

ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL

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centre of the city, it will be convenient in certain cases of emergency where delay would be dangerous and immediate medical or surgical treatment would be of the greatest importance and most urgent necessity for the preservation of human life. The work it has done and is doing is the best proof there was room for it and a mission for it to fulfil. If, perchance, any rivalry should exist between it and other similar institutions it must not be a rivalry of jealousy or of antagonism, but it must and should be a noble rivalry in doing good, in the Christ-like work of healing the diseases that afflict humanity, in the caring and comforting of the sick and suffering, and in the blessed endeavour to bring back the forces of life and health to bodies languishing in feebleness and decay. There is another feature of St. Michael's Hospital to which I beg to call your attention. It is not and it is not intended to be a sectarian institution in any obnoxious sense. Its wards will be open to the sick of every race and creed and all will be treated with the same skill and the same tender devotion. The religious convictions of the patients will be scrupulously respected and the clergymen of every denomination will be perfectly free to minister to the spiritual wants of those who will require their services. (Applause.) The management of this institution will know no barrier of sect or creed or nationality, it will be like the charity of Christ, impartial and Catholic. (Applause.) The sufferings and pains of sickness will be always the keys that will open wide the doors of St. Michael's Hospital. Finally I consider it a duty to thank his worship the Mayor and the city fathers for their just and kindly conduct towards this institution. I thank the Government Inspector of Charities, Mr. Chamberlain, for his kind and sympathetic report of its workings. I thank the gentlemen of the medical staff for their noble and disinterested services and all its friends and well-wishers. May this enlarged institution, blessed and inaugurated to-day, long continue its Christ-like ministrations; may it ever be a true "Hotel Dieu," a hospital of God, a home for the pain-stricken and a sacred Probatary for the sick and suffering. (Loud applause.) The proceedings had not terminated as we go to press.

FOR A CONVENTION.

The Freeman's Journal of Oct. 28th gives prominence to the complete text of the letters exchanged by the Archbishop of Toronto and Hon. Edward Blake on the question of the dissections in the Irish Parliamentary party. In the same issue The Freeman published a long report of the farrow demonstration to Michael Davitt at Sydney N.S.W. on Sep. 17th at which Cardinal Moran was a speaker. Sir W. P. Manning ex-Mayor of Sydney presided. Cardinal Moran who was received with ringing cheers said:

Viewed under their aspect, Mr. Davitt was fully entitled to be considered a patriot by the sterling earnestness of his devotion to his native land's cause. Before asking Mr. Davitt to address them he would ask him to take with him from that vast assemblage on his return to Ireland—what would he say?—an Australian shamrock (applause). Perhaps it was wrong to speak of an Australian shamrock when that name was reserved for the plant that was so dear to the hearts of all at home. He would ask Mr. Davitt to take with him

AN AUSTRALIAN FOREST-MAN (cheers). On the first leaf of this forget-me-not he (the Cardinal) would inscribe a message telling the people in Ireland that in every part of Australia, in every town and city, and in the remotest hamlets, were to be found true hearts devoted to Ireland (applause). On the second leaf he would inscribe that it was not only those who had come from the home country that had this affection for their native land, but those who had never seen the green hills where the shamrock grows, our Australian young men and ladies—who would not yield to the men in the matter of enthusiasm (applause)—were as earnest in their true love and affection for Ireland; and the inscription on the third leaf would be that they would find us all united, all one, without dissensions and without divisions (cheers). People told them that there were divisions in Ireland. But these divisions were exaggerated by English newspapers (hear, hear). They read in the papers about

PARNELLITES AND ANTI-PARNELLITES. Well, he wished to tell Mr. Davitt that there was no wider breach of division between Parnellites and anti-Parnellites amongst them (cheers). They were all full of gratitude to Mr. Parnell for the wonderful work he achieved for Ireland (loud cheers). They all knew the mistakes that were made by the people made mistakes into which they surrounded him had betrayed him, but they could forget all the unhappy incidents in the close of his career; they could forget all the remembrance of the splendid days when his heart burned with love for Ireland and his people (cheers). Here in Australia they were as one, all united in their desire to aid those at home who were assisting the rights and defending the liberties of their native land (loud and prolonged cheering).

Commenting on the combined message contained in Cardinal Moran's speech and the letter of the Archbishop of Toronto The Freeman says:

gird to that unselfish representative of the love of the Irish for the cradle land of the race. The Irishman of Toronto were anxious to give a public reception to Mr. Blake in order to publicly express their appreciation of the attacks made upon him by unfeeling colleagues. Mr. Blake was obliged to decline the reception for reasons of health. The Archbishop, therefore, addressed a letter to him on the eve of his departure for Australia; in which this deep seated feeling of resentment against his insinuations and mean calumnies is vigorously declared. The Archbishop also claims the right of expressing his opinion on the position created in Ireland by the fanatical disunion. None has a better right. The patriotic son of a patriotic country has never forgotten his duty to Ireland. He has not merely never forgotten it, he has fulfilled it generously and nobly. So have his people. Again and again, in conjunction with their Archbishop and his clergy, they have come to the aid of the Irish cause. Whether for the evicted tenants or for Parliamentary purposes appeal was never made to them in vain. Moreover, as the Archbishop points out, they are now the citizens of a country that has always sympathized with the Irish claim for Home Rule. Speaking for such a people, situated in such a country, the Archbishop of Toronto declares that disunion has disgraced the name and fame of Ireland among the onlooking peoples of the world, and that it is high time to Ireland. He suggests that a National Convention should be called to search out the source of this disgrace and to end it. His suggestion will be received by the Irish leaders with the respect and consideration due to it. As Mr. Blake points out there is scarcely any difference on public questions among members of the Irish Party.

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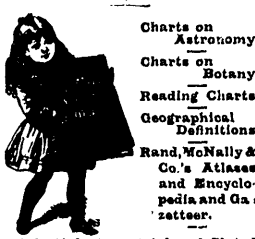
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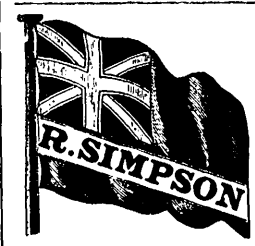
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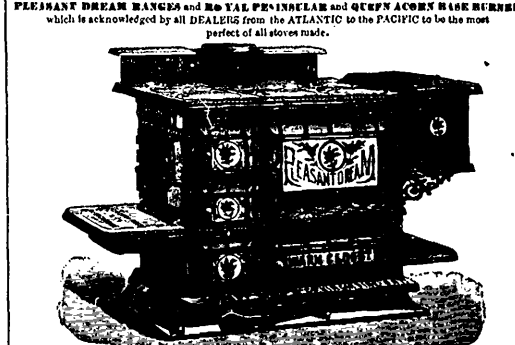
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