ST. PATRICK AND HIS WORK.

Masterly Address Delivered in St. Mary's by Rev. Father Phelan.

The fluttering of the Irish emblem wearing of shamrocks, real or artificial, yesterday was St. Patricks' Day on Winnipeg streets. The occasion was very quietly observed, the special services in the churches being the only gathering particularly expressive of the sentiments which are honored on the day by Irishmen throughout the world.

At St. Mary's

At St. Mary's Church pontifical high mass was celebrated by his grace, the Archbishop of St. Boniface, and was a very solemn and impressive service. Father Beliveau of St. Boniface acted as deacon, with the Rev. L. Labelle of the college as sub-deacon. The deacon and sub-deacon of honor were Father Magof St. Boniface College respectively, with the Rev. Father Dugas, vicargeneral as assistant priest.

An Eloquent Address

Seldom have the people of Winnipeg been given the opportunity of listening to as thoughtful and as scholarly an address as that delivered at high mass at St. Mary's Church yesterday morning by the Rev. Father Phelan of the Passionist Order of Chicago. Those who are members of St. Mary's parish have kindly remembrances of the reverend father, he having preached at the mission held here last spring, and as a consequence there was a large audience present at the church yesterday morn-

Father Phelan is an eloquent speaker and a typical son of Ireland, and his remarks during the whole discourse were listened to with the greatest interest. It was only natural, considering ple and school, by saying: "Protestant the day, and the nationality of the and Catholic are on the same footing speaker, that the subject of address should be St. Patrick, Ireland's patron

St. Patrick in Ireland

Taking his text from St. John, Father Phelan spoke of the call St. Patrick had received to go to Ireland, and reviewed the history of the celebrated saint. He had gone to Ireland in the year 432, and the fruits of his labours were evident in the green little island to-day. St. Patrick found Ireland inhabited by pagans, but left it thoroughly Christianized. In its early days Ireland had become famous for its intellectual attainments, and as a consequence, men from all over the continent, and especially from Germany, were sent there for instruction.

The Glory of Ireland

Speaking of the several good qualities of the Irish race, the speaker referred to the many brave deeds of her sons; how they had nobly fought and died for the honor of their country, and in later years for the empire at large. They had made their mark in almost all walks of life and in every part of the world, but their greatest glory lay in their fidelity to Magnan, and Mr. McPhillips to the in Liverpool is opposed to a University planted by St. Patrick. Through all the ages of misrepresentation and persecution they had steadfastly clung to their faith and had preserved it inviolate to the present day.

In the Future

the reverend father said that, unlike the a separate school? Mr. Cruthers thinks individual who received his reward in it is. But how can this result be preeternity, Ireland as a nation would vented by legislation? Under a national receive hers in time, and that time school law the majority of ratepayers would be when she should take her in Lebret school district would continue place among the nations of the world. to rule. They could elect all three The Irish had not and never would lose trustees from their own ranks who in their nationality, which would be per- turn could insist upon a teacher in petuated until she again enjoyed her sympathy with their views. Under a Catholic Times. rightful independence. This should, national system of schools Mr. Cruthers and no doubt would be achieved in a and others who might object to this peaceable manner.

St. Mary's Congratulated

Father Phelan made reference to the splendid school building which had been erected by the parishioners of St. Mary's, assuring his hearers that it would stand as a lasting monument to their zeal and fidelity. It proved that the people of St. Mary's had the welfare of their children and the preservation of the point that is being overlooked. The faith at heart, and he was sure their efforts would be amply rewarded.

A Hearty Welcome

After the service Father Phelan received many hearty congratulations from friends in the parish, who expressed their pleasure at being able to welcome him back again, and assuring him that it would be many a long day before he and his work in St. Mary's parish would be forgotten.

On Sunday evening Father Phelan will again preach in St. Mary's, taking the place of the Rev. Father Drummond, who last Sunday commenced a series of March 18.

LEBRET SCHOOL DISTRICT To the Editor of the Free Press

Sir,-Replying to my good friend Rev. J. P. Magnan, I frankly confess that I was technically in error, in describing from the top of the flagstaffs and the the school district at Lebret as "a Roman Catholic separate school district." I were the only outward indications that should have said, to be legally correct, "Catholic public school district No. 12, Lebret,"

When this school district was formed, my recollection of the school law in force at that time in the North West Territories was that the law provided for a double public school system under which the Roman Catholics could, with a certain ease, establish a school, and propagate their own religious tenets. As they were in the minority, from point of view of the Territories as a whole; as they did establish schools where they were a majority, locally-to wit, the Catholic public school district No. 12, Lebret, and as these schools so established by them were dominantly Roman nan of the Oblates and Dr. Drummond Catholic, it seems to me from a Protestant majority point of view that such schools would be properly characterized as separate schools, if not actually separate schools in name. Most ceatainly so in practice, and this can be seen from the corporate name of the district.

> Furthermore, the reverend father's own letter goes so far as to prove too much, when we consider the statements of it, in the light of the strenuous argument put forward by Sir Wilfred Laurier in his speech, introducing the autonomy bill. The premier argues and avers that separate schools are in existence (in some form at least) in the Northwest Territories, recognized by the government, the principle is there, the schools are there, and so the premier makes for a continuance if not an enlargement. Father Magnan endeavours to cover up this fact of the existence of both princifor the use and management of the school," and "one Protestant actually elected trustee." But this very statement is in itself, strong and conclusive evidence of the character of the school at Lebret, which, if not Catholic separate school in name, is Catholic separate school in principle and in practice. The majority rules; and this admission of the reverend father is assuredly strong evidence that the direction and the policy of the school are safe in the hands of the majority of the trustees, who can be depended upon to administer the school according to the teachings of the Roman Church.

However, call the "Catholic public tories," what you may, I am convinced that the money I have paid in taxes to the support of this school went to the support of a school in which the dogmas of the Roman Catholic Church were taught, and if separate schools mean what Sir Wilfrid Laurier even defines them as, I, as a Protestant, am supporting them in the case of the Catholic public school No 12, Lebret Northwest Territories, my good friend, Rev. Father contrary notwithstanding.

S. CRUTHERS.

Ed. Note.—If a majority of electors and elect a majority of school trustees In speaking of the future of Ireland, of their own wayof thinking, is the school state of affairs would have no option but to pay their taxes to a board in which they might have no confidence;

Distension and pains from indigestion are cured quickly by Nerviline. When you get an attack of stomach trouble state of affairs would have no option whereas, should the present law be continued, they can establish a Protestant school in this district whenever they feel themselves financially in a position to do so. Mr. Cruthers' letter is important, because it draws attention to a Catholic separate schools as so many believe, but, for minority schools. If the majority in a school district is Catholic, the minority can establish a Protestant separate school; if Protestant, the Roman Catholic minority has the same right. As a matter of fact there are about half a dozen Protestant separate schools in the Territories.-Ed. F. P.

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ENGLAND TOLERATES FRENCH SPOLIATION OF BRITISH SUBJECTS

To the following well deserved castigation of Lord Lansdowne by the Liverpool "Catholic Times" of the 3rd of March, we have only to add that our Foreign Minister is no doubt gagged, as the secular press in England is, by the English Freemasons in league with their French brethren.

The forced sale of the English Catholic Church in the Avenue Hoche, Paris, reflects disgrace on the French Government, but it is a very small matter compared with the spoliation of the English Benedictines at Douai. Their stately College and Abbey, with chapel, study hall, piazza, hospice, and the rest, representing at the lowest estimate £130,000, were sold for £11,000. Library, stained glass windows, organ, furniture of all descriptions, statuary, fixtures, everything save the few things the monks rescued at the eleventh hour, was knocked down to the cheapest bidder. A was sold for £1. Boxes of valuable books were sold for afranc. Carved crucifixes and statues were disposed of to atheistic tavern-keepers. English money, English property has thus been recklessly scattered without a protest from Lord Lansdowne or the English Government. Even the Benedictine country house, which was purchased by subscriptions from English friends for £5,000, is now in the market, and will probably be sold for an old song. Thus the ruthless work goes on unnoticed or ignored by the English press, the supposed upholder of justice and the defender of right. The English Benedictines have, how ever, one claim left. The proceeds of the sale of their property is funded by the Bureau des Fondations Anglaises for their use in France. As they are exiled from the country, and their association and that of their brethren are illegal, surely they have a right to the use of their funds in England. Will the English Government see this, and support the claim of English subjects to their own? If not, then the entente cordiale is a

THE LATENT POWER OF CATHOLICS

Mr. Burke contends that the Catholics of Liverpool are not making a proper use of their electoral power. "No one in Liverpool," he says, "will venture to set forth Catholic opinion when school No. 12, Lebret, Northwest Terri- elections are pending-some from fear of being snubbed in high places, others because they are politicians first and Catholics afterwards. Every Liberal candidate in Liverpool is hopelessly hostile and yet they cannot win without our help. Will the Catholic Times speak out against the Jellicoes, Cherrys, Seelys? How different in Wallasey where Catholics on Catholics questions are Catholics and not politicians. To make matters worse every Liberal candidate for Ireland, and all save Mr. Richard D. Holt, who is still true to Gladstonian Home Rule, are opposed to Irish selfgovernment. The Wyndham-McDonnell episode may enable them to conceal in a school district are Roman Catholics their hostility, but it is there just the same. Yet these men are simply humbugging both Catholics and Nationalists. Who is going to speak out in Liverpool I want a quick response." The most effective way of speaking out is to onganise voters, and if Mr. Burke combines with other gentlemen of influence Trades Hall, Fould's Block, at 8.30 and energy to work a good scheme, they | p.m. will, we feel sure, receive nothing but encouragement from high places .-

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> And yet he couldn't make out why they laughed.

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