

public works, Hon. R. Watson, a close run, being defeated by only eleven votes, and we hear the chances are that on a recount the result in this constituency will be reversed. We sincerely trust this may be the case, for Mr. Cooper took a decided stand in favor of remedial legislation, and would in all respects make a most valuable member of the Opposition. Mr. Prendergast was returned by a large majority in St. Boniface, and the other opposition members elected are Mr. McFadden, of Emerson; Mr. Pare, of LaVerandrye; Mr. R. Marion, who defeated Mr. M. Jerome, the old member for Carillon, and Mr. H. Sutherland, who reclaimed Kildonan. The constituency of Avondale was lost to the Opposition through a split in the ranks, two opponents of the government offering themselves for election thus letting the government supporter slip in. Mr. Frame was beaten in Dennis, Mr. Lyons in Norfolk, Mr. O'Malley in Lorne, and last, but by no means least Mr. A. F. Martin in Morris. We understand Mr. O'Malley has demanded a recount, and we hope therefore of once more seeing him in the house. Winnipeg will again be misrepresented by three supporters of the government, Mr. Taylor having been defeated in the North by Mr. McIntyre, who no doubt owes his election to the discriminating manner in which the voters' list was compiled by the government registration clerk, for with an honest list the result in this constituency would without question have been very different and the best man would have been elected. To sum up we may say that if the results are as the whole disappointing to the friends of straight-forward and pure administration of the affairs of the province, they are also in some respects encouraging. When the government re-assembles it will find itself face to face with a vigorous, if numerically small, Opposition, containing in its ranks some of the ablest members of the legislature who may be relied upon to do their utmost to protect the interests of the people in all matters affecting the general welfare of the country, and who will certainly not be found wanting whenever anything affecting the rights of the minority is under consideration.

WHY THE CHURCH WINS.

A DISCOURSE BY REV. SABIN HALSEY, A METHODIST MINISTER.

He Assures His Hearers That Those Among Them Who Came Prepared to Hear the Catholic Church Denounced Would be Disappointed.

"Why Does the Catholic Church Win," was the subject of Rev. Sabin Halsey's sermon in the Methodist church at Janesville, Ill., Sunday, Dec. 15th last. The theme served to draw a large audience, which completely filled the auditorium and overflowed into the gallery. The lecture was drawn on such broad and tolerant lines that, in these days of anti-Catholic bigotry, it is well worth reproducing.

DOES NOT CRITICISE CATHOLICITY.

The speaker began his discourse with the statement that it would be a fortunate period in the history of the progress of religion and of the world's civilization, when all people, regardless of denominational peculiarities or preferences, draw the line between good and evil, purity and impurity, virtue and vice, holiness and sin, truth and error, then casting the worthless away, cling for life to the good. He said if any one present thought the hour would be devoted to finding fault with the Catholic Church, or with an effort to crown prejudice now hoary with age, he would go away disappointed if not disgruntled and say unkind things about the preacher because he did not throw clubs at somebody's head, causing them to howl with pain.

Possibly the Catholic Church teaches some doctrines with which all do not agree. It is possible that her forms and ceremonies, or her splendid ritual is not liked by all, but it is not fair to find fault with her people because they like these things. Under the stars and stripes the Catholic Church has a right to exist, to build temples, appoint her services and observe her ceremonies without molestation. She has just as good a right to do this as Protestants have to build their churches and observe their forms of worship. This is the home of all religions, because it is the home of all people, a free land with equal rights and privileges.

CATHOLICITY A MIGHTY POWER.

One statement of the fact which would help to prepare the way for an intelligent answer to the question under consideration is that whoever reads the history of past events with a desire to ascertain what influence any religious

society has exerted upon the world's civilization or whoever can fully discern the signs of the times, must, if candid, admit that the Catholic Church has been for nineteen centuries and is to-day a mighty power among men. Her influence has been felt in every land. Nations have felt her power, crowned heads have trembled in her presence and rulers have bowed themselves at her feet. It is the part of wisdom to study a church, backed up by such a remarkable history. It is a question that to the speaker was fraught with deep interest and one that demanded the most careful thought.

REASON OF HER SUCCESS.

The first reason for the success of the Catholic Church is that she believes that she is the true church of Christ with a special divine mission to a world that is in bondage to the slavery of sin. She holds to the doctrine of a supernatural revelation given to the world through inspired men for the purpose of teaching the plan of human redemption, how to escape the fearful consequences of sin in time and in eternity.

The Catholic Church believes in the Deity of Christ, in the guilt and peril of sin, in the necessity of hearty repentance and faith as the ground of forgiveness. Souls are exposed and must be rescued. Her services, her ordinances, her altars and her sacraments, the ministrations of her priests, her holy days and festivals, the very chimes of her bells tell the story of the sinfulness of the human heart and the necessity of forgiveness.

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Masses in the ear of the children until the soul catches the spirit of them. She puts her creeds into object lessons and thus through the eye touches the heart and inspires religious emotions which never die.

LOYALTY TO THE CHURCH.

Another reason of her success is the intense loyalty of her people everywhere in every country, regardless of cost. They are in the Church, a part of the Church, and in the Church to stay until death takes them out of the world. Living and dying they are true to their profession. If they wander away they invariably retrace their steps and seek forgiveness. They are loyal to their system of doctrines. No one can be a Catholic without believing something without any effort at discount. Whoever tries to change the opinion of a son or daughter of the Church has a big job on hand and will doubtless find his head white before the work is finished. The speaker had yet to find a Catholic going about the streets criticizing his church, finding fault with her doctrines or defaming the characters of those who serve at her consecrated altars. Their loyalty in this respect is worthy of commendation. Surely it is not difficult to see in this fact one element of victory. Catholics are loyal to the service of their church. A little foolish whim does not keep them from the sacraments and Masses and in this they are right. They are a church-going people year in and year out. Through storm and sunshine, snow and sleet, they wend their way to the altars of their fathers, to the altars of their Church.

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1:48p	Carleton Place 12:52p	1:48p
1:54p	St. Agathe 1:00p	1:54p
2:11p	Union Pk. 1:07p	2:11p
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1:48p	Carleton Place 12:52p	1:48p
1:54p	St. Agathe 1:00p	1:54p
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2:30p	St. Jean 1:18p	2:30p
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