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TO LOVERS OF ST. ANTHONY of Padua.

Dear Reader,—Be patient with me for telling you again how much I need your help. How can I help it? or what else can I do?

For without that help this Mission must cease to exist, and the poor Catholics already here remain without a Church.

I am still obliged to say Mass and give Benediction in a Mean Upper-Room.

Yet such as it is, this is the sole outpost of Catholicism in a division of the county of Norfolk measuring 35 by 20 miles.

And to add to my many anxieties, I have no Diocesan Grant. No Endowment (except Hope)

We must have outside help for the present, or haul down the flag.

The generosity of the Catholic Public has enabled us to secure a valuable site for Church and Presbytery.

We have money in hand towards the cost of building, but the Bishop will not allow us to go into debt.

I am most grateful to those who have helped us and trust they will continue their charity.

To those who have not helped I would say:—For the sake of the Cause give something, if only a "little." It is easier and more pleasant to give than to beg. Speed the glad hour when I need no longer plead for a permanent Home for the Blessed Sacrament.

Father Gray, Catholic Mission, Fakenham, Norfolk, England.

P.S.—I will gratefully and promptly acknowledge the smallest donation and send with my acknowledgment a beautiful picture of the Sacred Heart and St. Anthony.

Letter from Our New Bishop.

Dear Father Gray.—You have duly accounted for the alms which you have received, and you have placed them securely in the names of Diocesan Trustees. Your efforts have gone far towards providing what is necessary for the establishment of a permanent Mission at Fakenham, I authorize you to continue to solicit alms for this object until, in my judgment, it has been fully attained.

Yours faithfully in Christ, F. W. KEATING, Bishop of Northampton.

Synopsis of Canadian North-West HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS ANY even-numbered section of Dominion Land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

Archbishop Ireland's Activities.

A Churchman Who is a Practical Man and Alive to American Needs.

The Wonderful Career of the Irish Boy, by a Non-Catholic Writer.

The large place in American life occupied by Archbishop Ireland is the subject of a most interesting sketch by John Foster Carr which appears in the May Outlook.

He joined his regiment at Clearwater, Mississippi, and forthwith his soldierly presence was felt. He was strict in his duties of mass and of confessional before battle.

Conspicuous during these days were his personal bravery and his flaming love for the great cause. A hundred fabulous tales of the camp fires rehearse his deeds of heroism.

A QUIET CHARACTER. It was the missionary Cretin, the first Bishop of St. Paul, who had won Voltaire's town of Ferney back to the Faith, and here in the wilderness lived many months on crackers and cheese.

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It was during these school years that, in the mystic fervor of his faith, he twice made pilgrimage to the sainted shepherd Vianney, whose miracles, humility, and terrific austerities have since brought canonization—the Cure of Ars, to whom every sorrow and sickness came for healing; whose sermons were ardent appeals of "Love the good God! Love Him dearly!"

With the Marist Fathers at Hyeres, on the Riviera, he took his philosophical and theological course.

BECAME A CHAPLAIN. Immediately on his return to St. Paul to live with a Southern bishop and a small household of French clergy, John Ireland became a very evangelist of Unionism.

He sought occasions, and French-maner and awkward, with impulsive eloquence preached conscription and the Northern cause.

Following the ordination of so manful a patriot priest, there came of necessity his appointment as chaplain of the

A CHURCHMAN POLITICIAN.

He is our first churchman to become a politician, but he remains a politician without political influence.

His strict academic choice of Republicanism was confirmed for the characteristic reason that he saw the majority of Irishmen in this country becoming Democrats, and he thought it intolerable that either Irish-born or Catholics should be largely classed with any party.

Power and dignity clothe the stalwart form of the preacher. His large, strong face, framed by hair of silver steel, stamps itself on the memory—the great, boldly carved, eagle-like nose, the broad and heavy chin, the wide eyes that in their low flame of azure gray are seen the length of the cathedral aisle.

THE RING OF TRUTH. An open, appealing palm is raised, and ever to be remembered is this thunderous ring of truth:

What material progress has not been able to provide is a power to control human passion.

Such a man is John Ireland, Archbishop of St. Paul. The heartening sum of the story was once given in two words by Leo XIII. As he saw him approach in the great audience chamber, he whispered to an attending Cardinal:

"Ecco l'avvenire!" (Behold the future!)

The wisest of the Popes of our time did not in this pay a vain tribute to a pattern of honest character, to the candid honesty and good will of a life multitudinously fruitful in works.

Under the National Board He Has an Impossible Task.

The affairs of the National Teachers of Ireland are the affairs of the nation, says the Leinster Leader, and continues: When we read the proceedings of the annual congress of the Teachers we are brought into direct contact with facts and conditions which are not exclusively of interest to National Teachers, but of concern to the community at large.

The National School system, as everybody knows, is not perfect. It was instituted mainly to perform an impossible and inhuman operation, namely, to convince the frightened little Irish pupil that he, or she, "was a happy English child" and to sing the praises of "the goodness and the grace" that left him, or her, in that wonderful condition.

The National School system has broken down in its English mission. Nature could not be outraged. The Irish born pupil could no more feel "a happy English child" than he could feel a happy Bash-Dozauk.

Many in Orders.

56,000 Catholic Women Form Membership of United States Organizations.

There are 56,000 devoted Catholic women in the United States engaged in that work which finds expression in the labors of such organizations as the Sisters of Charity, Sisters of Mercy, and Little Sisters of the Poor.

Some idea of the immense value of the property owned by the 118 orders of sisterhood in America may be gleaned from the fact that the property of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul alone has been estimated to be worth over \$60,000,000.

The Ursuline Nuns, the Gray Nuns of Canada and the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur are among the other leading orders of sisterhood. It was to the latter order that was intrusted the task of founding Trinity College for Women at Washington—the first church institution for the higher education of women.

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