CLERICAL POLITICIANS cating the use of the German lan-

There are Protestants who are obsessed with the idea that the Catholic Church is unduly meddling in politics; and there are never wanting publicists who seize on every alleged fact, every rumor, who distort every actual occurrence or utterance, who without color of proof impute motives and raise suspicions whenever they think the occasion favorable to deepen the impression on their ill informed and credulous

Though as everyone knows it is not necessary to go abroad to find instances of Protestant clerical politicians the following extract from the records of the evidence given before the U. S. Senate Committee which investigated the activities of German propaganda may serve to illustrate what we mean. If Catho. lic clergy instead of Lutheran were involved all kinds of publicity would have been given these facts, and what changes would have been rung on the political activities of the Catholic Church! As it is the following extract from the evidence will be news to readers of Canadian papers

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE

"Captain Lester said that Dr. Al bert and Dr. Fuehr directed the propaganda carried on through the Luth

For the information of the com mittee," he continued, "I should state that the Lutheran Church in this country is divided into a num ber of large synods. There are about 6,000 Lutheran congregations in the United States, the communicants numbering nearly 8,000,000.

1,200 LUTHERANS INVESTIGATED

"The propaganda among the Lutheran pastors was directed entirely through the channels of pastors who had been born in Germany, or were alien enemies, or were of German parentage and strong German leanings. There were over 1,200 individual cases investigated.

"In addition to these direct investigations there were two or three prominent Lutheran clergymen who as sisted the Government in getting in-formation. Great difficulty was experienced after the United States got into the war on account of the activity of certain pro- German Lutheran clergymen in and about the camps among the soldiers.

We have had conferences-I per sonally conducted a number of conferences—with representatives of these large synods and pointed out to them the facts of reference to individual cases, and they have admitted and stated in written statements that are on file that there have been clergymen in the ranks of their Church who have been anti-American and have been disloyal to the United Active measures were taken by the American element of the Lutheran Church to curb those men.'

Senstor Nelson-I find one case in the record here where a man had become a chaplain in the army and was proved disloyal after he had entered the army, was court martialed, and received a sentence of fifteen years

Captain Lester:—Yes, Sir; and some of them have been convicted under the espionage act, and are doing time in Atlanta at the present

"The difficulty of approaching the subject is obvious," the witness continued. "These men are clergymen of the Christian religion and have the protection which is due them. Their services were conducted, during Their services were conducted, during the period of our entering into the dividend rate from 7 to 8 per cent. war, in over 50 per cent. of the mended, nor reports made to the Department of Justice, which, in the last analysis, handled all of this

Senator King:—From your investigation did you find, Captain, that the effects of the pro-German sentiment of some of these Lutheran ministers were observable in their congrega

SWAYED THEIR CONGREGATIONS

"Oh, yes, in practically every case," was the reply. "The relation between the German Lutheran clergyman and his congregation is exceedingly close. We have found, in localities, to use a slang expression, that the word had gone down the line, to groups of Lu theran clergymen that they were to preach sermons in favor of Germany, and that was done. There are cases in the City of New York, one case, particularly, that I investigated personally, where the clergyman admitted to me that he had been according to the company of mitted to me that he had received instructions to preach such a sermon. This man was taken by the Department of Justice agents, and interned on Ellis Island, before there was any espionage act passed; and he was afterward released on his promise to

down to april, 1917, in hundreds of the Lutheran churches the contin-the Lutheran churches the contin-the hundreds of the shareholders are founders of the the hoard considers itself justhe Lutheran churches the continuous preaching was in favor and hope of German victory. Some of them could not stop after we got into the war. They continued, but it is the war. They continued, but it is them an indirect bonus by the issu ance of \$1,000,000 new stock at \$110 new share, or the equivalent of an or share, or the equivalent of also the thirty or thirty one smaller synods, have vigorously taken up

Captain Lester: "That, I am informed by one of the leaders, is the big vital question in the Lutheran Church in America today. They realize that they have a bad asset in the German language, and they are con-fronted with the almost positive assurance that the abolishment of the German language will lose adherents to the Lutheran Church.

Senator King—When we were conducting the National German-American Alliance hearing, a gentleman who is in the service of the Government stated that there was evidence that Germany paid some of these Lutheran ministers. Have you any information as to that Cantain

"That is the fact, as we found in a few cases," Captain Lester said. 'They handled the Lutheran clergymen in much the same way as they did the college professors of the higher educational groups, the idea being this: They would single out-and I have in mind the City of Philadelphia—a very intelligent, brainy Lutheran clergyman, and they would York or Philadelphia. They would subjects, and he would write articles and submit them, and receive mouey for them. That was a part of their system of holding them. They were particularly fortunate, however, among the most of the Lutherans, because they would not accept money. They did it for the Father-land. They would do anything for the good of Germany.

KROPP INSTITUTE'S WORK

"There were instances of the subsidizing of a branch of the Lutheran Church, which is not denied, through what is known as the Kropp Institute in Germany. It is the Evangelical Lutheran Church—I think that is the name-but, the Lutheran Church in Germany that is under Government supervision, the Kropp Institute being, the Evangelical Seminary.

"The graduates are sent from that

institution to various parts of the world, and the admission is, from these men, that they were sent over prior to the war period to confer with heads of the various syconds take neads of the various synods, take pastorates and carry the true faith. These men were paid by the German Government. That is, their expenses were paid. That, of course, comes legitimately under the head of

foreign missions, I suppose."
"The foreign mission work of the Lutheran Church in the world is enormous. It extends through praccically every civilized country in the world, where their clergymen are sent, and their missionaries are sent. Their year book shows the wide ramifications of that Church-probaby the widest of any Christian

Church in the world."
Captain Lester, in answer to a question by Senator Sterling, said he had not had charge of the investigation that was made into the alleged efforts of certain pro-German Lutherans to influence members of Congress in favor of Germany. The Rev. Otto Engle of Milwaukee was, he understood, in charge of the work among Senators and Congressmen.— The New York Times, Dec. 15th, 1918.

DOUBLE BANK CAPITAL AND INCREASE DIVIDEND

A further indication of the generally constructive attitude being taken by the Canadian chartered banks since the cessation of hostilities, is to Banque Provinciale has decided to not only double its present capital

Unless distinct evidence of disloyalty p. m., and decided under the author. ization previously given by the share holders, to raise the bank's paid up capital from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. This move will take up the full capital authorized.

Inasmuch as the fiscal year has seen altered to conform with a year ending as of June 30 no statement of finances is available, but a study of the monthly statement to the Feder al Government showing the bank's condition as of November 30, shows that the bank's assets have already reached \$24,736,953, and that on the debit side the amount of deposits amounts already to the relatively large sum of \$21,599 232

At the present time, the hank has 88 branches in the provinces of Quebec, Ontario and New Brunswick, being represented in the principal Freich-Canadian centres in these three provinces.

According to the November bank statement, the Provinciale has a reserve resulting from accumulated profits of \$750 000, and with \$50,000 carried to credit of reserve fund on December 31, last, reserve now amounts to \$800,000, or 80 per cent, of the paid-up capital of \$1,000,000. December 31, last, reserve now amounts to \$800,000, or 80 per cent. of the paid-up capital of \$1,000 000. Thus the shares of the bank bave a book value of \$180. Taking depreciation and contingencies into control of the paid-paid per control of the paid of \$1,000 000. The paid per control of th sideration, the management place an and P. McMurchie. R. I. P.

each instalment from date of its payment at the rate of 8 per cent. so that shareholders who pay in advance on April 1 will receive their dividend in full on the new as well as on the old shares. For the first Raphael, of the nursing staff of St. three months of the current year, the Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, and by a dividend will be at the rate of 7 per son, Dr. J. M. Keane, Brantford.

Shareholders will thus benefit both directly and indirectly by the move decided upon, and will, upon receipt of their additional stock, which goe to shareholders of record today at 2:80 p. m., not only receive a good-sized bonus, but a largely increased yield on their investment.

The Provinciale is the fifth Cana dian bank to make an increase in its capital stock thus far this year, and is also the sixth to decide to raise its annual dividend rate. - Montreal

OBITUARY

REV. BROTHER A. P. KENNEDY Rev. Brother A. P. Kennedy, master of novices in this country of the teaching order of the Christian Brothers of Ireland, died Wednesday would then tell him that they evening, February 12.h. at St. Mary's wanted him to write on religious Novitiate, Mamaroneck, N. Y., in his sixty-fourth year. Death was caused by pneumonia, following influenza, which he contracted ten days ago while nursing one of the novices under his care.

Brother Kennedy was born at Kilcommon, County Limerick, Ireland, in 1855, and entered the order of the Irish Christian Brothers in 1875. In 1882 he began his labors on this side of the Atlantic as a teacher in the of the Atlantic as a teacher in the then recently-opened schools at St. John's.— Newfoundland, where he taught for 34 years, being transferred in 1916, as Master of Novices, to the Novitiate which had just been opened

at New Rochelle.

This saintly old man was beloved by thousands of his "boys" as he al-ways affectionately called them, though many hundreds have attained to high honors in ecc esiastical and civil life. One is now Archbishop of Newfoundland, another Speaker of the Newfoundland House of Assembly, and a third a Justice of the Newfoundland Supreme Court, and nu nerous others are successful professional and business men.

The funeral will be on Saturday morning, after a Solemn Requiem Mass which will be celebrated at 10 a. m. at the Holy Trinity Church Mamaroneck: the celebrant will be Monsignor J. W. Power, of All Saints Parish, New York, an old friend of the deceased. Interment will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, New Rochelle, N. Y.

DEATH OF SISTER MARY

Rev. Sister Mary of the Immacu late Conception, formerly of Good Shepherd, Ottawa, died at Texas, on Jan. 18th. Deceased nun was thirty six years of age. She is mourned by several relations in the Community of the Grey Nuns, of the Holy Cross and of the Good Shepherd. She is survived by her mother Mrs. P. O'Brien of Templeton, one brother, Edward, six sisters, Rav. Sister Mar guerite, Principal of the Indian School at Fort Caippeuan; Mrs. James McNulty, Quinnville; Mrs. Glynn, Regina; Miss Ethel, Teresa and Sara O'Brien. May her soul rest

PATRICK E. DOYLE Sarnia Observer

The many friends of the late Patrick Edward Doyle will regret to hear of his death which took place at his home, Sarnia Township, on be had in the announcement that La Friday, January 24th, after an illness of three months.

In November Mr. Doyle was stricktook, but also to increase its annual lividend rate from 7 to 8 per cent.

Directors of the institution went weak, after the long siege of 'illness. Despite the fact that everything that medical skill could do he passed peacefully away, being conscious to

the last moment.

The late Mr. Doyle was born in Hastings County, and came to Sarnia Township, locating at what is well known as the "Doyle Home" about forty seven years ago: he was one of the best known cattle men in

one of the best known cattle men in Lambton County, having dealt largely and successfully in that line for the past thirty years.

Mr. Doyle is survived by his wife and family of eight daughters, one of whom is Sister Imelda, Mt. Hope Convent, London, and two sons, to whom is extended the sympathy of a large cirle of friends. The funeral was held from his late residence, 4th line Sarnia Township, on Monday. 4th line Sarnia Township, on Monday, January 27th, to the Catholic Church,

MRS. ANNA KEANE

The death of Mrs. Anna Keane, widow of the late Richard Keane, C. E, occurred at Guelph, January 30th, 1919, at the advanced age of 87 years. per share, or the equivalent of an fier of a profit to shareholders of \$40 a share, taking the basic value at \$200.000 and \$200.0000 and \$200.0000 and \$200.0000 and \$200.0000 and \$200.0000 and \$200.0000 and \$200.0

the last, and had always lived a devout Christian life. The a devout Christian life. The bulk of her estate has been bequeathed to various charities. She is survived by a daughter, Sister

REV. W. TURNER, S. T. D.

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR AND AUTHOR APPOINTED BISHOP OF BUFFALO

The announcement from the Vati-

can on Saturday that Rev. William can on Saturday that Rev. William Turner, S. T. D., Professor of Philosophy at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., had been appointed Bishop of Buffalo was received with joy by the Catholics of the diocese. Like his two predecessors, Bishop Turner will be pastor of a flock to whom he comes as a personal stranger. However, the office of Catholic Bishop is held in "The joy which his presence of the company of the com personal stranger. However, the office of Catholic Bishop is held in such high regard by Jatholics and afforded to his devoted flock was in-non-Catholics alike that they are tense, and only tempered by the fear persuaded that its incumbent chosen from amongst the worthiest, the Carranzista soldiers whom all and that the mere fact of his choice knew to be persistently on his track, and that the mere fact of his choice is conclusive evidence of excellence of character and personality. Thus Bishop Turner will be warmly welcomed by both the Catholic and non-Catholic population of the city.

Father Turner was born in Kilcoming forth when faithful apprised him that it was safe

Father Turner was born in Kil-mallock, County Limerick, Ireland, on April 8, 1871. He received his ercise his episcopal functions in the early education in the National smaller parishes adjacent to his re School at Limerick, the Royal University of Ireland, and Mungret den in one of these recesses, and for College near Limerick. versity of Ireland, and Mungret den in one of these recesses, at College, near Limerick. He studied three months in another. for the priesthood in the American Co lege at Rome where he was ordained in 1893. After his ordination he went to the Catholic Institute at which surpasses all earthly posses, Paris. A year later, he was appointed a professor in the College of St. Thomas in Rome. In 1895 he was selected as a Professor of Philosophy at St. Paul Seminary, where he remained until 1908. In 1903 1904 as far as to construct, with infinite rapid full heavier a tender of the province of the provinc he spent a year in research work on pains and full hearts, a chapel where medieval philosophy in Germany, he could decently celebrate the France and England. Upon his Divine Mysteries, and a workroom return to the United States he was chosen Rector of St. Luke's Church, St. Paul, and in 1906 he was appointed to the Chair of Philosophy at the Catholic University America.

He is prominent as an author and editor. As a tribute to his commentary on St. Thomas' De Anima he received the Benemerenti Medal in 1893 from the Academy of St. Thomas. He is also the author of a History of Philosophy, published in Boston in 1903, and Lessons in Logic, published at Washington Logic, published at Washington in 1909. He is the librarian of the Uni-

versity. As an editor Father Turner's As an editor Father Turner's works have been wid-ly read and studied. He is a contributor to the American Ecclesiastical Review, American Philosophical Review, Journal of Pailosophy, the Irish Theological Quarterly, American Catherine and administer to them the rites and administer to the rites and administer to them the rites and administer to the rites and administ can Catholic Quarterly Review and the Catholic World.

Father Turner is a distinguished

ter. During the winters of still greater persecutions endur d for 1911 and 1912 he lectured at lecturer. the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and time that the nations of the earth Sciences. He has lectured at the Catholic Summer School of America and at the other summer schools, and in various academies and col leges. He has for three years been spiritual director at Trinity College, Washington D. C. He speaks Italian, French and German fluently. While in St. Paul, Mon., he organized the first Italian parish in that city. In dealing with young priests and in conducting the "Conferences and Studies" in the Ecclesiastical Review, he has had exceptional opportunities for becoming familiar with the requirements of the clergy and has handled a variety of problems of 1st 1919, James T. Boss. Funeral from

practical theology.

Father Turner has three brothers the residence of his father in law.

James McCurrie, Ottawa. May his who are priests; one is a Rector of the Redemptorist House in Belfast Ireland, another is Professor in Dunwoodie Seminary, New York, the third is a Chaplain with the United States forces in France,
Three of his sisters joined the Order
of Charity at Mt. St. Vincent's on
the Hudson, New York.

It is a coincidence that while in
the American College at Rome
Father Turner was a classmate of

the American College at Rome Father Turner was a classmate of Archbishop Dougherty. Father Gib-bons, Bishop elect of Albany, pre-ceded him there by a few years. The new Bishop comes to Buffalo with the highest reputation of scholarship and a contraction of scholarship and as a man of great forcefulness, superior mental attain-ment and a winning personality.— Buffalo Echo, Feb. 6.

CHRISTIAN HEROÍSM

Reference has already been made in Reference has already been made in America to the consoling message sent by the Holy Father to the exiled Mexican Archbishop Orozoo, now helping in the duties of a little suburban parish of Chicago. The persecution inflicted upon him by the Mexican Government, without any assignable reason, and the fortitude of soul with which he bore his trials. make of his which he bore his trials, make of his life a true romance of Christian heroism. It will suffice to quote a single instance taken from a very interesting account written by the Right Rev. A. E. Burke, P. A., for the December number of the Extension Magazine. Driven from Mexico the cruelty and injustice of the the disloyal end and are endeavoring to stamp it out."

Senator King: "Did these same leaders take up the question of advo-

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risan.— At Ottaws, Obt., on Wed'nesday, February 5, 1919, William Thomas Finan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Finan, 99 Rochester Street,

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