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"Truth is Catholic; proclaim it ever, and God will effect the rest."—BALMI nouse, and

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Current Topics.

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7 redeeming feature is the sharp comment, which seems to be deserved, as it is generally admitted that somebody must have blundered. The only redeeming feature is the galiant behavior of the troops under a most trying orden. The tactics and energy displayed by the Boers on the occasion were clover. A new phase in the war may be inaugurated if the British avail themselves of the treaty permission with Portugal, to transport British troops by railroad from Beira to Umtall through Portuguese territory. It is just possible that such action may be protested by some of the powers, though not probable, Disaster, however, follows disaster and the British seem to have struck into a string of them. Lord Roberts dispatches announced the disappearance of another 600 British troops, comprising three companies of the Royal Irish Fusiliers and two companies of the Ninth Regiment of Mounted Infantry, who were surrounded and captured along with four or five guns. When it is borne in mind that these two disasters took place within four miles of Bleemfontein, the headquarters of the principal British Army under the Commander in-chief, the Boers, it must be acknowledged, are still very much alive and right in the game. The British public, that a little time age, after the surrender of Cronje and the march on Bloomfontein, looked upon the war as practically at an end, is again beginning to realize the immense difficulties to be overcome before Protoria is reached. The number lost in the ambush into which Colonel Breadwood's column so valorously marched total up 450. These wore 4 killed, 83 wounded and 883 missing. Thus, inside of a week, 1000-men have succumbed to the deer-stalk-ing methods so ably practised by the Boers. It begins to look as if Kruger Intended to attempt to redeem his promise that he would in a short time be, in Been and pressure to a short time be, in Been and pressure to a short time be, in the distance to a short time be, in the di

loemfontein is surrounded by and rs and preparations are being made hold the place against surprises. a fittohenor has been ontrusted with, delicate work of protecting Roberts of communication. The delay of Publish advance from Bloomfontein sus usuates work of protecting Roberts line of communication. The delay of the British advance from Bloomfontein towards Pretoria is attributed to the want of horses, the inclemency of the season, illness among the troops, and the lack of proper clothing. Mateking still holds out, and a more energetic attempt is to be made for its relief. A sovere engagement has taken place between General Brabant's forces and the Boers at Wepener, the latter being repulsed; but the loss is said to heave been heavy on both sides. The total British loss up to date is in the neighborhood of 20.000.

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Contingents, there is active work at
the front. They were
ordered as a part of Smith Dorrier's
Brigade, to the support of the ill-fashed
column commanded by Colonel Broadwoo l, then returned to Bloemfontein,
Bushman's Kop they were in the thick
of the fighting but there were no
casualties among them. The Militia
Department is in receipt of Colonel
Other's report of the part taken in the
capture of Cronjo's Army, and it was
read in the House of Commons by Dr.
Borden, Minister of Militia.
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The report confirms the previous The report confirms the previous accounts of the gallantry of the Canadians and pays the following high compliment to the Rev. Father O'Leary, Ohaplain to the first Contingents:—"I must here place on record the great services rendered by the Roman Catholic chaplain of the battation, the Row. Father O'Leary, who was present in the field all day, and towards the end in the firing line, while during the night he was prominent in the search for the wounded, as well as officiating in the burial of the dead."

The Queen arrived at Yisit ahead of time and is to Ireland. reported to have expressed her regret that her pramature arrival should have caused her Irish subjects disappointment. Mr. James Egan, the Dublin Gity Sword-beaver, who was formerly imprisoned for nino years for political offences, refused to take part in the proceedings attendant.

upon her Majosty's reception in Dublin-Mr. John Redmond's paper, independ-ence, in clyanoe sald, "While deprecat-ing any nonification of disrespect it must be known that those who do make ing any manifestation of disrespect it must be known that those who do make a demonstration in honor of the Queen's visit are not in any way whatever Irish Nationalists, and do not represent Irish Nationalist Sentiment."

Her Majosty's reception at Queenstown is described as being "simple but stately." The Channol squadron thundered its reyal salute of 21 guns, the ships, the harber and the town were illuminated, and thousands came from Dabilu to welcome her Majesty to Irish soil. The Queen arrived in Dubin on Wodnesday and received an address of welcome from the Oity Corporation. In her reply her Majesty stated that she came to Iroland to seek a change and rest and to rovisit scenes before visited by herself and her husband. She expressed her gatification at again seeing the motherland of the Irish soldiers who had recently distinguished themself.

selves in South Arica.

Probably the subject most prosificating the Bible the eyes of the religious world at the present time is Higher Criticism and the inreads modern though has mad upon the integrity and truth of the Sacred Scriptures. It is being rapidly and surely conceded by Protestant sutherties of the highest repute that the Catholic Church is the only true and reliable guardian of the Bible. Protestantism is abandoning its old ground, "the Bible, the whole Bible and nething but the Bible, a untenable before the forces and enlightement of modern thought and criticism. "That the teaching of modern ortical research." says a recent Protestant writer, "has seriously modified the Protestant view concerning the absolute authority of the Bible, is admitted on all sides. Modern Protestant theology does not place as its foundation stone the infallibility of a book." The conclusion is, then, that the principles of the so-called Reformation were wrong, and Protestantism to-day finds itself in a sea of doubt without an anchor to cling to. The greatest glory of Protestantism, the "open Bible" seems to have departed; higher criticism is nothing but the reflection of the personal bias and pripodice of the critics themselves.

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Prince of the first time the Prince of Wales Wales was attempted in Shot At. Brussels where an individual fired two revolver shots at him. No motive for the act has been discovered, but it is supposed that it may have been the work of some unbalanced sympathiser with the Boers—Brussels having been made the head-quarters of Dr. Leyds, the European Brussels having been made the head-quarters of Dr. Leyds, the European diplomatic agent of the Transvaal. The would be assassin is a youth of sixteen as resident of Brussels and as far as known seems to be of anarchist proclivities. The incident evoked much comment, but it is absurd to hold the Begian nation responsible for the oriminal act of a weak-minded youth.

ARCHBISHOP O'CONNOR'S

It is with feelings of the deepest regret that we have to record the illness of His Grace, the Archbishop of Toronto. At the time of going to press his Grace's condition is reported as showing improvement, and it is hoped that he will speedily be restored to health and strength.

EASTER SERVICES AT ST. BASIL'S.

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The usual selemity of the Easter Sunday services will be carried out at St. Basil's.

In the morning at 10.30 Gennod's Sacred Heart Mass; Offertory, Victimate Puschall,—Nixon. Organ Voluntaries,—Pixod in His Everiasting Seek, (Samison), Handel; Postinde,—March Postificial, Lemmens.

In the evening at 7.30—Glorgy's Musical Vespers, Emerics Magnificat.

Organ Voluntaries, at 7.10 p. m.—1.
Sonate in F minor, Mendelsson (A. Liegro, Adaglo, Recitative and Finale).

2. Andardio in D flat, Charwett 2.
Andardio in D flat, Charwett 3.
Concert Overture, E. d'Evry; Postinde, Grand Checur; Guilmant.

Sermon on the Resurrection, in the evening by Rev. Father McBrady.

United States Correspondence

(From our own Contributer.)

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Chicago, April 7th, 1990.

St. Patrick's Day was colebrated as exhacicatically in this Republic as it was in the Dominion, the Kmpire, and on the Occas. On the latter I suppose all they had to celebrate with was the groon was waves. That the day was looked forward to in America with interest is shown by a Minnesona contry paper that lies before one. It is leading local item eays: "St. Patrick's lay has become a regular American holiday at dit is frequently set for coming events, like the Fourth of the Committee of t

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public 700s, a work acquainted money.

Any reader who is well acquainted with Feach elerical life will not wonder at the poverty ard self-sacrifice of this good ecolesistic. You had a sample of similar goodness ones in Toronto, in the great De Charbonnel.

The death of John Ruskin has caused the sounding of praises; of him in the scotarian press of this country. The scotarian press of this country. The Protestant papers claim that it was because his good mother put so moch bible into his bead in his youth that he became so good a nan. But the bible becames ogod a nan. But the bible lessons that we have became the good so have to heart were mot the next were mot the next were mot the produce, and there are both in the good book. He took heart the story of the Good Samaritan more than of the Sabbásarian. His love was not like that of David for Jonathar, but of the man on the road to Jeriohoche, looked upon every man as his brother. Yet in one of those papers I have found a prayer of Ruskin which is the prayer of a deist, because there is in it not invocation of the Redeemer, no mention of Christ Jenach.

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LORD GRANLES BRESTORD
is now on full pay as an admiral in the
British navy and has no more to say for
the present on politics. Before, hor
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delivered a parting shot to the government in an address before the lord
ment of Commerce. He mist she
in his time that understood imperia
defence, and those were Lord Randolt
Churchill, now deceased government,
and Sir Charles Dilke of Gladstone's
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***EXPEDIENCY OR "OPPORTUNISM" IN POLITICS.

"Puerto Rico" is the puszele that the Administration party at Washington is laboring to solve. The bill before congress, fatheded by the boss republicans, proposed to impose a duty of 16 percent on Puerto Rico imports. This the democrate are unanimously opposed to and marry acquired country is now at part of the two propositions too. If the newly acquired country is now apart of the United States it has a right to be trated as such, and receive the cover of the constitution. But the Importalists say if we admit Puerto Rico and the say if we admit Puerto Rico and the say if we admit Puerto Rico and the say if the say if the say if the proposition of the constitution. But the Importalists say if we admit Puerto Rico and the say if we admit Puerto Rico and the say if the sa

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THE RIGHT AND DERMANS UNITED.

It is one of the significant signs of the times in America that the Germans and Irish have clasped hands and that Carl Schurz and Bourke Cockran have usited in favor of Bryan for the next presidency. These the two strongest foreign born men in America to-day. Both are percless as orators and have the largest followings. It was Schurz that so largely brought the Germans to the Republicat Party. He is the only one the revolutionary Germans of 1948 who came to America that has made his gmark. He is the only one the revolutionary operation is seistlined that the surface of the second of the separate of the second of the republication of the republication of the republication of the republication of the republicanism and control of pairs republicanism and constitutional crystalism a leiser to Mr. Cockran asking him to appeal of the present position of gains republicanism and constitutional expansion. Impecialism has the present administration.

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November fifth will witness the execution that fate has decorated for the recumal shallot. The supportalists will be overwhelmed.

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Men and Women

We have bad Zaza here, whether a modified Zaza, or the crigonal "Zaza," or the crigonal "Zaza," or the crigonal "Zaza," the latest New York species in which Mrs Lewiso Carter agreement of the committee of the crigonal "Zaza," the latest New York species in the title role, as "as frank a disease and epiction of a weaton we make an ever was shown in acted fittion. It forther more stated that the first limited and sever was shown in acted fittion. It forther more stated that the first limited and sever was several more tremendous cotherisms. The first net consists of an hour's illustration of life behind the scenes of a low ourcert ball, with its congregation of singers, lancers, acrobate and other specialists dressing dressed and undressing from "takes of her steel gown at later changes that for still another. This dressing and undressing is done on miderately some of it is considerately some of it is considerately some of it is one paint and powder her face, arms and become." Men not connected with the show have access to the actresses there—"dissolute rounders, old and young ranging from the doddering old rake to the boyish bafer; the women, from a besofted matron to a shy young dobutante."

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The success of such a show is assured but what a reflection on and of the people of the day. Dress up any disregulable some—the more disreputables and a succession of the same and the people of the day in the same and filling and the same and the same and filling and the same and the sa

Theatre-goors range themselves into three classes—the purists, who condeans an obscane or indecent production; the naturalist, who applied anything so long as it in what they consider to be a faithful presentation of or portrayal of the thing itself; and the indifferenties, who neither question nor criticities, who neither question nor criticities, who make the subset of the thing itself; and the indifferenties, who make the subset of the production of the thing itself; and the indifferenties, who make the subset of the production of the production of the thing itself; and the production of the prod