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*Reddite quæ sunt Cesaris, Cesaris; et quæ sunt Dei, Deo.*—Matt 22: 21.

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## Notes.

The Jesuit statistics to which we alluded last week, and which were crowded out, appear in another column.

Mr. Gladstone met with a hearty reception in Oxford. On Monday he delivered the first of the annual lectures, his subject being "Mediæval Oxford."

We give place elsewhere to "Ice-Bound Alaska." It is the annual report of an Alaska missionary. Everything is told. It is a picture (in words) as vivid as any Hogarth. It is Alaska and Alaska's Catholic heroes *au vif*.

A Toronto daily assures us that at the opening of "the New Victoria" the "alumnis" (*sic*) "were in all their glory." It might now make some "addendas" to the statement or it may possibly stoop to correct its "erratas."

"General" Booth's Salvation Army funds are at last going to be looked into by a competent committee, headed by the Earl of Onslow, and everybody will know very soon what is done with the vast amount collected and whether Booth or the poor get it.

A large portion of the village of St. Anne de Beaupre was destroyed by fire on Sunday night. The fire extended from the church to the wharf, and in a very short time the church and large new hotel were the only buildings left standing on the low lands of the village.

The Benzigers have issued the Catholic Home Almanac' 1888, (its 10th year). It contains the usual good things in the shape of stories, poems, historical and biographical sketches, plenty of pretty, interesting pictures, an unusual number of portraits of bishops, priests, and laymen, and for a frontispiece a fine oil-color plate of the Crucifixion.

Alderman Knill, who was recently elected Lord Mayor of London, despite the bitter opposition of bigoted opponents, is an active member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. As Lord Ripon was the first member of that society to hold the office of Indian Viceroy and a seat at the English Cabinet, so Alderman Knill is the first to attain a prominent position in the Corporation and to become Lord Mayor. He is also one of the chief promoters of the Confraternity of the Most Holy Sacrament in England, and has several times been received by Leo XIII.

Says the *World*: "With the arrest of the Cowboy Evangelist in this city the public has been furnished with another justification for its growing lack of reverence for those shouting exhorters. But despite the frequency with which attention has been called of late to the moral lapses of these gentry, every fresh fakir is taken by the hand without any enquiry as to his antecedents, introduced into the pulpit and warns and exhorts the good people about him to lead virtuous lives, until some fine morning his auditors are sickened by the exposure of the immorality of the man who has in the role of mentor been exhorting them to lead pure lives." And the *World* asks how long will this continue? Judging by past experience it will continue indefinitely. Protestants who allow themselves to be humbugged by every tramp who cares to call himself an ex-priest or herself an escaped nun, don't deserve better fortune with their evangelists.

The *News* of this city was a very active Equal Rights organ in the halcyon days when that kind of thing sold evening newspapers like hot cakes. But it has one very bad defect; a defect which is certain, in the long run, to be fatal to an evening paper; slow recovery. It writes yet as though the snows of two long, cold winters had not decorated the graves the last Equal Rights agitation made. We were wrong there. We should not have said last; but at least they are the latest. Writing of the appointment of Hon. T. M. Daly, the *News* affected to believe that, villain as it thinks him, Sir John Thompson would shrink from asking Manitoba to accept "his own elevation to the Premier—ship, the substitution of a Catholic for a Protestant as representative of the North-West in the Cabinet, and an attempt to "interfere with Manitoba's educational policy, all at one gulp." It is therefore probable, opines the *News*, that "the promotion given a good son of the Church" would be accepted as an equivalent for non-interference, and so on. The idea is to excite in Protestant minds the thought that the Catholic Church is getting the best of it by at least two to one. Now, Hon. T. M. Daly is not a "son of the Church," but is an Anglican, and, if he is anything like his father before him, he is, like as not, an Orangeman and a Mason.