

ANGLO-SAXON ALLIANCE.

Mr. Chamberlain's Recent Speech and Comments of the English Press.

What an American Catholic Journal Has to Say in Reference to the Proposal.

The British press has been teeming with eulogistic comments upon the speech in which Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the colonies, recently advocated openly an alliance between the United Kingdom and the United States, on the ground not merely of mutual advantage, but of kinship in blood.

The London Standard is still more frank in its statements of the reason which prompts this lively and new born desire of England for an alliance with the United States.

This is the whole secret of it honestly expressed. England's policy of aggression and self-aggrandisement has left her isolated amongst the other powers of Europe.

On the other hand, the points of similarity between the cases of Ireland and Cuba should not be forgotten. It is on account of the energetic way in which the United States has intervened in behalf of the oppressed Cubans that Mr. Chamberlain and the British press are advocating an alliance.

The United States is bound to Ireland by close ties of blood and kinship, common language and civilization. Thousands and tens of thousands of her sons and descendants have worked and fought to place the Republic in the proud position which she occupies today.

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The chief racial ingredient in our national make-up. The "Anglo-Saxon" element is a pitifully insignificant one as compared with the Celtic, of which the nation's very bone and fibre partake.

Obviously, therefore, if our intervention in behalf of the Cubans forms a precedent, we shall be compelled by every consideration of sentiment and justice to do for Ireland at the request of Ireland what we propose to do without solicitation for Cuba.

EVILS OF MIXED MARRIAGES.

Striking Statistics That Point Out Sad Consequences.

Prussian Catholic Men the Greatest Offenders - Thousands of Children Lost to the Church Through Their Action.

The dire results of intermarriage between Catholic and Protestant have often been referred to in these columns, but seldom has there been such an array of statistics that appeal to one as that published in an American Catholic Journal, the Sunday Democrat, in one of its recent issues.

Daily experience shows the wisdom of the Church in condemning the marriage of Catholics with non-Catholics, and the statistics recently published in Prussia show the bad consequences of such marriages. From these statistics we learn that on December 2 last there existed in Prussia 278,434 cases of mixed marriages between Catholics and Protestants.

SOME NEW BOOKS.

"The Treasure of Nugget Mountain" is the title of a new book received from Benziger Bros., New York, Cincinnati, Chicago. It is edited by Marion Ames Taggart. The story opens with the Apache chief going to a certain mountain to get the gold hidden there in a place known only to him.

OUR PHILADELPHIA LETTER.

Some Features of the Feebleness of the Non-Catholic Mind.

Dr. Maurice Francis Egan's Remarks Regarding the Fashionable Catholic Class - Other Notes of Interest.

PHILADELPHIA, May 16, 1898.

How vast is the ignorance of other people! Don't we all feel it 'that way'? They tell a story among the Friends of Philadelphia of one of them who long ago concluded that 'everybody' was "queer" except his wife and himself.

THE EQUIVALENT OF THE SPANISH 'TALLER MAN.'

with the motto in English as often as in any other tongue. Only—not as conversant as he thinks with Spanish—that motto is not "Cheer up" but "Cease," and, as any Catholic can tell him, it is intended to express the Catholics' attitude towards the tempter rather than the tender encouragement of a mother or a sweetheart, addressed to their beloved patriot.

Items of Verse.

Of course, you all see the Independent, and many have noticed on that first page where gathered, from time to time, such little gems of verse, the noble lines of Danske Dandridge: 'On the Eve of War' it has been called, a striking response to Kipling's famous 'Recessional,' and one critic says of it, that 'it is almost as intense and earnest as Kipling's magnificent lines.'

ried name chiding so well with her Christian name as to suggest one pleasant reason for the union. Fame is not worth much, we all know, and there are some who really do not value it enough to exert themselves to get their just dues but it will be quite too bad if Mrs. Dandridge is cheated out of hers.

Dr. Maurice Francis Egan

has the coolest head and the staunchest heart of the poets. I never see anything from his pen that is not 'heart-lifting.' He sees straight through 'glimours' and he is not afraid to challenge any 'bogey' that crosses his path.

ABOARD A CATTLE STEAMER.

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As the vessel steamed out of the Narrows into the open, and I was taking a last look at the receding shores of America, I suddenly awoke to the fact that I was there for business and my time was not my own.

"Now," he said, "as long as you fellows behave yourselves and don't what yer told, yer won't git into no trouble. There ain't much to do, but what there is to do, us be done prompt and regular. Each man here must feed and water thirty-five animals three times a day and do whatever else he's called on for. Them as think they c'n loaf'll please

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I got through the work required of me without very much trouble, though it took me a little while to accustom myself to the fact that these long narrow lanes flanked by horned heads were not dangerous gauntlets to run.

As soon as the ship starts the cattle are firmly tied to a stout board which runs in front of each compartment. Every steer is allowed a space of two feet six inches in width. Six are placed in each compartment. Only three of them can lie down at one time. They therefore, must sleep in relays, and when the three standing ones have had enough rest they kick them briskly until the snug positions are relinquished.

In a storm or nasty weather the cattle have no difficulty in keeping a standing position. They brace themselves firmly with each of their four feet pointing at a different angle, and sway in whatever direction is necessary to preserve an equilibrium.

Yes, the cattle fare very well in a storm, but at the first sign of a high weather we poor 'suttles' were most of us a sorry looking lot. I remember one burly fellow who, white as death, followed his head against the neck of a placed steer holding feebly on to a horn for support, quite unable to leave the spot or even call for help.

The most disagreeable duty that fell to our lot was to keep the stuns and compartments free from filth. This, as can easily be imagined, was not a pleasant task for men prone to sensibleness as most of us were.

But the work had to be attended to, and, sick or well, we were compelled to perform the various duties assigned to us.

In addition to these unpleasant experiences we became the butt of a hundred time-worn jokes at the hands of our more experienced co-workers, who sent us on impossible errands, recommended absurd remedies and in various other ways endeavored to make our voyage memorable to us.

Most of us had but one suit of clothes, and on arriving at our destination found it worn to tatters and unrecognizably filthy.

In fact this is far from an ideal way to go to Europe, a man traveling thus has almost as hard a time of it as did Artemus Ward when he carried five passengers on a sled by running along the low path as made driver.

Do not be among those that find fault and say that your paper does not fill the requirements of your vicinity, before you have manifested the true spirit and properly supplied your own paper.

A stout, elderly gentleman went to a local tailor here to get measured for a suit of clothes. The tailor, who was a bit of a wag, pulled out his measuring tape from his hip pocket, and placing one end of it in the gentleman's side, said: "There, hold this and please. I'll be at the opposite point of the circumference in about five minutes."

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