

THE *Croix* of Paris gives the information that the Hon. W. Laurier, on the occasion of his recent visit to London, was accompanied by Mr. Russell, son of Lord Chief Justice Russell.

prelates would be an obstacle to carrying out of the design which has been for some time in contemplation to proclaim the Archbishop of Canterbury the Patriarch, or a kind of Pope,

Somebody started the rumor that De Witt Talmage, the sensitive preacher from Brooklyn, was dissatisfied with his position in Washington and that he would not return. Talmage, it may be recalled, held place as assistant pastor of a church in the capital. When his attention was called to the story the great sensationalist replied as follows: "I denote the lying scoundrel who started the report that I am dissatisfied with my position in Washington church and shall not return."

At the close of the programme, the Rector addressed the children in affectionate language, in words addressed to their tender minds, reminding them that they were being educated by the Father who is in heaven. I am persuaded, he long remembered that the children were being educated by the Father who is in heaven. I am persuaded, he long remembered that the children were being educated by the Father who is in heaven. I am persuaded, he long remembered that the children were being educated by the Father who is in heaven.

for school children to be abreast of the times, and ready for the best that fortune may offer. His own ambition and ordinary industry have made a store of knowledge, and his own maintenance and significance of these tests to be out of touch with surrounding conditions, and to be willfully handicapped in the examinations. The tests, however, are examinations must not be confounded with the legitimate end of education. There are merely tests, which the parent may reasonably expect, and which the child can usually pass. He has been a diligent worker, he has honestly and thoroughly performed his work, he has engaged to do, and that his work has attained to a well-defined degree of proficiency in the subjects of his examination is a matter apart from examination itself, and is best illustrated in the personality of the pupil himself, as evidenced in his physical, intellectual, and moral qualities. The child, in other words, in the formation of his character. It is in the classroom that the child really commences his struggle of life. There are no examinations there, but there are equally demands in the matter of years. Punctuality, for example, is just as necessary in the office as in the workshop. In the classroom, the child is in a well-conducted school, whilst a repetitious office is an offence against this cardinal virtue. It is likely to be dealt with after a more sumptuous fashion in the former than in the latter. The splendid results of the work done, we are every reason to feel satisfied that the State and (ay) teachers everywhere will be proud to none in the Province of Ontario.

Mr. G. C. Bommer has retired from the directorship of St. Patrick's school, a man of twenty-five years. Mr. Bommer is a composer of sacred music. His "Mass in the name of St. Michael" holds a warm place in the

A Catholic priest not long ago in a High Church clergyman abroad, and the Anglican was in ecstasies over the progress of the reunion movement. "You know," he said, "there is absolutely no difference between us. I think," the priest observed, "there is. Well, one." "What is it?" the High Episcopalian demanded. "The priest," he replied, "and you and your Church allow that I am a Catholic priest; whereas I and my Church do not deny that you are a Catholic priest, or a Catholic at all."—*Catholic Advocate*.