

THE CHIMES OF ANTWERP

High o'er the sunlit market-place Where busy workers come and go, From out the belfrey's airy grace, There ring in accents sweet and low, Unfailing at the appointed times The " tender and melodious chimes.

Entranced we stand, and, listening, he The heavenly music in mid air; When lo! there falls upon the ear A note of terror of despair : A tone of grief and anguish dwells Within the sweetness of the bells.

For once, beneath the belfrey's shade, The demons of this earth held sway, And fire, and sword, and rapine made A fury of a night and day; And while the chimes of Antwerp last, There echoes yet that dreadful past. For still, when'er the sweet bells ring Their message to the town below, Their tuneful voices seem to bring Some memory of that day of woe The "old, unhappy, far-off" tale

NIGHT IN LEBANON.

Arises like a breath of bale.

BY CLINTON SCOLLARD.

Noon of night in Lebanon What a gathering place for dreams Little silver-tongued streams Singing all in unison; And that lutanist, the wind, Sowing fallow fields of air With his music seeds that find Mellow nurture everywhere, Flowering into long delight:-Lebanon at noon of night.

Noon of night in Lebanon : Sibyl! whispers from the trees, Omens, portents prophecies; And the gracious benison Of the land of solitude, Freeing from doubt's cruel clutch, Healing every bitter mood With the magic of its touch,

Giving sense a wider sight :-Lebanon at noon of night. Noon of night in Lebanon : O to linger! O to wait At the morning's darkened gate For the coming of the sun! With the rapture of escape From the world in every vein, And the fragrance of the grape Blent with every breeze we drain! God's clear stars above the height ;-Lebanon at noon of night.

A LEGEND

I read a legend of a monk who painted, In an old convent cell in days agone. Pictures of martyrs and of virgins sainted And the sweet Christ-face with the

Poor daubs! not fit to be a chapel's treasur Full many a taunting word upon them fell. But the good abbot let him, for his pleasure Adorn with them his solitary cell.

a picture.

One night the poor monk mused; "Could I but render

Honor to Christ as other painters do. Were but my skill as great as is the tende Love that inspires me when His cross I

"But no-'tis vain I toil and strive

And a sweet voice the "I scorn ne work that's done for love of And round the walls the pa

resplendent With lights and col A perfect beauty, and a hue transcendent

That never yet on mortal canvas shone There is a meaning in the strange old story Let none dare judge his brother's worth

The pure intent gives to the act its glory The noblest purposes makes the grand-

-Home Journal.

GOD AND THE RIGHT. Courage, brother, do not stumble, Though the path is dark as night : There's a star to guide the humble

Trust in God and do the right." Let the road be long and dreary, And its ending out of sight, Foot it bravely, strong or weary;

"Trust in God and do the right." Perish "policy" and cunning, Perish all that fears the light; Whether losing, whether winning,

"Trust in God and do the right." Trust no forms of guilty passion-Fiends can look like angels bright; Trust no custom, school or fashion-" Trust in God and do the right,"

Some will hate thee, some will love the Some will flatter, some will slight; Cease from man and look above thee-"Trust in God and do the right."

Simple rule and safest guiding, Inward peace and inward light. Star upon our path abiding-"Trust in God and do the right,"

DR. NORMAN MACLEOD



The Manitoba School Ques

(Montreal Star, Nov. 20.)

No one who properly appreciates the force of religious conviction or the

mportance of popular education, will belittle the school problem which con fronts the people of Manitoba. Nor will it be regarded as an attempt to do so, if the attention of the country is called to the startling fact rhat there is now every probability that our fiscal policy for five years will be decided, and our national government chosen, largely with reference to the stand taken by our public men on the question whether less than four thousand children in Mauitoba shall be educated in this or that kind of a school. The complaint of the Manitoba minority and the contention of the Greennterests of the Dominion, the trade of the people, the personnel of the national government, our relations and all the weighty questions that are our five millions of people decide whether or not some 90 separate schools shall be closed in Manitoba. This is a phase of the situation worth thinking about. There is no disguising the fact that the Manitoba School question threatens to shoulder all other political issues into the back ground. A member of the Government in addressing a meeting of Toronto Conservatives, the other evening, reminded them that elections yould be held in three constituencies in Ontario before Parliament should meet. From these three elections, he expects to get " a fair, unbiassed expression of opinion for the guidance of Parliament " Upon what question? The Tariff? Reciprocity? The scandals? These suggestions have an absurd sound; and yet it is with these matters that Parliament ought chiefly to deal. Still every one knows what the speaker could have meant and did mean but one question; and that

the dispute as to the education of hese three to four thousand children n Manitoba. If no account be taken of the hard feelings and the perilous setting of Canadian against Canadian gn over this matter must inevitably effect, it is yet clear that Canada will be on dangerous ground when it choses a Parlianent with mere reference to its pinion of Mr. Greenway's policy than o its own trade and tariff programme. Of the results of a racial and religious campaign which may easily spring up over this difficulty, no one need paint We have had race divisions and religious differences in our politics before; and we remember that they have produced the only perils that have really put the future of he country in doubt, The responsibility of the Manitoba decision and accepted the responsi-Government under the circumstances is most grave. It can turn a business

meeting of the electors to be held at the polls shortly into a sectarian de-I'll cast my ill-wrought pictures in the way has come into our politics with now Manitoba has the ball at its feet. his disturbing question at a critical time. The hand of the great statesthe present Parliament was elected. rulers and policy for the first time as a Confederation without the help ings shone of Sir John Macdonald. Mr. Alextime to attempt new and difficult regard separate schools as so great an evil that they think it right to rid a people of them by force and against its will. The Privy Council has declared the minority to have a grievance. So eminent an authority as Principal Grant reports them to have been most used. The best that the most violent supporter of the Green. way law can say is that the unjust 'means" are justified by the righteous end"—a sort of reasoning that he is very apt to make uncomplimentary Let Mr. Greenway right this injustice, bound up with the Dominion, and a material hurt, and the Manitoba journey towards them. farmer will be one of the first sufferers.

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS

DYSPEPSIA, BAD BLOOD, CONSTIPATION, KIDNEY TROUBLES,

HEADACHE, BILIOUSNESS. B.B.B. unlocks all the secretions and rem all impurities from the system from a com pimple to the worst scrofulous sore.

BURDOCK PILLS act gently ye

if such a plea should possess power, there is ground enough for it in the relations of old Canada with the West selected, among the most upright and to justify us in asking that our politics worthy individuals of every class in the be not convulsed with a local question at this critical time. But such a plea is unnecessary, for Manitoba has —a strange distinction in a true and much to lose in the present and the genuine republic-one-third are busifuture from associating her name with ness men of the town, and the remainwhat must be a political nuisance. ing twenty are chosen from the well-No matter which party must finally to-do farmers and represent the agriway sympathizers are not to be treat- deal with this question, it will be full cultural interests. This council has ed as trivial matters; but neither is it of perplexity and danger; and Mani- the supreme government of the whole a light thing that the manufacturing toba will easily see that it will not pay republic, and is the heir and direct the province to burden our public descendant of the "popular assembly' men of both parties with embittered of ancient times. Twice a year this feelings toward it. It will want council selects from its own members with Britain and the United States, Parliament to send it immigrants and the two captains-regent who rule the the choice between the great parties to help it take care of them; and its state. Their term of office endures wishes will be listened to more kindly only six months, and either of them answered one way or another by a general election, may now be left this fact does not appeal to Mr. Greenlargely to chance or good luck, while way and his colleagues, they may find with the electors upon whom they

> Should Manitoba refuse to act, the position will be an awkward one-not only for the poor politicians we all fee anxious about but for the people of Manitoba as well. The Dominion Government must then come to the relief of the minority; and the result of Federal interference in the provincial educational field, is not likely to would seem to an outsider that the Manitobans could amend their own back to this troublesome question by all the horses in Canada. Thus if the arrangement made by the Federal Government be a bad one, Manitoba must bear with it as best she can. But if the Local Legislature face the situation, and recognize the finding of the Privy Council, it will snap no such trap upon itself even if a mistake should be made to begin with. Easily enough can it doctor and improve its own laws until the purpose of the new legislation is fully achieved. The pasition is a simple one. The Privy Council declares that the minority have a grieyance. The Dominion Government acknowledged the

bility of getting things put right. It could do no less, The first step was to pass the effect of the decision on bating club; and, on the other hand, it o Manitoba, in, perhaps, too sternly it can leave that meeting to do the official language. A second communication's business in peace. Mr. Green-cation set this right, however; and cation set this right, however; and Marinese. There is no thought of fear for the Manitoba with a school system like gards a self-made man. "Yes,"

In a Quaint Republic.

business of polities once more

One of the oldest republics in Ohristendom, one founded by a saint and the country." It was a novel method composed exclusively of Catholics, is of disposing of the criminal element, San Marino. An American traveller and gave much to consider. who recently visited it, sends this information about it:

Italy. Its government is distinct and how it saved its honor. A German vince-which he can easily do by a antiquity, and well fitted for the of speculators. These desired from

empty acres and their meagre public sized village, through the one narrow works? What if a religious division and widely paved street of which the empty acres and their meagre public works? What if a religious division had palsied progress when the C. P. had palsied progress when the had palsied progress when the C. P. carriage rushes with a speed that is by grand promises, and they disdain-R. was about to be built—what would startling and disconcerting to the vil. fully rejected the dishonest demand. R. was about to be built—what would starting and disconcering to the villadon be induced to buy any other.

Ithen have become of Manitoba? There is usually not much to be gained by appealing to political gratitude; but Mass, appealing to political gratitude; but Mass,

DR. WOOD'S Norway Pine

Syrup. COUGHS AND COLDS

Hoarseness, Asthma, Bronchitis, Sore Throat Croup and all THROAT, BRONCHIAL and LUNG DISEASES. Obstinate coughs which esist other remedies yield promptly to this bleasant play serves. NG DISCHMENT OF THE PROPERTY O

The governing council consists of sixty citizens, elected for life, or rather that it carries considerable weight place in this tiny republic. And, in- The total weight is 17,735 kilodeed, office-seekers would have but a grammetres, or nearly seventeen tons post, they could not enjoy it very

long. It is doubtful if such a class exists. two presidents—there shall be no fully. be a smooth-working and altogether form a sort of cabinet, and has the admirable system of education. It power of judging of criminal and civil causes that are of minor import. There are two judges who are not school laws with more satisfaction to natives of the republic, to whom judilong range. More than that, any act passed at Ottawa in this matter becomes practice law and the matte becomes practically irrevocable. Mr. McCarthy stated this to be his opinion

> udgment. ments are an almost intolerable bursummoned to defend the terriheavily. The regular standing army

> consists of eight gendarmes. The peculiar constitution of the grand council saves the territory from the wild enthusiasms generated at elections. There is so little to elect. Perhaps this may contribute to the happiness and longevity of the San

The council hall is a noble cham-A fair and just compromise is what is ber and contains a number of pertraits asked. If it refuses to pay any heed to of the reigning sovereigns of Europe man which had not been far from the helm of state for over three decades has fallen away from the wheel since has fallen away from the wheel since act. The result will be more or less ness of the United States do not over-We are now about to choose our religious wrangling in the East; the whelm them, and if one might judge prejudicing of our public men against of the popular feeling from the words the very name of Manitoba; a hasty of the philosophical and friendly and, possibly, wrong decision of the guide, they regard the western repubander Mackenzie and Mr. Blake were fiscal issues before the country; and, lic with the quiet contempt with which also lost to us about the same time. finally, the permanent saddling of a member of the old aristocracy refuture; but the day when we must nothing else under Heaven, managed, said, "I know the United States is pay a visit of prayer to the church is test new helmsmen is not the best partly or wholly, at Winnipeg, with large, but it is so new, and we, sir, are more or less interference from Ottawa. established fourteen centuries," and channels. Mr. Greenway, however, On the other hand, if Premier Green- he turned his impressive eyes upon has now the opportunity to save us way will do his duty and remedy the me as if to ask what need to say more. this strain. That his Government has injustice of his own laws, the rest of He spoke of Italy as "the neighbor been unjust to the mincrity is practi- us, including the Ottawa Ministry, will ing state," and he said that when a cally admitted by all save those who turn with readiness to the proper malefactor was condemned to a term of imprisonment exceeding six months he was passed over to Italy to be placed in one of the Italian prisons, and was paid for by San Marino, "Qur people could not be building prisons

The historian of the place, Marino Fattori, tells of a great temptation to Though in Italy, it is not a part of which the republic was subjected, and Scrofula eferences to when practiced by others. separate from that of which Signor lady, to whom the republic had given Crispi is the head. In fact it is a a title, in return for the sympathy and while at the same safe guarding the state within a state, and its institu- kindness she had shown for the place, high educational ambitions of the procompromise measure coupling a people whose mind and wants they common state inspection with varied religious instruction—and he will set Manitoba right before the Privy coast brought me within easy reach of Council and the public, and save Canada a hurtful and profitless religio- an opportunity of studying the place for this privilege-money, relief from Should Mr. and the people was easily seized. I taxes, a railway to the place, excellent Greenway decline to do this much set out from Rimini in the August schools for the children and genera justice, all the suffering may not fall upon the rest of us. Manitoba is except the driver, of a venerable coach was great, for San Marino is honest, drawn by two lean horses. Twenty and consequently poor. But its people national injury will wound her as well miles of a rather picturesque road lie rose to the occasion, "Content with as the other provinces. Let Canada between Rimini and San Marino. The their ancestral poverty," writes the be so confused by this school con-troversy that she blunders on other issues at the general election to her material hurt, and the Manitoba journey towards them.

feathers, and they fill the eye as you offerings of Napoleon Bonaparte, cer-It is needless to describe the hilly tain that their little state would not road that traverses cultivated fields and be held blameless if it harbored an among our people for the upbuilding of the country become more difficult because of bitter feelings aroused sembling the back-grounds of the early and that traverses contrivated neits and then comes and throat. Several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which association disapproved by all the several kinds of medicines which as a several kinds of medicines wh over this question, what part will Italian masters in art before the days suffer more surely and more severely of Raphael. A more rapid ascent they are founded on virtue, to render

ing equal, have the courage of living up to their convictions to such a de-gree as the San Marinese on this occasion. It is a delight to find one spot on earth where such a dear price is paid for virtue, and this example of what a long established republic founded by a saint is capable of, leads men to hope that other republics founded by men who, though good, were not exactly saints, may endure for many ages.

The very name of the place is the The persecuted Christians followed him, and as the place became populous he was chosen its Bishop and its ruler. His testament to them was never to allow themselves to be deprived of their liberty and, his statue holding the scroll upon which his testament of freedom is written, is in several prominent places. The people are proud of their founder and proud of their saint. That they have continued through the vicissitudes of fourteen centuries speaks well for the enduring nature of the saint's work. Religion and patriotism go hand in The captains-general who are elected and take possession of the office on the first of April and the first of October, perform this function in the Cathedral, where two thrones are prepared for them. It could scarcely be otherwise, seeing who their founder

Montmarte Basilica.

The construction of the great basilica of the Sacred Heart at Montmarte, Paris, continues to make progress. The feast of the Blessed Margaret Mary Alacoque was signallized on Oct. 17th by the arrival hard time of it, for if they did get a and a half. Twenty-four horses were requisitioned to draw this load up the steep, narrow streets leading up to the hi'l of Montmarte, but the See the jealous wisdom of having work was carried through successopportunity given to an ambitious and so is the diameter. The total captain regent to seize the reins of cost was about 70,000 francs. The government. "The council of sound, which it is claimed, is both twelve," composed of members select- rich and sonorous, extends to a radius ed from the grand council of sixty, of twenty-five miles. The following is the inscription engraved on the bell: "The year 1888, during the sclemnities connected with the sacerdotal jubilee of the Sovereign themselves—and with as much justice to the minority—as could the Ottawa Parliament, which must legislate at long range. More them the satisfaction to the minority—as could be occupying an axes of about minor thousand, legislate at long range. the province, by the subscriptions of

place is a relative of all, or the great without ceasing throughout the cenment. Whatever the constitutional majority. In fact, the degrees of turies to come from the summit of cousinship are numerous and perplex- this boly hill to the city, the nation position of such an act may be, however, it certainly will be, as politics go, almost impossible to get it repealed. Parliament can never be dragged be a foreign city so that there may be not feel a mondarial to the city, the nation and the world: Long live Jesus!"

Another superb present is in course of preparation. This will be a perfectly so that there may be not feel a mondarial to the city, the nation and the world: Long live Jesus!" suspicion of relationship between them | the pious hands of France. There is and those who appeal to them for a vigilance committee which is always on the watch to see that the At a time when huge military arma- elaborate designs are carried out without fault. Every part of France den to all the nations of Europe, and is assisting in this act of devotion. especially to Italy, in which San The whole area of the vast sanctuary Marino exists, it is pleasant to see how will be covered and far beyond. The the republicans of this little state escutcheons of Paris and the princisettle the problem for themselves In pal cities will form a special feature of theory every man is a soldier when the design. With regard to the basilica itself, athough M. Abadie, the tory, but as no one thinks of attacking original architect, is dead, the progress it, that military burden does not weigh of the work is under the safe direction of M. Rauline. Three million francs is the sum now required to finish the church. Up to the 20th of last month, the total expenditure so far amounted to 28,176,126 francs. The sum actually in hand is 483,188 francs. Subscriptions come in at the rate of about 100,000 francs a month, We may, therefore, expect the solemn

inaugnration of the basilica of the Sacred Heart three years hence, long before, at all events, the opening of the 1900 Paris exhibition. The construction is entirely of stone, even for the roof. In the meanwhile Montmarte basilica is one of the chief sanctuaries of Europe and attracts an immense number of pilgrims. Three hundred day pilgrimages and two hundred reckoned during the course of each year. The total number of the faithful from all parts of the world who thousand approach the Holy Com-The basilica of the Sacred Heart has been open for worship by day and by night for the last fitteen years. More than 80,000 pilgrims have passed the night before the Blessed Sacrament, which is always exposed there, Five thousand Masses are also said there every year .-

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