

sources of contemporary non-Catholic journalism.

Six hundred natives killed in the Philippines and three hundred in Nigeria, all within one week. Uncle Sam and John Bull are certainly a great pair of civilizers. It may be that these punitive expeditions are necessary; we are not going to argue against them; but when they were carried on by Spain in the Philippines they were shocking atrocities, and they are so to-day when they occur in the Belgian Congo,—so says the press of Britain and America. Against this Pharisaical hypocrisy we make an emphatic protest. Spaniards and Belgians are not any more cruel than Englishmen and Americans and the work they have done for civilization is far superior to anything of which the Anglo-Saxon race can boast.

On the 3rd inst., in the academic hall of St. Mary's College, Montreal, Rev. Hugo Lefebvre, S.J., musical director in that college, gave an illustrated lecture on Church Music, which marks an epoch in the restoration so earnestly required by the present Pope. Two bishops, including His Grace the Archbishop of Montreal (under whose patronage the lecture was placed), 250 priests and clerical brothers, a large number of distinguished musicians and a very large lay audience pronounced the entertainment a great success, for it was not a mere lecture; every point was exemplified by selections rendered by an excellent choir of men and boys. The lecturer began by explaining the Holy Father's views on the reform of Church music, clearing up misconceptions and showing how, from the double viewpoint of religion and art, the happiest results may be obtained. This was immediately illustrated by the singing of the Gregorian "O Salutaris," another version of the same by Abbe Ch. Hamm, and the "Christus factus est" of Father Rothwell, S.J. The second part of the lecture dealt with the Gregorian or Plain Chant, its origin, character and devotional influence, its recent restoration, and its place in the liturgical offices. This was exemplified by singing according to the Vatican text, the Asperges, Kyrie, Vidi Aquam, and Sanctus. Then came an analysis of Palestrina's music, which differs from the Gregorian in being harmonic and polyphonic. Palestrina's works contain masterpieces of pure vocal music. As examples of this style were rendered the "O Vos Omnes" of Morales and the "O quam bonus" of Abbe Cherion. Cecilian music was next considered, with its stores of up-to-date harmonies, exemplified by Piel's "Justus ut palma," Abbe J. O. Lagace's "Sanctus," and Gurtler's "Salve Regina." The third part of the lecture dealt with Modern Music, its character, its instrumental requirements little suited to a church, the conditions on which the Holy Father permits its use, answers to those who object to its exclusion from our churches. As permissible samples the choir rendered Abbe Lepage's "Panis Angelicus," Abbe Cherion's "Ave Verum," A. Letondal's "Ave Maria," and Th. Dubois' "Ave Verum." The fourth and concluding part of the lecture recommended the expurgation of our present collections of so called church music, the formation of better collections, and especially the more artistic rendering of the Gregorian chant. The entertainment closed with Abbe Ch. Hamm's "Oremus pro Pontifice Nostro Pio Decimo." Mr. A. Letondal, whose name appears above as one of the composers selected as models, and who is the organist of the Gesu, accompanied all the selections on the harmonium. The audience went away delighted with the singing. Many declared that they had never before realized the beauties of the soul-stirring Gregorian. Father H. Lefebvre, to whom this local initiation of the much needed reform is due, is already one of the leading musical experts in Canada, and, moreover, a charming and cultured lecturer with a mind enriched by a long and thorough training in literature, philosophy and theology.

Lecturers who come to us from the Western States and are not too old to adapt themselves to their present environment would do well not to emphasize the unaccustomed "o" in such phrases as "effort," "innocent" and "pur-gatory." This peculiarity of the early New England days has long since been discarded by the best speakers east of the Alleghenies. Like the common American fault of emphasizing unimportant words—a failing immortalized by Dickens in "Martin Chuzzlewit"—it engenders monotony, impairs the natural clarity of English speech, and needlessly starts the average British subject, thus distracting his mind from the thought, for which speech should be an unnoticed medium.

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Persons and Facts

(Continued from page 1.)

for many years was known as the most popular preacher in California. Few knew of his Indian origin. "The Monitor" concludes: "That Indians are capable of high intellectual culture and lofty religious thought, none who knew this lovable and learned priest can have any doubt."

It is rumored in Rome that some wealthy person has placed \$400,000 at the disposal of Pope Pius to assist His Holiness in solving the financial problems among the poorer parishes of France, now struggling under the persecutions of the Law of Separation. The name of the donor is not given, but it is believed to be the Empress Eugenie.

The celebration of the Jewish Passover began in Winnipeg on Monday night at sundown. The Passover continues for eight days and during that time the Jewish people use only unleavened bread, being excluded from the use of all cereals.

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LYCEUM NOTES

The past fortnight has been one of comparative inactivity, all the Lyceum boys finding themselves quite occupied at St. Mary's church by the able Passionist Fathers. Two large committees called upon the missionaries, one upon Father O'Brien and the other upon Father Barrett. and the boys were captivated with the magnetic personality of each of the Fathers.

The Lyceum was glad that the Pastor's Auxiliary branch was given another opportunity through the missions to demonstrate its usefulness. This committee, including Messrs. Cantwell, Coyle and Nicholl, assisted by others, spared no effort or time in its endeavor to handle the immense crowds attending the Missions.

The Lyceum football club is a very live reality now. It is the first time the society has found active and persistent kickers in its midst, but they vent all their kicking propensities upon the poor little "pigskin." Three practices have been held and an unexpected amount of talent showed up. There was material for a senior team, composed chiefly of experienced senior players in the city, but several of these had already signed with other clubs and while willing to come over to the Lyceum this year such action would prove embarrassing for them. The club, therefore, at its meeting on Tuesday night decided to enter an intermediate team in the Manitoba Amateur Association Football League.

The Lyceum orchestra has resumed regular practices after the mission.

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Clerical News

Rev. Jose Luis Anaya, aged 106 years, has just died at his home in Guadalajara, Mexico, after an eventful life. He was ordained a priest when twenty-eight years of age, and for seventy-eight years he has been in one monastery or church or another. Father Anaya was probably the oldest priest in the world.

The condition of the Very Rev. Dr. O'Riordan, rector of the Irish college in Rome, who has been ill for some time, remains unchanged.

Monsignor Mercier, professor of philosophy at the University of Louvain, and a member of the Royal Academy at Belgium, succeeds Cardinal Goossens as Archbishop of Malines.

A very handsome and unique chalice was consecrated to the service of the altar by Archbishop Moeller last week. It was cast from the personal jewelry owned by the late Archbishop Elder, which that prelate gave to his niece, Madame Elder, superior of the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Clifton. Following the late archbishop's request that they be converted into some article for the altar, she sent them to New York to be made into a chalice.

The jewelry included a ring, pectoral cross, and several other personal effects. The gems with which they were set were taken out and the gold melted down into a chalice, in which the jewels were set. It is now in the chapel of Seton hospital, Cincinnati, where Archbishop Moeller says mass daily.

Rev. Albert Negahanquet of Oklahoma Territory was the celebrant of solemn high mass on Sunday, the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at St. Philip and James' church, Baltimore. He was assisted by Rev. John E. Wade and Rev. Hugh J. Monaghan as deacon and subdeacon, respectively.

Father Nagahanquet (the English for which is "scattered clouds") has been attending the course of lectures during the last year at the Apostolic Mission House, Washington, D. C., and is said to be the only full-blooded Indian Catholic raised to the priesthood in this country. He is a member of the famous Pottowatamie tribe of Indians and comes of a fine family. He was born on the Pottowatamie reservation, near St. Mary's Kan., about 23 years ago, and in his youth was taken with the tribe to Oklahoma Territory. His early training was under the Benedictine Fathers at the Sacred Heart Abbey, on the tribal reservation in Oklahoma. His brilliant mind soon gave him a leading place among his classmates while preparing himself for the priesthood. His course in theology was made at the Propaganda in Rome, and on returning to this country, being desirous of doing most efficient work among his own people, he determined to avail himself of the training afforded him at the Apostolic Mission House.

Father Albert, as he is familiarly known, is held in high esteem by his people.

Rev. Father Gladu, O.M.I., is gone to preach a retreat at Kenora.

His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface will preach in St. Mary's Church on Easter Sunday evening.

On Wednesday afternoon Rev. Father Kieffer, S.J., of St. Boniface College, went to St. Thomas, N. Dak., to assist Rev. Father Arsenaux in the Holy Week services. On the same day Rev. Father Bourneville, S.J., of the same college, went to Letellier to assist Rev. Father Jutras.

On Tuesday morning the Telegram had a fine photographic group of the luncheon party "On Government House Steps" in honor of Prince Arthur of Connaught. The Prince and Lady McMillan are in the centre of the group. His Grace Archbishop Langevin is on Lady McMillan's right and Sir Daniel McMillan on the Prince's right.

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Rev. Father Lacasse, O.M.I., returned last Monday from St. Francois Xavier, where he preached a successful mission, attended by people from a great distance, with abundant sacramental fruits.

Rev. Father Drummond, S.J., leaves on Saturday for East Grand Forks, Minn., where he will preach on Sunday at the blessing of a new altar in Rev. Father Greene's church.

Rev. Fathers Barrett and O'Brien, C.P., left for the south on Monday afternoon.

Rev. Father Guillet, O.M.I., returns to St. Mary's Presbytery as treasurer. He is succeeded in the pastorate of the French Church at Duluth by Rev. Father Frigon, O.M.I., who left last week to enter upon this important charge.

Rev. Father Sinnett, of Prince Albert, is actively engaged in establishing two new parishes in Saskatchewan, townships 32, 33, 34, 35, ranger 21 and 22. He hopes to attract some 400 Irish Catholic families from Ontario and North Dakota this season.

Rev. Joseph McCarthy, O.M.I., stationed for 23 years at St. Mary's, has been appointed chaplain of St. Mary's Convent in Duluth.

Rev. Father Gaire has left for France to get settlers for the west. Rev. Father Lecocq, O.M.I., will leave immediately after Easter to get French settlers for St. Rose du Lac.

The French Radicals are showing their hatred of Christianity in a devilish fashion. Recently as many as fifty-three children were registered in Paris under the name of "Judas Iscariot." Protestant publications in England are shocked at the outrages perpetrated on Catholics in France by the followers of Combes.

At Pueruandiro, Michoacan, Mexico, last week, Archbishop Silva laid the corner-stone of a new Catholic hospital, which when completed, will cost nearly \$100,000. The site was donated by Senor Jose Marie Galvan, and on the day of the cornerstone laying, Senor Galvan, and his wife, Dona E. Varnata Galvan, gave thousands more toward the erection of a chapel.

The other day the Inventory was taken in the little village church of Billere, almost a suburb of Pau, the winter station in the Pyrenees so much frequented by the English. The church and presbytery lie on the side of a smiling little hill, overlooking the English golf ground and the vast plane of the Gave. To protest against the odious and sacrilegious proceedings the faithful were assembled in the church—the Catholic gentry, the peasantry, and the working people. The government's agent pursued his task while the faithful were engaged in prayer. Suddenly a tall gentleman, of military appearance, in top-boots, riding-whip in hand, rose quietly and approached the agent: "Pardon me, sir, but may I ask to what religion you belong?" "I," replied the police-agent confusedly, "I am a Catholic." "And I," continued the gentleman, "I am a Protestant, but I have come here to tell you that the act you are performing at this moment is an act shameful for you and for those who have ordered it." "But who are you that you question me thus?" "I am the Baron d'Este." "I shall insert in the official report (proces-verbal) the words you have just used." "Yes, sir, that is my wish, and not only do I wish it, but I insist upon it!" Thereupon the treasury agent dictated to his secretary: "M. le Baron d'Este said: 'The act you are committing is shameful.' 'Add 'and ignominious,' " said the Baron d'Este, and then, his protest made, he left the little church.

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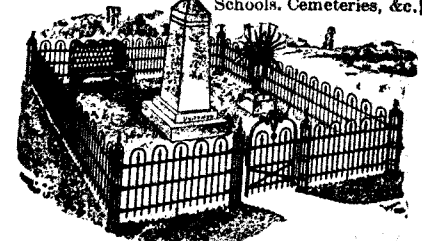
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