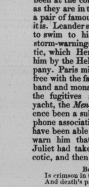


Thy lightest law my lagging spirit spurs, And under heat and burden bids me stand.

So, in thy name the old line fence I scale, Just where the whispering maple shades the Just where the whereares place; I mount the panel with the softest rail, And let the light winds fau my patient face; And there, where birds and moments idly fitt-I sit, and sit, and sit, and sit, and sit. —Brooklyn Eagle.

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India and should be in the hands of every school officer and person desirous of com-paring our own school system with those of the other colonics. Published by William Collins, Sons & Co., and for sale at Me-Millan's. Price 90 cents. Robert Buchanan's new novel, The Heir *f Linne*, is published in pamphlet form by the National Publishing company, Toronto, and for sale in this city (price 30 cents) by Mifred Morrissey. It is a striking story, only marred by the introduction of one of the impossible Americans that English writers delight to pieture. Methodist Layman") writes a letter to the St. John Sun in criticism of one of the ser-mons preached at the recent convention, and of the manner of conducting the con-vention, and of holinese as presented by the brotheren there. Signing a fictitious name under such circumstances shows cowardice. The argument shows ignorance. The whole letter is a clear demonstration that his nom de phume is a misnomer, Whatever else he is, he is no Methodist. Otherwise he would not have taught sanctification by growth and development.—Boston Christian Witness.

(b) "The day is past and over," (b) "The day is past and over," (c) $(N_0, 22$ in H. ()—Translated by Neale from a Greek lymn usually assigned to Anatolius, patriarch of Constantinople, (458.) The Mediæval Church : "Day of wrath, The Mettacous Contrast, O day of mourning!" (No. 68 in R. C.)-Translation by Dr. Irons from the Latin hymn, Dies irac, dies illin, probably writ-ten by Thomas of Celano, in the Jath century, ten by Thomas of Celano, in the Jath century. after continued and hard study, he graduated in 1844. That same year he took priest's orders, and returning to St. John, was stationed here by Bishop Dollard.

The Reformation : "A safe stronghold our God is still." Sussex, Chatham and Barachois knew Translated by Thomas Carlyle, in the year 1831, from the chorale, "Ein" feste Burg ist unser Gott," written by Luther (1483-1546), who also composed the trans. him in later years. He was located in

Barachois when called to the episcopate. Bishop Connolly appointed him vicar-general, and while holding this office, he The Seventeenth Century: "When all thy mercies, O my God." preached before the Halifax council. He (No. 497 in H. C.)-Written by Joseph Addison, writer and statesman (1672-1719). isited Rome in 1866, in 1870, when he The Eighteenth Century : "Jesus, lover my soul."

attended the vatican council, and in 1881. (No. 140 in II. C.)-Written by the Rev. Charles Wesley, the chief hymn-writer of the great evan-gelical revival, born 1708, died 1788. When New Brunswick was divided into two dioceses, Vicar-General Sweeny was insecrated bishop and given charge of the The Nineteenth Centurg: "Just as I am without one plea." southern diocese. This was in 1860, 25 (No. 138 in II. C.)-Written by Miss Charlotte Elliott, of Brighton. Born 1789, died 1871. The rector, Rev. John de Soyres, years ago. There are hundreds in the city who remember the day and occasion of his consecration. It took place on Low Sunpreached on church music in the evening. day, April 15, and Rev. Dr. Connolly,

archbishop of Halifax, performed the ceremony, assisted by the bishops of Boston, Portland, Me., and Arichat, N. S.

No place knows Bishop Sweeny so well as his native city, which year after year has seen the fruit of his great and successful labors. The visible results are many and substantial. Since he assumed charge, it can be said that the cathedral has been completed and ornamented. The last word implies much, for no structure in the country presents a more beautiful or attractive

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performed bears ample testimony to the manner in which you have dedicated the precious gifts of your episcopacy to the service of God, the propagation of His truth, and the spiritual and temporal well-being of your flock. On every side, in every locality, throughout your diocese, new missions have been formed, churches erected, colleges, convents and schools extablished. But your lordship has especial claim on the love and affections of this congregation, which we acknowledge with profound gratitude. The long term of your losstorate over us, the unremitting devotion with which you have labored for our welfare the zeal with which you have labored for our welfare the zeal with which you have labored for our welfare the zeal with which you have faught us the great truths of our holy religion, the simple dignity of character you have shown, have won for you an affectionate reverence and regard. The fruits of your yeal cluster thick around you—the magnificent converts and schools yon have founded and built, the religious and charitable societies you have organized and the new churches recently creeted—all these form indeed a mighty monument of a great life, of your constant, effective and unwearying labors; but there is a memorial even nobler, even more lasting, which is enshrined in the memories and in the very soils of us your children, your filends.

and in the very souls of us your children, your friends.
 Twenty-five years spent in the Episcopate of the Catholic church are indeed years to be contemplated with a grave and reversant mind. They are years that cannot have passed away and left an incomsiler, able record behind them. Their record on the contrary, contains many things that are of vast import. Words and actions that have awayed the lives of many alive today, and that have also affected the lot of hundreds of souls now gone before the judgment seat of God. It is given to few, as it has been given to your Lordship, to determine by their teaching and example the happiness in time and eternity of thus sands. In proportion, then, to the honght that if has been employed as to have been everywhere the source of countiess blessings. We beg, My Lowi, to express in this manner our sense of what your carcer as a Bishop has been, of the privilege we have enjoyed in having now for so long lived as your spiritual children, and of the graft and we owe



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