

of foreign missions has been going on in New York, there has been going on in the more ostentatious but less popular city of Boston another conference known as the "Liberal Council of Religion." These conferences differ in a way worth noting.

The Bostonian, etc., conference is in New York takes the view that it is the duty of all Protestant Christians (to Rome they will have nothing to say) to labor for the conversion of the heathen to Protestant Christianity. They do not name a specific kind of Protestant Christianity. Apparently, any kind of Christianity will do, provided it is Protestant, and not Catholic or Roman. The other conference, who met at Boston, don't agree in this at all. They think that it is the duty of Protestant Christianity to let the heathen alone. They are very broad. They think that Mohammedanism, Buddhism, Brahminism and Confucianism, if not quite as good as Christianity, are so far good that it is better to cultivate friendly relations with them, and to try to realize the good that is to be found in the spirit common to all religions.

Correction.

In our report of the recent reception of Mr. Falconio at St. Michael's College, the name of Mr. M. Teefy, the father of Rev. Dr. Teefy, Superior of St. Michael's College, was inadvertently omitted from the list of the distinguished guests invited on that occasion.

Fact or Fancy.

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her husband's house and, as Phillips relates, "having for a month led a philosophic life after having been used at home to a great house, and much company and joviality, her friends, possibly by her own desire, made certain parts of her company and the remaining part on promise of a return at Michaelmas. At Michaelmas Mary failed to appear in London. He sent letters. No answer. He despatched a special messenger, who was sent back with some excuse, therefore, for Milton under the cruel circumstances; but probably more for Mary. Milton determined to repudiate his disobedient wife and to satisfy his own conscience wrote and published "The Doctrine and Discipline of Divorce" and other works on the subject, for which he was cited before the Bishop in solemn convocation at Westminster, who soon dismissed him.

But these literary wanderings did not bring him back to his wife. But it was impossible for a man of Milton's transcendent genius, who was destined to walk in spirit with Adam and Eve in the lovely groves of Paradise, to be long at a loss for a plan to bring his face a scintilla nearer to his wife. In with great fervor to court "a young woman of great accomplishments" who, because she had a better conception of duty and honesty than her wretched, deservingly to be mentioned in this story, as the daughter of one Dr. Davis. This came to the ears of Milton's wife and brought about the discomfiture. Milton happened to be visiting at a friend's house when, to his astonishment, his wife came to him from another room and implored forgiveness on her knees. "He realized her entreaties for a while, but, partly, his own generous nature, more inclinable to reconciliation than to perseverance in anger or revenge, and partly the strong interest of his friends on both sides, soon brought him to an act of oblivion and a firm league of peace." The wives of geniuses generally seem to have an unhappy time of it. Mary Powell was not the only wife of Milton. He and two others, but none of them were happy with him, nor had they the power to make him happy. The last, Elizabeth Minshull, he married on the recommendation of Dr. Pague, because "being blind and by no means wealthy, he wanted a domestic companion and attendant." "All his wives," says Johnson, "were vigorous; for he has declared that he thought it gross and indelicate to be a second husband. Upon what other principle his choice was made cannot now be known; but marriage afforded not much of his happiness. The first wife left him in disgust, and was brought back only in terror; the second wife, indeed, seems to have been more a favorite, but her life was short. The third, as Phillips relates, oppressed his children in his lifetime, and cheated him at his death."

Knowing the story of Milton and his married life, one cannot help thinking that the author of the "Doctrine and Discipline" wrote a lesson to the Mrs. Milton of the time, when he made Eve speak her husband's words to her and make her his wife.

"My author and disposer, what thou biddest
Unargued I obey; so God ordains;
God is thy law, thou mine; to know
no more
Is woman's happiest knowledge, and
her praise."

JULY EXAMINATIONS.

The time-table for the July examinations has been issued by the Education Department. The examinations begin as follows:—The Public School leaving, on July 3rd; the commercial specialist examination, on July 4th; the junior leaving and junior matriculation examinations, on July 5th; the senior leaving and senior matriculation examinations on July 9th.

A monumental statue of the late Cardinal Lavigne was recently dedicated at Birkbeck. The Cardinal is represented standing, his eyes turned toward the desert, holding in his right hand his pastoral crozier, which he seems to be planting in that desert land toward which went forth all his energies as Bishop and cardinal.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE LITERATURE.

THE DESTRUCTION OF SENNAACHERIB.

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INTRODUCTION. Assyria was an ancient country of Asia, lying upon the banks of the Tigris, the seat of one of the greatest monarchs of antiquity. The maps come from Assyria (Assur), the supposed founder of the state Sennacherib, vain and haughty, a terrible scourge in war, was the ruler of Assyria when its power was at its height. He was bent on the conquest of Jerusalem when the event described in the poem showed the miraculous intervention of God in answer to the prayer of Hezekiah. "And it came to pass that night that an angel of the Lord came and slew in the camp of the Assyrians 185,000, and when he arose in the morning he saw that the bodies of the dead." Read IV Kings, XV. 12. Paraphrase, XXXI. 1-23.

TURBORE. State this briefly in your own words.

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V. Appearance of their riders.
VI. The mourning; destruction of identity.

The progress of the destruction is from vague statements to vivid—a picture with all its details, rising from brute to human and ending in the relation of the people to God.

PRELIMINARY STUDY. How does this account compare with that given in the Bible? What lesson are we supposed to learn from this event? What was the effect in Assyria, in Judea? Give meaning of "sheer, waxed, rocking, surging, distorted, loud in their wail, unsmote."

CLASS STUDY. Explain clearly what is meant by the simile in the first line.

"And... gold! Cohorts were properly divisions of a Roman legion or army."

"Gleaming... gold." To show the riches and power of the state.

"Shen... seen." This may suggest not only the brightness of the weapons, but also the large number of men in that clear air a great host of stars are visible.

"Gallies." A lake in Palestine, near Jerusalem, associated with many events in our Lord's life.

"Alone... atoned." This comparison is at once striking and beautiful.

"Spread... blast." Give this in your own words.

"Breathed... foe." Compare, "The Lord God breathed into his face the breath of life, and the man became a living soul." Gen. II. 7. "Foe," shows that the poet takes which side?

"T... still." A forcible description of the suddenness of their death, and of the death struggle (heaven). The latter part is a description of death in a poetic way, without harshness.

"Through... pride." Express in your own words, bringing out the force of "rolled" and "breath of their pride."

"Lay... surging." Notice that "white" and "cold" have the same relation—lay white and cold—of which of these shows death? In what respects is it like the spray?

"Distorted." Because of his death agony; similarly "dew" of death on his brow.

"Tents... unblown." What would be the difference if the army had not been slain?

"Whirls... wall." Because so many of their men had died.

"Moan... hail." Hail was the supreme god of the Canaanites and other neighboring nations; his worship was introduced into Israel somewhat before this. Sennacherib had his temples destroyed and his worshippers put to death.

"Might... Lord!" This couplet makes a most striking close to a stirring poem. Gentiles. A name given by the Jews to all not of their nationality. Explain what "might" means.

"Fingered... sword." The army was not defeated in battle.

"Hath... Lord!" Show the points of this striking comparison.

ALEC YEATON'S SON.

PURPOSE. To give a simple but striking instance of God's vengeance upon his creatures and to encourage us to put our fullest trust in Him.

PLAN. Introduction; the skipper's fear for his little son's safety; his trust in God's protection; the storm; the child's rescue and the wonder of the skipper.

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Give the meaning of "skipper, warn, stern-sheets, ill betide, quail, marvel, deuce, stalwart."

CLASS STUDY. "The... wailed." We often interpret our surroundings according to our frame of mind; to the skipper's anxious mind the wind appears to be moaning and wailing, as if foreboding ill. Notice the construction—"the wind it moaned"—this form of poem, the ballad, usually imitates in its style or quality construction. A good example is seen in l. 2 of the last stanza; find others.

"White caps." What does this tell about the sea? "Fleeked." Streaked or spotted.

"Spurred." Why should the skipper be represented as speaking thus? "Saw... by." This contains a very good example of alliteration. "Laughed," because not knowing the danger. "Said," low-hanging clouds, show force of "Sunburst." To show that he was out in all kinds of weather, therefore experienced.

"Grew wan." Why? Give in your own words.

"Wicked sky." How can this be said about the sky?

"Eyes... dark." Why? State in other words. What does this show about the skipper?

"Shook... steel." In what sense is this true? What is the full meaning of the line?

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CONFIRMATION CEREMONIES.

Two hundred children and 40 adults were confirmed in St. Patrick's Church, Montreal, on the 13th inst. by Archbishop Bruneau. The Archbishop was assisted by Rev. Fathers Callaghan and Heffernan. There was a very large congregation.

On Saturday His Grace officiated at a similar ceremony at the Church of St. Louis de France, Montreal. Miss Bourque, professor of music, presided at the organ and a fine musical programme was given. There was a large gathering of the faithful.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Anglin has taken up her residence permanently in New York with her family. Her daughter, Miss Margaret Anglin, takes the leading part very cleverly in a curtain-raiser, "The Bugle Call," at the Empire Theatre, and Miss Alice Anglin, by reason of her many gifts, is also greatly sought after in that city.

Quebec.—Mr. Thos. J. Carbray, son of our esteemed fellow-citizen, Felix Carbray, Esq., M.P., and who was recently admitted to the practice of law after a brilliant examination, begins his professional career in the office of the eminent law firm of Messrs. Caron, Pentland & Stuart. Mr. Carbray is to be congratulated on his start in life under such auspicious circumstances, and those who know him predict for him a bright future. Mr. Carbray is a graduate of Laval University, Quebec.

Rev. Father Jankowski is proposing to build a new presbytery at Wilno. Rev. Father Chalm, of Arriprior, intends taking a trip to France, his native land, this summer. He will take in the Paris Exposition.

NEWS ITEMS.

The London, Eng., Daily Chronicle remarks:—"Mr. J. Israel Tarte, the French-Canadian Minister of Public Works and Canadian Commissioner to the Paris Exhibition, is a strong advocate of colonial representation in the Imperial council. 'I believe,' he said not long ago, 'that I will not die before I see the Prime Minister of Canada sitting at the Imperial council board with the Prime Minister of England.' Mr. Tarte's father took part in rebellion against British rule in 1837. The contrast between father and son is significant of the change which the Victorian era of justice and freedom has brought about in the sentiments of the French-Canadians towards Great Britain."

The Netherlands Peace Society has addressed an appeal to President McKinley begging him for the mission, to investigate their case, to bring about arbitration and put a stop to the perilous war in South Africa.

Lowell, Mass., May 15.—While St. Patrick's Church was being repaired, a regular, and several hundred worshippers were in the church at 8 o'clock Mass, Thomas McElmurt, a painter, fell from the steeple of the church, a distance of 175 feet, and was killed.

In his descent he struck a ridge of the slate roof, and bounded over, lighting upon a picket fence. Matches in his pocket set fire to his clothing after he struck the fence.

As the people rushed from the church frightened by the noise of the falling man, the roof—they found a tangled mass of pickets and clothing lying the body, and flames breaking out of the pile.

The Pope the other day received the Princess Stephanie and her husband, Count Lonyay, recognizing the former, not as a royal personage, but as the Countess Lonyay. He showed such great kindness and tenderness in his manner that the Princess burst into tears, and confided in him her grief at her estrangement with her father. The Pope, then laying his hand on the Princess' head, assured her that he would use all his influence to reconcile her with her relatives and parents, and exclaimed, "Trust in God, who will protect you." His Holiness presented the Princess with his photograph with an editorial autograph.

Prince Rupert, of Bavaria, whose engagement has just been announced, is the eldest of the ten surviving children of the Queen of the Regent, and will therefore be the ordinary course of succession to the throne of Bavaria. He is now 14 years of age.

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