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"If, even after the discovery of the gold mines, the Transvaal did not adopt the Anglo-Saxon idea of a State, it was justifying there any necessity for a nation on other grounds than that of its right to slings its destinies as it pleases, provided it does not tend to become a source of international danger to the world."

CORNER STONE LAYING AT TEESWATER.

On Sunday last, says the Teeswater News, of Aug. 31, a large concourse of people went to Holyrood to witness the impressive ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new Roman Catholic church of the Holy Spirit...

the Teeswater News, and the Lucknow Sentinel, were placed in the corner stone. In the evening special musical vesper were chanted at the Catholic church in Teeswater, the occasion being the opening of the new organ, which was provided by the Rev. James Hargreaves, Vicar, assisted by the choir, which rendered very fine music. The church was literally packed and many remained listening on the outside. A great number of those who were present during the service came to hear Dr. Treacy again, so much interest did they take in him as a clear, logical and eloquent speaker. He gave a most interesting discourse on the Catechisms of Rome.

A CONVERT WHO MADE MANY CONVERTS.

By the death of Canon Akers, on Aug. 14th, says the weekly Register, of London, the world has lost a most prominent member. He was the son of the late Aretas Akers, of Malling Abbey, Kent, and was born in December, 1838. In due course he proceeded to Oriel College, Oxford, graduating M.A. at Oxford in 1861. He was a contemporary of the Rev. Dr. F. G. Lee, now of All Saints', Lambeth, and of Mr. Wm. Tyler, and the Rev. A. R. Carter, now rector of the Anglican church at Warrington. He left Oxford to become assistant to Dr. Lee in the Absconder, from which place he was transferred to St. George's-in-the-East, where he had for a colleague the late Rev. Charles Fowler. Together with the Rev. Francis M. Wyndham he also served St. Paul's, St. Dunstons, and St. Andrew's.

PRIESTS POISONED IN ITALY.

The London "Morning Leader" says: An extraordinary case of poisoning, with three priests for the victims, comes from Bergamo, in Italy. A few days since Don Pietro Finazzi, Vicar of Rota-Viola, near that city, invited to dinner the other priests who were making the sulphur water cure in the district. The three priests are Don Bartolomeo Orto, rector of Vignate, in the Como province, Don Gionio Covelli, curate of Valcuvia, and the chaplain of the town. A brother of the last named was also of the party. After leaving their host at night, the three priests were attacked with intestinal pains, vomiting, pain in the head, and fever. The symptoms were so acute and severe that a doctor called in had no difficulty in declaring that the case was a very serious one of poisoned food.

HOW THE SPEL IN CHICAGO.

Dr. Andrews, superintendent of public schools in Chicago, desires to give phonetic orthography a trial. The New York Tribune takes objection in the following "funnel" manner: "A despatch from Chicago yesterday says that the blintz uses ther ar in favor of fonetik spelling. Dr. E. Benjamin Andruz, the superintendent of the public schools there, is in favor of it. Wan blintz man, it is sed, waxes the word whic, but Dr. Andrews is not in favor of this bekor he sez that it is not pronounct that wa. But the blintz man sez it is pronounct just that wa." This question of fonetik spelling is an old war, and this is just wan of the objections to the plan, that every body wood spel words that wa he pronounct them, even when he pronounct them rong, and so a good many peopel would be obliged to keep their peopel. Ther is another objection to it, if it shud ever be used altogether, if books shud be printed this wa, and if nepl shud lern to read this sort of stuff, the wood not be able to read the books that are printed in the present wa, and so of the books and of the librariz that thar ar in the world-to-day wood be simply wast paper, for nobody could read them except schoolers who had learned to read by the present wa.

THE EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH.

The 69th birthday of the Emperor Francis Joseph was celebrated last week throughout the monarchy with the usual festivities. As the anniversary fell this year on a fast-day, many of the benedictions given on the occasion both in Austria and abroad, took place on Thursday. At the High Mass, the Vienna garrison on Friday morning was attended by the her presumptive, the Archduke Franz Ferdinand, and several other members of the Imperial family. A special service was celebrated in the cathedral. The High Mass at the cathedral was attended by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Austrian Premier and other members of the Government, and numerous dignitaries. The anniversary was celebrated in like manner in Budapest, the Emperor of Hungary presiding at the divine service in the St. Matias or Coronation church.

"CLERICALISM" AND DREXFUS.

In connection with this correspondence in the London "Daily Chronicle," Mr. A. E. Byles, writing from the Japan Society, 20, Hanover Square, asks: "Did the Irish people, when they were in the hands of the Catholic acous Protestants of honouring Parnell to death when the leading Protestant paper in this country inserted forged letters accusing him of an incest abominable crime?" The comparison is rather a pertinent one.

THE MAYOR'S FRENCH.

When Prince Napoleon put into the port of Cork, so runs the story, the city was presided over by a chief magistrate who was well acquainted with the knowledge of French. Instead it was said this respectable Mayor had a way of repeating his less highly cultured fellow-townsmen by an anxiety to procure his mastery of French of Paris. The Mayor suggested that a witty and elegant address should be given to Prince Napoleon, in order to testify the sympathy which true Irishmen ought to have with the people of France and the house of Bonaparte. The proposal was eagerly adopted, and the Mayor, always to be expected, undertook to deliver the address. The ceremony was duly arranged, and Prince Napoleon appeared at the right time. Then his worship, the Mayor, stepped forward and delivered a long and eloquent address, without the help of any manuscript, in what the bystanders assumed to be the native tongue of the illustrious visitor. Prince Napoleon listened with what Hans Brodmann calls a "beautiful, solemn smile" on his face, until the address was over he delivered his reply in the most correct and fluent English. In his opening sentences he thanked the meeting for the generous reception given to him, and the Mayor of Cork for the speech to which he had just listened. He felt sure, he said, that that speech expressed the most kindly and generous sentiments of well come, but he added his deep regret that, as his notes had had no opportunity of studying a noble Irish language, he was not able to follow the words of the worthy chief magistrate. —Justin McCarthy's Romances.

THE END IS PARALYSIS.

"A living mind in a dead body" is the way paralysis is described. Next to deafness, paralysis is most to be dreaded. And yet many people who have nervous disorders, which are leading directly to paralysis, lose sight of the terrible ending awaiting them. Overwork, worry, irregular habits, or excessive alcoholic or sexual indulgence, are among the causes of this disease. The first symptoms are nervousness, sleeplessness, irritability, loss of appetite, memory, and business capacity, lack of confidence, gloomy forebodings and despondency, headache and general weakness of the body. When these symptoms appear you can be sure that the nerves are exhausted, and unless quickly restored will ultimately become paralyzed.

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biblical references, and the distinguished writer holds that Christianity would gain by the removal of religious disabilities from the Jews, who would also be more fully converted. He proposes to substitute for the word Protestant, wherever it appears in the Bill, the words "those who believe in the revelation of God through His word in the Bible."

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