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Persons and Facts

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According to the report of Monsignor O'Connell, president of the Catholic university, its finances are in most excellent condition. Messrs. Maskins and Sells, two expert accountants in New York City were employed to go over the accounts, and the result of their work is the welcome announcement that the assets of the university, including buildings, grounds, investments, etc. amounted on March 31 last to \$2,174,697. On that date the cash on hand amounted to \$34,341.63, and the investments of money amounted to \$1,184,998.01, including a little more than \$800,000 invested in the Waggonman estate, and \$361,148.15 which has been invested in gilt-edge railroad stocks and bonds through the finance committee.

Three Anglican Bishops during the Sessions of the Synod held at Toronto last week protested against textbooks used in the High School. They contend that teachings contained therein are contrary to the doctrines of Christianity. The Government will inquire into the question.

Dr. J. C. Herdman, Superintendent of Missions, advised the Presbyterian General Assembly, held at London, Ont., last week that it would not be a judicious thing to send a quantity of literature regarding the proposed church union to the Synods of British Columbia and Alberta. There was a strong feeling throughout the West that this question of union should not be urged at the present time. Out of all the ministers in the West there had only been four in British Columbia and five in Alberta who had in the Presbyteries spoken in favor of union. There was not out West a very sympathetic feeling toward some of the other churches. Unless the Methodists and Presbyterians could get together in the matter of better methods the question of union should be left in abeyance.

The Rev. John B. Delany, Bishop of the diocese of Manchester, N.H., died on June 11. Bishop Delany was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, in 1864, was ordained a priest in 1891 and became Bishop of Manchester September 8, 1904. Bishop Delany succeeded Bishop Denis M. Bradley, who died December 13, 1903. He was at the date of his consecration the youngest of the New England Bishops, being in his fortieth year. The deceased prelate was an active promoter of the Knights of Columbus and had been chaplain for the State of Massachusetts.

The Chicago Commercial association has named Charles L. Hutchison, of the Corn Exchange bank; Rt. Rev. Bishop Muldoon of the Cathedral diocese of Chicago; Walter Fitch, president of the board of trade; Rollin A. Keyes, a wholesale grocer, and Mason B. Starling, general manager of the Chicago City Railway company, to investigate the Chicago stockyards and packing houses in order to find out the truth of the conditions in Packingtown.

By far the greater number of conversions to the faith anywhere are unchronicled. Only last week we heard of a devoted priest in a comparatively small American city, who generally has as many as 30 inquiring non-Catholics under instructions; and they are not "mixed marriage converts," either. The priest is full of zeal, and he has communicated some spark of it to every member of his congregation. His experience is that one earnest convert is sure to make others, and it often happens that the conversion of an individual results in that of a whole household. The Rochester "Catholic Citizen."

New Ross, County Wexford, says the Leinster Leader, has not had a single case of drunkenness in six weeks' judging by the police court record. The town has over 6,000 inhabitants, and many saloons.

Very Rev. Dean Fallor, pastor of New Albany, Indiana, will celebrate next month his diamond jubilee. Few

priests live to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of their ordination. Dean Fallor, is still active, despite his three-score years of toil in the Master's vineyard.

Rev. J. N. Pelletier, O.M.I., of Plattsburg, N.Y., has been chosen by the Oblate Fathers as a delegate to the international conference of the order to be held this month in Rome.

Rev. Father O'Leary, of Quebec, who was one of the chaplains with the first Canadian contingent to South Africa during the war, is now employed as archivist for the government at Quebec. He has unearthed so many historically valuable documents of Continental interest, that the American government has called him to Washington, and desires to employ him in the same capacity.

The Royal Priest—Prince Max—who is now teaching at a German university, and a few years ago labored so successfully among the poor in the slums of London, is a brother of the present King of Saxony. Before he became a priest he had the reputation of being the most dashing officer in the crack cavalry regiment to which he belonged. One day he rode straight from some manoeuvres to a monastery, entered and remained there, and in due course of time became a priest.

The liquefaction of the blood of St. Januarius again took place this year on the 6th May, to the great joy of the people of Naples, who illuminated their houses in honor of it. Science is helpless in the face of this miracle.

In a recent pastoral of the Archbishop of Chile, Mgr. Mariano Casanova suggests a congress, composed of his suffragans, his ablest priests and laymen and the leaders of the Chilean Socialist party for the purpose of considering the labor question in that country, and making effort to reach a Christian solution.

A pontifical train, which was built for Pius IX for railway journeys and which, of course, has not been used since September, 1870, is on exhibition in the section devoted to "Retrospective Art" at the present Milan exhibition. It consists of three wagons, and was presented in 1858. One of the wagons is a richly decorated parlor car and another an oratory.

Rt. Rev. Mgr. Robert Gradwell, M.R., passed away at Cloughton-on-Brock, England, recently in his eightieth year,

the last of a historic Lancashire Catholic family. The Gradwell family may be traced for several centuries. One of them, Albert took part in the battle of Hastings, as a follower of Roger Poictou. This Roger was the son of the great Earl of Montgomery, who commanded one of the wings of King William's army on the memorable day. Roger was a favorite with his master, and received from him enormous estates in Lancashire. The family continued in the main line until the fourteenth century, high in honor and in place. Later the Eccleston Gradwells became lesser gentry, and little is known of them until the persecutions of Elizabeth brought them into disagreeable notice by constantly recurring fines and exactions. One of the Croston Gradwells settled at Clifton, in the Fylde, and it was from him that the late Monsignor Gradwell was descended. None of the name now owns a single acre of land in Lancashire. Members of the Gradwell family have been priests at Cloughton for nearly 100 years. In 1809 the Rev. Robert Gradwell came as curate to Father Barrow, who died in 1811. Father Gradwell remained in charge until 1817, when he went to Rome to be rector of the English college there, and was afterwards made Coadjutor to Bishop Branston, of London. He was succeeded at Cloughton by his brother, the Rev. Henry Gradwell, who, at the time of his demise, had been priest there for 43 years.

Last Sunday at half past two in the afternoon the Most Rev. Archbishop of St. Boniface confirmed 111 persons in his Cathedral, 43 of whom were boys or men, the rest girls. His Grace preached amid the deafening din of a violent thunderstorm which drowned even his penetrating voice. All preparations had been made for a grand Corpus Christi procession through the streets of St. Boniface: flags and bunting were flying all along the proposed route, several altars had been erected in the open air; but as a great electric and rain storm burst over this part of the country in the middle of the night between Saturday and Sunday, and although it cleared up in time for the procession the roads were so muddy that walking in them would have been impossible, and so the procession was given up. Another thunderstorm came on at 2 p.m., and when it ceased the rain fell in sheets till evening. In two days three inches of rain were recorded here. The barely completed tower of the new Methodist Church in Broadway, undermined by the rain, collapsed on Monday morning. Much damage was also done elsewhere to the foundations of buildings in process of erection.

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