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THURSDAY, MAY 25, 1905.

CATHOLIC REPRESENTATION IN THE CABINET.

Premier Gouin gives assurance that the Irish Catholics of this Province will be duly represented in his Cabinet. This is well upon the principle of better late than never.

BY-ELECTIONS IN ONTARIO.

On June 13, by-elections will be held in London and North Oxford, the two constituencies made vacant by the death of the late Hon. James Sutherland, who represented North Oxford, and the appointment to his portfolio of Hon. C. S. Hyman, the sitting member for London.

Carman used also to be a great Liberal, but not great enough to stand the test of equal rights to all classes and denominations in Canada.

HISTORY OF THE IRISH LANGUAGE MOVEMENT.

We publish to-day an instructive paper dealing with the history of the Irish language movement. A few weeks ago we said that the Irish in Canada have not taken in this movement the interest becoming their importance as a branch of the sea-divided family of the Gael.

WINNIPEG THE WICKED.

Rev. C. W. Gordon, a Presbyterian minister of Winnipeg, better known here as "Ralph Connor," the story writer, has been making revelations of western immorality that have been spread by the telegraph throughout the continent.

THE DOINGS OF "SOCIETY LEADERS"

The doings of "Society leaders" in modern Babylon, or New York, Winnipeg will have to outlive its debauchery and a respectable public opinion will have to be slowly developed.

Lord Dillon, who has recently been elected a Trustee of the British Museum, is President of the Society of Antiquaries, and has a splendid library at his seat at Ditchley, near Oxford.

ENCOURAGING WORDS.

In a recent issue the Michigan Catholic had the following: The bigotry shown by some of the Canadian papers over the Separate School Question now pending should encourage Catholics to support their Catholic press more strongly than ever.

THE LANGUAGE MOVEMENT.

A HISTORY OF ITS PROGRESS. (Continued from Page 1.) John Dillon and William Dillon, whose father, John Blake Dillon, had escaped in '48 out of the Clarendon street Priory disguised as a priest.

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The Paris newspapers reproduce an article by M. Combes, which the Press of Buenos Ayres has published. In this the ex-Premier seeks to show that his policy was the consequence and the logical continuation of that of M. Waldeck Rousseau, and that the only differences between him and his predecessor, so far as the application of the Associations law was concerned, were differences of method.

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An able French writer, formerly Professor in the University of Geneva, M. Edouard Rod, has a remarkable study of Cardinal Merry del Val in the Paris Figaro. The Cardinal, he says, is the son of a Spanish father and an Irish mother. On one side, the paternal, he is from the nation whence came the Jesuits and the Inquisition. On the other hand, he belongs through his mother, "a ce qui il y a de plus strict et de plus étroit dans le Catholicisme."

ENCOURAGING WORDS.

The London Catholic Herald states that in order to deal efficiently with the problem of the Catholic schools and to counteract the influence of the Passive Resistance movement, a new Catholic scheme has been outlined, the main purpose of which is to claim that Catholic rates be paid for Catholic education.

The English Catholic Truth Society have decided to join Dr. Kauffmann, a priest in Germany, who has established a Catholic news agency for the purpose of dealing with the wilful and lying reports which are published from time to time by the Protestant press.

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The chief difficulty with students in those days was the want of cheap suitable books. Canon Bourke's Easy Lessons and College Irish Grammar were the only modern books, and these cost 3s 6d each.

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A warm newspaper controversy started upon the appearance of the First Irish Book. The attack was led by Mr. James E. H. Murphy, Six Bedell Irish Scholar, T.C.D. Amongst those who replied were the veteran John Fleming, of Rathcorrack, Carrick-on-Suir, and a young man, Douglas Hyde, "the Rectory, Frenchpark."

ENCOURAGING WORDS.

The Gaelic League was established towards the close of 1892. Douglas Hyde was first President, with John MacNeill, B.A., as secretary. Modest little notices of its meetings appeared from time to time in the Gaelic Journal.

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Happiness is holiness. No man can be happy out of God. He made us for Himself, and we can be happy only in doing His will.

script was a thorough knowledge of the language spoken by the peasants in Donegal, in Kerry, and in the Arran Islands. This view is now generally accepted; but a quarter of a century ago it was by no means general amongst Irish scholars.

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The First Irish Book at 2d. came out in September, '77, and within a month had run to a 6th edition. The second Irish Book, at 4d., was issued in January, 1878, and up to the month of June of that year there were sold 16,000 First Books and 6000 Second Books.

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The Gaelic League and its journal had a sharp struggle for existence. The times were not favorable. It was a time of fierce, strenuous political strife. There was hardly time or thought for the language.

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After the service a banquet served to Bishop Racicot and visiting clergy. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock Vespers were sung, and Benediction imparted.

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