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Vaughan to the House of Lords would

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olics be freed from the disabilities

which still remain on the statute books.

notwithstanding that nominally the

penal laws were repealed nearly

seventy years ago. The appointment

would also be in accord with the

ancient traditions of England itself.

A PRESBYTERIAN THUNDER-

BOLT.

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regard this as an approach towards Anglicanism or Episcopalianism, and

for this reason one gentleman of the

congregation, Mr. Thomas Grainger

Wilson, to use his own words, "prac-

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he asserts, the Rev. Mr. Rue, the

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cited for trial.
In a circular issued by Mr. Wilson, it is stated that the appendix "Amen" has not been sanctioned by the Church. But whether this be the case or not, it very trivial cause for his suspension, as he did no more than adhere to the traditions of his Church, and he now merely protests against the unauthorized introduction of new forms
The Toronto World, commenting on

the case, said a few weeks ago:
"If the Roman Catholic Bishop of his Church for defending the form of worship of his youth, the Protestants

of Ontario would have been loud in de-nunciation of his un Christian act."

### INGERSOLL.

It was on the 23rd of July, 1637, that the most determined effort was made by King Charles I. to introduce Episcopalianism into Scotland, but the Presbyterians of Edinburgh on their side determined to make a desperate resistance. The Church of St. Giles was selected to be the field of battle, and on the side of the Episcopalians were ranged a number of Bishops and Archbishops, Lords of the Privy Council, judges and magistrates. The congregation, too, mustered in extraordinary strength numerically, for it was expected that the battle between the two factions would be violent and decisive. The Presbyterians had attended a meeting to prepare for the combat, and were violently haranged by a number of their favorite preachers, who excited them to a high degree against the new Episcopalian service, which it was understood was to be read by the Dean

JUDGE MACMAHON ON LIBEL. understood was to be read by the Dean

menced to read the service-book, whereupon the bulk of the congregation began the most discordant cries, leaving their hands stamping their.

The Canada Law Journal for this month

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"One of the ablest and most lucid charges made to a jury on the subject of libel and the question of qualified privilege was that recently delivered by His Lordship Mr. Justice MacMahon at the last Toronto assizes in an important libel action."

The Journal gives part of Judge MacMahon's charge which had the most general bearing, at though the charge of libel was made agains men who had signed a petition, the principles apply to all public comment. His Lordship said: feet, blowing their noses with as much noise as possible, and hissing and screaming. The women were the most tumultuous, and the celebrated Jane

ing abusive epithets, seized a stool and

Geddes, after tiring herself with shouting abusive epithets, seized a stool and threw it at the Dean's head. A shower of Bibles, Testaments and Pealm books followed, as one graphic describer of the event says, "by bagfuls."

A young man who had the temerity to answer "Amen" to one of the prayers, was struck on the face by a woman near by, who exclaimed: "Would you dare, you false thief, to say the Mass at my lug?" Sir Walter Scott states that it was the famous Jenny who thus expressed her feelings. Others called the Bishop of Elinburgh "Crafty Fox," "False anti-Christian Wolf," anti-Christ," "a Pope," etc., when he attempted (to restore order, and a cry was raised to "stone him." At Victoria Church, Toronto Junction, there was a few months ago a scene which recalled the Jenny Geddes episode, though there was not the same amount of violence in the disturbance.

It is generally known to our readers that the Presbyterians of Canada recently introduced a new hymnal into the public worship, to which some of the denomination object on account of, an innovation by the addition of the word "Amen" to the hymns. The objectors regard this as an approach towards the content of the proposed of the proposed of the proposed of the proposed of the public worship, to which some of the denomination object on account of, an innovation by the addition of the word "Amen" to the hymns. The objectors regard this as an approach towards the proposed of th

A PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION.

"Where a communication or a petition is presented, under the circumstances I have indicted, bona fide—a petition presented honestly and in good faith, it is said to be a privileged communication. Now, I will state to you just what a privileged communication is, as it is defined, and that is the best way in which to give it to you, and then I will illustrate it by something which will make it perfectly clear I hope to every one of you. It is said that a privileged communication is this: If the circumstances are such as to make it right that the defendant should plainly state what he honestly believes to be the plaintiff's character, the occasion is said to be privileged, and although the statement may prove to be false, yet such publication on such privileged occasion is excused in the interests gof society at large.

the innovation would not be introduced into the Church service.

On this assurance Mr. Wilson returned to the Church, when to his astonishment Mr. Rae directed the choir to sing the "Amen" as laid down in the new hymn-book.

There is certainly nothing very objectionable in the singing of "Amen" at the end of a prayer, and church hymns are a form of prayer, nevertheless the tradition seems to have been handed down since the days of Jane Geddes, who is honored as a religious theroine, threw the stool at the Dean's head, that the use of the Amen in this connection has an Episcopal or even a "Romish" flavor, and old-fashioned Presbyterians are resolutely opposed to it. Mr. Wilson protested in these terms: "Mr. Rae, I enter my protest on behalf of myself and other members of the congregation against the Episcopal innovation, as it is not in accordance with the old and honored form of our Presbyterian worship."

The most amazing part of the occurence followed. It does not appear that Mr. Wilson was guilty of any further offence than what we have dethe innovation would not be introduced

signing the petition should have been personally aggrieved or injured, for it is said that all persons have an interest in the administration of justice and in the efficient carrying on of the departments therewith. So that, any member of the community, although having no connection with the plaintiff, nothing to do with him, perhaps never having spoken to the man, but who being aware of some misconduct, some misfeasance, or maffeasance in his office as a bailiff, has a perfect right to petition or to send any communication to the proper authority calling for an investigation, so long as the petition is clothed in language which did not exceed the necessities or the circumstances of the case. For instance, a man might write a letter to the inspector, stating that he knows so and so, and perhaps it would have been better in this case if a communication of that nature signed by those who were cognizant of the facts, had been sent to the inspector, clothed in language that would convey exactly what offences he had been guilty of, and in that way, the redress which it is said by the defendants the community desired they should have, would have been just as effectual; and the method just as efficacious as in the petition which has been presented. While I say that, I say there can be no objection to the whole community, if they deem it advisable, petitioning against any man in the public service, who has been guilty of any misconduct in the administration of this office."

His Lordship then went more specifically into the merits of the case under consideration.

A SUCCESSFUL CANADIAN.

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Gadsden (Alabama) Times-News.

There are many of the native sons of other climes who have cast their iot in life with the good people of Alabama, and in this connection a brief sketch of the subject of this biography would not make an altogether uninteresting bit of reading matter.

A. A. Mefintyre was born as a subject of Great Britain, at Alisa Craig, Ontario, on the 17th of March—St. Patrick's day—1864. Alisa Craig is a most historic and charming Canadian town and located not more than forty miles from the border line of the United States.

"Mack," as he is familiarly known to hosts of friends and acquaintances not only here in Gadsden but in Alabama herself, received a good education in the schools about his native town; received an education, it might be said, that has fitted him for the many responsibilities and lucrative positions he has since filled and enjoyed. In 1883 he began the battle of life as a telegraph operator in the employ of the world-famed Grand Trunk raliway, remaining with it until 1890, when he turned his face southward and subsequently located at Alpine, Ala., where he acted as station agent for the old East Tennessee raliway. He, however, severed his connection with that road in 1891 and entered the service of the Southern Express Co., with which he has ever sinceremained. His first appointment was at Schma, where he was made money clerk and cashier. This position apparently brought out the ability that was within him, for the company, thoroughly and nositively satisfied as regards his peculiar fitness, have always esteemed him as one of their most competent, trustworthy and efficient representatives.

Mr. Melntyre came to Gadsden in February, 1895, as the agent of the company at this point, and the square and merchants of his vention are far from diminutive, when the fact is taken in to consideration that the company and modest man, whose close application to the work and interests of both the company and the people have made both he and the interests he repre

Mr. McIntyre is one of our best citizens, live and progressive and charitable far beyond his means. He is a member of and arlent worker in the Catholie church; in fact, one of its mainstays here in this section.

Gadsden is proud of his citizenship, and the well-known company he represents is to be congratulated upon having in charge of its interests here so valuable and experienced a representative.

## LONDON SEPARATE SCHOOL TRUS-

The nomination of Separate School Trustees for two-year terms was held at St. Peter's school on Wednesday before Mr. P. Mulkern, returning officer. All the vacancies were filed by the unanimous re-election of the retiring members: —Mr. Philip Pocock, representing No. I Ward; Mr. M. O'Sullivan, No. 2 Ward; Mr. John Forresta', No. 3 Ward; Rev. M. J. Tiernan, No. 4 Ward; Mr. John B. Murphy, No. 5 Ward, and Mr. Wm. P. Regan, No. 6 Ward.

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Two vacancies occurred on the Board during the year, and these were also filled by acclamation. Rev. Father McCormick, who represented the Fifth Ward was removed from the city, and Mr. Jerry Loughin was chosen to fill the position for the remainder of the term—one year. The death of Dr. Hanavan, who was last year elected to represent South London for two years, caused the second vacancy, which was filled by the appointment of Mr. J. P. Muray.

Besides he Trustees chosen, the Board comprises Messrs, P. Mulkern, No. 1 Ward; J. D. Lebel, No. 2 Ward; James Ward, No. 3 Ward; Wm. McPhillips, No. 4 Ward.

Mr. M. O Sulivan is Socretary.

## THE CHURCH IN MICHIGAN.

Popple, Mich., Dec. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir—I am pleased to inform you that in this little congregation of principally Highland Scotch Catholies that we have built a very fine, solid, white brick church dimensions 36 x 75 feet, 18 feet wall; the cross towers up 100 feet above grade level, and it is a credit to any congregation. The mason work, such as stone, brick, plastering is finished, and all the outside carpenter work and painting is also finished. The altar and seating is to be done through the winter, and we expect to dedicate it to St. Columbkille on the 9th of June next, when we hope to have it all completed. The most of this centregation left West Williams, Ontario. The following are the names of those who donated fifteen of the main windows:

Rev. C. T. B. Krebs, Mathew MeIntyre, Angus O. H. Enley, sen., Angus McEachen, Donald O. H. Enley, sen., Angus McEachen, Donald O. H. Enley, sen., Angus McEachen, John Gillis, Donald Cameron, Hugh Ross, John Ryan, Bad Axe. Yours truly,

Angus O. H. Enley,

## A Rich Gift.

Ottawa, December 39.—A special messenger from Rideau Hall cailed on the Rev. Father Champagne, of Pointe Gatineau, on Christmas Eve, the bearer of a princely gift from Lord and Lady Aberdeen. The parcel, when divested of Chambagne, or Pointe Gatheau, on Christians Eve, the bearer of a princely gift from Lord and Lady Aberdeen. The parcel, when divested of its multitudinous wrappings, revealed a complete set of church vestments of exceeding richness, heavily embroidered in gold on white corded sik of fluest quality, the design of the work being remarkably chaste and artistic, the whole forming a gift of very costly character. They were worn for the first time by the celebrant at midnight Mass. The Rev. Father announced to the congregation the distinguished favor that bear of the conferred on the principle of the protection of the conferred on the principle of the point of the conferred on the principle of the principle of the conferred on the principle of the conferred on the principle of the principle of the conferred on the principle of the conferred them that they should ever held in grateful remembrance to generous donors, whose thoughtful kindness had prompted them to supplement the munificent gift of a costly bell by this rich and beautiful set of vest ments.

## HONORING THEIR TRACHER.

Miss Engenie E. Stafford, the popular and successful first assistant teacher of the Separate school, on retiring from the staff, was on Wednesday last, we learn from the Almonte Gazette, presented by her pupils with a kindly-worded address and an elegant gold bracelet and silver napkin ring. Miss Stafford replied in feeling terms, and thanked the class most heartily for their kind words and handsome presents, and also took the opportunity of thanking the trustees for the uniform courtesy extended to her during the past two years. Very Rev. Canon Foley graced the occasion with his presence. The following is a copy of the address:

advantage of the occasion for the purpose of injuring the person in repart of the occurform of our Presbyterian worship."

The most amazing part of the occurence followed. It does not appear that Mr. Wilson was guilty of any further offence than what we have described, yet at the session meeting of Oct. 22, which he was cited to attend,

mired.

Mrs. Deane's numerous friends throughout the province will deeply sympathize with net family in their affliction, and join in the prayer.

Mrs. he and rest in page 1.

Mis. Owns O'BOYLE DRAYION, USI.
Seldom in the course of our life have we been
called upon to perform a more disagreeable
duty than that of recording the death of Mrs.
Owen O'Boyle. She died Dec. 21, after a short
illness, which though very painful, the good
woman bore with true Christian patience and
resignation.
Mrs. O'Boyle was born thirty-nine years ago
at Ayton, Ont. She leaves nine children be-

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## A TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.

London has once again been visited by one of those dire calamities that has caused intense grief throughout the whole Dominion. On last Monday night shortly after the final returns of the municipal election were handed in, the candidates, and their friends, repaired to the City Hall, where addresses were to be delivered by the successful as well as the unsuccessful aspirants for municipal honors. Soon after the proceedings began a large portion of the flooring gave way, carrying with it some hundreds of the audience. A terrible scene ensued, a life and death struggle for deliverance from the terrible nosition in which the unfortunates were plunged without a moment's notice. Twenty-flyo persons were killed, and about a hundred more or less injured. The following are the names of the killed:

Benjamin J. Nash, carriage maker, York Benjamin J. Nash, carriage maker, York

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Edward Luxton, farmer, Exeter.
W. H. Dell, baker, London West.
R. S. Leigh, plumber, Richmond street.
Abraham Phillips, flour dealer, King street.
Ben, Jacques, painter, G. T. R., York street.
Stephen Williams, laborer, Waterloo street.
W. C. Smith, market gardener, London township.

township.

L. W. Burke, insurance agent, King street,
John Fellows, lives near Depper's Corners,
James Harris, moulder, 244 Dundas street,
Wilson Carrothers, farmer, Westminster
township.
W. J. Borland, woodworker, Tecumseh avenue Noole Carrothers, young man, son of Noble Corrothers, of Grigg House. Fred. Heaman, young son of W. Heaman, York street. York street, W. E. Talbot, young son of W. Talbot, Hamilton Road. Hamilton Road.
Oswald Bruce, son of W, Bruce, shoema ker
Wharneliffe Road.
Allan Towe, son of E. Towe, Princess avenue,
age thriteen years.
John Burgess, laborer, 252 Wharneliffe Road,
London West.
Herman Hilbert, peddler, Lendon South.

# ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO.

The Redemptorist Fathers will open a mis on in St. Joseph's church, Leslieville, or

C. M. B. A. Resolution of Condolence.

At a regular meeting of Penetanguisnene Branch No. 75 of C. M. 3.A. held on the 6th instant, it was unanimously adopted. That where as it is pieased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call to his eternal reward our Brother, Harry Madoney, who was a former citizen of Penetanguishene.

And whereas, the death of Brother Maloney leaves a void in the family circle.

Be it resolved, therefore, that we the members of Branch No. 75 tender to his wife and other members of the family of deceased, our most heartfelt sympathy in this the hour of their affliction.

Resolved that, in token of our deep sympathy that the charter of our branch be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days.

And, further, that a copy of hese resolutions be noted on the munute and the family.

Mr. McDonald, Rec. Sec.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

St. Mary's Branch No. 31, Lindsay.

W. Lane, Sec. Treas.

On the Sth of December the Confraternity of
the Rosary was established in St. Martin's
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