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

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# NEWS OF THE WEEK.

British Politics.—It was decided early in the week that the Government would not oppose the re-appointment of Mr. Gully to the Speakership. During the remainder of the week there was absolute quiet respecting the Intentions of the Conservative Government, the only announcement being the preparation of a new Irish Land Ril

European.—On Thursday a number of dreadful outrages upon Christians in China was reported. Advices on Saturday reported the defeat of the Spaniards by the Cuban insurgents at Sabana. Russian advices indicate a renewal of complications with Japan over the Eastern question.

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Confirmatory news of the outrages upon Christians in China gave the list of the killed as follows: Miss Elsie Marshall, Miss Annie Gordon, Miss Bessie Newcombe and Miss Flora Stewart, all of the English Zenana Mission; Miss Nellie Saunders, Muss Topsy Sanders, Rev. Dr. Stewart, and Mrs. Stewart of the Church Missionary Society. Five of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart's children were killed, and two survive. One had a knee broken, and the other, a baby, lost an eye. The following were saved:—Miss Hartwell of the American Mission, Miss Codrington of the English Zenana Mission, and Rev. H. S. Phillips of the English Church Missionary Society, Public opinion in England is loudly demanding reparation.
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Sir Mackenzie Bowell, in a public reference to the Manitoba School question made at Regina, said there was no sectarianism in the Dominion. The Western men had as much influence as Ecastern members.

Monday a story, which was a secredited, reported as the Lieutenan the L

reduced theory to practice by teaching several lessons to a class of children. "Methods in Language" "Methods in Mathematics "The Art of Questioning" "School Management," were fully and vigorously treated by Mr. Scott, Vice-Principal of Toronto Normal School. Mr. White, Inspector of Catholic Separate Schoole, explained the modern methods of teaching English, and pointed out to the teachers the means not only of maintaining the present efficiency of the schools, but of attaining to future superiority. Mr. Pendergast the recently appoint dispector, who illustrated his methods of teaching Geography and Arthmotic of Forms IV. and V. gave evidence of an energy and abbity which should make him a power for good in the schools.

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The Closing Exercises of the Convention were conducted by Rev. Father Ryan, Rector of St. Michael's Cathedral, who, in a very able discourse, corressed his approbation of the effort made by the Sisters of St. Joseph to keep themselves abreast of the educational progress of the day; informed the teachers as to what the Church expents of her schools, that they be not only equal but superior to all others, and explained the importance of religious instruction as an educational factor,
Considering the lecturers, the subjects treated of, the attendance, attention and interest on the part of the teachers, the Convention was a decided success.

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To the Editor of the Catholic Register.

Sir.—I have received a copy of your journal of Thursday last, in which my attention is directed to what you designate as "the steady and splendid increase" in the attendance at the Catholic schools.

I am myself as far as possible from being an enemy to religious schools, whether Catholic or of any other denomination. The only thing to which I object is privilege, to whatever denomination it may be accorded. Let Catholics take their stand on the broad ground of parental duty and right. Let them say that it is every man's duty to educate as well as to feed and clothe his own children, and every man's right to have his children brought up in the way which he conscientiously deems best. Let them say that the State has no right to deprive a man of the means where by to give his children a religious education by foreing him to pay for a system of which he cannot conscientiously avail himself and to which his convictions are opposed. They will then occupy a position which it will be extremely difficult to assay, and the school who are favorable to individual and family freedom, will incline to their side. But if we have the Public School system and the school tax I do not see how we can allow any one Church to be recognized by the State to the exclusion, and not only to the exclusion but to the virtual disparsgement, of the rest. Yours faithfully.

[Mr. Goldwin Smith states, with a degree of accuracy that is quite satisfactory to the the state.

no room lor any mistaking of that ground either in Catholic or Protestant countries. And though it may appear a long way from that free ground to the "Public School system and the school tax," it is a way that is bridged by the unbroken bistory of the cause of Catholic education, supported in our own country by the Constitution, which neither recognizes privilege nor exclusiveness, but simply admits the "broad ground of parental duty" which Mr. Goldwin Smith describes. In a word, the Catholic ground was cocupied, and so it was admitted by the Constitution before we had the Public School system. Let us 'keep the horse before the cart, not behind it.—ED. C. It.]

## CATHOLIC EDUCATION.

# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD.

Closing of the July Special De-

The Devotional Chapel attached to the Monastery of the Precious Blood, Toronto, was filled till the congregation overflowed into the entrance and out to the steps, on the oceasion of the olosing of the special devotions to the Moet Precious Blood. The Sanctuary was brilliant with lights; the crucifix, which hangs directly opposite the kneeling congregation, was studded with the bright red lights that spoke eloquently of an ardent devotion.

During the month of July special devotions, in honor of the Precious Blood of Our Lord, had been held in the Chapel of the Monastery every evening at 8 o'clock. These devotions consisted of Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, the reading of Medittions specially written for Confraternities of the Precious Blood by one of the founders, and the singing 'hymns with the recitation of the Seven Offerings. The appreciation of the people has been shown in the large numbers who have attended these exercises.

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REV. FATHER N'BRAD'S SERMON.

On Wednesday, the 31st July, these devotions were concluded with a sermon from the Rev. Father McBrady, O.S.B., on the Most Precious Blood, and the largeness of this special devotion. The eloquent Father quoted from the 1st chapter of the Apocatypse, "the hath washed us from our sins in His own Blood." He spoke of the comparatively recent establishment of the Feast of the Precious Blood by Pope Plus IX., on the occasion of his return from Gaeta, although the devotion itself is as ald as the Church. He impressed upon his hearers that the Church is a living Church—no statte, but a living body—whose varying expressions are reflected in different devotions. St. Catharine and St. Magdalen de Pazzi were instanced as examples of devotion to the Precious Blood, while the words of the latter to her charge, "There are countless souls suffering in hell because we have neglected to offer up sufficiently the Precious Blood of the Saviour," were examestly brought home to the listeners, and they were exhorted not to take upon themselves the grave responsibility of neglecting to offer up the Blood of Jesus for sinners. The immensity of the devotion and its largeness, were dwelt upon. The greatness of the

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was impressed upon his hearers. While
the sinner who will plunge into vice
that he may forget himself—into drink
that he may lose his own identity—
contrast the saint who in the sacrifice
of the Mass, potitions for all the
Church, for all suffering humanity,
forgetful of his own needs in the needs
of others.

"But, you will ask me, this devotion
does not extend beyond the saints?
Is it not connected only with visions,
raptures and cestacies? No, my
brethren, not a bit of it. It is a de
votion dear to Holy Mother Church,
and one which she enjoins upon every
one of us. Open a prayer book and
how many prayers will you not see to
the Precious Blood, but there is one
the most common of all, the prayer
for the Pope's intentions, to which is
attached a plenary indulgence if recited after having received Holy Communion. Now what are the Pope's
intentions? Peace among Christendom, the extirpation of all heresy, the
triumph of Holy Church, the conversion of indiels, and, in a word, everything that relates to the honor and
glory of God. And it is his universal
prayer, said before an image of the
Bleeding Wounds of Jesus, that unlocks the treasures of indulgences to
us. And if we are faitful to the rectation of such prayers, we are devoted
to the interests of the Precions Blood
Then, again, what is the object of
hearing Mass? Now for what end is
Mass offered? It is not to offer oursolves alone, but to offer to the
Divinity Jesus Christ Himself. There
we can offer to God a true act of propitiation, we can render Him a thanksgiving worthy of Him, for ourselves
and for all men. Anyone mindful of
all these intentions will not go away
from Mass without having been washed in the Blood, as St.
Catbactine of Sienna expresses it.

It is wonderful my brothren, the

during her communion with Him at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. That Catholic at Mass has been united to the angels and saints, singing in the softest, sweetest melodies the "Gloria in Excelsis," and when he joins with those sweet voices the "Sanctus Sanctus," he unites with the angels of Heaven in singing the praises of God. That Oatholic at Mass has been united with the Universal Church, with all the grouses of Jesus, with all the priests of God's Church, with all the spouses of Jesus, with all the priests of God's Church, with all the priests of God's Church, with all the priests of Bod's Church, with all the priests of Bod's Church, with all the priests of Bod in union with all these. At Mass he has knelt at the foot of the cross, there are the content of the cross of the surrounding world, it seems to him as a gloomy and sorrowful prison; and he sighs and wishes that this life was one long Mass; and so the Church would have it to be my brethren. Just one more thought strikes us here. We read in Holy Scripture that it is not enough to ask what we want, we must make oblations, and where can we make a better oblation than in Holy Mass? There at Mass we offer to God the Precious Blood of His cwar in the priest of the survainable of the priests of force of the conditions, and where can we make a better oblation for our duty towards Him; as a perfe

day, and all the days of your life.
Amen."
The aim and adva.tages of the
confraternity of the Precious Blood
were explained by the Reverend Father,
and the simple means of becoming a
member, the handing in of one's name
to the sisters at the Monastery, when a
card of membership would be given.
All were exhorted to join the Confraternity whose meetings will be in the
chapel of the monastery, the third
Sunday in every month at half past
four o'clock.

At the last regular meeting of Division No. 1, A. O. H., Ottawa, resolutions of sympathy were adopted upon the death of Catherine, the beloved daughter of Brother James O'Connor; also on the death of the beloved sister of Brothers D. and P. Douras

PRAYER AND WORSHIP.

on by Pather Ryan-Divine Religion must

Speaking in St. Michael's Cathedral on Sunday last, upon the subject of Prayer as a proof of Doctrine," Rev. Father Ryan in the course of his sermon incidentally referred to the Pan-American Congress. He said in regard to the Congress in general there were various opinions as to its success. Those people wine expected a great financial success were naturally disappointed, because, as far as he knew, the Congress was mot intended as a financial success were naturally disappointed, because, as far as he knew, the Congress was not intended as a financial speculation. As a religious gathering of representative men from various parts of the continent who direct the thought of the day, it was, Father Ryan thought, a decided success. The many able papers, in which opinions and principles were given with independent frankness, and without a sladow of bitterness, must help much to unity of thought in religious matters, and the many pleasants social experiences connected with the moetings must certainly have, and lave already hed, a most salutary effect in promoting social peace and good fellowship among the people of Toronto and among the people of this sermon, "Prayer as a Proof of Doctrine," Father Ryan said he was very much struck by the prayers of the Congress. They were all very eloquent, and most of them very long, but the point which especially struck him was that they were particularly inoffensive. They were called him was that they were particularly infensive. They were ovidently intended to please mon, and were of course on the man to displease God. But the first intention was not to do Him honor. A Catholic priest was asked to give a prayer, and while he would be very pleased to ask the blessing of God upon the Congress yet he was somewhat restricted in his manner of prayer. There is only one form of prayer that is truly

C. M. B. A.
At a recent meeting of the Presidents
of the various Montreal branches of the
C. M. B. A., held in the hall, corner of
Plessis and Ontario streets, it was decided that an annual celebration of all the
branches of the organization should be
held in September. For the present
year the celebration will consist of Pontifical High Mass in the morning, to
take place in St. Patrick's church, as
short session at headquarters immediately after, to be followed by addresses
by members of the House of Commons,
City Council and Board of Trade.

His Excellency the Governor-Greekers, Mr. R. R. Dobell and others, are now endeavouring to secure for Mr. Pakrick Murphy of Quobee, a great life-naver, the gold medal of the Royal Humasor Society of Great Britain, which he richly deserves. In addition to this a subscription list has been opened with the object of presenting Mr. Murphy with a testimonial. The following is a partial list of his life-saving feets:

In 1868, a boy named Alexander Rankin at the Queen's Whart. In the same year, Mary Jane Quinn at Government hear?

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In November, 1891, a German passenger girl pon steamship Vancouver, who fell into the river from the gangway.

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