

tell us still, that there is no specific for alcohol. A physician of great reputation in the United States, Dr. Hammond, has stated that no habit formed by the use of intoxicants can be cured by medicine—furthermore, that no habit whatever, such as smoking or taking a walk at a particular hour, can be cured by medicine. That is one fact; the other is, that we have a large number of cases in which the Keeley treatment has been successful. How are we to reconcile these two experiential contradictory facts? What part does gold play? A critic in the *Arena* of January claims that it is merely a concession to the materialism of the age—that though nominally a gold cure, it is really a mind cure. Whether it searches the root of the evil by way of the physical or the psychical branch of nature makes little difference. If the Keeley treatment can minister to a mind thus diseased, its author is a benefactor of humanity. But such benefits ought not to be under locks which cannot be opened except by golden keys. Why do not those who have charge of the Gold Cure Institutes go like apostles amongst the poor; for amongst them drunkenness works its worst evils? The difficulty seems to be that the poor cannot afford the time to be treated. It remains for benevolence to aid the cause; and for some of the wealthy who have been cured to found Institutes so that the poor may avail themselves of such a boon. Then will it serve humanity, and rank with the League of the Cross and the administrations of Catholic charity, which is never satisfied unless it is seeking the poorest and lowliest, wherever they may be.

Funeral of Father O'Reilly.

The solemn ceremony of laying to rest all that was mortal of this good priest took place in St. Joseph's Church last Thursday morning at half past ten. His Grace the Archbishop assisted in cope and mitre at the Mass, supported by Vicar-General McCann and Father J. Walsh, Secretary. The Very Rev. Dean Harris was celebrant, with Father Kilcullen as deacon, and Father V. Kiernan as sub-deacon. Father Hand acted as master of ceremonies. The following is a list of the other priests present: Very Rev. Dean Cassidy, Rev. Fathers Allain, Brennan, C.S.B., Coyle, Duffy, Egan, Finan, Gallagher, Gearin, Gibney, Gibra, Hogan, Jeffcott, Kelly, E. J. Kiernan, Labouree, Lafontaine, Lamarche, McCarthy, C.S.S.R., McEntee, McMahon, McPhillips, Morris, Moyna, Murray, C.S.B., F. O'Reilly of Hamilton Diocese, Redden, Rohleder, Ryan, Teefy, C.S.B., Trayling, F. Walsh, C.S.B., and Whitney. The Church was crowded with a large and sympathetic congregation, who, by their numbers and many expressions of sorrow, showed their respect for the departed and their grief at their own loss. His Worship Mayor Fleming was present, together with Rev. W. Frizzel; G. B. Smith, M.L.A.; Aldermen Small, Leslie and Lamb; S. S. Trustees M. O'Connor, M. Walsh, James Ryan, D. A. Carey; Eugene O'Keefe, P. Boyle, Thos. O'Connor, Wm. O'Connor, James Larkin, T. J.

O'Leary, W. D. West, Thos. Finucane, John Pape, J. J. Cosgrove, M. Lynch, J. Doyle, Angus Kerr, M. Ronan, R. Manson, J. M. Quinn, J. Pape, ex-Alderman Mitchell, J. Radcliffe, W. Radcliffe, F. A. Anglin, Wm. Kelly, C. Vincent, J. May, Wm. Clarke, Joseph Power, Geo. Leslie, W. J. Conway, Mr. Howarth, W. J. Hall, and others.

After Mass his Grace the Archbishop addressed in very touching terms both priests and people. He said that it was not usual to have sermons at Catholic funerals; for the great Church of God is slow at canonizing her children; and if the living will not be touched by the silent eloquence of him who is dead, they will not be touched by the voice of the Church's minister. But he could not allow the occasion to go by without saying a word upon its solemnity, and bearing public witness to the zealous priest whose remains now lay before them. The most solemn thing in life is death. It was not in God's original plan—it followed upon sin, of which it is the logical consequence. After sin came death, says the Apostle, and death reigned from Adam until Christ. Ever since the fall it walks like a spectre by man's side in this dark valley of tears. It passes over none—the Pope must die, bishops and priests must die, the laity must die. It is so universal that it knows no exception, so impartial that it admits no favor, so powerful that it fears no resistance. The certainty of death is therefore one characteristic; and its uncertainty is another. Almost the last time that we met together in that church, only a little more than twelve months ago, we met to do honor to Father O'Reilly upon the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. And now, that joy is changed to sorrow. You mourn your pastor, and we mourn a priest whom we respected and in whom we had great confidence. Father O'Reilly was a large man, a large hearted man. You have had experience of it; your poor, your sick have experienced it. He never knew fear if it was a question of duty. When the small-pox hospital was established the civic authorities applied to me for Sisters to take charge of it. The Sisters cheerfully did so. I found the same readiness when I asked Father O'Reilly to minister to the spiritual wants of the Sisters and the patients. His fourteen years while your pastor were characterized by zeal, by energy and devotion. And now that he is gone, although we trust he is already in bliss eternal, still when we consider the infinite sanctity of God we must offer our prayers for him. You especially, my dear people, whom he served so long and so faithfully, you should pray for him, you should have the great merits of the holy sacrifice applied to his soul, that that great atonement may appeal to the mercy seat God of on his behalf.

Immediately after the sermon his Grace administered the last absolution. The coffin was then closed, the procession formed, and the remains deposited in a vault under the Church which Father O'Reilly had built and served faithfully for fourteen years.

It is authoritatively stated that our next Governor General will be Lord Aberdeen.

Book Notices.

"A Practical Guide for Catholics." Such is the title of a small book sent to us from St. Louis, Mo. Neat in form and containing only seventy-two pages it can readily be carried around in a pocket, and might well be called a pocket guide for Catholics. It fulfils its aim in being practical, for it treats of the most important moral subjects of religion, without any ornamentation of style or special order of arrangement. It is also a guide; for it places clearly before the reader the line of conduct to pursue in relation to his pastor, sacraments, &c. &c. The sections upon sick-calls and the requirements of a Catholic home for such occasions are admirable and well worthy of a more pretentious volume.

It is from the pen of a missionary priest of the Diocese of St. Joseph, Mo., and is published by B. Herder, St. Louis.

We have received a brochure from Father Whelan of Ottawa upon "The Civil Allegiance of Catholics," and published by the Catholic Truth Society. Anything from Father Whelan is welcome, and commands attention. The occasion which called this pamphlet forth was a sermon delivered by some Presbyterian minister on the anniversary of Guy Fawkes. In our simplicity and youth at newspaper work we thought that rag was in threads ages ago. How long will these ranting ministers abuse our patience? Having no dogma of their own they attack ours; having no saints of their own they celebrate such anniversaries as that of Guy Fawkes; and having no charity of their own they desecrate the cloth they wear, the pulpit they occupy and the alleged authority under which they speak to insult and malign their Catholic neighbors. However they must be followed up; and Father Whelan has done so with his usual talent and success. As our space is taken up this week we shall give some extracts in our next issue. It is right that we should keep track of such men as Dr. Campbell, and that we should not allow their statements to go without protest. But we would like them to give us something newer than Guy Fawkes—even boys laugh at that.

We have also received "The Annual Report of the Truth Society of Ottawa," of which Sir John Thompson is President. This Society was formed on November 8th, 1891, and during the year held eighteen meetings. Some pamphlets have been issued under their auspices, but the greater number of pamphlets were imported from the English Catholic Truth Society. As many as 5967 publications have been put into circulation. One part of their work is to contradict misstatements on Catholic subjects; but it was necessary on two occasions only to send communications to the press in defence of Catholic Truth. There is a membership of about 100. The receipts amount to \$817.00, and the expenses to \$264.62, thus leaving a fair balance with which to start.

We offer our congratulations upon the success of the Branch at Ottawa.

The seed that is cast by such sowing will produce fruit, for some will surely fall upon good ground. Let Toronto be up and doing, and imitate the zeal of Ottawa Truth Society.

The February number of *Worthington's Magazine*, a monthly family journal, published at Hartford, Conn., U.S., is hereby thankfully acknowledged. Its contents are quite interesting.

St. Paul's Ladies' at Home.

The ladies of St. Paul's parish entertained their friends to an "at home" in St. Paul's hall. A large number of guests were present, and the ladies looked charming in their neat and attractive costumes. The interior of the building, which had been specially decorated for the occasion, presented a brilliant appearance, with its gracefully draped bunting interspersed with flags and festoons of evergreen. Glionna's orchestra discoursed sweet music throughout the evening. An elegant supper was served in the adjoining room, and altogether the ladies are to be congratulated on the success of the entertainment. Among the invited guests were: Jos. McCarron, Dr. Roach, Martin Roach, John Dain, J. H. Barker, T. McCann, W. Hyland, D. Hyland, W. O'Connor, W. C. Kennedy, James McCabe, Dr. May, C. Reddan, Gus Dixon, W. Elmsley, M. Clancy, E. Clancy, E. Korman, M. O'Donoghue, J. Boland, E. Crook, J. Larkin, W. Robbins, Jos. Loftus, James Keanan, T. J. Langford, Thos. O'Connor, W. Harrison, W. Murphy, Paul Maloney, Fred Coghlan, W. Le Maitre, James Ryan, F. Nechar, J. Shaw, H. Amyot, Dr. Amyot, Charles McDonald, Jas. McQuarrie, F. Wells, M. McNerny, George Thompson, D. McLaughlin, M. J. Quinn, James Spencer, J. Walsh, C. Burns, C. A. Burns, George Gallinger, F. Henry, T. W. Anglin, I. Kleiser, Thomas Delaney, J. W. Morgan, P. Boyle, H. McGarry, Charles McGann, Major Gray, James Ryan, M. O'Halloran, M. McConnell, J. Rahally, D. Kelly, A. Hernon, John Mallon, J. W. Mallon, T. K. Haffey, M. Sheedy, Charles Hynes, John Francis, William Hynes, M. J. Duggan, Thomas Lee, M. McLaughlin, T. J. Anderson, Joseph Coady, Pat Clancy, Philip Conlon, Daniel Kennedy, Hugh Kelly, M. L. Dwan, Oswald Pape, P. O'Keefe, E. O'Keefe, L. Cosgrave, Dr. McMahon, Dr. McKeown, Dr. Cassidy, Dr. Wallace, Dr. Guioane. Among the ladies, in addition to those of St. Paul's, there were many from the other parishes of the city and a few from outside points.—*Empire*, Jan. 18.

Acknowledgment.

In making their acknowledgments of Christmas offerings in these columns last week, the Sisters of the Sacred Heart Orphanage, Sunnyside regret some inaccuracies occurred. The following is the corrected list:

His Grace Archbishop Walsh, \$25 and a side of beef; Monsignor Rooney, a quarter of beef; Very Rev. Father McCann, V. G., a sheep; M. G. Kiely, \$100; L. Coffee & Co., 20 bags of flour; St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Patrick's, \$5; Mrs. Foy a pail of candies; Mrs. Kenny, 5 dozen Jersey jackets, 3 turkeys; Miss Lee, candies; Mr. Alex. McDonnell, \$10; Mr. L. Cosgrave, \$10; Christie, Brown & Co., 2 bbls. biscuit; Jas. Bonner, a case of oranges; The Misses Smith, a case oranges, 2 pails candies; John J. McManus, bag of flour, candies; Con. Flannigan, 5 turkeys; Mr. and Mrs. O'Keefe, a qr. beef; R. & T. Watson, candies; Miss Coffee, case oranges; Mr. B. O'Byrne, bbl. apples; A friend, \$1; Mr. W. Murray, 3 dozen handkerchiefs; Mr. Walsh, \$20; Mrs. McCaffray, handkerchiefs, gloves and guernseys; Katie Corcoran and Annie Kane, a baby carriage and cradle; Miss Cherrier, candies; Pupils of Loretto, 50 lbs. candies; Kelly Bros., a lamb.

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