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LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.

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PRESBYTERIAN CONFERENCE ON BAPTISM

of Pittsburgh, Penn., held a conference in which the question was raised whether the Presbyterian Church should substitute immersion for sprinkling in the administration of baptism-A committee had approved of the change in its report. The idea was rejected at the meeting of the whole Presbytery. Judging from the brief report the arguments were based largely upon expedi-

ency and economy. There seems to have been no appeal to the Westminster Confession, which explicitly states that: "Dipping of the person into the water is not necessary; but baptism is rightly three thousand were baptized at

tions of the Roman

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them. If the sacrament has no efficacy close touch with Rome through of itself how in the case of infant the Church of Gaul. Least of mbers changing residence will please give old Presbytery had taken up this side usurped from East or West rights or in which Biblical students are parading presentative of his native state of aspew address. Not many weeks ago the Presbytery disciplinary and accidental.

> THE CLAIMS OF THE CHURCH In a lecture upon the founders of the English or Anglican Church the Rev. G. A. Harris is reported by the Halifax

Herald as saying:
"The Church of Christ was to be Universal Church for all nations, but gradually there was a tendency to cen tralize power, and to assume that the central point had the right to dictate and to govern all other churches."

The tendency in the long run of hisadministered by pouring or sprinkling tory is not towards unity but towards water upon the person." One minister disintegration. Sometimes the periods said he would prefer leaving the Church of unification are longer than others, -he would not and could not immerse in though kingdoms yield to that changing the name of the Trinity. Private character of all things human. It was judgment comes in here. When the so with the ancient monarchies, with Confession of Faith says that immer- Alexander the Great's conquests, with this respect. They have no idea of the sion is not necessary it leaves the Roman Empire and the others. If passive virtues, or if they have, they question somewhat free. A the Church was to develop according scorn to practice any of them. Reverminister cannot therefore be justified to the general law, instead of growin threatening to leave the church upon | ing into one harmonious institution, that question alone. Facetiousness took it would have crumbled by hold of some who tried to be witty by its own weight. That no centrali- whilst simplicity and modesty are suggesting that the advocates of im- zation in the Church could have been looked down upon with contempt. mersion should be sent over to the Bap- realized is evident from the weakness of tists. Others again were practical and Rome itself, from the nature of the cipline maintained? Not in schools sparing rather than doctrinal and discip- power which it exercised and from the linary. To erect baptismal pools would slight communication possible with the these results may be witnessed during be too expensive. A truly Presbyterian outlying districts. Rome's spiritual any of the five school-days of argument! Immersion is a most sacred power was of a far different origin. If the week. They have frequently been rite and is clearly indicated in the Acts | Christ's Church was to be universal in of the Apostles. By this mode Christ time and space, it was to be universal Lately the criticism came from a higher Himself was baptized. This rite is best from the start and from the cornersuited to signify the burial with our stone. The Catholicity of the Church large meeting in the Toronto City Hall, Lord and our spiritual resurrection by is no chance growth or accidental in- said: "I am not convinced that your baptism. Immersion was not the only crease, the outcome of missionary zeal schools are turning out boys, fitted valid way of administering the sacra- and national establishment. It is in the when they become men to be the reapers When we read in the Acts that warp and woof of the Church, framed of a splendid destiny. Your children in and fashioned by the Divine Founder— some parts of Ontario are without once it is not likely they were baptized by immersion. So when St. Paul in prison baptized his jailer and his family prison baptized his jailer and his fami once it is not likely they were baptized marking the Church and differentiating immersed them. uetude, although sects. The message was to the whole sects and the meaning the meaning the meaning the sects are meaning to the sects and the meaning the meani Immersion fell into desuetude, although sects. The message was to the whole sign of manliness. Admitting to-day it is not absolutely as a question of numbers, yet Ritual. This numbers are in favor of the Roman is not practical; for if it were obliga- Church. It is more strictly speaking a a parent more keenly than to be told tory for the validity of the sacrament | question of Papal power. When our baptism would frequently be impossible. Divine Lord made His Church Catho- mannered. What item in our educa-In serious illness it could not be given; lie He took the precaution of securing whilst it would be difficult in cold the power of the Head as well as of the Military discipline may help, and the climates to give it to delicate people. Body. He knew only too well that if boy-scout movement, if well directed, And the proprieties due to sacramental unity was not guaranteed Catholicity may be of service. Its direction we fear ceremonies are best preserved by pour could not endure. Our Anglican friends will tend another way. It has too much ing water. Sprinkling, since it exposes have no claim at all to Catholicity. Nor of the jingo ring to be a ballast in a the sacrament to doubtful validity by are they sure that the name is really civilian's yacht. We doubt also whether some individuals not receiving the water, popular. The name of Protestant is not the authorities will be properly supis scarcely ever employed. Nor does it aristocratic. It has a poor lineage and ported where democracy is supreme. essentially differ from pouring when the deserves no place in ecclesiastical herwater is so applied that it flows upon the aldry anyway. Anglicans seek to deep seated to be removed by military head of the person to be baptized. With change their coat of arms. They are the Pittsburg Presbytery a question Catholic, but not Roman Cathmuch more important should have been olic. The negative point is to ing countries. Reverence is sorely raised as to the intention of the minister be especially emphasized. Strangers and the form employed. The difficulty never call the Anglican Church Cathowith Presbyterians is more radical than lic. If a traveller in a strange city that implied by the difference between were to ask for a Catholic Church he immersion and infusion. It is the sacra- would never be shown an Anglican ment itself which might have with Church with the honest conviction that more advantage been discussed by that is what the foreigner was looking the Presbytery. Baptism, according to for. Anglicanism bore the name of the Confession of Faith, is a sign of the Protestant a long time and still bears it person baptized "ingrafting into Christ, in Bible and Prayer-Book. Where is of regeneration, of remission of sins and their Catholicity? Outside of England of his giving up unto God through Jesus and English colonies Anglicanism is un-Christ, to walk in newness of life." known. They trace their Church back This does not mean that the sacrament to St. Alban the Martyr, without any itself through its own operation apology for the tremendous jump from

used is not conferred by any power in tracing to a single Bishop who was in OUR SEPARATED BRETHREN AND the circumstance that it was contrary to worrying because her new hat would be hands, there is an off-setting solace to be souls. We could not conceive the Son limits; it alone has been greater than of God erecting a play-house so that the emergence, and can do what others appear. What we do appreciate about made to the disciples that they should the Catholic faith is the real efficacy of take up serpents, and, if they drank any bearing in and with them the power and barbarian people have looked on with

> THE GOVERNOR GENERAL ON THE MANNERS OF ONTARIO

delivered by the divine Master to the

Prince of the Apostles.

CHILDREN That the manners of young people are rude and lax is patent to the most of weeks ago he had important advice to casual observer. Nor are the youngest the most guilty. High school boys and girls are far ahead of their juniors in ence for elders is for a long time a lost art. Loud laughter and boisterous speech pass for wit and manliness, Where is obedience exercised or disor colleges, but in the campus. All commented upon by different citizens. source. The Governor General, at a manners." His Excellency laid the feeling the humiliation. Nothing hurts that his child is rude and illtional programme offers a corrective? The harm which bad manners does is too external discipline. Military spirit has no deep universal root in English-speakneeded. And reverence is based upon charity. Until religion and the supernatural love of God form the chief element of home and school education manners will not improve. Nor should we forget the vulgar Sunday papers whose inane jocular stories are the intellectual pabulum for the young, their chapters told in illustrations bold enough and bad enough to destroy the confers these graces; for in the preced. Henry VIII. to St. Augustine, the ing chapter the Confession of Faith says missionary and disciple of St. Gregory distinctly that the grace which is ex- the Great. There is no Catholicity in hibited in or by the sacraments rightly this leap across time, nor in the mere

THE BIBLE

of the question, which affects the privileges which that centre did not at their inability to solve the questions sacramental system so seriously. That first possess would make the Catholic of creation, sin and redemption. supreme court in 1896 by the late Christ would establish an ordinance Church a human institutions, developing It does not matter, says a Methodist Prowhich of itself would have no power, but along human lines, and grasping fessor of Biblical studies, what you find vices to the country in the many which would be an occasion to bestow grace, seems altogether incredible. purposes. That is not the Church of you find in Jesus. The Professor's There is no plan or system in such a Christ, nor is it the Primacy of Peter. brother Minister protests against this sixteen years. All this makes very supposition for the sanctification of "The Catholic religion alone has had no view. What is the good of protesting? edifying reading, and, as is true with all When the same gentleman was appointed Professor, the head of the his private life is no less a source of inwhen the bell would ring He would cannot do. She inherits the promise Methodist Church protested. To no spiration. purpose. The Professor won, main- The eminent jurist spends his vacathe sacraments themselves. They are real deadly thing, it should not hurt them. sing them in church pulpit and college Hope. Here in his ideal summer home, the sacraments included the chair. What can be the ultimate consequence of this antagonism and divis- looking a pine-clad valley that slopes grace first bestowed upon them by their curiosity or in malice till she should ion? The next generation will throw down to the lake shore, he throws off the cannot be passed over is that Presby- she has shaken the venomous beast into It will be treated as any other volume. gains new vigor for the work of the comterian doctrine not only reduces the the fire and felt no harm." As Cardinal Its characters, instead of being the ing term. He is a large man physically efficacy of the sacraments to nothing. Newman also wrote of an early age: chosen servants of God, will be stage as well as mentally and in general apbut it cuts down the number to two, "If there be a form of Christianity at figures of mere human history on the pearance is not unlike the late Justice Baptism and the Lord's Supper. No this day distinguished for its careful myths of twilight romance. The Cathobe admitted in the latter any more than if it is spread over the world; if it is an of the Bible. She clings to tradiefficacy is to be granted in the former. conspicuous for zealous maintenance of tion and she has authority to teach and Walking is his pet exercise. Every For these and other reasons we think the Pittsburgh Presbytery would have what it considers error; if it is engenerations within her seats of learnleast five miles. On these walks he indone wisely to stir up the whole ques- gaged in ceaseless wars with all other ing, but when final judgment is given tion and not make so much of what is bodies called Christian; if it, and it unanimity prevails. The Catholic among the farmers and market gardeners alone, is called Catholic by the world" Church saved the Bible from the who are won by the charm of his -we know where to look for that body. ancient pagans and their successors, the manner and surprised at his knowledge We do not look for it behind the white northern barbarians. She will save it of their particular craft. cliffs of England in the established in the twentieth century from those foundations at Rome and where his suc- but their own intellectual pride. cessor, Pius X., still holds the same keys

Hincks as running candidate. A couple Street Railway It is held as a princiguilty. The same sound theory applies to a corporation. Of all men who ought the ministers first. Righteous indigna- Like himself, his wife belongs to a promto passion. Dr. Hincks "listened till the Justice. In Washington sider an important subject for people who attend the Broadway Methodist church to worship God or whether they go to listen to demagogue outcries. If Catholic priest of Toronto were to would be committed to the Attorney-General's Department as endangering the peace of the community. A priest, however, has another gospel to preach, and other doctrines to explain.

CHIEF JUSTICE WHITE

last trace of refinement and art in our White, which was recently made by

The heresiarchs of the sixteenth cen- Justice to be raised to the Chief church until Jacob's return. baptism can it produce its effect. To say that it is the work of the Spirit and the very borders of Anglicanism. Anglia promise of benefit to worthy receivers does not answer the question. There is ed and recommended by the Archbishops of Kingson, Ottawa and St. Boniface, and of London, Hamilton, Peterborough, and Clandon, Hamilton, Peterborough, and Clandon, Hamilton, Peterborough, and Clandon, Hamilton, Peterborough, and Correspond at the reception of baptism served, it was stated, the Blessed Luke King, P. J. Neven, E. J. Broderick, M. to any promise. It is the sacrament ity and Miss Sara Hanley are fully authorsceip subscriptions and transact all other
self which produces through the instituself which produces through the i ully authorct all other self which produces through the institusacerdotalism, low churchmen do not. their own opinion. Divisions would distinguished family connections, his
gent for the self which produces through the institusacerdotalism, low churchmen do not. their own opinion. Divisions would tion of Christ these effects upon the soul. Otherwise baptism would be a beads and practise devotion to the until the number of creeds was legion to the until the number of creeds was legion. mere formal ceremony inefficacious of it- Blessed Virgin. There is no Catholicity and men strayed away entirely or re- man when confronted by serious financial subscribers ask for their paper at the post well were they to tell the clerk to self and entirely dependent upon the to be found in the time-serving would-be fused through pride to submit to the Old embarrassment, which he might have would be well were they to tell the clerk to the hard independent upon the mittheir CATROLLE RECORD. We have inderof carelessness in a few places on the part of who received it. We wish the Now to reply that the central power of the control power interior respect. A time has now come face, his entrance to the senate as re-

Another hobby of his is floriculture. centred in the annual dirner of the Church, but where St. Peter laid the higher critics who bow to no authority If his geraniums and astors bloom Canadian Club of London. more luxuriantly and have a more exquisite coloring than his neighbor's, it is THE REV. DR. HINCKS AND THE because he has made a study of artifiince of Quebec. Now it is the Toronto man is thus shown in his aiming at perities of a flower plot.

The family consists of the Judge, his to observe these principles we place wife and his brother, Mr. James White. tion may be put on sparingly, but inent family of Louisiana. She was a messengers of peace cannot justly appeal | widow at the time of her marriage to his heart ached" at four girls recount- White is noted for the interest she ing their experience on a Toronto street | takes in Church work and charities and car. One could not keep her balance on vacation her zeal abates not a whit Hon. Mary Stuart, daughter of the the seclusion in which he lived at Slopvery well when standing on the rear end but manifests itself in personal and unof the car trying to put her fare in the assuming co-operation in everything box. Another had four buttons torn off undertaken for the glory of the house her cloak in the crush. All were trem- of God. Though not enamored of sobling with indignation. It was pathetic ciety in its usually accepted signifi--really tragical. The moral censor's cance, she is well qualified by education, Jesuit Fathers, Farm street, and there gave him "to be addressed by a brother remedy for broken buttons and other by previous experience, and above all Miss Stuart through the instrumentality Catholic in such kind terms." (Memoir mishaps is to arrest some one without by innate nobility for the prominent of Lady Herbert, came under the kindly prefixed to "Centenary edition of the naming any one, a truly Christian sug- social position which she will occupy as influence of the Jesuits, and found Poetical Works of gestion. In theatrical tone our Censor second lady in the land. An evening that pearl beyond price, the gift of 1879). These words leave no doubt that cried out: "Surely within a few days a in their home reveals such digfew arrests should take place. If Canality and humility, such elegance by Father Gallwey, S. J., in 1886, and Faith, Moore to the end regarded himdian law cannot protect from outrage and simplicity, and withal such thenceforward devoted herself with all self as a Catholic. Contrariwise, it is a lence." When we reflect that this is the Catholic girls, may be summed up in one of Rescue, and the Home for Destitute a letter written by the Rector of Bromgospel announced and preached from a word, kindness, while the deferential Catholic children. No good work ever ham, in the vicinity of whose church Toronto city pulpit we are manner in which Jacob, the negro coach- appealed to her in vain and the measure Sloperton cottage stood, and in whose shocked at the dangerous ad man, is addressed is a matter of favora- of her charities done in secret will churchyard the poet lies buried. vice it contains and surprised ble comment. The Judge possesses a never be known. at the little effect it produced. Al- keen sense of humor and is an accomthough stronger and more direct than plished raconteur. To listen to him as Mayor Geary's language in Massey he sits in reminiscent mood before the Hall a few nights before, Dr. Hincks' cheerful grate with his Irish terrier however, never became reconciled to belief; that he died as he lived—a mobbish talk was without response, erouched at his feet and recalls interest- her conversion. For the greater part Roman Catholic. It is true that during Perhaps the hoodlum element was not ing personages and events met with in at the evening services. What we con- his eventful career, is a pleasure not House, and as the nearest Catholic was allowed to see him; but during that soon to be forgotten.

is to ask themselves whether they go to upon Divine Providence to not unworthily perform the duties of his new did so fasting. Tradition has it that on nized her to the last, and his last words office as set forth in his letter of acceptance to the President, was not prompted speak in the strain of Dr. Hincks he by conventionality but by a deep-seated conviction that he is the respresentative in the temporal order of the Supreme Judge whose grace and light he needs to labor perseveringly, to judge rightly. During their vacation on Sunday morning the entire family walk to the parish good Catholic and not miss the inestim church, a mile distant from their home, The appointment to the head of the and are always in their pews before the Supreme Court of the United States of asperges. The carriage is never called those pleasure-loving, easy-going Catho Associate Justice Edward Douglass, into requisition on that day. We remember one exception, however. During too familiar. children. The thanks of the country President Taft, is without precedent in Mass there came up a severe thunderare due to His Excellency for his candid many respects. The fact that the new storm and the conveyance arrived to criticism; for he is too sincerely our Chief Justice is a Democrat, an ex take the family home. The Judge inwell-wisher not to help to remove from member of the Confederate army, and a sisted upon an elderly lady, who lived in England, which through persecution our midst what characterizes barbarians southerner, did not outweigh in the eyes their neighborhood, taking his place in times maintained its character as a rather than civilized people, bad man- of the chief executive his eminent qualifications for the high office, nor did a young girl who he said he knew was that those sad times are over, into alien

existing custom from an Associate destroyed, remained himself at the found in the reclamation now and then

CANADIAN CLUBS The thought of establishing Canadian clubs was a happy one, and means much passing bell, and the familiar evening for the future of the Dominion of Canada. call to prayer." But at the Reforma-Time was, and not very long ago, when tion, like so many other stately homes of the people of the Dominion were wont to be known as Colonials, as minors, or as dependents upon the Mother country. Latterly Pershore has been the residence But in this respect there has been a of a Colonel Hudson, and before then of great change. The Canadian people General Scobell, who served with dis-feel nowthe spirit of nationhood. While the alliance between the Mother coun- The stately house nestles beneath the try and Canada is as strong and as warm fine old Abbey church, and is suras ever, while the feeling of loyalty to
the old flag is just as keen as of old, and
rounded by spacious grounds. Being
recently offered for sale it was purwhile there is no sentiment whatever in chased by a friend of the English the country in favor of a severance of Benedictines and by him presented to the ties which bind us as subjects of the monks of the Isle of Caldey, South and strong in the minds of our citizens immediately, but the advent of the taining his opinions and freely discus- tions in the Canadian town of Port a spirit which aims at building upon this Fathers to Worcestershire is assured half of the American continent a nation and their occupancy of their old precome, take its place amongst the great civilized countries of the world. And consecrated ground, and it is surely Divine Founder. Another point which have swollen and fallen down suddenly, away the Bible as a book of revelation cares of office and amid quiet and rest all this, it is fondly hoped, will be the providential that after four hundred city of London will, on the 5th of Jan., of the Divine Office. hold their annual dinner, and it will be London, Saturday, January 7, 1911 Real Presence, according to them, is to organization and its consequent power; lie Church is the only intrepid guard-on the bench and systematic application a remarkable event from the fact that speeches on the occasion will be deivered by Right Rev. M. F. Fallon, Moore, he being classed by a writer in Bishop of London, whose subject will be 'International Peace," Wm. Lyon Mcvariably makes some new acquaintances | Kenzie King, and Hon. Clifford Sifton, M. P. Because of the prominent posi-

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tions held by these gentlemen, and be-

cause of their reputation as public speak-

ers, more than usual interest will be

MGR. MACKINTOSH, Vice-Rector of In ancient Rome the masterly attempt at having some code of morals observed at having some code of morals observed at having some code of morals observed ledge in connection with the Scots College, Rome, who has been in poor health for some time and has ledge in connection with the Scots College, Rome, who has been in poor health for some time and has ledge in connection with the Scots College, Rome, who has been in poor health for some time and has been recuperating in Scotland after don he married Miss Bessie Dyke, a office is to be revived with the Rev. Dr. sugar plantation in the South, which is undergoing a serious operation, has returned to the Eternal City and resumed ant, and so far forgot the convictions of methods, many times more raw material the duties connected with his office, his earlier manhood as to allow the chilgive the Catholic clergy of the Prov- than in the past. The character of the Those who are acquainted with the dren she bore him to be brought up work done in the Scots College, and Provestants. This weakness on the part fection in whatever he undertakes, be it with the large share it has had in the of the author of the "Travels of an revival of the faith in Scotland, will Irish Gentleman in Search of a Religa man is innecent till he is proven ance or to develop the latent potential- rejoice that one so zealous and capable ion," admirers of the poet must ever deas Mgr. Mackintosh is to continue his plore, but it is an erroneous inference labors in collaboration with its well- notwithstanding to regard Moore as known Rector, Mgr. Fraser. Under their joint administration the college cannot fail to maintain the high standard which has distinguished it since its foundation in 1600.

> Renfrewshire, died recently at Bourne | mated by prejudice against the Faith as mouth. The London residence of Lord to allow no priest to see him. But a Blantyre was in Berkeley Square, but a letter of Moore's exists, written in 1847

of the year they resided at Erskine the last two years of his life no priest church was at Houston, seven miles distant, Miss Stuart, because of her father's none, not even a servant, was admitted The Justice is above all a devout Tabernacle in Toronto to reflect upon Catholic. His expression of reliance opposition, was compelled to walk there into his room. Bessy Moore nursed and back Sunday after Sunday, and often and attended him entirely. He recogseveral occasions she made the journey in her thin house slippers. His Lordship having ordered that her shoes be kept from her. But no matter the opposition, no matter the weather or the state of the roads, Miss Stuart, year after year, trudged her seven miles and back, that she might fulfil her obligation as a able grace of the Holy Sacrifice. What a rebuke does not such a life contain to lics with which, unfortunately, we are all

to its original uses of some pre-Reformaa flourishing house, and "day after day, and in the still night, and over the woody hills and in the quiet plains, . . was held high festival, and gorgeous procession, and soothing dirge and religion, it passed into secular hands and was diverted to other purposes. King George, there has grown up fresh Wales. Possession is not to be taken which will undoubtedly, in the time to Reformation home only a matter of time. outcome while we still "remain daugh- years of alienation it is destined to ter in our mother's house but mistress revert once more to its original owners in our own." The Canadian Club of the and to re-echo again the sweet strains

> Some precession has recently arisen as to the religious profession of Tom The Month, with Swift, Burke, Goldsmith and Lover as a Protestant. It may be true that in his later years spoiled by the flattery and attentions of London literary society, he was not faithful to his duty as a Catholic, and for a time at least, like Mahony and Maguinn, ceased to practice his relig. ion. But that he always considered himself a Catholic, and, despite his environment in either London or at Sloperton cottage, never countenanced any other anything but a Catholic.

WE HAVE, at least, two very strong of Moore's faith. It must be borne in mind that for the last two years of his A WELL-KNOWN Scottish convert, the life his mind was clouded, and that in

Writing in 1887 to the late Dr. Ambrose, M. P., the Rector said: "Having MISS STUART never married, but re- known Mr. Moore well I can confidently to her were: 'Bessy, have faith in God.'" To what extent this admonition implied a rebuke concerning the exclusion of a priest from the sick chamber, we can only surmise. As to the folly of peglecting in health the duties and privileges pertaining to one's faith there is no room for conjecture.

WRITING IN the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times, a "Presbyterian Elder" thus expresses himself with regard to the recent parade of Holy Name Societies :

too familiar.

IF, UNHAPPILY, we from time to time hear of some old Catholic domicile in England, which through persecution

diers and marines parade at Gibraltar, 75,000 infantry, cavalry and artiller; ed by the pres Grand Army and political parades of all