

THE BRIGHTER DAWN IN IRELAND.

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Proudly unfurl the flag of old Erin,
Wave its green folds in the deep-
swelling breeze,
The Sunburst of freedom again is ap-
pearing,
Wafting the glad news far o'er
the seas.

The cause we tho't doomed, and had
looked on with sorrow,
The cause that our fathers have
fought for and died,
Gives promise at length of a brighter
to-morrow,
And the bark of Home Rule 's float-
ing in with the tide.

The clouds of oppression, misrule and
dissension,
Their shades are dispelling through-
out the green land,
Too long it's been riven by strife and
contention,
And gladly we welcome the dawn
that's at hand.

Our people to-day have a voice in
the nation,
Their sons in Westminster all feuds
have forgot,
While famine, eviction, despair, deso-
lation,
Are passing away with the gloom
they have brought.

The League is the hope of our down-
trodden people,
Our trust is in justice and Ireland's
own right,
Place Unity's ensign on hilltop and
steeple,
Then soon shall be witnessed the
strength of our right.

The deeds of the Celts were an honor
and glory
To the Lily of France and the Olive
of Spain;
With their blood have they written
America's story,
In Africa now they are falling like
rain.

Had this been for Erin who firstly
should need them,
The yoke that enslaves us had long
passed away,
Ere now we'd recovered the blessing
of freedom,
And held a high place 'mongst the
nations to-day.

But UNITED in future, by action and
manner,
We'll prove that our country again
can agree,
Then the sun that emblazoned the
ancient green banner,
Full soon will illumine old IRELAND
THE FREE.

ple. Joining the building is a place
known as the Bishop's Library. This
building is the rendez-vous of all the
Catholic societies of the city, in or-
der to present their compliments to
the Bishop and clergy on the occasion
of their annual parade. In this build-
ing a choice selection of books are
kept, including works in many lan-
guages. It was here that the present
Bishop, when he was a priest, carv-
ed a beautiful altar, having a front-
ispiece representing the first nuns ar-
riving at St. John's.

Joining this building, is that great
structure, which has done phenom-
enal work in the educational line, St.
Bonaventure's College, the Alma Ma-
ter of His Lordship, Bishop Howley,
and of a large number of the clergy
of Newfoundland, as well as the
leading professional and commercial
men of the island. As I have shown
the excellent record of this college in
an article entitled "Catholic Educa-
tion in Newfoundland," I do not in-
tend to enter into full details of the
working of the institution, but to
add a few words about the building
itself. It is four stories high, and is
of cut stone. Since the Irish Chris-
tian Brothers took charge of it, it
has undergone many useful and need-
ed repairs. The class-rooms are a
little on the small side, and at pre-
sent well filled. In the rear future a
laboratory, a hall, and a gymnasium
are to be added to the building, and
then it will be complete in every re-
spect. The grounds around this build-
ing are the finest in the city. The
beautiful walks, cricket fields and the
spacious hand-ball court, are things
which make life pleasant and joyful
during the dear old school days.

A little to the northwest, stands
the monastery of St. Francis, the
abode of the Brothers who teach in
the two outside schools, St. Pat-
rick's and Holy Cross. This building
was erected over twenty years ago at
a cost of \$24,000. This sum was
afterwards raised in two weeks at a
bazaar, held at St. John's, at which
both Catholics and Protestants vied
with each other in doing honor to
the noble Christian Brothers. To the left
of the Cathedral and joining it, there
is the finest convent in Newfound-
land, that of the Presentation Nuns.
This building is a gem of architect-
ural beauty, and its large and spa-
cious corridors, beautiful chapel and
magnificent reception rooms, make
this convent a model in every re-
spect. Attached to the main build-
ing, is a large and spacious two-
story one, used as a school. The
class-rooms are models of neatness
in every way, and the religious and se-
cular education imparted by the de-
voted daughters of the saintly found-
er, Nuno Nagle, speak volumes for the
zeal and self-sacrificing labors of
those good Sisters.

To the south of the Presentation
Convent, there is another famed seat
of learning, the Convent of Mercy.
This building is in keeping with the
rest of the group. This convent pos-
sesses a beautiful chapel, built only
a short time ago, and is known as
"Our Lady of Good Counsel." The
Convent of Mercy is the leading fe-
male Catholic establishment of the
island, with the exception of the
Training School at Littledale. The
daughters of the venerable Catherine
McAuley, have a record in the educa-
tional line which is hard to surpass.
Some of the leading ladies of St.
John's, are graduates of this con-
vent, and hold sacred the cherished
names of their devoted teachers.

The last of the famous group is
St. Patrick's Hall, situated at the

The shock and strain of being
fired from a cannon daily
through a circus season,
would seem to be extraor-
dinary. But it is not nearly
so wearing upon the
average woman's nerv-
ous system, as the strain
and drain of the ex-
hausting day life of the
married woman. It
is the great shock of
which wears the
"continual"
So in woman's
the great de-
her energy
her out, but the
interminable leakage of her strength
through the diseases that affect the de-
licate womanly organs.

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strength is as much the desire as the
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inflammations, heals the
ulcerations and cures the
displacements which are
at the bottom of woman's
miseries.

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cocaine or other narcotic
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Prescription."

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base of a hill, and keeping sentinel,
as it were in front of the Cathedral.
St. Patrick's Hall was the only one
of the group that was destroyed in
the terrible conflagration of 1892.
The Benevolent Irish Society imme-
diately set to work to rebuild on a
larger scale, and to-day their efforts
have been blessed with a building
that would do credit to a much
larger city than that of St. John's.
The building is divided into three
parts: the top part being used as a
hall for concerts, dramas, public lec-
tures, etc. It is pronounced by lead-
ing vocalists and actors to be per-
fect in every respect. The second
part consists of several class-rooms,
the best equipped in North America,
and under the skilful guidance of the
noble and zealous Irish Christian
Brothers, the youth of Terra Nova
receive a sound religious and secular
education. The other part of this
building consists of billiard, music
and debating rooms. The building
cost \$75,000, and stands a noble
monument to the Irish Catholics of
St. John's.

Here we see the city of St. John's
with a Catholic population of 20,-
000, having monuments of religion
that would cost nearly \$1,500,000.
I have omitted several other Catholic
institutions throughout the city, viz:
The Belevedere Orphanage, St. Pat-
rick's Church, Holy Cross School, St.
Patrick's Convent, Littledale Aca-
demy, Total Abstinence Hall, Me-
chanics' Hall, Star of the Sea Hall
and Holy Cross Hall. When we look back
and think of the numerous difficulties
with which the Catholics of this is-
land had to contend with, especially
in religious matters, for the late lum-
mented Dr. Mullock, says that the
birds of the air, and the fishes of the
deep had more freedom than the
Catholics of Newfoundland, it is one
of the wonders of the age how these
great and glorious monuments were
raised. They to teach a beautiful ob-
ject lesson to the Catholic world;
that with energy and perseverance
what an amount of good can be
done. They also proclaim to the
visitor or beholder, the true spirit of
the Irish race, and the noble sacri-
fices they have made for the cause of
religion, education and charity.

"Those temples I see where my child-
hood was nourished,
In the faith of my fathers, the old
and the true,
Where religion was honored and piety
flourished,
Where virtues were many and vices
were few."

In the near future I hope to give a
full description of all the monuments
of Catholicity in St. John's and Har-
bor Grace Dioceses, with pictures of
each, and beg the indulgence of my
readers for this present hurried
sketch.

CARDINAL VAUGHAN ON JOURNALISM.

Cardinal Vaughan's Lenten Pastoral
deals with the following subjects:
The annual Orphan and Rescue col-
lection; how to stop our losses;
Catholic newspapers; the work pre-
scribed for the jubilee; and Commu-
tation of the Fast and Abstinence of
Lent. While several of these subjects
are more of a local nature, apply-
ing specially to the Cardinal's own
arch-diocese, still there are a couple
of them that may well be read with
great profit in all parts of the world.
We cannot refrain from reproducing
His Eminence's remarks concerning
newspapers, and particularly Catho-
lic journalism. On drawing atten-
tion to the work of the Catholic
Press, he says:—

"We take this opportunity to offer
a few observations on the mission of
the Catholic Press. The spirit mani-
fested by some Catholic papers in
England during the last year has
given pain to many Catholics, and
has been a cause of some anxiety.
Catholic journals are perfectly free to
take any line they please in matters
purely political and national, in lit-
erature, science, art, the debatable
ground of sociology, and other sub-
jects which have not been decided by
the Church. Herein they are free as
all are free. There can be no desire
to fetter their liberty within these
ample domains, when language and
temper are kept within the bounds of
propriety. But when it comes to
questions directly concerning religion,
such as the policy of the Church,
the character and conduct of the
Sovereign Pontiff, of the Roman Con-
gregations, of the Cardinals in curia,
of Bishops in their official capac-
ity, of the laws and discipline of the
Church, of the clergy in the dis-
charge of their appointed ecclesiasti-
cal duties, the case is altogether dif-
ferent. This is holy ground. The
Church is governed by a Hierarchy,
not by a House of Commons. Her
constitution is divine, and not de-
pendent like a political machine up-
on popular agitation and the see-saw
of public opinion. Bishops have re-
ceived a divine mandate to rule and

govern their flock. They are teachers
and judges in matters of faith, mor-
al conduct, and ecclesiastical disci-
pline. It is chiefly for them to deter-
mine the policy to be followed in de-
fence or furtherance of Catholic
claims. The appeal against them is
not to the people, but to ecclesiasti-
cal tribunals and to the Sovereign
Pontiff."

Then speaking of the office and hon-
or of a Catholic journalist, His Emin-
ence says:—

"The office and the honor of a
Catholic journalist is religiously to
follow the lead of the Church in mat-
ters that concern the Church; to
strengthen her action upon the
world; to defend the faith and Catho-
lic interests with skill and with
courage; 'sentire cum ecclesia' in all
things; so to inform and convince his
readers that they may intelligently
and joyfully co-operate with the epis-
copate, and thus present to outsiders
the spectacle of a Church knit to-
gether not only in one faith, but in the
discipline of a common spirit. But if
a Catholic journal habitually fail in
its mission, by weakening respect for
authority, by cooling the allegiance
of Catholics, by sowing suspicions,
doubts, discord, and scandals among
the faithful, by opening its columns
to the propagation of false and mis-
chievous theories, by fostering a
proud spirit of independence and of
carping criticism in the sphere of re-
ligion, its circulation becomes nox-
ious, like the spread of a plague or
a pest. And then, what is to be
done? If good counsel fail, the
priests and the people have the rem-
edy in their own hand, by ceasing to
support it. They can do this of their
own initiative, from their own good
sense and Catholic loyalty, without
recourse to the last step in such cases,
a formal denunciation by ecclesiasti-
cal authority. Let this much suffice.
The Catholic press in these days has,
indeed, a high and noble mission,
open to the well-instructed Catholic
layman as to the priest. It seems to
have become a necessary adjunct to
the spiritual influences which gener-
ate and protect fervor and loyalty
among the children of the Church,
and spread the light of faith and the
just claims of the Church, even be-
yond her own pale. You ought, there-
fore, almost as a religious duty, to
value the Catholic press, to exact of
it the true Catholic ring and spirit,
and to promote its circulation when-
ever it faithfully fulfils its mission—
and this without being too hard up-
on it, if through oversight, pressure
of time or accident, there occur an
occasional slip or an error of judg-
ment. We have thought it right to
say this much, for the press is a power
for evil as well as for good; and
so far as it professes to be Catholic
it falls under the direct purview of
the Bishops of the Church."

"OPPORTUNITY IS THE CREAM OF TIME."

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A RETROSPECT.

Looking back over the long stretch
of years that have sped so happily
on their swift way, our thoughts
often dwell on the pleasures, the
hopes and the fears of our childhood.
We have not forgotten in ambition's
strife, those simple and dear delights
of our younger days, when all that
we wished for was, a smile of ap-
proval, a glance, a caress, and the
soothing of our little sorrows. Time
advanced and our turn came with
our youth and ambition to enter the
world, and try and reach the top
rung of the ladder of fame. Forget-
ting everything else we make it our
god and bowing to its worship are
content with all the honor and glory
we can get from it. We care not for
friends, pleasure, love, for everywhere
we go and everything we do the same
beckoning hand of fame stands be-
fore us. Rapt in our work, and the
loved dream of greatness, ambition
has taught us that Fame in this
world is everything. Reflecting for a
moment, we say to ourselves: "Love
is only a flower that is to perish
when storm clouds obscure the sum-
mer's shrine, but fame, like a monu-
ment, will stand to our memory
when countless ages will have passed
on." This is false for after all fame
is nothing, even though our name
should endure for all time. Better to
offer the scent of this blossom, and
by good works, charitable deeds and
a pious life, complete a garland for
the great hereafter. Truly has it
been said:

"For what does it matter if Fame
smiles upon you,
And Fortune as well to your bright
lot should fall,
Whatever your fate be, I hold it is
truest
One glad hour of childhood is sweet-
er than all."

WHO BUILT THE PYRAMIDS?

Hard to tell in some instances. But
we know who are the great Nerve
Builders. They are Scott & Boyne.
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strengthens brain and nerves.

RAIL-ROADING.

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and men in training for appointment
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the operating department of the
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been opened at Berlin, and six hours
instruction is given each week for a
year in a regular course. Twenty-
seven different subjects are embraced
in the curriculum, and there is a
separate instructor for each subject,
who is an official in the department
concerned. Much attention is given
to railway accounts, as the greater
number of the students are desirous
of becoming railway clerks. The stud-
ents are required to have a certain
prescribed education, but if they are
graduates of technical schools certain
subjects may be omitted.

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One reason, perhaps, why Ameri-
cans do not rest is that given by a
bright woman: "We are all so tired,"
and the American is the victim
of his own qualities.

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Eminent physicians, who have given
special study to these diseases, state that
rheumatism and gout are really a toxemia
or poisoning resulting from the decomposition
of food stuffs in a dilated or prolapsed
stomach. This condition induces the forma-
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