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INSPECTION INVITED.

Where the Beautiful Rivers Flow. BY REV. C. P. RYAN.

Oh, I'll sing to-night of a fairy land, in the lap of the ocean set.

And, of all the lands I've travelled o'er, 'tis the lovellest I have met;
Where the willows weep, and the roses sleep, and the balmy breezes blow, In that dear old land, that sweet old land, where the beautiful rivers flow.

But on, alas! how can I sing?—'tis an exile breathes the strain, And that dear old land of my youthful love I may never see again;
And the very loys that fill my breast must
ever change to woe
For that dear old land, that sweet old land,
where the beautiful rivers flow.

But I'll sing of the ionely churchyards old, where our fathers' b mes are laid—Where the cloisters stand, those ruins grand that cur tyrant foes have made; And I'll strike the harp with a mournful touch, till the glist hing tears will show. For that dear old land, that sweet old land, where the beautiful rivers flow.

And I'll sing of Emmet's lonely fate, and of And I'll sing of sammets to neity late, and of his lonely grave—
Of his early com, and his youthful bloom, and his britt more than brave;
But ah! how biest and calm his rest, the his grave be cold and low,
In that dear old land, that sweet old land, where the beautiful rivers flow.

And I'll sing of Tone and the Geraldine, proud Edward the true and blest—
They won the crown—the martyr's crown—
and they sleep in shade and rest;
In heavenly mould their names are rolled—
they died in manhood's glow,
For that dear old land, that aweet old land,
where the beautiful rivers flow.

And I'll sing of Ireland's ancient days, when our sires were kingly men.
Who led the chase, and the manly race, thro' forest, and field, and glen;
Whose only word was the shining sword—whose pen, the patriot's blow,
For that dear old land, that sweet old land, where the beautiful rivers flow.

## Correspondence of the Catholic Record. DIOCESE OF LONDON.

CONFIRMATION IN ZURICH AND THE

These two Catholic Missions comprised in the Township of Hay, in the Co. of Huron are under the spiritual rule and guardianship of Rev. Fr. Kiely. Zurich, situated about five miles from the Railway Station, yclept, Hensal, on the London and Huron, is a pretty little village containing, I should say, between five and six hundred inhabitants. Through the zeal and piety of a few German families in this village and its vicinity a very neat church has been erected and the Holy Sacrifice is celebrated here and in the French Settlement every alternate in the French Settlement every alternate

On the morning of Wednesday, the 21st inst., His Lordship Right Rev. Bishop Walsh set out from Hensal ac companied by the Reverend pastor, Father Kiely, and the Rev. Fathers Flannery and Gahan. His Lordship's carriage was preceded by a cavalcade of young Germans on horseback, and followed by a procession of light covered vehicles, the whole cortege presenting a very imposing appearance. A very fine soft-toned bell rang out its peal of welcome from the church tower as the pro-cession entered the village, and very soon the church was filled with an earnest, devout and attentive audience Rev. Father Heitman, of Bethlehem, officiated as celebrant of the Holy Sacrifice ciated as celebrant of the Holy Sacrifice, during which some beautiful hymns both in Latin and German were very tastily rendered by the choir, with fine organ accompaniment. His Lordship at the conclusion of Holy Mass preached a very effective sermon on the institution and effects of the Sacrament of Confirmation, dwelling very forcibly on the great necessity for all, both young and old, to be all times strengthened with Pentecostal grace, in order to resist the onslaughts made on Divine Faith by the worldlings of the present time and century. After admonishing the young people he was about to confirm, to never forget their obligations as Christians and soldiers of the cross, he proceeded in mitre and the cross, he proceeded in mitre and cope to administer the holy sacrament with chrism and the imposition of hands At the conclusion of the solemn service the concusion of the solemn service the choir sang out a magnificent Te Deum Laudamus in the German tongue, which was heartily joined by many of the con-gregation. I should add, that the church was very gorgeously but tastily decor-ated with garlands, festoons and flowers especially the new altar and beautifu new statue of the Blessed Virgin, which

new statue of the Blessed Virgin, which, after mass and confirmation, was blessed and indulgenced by the Bishop.

It was 3.30 p. m. when His Lordship, with several priests accompanying him, and a long procession of boys and girls neatly dressed, entered the church at the French settlement. The holy rosary was said aloud by the rev. pastor, the whole congregation responding, after which Bishop Walsh addressed the congregation in French. He admonished the parents of their obligations as Catholics to their children. of the absolute gregation in French. He admonished the parents of their obligations as Catholics to their children, of the absolute necessity of Catholic schools and pious, devout Catholic teachers, that their children may not be robbed of the priceless blessings of that faith and piety, without which salvation is utterly impossible. His Lordship then addressed the children both in French and English, after which, assisted by Dean

was then given by bean tantary, or Irishtown, and a day fraught with many graces and substantial blessings came to a happy termination.

The number of those confirmed reached 92 in both places and twenty young people in the French settlement made their first communion. The parish priest resides in a very fine new brick residence at this place, and says mashere on week days. From the verandah and second story windows there is a grand commanding view of the rich and fertile country surrounding, and also of Lake Huron which spreads out its tossing waves, sea-like, in front of the Parochial house.

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The church is also a solid brick structure quite recently built, with grand altar and comfortable pews, and being 75 feet by 35, will accommodate four or five hundred worshippers. There are ten acres of land belonging to the episcopal corporation, on which church, school and presbytery are built, and what is most gratifying to hear, there is no debt on the panish. His Lordship and the priests who accompanied expressed unqualified satisfaction at the beautiful decoration so exquisitely arranged for the occasion. Miss Dunn presided at the organ and led the choir in singing the Veni Creator, Esprit saint descendez en nous, which was chorused by all the children and most of the congregation. The effect was grand and inall the children and most of the congregation. The effect was grand and imposing. Several other beautiful selections were rendered in French and Latin, before and after benediction. I should not fail to mention that a very large bell costing over five hundred dollars rings out its clarion notes at the hour of Angelus, and is heard afar off both on land and lake, with its voice of warning to all, both tillers of the land and "toilers of the sea"—that the time of prayer and praise has come—and that a home and a rest for all is "beyond and above."

DIOCESE OF KINGSTON.

CLERICAL CHANGES.

At the conclusion of the Priests' Retreat on Saturday, His Lordship the Bishop of Kingston, made the following appoint-ments:—The Rev. James Connolly is to be Assistant to Rev. Chas. Gauthier, Pasbe Assistant to Rev. Chas. Gauthier, Pastor of Williamstown and St. Margaret's; the Rev. John Kelly is transferred from Williamstown to Smith's Falls, to be Assistant to the Rev. Edmund P. Roche, with special duty of celebrating Mass every Sunday in Merrickville; the Rev. M. O'Rorke, recently ordained in All Hallow's College, Ireland, is to be Assistant to Rev. John Masterson. Pastor of Prescott; the Rev. John O'Gorman goe from Prescott to Belleville, as Assistant to Right Rev. Monsignor Farrelly, V. G. the Rev. Thomas McCarthy goes from Kingston to Blessington, as "locustenens" for Rev. John R. Meade, wh is in delicate health; the Rev. Donald McRae, recently ordained in St. Mary's Cathedral by the Most Rev. Dr. Cleary, has been specially charged with the nemission of Sharbot Lake and Palmerston His Lordship, we understand, is to go to Smith's Falls at the end of this week, to Smith's Falls at the end of this week, to make arrangements with the congregation of that church on Sunday, and with the people of Merrickville on Monday, for the maintenance of another priest and for other matters connected with that extensive and important mission. On Tuesday and Wednesday His Lordship will be engaged with the people of Prescott concerning the affairs of the Church in that good old town.—Freeman:

Correspondence of the CATHOLIC RECOR PRESENTATION AT WILLIAMSTOWN.

On Wednesday, 21st inst., a number of gentlemen, on behalf of St. Mary's and St. Margaret's parishes, assembled at the residence of the Rev. Father Gauthier, Williamstown, for the purpose of presenting Rev. Father Kelly, the assistant priest, with an address and sum of money on the occasion of his departure for Kingston, whither he was summoned by our venerable Bishop. Notwithstanding that Father Kelly's good by e was said the Sunday previous, the handsome sum of \$175.00 was collected in the meantime and presented to him. This I am sure must have been gratifying to him in the extreme, for no better proof could have been given to show that he had won the affections of the people. A most pleas-PRESENTATION AT WILLIAMSTOWN. been given to show that he had won the affections of the people. A most pleas-ing feature of the occurrence was that persons not of the reverend gentleman's religious belief readily and gladly offered their contributions, which, if any evidence were wanting, tells of the harmony in this respect that should and does happily exist amongst us.

exist amongst us.

Father Kelly was visibly affected in his reply to the deputation, more especially when he made reference to his relations

Murphy and Father Kelly of Mt. Carmel, he administered confirmation to a large number of both sexes, a few of whom had reached the age of maturity.

Rev. Father Flannery of St. Thomas then advanced to the communion rails and preached the sermon of the day in French, taking for his text the passage, "Qui perseveraverit usque ad finen hic salvus erit." He spoke for over half an hour on the necessity of perseverance in the constant hatred of sin and the love of God, and dwelt on the means to be employed in order to succeed—prayer and sacraments, avoiding the occasion, mortification of the senses, and devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Solemuth benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was then given by Dean Murphy, of Irishtown, and a day fraught with many graces and substantial blessings came to a hanny termination.

is the reverend gentleman's reply to the address:—

GENTLEMEN—Accept my sincere and heartfelt thanks for the very kind and complimentary address with which you have honored me this morning. Your kindness in noticing my departure, as you have done, indeed does me great honor, but it only harmonizes with that characteristic nobility and goodness of heart which I have ever known the good people of St. Mary's and St. Margaret's to possess. The sentiments which your address contains, with reference to my humble services in the cause of our holy religion, I feel are too flattering and perhaps more than I deserve. To your pious always inspires those around him—all the merit is due—I was but his humble assistant. Still, pardon me if I rejoice to know that my feeble efforts among you have is the reverend gentleman's reply to the address:—

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In saying good-bye, gentlemen, I do not consider every tie to be severed between us, for although our separation now actually takes place, virtually it never shall. In all places and at all times I shall ever feel deeply interested for your prosperity and happiness, for the peace and welfare of the good parishes of St. Mary's and St. Margaret's; and that God may always bless and protect you, is my

fervent prayer.

At the close of the reply, and after a few timely remarks from Father Gauthier, Father Kelly addressed the deputation individually, warmly thanking them for their presence and giving them a heartfelt good bye. A few kind words from Father Gauthier and the deputation withdrew, pleased that the opportunity of paying their respects to the reverend gentleman before his departure did not escape them.

Correspondence of the Catholic Record, BISMOP JAMOT AT HASTINGS.

On Sunday, October 10th, after month On Sunday, October 10th, after months of earnest work and attention in the Christian doctrine under the teachings of our zealous and faithful pastor, devoted to the education of the young, a large number of children in each of the two churches of the parish received First Communion as a final preparation to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. On the following Saturday, His Lordship Bishon Jamot of Peterboro, accompanied Bishop Jamot of Peterboro, accompanie by Rev. Father O'Brien of the bishop ralace, was welcomed by Rev. Father Quirk, pastor of Hastings, and Rev. Father O'Connell of Douro. His Lordship employed the afternoon in hearing confessions in the church, assisted by the priests, affording many the opportunity of approaching the Sacrament of Pen-ance during the Bishop's visit. Needless ance during the Bishop's visit, Acediess to say the majority of the congregation received Holy Communion on Sunday. The Bishop celebrated Mass at 9 a. m., after which he made a few preliminary remarks to the children who were about to receive that sacrament which elevates them to the dignity of the soldiers and followers of Jesus Christ. After admin. to about one hundred persons he exorted them to frequently approach the horted them to frequently approach the sacraments and commanded them to take the pledge of abstaining from intoxicating drink, which pledge they are bound to keep until they attain the age of twenty-one years. Having only a few minutes at his disposal, as he was about to leave for Norwood, where they anticipated his arrival at half-past 11 a.m., he postnough his address to the a. m., he postponed his address to the congregation until evening. At half-past six a very large audience greeted his appearance. After the recital of the Rosary Vespers was sung, which was followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. His Lordship delivered a very instructive sermon on the ered a very instructive sermon on the necessity of family prayer, that sur heavenly Father might protect and sanctify every household, and on the frequentation of the sacraments and on being punctual in our duties to God. He concluded with a few suggestive remarks relative to the improvement of the church and by commending the priest in the fulfilment of his arduous work. Next morning he celebrated Mass at an early hour and left by the morning train for Peterboro. During his short visit to Hastings, His Lordship reminded the people of many obligations and favorably impressed, rather confirmed, them with his piety and devotion. In the faithful him many happy years.

A study of the courageous struggle of the Catholics of Paris against the efforts to turn God out of their schools gives great hope that when the trying hour of confiscation comes the French Church confiscation comes the French Church may pass through the ordeal not only with safety but with honor. Within the last three years one hundred and ninetythree new free schools have been established, and no less than £650,000 have been expended. What a strange comment upon the well-worn calumny that the Catholic Church discourages educa-

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO.

BLESSING OF A NEW ORGAN AT WHITBY. The services in St. Gregory's church on Sunday last, on the occasion of the blessing of a grand new organ, were blessing of a grand new organ, were most imposing. In the morning solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. P. J. McColl, P. P. of Whitby, as celebrant; Rev. J. R. Teefy, B. A. and Professor of St. Michael's College, Deacon, and Rev. J. J. McEntee, Sub Deacon. The choir of St. Michael's Cathedral, Toronto, consisting of Mr. D. Warde and Mr. Caron, and Misses Murphy. Hagar and Myers. sisting of Mr. D. Warde and Mr. Caron, and Misses Murphy, Hagar and Myers, rendered Mozart's grand 12th Mass in excellent style. There was a large number of all denominations present, who admired the services very much. The altar was handsomely decorated with ivy and natural flowers. The organ has a sweet tone, and under the skilful touch of Father Rholeder, the church was filled with melody. In the skilful touch of Father Rholeder, the church was filled with melody. In the evening the sacred edifice was crowded with an appreciative audience. The altar appeared beautiful, with its numerous lights, so artistically arranged, which would almost make one forget that they were a resident of this world. The evening service was largely attended by the elite of Oshawa. A lecture on the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was delivered by Father Teefy, which held the audience spell-bound for the space of forty minutes. Benediction of the Most Biessed Sacrament was then given by Rev. P. McColl, assisted by Fathers Teefy and Sheehan, Father McEntee acting as Master of Ceremonies. The following programme was excellently rendered:—Quartette, Miss Myers, Miss Murphy, Messrs. Warde and Caron Solo, Miss Myers; Organ Solo, Rev. Father Rholeder; Solo, Mr. J. D. Warde; Solo, Miss Hagar; Organ Solo, Mr. Will H. Dingle; Quartette, Miss Myers, Miss Murphy, Messrs. Warde and Caron; Solo, Miss Higgins; Chorus, Choir; Trio, Miss Myers, Messrs. Warde and Caron; Solo, Mr. J. D. Warde; Chorus, Choir; Organ Solo, Rev. F. Rholeder.—Oshawa Reformer Oct. 23. church was filled with melody. In the

## IRISH NATIONAL LEAGUE.

CHATHAM'S SONS OF THE GREEN ISLE SUP-PORT PARNELL.

Planet, Oct. 19. That Ireland is on the eve of a great constitutional struggle, and that Irishmen throughout the world are eager and hopeful spectators of the contest, is now being practically shown. A meeting of the Irish citizens of Chaham and vicinity as well seathers of Irish descent and armeathy. as those of Irish descent and sympathy was held yesterday in the Separate School hall, where Irish enthusiasm and generosity were fully manifested. Rev. Fr. William, in calling the meeting to order,

Gentlemen,-I have merely a few words to say to you on this occasion. You all know that in about a month or so from now Ireland will decide who are to be her representatives in the next Parliament of Great Britain.

The clergy and laity of Ireland, irrespective of creed, were never more deter-mined and united than now in a desire to choose the intellectual flower of the Irish choose the intellectual flower of the Irisal race. They now have the fullest confidence in their leaders, who with them are bearing the heat and burden of the struggle in the country of your saints and sires, The time has come when Ireland will elect none but honest men—men who will be faithful to the principle of Home Rule and honest legislation for the weal of the

people.

We all know that the present system we all know that the present system of landlordism cannot hold its own any longer. Here in this free Canada of ours and in Australia Irishmen are loyal citizens and they will be the same in Ireland if they get their legitimate and constitutional rights. Now my friends we who are rights. Now, my friends, we who are present at this meeting are all, if not Irish or the descendants of Irish, at least Irish at heart, and will show our sympathy toat heart, and will show our sympathy today for the Irish cause by putting our
hands into our pockets for the purpose of
giving material aid to the Irish people
in their desire to pay their members as in
this country. It is high time that you
here in Canada, after the noble example
set you by the Dominion Parliament a few years ago, should fall into
line with Irishmen throughout the world
who are sending their mite to assist their
fatherland, Chicago sending \$10,000. I
hope that every one of you will do your
duty by contributing according to your
means, and thus enable Parnell and his
noble followers to achieve a great victory, means, and thus enable Parnell and his noble followers to achieve a great victory, and secure the election of a parliament that will honestly reflect the opinion of those who elect it.

Dr. Murphy was elected chairman, Mr. Killackey secretary, and Father William treasurer After a few remarks by the chairman the following resolution was moved by Mr. John Brennan and seconded by Mr.

Thos. Brady:—
Resolved, that whereas we, the citizens
of Chatham, Ontario, Irish and of Irish
descent, approve of the legitimate and constitutional policy pursued by the Irish people under the leadership of Mr. Par-nell in their efforts to improve their con-dition and regain their legislative rights, Therefore, be it resolved, that we do hereby pledge ourselves to contribute accord-ing to our means for the support of the

the Irish National League of America. Mr. Brennan, in support of the resolutions, said that now it needed not a visit to Ireland to show that her grievances were real and not imaginary, and he was glad to see that the era of rack-rents and merciless evictions was rapidly passing away. Never before in her history has there been such unapimity of sentiment

parliamentary fund now inaugurated by

and opinion in Ireland. A bright and promising future seems opening up when she shall have such a system of government as we here in Canada are so proud of.

Mr. Heffernan said, though not a speaker, he was none the less in accord with the motive of the meeting, and believed that in the language of the turf the time had now arrived when Irishmen should either put up or shut up.

Mr. Hanratty, too, was in favor of supplying their countrymen at home with the sinews of war.

Subscriptions were then called for, and upwards of one hundred and forty dollars paid in.

The meeting then adjourned. and opinion in Ireland. A bright and

Correspondence of the Catholic Record. FROM PENETANGUISHENE.

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Penetanguishene, Oct. 20th.

A well attended and enthusiastic meeting of the most influential citizens of Penetanguishene and viccuity was held here this evening in Mr. McCrosson's Hall, for the purpose of expressing confidence in the policy adopted by Mr. Paraell in dealing with Irish national affairs and to assist him by constitutional means to secure Home Rule for Ireland. The chair was occumied by Mr. W. Keating, mayor of Home Rule for Ireland. The chair was occupied by Mr. W. Keating, mayor of Penetanguishene, who in a very able and well-chosen address traced the manufacturing, industrial and political conditions of Ireland during the present and preceding centuries, showing wherein lie the causes of the disaffection of the process and the legal remedies precessary

lie the causes of the disaffection of the people and the legal remedies necessary for their removal.

The following resolutions were carried unanimously: Moved by Wm. Moore Kelly, Esq., seconded by S. Fraser, Reeve of Tay, That we, Irishmen and men of Irish descent in Penetanguishene and vicinity, hereby put on record our firm conviction that by far the greater part of the evils which have for so many years afflicted Ireland is due to causes which can be removed only by the granting of Home Rule to that country. Moved by Revd. J. F. McBride, seconded by Mr. Steers, Barrister, Midland—That we hereby endorse the course and measures which the present Irish national we hereby endorse the course and measures which the present Irish national party under the leadership of Charles Stewart Parnell have adopted in support of their demands for Home Rule in Ireland and that we offer our sincere congratulations and thanks for the success already achieved.

Moved by E. W. Murphy, Esq., seconded by Mr. Ryan, of the Free Press, Midland: That from the fact that many of the representatives of the Irish National Party in the forthcoming Parliament will necessarily be men who will

National Party in the forthcoming Par-liament will necessarily be men who will have to sacrifice their own personal busi-ness and at a great personal loss and expense devote themselves to the nation's service, we hereby offer what-ever material support we reasonably can afford towards the fund being formed

for their sustentation.

The movers and seconders of the above resolutions in a calm and lucid manner reviewed Irish national prosperity and the causes which led thereto before its egislative union with England, and contrasted its condition then with that of trasted its condition then with that of the present time. They traced the Home Rule movement from its inception and by forcible arguments and figures showed plainly that the continued exist-ence of Irish and English legislative ence of Irish and English legislative union is inimical to the best interests and welfare of both countries, and exposed the fallacy of the statement that "Irishmen are not capable of governing themselves," as we find that England in her most trying crises has had to resort to the expedient of having Irishmen or men of Irish descent to mise. He has no inspired mission to mise. He has no inspired mission to mise.

manage her political and military affairs.
At the close of the meeting a voluntary subscription amounting to about eighty dollars was received. This in due time will properly be disposed of.

## REV. FATHER STANTON'S BAZAAR.

The pastor, Rev. M. J. Stanton, Catholics of Westport, Ontario, intend holding a bazaar in January next to enholding a bazzar in January next to en-able them, at least in part, to pay off the debt incurred by the erection in that dis-trict of a Convent and accompanying Separate School. These two buildings, which are now almost completed, are both handsome and commodious. Occupying, as they do, a pleasant situation on the centle slope upon which the parochial as they do, a pleasant situation on the gentle slope upon which the parochial church is built, and facing the mountain, which almost encircles the pretty village of Westport, the fair structures already rise full of hope and promise—the harbingers of lasting good and blessing to the people, in whom their beneficent mission is destined to be fulfilled.

Considering the isolated position of the district, the resources of the scattered Catholic families that compose the mission, and the fact that a church has been erected out of such slender means. it

erected out of such slender means, it speaks volumes for the vitality and generocity of Catholic Faith on the part of priests and people who, under circum-stances that might well have daunted others, now come forward in the holy and praiseworthy endeavor to secure the boon of denominational education. This object has the warm sanction and practical sup-port of his Lordship Dr. Cleary, the Bishop of the Diocese, who last July blessed and laid the corner-stones of the new buildings. Besides the meritorious-ness, even in a secular sense, of promot-ing, by our contributions or otherwise, the noble and holy work of Christian edu-cation—a work so prolific of good to cation—a work so profile of good to society—we have the assurance of our Divine Master that the commonest actions of life, when performed in accordance with the dictates of religion, earn an eternal reward. When, therefore, we give of our means to build up insti-

tutions of religious education, far greater must be the reward we shall reap; for is it not written that "Those who instruct others unto justice shall shine as stars in the firmament of Heaven!" It stars in the inflamment of Heaven. It is to be hoped that the response to the appeal, made on such grounds by Father Stanton and his devoted people, in connection with the braar which they propose shortly to hold, will be worth alike of the object in view, and of the eta whom the appeal has been addressed.

## IRELAND ASKING FOR MORE.

Boston Pilot.

There can be no shadow of doubt that history repeats itself. Any uncertainty on that point is dispelled upon reading the opinions expressed by Englishmen of all parties concerning Mr. Parnetl's sagacious refusal to bind himself, if Home Rule be granted to Ireland, from ever again, under any circumstances, advocating any further reforms for his country. In this bold, not to say impious, proceeding, Ireland, represented by Mr. Parnell, follows very closely in the footsteps of a famous character, made so by an Englishman of genius, and known to all the world as Oliver Twist. Oliver, like Ireland, was desperate with hunger, and reckless with misery. He rose from the table; and advancing to the master, basin and spoon in hand, said, somewhat alarmed at his own temerity:—

"Please, sir, I want some more."

The master was a fat, healthy man; but

The master was a fat, healthy man; but he tarned very pale. He gazed in stupe-fied astonishment on the small rebel for some seconds, and then clung for support to the copper. The assistants were paralyzed with wonder; the boy with fear.

"What!" said the master at length, in a faint voice.

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"Please, sir," replied Oliver, "I want some more."

The master aimed a blow at Oliver's

head with the ladle; pinioned him in his arms; and shrieked aloud for the beadle.

The Board were sitting in solemn conclave, when Mr. Bumble rushed into the room in great excitement, and addressing the gentleman in the high chair, said: "Mr. Limbkins, I beg your pardon, sir. Oliver Twist has asked for more."

There was a general start. Horror was depicted on every countenance.

depicted on every countenance.

How vividly the great master of fiction paints the picture for us all; the red-faced gentleman in the high chair, the surly one in the white waiscoat; typical "fine old English gentlemen" both; and Mr. Bumble, the incarnation of officialism and petty tyranny, all horrified beyond expression at the audacity of the starving orphan who asked for more. Hid he not had the lawful allowance, insufficient though it was? What but rank sedition could induce him to ask for more than

The workhouse authorities, to do them justice, did all that lay in their power to make a salutary example of the rebel.
"He was carried every other day into the hall where the boys dined, and there sociably flogged, as a public warning and example." Ireland has passed through all this experience, because at various times she has dared to ask for more. She has been flogged, robbed, starved, held up to the world as an awful example of de-praved discontent, by the well fed beadle who had her in his power. And now that

the time has come when simple justice may be demanded of the tyrant, she is asked to give bonds that she will never ask for more justice if its want be felt.

Mr. Parneil, with scarcely concealed contempt for the cowardly childishness of the demand, declines to make any promise. He has no inspired mission to speak for the generations of Irishmen yet unborn, no authority to give a pledge which they shall feel bound to respect; and he is too honest to give a hypocritical pledge, since he is neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet. Ireland asks for simple justice to-day. If to-morrow she need more justice, she will not refrain from demanding it.

from demanding it.

All this is incomprehensible to the dealers in compromise and chicanery, the j.b-bers in specious statesmanship who would juggle with words, and even do the right juggie with words, and even do the right upon compulsion, so that it were but mis-interpreted by those who preferred the wrong. English politicians, whether in home or foreign affairs, look to the affect of any action only as it may affect their peddling politics. Tory or Liberal, they truckle to the Czar or bully the Khediye, throttle Ireland, or coddle Bismarck, with all their owl eyes fixed upon the County

of Buncombe Parnell owes his success mainly to his sincerity. Were he a shade less honest, did personal ambition govern his motives, were Ireland's welfare subordinated in his mind to his own glory, England could understand and subvert him. Failing to comprehend, she misjudges and defames him. His refusal to bind Ireland to cease agitation for all time if a certain measure of justice be granted her to-day or to-morrow, astounds the Bumbles of English politics. They would not hesitate for a moment in such a contingency, for the burden of keeping a promise never sits heavily on their conscience. But an hon-est man they do not understand; con-sequently, they fear and hate him. But they obey him.

For the past six weeks that quaint botanical curiosity, "the Holy Ghost plant," has been in bloom in the Horticul-tural building in the Park at Philadelphia and has been visited by thousands. It comes from Panama and blooms once a year. Its flowers are white and when fully opened the delicate stamen and corolla bear a startling resemblance to a white dove poised above an altar with outstretched wings.