

who speak our mother tongue. At the present rate of progress, in 50 years there will be 200,000,000 of English speaking people, of whom perhaps 30,000,000 will be Catholics. There will be no great increase in the Latin race of Europe. Now, at present, the better educated the more wealthy, the more desirable people seem for the most part to be becoming Anglicans, and the primate of the Anglican church, is acknowledged to be the Archbishop of Canterbury. Therefore, looking ahead for a hundred years, I see some reason to believe—from my own point of view to hope—that in the year 1996 the head of the dominant christian church will be not he of Rome, but he of Canterbury.

TRUE CIVILIZATION.

In his address to the lawyers the other day Lord Chief Justice Russell declared: "Civilization is not dominion, wealth, material luxury; nay, not even a great literature and education widespread—good though those things be. Its true signs are thoughts for the poor and suffering, chivalrous regard and respect for women, the frank recognition of humane brotherhood irrespective of race or color, or nation or religion; the narrowing of the domain of mere force as the governing factor of the world, the love of ordered freedom the abhorrence of what is mean and cruel and vile, ceaseless devotion to the claims of justice. Civilization, in that, its true, its highest sense, must make for peace." Judged by that just standard certain Catholic countries that are not noted for riches or manufactures, are ahead in civilization of other prosperous lands, "where wealth accumulates and men decay."—Catholic Record.

ONE OF HIS FATHER'S SERMONS.

Some time ago the son of a distinguished clergyman, (lately deceased) was requested to preach in the church which his father had been vicar of.

He accepted the offer and preached there.

The next day an old gentleman called on him and abused him roundly for his sermon.

"How shocked," he said, "your poor father would have been to have heard you say what you did yesterday."

"I don't think he would have been very shocked," replied the young man, smiling. "That sermon was one which my father wrote himself just before his illness and never used, so I thought I might as well use it for him."—Answers.

BREVITIES.

Confirmations will be held by the Archbishop very shortly in Holy Trinity and Christ churches.

The formal opening of the new Montreal Diocesan Theological college will be held on Wednesday, October 21st. After the communion service in the new college chapel in the morning an address will be delivered by his Grace Archbishop Machray.

A branch of the English church Union is in contemplation in connection with the diocese of Qu'Appelle.

Man was the highest note in the scale of creation, and when he descended through all nature there followed a corresponding reduction.—Trench.

True contentment is like a peacefully flowing streamlet under a summer's sun! It goes steadily on, in the course assigned to it by natural laws, and is ever being fed from its never dying source.

An every day religion—one that loves the duties of your common walk; one that makes an honest man; one that accomplishes an intellectual and moral growth in the subject; one that works in all weather and improves all opportunities, will best and most healthfully promote the growth of the church and the power of the gospel.—Bushnell.

If there were no enemy there would be no conflict; were there no trouble, there could be no faith; were there no trial there could be no love; were there no fear there could be no hope. Hope, faith and love are weapons, and weapons imply foes and encounters; and relying on my weapons I will glory in my sufferings.—Newman.

The great question involved in the remark of the clergyman at the font, "Name of this child," had a curious turn given to it in Yorkshire lately. The name of Noah was given and the service proceeded, the masculine pronoun being used to designate the youthful Christian. The mother interrupted the clergyman and said the child was a girl. A colloquy took place. "Where is the name of Noah given to a female?" asked the officiating minister. The triumphant father intervened, and opening a Bible at Numbers XXVI., 33, read out, "The names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah and Noah."

Here is a trifle from across the line; A minister of the Episcopal church was abused for intolerance and bigotry. He had dragged his wife from a revival meeting and made her go home with him. He let the story travel until he had a fair opportunity of giving it a broadside. And then he took the opportunity. Here is his reply:—"In the first place. I never attempted to influence my wife in her views, nor in her choice of meetings. Thirdly, I have not myself attended any of these meetings for any purpose whatever. To conclude, neither my wife or myself have any inclination to go to such meetings. Finally, I never had a wife.

A devout colored preacher, whose heart was aglow with missionary zeal, in the evening an offering would be taken up for missions, and asked for liberal gifts. He had in his congregation well-to-do man who was very hte service, "Yer gwine to k'il bis

church ef yer goes on saying, give, give! No church can stan, it." After the sermon the minister said to the people: Before this service to-night, Brother Jones told me I was gwine ter kill dis yere church ef I kep' a asking yer ter give; but, my brathren, churches doesn't die that way. If dere's anybody knows of a church dat's died 'cause its been giving too much ter de Lord, I'll be v-ry much odliged ef my brother will tell me whar dat church is, fur Ise gwine ter visit it, an' I'll climb up on the walls of dat church, under de light of de moon, and cry, 'Blessed are the dead dat die in the Lord!'—Spirit of Missions.

The Bishop of Grafton and Armdale in an address to his synod lately, whilst briefly claiming for the Church of England its true position, pressed some pertinent home truths upon the clergy and laity. He said: "Every priest of slovenly work and careless teaching, who passes over Advent and Lent, who fails to call his people for Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, who ceases to bid them to their Communion on the great festivals, such as Easter, Ascension, and Whitsuntide, who is no longer jealous for reverence in his congregation, or watchful over his young confirmees who sinks down, in a word, from the position of a trustee for 'the faith once for all delivered to the saints, to that of a minister or a preacher whose sole end is to 'get himself liked' and 'make himself popular,' is, consciously or unconsciously, betraying his Church."

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