

THE CHURCH OF ROME.

It is estimated that the Catholics in London number 200,000, and their body includes practically the entire Irish element of the population, just as the Presbyterian church counts among its adherents most of those of Scottish birth. Many of these immigrants from the sister isle are to be found among the very poorest of the slums, and, according to Charles Booth, constitute in that stratum of the population "a class apart, being, as a rule, devout and willing to contribute something from their earnings toward the support of their schools and the maintenance of their religion."

It is one of the strangest characteristics of the Church of Rome that she alone among the denominations has discovered the secret of grappling to herself with hooks of steel men and women from every rank of society and every grade of culture. Whatever their worldly position, whatever their degree of intellectual development, her power over them is a real and binding one.

It is only those with some personal knowledge of her adherents who have any idea of the diversity of individual conviction which attains repose under the apparently rigid and unbending system by which her authority is exercised. Yet, though she is perhaps the most varied as well as the most united and compact force in the religious world, and though there is a general tendency to follow her example of pressing the arts into her service, her converts are not numerous. On the other hand, oddly enough, when they do come it is usually from the affluent and highly educated class, and not a few of the most cultured skeptics turn to her at last in their despair and become her zealous supporters.—London Telegraph.

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GENEROUS.

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WITHOUT THE HEART.

Some Lutheran ministers in one of our middle Western States have lately taken to erecting altars in their churches, and a Catholic altar builder to whom one of them applied is authority for the following characteristic story: After he had set up a Gothic altar in his church, Mr. Minister felt that he ought to have a statue of Our Lord to adorn it; so he applied to the aforesaid Catholic altar builder, who showed him various models in a catalogue. The minister finally pointed out a statue of the Redeemer exposing His Sacred Heart and said: "I'll take that one, but you'll have to remove the heart." What involuntary irony! Is not Protestantism itself a sort of Christianity without the heart?

If people would devote half the time and attention to their feet that they do to their face, tender feet would be unknown.

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SECOND WEEK AT CHAMPLAIN ASSEMBLY

A reunion of Knights of Columbus and the opening of the Summer Institute for teachers brought so numerous a gathering of guests to Cliff Haven this week that on Wednesday the population reached a total of six hundred, a most unusual record for the second week in July. The efforts of the administration this year to maintain a more proper balance in attendance between July and August has resulted better than the fondest hopes anticipated, and thus greater comfort and convenience is assured the guests at all times during the present session.

The gathering of the Knights of Columbus gave character both to the evening lectures and to the social events of the week, all of which were arranged for their special delectation. One of the most prominent Knights in New York City, Dr. John G. Coyle, addressed a large audience on Monday evening on the claims of Commodore Barry to the title of Father of the American Navy. Tuesday and Wednesday, the days of the re-union, were entirely devoted to the interests of the Knights. During each afternoon a programme of field sports was carried out.

An enthusiastic rally in the Auditorium on Tuesday evening was the occasion of bringing together about 500 Knights and their friends. They were then addressed by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph H. Conroy, D.D., of Ogdensburg, and Rev. D. J. O'Sullivan, of St. Albans, Vt., a member of the Legislature of Vermont, who is famous as the only priest holding a like position in America. Socially the event of the week was the reception and ball tendered the visiting Knights and their friends Wednesday evening by the Champlain Club. The guests were welcomed by Hon. and Mrs. George J. Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Murray, and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Carton, of New York City. The newly adorned ball room of the Club was thronged with a brilliant assemblage throughout the entire evening. Thursday and Friday evenings the Knights returned to more serious things, and enjoyed a scholarly course of lectures on the Catholic Orders of Knighthood given by Rev. M. G. Flannery, of Brooklyn, who is known far and wide for his studies of all phases in medieval life. As a whole the re-union was a pronounced success.

About 200 teachers have registered in the courses of the Summer Institute during the past few days.

A reception in honor of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. M. J. Lavelle, V.G., former president of the School, a dance at the Champlain Club, a eucharist at the New York, and a brilliant amateur theatrical performance have during the week given pleasure to those socially inclined.

Pius IX. and the Garibaldian Prisoners.

One cold November morning the Papal coach stopped outside the portals of the Castele St. Angelo, and the Father of Christendom alighted. Pius IX. gave orders to be quickly conducted to the prisoners, and was at once shown into the huge apartment in which they were confined.

The sight of the Holy Father notwithstanding the Garibaldians, but his fatherly smile soon reassured them. "You see before you," he said gently, "the man whom your general calls the 'Vampire of Italy.' It is against me you have taken up arms."

And who am I?—A poor old man." Then the Pontiff, whom they had fought to tear from his throne, walked among the men, with tenderness and compassion beaming from his benign countenance. After interrogating them on their needs and offering consolation in their troubles, he promised them clothes, money and a free passage to their respective cities. The poor fellows could no longer restrain their emotions. Falling on their knees before their common father, they besought his forgiveness for the past. With loud cries of gratitude and devotion those rough men crowded about him whom they had hitherto hated with a fierce, unreasoning hate, and with tears of genuine repentance kissed his hands and garments.

The Pontiff was deeply affected. Before withdrawing he told the prisoners to kneel, and then, in broken accents, he solemnly blessed them and their families. "There is only one thing I ask of you," he concluded: "it is that, as Catholics, you will often think of me in a short but fervent prayer to God." The vast hall once more resounded with acclamations, and the Vicar of Christ was gone.

A Pill for Generous Eaters.—There are many persons of healthy appetite and poor digestion who, after a hearty meal, are subject to much suffering. The food of which they have partaken lies like lead in their stomachs. Headache, depression, a smothering feeling follow. One so afflicted is unfit for business or work of any kind. In this condition Parlee's Vegetable Pills will bring relief. They will assist the assimilation of the aliment, and used according to directions will restore healthy digestion.

GRAINNE.

(After the death of Diarmuid.)

Forth from the twilight of a wood she came,
Where blossoming isles of purple harebells gleamed.
Set in a shimmering, sun-flecked sea of green.

Fair was her face as the deep rose of the dawn,
And lithe her form as the lake grasses tall.
That whispered of her beauty to the breeze.

Tear-stained her cheeks—rock roses washed with spray.
Great haunting memories dwelt of happier days
Deep in the shadowy depths of her sad eyes.

Her hair flowed down, a gleaming golden wave,
O'er snowy fold and fold of her white robe.
Like sun-kissed water on a silver strand.

Its ripples streaming on the soft west wind
Were mirrored in the wide, weed-laden lake
Where she passed by. The silent, sleepy birds,

Thinking the sun had backward from the west
Turned in his course, and with his shafts of gold
Had stabbed the heart of the dim, silent pool.

Burst into music, and a shower of song
Fell through the leaves to greet this new day-star.
Twin dew-wet quickenberries were her lips, one word

Came through their rosy portals "Diarmuid."
It rang adown the dusky, flower-strewn glades,
Through aisles of forest trees, of mighty oaks;

Of quivering aspen, and of silver larch,
And stately giant pines, and hazel groves,
The melody of murmuring waters caught the sound

And chanted "Diarmuid" to the mossy stones;
Down to the depths of the calm woods it sank
And up through arching green to the broad sky.

Through traceries of bronze and blue above,
And far beneath the glimmering gold and green,
The nightingale caught up the new, sweet sound.

And for an instant held it in her throat,
Then flung it on the silence of her bower,
Where as it fell it burst in silver rain.

And scattered to the wind its sparks of song,
The myriad songsters caught the glittering drops.
And flying with the gems through-out the wood,

Sang "Diarmuid" in silver syllables, till the notes,
Forming one grand, sweet chord, went echoing

Through the vast aisles and gold-green garden ways;
And all the wood rang sweet with "Diarmuid."
Until the hills in pity sent the name back to the forest's fringe whereat she stood,
And it at length found its true resting-place
Deep in the inmost core of her lone heart.

Note—Grainne, the daughter of King Cormac, was betrothed to Fionn Mac Cumhal, but falling in love with Diarmuid O'Duibhne, a captain of the Fianna, persuaded him to elope with her. The "Pursuit of Diarmuid and Grainne" by the vengeful Fionn forms the subject of one of the Bardic tales of Erin. Diarmuid was killed by a wild boar in the woods of Ben Bulbin—Cahal O'Byrne, in The Messenger.

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CHAPTER XXXI.—
"Never mind those trifles I have here some serious you. I can now prove you. I am the only serious prince. Here are some tions."

Vladimir could not reprimand of surprise that his lips.

"My mother died in said Florian, "and man sion. She also delivered those papers. Now please them and tell me what my chances."

The count read the slowly and carefully, with sion of professional distaste, handsome, weary face.

"They are very complete and I congratulate you advancement. You are object of assassination."

"So I suppose; but as cally decline to accept a title or Russian citizenship that danger is averted."

"It would be," said slowly, "if you really But I cannot understand mean that you will not."

"I mean that precisely want the title; but I am half a million. If my no concludes to buy me off he can remain forever un-

"My dear boy," said the lighted, "you relieve me never have the pain of a stiffened body lying in bed. Indeed, I shall have the pleasure of handing you as much more squeeze out of the prince one little obstacle. The proofs of your father's devotion it is to be presumed alive."

"Do not let that trouble father knows your Russian too well ever to bother you who will receive the trouble am prepared for it. If his appearance, depend on me him. If I do not your employer will."

"Is it so?" said the peculiar smile. "Then work done. And now invite you to the residence ing? There is to be a gance in the appointments new good fortune will fit if you offer a little tribu goddess' favorite game."

"Precisely," laughed the reckless ring in his la the count's car pleasantly.

"I have you, my friend thought; 'you are ready thing to-day."

"I would advise you," rian, "to call in that age and dismiss him. It is to say what harm he is through the country, look heir."

"His work is ended. You fear him."

"That I never did," said that very day he began to plans to secure the nomination, and with which he had acquired, the he had won, and his name every change by the parties papers, his prospects looked fair. The story of his life lished far and wide. When known that he had preferred citizenship to the price of a Russian prince, rarity knew no bounds, and people were never tiring him Prince Florian and to him as a bright example rican training methods. He was not mentioned. It was with which his party could do with perfect freedom, opposition never disturbed for campaign purposes. He ed to receive public attention the loudest praises until his name appeared among the candidates for nation.

CHAPTER XXXII

Fortune smiled on Florian that year as it had never him before. The Democratic nomination nominated him for amid universal acclamation the means employed to ob result were questionable, a free use of money and the over of his religious talents, not crimes and did not dis sweet serenity of his slowly ting conscience. In all his never experienced such a light as swept through his