

A CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

THE PROJECT OF SUCH AN ESTABLISHMENT IN IRELAND.

SOME OF THE OBSTACLES WHICH IMPEDE ITS ACCOMPLISHMENT—THE EFFORTS MADE IN THE PAST IN THE SAME DIRECTION AND THE DISABILITIES SUFFERED BY CATHOLICS.

A Catholic University, says the Hibernian Monthly Magazine, is once more under formation in Ireland. The prelates of that country are at present engaged in an anxious and momentous task of attempting again to lay the foundation of a great Catholic University.

In the first place, a University is not founded every day and seldom has it been founded under the peculiar circumstances which attended the first attempt or which will attend its establishment to-day. As a rule in Continental Europe, it has grown up out of schools and colleges and seminaries and monastic communities which already had lasted for centuries, and which had been little else than its natural development.

It was announced by a London newspaper some short while ago that the government will devote £100,000 to the endowment of the Catholic University in Ireland. This, it is believed, is possibly one of the things which the Chief Secretary of Ireland, Gerald Balfour, promised Timothy Healy for the latter's support of the government's land bill at the last session.

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THE SWAY OF ALCOHOL

THE OPERATION OF THE RAINE'S LAW AND ITS EFFECT DURING SIX MONTHS.

STRIKING FIGURES DISCLOSE METHODS OF EVADING THE LAW.

State Excise Commissioner Lyman has submitted his first annual report to the Legislature, showing the operation of the Raines Liquor Tax law. Referring to the existence of fake hotels the Commissioner says:

"Inasmuch as hotels are given certain privileges not enjoyed by other places that sell liquor, it is very desirable that the law should be so amended, if possible, as to more explicitly define, in connection with such privileges, for the purpose of this act, the term 'hotel,' as well as the terms 'guest' and 'meals.'"

In speaking of the incorporation of several thousand social clubs in order to avoid the tax under the Raines law, the Commissioner says:

"The extent of this evasion becomes apparent from the fact that there have been 3,860 such clubs chartered from May 1, 1896, to November 24, 1896, and 3,711 to January 13, 1897. The loss to the public revenue sustained from this source is fairly estimated at about \$1,000,000 for the present liquor tax year."

liquor dealers discouraged and driven by unfair competition to the same subterfuge and evasion.

"The summary of tax certificates issued and receipts therefrom during the first six months of the liquor tax year, beginning May 1 and ending October 31, 1896, shows:

"Total certificates issued, 28,211; total cancellations, 1,628; number of certificates in force November 1, 1896, 27,585; received for certificates, transfers and fines, \$11,038,322; refunds paid, \$255,748; refunds due and to be paid, \$85,681; county treasurers' fees, \$56,484; gross collections after payment of refunds and treasurers' fees, \$10,840,408; amount of localities' share, \$7,084,338; State's share, \$3,556,069.

"Licenses issued for twelve months prior to April 30, 1896, 33,437; liquor tax certificates in force November 1, 1896, 27,583; reduction in licensed places, 6,854. Total receipts the last year under old laws, \$3,172,376; expenses of collection for same period, \$252,782; net revenue for towns and cities, \$2,919,593; ratio of expense of collection of same, eight per cent.

UNDER THE NEW LAW.

"Total receipts under Raines Liquor Tax law from May 1 to October 31, 1896, \$11,038,322; deducting rebates paid and due, \$341,430; leaving net collections, \$10,696,892. Expenses of department for six months, ending September 30, 1896, \$64,315; county treasurers' fees, \$56,484; total, \$140,799; net revenue, \$10,556,192.

"It is estimated that collections during the balance of the liquor tax year, to May 1, 1897, will be sufficient to pay refunds due and to become due, and that the expenses of the department for the remaining six months will be \$100,000, which will make the ratio of total expenses in carrying out the law, including county treasurers' fees for thirteen months, ending April 30, 1897, about one quarter per cent.

"Those evading the State tax are mostly in localities subject to the largest tax, viz.: Erie county, 679; King's county, 1,408; New York county, 2,246; Queen's county, 218; Monroe county, 171, and in all other counties of the State 1,447, there being no county in the State but what has one or more cases of the kind.

"After a careful and exhaustive examination, the department is thoroughly convinced that the evasion of the Excise law is and has been for years alarmingly extensive, and that the State's revenue is being seriously impaired by the practices of many who dare not take the chances of punishment by the United States court, but are willing to take the risk of conviction and punishment in local tribunals.

"The number of verified complaints submitted to district attorneys for prosecution was 411, and the number of convictions was 78. The fines aggregated \$4,486."

Renew your subscription, and begin the new year well.

THE CATHOLIC MISSIONARY UNION

The Catholic Missionary Union, founded some time ago by the Paulists, has made splendid progress. The organization has just been incorporated. The following paragraph which we take from "The Missionary," the organ of the Society, gives an excellent idea of the aims of the corporation.

"The particular objects for which the corporation is to be formed are to procure the services of clergymen and laymen of the Roman Catholic Church, to teach and preach as missionaries of their faith in the United States and in furtherance of religious opinion; to provide for the support and maintenance of such persons while engaged in

such work; to lease, take hold, and purchase places, buildings, and lands for such teaching and preaching; to publish and distribute books, pamphlets, and reading matter in connection with such work; and to aid and assist the Archbishops, Bishops, and other authorities of the Roman Catholic Church in the United States in establishing and carrying on home missions in their various jurisdictions.

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Yours sincerely, ESTHER HAGERTY O'REILLY.

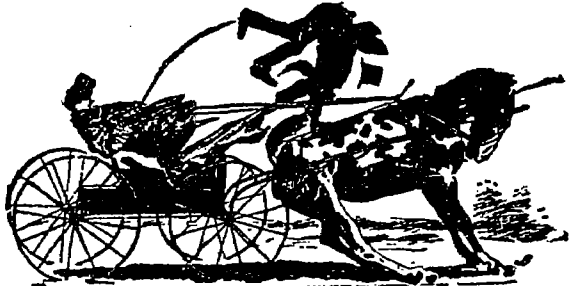
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We have revised the stock and made further reductions for the balance of the month.

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Live Stock Trade.

LONDON, January 18.—Owing to the sharp weather there was an improved demand for cattle and in consequence trade was firmer. The tone of the market on the whole was stronger and prices show an advance of 1/2 to 1c per lb. choice States cattle selling at 11 1/2 to 12 1/2; Argentine at 10 1/2. There was also a firmer feeling for sheep, and values improved 1/2 to 1c per lb. with sales of choice States at 12 to 12 1/2.

A private cable received from Liverpool quoted choice States cattle at 11c and sheep at 11 1/2 to 12c. Another private cable received from Liverpool quoted choice States cattle at 10 1/2 to 11c and sheep at 11c.

Messrs John Olde & Son, live stock salesmen, of London, Eng., write W. H. Beaman, live stock agent, of the Board of Trade, under date of January 7th, as follows:—The supply of beasts at Deptford to-day numbered in all 1,803, of which 1,254 were from the United States and 549 from South America. Trade to-day was slower at a decline in prices, and in order to effect a clearance, sales had to be somewhat forced, the best States cattle on offer realizing 5 1/2; other qualities, 5d to 5 1/2d, and South American cattle, 4 1/2 to 5 1/2d. Trade in the sheep market was slow, but the prices were steady, the supplies consisting of 2,110 sheep from the Argentine, which made from 4 1/2 to 5d, occasionally 5 1/2d.

MONTREAL, Jan. 18.—The feature of the export live stock trade is the encouraging cable advices received from Liverpool and London noting an advance of 1/2 to 1c per lb. in prices for cattle, and 1/2 to 1c for sheep. Recent shipments of sheep to the former market have turned out very satisfactory to shippers, as account sales received show a fair profit. The local market was fairly active for export cattle to-day, there being a fair demand from shippers and quite a few were bought up at prices ranging from 3 1/2 to 3 3/4 per lb. The principal buyers of export stock at Chicago last week were as follows: Hathaway, 4 cars; Lehman, 4; Morris, 3; Schwartzschild, 45; Shamberger, 43; Swift, 29; Blacksher, 7; Sherman, 4; Coghlin, 65; Curran & K., 13; P. Duff, 8—making a total of 333 cars, or about 5,400 head, against 633 last week, and 6,386 a year ago. The steamship Hibernian sails from Portland to Glasgow with 320 cattle, shipped by Eskins & Snell, and 40 by A. McIntosh. The steamship Lake Superior sails from St. John, N.B., to Liverpool with 240 cattle and 1,200 sheep, shipped by Messrs. Gordon & Ironside, Gilchrist & Munro, and A. McIntosh. The steamship Corinthia sails from Breton with 1,000 Canadian sheep, shipped by Coughlin & Elliott, and 440 American cattle, shipped by J. W. & A. Elliott, of Kingston, Ont.

At the East End Abattoir market the offerings of live stock were 500 cattle, 75 sheep, 75 lambs and 10 calves. There was a better tone to the market on account of the lighter run of cattle last Thursday and the smaller receipts to-day, consequently values were a trifle firmer for choice stock and an advance of 1/2 to 1c per lb. was paid in some cases, but this was not general. The attendance of local buyers was large, and notwithstanding the decided change in the weather, the demand for cattle was good, and as the supply was not excessive, a clearance was made. On the whole an active trade was done, and the market maintained its firm tone up to the close. A few very choice cattle sold at 3 1/2 to 4c, choice at 3 1/2 to 3 3/4, good at 3c to 3 1/2, fair at 2 1/2 to 3c, common at 2c to 2 1/2c per lb. live weight. The receipts of sheep and lambs were light, for which the demand was good and prices ruled firm. Sheep sold at 3c to 3 1/2c, lambs 4c to 4 1/2c, and mixed lots at 3 1/2 to 4c per lb. live weight. Calves were scarce, and ranged from \$3 to \$10 each, as to size and quality.

At the Point St. Charles cattle market business was very quiet, and holders of cattle were obliged to send them to the above market in order to dispose of them. There were about 150 sheep and lambs offered, which sold in mixed lots at 3 1/2 to 3 3/4 per lb. live weight. The hog market for light weights was stronger, and prices advanced 1 1/2c per 100 lbs. since this day week, while heavy rule steady. The receipts were small, there being only about 125 offered, which sold at \$4 for heavy weights and at \$4.40 for light weights per 100 lbs. live weight.

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