

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The following interesting account of how Father Decker, missionary to the Maoris of New Zealand, lives, will throw light upon the nature of the sacrifices made by Catholic priests who devote themselves to missionary work among uncivilized tribes:

"In the bare house stands one ancient and tumbling table and one aged chair; a few books are there, and from the roof hangs a lamp filled with oil from native vegetables; while in a corner the sun reflects itself from the tinned surface of a biscuit box. This is nearly all; but to be minute, a bundle of bamboos lie about for lighting purposes in wet weather, and a sheet of paper covers the floor as a protection from damp in this land of perpetual streams. The Father is very contented, and he lives on the repulsive food of the Maoris and according to their way of preparing it, for he is amongst them and of them. His flock, scattered through the mountains, and individually dotted far apart, number some three hundred, and to them he ministers in suns and snows."

The scheme of sectarian confederation, which is being looked to with so much earnestness as the means whereby Christian unity is to be effected, does not meet with favor among the more thoughtful Protestants. It is seen that such a scheme will not produce the kind of unity which is essential to the Church of Christ, and which includes belief in all the doctrines which Christ commanded His apostles to teach throughout the world. A recent issue of the New York (P. Episcopal) *Churchman* thus speaks of it:

"We do not believe, that, on calm reflection, denominational federation will command the support of any considerable number of Christian people. As a method of giving a semblance of unity to denominations of more or less close approximation to each other, it will naturally find many advocates; as a means of restoring or even of approaching unity among all the followers of Christ, we do not think it will command itself."

The thirteenth centenary of the consecration of Pope Gregory the Great will be celebrated with special honors in England during this month. It was this illustrious Pontiff who sent St. Augustine and his co-laborers to preach the gospel to the Anglo-Saxons. He was elevated to the Pontifical Chair in September 590, and his zeal for the conversion of England causes him to be styled by Venerable Bede "the Apostle of the English." Yet we sometimes meet with Anglican divines who have the brazen-facedness to deny that England owes her conversion to Christianity to Rome; and, though St. Augustine received his priestly dignity from St. Gregory, they pretend that the Primacy of the Pope was never acknowledged in England in pre-Reformation times.

The winner of the fine sword presented by the Boston *Globe* to the most popular member of the Grand Army of the Republic is Richard F. Tobin, an Irish-American, who was recently elected senior Vice-Commander of the G. A. R. He received 1,493,267 out of a total of 4,846,496 votes cast. The balloting lasted seven weeks. The second on the list was Colonel S. Lovell, of Weymouth, who received 708,839 votes. General Ben. Butler, who was among the contestants, received 256,257 votes. The winner, Mr. Tobin, is one of the Boston Fire Commissioners. He enlisted as a private soldier in 1862, at the age of eighteen years, and afterwards served in the navy, during the civil war, in Admiral Farragut's squadron, on the frigate *Potomac* and the gunboat *Pinola*.

VICAR-GENERAL GULBERT, of the Archdiocese of Westminster, states that in that Archdiocese alone there have been thirteen hundred converts from Protestantism to the Catholic Church within the past year, and a recent issue of the *Moniteur*, of Rome, makes the statement that if converts continue to be as numerous in the future as during the past fifty years the Catholic Church will within a century predominate in England. It would appear that the question of the return of the people of England to the Catholic faith will settle itself sooner than these persons expect who are agitating the country to oppose the progress of Catholicity.

It is stated that several hundred Mormons are preparing to emigrate from Utah to Lee's Creek, in Alberta, and the Canadians of the locality are much incensed at the prospect. They state that, notwithstanding the promises made to the Government, polygamy is practiced to a shameful extent, to the great demoralization of the Indians of the territory. There is talk of the people taking the law into their own hands to prevent the new influx of so undesirable an element, and even to turn out those who have already planted themselves there. It is difficult, however, to get at the actual state of affairs, as the Mormons are very reticent as to their practices, and make profession that they are obeying the laws of Canada.

It was recently reported that a whole Catholic congregation at Monte Orfano, Italy, had gone over to Lutheranism. It

was a wrong report. It was a handful of so-called "Old Catholics" who joined the Lutherans because their pastor wanted an increase of salary. It was altogether a matter of the pocket and not of conviction.

Among the speakers who delivered addresses at the centenary demonstration, held at Larn, in the county of Antrim, Ireland, in honor of Father Mathew, on 14th of August, were several Presbyterian and other Protestant clergymen.

The German Government has agreed at last to pay back half the church property confiscated under the Kulturkampf, and to pay interest on the balance. This triumph is attributable to the resolute stand taken by Herr Windthorst and the Catholic party in the Reichstag, and it has been gained in spite of the declaration of Herr Von Gieseler, the Minister of Public Worship, that the Government would never accede to the demands of the Centre party.

Mr. Gladstone's kindly words concerning Cardinal Newman are but cumulative evidence of the breadth and Catholicity of the greatest Englishman. It is a pitiful fact that the English and other Protestant churches harbor in their pulpits men so carried away with the bigotry of sectarianism that they cannot recognize the greatness of a great man who speaks to them words of truth, of high morality and of pure religion, if that man is consecrated by a Church with whose tenets they do not agree. It is unfortunate that these individuals should be so narrow, but it is doubly unfortunate that their words should be given the sanction of powerful ecclesiastical organizations and go out unthinkingly to the masses. One of the most notable tributes to the pure character and great capacity of the dead Cardinal lies in the fact that no man at all comparable with him in ability has been found to raise his voice concerning him except in praise. — *Detroit Free Press*.

The above extract fits very nicely the individual who has been writing the Toronto *Mail*, in which some very unkindly things are said of the deceased Cardinal. It is scarcely worth while, however, drawing attention to the writer in the *Mail*, as he has adopted the plan of all cowards and assassins. In place of giving his name, as a manly person would do, he signs himself "Englishman." He is that sort of an Englishman who reflects very little credit on his country.

The *Mail's* Montreal representative is very angry because Mr. Mercier has appointed Mr. H. T. Oloran, an Irish Catholic, to the position of Crown prosecutor of Montreal. "The position," he adds, "belongs by an unwritten law to a Protestant, because for years the Quebec Government has appointed a French Canadian and an English Protestant as joint Crown Prosecutors." This is a funny doctrine for an Equal Rights organ to promulgate. Are we to understand that to French-Canadians and Protestants belong all the positions of honor and emolument in the Province of Quebec? The complaint of the Toronto organ seems all the more extraordinary when the fact is borne in mind that in civic appointments especially a Catholic is in Ontario considered an unfit person to hold office. There is an unwritten law in Toronto, the paradise of hoodlums and blind bigotry, which says that a Catholic must not be voted into any office whatever, be it a member of parliament or mayor, or even pound keeper, and this law is, as Catholics know too well, carried out with a brutality that reflects but small credit on our boasted civilization. In proof of this statement we have but to call to mind the few occasions when Catholics have presented themselves as candidates for the office of mayor in Toronto and other cities of Ontario, and note the manner in which they were simply annihilated, and not for any other reason save that they were Catholics. A comparison of liberality and fair dealing in the two provinces will place Ontario in a most unenviable position.

MOVEMENTS are on foot to erect public memorials to the late John Boyle O'Reilly, editor of the Boston *Pilot*. One memorial is to take the form of a department of Celtic literature in the new Boston Public Library. This will be established by Boston and its vicinity, but a national monument will also be erected. This will probably take the form of a statue towards which his admirers throughout America will contribute. America feels a pride in honoring the patriot and poet who because of his patriotism was an exile from his native land. The New York *Freeman's Journal* says:

"John Boyle O'Reilly would smile in his grave to learn that the Tory newspapers are much puzzled over the honor paid in Ireland and America to his memory. The dead patriot has been indecently denounced as a criminal and rebel, and the adjournment of the National League meeting in Dublin, out of respect for him, has been triumphantly adduced as proof that Gladstone is in alliance with the enemies of England. The name we love and honor in America is called still in English officialdom, 'Imperial Convict No. 9843.'"

The Dublin *Freeman* says in an editorial:

"Far more than Irishmen at home can

understand, he elevated his countrymen in the opinion of Americans, and won their sympathy and support for the Irish cause. And, oh, the pity of it! This was the man who was a banned outlaw in the eyes of the British Government, an exile and an outcast. A convict cell under the stars and stripes—such were his experiences of the fortune of Irishmen who love their native land. As a mark of respect for his memory the National League adjourned yesterday without transacting any business. It was a day of mourning for the dead."

AN AMUSING feat was accomplished by Admiral Seymour during the naval manoeuvres in England last week. The public, who expected a grand display, were disappointed, but the completeness of the fiasco has raised a very general popular outcry for a complete overhaul of the Admiralty department, which, it is said, is remarkable only for utter incompetency and jobbery. Two fleets were put on a complete war footing to test whether in case of war the navy would be able to protect trade, but as soon as hostilities were declared, the Admiral's fleet steamed out to mid ocean, to some out-of-the-way place, and was not seen again till after the period for the manoeuvres was past. Only one trading vessel was sighted during the whole time, until in returning the fleet was near home. The Admiral was supposed to be stopping trade, and his explanation of the fiasco is that he was cruising off the Azores, and that he demonstrated that coal can be hoisted from barges into ships in deep water when the sea is smooth. It was at one time feared that the fleet was lost. It is now seriously thought that the costly amusement which usually results in collisions, breakdowns, and other mishaps, will not be repeated hereafter.

HOME RULE.

THE BATTLE FOR A PARLIAMENT IN COLLEGE GREEN.

There are at the present time five Irish editors in prison for the publication of news relating to the progress of the National cause: viz., Mr. John Powell, of the *Midland Tribune*; Mr. Walsh, of the *Irish Standard*; Mr. Jasper Tully, of the *Reconqueror*; Mr. Fisher, of the *Monster Express*; and Mr. Redmond of the *Waterford News*.

At an eviction which recently took place at Carrickmacross every means possible was taken by the police and the emergency men to render three evicted tenants as destitute as possible. The agent of the Shilbury estate had the furniture thrown violently on the road, so as to break it as badly as possible, and cattle were turned upon the farm to trample the oats and potatoes, and every stalk which remained was cut down with a scythe, and some milk which had been given by a neighbor for a sick woman in one of the houses was poured out on a dung heap. The houses were then pulled down.

Messrs. John Dillon, Wm. O'Brien and T. Harrington are coming to America to take steps for the thorough organization of the National League on this continent. The visit of the Earl of Aberdeen to Montreal with his amiable countess gave an opportunity to the Irishmen of that city to express their high admiration for one of the most popular lords who ever filled the office of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. It was at first intended to present them with an address, but the plan was changed, and he was waited on by a number of representative Irishmen. The following account of the interview is from the *Globe* of the 29th inst.:

Hon. Edward Murphy, hon. president of the Irish National League, Mr. P. Wright, president and J. J. Curran, Q. C., M. P., called upon them, and were most cordially received. Mr. Curran, as spokesman, said how much they regretted that they were unable to meet Lady Aberdeen were about to leave Montreal, and that the people here followed the Irish movement very closely, and were fully alive to the efforts of the Earl and Her Ladyship to ameliorate the condition of the Irish people. Canadians were grateful for the aid that had been given by His Lordship to the national cause, and for the untiring efforts of Her Ladyship in behalf of Irish industries. The Earl replied that he was delighted with the delicacy of the idea which had suggested the deputation. He was glad to see that the Irish movement was so closely and so disinterestedly followed by the people in the Dominion of Canada, and that so much practical sympathy had been evinced for the improvement of the condition of Ireland. He asked many questions relative to the position of the Irish people here, and said that he was delighted to learn that in this home rule country the greatest attachment existed to our political institutions and the maintenance of our present relations with the empire. He said it was important to dispel the notion that home rule anywhere meant separation. His Lordship was assured that the people here could not understand the objections to home rule in view of its results in Canada. Lady Aberdeen was very pleasant, and assisted the gentlemen through with the interview, speaking of Irish industries and the approaching famine. Two Earl and Lady Aberdeen left for Hamilton this evening in a special car. Last night they were entertained at dinner by Sir Donald Smith.

On the morning of August 6th a fierce attack was made by the Orange workmen on the Queen's Island on a party of six hundred excursionists belonging to St. Joseph's Sacred Heart Society, who left Belfast by the Victoria for Cushendall. The party was mainly composed of women and children. The great terror was caused by a fusillade of iron bolts being sent into their midst by hand slings, as the steamer passed. Many were struck and several wounded, one boy severely. An indignation meeting was held on board the steamer, and a petition drawn up and addressed to the

Lieutenant, calling for the establishment of a police barracks at Queen's Island; and resolutions were passed calling for police protection on their return. Nothing more scandalous has occurred in Belfast since the riots of 1886. Mr. Sexton, M. P., was called on to ask the Chief Secretary whether the Irish authorities will put a police barracks on the Queen's Island with a view to the prevention of outrages of this kind.

A meeting of the men of the Island was afterwards held outside the works on the Abercorn road, and was addressed by Mr. Bruce Wallace, who called upon those present, for the honor of Protestantism, to pass a resolution repudiating all sympathy with the attack upon the excursionists, and in reprobation of such conduct. A resolution was agreed to, on the motion of Mr. S. H. Wilson, seconded by Mr. S. McCall, regretting and condemning the conduct of "these mischievous lads" who threw missiles at the excursionists and further expressing a desire to live in the exercise of peace and good will towards those who differ from them in religion and politics.

Alarming reports on the potato crop continue to be received. In Wexford, Kilkenny, Carlow and the sea coast districts the crop is an absolute failure. In other districts there will be a partial crop. Wexford farmers have stopped supplying their men with potatoes for fear of causing illness.

LATEST CATHOLIC NEWS.

Archbishop Corrigan, of New York, is expected to return home early in Sept. He left Rome with his secretary, Very Rev. Mgr. McDonnell, on the 9th ult.

There are 763 Catholic societies in the United States in connection with the Catholic Total Abstinence Union. The membership reaches 52,219. Of these 138 societies with 117,338 members belong to the Philadelphia Union.

A recent issue of the London *Tablet* gives a list of the pupils of English Catholic schools and colleges who were successful at the recent matriculation examinations of the London University. They are fifty names in all, twenty-two being Irish.

The heavy debt which weighed upon the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, is being steadily diminished through the energy of Archbishop Elder. Two hundred thousand dollars have thus far been collected and paid to the creditors.

The Holy Father has written a letter to Cardinal Manning expressing his great grief at the decease of Cardinal Newman. The Holy Father says: "I am greatly grieved at the departure of a man who, by his learning, his writings and his singular piety, gave great splendor to the Sacred College. I do not doubt that he has already received the reward of his virtues. I will continue to pray for the repose of his blessed soul."

Marie de Pastore, Comtesse de Bonge and Marquise du Plessis-Ballieres, died recently in her chateau of Moreuil, at the age of seventy-five years, leaving to the Pope an inheritance which is valued at 5,000,000 francs. This includes a palace in Paris which is estimated at worth 2,000,000 francs, which is destined to be the permanent residence of the Apostolic nuncio. Among the treasures of the palace there are over seven hundred valuable paintings by eminent artists, half of them being by the first masters.

An American lady, Mrs. Mary Olmsted Brown, who is a professional physiologist, died recently of the character of His Eminence Cardinal Manning from his features. She says: "In this noble face all the signs of intellectual power, purity and benevolence are visible. The brain and bone systems are supreme, while the muscular powers are well developed, as evidenced by the form of the nose and the face and full lower lip reveal sympathetic and benevolent tendencies, while the fine quality and large development of the brain in combination with the last-mentioned would impart the philanthropic phase to his character."

The Boston *Advertiser*, a Protestant journal, gives the following testimony to the efficiency of the Catholic Indian schools which the fanatical Commissioners, Dr. Dorchester and Mr. Morgan, are endeavoring to destroy: "It is the general verdict of those who have studied the Indian problem that mission schools are more successful, better officered and of greater benefit to the Indian children than those established and managed by the Government. To our shame be it recorded that the jobbery, incompetence and malfeasance which have distinguished the Government relations with the Indians have been carried into the Government schools."

A despatch from the *Mail's* Kingston correspondent says: "Ald. Jas. Swift recently accompanied Archbishop Cleary to Montreal, where final arrangements were made whereby a loan of \$240,000 was secured from the Standard Life Assurance Company at 4 1/2 per cent. The money is to be used to wipe out the indebtedness of parishes, Kingston retaining \$50,000. Some fifty young men, ranging in ages from fifteen to twenty, will be insured for \$5,000 each, with a premium of 2 1/2 per cent. is paid. With the death of each of the insured the loan will be reduced by \$5,000. At the end of twenty years the policies of the survivors will be worth half their face value, and can be surrendered. After five years any portion of the principal exceeding \$5,000 can be paid back."

His Grace Archbishop Fabre, of Montreal, has gone on a visit to Rome, previous to his departure from the palace a solemn service was held in the cathedral, His Grace officiating. There was a large attendance of prominent Catholic citizens. His Grace, who was much moved, made a brief farewell address and gave the faithful his blessing. After the service he was accompanied by a large number of the clergy and lay to the Dominion Line steamship *Oregon*, which sailed at day-break. The Archbishop was presented with a very rich portable altar, to be used by him for celebrating Mass during the voyage. He expects to be absent for several months. It is said that the object of his visit to Rome is to prevent, if possible, a division of his diocese.

CATHOLIC PRESS.

London Universe.

"Old Clanciarde, the exterminator, is at his wicked work again. He has just issued a very one-sided statement in regard to the clearing of the land. When this clearance is effected he will have a tract of six square miles in extent waste as the Sahara. In the words of Tacitus, he will have a solitude, and probably he may call that peace. What will he do with it? He can go over there like Alexander Selkirk on Juan Fernandez, and sing, 'I am monarch of all I survey, and play marbles with the leprechauns if he dares too ugly for them—or start a Priam League amongst the banishes.'"

Ave Maria.

Among thousands of pilgrims present at the Grotto of Lourdes on a recent occasion was one whose marked individuality distinguished him from the devout multitude. He was not an atheist nor a professed eccler, on the contrary, he probably considered himself a good Catholic. He had been baptized, had made his First Communion, and had been married by the priest,—what more would you have from an enlightened, broad-minded, liberal Frenchman in this age of progress? He had come to Lourdes merely from curiosity. He would be a severe but an impartial critic; and felt quite satisfied that he would discover the "trick," as he called it, that renders the shrine so celebrated. He made inquiries, looked at the exercises, came and went, but his head, and his brows contracted like one puzzled in the solution of a grave problem. When these people hypocrites? No. Comedians? No. Men of faith and conviction? All appeared to be; here was just the mystery. He left the grotto, unconvinced and perhaps a little disappointed, murmuring as he went his sole explanation of the phenomena, "Religious fever." The next morning, in an obscure corner of the church, a man might have been seen on his knees praying most devoutly. It was the critic of the previous day. The Lourdes fever is contagious; he had caught it from contact with the sick, and he appeared to be perfectly satisfied with the malady.

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The names of all the lady exhibitors will be published in the papers, with such favorable commendations as their exhibits may call for, and to each article on exhibition will be fixed a large card, bearing the name and address of the donor.

Among the donations already on hand there is a magnificent "Ecce Homo," 4 feet 2 in. x 2 feet 6 in. of the private gallery of the late Duke of Devonshire, which was bought at the sale of the personal effects of the late venerated Pontiff, after his death, by a Canon of the Cathedral of Prague, in Bohemia, and the very same religious donation it is to be disposed of for the benefit of the Windsor Hotel Exhibition. This beautiful painting will be raffled at the conclusion of the Exhibition, on the 31st October next, at 10 o'clock, a.m. There is also on hand another grand oil painting, 4 ft. 4 in. x 3 ft. 3 in., representing St. Paul preaching in the Areopagus, by the late Act. xvii. 19-39. This will also be raffled at 10 o'clock, a.m. on the 31st October.

Persons wishing to obtain further information concerning the Exhibition will kindly apply to REV. J. N. WAGNER, Windsor, Ont., who is also prepared to send tickets to all upon demand.

REMARKS: Any manufacturer or business firm wishing to advertise at the exhibition, without any other exhibit, will have the privilege of advertising each 361 feet put up in the exhibition building, subject to the usual conditions, together with the fee, to be sent to the Secretary of the Committee of the Exhibition, as above, on or before the 20th September next.

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