An English Bishop Explains this

In his Lenten Pastoral the Right without roots or substance. Yet he does fear God, hope in Him, and love Rev. Dr. Hedley, Bishop of Newport, continues and concludes the instruc-tion on the subject of Christ's grace Him, and has a genuine purpose not to offend Him again. Another man and man's sanctification, on which he has a much clearer insight, and a spoke in Advent. In the course of his observations he says: The moment in grasp of interior truth much more firm and fast. He may have correswhich man's spirit passes from deadly sin-whether original or personal—to ponded better with the grace given im. He may be better instructed sanctifying grace, must be the moment of a new creation. When Almighty God in the beginning said, "Let there He may have taken more time and pains, concentrating his thought and putting pressure on his will power, as be light"-or even when His creative a man can so well do when he really Word called the material universe out of nothing—He did not do a more wonderful thing than when He floods means to do it. Finally, there may be special circumstances which make his repentance full and fervent. Two the human spirit with the grace acthings, then, are certain: first, that quired for man by his Redeemer. The dispositions, however good and right in themselves, may be too imperfect in passing from the privation of grace to the possession of it—from spiritual degree to wash away mortal sin; and, secondly, as we have said, that the death to spiritual life-may, with a certain correctness, be called conver-sion. It is evident, however, that the word "conversion" has not altogether same group of dispositions, if sufficiently intense, and accompanied by desire of the sacrament, will certainly accomplish this object. It hardly rethe same meaning as sanctification Conversion primarily signifies an act, quires the Church's authority to make the mind accept this doctrine. It is or several acts, on the part of man himself. Sanctification means the work the only view of human nature and God's majesty which can be reconciled of God in the soul. Still, it is true that there can be no sanctification or regen with the teachings of the Bible. This eration without conversion; and we will now consider what conversion being so, let us observe the mercy of Jesus Christ. The new Covenant was really is. Conversion, which is frequently in Holy Scripture called reto be a dispensation of "grace and truth;" of a more abundant grace, and pentance, is nothing else than a sin-cere turning to God, with detestation of a real, and not a mere ceremonial, efficacy. Among other things, for and hatred of our sins, accompanied by a firm determination to change our evil giveness of sin was to be easier. strayed sheep was not to be required even to walk back to the fold, but was life and reform our bad conduct. This description, which will in a moment reto be carried home on the shoulders of call to memory a thousand passages of the Old and New Testaments', is brief the Good Shepherd. The great majority of men and women are, it must be in words but pregnant in meaning sorrowfully admitted, those in whom and it touches on doctrines of vita fear, faith and love are weak and rement, which false teachers have at miss. Unspiritual, indifferent, distracted, and tempted, they may pertacked, and for which the Catholic Church has fought, in ages past. haps turn to God; nay, if they are practising Catholics, and live in the if you will observe, conversion, thus understood, must include four or five intelligent and spiritual movements, each connected with the other, but all struction, they will be almost sure, from time to time, to endeavor to shake nore or less distinct. The first thing off sin and serve God better. These are they on whom God has mercy in that happens is, that the sinner is stirred by the grace of God. That grace the sacrament of penance. Their dis is a certain Divine stimulation of the positions, when they approach the art and will, without which repentsacred tribunal, must be genuine, even ance is impossible. It does not act if feeble. No good, but the contrary, mechanically, as when a lever is apwill come to the soul that confesses it plied to a heavy weight; it does not sins without any sorrow for them. estroy or suspend a man's free will. But if the dispositions exist—and Cath Unless we, on our part, accept, em-brace and co operate with the solicitaolics are instructed to take great pains with them-the august sacrament of tions and promptings of Our Heavenly penance joins itself to them, and by Father, they are as useless for spiritual profit as the winds which sigh the Blood of Christ the priest's absolu tion washes away the guilt of sin. "Whose sins you shall forgive, they round men's houses in the night and in the morning have left no trace. are forgiven them." (St. John xx, 23 Turn to Me and I will turn to you, The Bishop next points out that a is the appeal made by God to sinners Christian's repentanc and conversion (Zacharias i, 3); as if the great God of may be real and sincere, and yet that he may afterwards again fall into mor-Heaven would respect and wait for the free act of His creature. Then, if His tal sin; and also that true conversion words are heard, there comes from the of the heart is not necessarily accomdepths of the sinner's heart that cry panied by any strong or marked feelwhich acknowledges his dependence on his Maker's mercy: "Convert us, ing of peace, joy or fervor. In conclud-ing he says: Around us, dear children O Lord, to Thee, and we shall be con in Jesus Christ, belonging to one or other of the many forms of religious verted" (Lamentations v. 21). The next element in the process of converopinion which claim to be called by the sion is faith; belief in those things which God has revealed, trust in His name of Christian, there are numberpromises, and confidence in His power to justify the sinner "by His grace, less hearts which from time to time truly turn to God and long to give through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" (Roman iii, 24). Faith hemselves wholy to His service But they live in a generation which has lost the true Christian tradi-tion. Not that any genuine cry of the is followed or accompanied by fear-a fear of the terrible justice of God, and soul will ever be, or can ever be, disreof the just judgments with which He garded by Our Heavenly Father, from must visit wilful and unrepented sin. But fear must not extinguish humble come. But one fugitive cry is not

" Is it My will that a sinner should every man's life goes on with added die, saith the Lord God, and not that he should be converted from his ways and live (Ezechiel xviii, 23)?" "Turn to the Lord your God; for He is gracious and merciful, patient and rich in mercy" (Joel ii, 12). Finally, the sweet and lovely flame of charity begins to tremble in the heart ; kindling slowly and faintly, but growing brighter and stronger as the heart follows the grace given; a charity to which the attributes of God are only by one unveiled, as consideration and drawn to His sovereign justice, then to His Holiness, then to His Majesty, then to His fatherly love, then to His infinite perfection. And thus the hatred of sin is complete and the return of the prodigal to his Heavenly Father is accomplished.

A question may here be asked by

non-Catholics which requires an answer. If this, they will object, is the process of conversion, what need is of the sacrament of penance What can a sacrament do more than bring into the soul faith, holy fear, filial hope, and Divine love? Catholic would hesitate what to reply. It is true that, as is constantly repeated in Catholic instructions, conversion may be full and complete, and the sou may be justified, even before the sacrament of penance is resorted to. For all that, the sacrament is absolutely The Catholic Church believes that it is Christ's command that all grave or deadly sins, whether already pardoned or not, be once at least con ssed to the minister of God. ordinance is capable of ample justifica tion; but, for the moment, it is suffic ient to say that salvation would be exposed to dangerous uncertainty if every man was allowed to decide for himself whether his dispositions were sufficiently perfect to wash away his sins without the sacrament. And this leads us to the second point

in the reply. It is this-that the

sacrament has power and efficacy to

forgive even the deadliest sin in cases

where the penitent's own dispositions,

although good, would not of themselves

suffice to obtain such forgiveness.

Think, for a moment, what varying

keep the date of this Pilgrimage in mind as the rates, on both the C, P. R., and the G. T. R., railways will be the very lowest of the season. degrees of intensity may be found in the emotions, desires, and resolutions of the human heart. One man's fear is light, his hope is feeble, his charity is weak, his resolution is new-born,

OBITUARY.

WILLIE HARRIS KIDD, ATHLONE. Died, March 15, 1898, aged twenty-three

Died, March 15, 1838, aged twenty-three years.

The Angel of the Presence who calls but once, obeying the will of the Master has entered unseen the home of Mrs. Jno. Kidd and summoned the soul of her youngest son to the bar of Eternal Justice, before which each child of Adam must eventually appear to list the final sentence from which there is no appeal. Caimly, serenely, and with no tremor of dread, did that strong spirit make ready for its aerial flight, shook itself free from its fetters of clay, and, borne aloft on the wings of prayer, sought shelter and protection in the mansion of the Saviour.

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There in the narrow confines of the draped casket, mute and motioniess, yet beautiful oven in death, lie the mortal remains of the youthful dead. A sorrowing host of bereaved relatives and friends draw near to say farewell. And what a farewell: Rendered doubly sad was it by the awful suddenness of the calamity and the remembrance, fresh in the minus of the dear many charities freely dispensed by the dear that the fact of the intomitable will, the pertinactly of pupies and the unfilleding zeal that characterized the intomitable will, the pertinactly of pupies and the unfilleding seal that characterized the same selection of the same selec

nham Sentinal. May his soul rest in peace! MRS. PATRICK M'BRIDE, BARRIE.

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Barrie Advance, April 21,
Mrs. Patrick McBride died at the residence of herson-in-law, Mr. E. Sevigny, Collier street, on Monday morning, after a few days severe content of the street, and the sevigent of th

were surring days because of the ere Canada Rebellion, and when the Volers returned to Barrie from Penetanguishwhere they were stationed, the late Mr.
ley, one of the company, was showing his her's gun to some persons in a hotel near
McKernan's house. The gun was accially discharged, its contents passing
ugh Mary McKernan's knee, the little girl
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dentally discharged, its contents passing through Mary McKernan's knee, the little girl having, with child-like curiosity, gone into the hotel to see what was going on. The blood began to flow profusely, and the late John Macwatt saved her life by binding a strap around her leg just above the knee, thus stopping the flow of blood. She never afterwards had proper use of the wounded member.

When Miss McKernan was about twenty years of age she married Patrick McBride, who was one of Barrie's first nerchants, and carried on business on the property now occupied by Mr. Peter Kearns, but along with other property north of it as far as Worsley street, remained in the possession of the deceased lady. Since the death of her husband, twenty-five years ago. Mrs. McBride lived with her daughters, and for the last sixteen years with her eldest daughter, Mrs. Sevigny.

Her three daughters living are: Mrs. E. Sevigny, Mrs. Hamilin and Mrs. Hart, all of Barrie, and Sister M. Jerome of St. Joseph's Convent, Toronto. Mrs. Beardsley, Worsley street, is the only surviving member of the McKernan family, and is older than her late sister, Mrs. McBride.

The deceased was attended by Rev. Dean Egan, who, in his untiring zeal-visited her several times a day. She was also visited by Father (Sweny. The Sisters of St. Joseph, of which community her oldest daughter, Sr. Mary Jerome belonged, were by her bedside almost constants, It was most editying to hear her sweny. The Sisters of St. Joseph of which community her oldest daughter, Sr. Mary the will, but hinc, be done. The pall-bearers in well and the pall-bearers in the pall

enough. Every man has a past, and

ver of His creatures it may

to that mark on the dial of time which is fixed for its limit. Life is concerne

with many things; the powers and impulses of man are various and com-

plex : help must be had against temp

tations, questions of right and wrong

must be answered, falls must be reck

oned with, spiritual hurts must be re-

paired, and God's commandments must

in all things be obeyed. No man can

in these most serious matters be his own guide. The most learned of men

o. Oliver. The funeral took place to the R. C. ceme-yon Wednesday morning, Dean Egan con-ting the service in St. Marv's church. Mrs. Bride was a devoted and conscientious statian, and very much esteemed by her ny friends in and around Barrie.

MRS, PETER KENNEDY, INGERSOLL,

MRS, PETER KENNEDY, INGERSOLL.
Tuesday morning, April 12, at her residence, King street west, the spirit of Mrs. Peter Kennedy took its flight. Deceased had been ill for a considerable length of time, and some weeks ago underwent a surgical operation, from which she never recovered. The late Mrs. Kennedy's maiden name was Mary Shoebotham, and she was the youngest daughter of George Shoebotham and Mary Horan. She was born in the parish of Graun, county Tipperary, Ireland, in 1830. On the 21st of July, 1818, she was married to Mr. Peter Kennedy, in London, Ont.; and had she lived until the 21st of July next they would have been fifty years wedded. After residing in London for eight years, she removed to Ingersoll with her husband, where she has resided ever since. Besides a sorrowing husband, she leaves four children to mourn her loss, as follows: James, who resides at Ingersoll; W. George, Chicago; Mrs. O'Gorman, Ingersoll; and Mrs. Mackey, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The funeral took place on Thursday from her

pall-bearers. Friends from a distance who attended were: P. Hayes, West Branch, Mich.; Mrs. Kelly. Essex; Mr. and Miss Walsh. Mr. Austin and Miss O'Brien, Hamilton. – The Grand River Sachem, April 20, 1898.

The CATHOLIC RECORD extends heartfelt

sympathy to the bereaved ones, coupled with the earnest prayer that our Heavenly Fathe will grant eternal rest to their dear departed

A Convent Quarterly.

"Leaflets From Loretto." the April number of which is now before us, is published quarterly by the pupils of Loretto Abbey. Wellington Piace, Toronto. The Editor in Chief is Miss Piace, Toronto. The Editor in Chief is Miss Marie L. McGuire; Miss Gertrude Hughes—a young lady gifted with considerable literary team—being Exchange Editor, and the Misses Meeting, Calarmont, Winter, Maud McDonad Garmont, Winter, Maud McDonad Calarmont, Winter, Winter, Maud McDonad Calarmont, Winter, Wint

The Sign of the Cross.

When weary with my constant care, I fain Thy guiding hand would seek, Bu', for my earnest need, I feel That human words are slow and weak,

When maddening doubts within me rise, And by their surges I am tossed, Till in the whirl of heart and brain My feeble faith is nearly lost, I name the Triune God, and make That sign so dear for Jesus' sake,

And when the tempter speaks to me And lures my soul to seek her rost In raths, oh! Lamb of Caivary! I feel Thy feet have never pressed, Between me and the foe I place The Sign that he can never face.

When the last hour to me shall come,

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL CONCERT.

Niagara Falls Record, April 22,
Last Tuesday evening the pupils and expupils of St. Patrick's school gave a concert in the town hall. The weather outside was far from being agreeable, yet despite the pouring rain, the hall was very comfortably filled. Had the night been fair, it is safe to say that there would hardly have been a vacant seat. The "bill of fare" presented was of a very high order of merit. Whenever the Sisters and pupils of St. Patrick's undertake anything of this kind it is always sure to be a success, so that everyone who had the beasure of listening to the programme on Tuesday might were thoroughly delighted and piensed. The cordial opening address was delivered by Master Edward Fleming. A piano solo, "Racing Downthe Rapids," by Lawrence, was played by Miss Annie Foster. In this selection, as also in her second number, "Alice," this young lady, who, by the way, was making her first venture in public, particularly pleased her friends and the audience. Her interpretation of the music, and her skill in handling the keys, deserve special mention, and judging, by the performance of this evening, a brilliant future as an accomplished plainst, is before the young lady.

When the curtain rose for the second time, a very pretty sight was presented. About forty little girls, in pretty costumes, sang a number of little ditties, such as "Little Bo-Peen," "Little Jack Horner," and others, and their sweet little vioices penetrated to every part of the hall with remarkable distinctness. The recitation of Master J. Seales, entitled "The Baby," was well rendered, for the young gentlemen was able to convince his audience in an assuming manner that it wouldn't be safe to the hall withremarkable distinctness. The recitation of Master J. Seales, entitled "The Baby," was well rendered, for the young gentlemen was able to convince his audience in an assuming manner that it wouldn't be safe to the hall withremarkable distinctness. The recitation of Master J. Seales, entitled "The Baby," was sune by Miss L Mularkie, a Niagara Falls Record, April 22.

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Master Curtis Seales sang a comic song entitled "The Hat My Father Wore," and the young man succeeded in bringing forth roars of laughter from his audience. He responded to an encore.
"An Incident in the Life of Christ" was the title of a recitation ably rendered by Miss J.

title of a recitation ably rendered by Miss J. Ellis, which gave a touch of pathos to the programme that was greatly appreciated. The next number was a vocal solo by Miss Helen O'Leary, "Forget Me Not." Miss O'Leary has a voice of are sweetness and power, and it was in no spirit of idle praise that her hearers demanded an encore, which was cheerful given. The second selection "Don't be Angryt Mother," was the means of again showing forth the excellent qualities of this young lady's voice.

voice.

By special request, Miss O'Connor, of Buffalo,
N. Y., who is on a visit to friends in town,
kindly consented to assist in the evening's
pleasure by singing a solo. The selection, "The
Spring Song," afforded scope for her sweet and
well-trained voice, and when a re-call was insisted on, she sang "Supposing," which was
given in amanner that fairly brought down the
house.

CONCERT AT MIMICO.

The concert in aid of the proposed Catholic Church at Mimico, held on Monday, April 18, was a grand success. The weather being per-fect, the hall was crowded to overflowing. The programme contained the names of many well known and popular artists, as follows:

Part I.

Inst. Duet.—"Husareuritt"..... Fritz Spindler
The Misses Forbes and Stock
Vocal Solo—"The Mermaud".

Mr. G. C. Warburton
Recitation—"Caleb's Courtship".

Miss B. Prendergast McCarthy
Vocal Solo—"True till Death".

Piano and Vioiin.

The Misses Gormaly and Connors
Vocal Solo—"Only for Thee". Hastings Weblyn
Mrs. J. H. Gormaly
Comic—"Keep Inchin' Along "Mr. Jas. Fax
Part II.

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Part II. Minnie and Vocal Solo.

Mrs. Ethel Herbert
Recitation—"How He Saved St. Michael's".
Miss B. Prendergast McCarthy

Thomas

Ventriloquism

Mr. Henry Simpson
Comic Song—"Holligan's Mule". Comic Song—"Holligan's Mule"..... Mr. Jas. Fax Farce—"Peace and Quiet".... The Mimico Dramatic Club Miss Agnes Forbes, Accompanist "God Save The Queen."

MIMICO DRAMATIC CLUB.

"Peace and Quiet"

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To the Editor of the RECORD: Sir-Kindly allow me a little space in you To the Editor of the Record:

Sir-Kindly allow me a little space in your valuable paper to present to your numerous readers the way in which the Catholics of East Northumberland are being treated, in return for their almost unanimous support of the Liberal candidate, who was elected by a sweeping majority last June, for the Local House.

Prior to the election there had been, from the opening of the Murray Canal to the present year, as a matter of British fair play to the Catholic minority in the riding through which the canal runs, two of our co-religionists on the bridges, of which there are four crossing the same. A few days ago, Fitzgeraid, a Conservative, and Pelletier, a strong supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, were both unceremoniously discharged, without any given reason or investigation. This was bad enough, but only one Catholic was appointed where there had been two, and the other positions were all filled by non-Catholics. Is it any wonder that we down here are annoyed at this narrow-minded, petty meanness? The men being put off under the Liberal rule of our present member are nearly all poor men, with large families, whom they st Northumberland. Catholics, re selves, and thereby make other, , and love you through fear, if they e you through affection.

A Disgusted Liberal. spect yourselves, and respect you, and love you will not love you through

Murray, April 19th.

THE LATE CARDINAL TASCHEREAU The death of the late Cardinal Taschereau is

much regretted, not only in Quebec, but also in the province of Ontario, and many in this section of the country will remember with gratitude his whole souled hospitality and kindness, Mrs. F. J.IGillespie, of Uptergrove, called upon his Eminence on the occasion of their trip to Ste. Anne de Beaupre, in September, 1892. Mrs. Gillespie had made for the Cardinal a beautiful smoking-cap, which her husband sent to him. The following is a copy of the acknowledgment which he received:

Archienisconal Residence, Quebec,

Archiepiscopal Residence, Quebec, Oct. 29, 1892.

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Mr. F. J. Gillespie:
Dear Sir—Your letter of the 22nd October, together with the smoking-cap which you had the kindness to send me, was duly received. The letter was mislaid with other papers or I would have written you sooner. With all my heart I thank both yourself and Mrs. Gillespie. A few days ago a dozen residences close to the church in Ste. Anne de Beaupre were destroyed by fire. But—thank God!—the fine church was not damaged.

Kindly accept, as well as madam, the assurance of my gratitude.

E.'A.Card. Taschereau.

GAINED 39 POUNDS. The Experience of Miss Flora Fergu-

OR FIVE YEARS SHE WAS AN ALMOST HELI LESS INVALID - USED MANY MEDICINES WITHOUT BENEFIT - DR. WILLIAMS' PINE PILLS RESTORE HER HEALTH,

In the sent services matters be his form guide. The most learned of men cannot in these things pretend by the control of the services and the

NEW BOOKS.

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MARKET REPORTS.

London, April. 28. — Wheat, 87 to 90c. per bushel; coats, 313 to 324c. per bushel; peas 55 to 60c. per bushel; years 35 to 60c. per bushel; years 35 to 40c. per bushel; peas, 45 to 60c. per bushel; buckwheat, 36 to 384c. per bushel; beans, 40 to 60c. per bushel; barley, 43 to 48c. per bushel. Plenty of produce changed hands. Eggs by the dozen, sold at 10 to 16 and by the basket iots at 9 to 94c. Best following the company were unchanged. Beef by the carcass soid as high as \$7 per hundred pounds, and mutton at 7 cents a pound. Dressed pork brought from \$5.75 to \$6, and live hogs, \$4.40. Spring lambs soid at \$4.50 to \$5 cach. Twenty-five loads of hay went at from \$6.50 to \$7.75 with \$7.50 as the ruling figure.

Montreal, Q. April 28. — Flour. Regalations

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TORONTO,

Toronto, Ont., April 28. — Flour firmer; straight rollers quoted at \$4.30 to \$4.40, middle freights; Manitoba patents, higher, at \$5.55 to \$6.25. Bran, \$10.50 to \$11 middle frieghts; Manitoba patents, higher, at \$5.55 to \$6.25. Bran, \$10.50 to \$11 middle frieghts and shorts, \$12.50. Bran, \$12.50. Wheat, higher in sympathy with British markets; red winter is quoted at 95c. to 96c. west, and white at 91 to 39c. spring, 97c. to \$1 on Midland; and goose, 90c. to 92c. Midland; No. 1 Manitoba hard, \$1,16 to \$1.17. North Hay, and \$1.12 to arrive Sarnia and Owen, Sound, Peas, firmer, at 58c. north and west, and 39c. on Midland. Rye, nominal, at 30 to 40c. west. Barley, 35c. north and west for No. 3 extra, and 33c, to 3c, for feed. Oatmeal, \$3.75 in bags on track.

PORT HURON.

peas, 30 to 35 cents per bush; beans, unbicked, 40 to 50 cents per bush.

Produce.—Butter, 14 to 16c per pound; eggs, 83 to 9 cents per aozen; honey, 7 to 10 cents per pound; cheese, 103 to 11 cents per pound; cheese, 103 to 11 cents per pound.

Hay and Straw.—Hay, \$5,00 to \$6,00 per ton, on the city market; baied hay, \$3.00 to \$6,50 per ton in car lots; straw, \$2.50 to \$3.00 per ton.

Vegetables and Fruits.—Potatoes, 50 to 55c per bushel; ontons, 50 to 50c per bushel; ontons, 50 to 60c per bush; oysters 25c per dozen; burnens; carbase, 30 to 40c per dozen; turnips, 20 to 25 cents per bush; apples, areen, \$3.00 to \$1.00 per bush; apples, areen, \$3.00 to \$1.00 per bush; apples, the per bush —Beef, Michigan, \$5.50 to \$7.00 per cwt, 11 to weight, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per cwt.; Chicago, \$5.00 to \$7.50 per dozen, \$5.00 to \$7.50 per cwt, 11 per \$6.00 to \$7.50 per cwt, 11 per \$6.00 to \$7.50 per cwt, 10 per

Latest Live Stock Markets. TORONTO.

Toronto, April 28.—Export cattle was very dow to-day; there was a good supply, but a weak demand, and sales dragged at from 31 to te, with an occasional sale at 10 to 15c, more or anything very choice. Export bulls were selling at 3c, per pound in the best.

Export of ons were sening at sc. per pound for the best.

Butchers' cattle was dull—in fact the market for cattle was generally stigmatized as a "rotten" one; loads sold of the best at from 3 to 34e, per lb; medium at from 3 to 34e,; and common down to 24e, per lb. A few choice selections sold round 34e.

Milk cows sold slowy at from \$20 to \$35 each. Yearlings were rather scarce, and fetched from \$5.50 to \$5.90 per 100 lbs.

Spring lambs were scarce, and worth from \$3.50 to \$4.75 each.

There is no change in sheep: good ewe are

\$5.50 to \$4.75 each.
There is no change in sheep; good ewe are worth \$3c. per lb.
Hogs are steady and unchanged, at \$2c. per lb. for the best: light and heavy hogs sell at \$4c. to \$4c.; sows sell at \$3c.; and stags at \$2c. per pound. EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo.

East Buffalo, N. Y., April 28.—Cattle—The market was regarded fairly steady for good handy and desirable grades and only fair for heavy lots at firmer prices. Veals and caives—The supply was light, only a few good to choice veals being on sale; there was fair demand for the best heavy prime veals, and all of these were taken at the top quotations, or from \$5.25 to \$5.59; common to good, \$4.25 to \$5.50; to \$5.09; common to good, \$4.25 to \$5.50; kill 50; common to good, \$4.25 to \$4.25; mixed packers' grades, \$4.20 to \$4.25; heavy hogs, \$25 to \$00 light Yorkers, \$4.15 to \$4.25; mixed packers' grades, \$4.20 to \$4.25; heavy hogs, \$25 to \$00 lish; \$4.25; roughs, common to choice, \$3.09 to \$4.00; cuils to common, \$4.15 to \$4.20; vealings, fair mixed to choice \$4.20; vealings, fair mixed to choice wethers, \$4.15 to \$4.40; wool lambs, fair to choice, \$5.25 to \$5.50; native clipped sheep, choice to selected wethers \$4.25 to \$4.35; good to choice mixed sheep, \$4.10 to \$4.25; to \$3.50;

A. O. H.

Office of the Provincial President, Toronto, April, 23, 1898.

To the Officers and Members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Province of Ontario, and their Auxiliary, the Daughters of Erin:
The Fifth Biennial Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Second Biennial Convention of the Daughters of Erin will open in the Hall of Division 1, A. O. H., Niagara Falls, Ont., on Thursday, the 19th of May, at 10 a. m., and will remain in session until althusiness is transacted. Representation will be in accordance with the decision of the National Officers.

Respectfully and formations.

officers.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on heal of the above organizations.

Hugh McCaffrey, Pro. Pres. A. O. H., John Falvey, Pro. Sec. A. O. H., Michael Guerin, Pro. Treas. A. O. H., Miss M. C. Kolly, Pro. Pres. D. of E., Mrs. M. Fahey, Pro. Sec. D. of E., Miss M. Raheilly, Pro, Treas. D. of E.

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A CLEVER CRITIC.

David Creedon's criticism of books delightful reading. He has a n taste of discrimination and any bo that receives his approval is worthy perusal. He has a terse and vigor English style. We always look him now in The Western Watchma

THE TRUE TEST. Crispi says that the decadence

Spain is due to the priesthood. "impoverished condition, etc., ar from the fact that Rome has stilled beatings of the pulse of progre We wonder if Italy's decline must ascribed to the same fact, or beca the venerable statesman has laid hand upon the national funds? short time ago he was exhibted a monster of perfidy and dishonesty to day he is placed on a pedestal tell us why Spain is utterly unfit to with the United States. The fact Spain is poor or wealthy is no p that she is in a state of decadence. true test of civilization is, as Eme says, not the census or the size of ci but the kind of men the country t out. Dazzled by the glamour of terial prosperity we are too apt to get this, and hence little incline pay attention to the essential cons ents of national life. But let u ways remember that not upon as or navies or the treasures of ar commerce, but upon the justice impartial administration of law, upon the honor and the virtue of citizen, is founded civilization nation poor in worldly resources attain a high place of culture, a nation upon whose brow glitter diadem of earthly grandeur ma trembling on the brink of ruin. is not," said Jules Simon, "the le a battle, an army annihilated province torn away, that begin fall of a people. A nation dies by abandoning its manly habit the effacement of its character, l invasion of egotism and scepticism dies of its corruption, it does not

OUR SOCIETIES.

its wounds."

The problem of why our societ not meet with permanent succ one that has for some time pa gaged our attention. They com very promisingly, flourish for and then disappear or become cally dead. Any impartial ob will admit this to be a true state of the case. Now we should l unravel the problem, and any s will be most gratefully receive us. We are not discussing ability, for all agree that th a most important factor in work. Our pastors have recognized their importance ar sought to found and foster th their different parishes. But w should like to discover is why s energy along temperance, so benevolent lines, is lost or misd This may grate harshly on son but it is a plain statement of fa we should give full credence reports or to the speeches orators at festive gatherings v believe their efficiency was doubt or cavil; but a little ex tion will convince us that the and speeches have, like the news," very little foundation appreciate the difficultles and that beset our young men, but allowance for all this we have tation in saying that the Catholic society of young me much to be desired.

A society is not merely a satisfy the gregarious instinct is also a school wherein men taught and uplifted. It is a individuals banded together and discipline for the attai some specific end. Selfish a obtrude themselves, for we li world, but they will not be ; to stand in the way of the good. A society, we take it, a well-spring of high though deavor. It should try to from the minds of Catholics are destined by Providen hewers of wood, and carriers and to persuade them the patient and persevering toil