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country, and a new era of prosperity would dawn. Despatches received as we go to press prove that the newspaper correspondents have given a correct account of the threatened famines. Lord Cadogan has, therefore, been either mistaken or has purposely denied the accuracy of these reports.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

OMAHA CITY, which has been the greatest hotbed of Apaism in America, appears to be getting tired of bigotry, and now anIrishman and Catholic, Mr. Constantine V. Gallagher, has been appointed chief of police. The A. P. A. is evidently loosing its grip on the city. If ever a history of the A. P. A. is location of those who were instrumental in its formation, it will be necessary to communicate with Mr. Gallagher, and other chiefs of police in the different cities of the United what it will be. States and Canada.

THE Emperor William has given directions to the pastors of Lutheran churches throughout Prussia to leave the church-doors open all day to give people generally an opportunity to go in to pray. The doors of Catholic churches are thus left open, and visitors to them are numerous, because Catholics are conscious of the corporal presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist, but there is nothing in the Protestant churches to attract worshippers. Nevertheless the issuance of the order shows a disposition to imitate Catholic practices which have been in disuse among Protestants for three hundred

WE ARE pleased to notice by the official fiscal reports of the Dominion that there are several evidences of in creased trade in Canada. During the first month of the fiscal year 1897.98. which is July, the foreign trade of the Dominion exceeded that of the corresponding month of the preceding year by over \$5,500,000. The increase was chiefly in exports, which were 45 per cent. more than in July 1896. The ex ports which show the chief increases are animals and animal products, agricultural, mineral and forest pro ducts. The agricultural products exported increased nearly 100 per cent. Imports increased to a small percentage, but the reason for this is understood to be partly because lower duties are to be levied next year on British

A DESPATCH from Anderson, Illinois, states a convention of anti spiritualists is in session in that city. There are delegates in attendance from all parts of the country. The object of the convention is not to offer opposition to believers in spiritualism, but to expose the frauds of mediums. These frauds have been so frequently exposed that we might suppose that none would now be so foolish as to put faith in the penses will become law. There are pseudo-revelations promulgated by the mediums, but the fact that a large and respectable gathering from all parts of the union have considered it worth their while to hold a convention to put of the English Judiciary is £232,000. down these frauds, shows that the and that of Ireland will be £99,800. spiritualistic, or rather the spiritist hallucination is very widely extended and has many votaries, notwithstanding the great strides which education has made. It appears that education does not exempt men from the hallucination of superstition.

A MADRAS paper published in the Hinder vernacular by a Brahmin who is devotedly attrached to Buddhism declares that Hinduism is on its death. bed and that the religion which is dearer to him than life cannot be resuscitated by any medicine. It con-

tinues in this doleful strain: "There are native Christians nowadays who have declared a terrible crusade against the entire fabric of Hinduism, and many men of splendid education are also coming forth, even from our own community, who have already expressed a desire to accept Christianity; and should these gentle men really become, first, Christians, and then its preachers, they will give the last death-blow to Hinduism, because these men are such as will never turn their backs upon the plough after having been once wedded to it. Every moment our dear mother is ex-

pected to breath her last. " And yet we have people in this country who have been brought up as Christians who are attempting to introduce Buddhistic superstitution under the name of Theosophy, as a substitute for the Christian religion.

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United States and Japan is not yet entirely dissipated. The proposed annexation of Hawaii to the former country has not been acted upon, and the reason action has been deferred so long is probably because of the decided stand taken by Japan against the annexation scheme, as it is claimed by the Japanese Government that Japanese interests would be injuriously affected by the annexation treaty. There is now reported another event which threatens to cause a rupture. A despatch to the New York Herald states that the Japanese Government is secretly negotiating with the Diet of the Greater Republic of Central America for the construction of the Nicaraguan canal independenty and in defiance of the interests and influence of the United States and all other nations. It is said also that Japan is aiming at the abrogation of treaty rights which have been secured by the United States in reference to interoceanic transit and the American Canal concession granted some years ago. It is supposed that the Central American Republic will grant to Japan the control of the Nicaraguan canal route; and if this be the case, the United States will scarcely endure the treaty, in face of the fact that they claim the right to keep European and Asiatic powers from acquiring territorial possessions or influence in either North or South America.

IT HAS long been known that the cost of the administration of the law in Ireland is far beyond what is necessary for the purpose. England and Wales have nearly seven times the population and more than twenty times the wealth of Ireland, yet England has twenty seven judges in the Supreme Court and Ireland has twenty, and will still have seventeen when the new Judicature bill of Mr. Balfour for the retrenchment of ex-Queen's Bench, and there will still be eight in Ireland, when Mr. Balfour's bill shall have been passed. The cost Forty years ago it was known that there were too many judges, and it was so reported by a commission which e iquired into the best means of putting an end to extravagance in the administration of justice, but there was no cutting down of expenses then, because the Government held that business would increase and the evil correct itself. The contrary thing has happened. As population has diminished so has the amount of business done by the courts, more than proportionately to the decrease of population yet the expenditure remains the same. The offices are kept open to reward partizan lawyers and the expense is charged to Irish administration. If there were Home Rule for Ireland, Ireland itself would apply a remedy to this and other gigantic evils in Gov-

Much satisfaction has been expressed by colonial English Churchmen at the fact that Dr. Temple, the Archbishop of Canterbury, has recognized the title of Archbishop conferred by the Canadian Church of England upon the Metropolitan of Cauada. The former Archbishop of Canterbury was opposed to the assumption of the title by any Bishop outside of England, the probability being that it was thought by the late Primate and his predecessors that the assumption of the title by colonial THE Croix of Paris gives the infor- prelates would be an obstacle to the mation that the Hon. W. Laurier on carrying out of the design which has the occasion of his recent visit to Rome been for some time in contemplation to the lying scroundrel who started the was accompanied by Mr. Russell, the proclaim the Archbishop of Canterbury report that I am dissatisfied with my

ernment.

Killowen. Mr. Russell is the advocate who accompanied the Hon. C. Fitz partick on the occasion of the visit made to Rome by the latter gentlement to place before the Holy Father the views of the Dominion Government regarding the Manitoba school question. Mr. Laurier had soveral interviews of the Dominion Government regarding the Manitoba school question and private audience with the Pope, at which, according to the Croiz, the school question was discussed. The statement is made that the Holy Father will soon have ready the final decision his regard to the course to be followed by the Churchin Canada and call their will soon have ready the final decision him a detailed report of all the circum, and any the schoolise of Canada on the matter, without water than the statement is made that the Holy Father will soon have ready the final decision him a detailed report of all the circum, stances requisite toward arriving at a satisfactory conclusion on the subject. The report has also been examined by Cardinal Satolli. As we shall soon have the Holy Father than the conversable of the con would be out of place for us to forestall in England; but the Colonial Churches it by any speculations in regard to being in themselves independent need not wait for any action by any Parlia. ment in regard to adoption of this or THE prospect of trouble between the any other title they may please to con-

> The Catholic parent who sends his son to a non-Catholic college cannot ustify the selection on the ground that Catholic colleges are inferior to others. To attempt to do so is to betray an ignorance of the facts which is even more discreditable than the preference displayed in the choice of schools .-Catholic Universe.

Arguments on religion, by people who are pretty ignorant of the subject and who lose their temper, are worse than useless. Catholics ought to be ready to give reasons for their faith, but they should do this quietly, kindly, per suasively; and if they cannot do so completely, they should lend to inquirers copies of such books as "Points of Controversy," "The Fait: of Our Fathers," and "Catholic Belief." — Catholic Columbian.

The Protestant Episcopal bishops ssembled in the Lambeth Conference, weighed down with the solicitude of al the churches, declared it to be their policy to cultivate friendly relations with various schismatic denominations; and expressed a lively hope that the Jews, too, would one day find rest for their souls in the Church of Henry VIII. The Israelites, however, with characteristic stiff neckedness, refuse to be Anglicanized. In answer to the appeal of the bishops, the Jewish leader, Mr. Oswald Simon, replied on behalf of his people : "It is well for Anglicans to reflect that no Jew with a sense of history and logic, with which they are not meagrely equipped, would dream of becoming a Christian except as a Roman Catholic."-Ave Maria.

A correspondent in Buffalo writes us to say that some one is going about peddling that alleged "Prayer found in the tomb of Christ," and is getting 50 cents from some, and a much larger sum from others, according to the credulity and ignorance of his victims. We have repeatedly cautioned our readers against this fraudulent "prayer." No such document was found in the tomb: the prayer and its claimed miraculous virtues are the LORETTO CONVENTENTERTAINproduct of some sharper who thus found an easy way to trade on the piety of people whose judgment is bad Ed. CATHOLIC RECORD: -Buffalo Catholic Union and Times

Negligent Catholics are found every ou may know them by their neglect of Mass, by their coarse talk of priests and the Church, by their excess of drink, by their neglect of children They are sleeping, and their train is thundering along towards the infernal abyss. How wake them up? They won't come to Mass; they avoid priests they are satisfied with this world. The only remedy is a good rousing mission. It goes through the parish like an electric shock. It startles. It arouses. It awakens curiosity. It gives kind friends an opportunity of pleading with unfortunate souls. God's grace flows in abundance, and the negligent are waked up. - New World.

The Theosophists are not numerous in this country, but they are numerous enough to differ widely among themselves. Mrs. Besant, who began life as a Protestant Episcopalian and subse quently graduated in Atheism, Spirit ism, etc., etc., is now touring the United States as the hierophant of the 'Indian branch " of Theosophy, while James M. Pryse, who represents the "American branch," is closely following her trail and delivering lectures simultaneously with her in the same towns but in different halls and on different lines. It is rather surprising that Mr. Pryse and Mrs. Besant cannot agree about Theosophy, seeing that neither they nor anybody else have any idea of what it means .- N. Y. Free man's Journal.

Somebody started the rumor that T. De Witt Talmage, the sensational preacher from Brooklyn, was dissatisfied with his position in Washington and that he would not return. Dr. Talmage, it may be recalled, holds a place as assistant pastor of a church at the capital. When his attention was called to the story the great sensationalist replied as follows: "I denounce son of Lord Chief Justice Russell of the Patriarch, or a kind of Pope, of all Washington church and shall not re-

15) Superstition? How can belief in the power of God, coming down to us at the request of His dear friends, be superstition ?-Catholic Review.

Mr. Michael Davitt, M. P., writing recently to the Rev. David Macrae, of Dundee, Scotland, on the agitation against the use of the word "English as a synonym for "British," says: Ireland dislikes British as much as the word English in the political sense Both have the same meaning to Celtic people in the wrongs inflicted upon them by English statesmen though British rule. Irishmen will never consent to be called British. Ireland stands independently on the Atlantic. He would be the first to resent, with or without Home Rule, the proposal to sink the name and individuality of Ireland in that of Great, Greater and Greatest Britain. We are what God made us, and God never made us to be Englishmen, saysWilliam O'Brien, M. P. Deep and wide as is the Irish Sea, there is a gulf deeper and wider between the two countries in all those idiosyncrasics and sympathies which go to make up a nation's life. That is what I may call the argument from divine right for Irish nationality.-Boston Pilot.

"Tug boat marriages" have been a feature on the Pacific coast for some time. They are simply evasions of the law of California, by parties who are wedded on the high seas, by going be yond the three mile limit from the shore. A judge has now declared them to be illegal, and it is hoped that this decision will have some effect in checking the immorality of the proceedings. The Monitor says that in the Church the lawyers denominate such actions as "defrauding the law," and consider such contracts null and void ; and it is presumed that civil lawyers are of the same opinion. It would be a good thing if other ridiculous marriages could be made illegal, but if they break no con tract laws of the State in which they take place they can not be interfered with by any judicial tribunal. Not so very long ago a couple were married in a balloon, and the man who joined them together was as idiotic as the bride and bridegroom. If they had all remained in the air their absence would not have been seriously regretted by sensible people. - Sacred Heart Review.

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Well, it was a union entertainment got up by the children of the Select and of the Separate schools to honor their schoolmates who had passed at the late Entrance and Public school leaving examinations, and I happily was an invited guest. Although I had been present at several previous concerts, and had taken a part in not a few of them—I am an ex-pupil—I must say that I never enjoyed myself more, nor was I ever better pleased with a programme. The music was excellent, the singing of a high order of merit, and the recitations nigh perfection itself. In the pretty drama the movements, the gestures, and the grace displayed by all, even the smallest tots, were truly charming. Each little lady did her part admirably, and I, being for the first time a looker-on, and not an active participator, began to fully realize how privileged I was in having had my education entrusted to the dear, self-sacrificing Ladies of Loretto.

Monsignor Farrelly presided at the intellectual feast, his face beaming with delight, as he looked on the little ones of his flock, and with friendly scrutiny noted their intricate movements, and constantly changing attitudes. Happy children, I bethought myself, who have so benign and vigilant a pastor charged by Mother Church with their educational and spiritual interests. The scene or panorama (such it was) was indeed a picture to rejoice the eyes of an artist, were there one present to transfer it to canvas, and highly calculated to impress all with the importance of an education whose basic element is religious, and not secular, but both combined. There was the venerable prelate, with the little ones, in butterfly costumes, as it were, passing and re passing before him, showing in each varying pose

tian schools to know God, to love and to serve Him, and, in the words of St. Peter, to love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king. God first, country afterward. Let us, then, sing the "Maple Leaf" and "God save the Queen," and sung these national anthems were, most enthusiastically, by the children. Thus ended this charming entertainment that gave so much pleasure to chi dren, parents and triends, and so deligated me that I have ventured to convey my impressions to your

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Yours sincerely,

Margaret H. Lynch.

Belleville, September 11, 1897.

ARCHDIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

"Labor Day," as connected with the "Work of the Schools," was observed in St. Patrick's church, Ottawa, in presence of a vast number of school-children—boys and girls—who almost completely filled the double row of pews on either side of the main aisle, and also of a number of their parents and guardians. At a quarter past 9 o'clock, after a preparatory prayer, in which all joined aloud, Rev. Father Whelan celebrated Mass of the Holy Ghost, to beg the Divine blessing on the children and on their work in the schools. After the first Gospel the reverend gentle man ascended the pulpit and delivered a very practical allocation. He referred to the work of school-children about to commence. He urged upon them "obedience" towards their teachers and parents as was exemplified in the conduct of the boy Jesus when "He went down from Jerusalem and was obedient to them;" "punctuality," as was taught by the lesson of the wise and foolish virgins; "reverence," reverence or their teachers, gif-"reverence," reverence for their teachers, for the school house and for the church, cit for the school house and for the church, cit-ing the action of our Saviour towards those whom He found desecrating the temple; "order," as was witnessed at the miraculous feeding of the multiude; and, finally, the necessity and the dignity of "labor," as was also exemplified in the life of Christ, who labored at a trade, in conjunction with His foster-father, St. Joseph. The boy choir sang several appropriate hymns during the progress of the Mass, and finished with "Laudate Dominium Onnes Gentes," etc., under the direction of Mr. Buels, Mr. E. A. Bonner, presiding at the organ.

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Immediately after Mass the successful pupils at the entrance examinations at the Collegiate Institute received prizes amounting to \$50, the gift of Mr. Denis Murphy. There were twenty pupils in all thus honored. Trustee Smith announced that a gold medal would be presented to the pupil of \$1. Patrick's Separate school who next summer made the highest number of marks at the entrance examination. An effort, he said, would also be made to have the members of the English Committee of the Separate School Board offer a scholarship for competition among the scholars of the Separate schools of the city, the prize to be awarded to the student making the highest number of marks at the Entrance Examination. Rev. Father Whelan presented the prizes, and there were present: Mr. Donis Murphy, Trustee Daff, Mr. J. S. Sullivan, Mr. Toos. Swift, teachers, and Trustee E. T. Smith.

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The numerous reports of the successes of "The numerous reports of the successes of Catholic pupils at the recent Entrance and Public school leaving examinations, that come from various parts of the Province, are satisfactory evidence of the active interest which, not only teachers and pastors, but also par penses will become law. There are fifteen Judges in the English Court of Oueen's Bench, and there will still be victimized, and deserve no sympathy.

Dear Sir—A very pleasing entertainment of was given last evening, in the principal class room of Loretto convent, and, believing last your youtful readers would enjoy the argument against their existence, that the work done in them is inferior to that done in Public schools. The splendid successes of Catholic scholars at the annual public examinations, during the past few years, should go far to remove this reproach and strengthen the plea for their right and title to exhibit pears. strengthen the plea for their right and title to establishment. It cannot be too often repeated that a good Common school education is the right of every Canadian boy and girl, and that without it their chances of success in life are materially diminished. It is, therefore, the manifold duty of parents to see to it that their children was record. to it that their children are prepared to enter upon the struggle for a livelihood, equipped so far as the law provides and their own means allow. The fields of purely unskilled labor are becoming more and more restricted, whilst the demand for skilled or technicallybeing for the first time a looker-on, and to be being a mattive participator, began to fully realize how privileged I was in having had my owners in proportionately on the interest of the carbon entrusted to the dear, self-sacrificing I may be a self-sac trained workers is proportionately on the in-crease. Consequently a boy at the age of fourteen who has passed the regular examina-tions, is in the very best position either to companye such farther study as may enable

ing that of Superior General. She is a sister of the former Bishop of Kingston, Right Rev. Patrick Phelan, whom she survived by many years; and it is the wish of her many triends that she may still be spared to further God's work by her advice and counsel for years it seems. or years to come.

A special to the Montreal Star from Three A special to the Montreal Star from Three Rivers, Que., says: Sunday, 5th current, was the eightieth birthday of Bishop La Fleche of this diocese. On the day in question both Archbishops Bruchesi of Montreal and Begin of Quebec were in the city, having travelled here specially to do honor to their venerable confere, whose age almost equals that of the combined years of the young Archbishops, who are a little over forty, respectively.

A CANADIAN MISSION TO NON-CATHOLICS.

A Means Provided Whereby it may be Carried Out.

To extend to our Protestant friends and To extend to our Protestant friends and neighbors a knowledge of the teaching of the Catholic Church must be the earnest desire of all Catholics. In the past this has been to some extent impossible. Missions, for many reasons, cannot be held, much as they are needed and desired, and proper Catholic literatures available to the control of the control are needed and desired, and proper Cath-olic literature, explanatory in its nature and trifling in its cost, has seen difficult to obtain; but this order of things has been all changed, and to-day, thanks to the Paulist Fathers and the Catholic Truth Societies, terature meeting all the necessary require-nents is published in abundant variety and

quality.

The Catholic Truth Society in Toronto have had published a second edition of that most valuable pamphlet entitled "Some Things Which Catholics Do of that most valuable pamphlet entitled "Some Things Which Catholics Do Not Believe," by His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto, and which contains as an appendix a history of the true relation of the Church towards the Bible. (The information to be obtained from the appendix alone is most valuable and ought to be in the possession of every Catholic in America.) The pamphlet, as its tile indicates, is the presentation before the non Catholic world, in concise form, of the information we as Catholics would have them possess. Of its literary qualities we need not say anything beyond referring to the name and reputation of its gifted author, and suffice it to say that if any non-Catholic can be induced to calmly read and weigh the statements made in it, God only can foresee the result. The Truth Society desire to scatter this little pamphlet broadcast throughout the land, and so as to accomplish this will forward single copies to any address in Canada or the United States upon receipt of a 3 cent stamp—extra copies in same proportion. This offer enables each Catholic to do something towards aiding the missionary work amongst our non-Catholic fellow citizen now in progress, and they hope the demand will be so great that another edition will be but a matter of a short time. Address, for copies, Corresponding Secretary St. Mary's Catholic Truth Society, 6 Markham Place, Toronto, Canada.

MONTREAL NEWS.

From our own Correspondent. It is reported that Rev. Father L. Calla-

It is reported that Rev. Father L. Callaghan is about to inaugurate a course of English sermons at St. James cathedral. The sermons will probably be given at the So'clock Mass. The rev. gentleman has lately returned from Rome, where he took his degrees in divinity, and he has now taken up his residence in the Archbishop's palace.

On Tuesday, the 7th inst., the church of the Trappists, at Oka, was consect ated by the Archbishop of Montreal. The rule of perpetual silence was relaxed for the day, and the relaxation has been continued for the rest of the week during which the celebration is to last. An excursion party having arrived by the boat, visitors were present rest of the week during which the celebration is to last. An excursion party having arrived by the boat, visitors were present in large numbers and were welcomed with all possible kindness. Mgr. Bruchesi officiated at the consecration, and there were also present Mgr. Emard, Mgr. Larocque, Mgr. Decelles, Mgr. Lorrain, Mgr. Larocque, Mgr. Decelles, Mgr. Lorrain, Mgr. Larocque, Mgr. Decelles, Mgr. Lorrain, Mgr. Larocque, we were inspectively. At a late meeting of the St. Patrick's Society it was decided to subscribe \$50 to the Sadlier Testimonal Fund.

St. Mary's College, Bleury street, is preparing for the celebration of its golden jubilee which is to take place in June next. The preparations which are already being made for that event assure of its being a great success.