

The CATHOLIC CHRONICLE...

DEVOTED TO FOREIGN NEWS

ROME THE CRUCIFIX

The Athenaeum says that the 'Book of the Academy of History' at Madrid for April has an account of a recent Spanish pamphlet by Don F. K. de Uhagon...

ENGLAND

BISHOP OF NOTTINGHAM RESIGNS.

The following letter from Bishop Bagshawe to the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Nottingham was read in the churches of the diocese...

Dear Rev. Brethren and dear children in Christ: We have to announce to you that our Holy Father the Pope has been graciously pleased to accept our resignation of the diocese of Nottingham...

CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION AT OXFORD.

One of the most pleasant and interesting excursions ever undertaken by the Catholic Association was a visit to the city of Oxford, which is to Catholics one of the most attractive places in England...

Canon Keimard very kindly met the party at the station and once conducted them to Worcester College, where he explained the principal features of this old foundation...

the result of centuries of careful cultivation. It was difficult to realize that this pleasant retreat is only a few yards from the very heart of the city...

As lunch time was approaching, the Canon, who was bombarded with questions, and who at the same time kept up a delightful running commentary on Oxford life and Oxford associations...

IRELAND

THE RECENT OUTRAGES IN BELFAST

The Dublin Freeman's Journal commenting on the discussion in the House of Commons raised by Mr. John Redmond upon the absolute failure of the Irish Administration to protect the rights of the Catholic minority in Belfast...

That Mr. Wyndham entertains any conviction of the kind we do not for a moment believe. But his lady depends for its life upon Orangism, not merely in Ulster but in the North of England towns, and she is complicit in the crime of her husband...

stant population takes part in these riots he attempts to distinguish between the riots he says what is true. But when Orangism that he panegyricises and that 'disreputable fringe' he labors to establish a distinction where no difference exists...

CLARE'S POPULATION.

House of Commons, June 13, 1901.

To the Editor: Dear Sir—I have extracted the figures here-with a reference to the population of County Clare from the recent Census return. It would be necessary to comment upon the terrible story which these figures tell...

Yours faithfully, WILLIAM REDMOND.

CENSUS OF IRELAND FOR 1901

Table 1, showing the number of inhabitants (including the Army and Navy) in the County Clare in 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, 1881, 1891, and 1901. Includes data for total population, males, females, and changes in population over time.

SCOTLAND

SCOTIA'S SAINTED QUEEN

Sunday was the vigil of the Feast of St. Margaret, Queen and Patroness of Scotland. Preaching on that day in St. Patrick's Church, Edinburgh, Rev. Father Payne, S. J., said one great duty of Christ's Church, and one to which she had ever bound herself, is the celebration of her saints...

FRANCE

MINISTER ANDRE'S TROUBLES.

The French Minister of War, General Andre, is reported to be seriously exercised in his mind as to what he ought to do with young ecclesiastical students who are serving their time with the colors. He is said to be drafting a law for the incorporation of the Seminarians into a special corps of hospital attendants...

merely indifferent soldiers into good Catholics. It is true that in the earlier years of the 'knapsack on priests' law, as it was termed, some vocations were lost. This is not now the case, for ordinations increased in 1900 to a notable figure...

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE CHURCH.

Some of the leading French architects and builders have sent a letter to the Senate protesting against the proposed and unjust Association Bill. The architects point out that the buildings raised by the religious Orders are not only artistic glories of the country, but are useful and necessary...

RELIGION IN FRANCE

The great pilgrimage movement to Paray-le-Monial, which took so many thousands of the famous little Burgundian village last year, has begun again. This month has already seen the first pilgrimage of a series which is to extend over the whole summer...

AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN HIERARCHY AND THE KING'S OATH.

The following emphatic protest has been received by the Federal Prime Minister of Australia, the Right Hon. Edmund Barton: We, the Catholic Hierarchy of the Australian Commonwealth, hereby record our solemn protest against the studied insult offered to the Catholic subjects of the Empire by the declaration and Oath required from the Sovereign on his accession to the Throne...

A THRILLING RAILWAY ROUTE

Of all the railway lines round our coast that which hugs the shore in North Wales has the most thrilling memories, says a writer in 'Chums'. Extending, as it does, from Chester to Holyhead, it is the road over which the traveller to Ireland passes, and if he knows anything of its history...

One third of the Australian military contingents who are fighting for the honor and the interests of the Empire in South Africa are Catholics. With them religion and freedom and loyalty go hand in hand. It cannot be prudent or honorable or wise to repay their heroism and patriotism by wanton insult, and to brand their names with a stigma...

We request the Right Honorable the Premier of the Commonwealth to forward this protest to the Prime Minister of His Majesty's Government, and we most respectfully ask him to bring the influence of the Commonwealth Government to bear upon the Home Administration that those offensive phrases, which are a relic of barbarism from the penal days, may no longer delude the Statute Book of the realm.

PATRICK FRANCIS CARDINAL MORAN, Archbishop of Sydney.

IRISH AUSTRALIAN BISHOP.

The Sydney 'Freeman's Journal' gives a full account of the celebration of the diamond jubilee of the Right Rev. Dr. Crane, O.S.A., Bishop of Sandhurst. The following short sketch of the venerable Bishop's career by the Cardinal Archbishop of Sydney will be read with interest. 'He was born at Barry's town, in the County of Wexford, Ireland, in 1818. At an early age he entered the Diocesan College at Wexford, but being desirous of joining the Augustinian Order, he made his novitiate at the Convent of Grantston, the same which some years before had given the illustrious Dr. Doyle to the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin...

Confirmation at St. Mary's, Lisdry.

The Lindsay Evening Post of May 17th, says—Yesterday was a memorable day at St. Mary's Church for the children of the parish, who had the happiness of receiving the sacrament of Confirmation from His Lordship, Rt. Rev. R. A. O'Connor, D.D., Bishop of Portoboro.

There was a large congregation present at 8 o'clock mass, the church being crowded to its utmost capacity with the young candidates, and the most respectfully ask him to bring the influence of the Commonwealth Government to bear upon the Home Administration that those offensive phrases, which are a relic of barbarism from the penal days, may no longer delude the Statute Book of the realm.

His Lordship, Bishop O'Connor, celebrated mass, assisted by Monsignor Laurent and Rev. Father Phelan. Those of the children who had not done so last year made their first communion. Previous to administering the sacrament His Lordship delivered a very instructive address upon the nature and effects of the sacrament of confirmation, and urged those to be confirmed to be always faithful to the graces they received in the sacrament.

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THE JESUIT'S REBUKE.

From The Freeman, Louisville. A famous Jesuit missionary had just concluded a successful mission, and was walking up and down the platform of a European railway station, awaiting the arrival of a train to convey him home. On the same platform stood several well-dressed atheists, intently observing him, and among themselves exchanging derisive remarks about him. 'Wait one moment,' said one of them, 'we will give him a little fun out of him; I will give him a nut to crack.' Courteously approaching the Jesuit, he bowed and said: 'Pardon me, reverend sir, I have always heard that the Jesuits are very knowing men. Therefore I am so bold as to ask if you can tell me why it is that my head of hair is yet all black, whilst my beard, as you see, is white?' Nowise disconcerted, the Jesuit answered in all courtesy, but in a tone of voice easily heard by all on the platform: 'The reason, sir, has exercised your mouth more than your brains.' The laughter of the waiting passengers was not suppressed, and happily for the crestfallen atheist, the train just then came along.