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OUR ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER.

ST. BONIFACE, MAY 10th, 1893.

DEAR SIR, I see by the last issue of the Northwest Review that you have been entrusted by the directors of the journal with the management of the same.

I remain, Yours all devoted in Christ,

ALEX. ARCHBISHOP OF ST. BONIFACE, O. M. I.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 18.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A dispatch from Rome says that the Pope's encyclical letter was issued Friday, June 22. It is addressed to "All Princes and Peoples," instead of, as usual, to the Archbishops and Bishops.

The attention which the controversy on the politico-religious questions in the United States is arousing gives special force to the article by the Rev. Alfred Young, C. S. P., in the July number of the Catholic World Magazine, entitled "Christian and Patriotic Education in the United States."

Much has been written and said about the large anti-Catholic population in Ireland, and in that way some false and erroneous impressions have been given of the relative strength of the several Christian denominations.

The proportions of the different bodies are as follows: Roman Catholics 76.6, Church of England 12.3, Presbyterians 9.4, Methodist 0.9, Other sects 0.3.

At a recent massmeeting of Chicago Irishmen a resolution was unanimously passed that no further financial assistance be sent to Irish Parliamentarians until unity prevailed in the party.

The Review of Reviews has taken steps to ascertain the number of laborers out of employment in various parts of the country, and in the July number it declares that the most encouraging reports have been received.

customed to prosperity that they are inclined to become despondent when the wheels of industry are temporarily clogged. The reports from business centres show that a revival of trade has already commenced, and when the tariff question is settled we may expect to hear of an unusual demand for skilled labor.

The Toronto Mail cannot resist the temptation afforded by the result of the elections to poke fun at the P. A. for its weakness. This is cruel, after having assisted and excited that association to exhibit itself as a horde of Bombastes Furiosos.

See how they treat the Protestant minority in Quebec compared with the treatment of the Catholic minority in Manitoba. In the lower Province they make no compliment of doing justice.

With the greatest respect for our noble Canadian women, and at the same time, wishing to see them enjoy to the fullest extent all the rights and privileges in this busy world of turmoil that is "theirs," and for the purpose of showing certain editors in this city who delight to bark at their own shadow and lash themselves into a state of perspiration over Woman's Suffrage, we quote the following paragraph taken from an exchange for their special benefit descriptive of the state of political campaigns where women vote:

There was an animated struggle in the two school districts in which women were candidates in Indianapolis, June 9, but they were sadly wanting in experience in methods and lost many votes on that account.

We clip the following from a late issue of the Irish Standard: The anti-Catholic ranters, who never tire of reiterating the old falsehood about the alleged comparative lack of educational institutions in Catholic countries, will not be thankful to the eminent Protestant editor of the "Review of Reviews" for publishing the following table showing the number of universities in six European countries, in proportion to population:

Country. Universities. University. Population of each. England 7 4,148,002 Austria-Hungary 11 3,759,888 France 15 2,550,158 Germany 20 2,471,428 Italy 21 1,486,114 Spain 10 1,756,568

The table shows that Italy has the largest number in proportion to her population, and England has the smallest number. When we consider that England has no universities except those founded by the Catholic Church and considered by the Government, criticisms of indifference to education in Catholic countries coming from that quarter sound a little funny.

tests the bitterness of sectarian conflict—a conflict from which the whole country, and particularly those of the minority, must suffer.

To the above the Toronto Catholic Register answers categorically in the following intelligent manner why Separate Schools "should not be" abolished.

(1) Because a trifling difference in expenditure, offers as little ground for an act imposing a wrong on the conscience of parents as the "money" argument of the World does for the union of churches.

(2) Because "the schools of a weak minority," if properly dealt with, can and do furnish as good an article of even worldly education as the schools of the majority; and because there are those among us who recognize that, however old this earth may happen to become, the conditions, which may happen to be "modern" must subserve to the conditions which are eternal.

(3) Because the same argument will apply to a measure which not even the News will advocate—to enforce uniformity of religious practice on all citizens; and because the children in Catholic schools are instructed in the principles of Christian charity and obedience to authority, to the effect that they make the best and most tolerant citizens of the country.

(4) Because "the bitterness of sectarian conflict" has never been of our seeking in this country; because it is just such articles as this in the News which stir up sectarian hatred: because a free and intelligent people can never be forced into silence by a despotic deprival of their natural rights as parents.

THEY HAVE EYES, BUT SEE NOT.

We have not much to say with regard to the twelfth of July celebration carried out at Morden last week under the auspices of the provincial Orange bodies. It seems to have been merely an ordinary picnic and the inevitable speeches were judging from the press reports of an exceedingly mild nature.

We are not from what point of view you may look upon the conduct of this man towards Catholics, you will find it marked with the deepest duplicity, treachery, falsehood and dishonor. A veritable demagogue, ever ready to catch at any pretext however unworthy and dishonorable, and to utilize any element however base, provided it helps him to attain the goal of his ambition.

THOSE POOR ABUSED PROTESTANTS

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MARTIN VS. BARRETT.

The Review has been made the subject of a good deal of public notice recently and one of its friends subjected to a great amount of personal abuse because of his connection with Mr. Barrett's official status we have nothing to say. He is accountable to his departmental chief for all his

official acts. For the same reason he is prevented from either defending himself against newspaper attacks or in any way noticing them. His official conduct is best known to his department and with his private rights as a citizen the public should not concern themselves.

One thing that must strike the public mind is the animus of the man who attacked him. Had Mr. Martin any sense of decency or any feelings of delicacy he would have left the task of attacking Mr. Barrett to some other member. When it is remembered that he is the man whose treachery and falsehood to the Catholic minority of Manitoba brought into action the opposition of the man he attacks, and that it is because of that active opposition to and exposure of Mr. Martin's treachery and falsehood to the Catholics of Manitoba that Mr. Barrett owes the public notice he has received at Mr. Martin's hands, the public will not be slow to understand Mr. Martin's patriotic motives.

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Protestants to remember that there was a time in the history of this province when they were in the minority and perhaps it might do them no moral harm to remember the way we treated them. But while we gave Protestant schools to Protestants and thought them good for them, it does not follow that we approved of them for our own use.

The difference between Protestants and us when in the majority is that we recognize the golden rule of doing unto others as you would wish to be done by, and that they recognize it not. When we were in the majority we recognized the rights of the minority and gave them the schools they wanted; but when they became the majority they said: "What suits us must suit you," and because we complained of this treatment at the hands of a Protestant brute majority and protested against our Protestant neighbors' conscience being so dead to every sense of honor and justice as to endorse the dishonesty and foul treachery of Martin & Co., are we to be charged with abusing Protestants?

The Catholics of Canada neither in pulpit, press nor parliament, ever advocated such tactics. Nor has the Northwest Review advocated such a policy, even when its policy was under that terrible "man Barrett." And yet such has been the treatment which the leaders of Protestantism have meted out to the Catholics of Manitoba.

And yet such is the utter perversion of sentiment on the Review, that notwithstanding the censure of such great moral and truly religious men as the editor of the Tribune et al, the Review will strictly adhere to its policy of defending

our rights and liberties, whether those rights and liberties be assailed by a dishonorable and treacherous Government or an equally dishonest public (Protestant) sentiment. To charge us with abusing Protestants because we protest against having our rights curtailed by Protestant brute force is a piece of sublime effrontery manufactured in order to gain a point against one who resisted and will continue to resist with all the moral force at his command the indignity which a Protestant majority wish to place upon our liberties.

LIFE ON A RAILWAY.

The Experience of a Grand Trunk Employee.

Fell Ill From Exposure—Pronounced Incurable and Paid the Total Disability Insurance Allowed by the Company—Once More on the Road to Health—He Tells How it Came About.

From the Deseronto Tribune. During the past few weeks a fruitful subject of conversation among the people at Deseronto Junction has been the wonderful recovery of Mr. William Henry Wager, who has been looked upon as a hopeless invalid. A representative of this paper was sent to interview Mr. Wager, and gain all information possible in order to satisfy the public concerning the truth of the wonderful cure. Making his way to Deseronto Junction the reporter informed Mr. Wager, the station master, of the object of his mission. That courteous official having assured the reporter that he would find the case one of more than ordinary interest, kindly pointed out the nearest route to Mr. Wager's residence.