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where the funny sacred rite have brought upon them a torrent of ridicule...

humanity better if they would stop their howling at the Church of Rome and combat a very live evil.

THE PAPAL DELEGATE

On the 21st July His Excellency Mgr. Stagni, Papal Delegate, was given a reception in St. John's, Nfld., of a character so warm and so enthusiastic...

On the Palace steps, the Delegate, with the Archbishop, Bishop March, Bishop-elect Power, Monsignor Sinnott, and clergy, awaited the arrival of the Societies...

My thanks to Mr. Moran for the copy of the Editor of the copy of the valuable information.

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A TURMOIL ON TRIFLES

There is much agitation of mind amongst the preachers of Toronto because of a momentous case before the courts. A man named Brooker keeps a restaurant, and Mr. Brooker, it is claimed by the complainants, showed a remarkable degree of degeneracy...

ROBERT CASE IN QUEBEC

Robert case in Quebec did not appeal for appeal was made by several parties and was a law, not to Church had nothing to do himself—the head of arch in Ireland—says for those backward as their own laws, and not a Protestant minister a few weeks ago—a Catholic, and even, and some day he had there gets the marriage is valid when the domicile the capacity and if the marriage accordance with the to turn to Rev. A. H. rian minister of Peter-out that "Protestant serve the cause of

AN ANSWER GIVEN

All the resolutions concerning the Ne Temere decree which were enacted by the annual conferences of the sects and by scores of Orange lodges have come to naught.

A REBUFF

From out of the camps of the different sects have come protests against the ill-considered and intemperate utterances of many clergymen.

BISHOP O'CONNOR'S JUBILEE

In union with the thousands of Catholics throughout the Dominion, the CATHOLIC RECORD offers its heartiest congratulations to the Right Rev. Bishop O'Connor of Peterborough, who on Wednesday celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the Holy Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The "Rev." George M. Atlas, the Macedonian whose case has attracted so much attention and who was recently released from Kingston Penitentiary on parole, has been indulging in some wild talk designed to implicate Rev. Father Minehan of Toronto in the "persecution of which, as he alleges, he has been the victim.

FATHER BERNARD VAGHAN'S TRIALS

FATHER BERNARD VAGHAN'S trials with his motor chapel did not end with its dedication. The first disturbers were shaken off, but as the chapel progressed on its tour others took their place, and, as if to prove that all the fools are not dead yet, made the devoted Jesuit the target of the traditional fool-questions about his Society.

THROUGH THE PUBLICITY GIVEN TO THE VERDESI CASE

THROUGH THE publicity given to the Verdesi case in Rome we have heard much recently about the seal of the confessional. The verdict in that much discussed trial was a triumphant vindication of the integrity of the sacrament, and a source of confusion to its enemies.

was appointed Bishop of Peterborough by Leo XIII, 11th of January, 1889, succeeding the present venerable Bishop of Hamilton, and was consecrated in St. Peter's Cathedral, May 1st, 1889.

During the first years of Bishop O'Connor's episcopate his see included not only the diocese of Peterborough, but the present diocese of Sault Ste. Marie as well.

During the years that Bishop O'Connor administered this extensive territory, and latterly in his own diocese of Peterborough, His Lordship has been instrumental in building innumerable churches as well as schools, hospitals, orphanages, and presbyteries.

THE OTHER incident, which we heard many years ago from the lips of Archbishop Lynch, comes somewhat nearer home.

ACCORDING to press despatches a society has been formed in Berlin for the purpose of stamping out bribery in business transactions.

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on the sacrament as administered in the Church of England in recent years. Of course, since Anglican orders are of such doubtful validity as to have failed egregiously under the tests submitted by the Holy See, the confessional as a sacrament cannot be said to exist in the English Church at all, and consequently the Seal, so historically characteristic of the Catholic Sacrament, has no application to its semblance as practised by our Anglican friends.

BUT to Catholics, so accustomed since childhood to the frequentation of the Sacrament of Penance and to absolute trust in its secrecy and integrity, there is something diverting in the Anglican conception of the same.

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the German society might well extend to this country, and Boards of Trade become its propagators and patrons.

THE decision in a London (England) court recently, regarding the docking of horses' tails is timely and significant. The decision states that this docking involves cruelty and is therefore a punishable act.

WRITING of the great part played by the Duke of Norfolk in the Coronation ceremonies Sir William Robertson Nicol, who, by the way, is a Nonconformist clergyman, has this to say to the readers of the British Weekly:

"The great black beard of the Duke of Norfolk belongs now to British history. It will be difficult to picture regal ceremonial without it. When I first looked down the blue-empired steps that led from the Chair to the Throne, the Earl Marshal, in his accustomed splendour of raiment, with his accustomed vivacity, was superintending the distribution of morocco-bound orders of service.

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the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ; of the Immaculate Conception and of the Assumption of Blessed Mary Mother of God; of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul; and finally of All Saints.

II. The Feasts of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and of the Nativity of Saint John Baptist, both with Octave, shall be celebrated as in their proper place; the first, on the Sunday following the nineteenth day of March, the feast remaining fixed on the nineteenth day of March if that day falls on a Sunday; the other on the Sunday preceding the Feast of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul.

III. To the ecclesiastical precept spoken of above the Feasts of Patronage shall not be subject. Ordinaries, however, may transfer the solemn celebration of them to the Sunday immediately following.

IV. If in any place any one of the Feasts indicated has been legitimately abolished or transferred, let nothing be done without consulting the Apostolic See. But if in any nation or region the Bishops deem it right to preserve any one of the Feasts abrogated, let them refer it to the Holy See.

V. If, however, with any one of the Feasts which we wish preserved there should coincide a day consecrated to abstinence or fasting, we dispense in both and we grant the same dispensation also for Feasts of Patronage abolished by this law of Ours, should it happen that they be celebrated solemnly and with a large attendance of the people.

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BEAUTIFUL WORDS

When the late Rev. Dr. Teedy of Toronto received the degree of LL. D. from his alma mater, Toronto University he addressed the graduates of that institution in the following beautiful words:

"I come to you as the last and least of the oldest line of teachers of the civilized world—the line of the Catholic priesthood. Its character is upon my soul, shaping my life, and ordering all my thoughts. After leaving your hands, Mr. President, now the only pros-essor left of my undergraduate days, a voice came to me as it came to one of those great real doctors of my Church saying tolle te lege. I obeyed. Then it was I learned that there were sweeter songs than those of Greece, the songs of Zion, and that there is a Voice which proclaims man's freedom in more authoritative tones than had ever been heard from Athenian platform or Roman forum.

"I give this new proof of Apostolic solicitude We nourish the certain hope that all the faithful, even on those days which we now remove from the number of those of strict precept, will be less than before show testimony of their piety towards God and of their veneration for the Saints, and that on the other Feasts which are preserved by the Church they will care with greater diligence than before for the observance of the precept.

All things whatsoever even such as require special mention to the contrary notwithstanding.

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"The childhood shows the man, as morning shows the day."—Milton. "Family intimacy should never make brothers and sisters forget to be polite to each other."—Silvio Pellico.

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