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ROMANISM IN THE UNITED STATES.—The Satolli appointment—not very cordially received by the local Roman Catholic authorities—leads the Chicago correspondent of the *Church Times* to remark: "It would take but little high-handed coercive action on the part of the Vatican to develop a sentiment of 'Old Catholicism' among our Roman Catholics, that might snap the silken cords which at present bind their Church in the U. S. to the chair of St. Peter."

"CATHEDRALS ARE LIKE ELEPHANTS," remarked the Dean of Chichester to Dr. Liddon on his appointment to St. Paul's—"they are large animals. They may be taught to dance, but it takes a long time." So the Dean recently referred to "slow but sure" progress being made in the services and work of a certain West of England Cathedral.

FATHER DOLLING, OR "BROTHER BOB"—as he was most familiarly known among sea-faring Englishmen before his ordination to the priesthood—had much to say at a recent Church Union meeting at Bristol, on the subject of bringing Church services down to a practical level with poor people. He has been accustomed to "sitting in a room full of sailors and soldiers, smoking, leading off choruses of comic songs, or presiding at a dance"—so he knows what such people think they ought to have in Church; bright, easy, hearty services.

A "MOTHER CHURCH" INDEED.—We find in the *Guardian* the record of a "new departure"—alas that it should be so new—made recently at St. Asaph Cathedral: that of having an appeal and collection for some one of the "daughter churches" on the 2nd Sunday in each month. The first of these was for the restoration and enlargement of Holy Trinity church, Oswestry, which was originally built in 1837. How long will it be before old and wealthy churches in Canada follow the example?

DR. RAINSFORD AND TEMPERANCE.—The latest sensation on this subject is the trenchant presentation of the matter made by the Rector of St. George's, N.Y., at Cooper Union, before a band of Socialists. Dr. R. is nothing if not energetic and outright, and his claim that a man has as much "right" to drink ale as to drink coffee, and that the saloon is as proper as the coffee restaurant, will find echo in many American minds.

"UNDENOMINATIONAL," as a description of religion "reduced to its lowest terms," has received

apt illustration in Athelstan Riley's exposure of School Board religion—which has proved to be nothing more or less than Unitarianism, *i. e.*, "Christianity without the Christ." His resolutions make the doctrine of Christ's divinity essential in the school teaching—bring the matter to a crisis—and none too soon.

CANON DRIVER AS A CRITIC has overdone his role in assuming that his view of the errors (?) in the Scripture Genesis are borne out by the conclusions of Science. An able correspondent of the *Church Times* has shown that the leaders of Geological Science—Cuvier, Buckland, Hitchcock, Silliman, Sedgwick, Hugh Miller, Darwin, Dawson—even the Evolutionists Romanes and Brunton, agree with Genesis rather than Driver!

"THE HOLY INDEFINITE" is a term recently devised to express the pious faith (?) of many morally good men, who think they can keep up the Christian code of life without the aid of any bony skeleton or framework of theological dogma. This "invertebrate" type of Christianity seems to please most of the people of Boston—at present. But Boston is like the ancient Athens—"something new" is the great desideratum.

OUR INDIAN HOMES—originally a very "happy thought"—are doing good service everywhere. We hear most, perhaps, of "Shingwauk" and "Wawanosh," but there are several others in the field, where quick and steady efforts deserve encouragement—such as the one at Middlechurch, Manitoba. It seems that \$50 per annum is sufficient—with the Government grant—to provide for the expenses of each Indian child in such institutions. This is a sum which will be easily provided by many of our city Sunday schools. At first, two might join together to provide the sum.

"BECOMING INDEPENDENT" is an ambition that should be kept more constantly before the people of our country missions than it is. Once in a while a report is spread that some particular mission has risen to the level of an *independent parish*—and there is a feeling of surprise, because the thing happens so seldom. It should be going on all the time; every year and every diocese should record one or two instances. The last we have noticed to be placed in this honour list is Rat Portage. Well done! The advance from \$400 to \$600 per annum is not difficult.

REV. G. RODGERS has been commissioned to visit Eastern Canada in search of subsidy for the immense Western work which rests so heavily on the shoulders of Rupert's Land. The people there are doing nobly for themselves. An assessment of \$6,000 for this purpose is already yielding more than was expected—parishes are exceeding the expectations of the authorities of the diocese. Rich residents of the east should give Mr. Rodgers a hearty welcome—and help.

A WISE PASTOR is he who feeds his flock with food "convenient" for them. There is such a one at Rounthwaite, Manitoba, where the incumbent sets out in his monthly parish paper the following significant announcements:—"Parish Notes, Illustrated, 50 cents; CANADIAN CHURCHMAN, weekly, only one dollar a year. Mr. Dransfield will be glad to receive subscriptions for both. The CANADIAN CHURCHMAN is a very interesting week-