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THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Those who put their trust in the public school as the sheet anchor of nationality had better place a few safeguards around the institution. It is coming to this that every fakir who attains to some degree of popularity and has a fad or a graft to exploit is admitted to the public school with it.

MR. WHITNEY'S CABINET.

Speculation in regard to the material that Mr. Whitney will favor for the construction of his Cabinet is the subject most engaging the attention of the press this week. Some friendly and some opposition newspapers have mentioned the name of Mr. James L. Hughes for the Department of Education.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

In the current number of the World's Work a score or more representatives of the Canadian people in parliament state their antipathy to political union with the United States. They give many reasons for the patriotic faith that is in them, and one or two refer to the divorce evil in the Republic.

REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA.

Conditions in Russia continue to confuse and alarm the world. Is the revolution started in the cities of an industrial or political character? The English and American press represent the working people to be starving, but it is almost impossible to imagine the czar ordering the people to be starved.

ON THE INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE.

Reforms should have begun long ago and the advice of the moderate nobles taken in behalf of the people. The military aristocracy seems to be the barrier between the throne and the masses.

EDITORIAL NOTES

An organization of prosperous and shameless women in New York last week passed a resolution endorsing "race suicide," and declaring their hatred of maternity.

THE POPE AND CANADA

Encouraging Words Addressed to the Visiting Canadian Bishops. Bishop Casey, of St. John's, N.B., writing from Rome to The Freeman on Jan. 7, describes the Canadian audience with the Pope.

CATHOLIC AUSTRALIAN

Pope's Congratulations to Cardinal Moran. Monsignor Murphy, Rector of the Irish College, presented the Pope with Peter's Pence from the Diocese of Raphoe, Ireland, and Sydney, Australia.

The Religious Pope

The present Pope is a subject of never-fading interest and delight to me; he is, I think, one of the most essentially human and kindly and modest men that have ever held his tremendous position.

Irish Children of Mary

The Pope has with great affection sent, written with his own hand, his Apostolic Benediction and a Plenary Indulgence at the hour of death to the 16,000 members of the Sodality of Irish Children of Mary who presented the Jubilee Offering to good works and an illuminated address to him on the occasion of the Jubilee of the Immaculate Conception.

AN INSPECTOR COMMENTS ON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

There appeared lately in the New York "Sun" a letter from Mr. James Clancy, School Inspector of the Public Schools in the twelfth district, New York City, who is also a member of the editorial staff of the "New York Herald."

THE TEACHING OF CATECHISM

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STRATFORD CORRESPONDENCE

Stratford, Ont., Jan. 31.—The inaugural meeting of the Separate School Board was held in the city council chamber on Friday evening last, at which the following members were present: Rev. Chas. E. McGee, P.P., E. J. Kneil, Felix Devlin, T. F. Quirk, M. J. Dillon, John Nelligan and J. J. Coughlin.

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