

Our most sincere sympathy is extended likewise to Rev. Bro. McGurty, whose father lately passed away at Philadelphia, Pa., to Rev. F. Benoit who has lost a sister, to A. Deschenes whose beloved mother recently passed away, and to Messrs Raoul, Rene and Oliva Lapointe the news of the death of whose father has been received as we go to print. To one and all THE REVIEW offers its sincerest condolences and prays that God may comfort the bereaved and grant rest to the departed.

#### VARIOUS.

The Laetare medal, which Notre Dame University confers every year upon some distinguished member of the Catholic laity of the United States, has been awarded this year by the Faculty to the Hon. W. Bourke Cockran. The formal presentation of the medal will be made next month in New York by Archbishop Corrigan.

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Mr. Thomas O'Donnell, the representative of West Kerry in the British Parliament, is authority for the statement that "one-fourth of the population in Ireland speak the Irish language, and transact the greater part of their business in that tongue." Mr. O'Donnell ought to know. The Celtic revival is becoming more than a name.

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The current number of the *Labour Gazette*, a monthly publication issued by the Dominion Department of Labour, contains an interesting and extensive article on "The Fishing Industry of Canada." The importance of this industry may be realized from the statement with which the article opens, that about 100,000 men are employed therein, and a capital of \$10,000,000. The total value of the catch of fish in 1899 was \$21,891,706; to this grand total Nova Scotia was the largest contributor.

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No phase of Cardinal Wiseman's many-sided character is passed over by Mr. Wilfrid Ward in his well-known *Life and Times* of that great ecclesiastic. The Cardinal's love of the