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## Father Chiniquy.

WHO is Father Chiniquy? This is a question not at all likely to be asked by any of our readers, as his name has become "familiar as household words." Who has not heard of this bold speaker and writer upon the abuses of that church of which he was once a brilliant and beloved member? Since his conversion he has been the "hero of a hundred battles fought in the ecclesiastical arena in all parts of the world," and we may safely say that he is one of the most thoroughly "hated" among the many objects of the hatred of the Roman Church. Yet amid it all, he retains his cheerfulness of disposition and his boldness of attitude; and today, although 77 years of age, he is as busily engaged as ever in journeying throughout the length and breadth of the land in the furtherance of his mission. Altogether he is not only a man of genius, but has had the most marvellous career that can well be imagined, many incidents of which are related in his latest and greatest work, just published, in which he gives us the most startling, realistic and vivid interior view of

the practical workings and outcomes of Romanism.\*

Charles Chiniquy was born at Kamouraska, Province of Quebec, on July 30th, 1809. His father had studied for the priesthood, but before taking vows had witnessed scenes which led him to change his mind, and to devote himself to the study of law. That he was not a very staunch child of the church, is evidenced in the fact that he permitted the young Charles to be taught almost daily by his mother, portions of the Bible, and for this he was eventually called to account by the *Cure*, but the interview ended with the expulsion of the priest from the house.

Young Chiniquy received his earliest school education at St. Thomas, Quebec, but owing to the death of his father, the widow was left without means, and for a time all seemed dark. The clouds, however, were soon dispelled, for her two sisters, whose husbands were well to do, wrote, offering to care for her and her little ones. This was thankfully



REV. FATHER CHINIQUY.

accepted, although it implied a separation of the family,

\* "Fifty years in the Church of Rome." A handsome volume of 832 pages, with two portraits of the author (one in his priestly robes.) Price, \$3.50. S. R. Briggs, Toronto Willard Tract Depository, Toronto, Publishers.