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"Truth is Catholic; proclaim it ever, and God will effect the rest."—BALMEZ.

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## Register of the Week.

The Gorman Catholic Verem which met recently in New York, made the following recommendation: "Subscribe to, write for, advertise in the Catholic press."

An idea of the progress of the Church in the United States may be inferred from the fact that in a recent episcopal trip Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia confirmed more than twenty-five hundred.

A malicious rumor was some time ago started to the effect that Mother Katherine Drexel intended to leave the convent life. She recently returned from the visitation of her first foundation amongst the Indians of New Mexico and only smiled at the absurdity of the gossip. "I have no nun in my diocese in whose perseverance I have more confidence," was the remark of Archbishop Ryan on hearing the calumny. Mother Katherine will be remembered as the heiress who some years ago determined to become a nun and to use her money in promoting the good of religion.

Mr. Gladstone, having been asked lately what he considered to be the brightest hope of the coming years for mankind, answered: "I should say a maintenance of faith in the Invisible. This is the great hope of the future, the mainstay of civilization. And by that I mean a living faith in a personal God. I do not hold with a 'stream of tendency.' After sixty years of public life I hold more strongly than ever to this conviction, deepened and strengthened by long experience of the reality and the nearness and personality of God." Add to this the promise of Christ to be with His Church to the end of time, and the prospect becomes a certainty.

The St. Alphonsus Club are making arrangements to bring T. D. Sullivan, M.P., to Toronto. There is no doubt that the largest hall in the city will be filled by people who have been singing "God Save Ireland," come to see and hear the man who wrote it.

Mr. Edward Blake has been invited to preside at an Indian Home Rule congress at Madras. If Mr. Blake is unable to attend, Michael Davitt or John Dillon will be asked instead, as the East Indians wish to identify their aims with the Irish movement.

An enthusiastic admirer recently addressed Mayor Hopkins of Chicago as the "modern Alexander" and the title has been adhered to by opposing caricaturists, who represent the mayor with a curious head-gear, which is a combination of stove pipe hat and Greek helmet.

Suit for \$100,000 damages for libel was begun on Saturday last against the publishers of the *New York World* by Lawyers Spollissey and Gray, of New York, in behalf of Michael Walsh, editor of the *Sunday Democrat* and of the *Catholic World*. This is an outcome of the charges made against Archbishop Corrigan of conspiring to undermine the authority of the Apostolic Delegate, Mgr. Satolli. This misrepresentation of Church dignitaries has been carried on with such

Lourdes and came home with them, was so impressed with the success of their pilgrimage that it is said he seriously contemplates organizing a great national pilgrimage to the shrine from this country next year, and has received assurances that such an undertaking would be hailed with delight by American Catholics.

Rev. Thomas S. Fitzgerald, S. J., has been appointed provincial of the Missouri province of the Jesuit order.



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license as to have gone beyond all bounds of decency and fair play. Now, probably, some one will suffer for it.

The object of the remarks of Leo XIII. in that passage of the October Encyclical which speaks of stage productions of a tendency degrading to the dignity of the Redeemer, is a play written by Bovio, an Italian deputy, an ex-Garibaldian and an implacable ante-clerical. In it the dignity of the Redeemer is annihilated and an imperfect man set in his place.

A Rome despatch says, the Pope has suspended his regular audiences and routine business and is devoting himself solely to work on his letter in regard to the policy of the Church in the United States.

It is within the probabilities that next summer will witness another and a more numerous and imposing American pilgrimage to the famous French shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes. Bishop Keane of the Washington University, who joined this year's pilgrims at

Father Fitzgerald is well known in the West. He was president of Marquette College in Milwaukee for three years. As a pulpit orator he has few peers. For some years Father Fitzgerald has been president of St. Ignatius' College, Chicago, but will hereafter make his headquarters in St. Louis, where he was formally installed in his new office recently. Father Frieden, his predecessor, will be stationed at Florissant, Mo.

It is said that Father Cherrier of Winnipeg Man., will be appointed shortly to succeed the late Archbishop Tache.

The Unitarians, who held their national conference at Saratoga last week, exhibited a truly commendable spirit of Christian tolerance and fraternity by inviting Dr. Conaty of Worcester and Judge Robinson of New Haven to address their gathering. Dr. Conaty spoke on one of his favorite themes, the total abstinence cause, and Judge Robinson urged his hearers to study the history and teaching of the Catholic church, in order that they might see for themselves how groundless are

the charges her enemies have brought against her. The Catholic University, whose trustees are fully aware of Judge Robinson's high qualifications, are eager to secure him as one of the professors of its law school. He is at present one of the lecturers of the law school at Yale University.

The Holy See has confided to the Capuchins the government of the prefecture apostolic lately erected in Massowah, and whose erection the cable was so prompt to proclaim an indication that the Vatican was eager to come to terms with the Quirinal, whereas it was nothing more than the exercise of its ordinary jurisdiction and care. The Capuchins are one of the most successful of the Catholic missionary orders, and their chief missions are Agra, Patna and Punjab, in India; Aden, in Arabia; the Gallas country, in Africa; the Seychellas Islands, Armidale, in Australia, and Bagdad, to which list must now be added the Massowah district.

The committee charged with the preliminaries of the western Catholic summer school are to meet at Chicago the coming week and consider reports and suggestions regarding the site of the proposed school. The indications seem to point to some spot in Wisconsin as the location that will be decided upon, and it looks as if the Plattsburg school will have a counterpart next summer on the shores of Lake Superior. Nothing has been heard of the Pacific school since the announcement that its establishment was being urged by some enthusiastic Catholics of that section of the country.

During the official reception held at Chateaudun recently by M. Casimir-Perier, the Bishop, in presenting the clergy of the diocese to the President, expressed his adhesion to the Republic and congratulated the President upon having accepted office. M. Casimir-Perier in reply thanked the Bishop, who, he said, knew how to serve his country as well as his Church.

The Pope has signified his disapprobation of the pretension of the young Duke of Orleans to the French throne by conveying an expression of his regret for the death of the Count de Paris, not to the Duke but to his sister the queen of Portugal.

Quite recently near the Church of S. Dorotea, in Trastevere, a little child was in imminent danger of death by being run over. The cab-horse was already touching her when a priest who was passing threw himself upon the horse. He saved the life of the little girl, but was himself knocked down by the shaft. Carried to the hospital, he soon expired. On Sunday his body was transported from the *Consolazioni* to Sant' Egidio. Many religious confraternities were present, together with many religious and secular priests.