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all your works, all your efforts will
be destroyed if you are not able to
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olic press.

—Pope Pius X.

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of the most prosperous and powerful
Catholic papers in this country.

I heartily bless those who encourage
this excellent work.

PAUL,
Archbishop of Montreal.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1910.

"A PROTEST."

It is with pleasure we publish the
"Protest" made against the publica-
tion of an advertisement in the Star
and the strange Standard. The ad-
vertisement in question was very
suggestive of contempt for the Irish
We hope and trust the "Household
Washing Company, Limited," will
take warning. True, the Irishwo-
man of slender means may be easily
associated with the wash-tub, but
race suicide, auto-sterilization, the
divorce court, and the club of pro-
miscuity are reserved for other asso-
ciations of thought and ideas.

For the hundredth time, we say
we want no man's life, not even his
purse; even if, for the thousandth
time, we call upon our fellowmen of
Irish blood to resent insult and car-
ricature with all the Irish forceful-
ness of which they are capable. It
seems strange that only one of our
national societies—and a branch of
it, at that—felt compelled to resent
the insinuation we denounce. It is
too bad St. Ann's Total Abstinence
Society would not lend a little vig-
or and courage to a few other or-
ganizations. Some of our Irish
we know, do not bother with such
trifles as insult for the nation of
their fathers and mothers; but, of
them, the least said is the soonest
mended, the better for the good of our
senses. Other Irishmen and Irish-
women, the overwhelming majority,
take a different view of things. We
want no insult, and will stand for
none. Never mind whether madmen
resent our answer to outrage, or
whether they do not. Surely Mont-
real Irishmen, at least, have enough
of the old blood in them to show
meant fight.

IS THE ANGLICAN A NATIONAL
CHURCH?

A distinguished Anglican prelate
lately declared that the aim of An-
glicanism in Canada is towards na-
tionalism. Of course. Heresy nat-
urally seeks to decentralize itself
from all other heresy. Rupertland
is one concern, and Canterbury an-
other. Once the ground principles
of true and thorough authority are
systematically eliminated from the
makeup and workmanship of any or-
ganization, the principles productive
of the "house divided against it-
self" loom forth and hold sway.

But it is utterly childlike to either
think or say that the Anglican com-
munion is, or could be, a national
church for Canadians. The Angli-
can Church is a British state insti-
tution. It was founded by a king,
and must naturally thrive on kingly
statutes, or else die a natural death.
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less influence in Canadian life and

action than has Presbyterianism or
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CHEAP QUACKS.

We have a few cheap quacks here
in Montreal among a certain num-
ber of excuses for journalists. They
are supposedly Catholic in word,
but abominably two-faced in action.
They seem to delight in plying the
trade of Hell, wrecking young
minds, poisoning youthful hearts,
and feeding the souls of giddy read-
ers with the very hell-broth of im-
piety. They work in the dark, un-
der the cover of deceit and hypo-
crisy, and attempt to lead men
astray with the foully tempting bait
of lust, pride, and lechery. Unfortu-
nately, they can appeal to a faith-
ful regiment of scamps, and bring a
battalion of semi-renegades to a
half-muster. They feed upon the
printed offal of Europe, and wish
to give us Combes and Clemenceau
for breakfast, dinner and supper.
Strange to say, too, they are be-
ginning to reach a few of our own
young men, fellows, it is true, al-
ready lost to shame, and reeking
with aroma from the grave in pot-
ter's field. The quacks openly, if
hypocritically, challenge the author-
ity of the Church, and besmirch
everything sacred with their weak
scribbles. They live the lives of a
carrion bird, and so, can have no
patience with anything that bears
upon its face the imprint of purity,
or the seal of honesty. Many read
them, and some grow half-hearted,
as a result. What do honest men
want with vipers of the quack spe-
cies? Are we going to be led by
the champions of infamy and the
leavings of lust? When shall Mont-
real Catholics protest, and protest
with a vengeance? We need no mas-
ters from among the legitimate toll
and prey of the hangman. We are
Catholics first and Catholics last.
We have God's pastors over us. We
shall never serve either Hell or the
quacks.

ARCHBISHOP McNEILL.

The True Witness and all its read-
ers are gratified to hear that Rt.
Rev. Doctor McNeill, Bishop of St.
George's, Newfoundland, has been
appointed Archbishop of Vancouver.
For years he has done noble and
enduringly efficient work in the in-
terests of the Church. The diocese
of Antigonish gave him to New-
foundland, just as it gave Right
Rev. Doctor MacDonald to Victoria,
B.C. But then Antigonish is so rich
in great and good men that it can
afford to give the Church its other
parts distinguished priests and il-
lustrious pontiffs. The fact that it
can is no mean tribute to the Uni-
versity of St. Francis Xavier's Col-
lege; the institution seems to be a
very nursery of real men, deep
scholars, and holy priests. The Cas-
ket is another living proof of worth.
Antigonish may well feel proud of
it and its editor, while St. Francis
Xavier's must necessarily share the
feeling.

St. George's is a hard mission. It
means hard work in a soul-trying
field, but among a full-hearted, tho-
roughly Catholic and soulfully gen-
erous people. Archbishop McNeill
will be missed, but the memory of
his perfect ministry will endure from
generation to generation. British
Columbia now owes the East two
lasting debts. She can call two of
the greatest men of the Maritime
Provinces by the sweet name of son.
That both Dr. McNeill and Dr. Mac-
Donald may long be spared the
Church in Canada is the ardent wish
of us all. Canada is proud of its
bishops, and, if ever pride were jus-
tifiable, it could not be more so
than in the case of which we speak.
Ad multos annos!

THE YEAR'S CATHOLIC POETRY
IN AMERICA.

Mr. Charles Phillips has given us
a very interesting paper, in the Jan-
uary number of the Catholic World,
which paper we publish in another
part of the present issue. Mr. Phil-
lips's article is not exhaustive of the
subject he has chosen, to wit, "The
Year's Catholic Poetry," but it is
comprehensive for all that. We are
glad he has found place for Cana-
dians among the honored of his pen,
and we hope our readers will find
his paper as thoroughly as we ourselves
did. Everything Mr. Phillips writes
is sane, sincere, and tinged with the
hue and color of deep religious con-
viction.

A GREAT CELTIC REVIVAL.

It is fast becoming stylish to de-
clare one's Irish blood nowadays,
even in the presence of a lineal de-
scendant of the "tailors of Tooley
street." Nations are beginning to
recognize the old ties of blood and
the common claims of oneness in
origin. Our esteemed contemporary,
the Quebec Daily Telegraph, lately
had an editorial we liked exceedingly
well, which dealt with the re-
vival that is manifest in European
Celtic circles. Whether O'Connell or
the editors of some weeklies favor
the Celtic revival, or whether they
do not, matters very little, in the
face of facts as rehearsed by the Te-
legraph. Says our clearest Cana-
dian daily:

"To the revival of Celtic learning,
which is the most noteworthy fea-
ture of Welsh and Irish life of the
present day, is due the rise of a
great Pan-Celtic movement on the
continent of Europe. Continental
peoples who called themselves Lat-
ins or Teutons are beginning to
remember with pride their origin in
the great and glorious race which
formerly dominated the whole of
Western Europe.

"All over the continent of Europe
Celtic literature now is studied, not
as the product of an archaic tongue,
but as a living and glowing force
which races possessing the Celtic
strain must comprehend and utilize
for the development of their own
powers. In like manner the study
of Celtic history and archaeology
has been taken up in earnest as
something quite as necessary as the
study of the history and art of
Greece and Rome.

"The German, French and Spanish
scholars who are most occupied with
Celtic studies naturally turn their
eyes toward Ireland, the pre-eminent
Celtic land, for the elucidation
of every point in the develop-
ment of Celtic genius and Celtic civ-
ilization. Taking advantage of the
general interest and of the sym-
pathy of Europe, a group of Irish-
men, resident on the continent,
founded last year a Celtic Union
with the object of uniting representa-
tives of every Celtic nation in a
common effort for the advancement
of the Celtic cause. Brussels was
chosen as the headquarters of the
Celtic Union, because there the read-
iest welcome is given to societies
formed for racial advancement and
for spread of knowledge.

"The Belgians are among those who
boast of their Celtic descent. One-
half the population of the country,
the Walloons, is purely Celtic; the
other half, the Flemish, though
claiming to be of Teutonic origin,
admits a large admixture of Celtic
blood by intermarriage, and has
wide Celtic sympathies, and has
Flamings alike have entered into
the spirit of the Celtic movement.
The Belgian government looks on
with favor, and the new Celtic
union known on the continent as
L'Union Celtique, has obtained its
official patronage for a great Pan-
Celtic congress, which it has ar-
ranged to hold in Brussels during
the holiday season of 1910.

"The Celtic Association, a union
Irish, Scotch, Welsh, Breton, Manx
and Cornish Celts, presided over by
Lord Castletown, of Upper Ossory,
in Ireland, has accepted the invita-
tion of L'Union Celtique to co-oper-
ate in organizing the Celtic Con-
gress. The association already has
held Celtic congresses in Dublin,
Edinburgh and Carnarvon, each of
which was a success, and it is an-
ticipated that the congress of Brus-
sels will be a still greater success
than any Celtic congress which has
ever held up to the present time.
L'Union Celtique, which will organ-
ize its sittings, with the assistance
of the Belgian government, which has
placed one of the Brussels palaces
at its disposal, does not mix in the
war of sects. It realizes that all
living movements must be national,
and it will give full play to the
great rational sentiments of every
Celtic nation represented at the con-
gress. L'Union Celtique has for pa-
trons the Cardinal Archbishops of
Armagh and Malines. The Earl of
Dunraven, a great Protestant noble-
man, is its president, and a descendant
of O'Connell its honorary se-
cretary."

AN ISSUE OF OUR CIVILIZATION

Mr. Herbert Ausfeld, of East 19th
street, New York City, has sent the
editor of this paper a long and very
interesting letter on "A Visit to the
New York City Lodging House." Mr.
Ausfeld is a graduate of Heidelberg
University and the son of a former
professor at the same world-renowned
seat of learning. Conditions as
pictured by our distinguished cor-
respondent, conditions which he has

studied under very permitting cir-
cumstances, reveal a state of life
and affairs that reflects but poor
credit upon the so highly vaunted
Anglo-Saxon claims to first place
in civilization. Nor does Mr. Aus-
feld, in his letter, permit himself to
be swayed by either anti-British or
anti-American feelings. He writes
coolly and soberly, substantiating
each assertion with an array of
facts both undoubted and undeniable.
If the Italian or the Russian may
learn how to earn more dollars in
the United States than at home in
his own country, he has also to
face phases and conditions of mor-
ality and general living of which the
European man of the people but lit-
tle dreams. Ever since the Refor-
mation, charity has grown to be
philanthropy when either the city
or the nation takes a hand in lands
either neutral or Protestant. The
chastened giving hand of the Middle
Ages is still reaching forth, but, as
a rule, it is the only Church that
can mingle love with alms. Mr. Aus-
feld is poorly impressed with the
New York lodging house. We are
not surprised. Big American cities
keep such institutions doowered and
prosperous, more for the sake of sen-
sation, than through the spirit of
neighbor-love. Until such time as
the United States, and with the
United States the whole world, will
return to the ideals of the past,
along the lines of charitable endea-
vor, national charity, as such, will
continue to be an advertisement, and
the sufferer or the one benefited a
debtor.

BATTLING FOR TRUTH.

It would be much more agreeable
for Catholic editors, did they not
have to enter the field controver-
sial. It is not very Christ-like to
make of pugacity a stepping-stone
to truth and religion, and yet it
would be very coward-like to let
taunt, error, and misrepresentation
speed their accursed way through
the world unheeded and unchallenged.

There is dire alarm and commo-
tion in some corners of Episcopalian-
ism nowadays. Decay and secession,
as agencies, are still arousing the
irate Bishop Grafton, of Fond du
Lac, Wisconsin, and the militant Bi-
shop Doane, of Albany, N.Y. They
have received hard knocks and reeling
blows; as a result, their theologi-
cal is all in a broth ready for the
refrigerator, but not for consump-
tion. It is sad, however, to think
that such men should use methods
suicidal of their claims to apostoli-
city. The only reminiscence of a
claim to oneness with the Apostles,
either Bishop Grafton or Bishop
Doane could put forth, would be
the fact of the presence of cobwebs
in their cathedrals. Cobwebs are,
perhaps, reminders of the Fisher-
man's nets. Anglicanism and Epis-
copalianism were never made for
theological defence. As good and as
honest as Anglicans truly are, and
as well-meaning as are their min-
isters, appeals to either the Scrip-
tures or the Fathers destroy them
and their system at every turn in
the argument. This Bishop Grafton
must know by now, and this Bishop
Doane must hate to have to con-
fess.

In an article contributed to the
strongly edited America, Father E.
Spillane, S.J., pays his New Year
compliments, both to the Episcopal
Bishop of Albany, and his brother-
spirit of Fond du Lac, in the fol-
lowing manner:

"The first number of America an-
nounced editorially that it would
strictly avoid all unnecessary con-
troversy," while at the same time,
as part of its mission, it would pro-
vide "a defence of sound doctrine,"
"a refutation of erroneous views and
beliefs and practices which millions
hold dearer than life." In fulfillment
then, of its promise, when during
the year matters of controversy
arose, which it would be criminal to
ignore, it became a duty to answer
false statements whose dissemination
would prove a stumbling block to
the children of the faith as well as
to the many who are enveloped in
the mists of fallacies and fictions.

"The first polemical discussion in
America was with the Bishop of
Fond du Lac, Wis., who was riding
triumphantly an old hobby of his,
Anglican Orders, and complacently
assuming that he was firm in the
saddle. The Anglo-American Bishop
was but riding to a fall. Five pam-
phlets dealing with the relative mer-
its of Roman Catholic and Pro-
testant Episcopal churches were ex-
amined and their fallacies exposed
and refuted in a series of articles
entitled "Bishop Grafton's Divided
House." An open letter to the
Editor of America in which the Bishop
restated his position on Anglican or-
dinations drew forth a reply which
treated exhaustively the claims of
some Anglicans or Episcopallians to
a real priesthood, calling attention
to the important and decisive fact
never controverted that for over one
hundred years the ministers of the
Anglican Church have been ordained
by a formula so vague and defective
that it would have availed equally
for the conferring of any Sacra-

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ries seem more disposed towards
pardoning him than condoning poor
"Father" Paul's equally conscientious
leavetaking. Such defections from
error as the cases of "Fathers" Paul
and Sargent are productive of more
good than our friends, the Anglican
ministers, are willing to admit, and
it is no wonder that some lately-ar-
rived rectors and curates are waxing
strong in support of Protestant Al-
liance slime and slander. Comment-
ing on "Father" Sargent's deposi-
tion from Anglican orders, our con-
temporary, America says what fol-
lows:

"The Rev. Henry R. Sargent, re-
cently a member of the Protestant
Order of the Holy Cross, formally
announced to Bishop Greer, of the
Protestant Episcopal Church,
his renunciation of the
Protestant ministry. Bishop Greer
officially deposed the ex-minister and
sent the formal notice of the deposi-
tion to every bishop of his church.
Thus the farce of Protestant Epis-
copal pretensions still holds the stage.
Only the actors seem to be blind to
the colossal eccentricity of the per-
formance. To depose implies author-
ity, and the possession of authority
argues its derivations from some
higher source. The mayor of a city,
when newly installed, deposes and
appoints, but he does so according
to a municipal constitution which
gives him the right. No re-cal-
citrant body of citizens can elect
another chief magistrate of a city
and set up an independent govern-
ment without becoming amenable to
the law and its consequences. The
Church has no less a corporate ex-
istence than the city or the state.
The Church, if its right is challeng-
ed, should point to a constitution
which as the matter deals with re-
ligion should come from Christ who
alone has the right to set up a
church and impose religious obliga-
tions. Where does Bishop Greer
get the right to depose? Not from
the Anglican Church, for the Angli-
can Church has long since
disowned its headstrong
daughter. If, however, Bis-
hop Greer asserts that he gets his
authority from the body over which he
rules, then we have the anomalous
situation of a religious body consti-
tuting itself and giving authority of
itself without any warrant from
Christ, one of whose chief motives
in coming to redeem was to estab-
lish also a church with a visible
head, his own representative and
vice-regent upon earth.

When the Rev. Henry R. Sargent
reads of his formal deposition by
Bishop Greer, he may well exclaim:
"Jesus I know and Paul I know,
but who are ye?"
Poor Bishop Greer is welcome to
the one or two renegades of small
calibre who have asked him for a
"cloak" and a night's lodging.

Very unique indeed is the calendar
sent to us by the Capital Bedding
Co., of Ottawa, manufacturers of
felt mattresses, down sleeping bags,
down blankets for surveyors and
miners. This firm's office is in the
Central Chambers, Ottawa, the fac-
tory being at Aymer, P.Q.

Are
Poison
You

THE bo-
move
day, to
health.
If the
waste
the sys-
tem a
self blo-
Poor dig-
of bile in
the weak
contract
bowels,
Constipa-
Abbey's

Echoes and

Please find one
should be ashamed
—and tell us.

It is a good thing
ple to "put on al-
thing like hiding
of one's ancestry,
as cheap as old bo-

A little girl died
in Hamilton because
Christian Science
sleigh drive for the
time this worthy in-
ing her bible.

The ministers of
stant churches at
rule, far above the
do not preach to
some so-called pulp-
United States. Lu-
out of place and
clergymen here.

It is never too la-
neighbor a present
decorated with a de-
as a hint that he
would be well, too,
aldermanic candida-
to Tokio or Hong-
minder that we do
seriously.

Four students were
the Woodstock Bap-
the opening of the
This was the result
hard study on the
necessary for an in-
they should not hav-
ter, and the baptiz-
been done on the ou-

A woman in Lond-
herself Princess Dan-
ed \$50 at the Polic-
ing fortunes. She h-
to Montreal and ad-
daily papers, as oth-
are doing. Pity sh-
of telling her own f-
fortune, together wit-
the fine.

Lord Aberdeen, the
land, may have a G-
cessor, in the person
Granard. The Gran-
the titled families of
remained true to the
their fathers. The
ance has been devel-
since it heard of
chances.

Under the heading
can News," Le Devor-
week an account of
Thomas Reilly on the
ing stolen a letter an-
The complainant is G-
erham and Reilly wa-
a government counsell-
son. We can underst-
ing a Frenchman but
Stimson!!!

If some of the mo-
expended on a "Joy"
nada, were devoted to
good roads and impr-
waterways, fewer
men would leave this
the United States. V-
American citizens, we
we are losing the you-
country, the born and
soil. Less talk of na-
of sense!

The Syndic of Rome,
that the alterations o-
and in the Piazza Col-
carried out in spite of
Council of Fine Arts.
his presence at the
at Raccogni on the oc-
Car's visit, by a pe-
to take the soup or ju-
window. Both utter-