

at these angels of mercy and calling them 'prostitutes of the priest-hood.' In this land every man has a perfect right to entertain such religious views as he likes; but those who defame women who cheerfully risk their lives for others' sake should be promptly shot. 'By their fruits ye shall know them', says the Good Book; and while the Church of Rome is producing such good Samaritans to wrestle with the plague, the A. P. Ape is filling the penitentiaries. I care nothing for the apostolic pretensions of the Pope or the dogmas of the priest-hood; yet I'd be strongly tempted to make a few off hand observations with a six shooter should these paraphopes speak disrespectfully of the Sisters of Charity in my presence."

The following words from the *Ave Maria* contain much truth: "It has often been observed that whenever the newspapers publish the details of any particular crime there are almost immediate repetitions of it in different parts of the country. In the pocket of a little girl fifteen years old who committed suicide recently in New York city by taking carbolic acid, were found several newspaper clippings telling how another young person had taken her life. A boy of the same age was arrested at Saratoga, N.Y. on the 18th ult., for attempted train-wrecking. When taken to the Rochester reformatory it was learned that his plans had been made with all the skill of an old criminal. Could anything be a better illustration of the baneful influence of what is called the new journalism? Parents who receive sensational newspapers into their homes are putting their children into communication with the penitentiary. It is unquestionable that our periodical

literature has a great deal to do with the commission of crime."

Notwithstanding all that has been said to the contrary, the Separate Schools of Ontario seem to be in a most flourishing condition judging from the returns of the last Entrance Examinations. Although the majority of these schools suffer from a lack of funds, and as a necessary consequence from the lack of a sufficient number of teachers, still 75 per cent of the candidates sent up to try the entrance succeeded in passing. Moreover it must be noticed that a great number of the students of Separate Schools being French, and the text books, in many cases, not being the authorized kind, these students have not the same opportunities as are offered to the students attending the Public Schools. These few considerations lead us to believe that with advantages equal to other schools, the Separate Schools of Ontario can easily show their superiority.



RECEPTION TO RIGHT REV.
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From far off South Africa we have lately had the pleasure of welcoming to our midst one of the successors of St. Peter, a bishop of God's Church. Some of us may have expected to find some peculiarities in a Bishop thus coming from a diocese beyond so many thousand miles of ocean; but such were doomed to disappointment, for it was certainly an edifying proof of the "Catholicity" of our holy Church to see Rt. Rev. Bishop Gaughran on the morning of All Saints ascend the altar of our College chapel to