

An Eminent Irish Prelate.

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Cashel drops the sceptre the rising young bishop of Tyrone's blood will be ready to take it up.

If we turn from the more public aspect of Mr. O'Donnell's career and look at his movements in the bosom of his diocese, we see him labor with heroic strength to build up and perpetuate the traditions and examples left by his worthy predecessors, and to extend and strengthen the faith of St. Patrick and St. Columbkille; we see him nurturing his seminarian in Letterkenney, the seat of his episcopal residence, and again we behold him far exceeding any of his predecessors in his ardent desire to build up a cathedral that will be worthy of the venerable diocese that has given such staunch support to the church at home, and sent so many of her gifted sons across the Atlantic to spread the faith of St. Patrick in the new world.

The subject of this all too short sketch, Most Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, D.D., Bishop of Raphoe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel O'Donnell, was born in the parish of Glenelg County, Donegal, in the year 1826. After receiving the sacred orders of virtue while yet religious and most parents can impart at home, his earlier scholastic studies began in the schools of his native parish, and were continued at the diocesan school in Letterkenney, where he made a study of classics. His rapidly expanding intellectual powers soon called for higher halls of learning, and he proceeded to the Catholic University of Dublin, wherein he proved himself a student of pre-eminent ability. His intellectual achievements outran his years, and being yet under the canonical age for ordination, he took out his degrees before he entered Maynooth College. It was, I think, in '74 he entered this latter famous ecclesiastical seat of learning, and quick succession he was appointed professor in moral theology after Dr. Logue was made Bishop of Raphoe.

The future prelate was ordained a priest in 1870, and for the eight years following, his ripe scholarship and brilliant faculties were devoted to the interests of Maynooth, that venerable college whose reputation and fame are world-wide. It was in May, 1887, that the burden of the episcopate fell upon the young shoulders of Mr. O'Donnell, who, at the date of his consecration, enjoyed the unique distinction of being the youngest Catholic bishop in the world. The episcopal chair which the youthful prelate was called upon to fill had been left vacant by the translation of the revered Dr. Logue—now Cardinal—to the Primate's See of Armagh. And it is not something to the credit of old Donegal county that she can legitimately boast of three such native sons as the prelate immediately under review, the Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, Bishop of Derry, and his Eminence Cardinal Logue; besides the long line of native prelates who so worthily filled the throne of this ancient See. As briefly mentioned above, Bishop O'Donnell comes of the good old stock that claims legitimate descent from the noble Earl of Tyrconnell. He has a brother who is a physician in Dublin, and their one or two of his sisters are nuns at Rathfarnham, near Dublin.

In his own personality he sheds additional lustre on the ancient race, for although he has now only turned forty he has been nine years in the episcopate, and has achieved a station in the Irish Catholic hierarchy that is far above the ordinary, and with which a record in middle life what noble deeds may be expected of him in ripe years if Providence grants length of years to the distinguished prelate. WM. ELLISON.

CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

E. B. A.

St. PAUL'S BRANCH No. 8.

At their last meeting welcomed back one of their ex-members and at their next meeting others are expected to follow in his example, the work done at the last convention was fully approved of and good result will very soon be seen in the Branch.

DAVID BRANCH No. 11. The regular meetings are well attended and great interest taken in the work of the Association. At the last regular meeting the following officers were elected for 1897:—Chaplain, Rev. Father Cronin; President, J. McCarthy; Vice-President, J. Dolan; Sec. Secs., P. E. Holland; Fin. Secs., J. Strickland, Treasurer, W. Lane; Stewards, James Goro, John Goro, J. O'Rourke and J. O'Connor; Marshal, G. Marlborough; Assistant Marshal, M. Sheehan; Inside Guard, J. Dolan; Outside Guard, M. Maloney. Very few members were absent and the officers were keenly counted.

On Tuesday evening the Branch and St. Helen's Circle held an open meeting and free concert for the purpose of laying before the members of the Branch the advantages to be gained by becoming members of the Association, and a large number of friends were present, including the President of No. 12, President and other officers of No. 20. A splendid programme of vocal and instrumental music was rendered to the great satisfaction of the assembled party. The thanks of the Branch and Circle are due and tendered to the whole of the talent for having kindly volunteered their services. During the evening a very able address was given by the Grand President, D. A. Caroy, showing the object and aims of the E.B.A., and from the very enthusiastic manner in which his remarks were received good results may be foreseen. W. LANE, S.T.

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MAGA ZINES.

Catholic World Magazine.

The Christmas number of The Catholic World Magazine is the December issue. The frontispiece is a drawing of a religious group of French peasants going to midnight mass. A fancifully pathetic story, "In the Chimney Tower," by Mary Doyle O'Reilly, opens the number. Rev. Geo. McIlhenny, C.S.P., writes on the subject of "The Great Association of the Holy Eucharist." "The Schallertaler and Metzger-sprung in Munich," by Alguon, is a paper describing some very quaint pageants and customs in that city, and many fine plates accompany the article. "The Relation of Christian Education" furnishes some pungent comments on the last Report of the Department of Education. Marlon Ames Taggart contributes a pleasing story entitled "Peace Hath Her Victories." The Rev. P. O'Callaghan, C.S.P., discusses the connection of New England and the Formation of America.

Some Articles in the North American. "The Engineer's Naval Warfare" is the title of an excellent and well considered symposium presented in the opening pages of the North American Review for December. It is intended as a reply to the articles published under a like heading in the Review for May. In this important contribution are: Rear-Admiral John G. Walker, U.S.N.; Captain A. T. Mahau, U.S.N.; Captain R. D. Evans, U.S.N.; and Lieutenant S. A. Staunton, U.S.N. President Lincoln's profound respect for the Constitution of his country, his religious faith which sustained him in the many trials to which he was subjected, and his earnest solicitude for the welfare of the private soldiers of the Union Army, exemplified in many striking instances, are interestingly narrated by E. W. Wilson, of Iowa, in an article entitled "Some Memories of Lincoln," in the December number of the North American Review.

Review of Herles. "The Progress of the World," the editorial department of the Review of Reviews, touches in the December number on a great variety of topics of national and international significance. After devoting several paragraphs to a lucid and instructive analysis of the results of the Presidential election, the editor proceeds to review the history of the efforts to obtain arbitration of the Venezuela boundary dispute with Great Britain, which have finally resulted successfully, explaining the attitude of the United States in the controversy; discusses the merits and demerits of the Cleveland administration now drawing to a close, criticising with especial vigor the President's Turkish policy; describes the state of opinion with respect to the situation, with reference to the Eastern question and the Franco-Russian alliance; comments on Lord Rosebery's resignation and the resulting complications in English politics—making altogether a most interesting and valuable summary of the world's important doings for the month just passed.

A Unique Literary Experience. The Century Co. had accepted Dr. Mitchell's new novel, "Hugh Wynne, Free Quaker," for book publication, and it was to be issued this autumn. A large edition had been printed and advanced, explaining the attitude of the editor, who in the strength of the story and its probable drawing power as a serial in The Century decided the editors of that magazine and of the publishers to suppress the book for a year and to issue the novel first. Those who have read the story consider it not only Dr. Mitchell's masterpiece, but one of the really great American stories. The author believes that one may so saturate himself with the essential particulars of any time as to be able to live in it outside of his own time, and the familiarity of the life of his own day. Dr. Mitchell has made a careful study of the customs, dress, sports of Revolutionary days, and the manners of the interesting social groups which formed the society of the time from 1763 to 1783 and he has made studies of all the historical persons who are brought into the book. The character of Washington is said to be drawn in a singularly lifelike way and the contrasting sides of a character are interestingly set forth. The Historical Society of Philadelphia has given Dr. Mitchell access to the great collections of the family letters stored in its vaults, and the novel will be historically accurate in every particular. While the hero himself and those who take the most prominent parts in the book are entirely fictitious, and the use of real persons as side characters makes it peculiarly realistic.

LATEST MARKETS

Toronto, Dec. 7, 1896.

Table with market prices for various commodities like wheat, hay, straw, etc.

Condolence.

The following resolutions were passed at a meeting of Division No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, held in the hall of the Division, Red Lion block, Yonge street, Toronto:

Whereas this Division has learned with sincere sorrow of the death of Mr. Thomas Brow, father of our worthy Brother, Mr. M. J. Brow, be it therefore resolved that this Division tender the bereaved family its heartfelt sympathy in the irreparable loss of their beloved parent, who was not only a kind and indulgent father, but also an exemplary Catholic and a citizen much respected for his unobtrusive virtues and upright character.

Do it further resolved that this resolution be entered in the minutes of the Division; and that a copy of it be forwarded to Brother Brow, and that it be published in THE CATHOLIC REGISTER and the Catholic Record.

M. J. BROW, Secretary.

Hon. Wm. Hart.

KINGSTON, Dec. 8.—Hon. William Hart, Commissioner of Public Works for Ontario, returned to the city via the Ontario boat from New York this afternoon. He has vastly improved in health during his absence from Canada, and is feeling much better than when he last left Kingston. Mr. Hart will remain here until the end of this week, when he will go to Toronto. He will not, however, resume his Cabinet duties, but will rest until the end of the year, by which time he hopes to be strong enough to again perform the work in connection with his position.

The Second Summer. Many mothers believe, in the most precarious in a child's life; generally it may be true, but you will find that mothers and physicians familiar with the value of the Gail Borden Eagle Brand Condensed Milk Company, do not so regard it.

REV. DR. CONATY.

His Election to the Rectorship of the Catholic University, Washington.

We learn by telegram from Rome, says The Liverpool Catholic Times, that the Rev. Dr. Conaty has been appointed by the Holy Father successor to Bishop Keane as Rector of the Catholic University, Washington. His name was at the head of the list chosen by the Directors to be submitted to the Holy Father, the other two being the Rev. Father Rloridan of St. Elizabeth's Church, Chicago, and the Very Rev. Father Mooney, V.G., New York. Dr. Conaty is about forty years of age. He was born in Ireland, and was brought up in the United States and is an American citizen. He was educated by the Jesuit Fathers. Dr. Conaty made his course in theology at the Seminary of the Sulpician at Montreal. Since then he has been rector of his church in Worcester, Massachusetts. In organizing the Plattsburg Summer School he has taken a very successful share and has been its head for several years. He edits the "Catholic School and Home Magazine." In 1890 he received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from the University of Georgetown. Dr. Conaty is in every way well equipped to be the head of the University. He is a warm friend of Bishop Keane and at his request has lectured frequently at the University within recent years.

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