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

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### Current Topics.

It is reasonabe that

The Roer the sympathy of the War.

The Roer the British people should go out to the Utilanders, but it should not be forgotten that there are generally two sides to a question, and that what seems fair and just to one of the parties may be looked upon by the ciber as a great celaunity. No doubt six Alfred Milner's sagacity in proposing the giving of the frauchies to the Utilander's as the basic referm for the redress of growances in the Transval went straight to the root of the trouble Under existing conditions, that was a good deal to ask of the Boer President, who could see that the Utilander vote might become so powerful in the state as to threaten its independence, or even in the course of time to hand over the Transval as a choice gift to the British Government. The most advanced states Government. The most advanced states Government. The most advanced states rofuse the franchise by the process of naturalization to such elements as are deemed prejudicial or injurious to their welfare—notably the United States in the case of Mongoliaus. The Boers treated the British Utilanders as they would searcely dare to treat the Kaffirs, they fought the British. whose dominion they religiously sought to escape, and on several notable occasions defeated them. Between the Boers and the British there has been a legacy of race hatred, whose has been a legacy of race hatred, whose slumbering embers burst into open con-flagration. They knew that to give the franchise to the Uitlanders was to nas been a legacy of race hatred, whose slumbering embors burst into open conflagration. They know that to give the franchise to the Utilanders was to outvote themselves and jeopardize the stability of the existing government and the Independence of the republic. It might be that the enfranchised Utilanders would prove faithful citizens of the country of their adoption, but Kruger evidently thought they would not, and unless Boer institutions and ideals were largely replaced by more advanced and progressive measures, it is probable that they would not. On two occasions the Boors, because they verse dissatisfied with Britishr rate, "trekked" out of British territory, taking with 'theh such goods and chattels as they could take away on their ox-waggons. Possibly the Boers thought that the dissatisfied Utilanders in their turn might "trek" to British territory and so cut the matter. But Britishers are not built that way. They have a buil-dog propensity of holding on and making the most meage grip an iron grasp that nothing but strangulation can loosen. President Kruger and his warilike Boers underrated this propensity, being intoxicated with previous successes. He is now induing out that it has to be reckoned with. The obligations of the Boers towards the Utilanders are manifold. The latter built up the country, owned more than half the land and three-fourths of all the wealth; they opened out and developed the valuable mines, invested immense capital, they opened out and developed the valuable mines, invested immense capital able mines, invested immense capital, built towns, and represented all that was progressive in the Transvaal, but they were aliens and Helots in the land. The position is still encompassed by many difficulties, and the knot one difficult to

Some time ago InAmerica and dependence, Aguinaldo's
the Filipinus. official raper, said that
it would take 400,000
men to subjugate the Philippines.
To get a distance of twenty-five miles
it cost the Americans a month of fighting and the loss of 8,000 killed, wounded,
sick and prisoners. "They are masters," it said, "of just as much soil in
Luzon as their feet rest upou. We
have freed this country from the Syaniards, and the nation that annexes us
must put a garri, on in every village.
That will take 40,000. The sconer
the Americans convince themselves of
this the better. Else they will lose
many millions and only a, fraction of this the better. Else they will lose many millions and only a, fraction of their army will return home." This is certainly a diamal outlook, and the question is, how long the American people, who are not a military nation, will continue to supply men and money to carry on the war.

The foregoing is especially applicable to the position of the British in South Artica It is difficult nowadays to subjugate a weak nation, and the souse the deviliety of war is abolished by civilized nations the better for humanity.

Ary event which he Beings of the zero more of the great powers of Europe are involved, will make all other events. Such is the alleged attack by the notorious "Boxers" of China upon the European Legations at Pekin.

The civilised world was startled by a despatch recoived from Hong Kong, Saturday, 10th instant, attitute that all the foreign Legations in Pokin had been destroyed, and that Baron von Kottelor, the German Minister to China, had been killed. A Pokin despatch of Thursday stated that the German Ambassader had been expirited, and that the Logations were isolated by the Boxurs. Borlin finds it difficult to excell the report. Nevertheless, an official note to the effect that no confirmation had been received has not tranquilized the public mind, particularly in view of despatches received in the German capital from Tion-Tsin, stating that the Boxers entered Delite of the control Tien-Tsin, stating that the Boxers en-tered Pokin on June 13th and attacked tored Pokin on June 13th and attacked the Legations, being repulsed with the aid of Maxims. How sorious the Chinese situation generally is considered to be by the authorities there is evidenced by a decision to send reinforcements from the Philippines. All sorts of rumors are current of flying women and children, rioting, massacres, and fighting. Even a small summary of the situation, as it could be gathered at the time of going to press, would occupy more than a column. The Boxers are a Chinese secret society, whose original more than a column. The Boxers are a Chinese secret society, whose original object was to evict foreigners from Chinese soil by a systematized course of intimidation. Then, finding that this course did not work, some were for sweeping them into the sea. The object of their policy, whether the latter be one of open violence or of threats, is the same—the nitimate expulsion of foreigners from Chinese soil.

#### SOME CITIES

This is the season of travel and, in spite of burning suns, modern conveniences and the annihilation of distances make travel ampractively pleasant at all times, so long as you have a well-filled purse and to particular qualms of consciones on a spending its contents. Here are not a preding its contents. Here are no cities to visit for the willing a street of vegesting in their rative village are treed of vegesting in their rative to the section of the vegesting in the section of the vegesting in the content of the vegesting of the vegesting of the vegesting in the vegesting of the vegesti

In ther I will not be personal—you can guess the rest.

Sodom and Gomorrah were called the Cities of the Plains; there were five of them, and very wicked they were according to all accounts. They were destroyed by fire from heaven, which, it seems to me, came from too good a place to be used for so vile a purpose. Why it was not brought from hell has strays been a mystery to me. But "there are more things in heaven and sarth than are dreamt of" in any ordinary mortals philosophy. They do say that the water of the Dead Sea cover these sites, Sight-seers, however, had better cally themselves with diving-hells, the should they desire to explore from the seer to the seer of the seer to the seer to the seer to the seer of the seer to supply themselves, a smart boy of my scale where the City of Colgolia was I ventured the seer ton that mention of it could be found in the Novam "Catsamentum." Nothing of the kind," asid he. "I'm Temple Bar, London Page, "I may be so for sught I know "The, where they used to impais trators heads in the reign of—of—'continued my youthful informant," of true and honest monarch, "I supplemented. He noded his head, I may be off the see of the see of

forchead, so that there could be no mistake made.

There is the City of Churches, which I had supposed to be Rome, with a church for every day in the week. But it seems I was wrong there too; it is Brooklyn, which is so called on account of the excessive number of churches in proportion to its size and population. This is why Rrooklyn people are so much more meral than those of the transpontine city. Jerusalem is called the City of David, because it was capited by the great king in 190 and catified. It is a long root string in 190 and catified in the capital of the United States—Washington, which was designed by an architect. Mrs plot as originally designed with the capital of the United States—Washington, which was designed by an architect. It is a long and wide. London, Eng., from its limense display of shipping, had 1.2 by 3.1.2, and its streets were laid long and wide. London, Eng., from its limense display of shipping, he called the City of Maste. But I wonder who gave Boston the name of the City of Notions. It have beard of Boston refinement and learning, I have easen Boston baked beans, I have read "Boston Ideas" but Boston, the City of Notions, was new to me. It is said to be the home of motions" are, I cannot well make out. If my authority, who is a triffe vague himself, be correct, Boston "notions" are articles of all kinds, trilling in size and value, but for which there is a large sale. They must therefore be very tempting and it behover the traveller visiting Boston to take with him plenty of cash.

not because there are many palaces there—though I believe there are "quite a few"—but because it was converted by Agrippa from "a city of brick Ints to one of marble palaces." Paris, Calcutta and Ediuburgh are semetimes so designated. The City of Perspectives is St. Petersburg, by reason of the long vista presented by its streets and quays. It is also known by the "amo of the City of Snow. Medina in Arabia is the City of the Prophet. It was the refoge of Mahomet during the Hegira, and his burial place. Baalbee, in Syris, is the City of the Snu. It contains extensive ruins of a magnificent temple dedicated to the Sun. Baal was the Sun god. It was once the most magnificent of Syrian cities, full of palaces, fountains and beautiful monuments. It is now only famous for the splendour of its ruins. The New Zeslander may yet sketch the ruins or St. Paul's from a broken arch of London bridge. Yet mighty is the British Empire at the present moment, and long may it continue so; but all things have their day and so will the modern Babylon.

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I asked an Irishman the other day—two Irishmen—if they know what was called the City of the Tribes. Both had to contess their ignorance; though genorally speaking what an Irishman does not know about the Green Isle they worth knowing, and so percent is not. I did not know myschitt gave me called the Green is not in the months ago, when an arish the Tribes on Tribes, and the Thirteen Tribes, and the Thirteen Tribes, and count of the thirteen tribes that the content of the second in the second that it is not a barren part of the country is more than I can say. It may be that the conjunction, thirteen, is such an unlucky one that they could not help themselves. Limerick, of course, its known as the City of the Violated Treaty, on account of the frequent intractions of the same name, signed October 3rd, 1691. Athens, in Greece, is famous as the City of the Violated Treaty, on account of the frequent intractions of the same name, signed October 3rd, 1691. Athens, in Greece, is famous as the City of the Violated Crown. The origin of the name, I think, is lost. It is a pity, for the name is a beautiful one. Mosaulay says of Pith, "He loved England as an Athenian loved the City of the Violate Crown. The origin of the name. Glaspow, Sootiand, is frequently spoken of as the City of the Violated Treaty on the west, on account of the same is a beautiful one. Mosaulay says of the readers of The Register who can give me the origin of the name. Glaspow, Sootiand, is frequently spoken of as the city of the Vest. Catry, the one of the proper being the country of the West, on account of the same of Salem, signifies if The Victorious." Jerusalem spories in more names than probably any other interesting cities in the world but not room for any

A Striking Example of the Power of Christian Art.

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The shought of the transformations that can be taught by Christian Art,
impressed testle upon my mind during repeated visits to a newly venerated visits on a newly venerated visits on a newly venerated processing. The contained processing the sacred tomple had been a venerable Shrine of all that was beautiful in valuable religious adornments and venerable emblems. It contained paintings of great value, the gitts of French Kings. It contained groups of statuary representing the Sainte and hely and learned Doctors of the Church. Its artistic equipment throughout was the wonder and admiration of American visitors, who lingered long and curiously over these relies and treasures of past ages. It happened however, in a day off if fortune, that fire entered that sacred edifice and destroyed pictures and paintings of immense value, and art treasures his could not be restored. The great soid, greay, stone walls and interior called a pitiable sight and call the strike of the contained apitiable sight and carry that reigned before in the cast of the Archivshop and the processing were and painting of interior worship. The calamity caused the artistic contained and the service of the Archivshop and the learned professors, who took as much interest and pride in the once heartiful Chapel; but the well-known faith and bevoic courses which to assume the service of the Archivshop and the learned professors, who took as in the heart of the Archivshop and the learned professors, who took as in the heart of the Archivshop and the heart of the

rifton to be offored, and the main alitar, of white marble, shood at rost in its place appearedly complete in itself, but it looked weefully out of harmony with its book when the decentar and artists and the present it again to the Christian community, in the plenitude of its restored beauty in ronowed and finished form. It required a good part of a year to do the work, and during that time public worshippers were outlined by coulded. When the time of roopening approached, the habitual frequenters of the belowed temple were on the tip too of expectancy to see it in its renovated state. The inauguration erromenies, presided over by the Metropolitan, and a long body of renowed Professors and Clergymen, were carried out with all the religious grandeur and solemnity of the Catholic Church. The transformation in the appearance of the Chapel is marvellous.

The last time the worshippers had seen it, it was in its dreary waste of dilapidation and unlewn roughness and disorder, now it appeared resplendent with all the freshness, beauty and eplendeur of the artist's skill and taste. The huge columns and walls that before show her will be prefection and corgeous designs of the painter's skill and art. Blackened and addormed walls and whildows and seate and galicries had been changed from objects of grim desolation into speciations will have an and selection and corgeous designs of the painter's skill and art. Blackened and and deformed walls and windows and seate and galicries had been changed from objects of grim desolation into speciation with increased devotion. It is under such chemistry surroundings and they prayed with increased devotion. It is under such discounts and set the production of works which have had beneficial tendences which increased devotion. It is under such discounts and set in spirit of men and women in every age since the general of the charge of the designers and articles who have the manufactured the institution of such men we thusk there must be a touch of the district and the surrounding such

novertheless important agents in convicting mankind of his native powers and possibilities if well applied and direct ed.

I am writing under the influence of tite feelings experienced this morning in the Ohapel aforesid. It seemed to me that could not enter that comercial the control of the feelings experienced this morning in the Ohapel aforesid. It seemed to me that could not enter that comercial the property of the control of the least and mind, even by the sensible and material impressions he receives therein. But to give way to the visible sensible emotions of the heart would in no degrae represent the spiritual pleasure exjoyed. From the moment one-niters the hallowed place his feelings undergo a beneficial change he sees the realities of life in clear light, he can make juster estimate of what is real and what is false and, in a same mood, he can distinguish between what is good and that which is evil. He is heiped into this frame of mind by the objects and surrounding associations, he sees the stately proportions of the edifice it is stately proportions of the edifice it is edificated in the stately proportions of the edifice it is edificated in the stately proportion of the control of the con

The Late Mrs. Gladstone.

Nearly 51 years ago the handsome Miss Catherine Glynne became Mrs. William Ewart Gladstone, who was at that time in his 50th year. Miss Glynne of Hawarden, Flistablire, and was three years younger than hier husband. He attention was the state of the control of the state of the control of th

an English Minister who sat beside her at a dinner party at which Gladstone was also present. "Mark that young man" said he, "the will yet be Primo Minister of England." Miss (ilynne koenly scrutinized the handsome and oxpressive features of the young member of Parliannen who sat opposite her. and the following winter made his sequantance in Italy—and the next year after that macried him, her sister, Miss dipart that macried him, her sister, Miss of the year of year

Success of Catholic Societies.

The success of Catholic Societies in this country angurs well for religion and morality. They are powerful and good, and save many from the temptations which beset young men in all our large cities. The natural inclination of man to hold communion with his kind is manifested throughout the whole tenor of his life and conduct. It may be seen upen every feature of the human countenance, it speaks in every fealing of the human heart, and is transmitted through the most exalted faculties of the some own involuntarity and finds expression of the feature of t

Rome had its college of bakers, and the guilds of the middle ages were trade a unious, established for the improvement and mutual edification of their members.

The present Pope Leo XIII., following in the footsteps of his illustratious predocessors in the claim of St. Peter, is the friend and patron of associations of the industrious. In one of his first encyclicals he used these memorable words: It seems fitting that excites a stricans and workmen be encouraged, which placed under the guardianable of religion, may make their members content with their lot, patient under the district of the content of the content

#### Fact or Fancy.

Men and Women. No. 28.

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No. 20.

Woman is accused of devoting and to awful lot of time to and spending a lot of monoy on the adornment of her head. The bounct joke is of the most anticer of which we have any record. With man, howover, the case is very different. Fashions in trousers charge more frequently than any other part of the main wardrobe, except perhaps collars and necktion. An and the of fashion, but since the coming of knicker-bockers with men the coming of knicker-bockers with many cases. It has become a vinity in many cases. It has become a vinity in many cases. It has given an a chance to display his taske the second of the street of the second collars had become a vinity in many cases. It has given as a chance to display his taske that he had to make the her was a contract of the styles and colors in biking hose are indeed startling. I saw one outfit on the street to-day that was loud anough to wake the dead. The knicker bockers were a loud plaid, and the hose as tartling array of color. But the waster was not assisted to let it go at that. He had to emphasize the contract by having a band of the same material as the knickerbockers around the calf of his leg, which looked for all the world like a bandage on a spavined horse. The following is from the New York Criterion, which is always up-to-date, in its social comments, as indeed it is no every department;

in its social comments, as indeed is in nevery department; "Bicycle enthusiasts trace every reform and improvement in women's dress, as well as her marked athletic development within the plast decode to she wheel. They point to the over-decode wheel. They point to the over-decode with her offiguous and her business which they continue the business where they provide the continue where they will be to the women being continued in the contrast which the end of the contury woman presents with her break splendid shoulders, healthy complexion, and common-sense ideas. It is not be contrast which the conditions of the same continued and common-sense ideas. It is not be contrast which the continue which the continue which he continued the continued of the contrast which the continued the continued the continued of the continued to the