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Mr. THOMAS COFFEY Office of the "Catholic Record." LETTER FROM BISHOP CLEARY.

Bishop's Palace, Kingston, Jith Nov., 1882. DEAL SIR:-I am happy to be asked for a word of commendation to the Rev. Clergy and faithful laity of my diocess in behalf of the CATHOLIC BECORD, published in London with the warm approval of His Lordship. Most Rev. Dr. Walsh. I am a subscriber to the Journal and am much pleased with its excellent literary and religious character. Its judicions seicons from the best writers supply Catholic families with most useful and help the young to acquire a taste for pureliterature. pure literature. I shall be pleased if my Rev. Clergy will countenance your mission for the diffusior

of the RECORD among their congregations. fJAMES VINCENT CLEARY, HR. DONAT CROWE, Agent for the CATHO LIC RECORD. ce your n



IRELAND AND THE VATICAN.

To Rome the Irish nation has ever been the object of the deepest and heartiest solicitude. In the worst days of persecution, when none other of the sovereigns of Europe could be found to lend the Irish sympathy or assistance, when the Irish appeared the abandoned of all nations, the Supreme Pontiffs were their fearless protectors and wisest counsellors. On the other hand, when heresy in its diabolical rage sought to destroy the Papacy, not only in those countries whose wicked rulers had cast off the yoke of truth, but even in countries that yet held to the dogmas of Catholicity; when Britain, especially, with all its perfidiousness and all those contaminating influences it knows so well how to employ, bent its every energy to the effacement of Papal authority throughout the world-Ireland, through every privation, every trial because of their anticipation of and every vicissitude of fortune, retrouble between the Irish and the mained unalterably true to the See Vatican. But these anticipations of of Peter. If there be to-day flourtrouble will be doomed to bitterest ishing churches in happy communion disappointment. The Irish are a with Rome in England, Scotland, faithful, a forbearing race, they are the American Republic, Canada and essentially Catholic, and, therefore, Australia, this fortunate state of so resolute in adhesion to the Holy things is attributable to Irish faith See that neither British misrepreand Irish devotedness to the teachsentation on the one hand, nor the ings and counsels of the Roman Ponmachinations of a few designing foes tiffs. What nation, we may with truth and with pertinence ask, what nation on the face of the earth has between the faithful Irish and the guese government as to its purposes shown such unbroken constancy in Holy Apostolic See. Too long have in that portion of Africa, but failed its adhesion to the rock of Peter? the Irish in Ireland and America left All other peoples have at some one the Holy See without means of acperiod or another in the course of curate information on topics of clostheir national lives given way to est and most intimate connection either the gross errors of heresy or with their welfare. Too long the the specious fallacies of radical and "sneaking and scented popinjays" so revolutionary innovation. well described by Mr. Leamy, M. Hence, on account of Rome's solici-P., have been permitted to belie and tude for Ireland and Ireland's fidel- belittle the Irish race before the ity to Rome, the ties binding the one Roman court. We have long thought to the other have ever been of the and are now convinced, that the exclosest character. And we venture igencies of the times, the interests to assert, fearless of contradiction, of religion and the true advancement that the very closeness of these ties, of Ireland all require that the Irish of paternal solicitude on the one people should have in Rome some hand and filial submission on the trusted and respected representatives other, have tended to promote the of their just yiews and claims. The highest interests of Ireland, while older Ireland at home and the newer materially, nay, marvellously asand greater Ireland in America sisting in the propagation of holy should both be properly represented faith throughout the world. Efforts at the Vatican. The Holy Father have been, especially of late years, is the arbiter of the nations. He is ceaselessly made to weaken, with the the friend and protector of the weak view of finally severing, the connecand the oppressed. The Irish people tion between the Vatican and the may safely approach him, nay, it is faithful Irish. These efforts have their bounden duty to do so, to make been taken in hand and promoted by a clear and firm but respectful statethe government of Britain, which of ment of their case as well as vindicaall governments is the deadliest and tion of their course in resistance to most implacable foe, not only of tyranny more galling and injustice Ireland but of the Apostolic See. more crying that the world has ever Do we want testimony of England's yet witnessed. We earnestly trust undying hostility to the Roman that action will be at once taken in Pontiffs? We have it in abund- this matter, and that soon the Irish ance. Which is the nation race will be ably and successfully Portugal meant to take no active that subsidized assassins and represented in the Eternal City. conspirators to rob the Holy See of its patrimony? England. Which of its patrimony? England. Which is the nation that aided and abetted an English navy treats his wife—kicked the House of Savoy in all its deeds of her almost to death-we are amazed that shameless spoliation and in its viola-tions of international law? England. her feet, to demand a separation."

# THE CATHOLIC RECORD.

Which is the government that re-THE CONGO. fused the request of thousands of its

loyal subjects to intervene for the No sooner does any Catholic nation protection of the legitimate rights of ssert its rights abroad than Britain's sovereignty in the case of the innate je lousy at once forces her Supreme Pontiff? The British government. Who forgets Lord Palmerston's criminal connivance at the ish theory it would indeed seem that machinations of the sworn enemies of the Papacy and of religion ? Who right to establish colonies or possess s it that does not know that this dependencies abroad. When France powerful British minister consorted with, counselled and assisted the foes Africa England spared no means to of Christianity to accomplish the deexcite discontent throughout Europe. struction of the Papal sovereignty. The purposes of the French govern-Who does not remember Mr. Gladment were so distorted and misreprestone's fierce and fiery onslaughts on sented that at one time it did appear the government of the Papal states, impossible that France could reap and his later declaration that the faithful Catholic cannot be a good citizen or a loyal subject? What people received with open arms and glad acclaim the enemies of order, ence was permitted with its regulaauthority and religion ? The British tion in its own interests of the '1 unis. people. Mazzini and Orsini were acian difficulty. But besides its claims corded a sympathetic welcome, Garin Tunis, France has claims to mainbaldi and Victor Emmanuel tain in other parts of Africa, notably almost deified by the English people. in the now famous Congo territory. Who does not recall with sha.ne and This region, now known to be of insorrow the brutal frenzy of the Britcalculable value, was first explored ish people, fomented and fanned into by Portuguese and French discoverflame by the government itself at ers. Amongst the first, if not the very

the time of the restoration of the first, European explorers who visi-English hierarchy? Have the ravted this portion of Africa were members of the Society of Jesus. Other missionaries of the Catholic Church ngs of the Times been lost in oblivion? Has its fierce shout of exultation, when the Eternal Cityat length have since penetrated the territory fell before Piedmontese treachery watered by the Congo and its tribuand strength of numbers, been forgottaries. We have no desire to decry ten by devoted Catholics throughout the labors of such men as Stanley and the world ? No, these are matters of Livingstone, who displayed so much history that cannot and ought not to heroic intrepidity in their travels be forgotten. They clearly prove through the "dark continent," but and establish that which we mainwe cannot help reminding those tain, viz., that Britain is the worst because most unscrupulous and implactions of admiration over these distinable, foe of the Papacy. To alienate the Irish from their attachment to the Roman Pontiff has ever been a men with qualities of courage and cherished object with British statesendurance at least equal to theirs, and men. To bring about misunderstandyet no one sounds their praises or ng between the Holy Father and his belauds their virtues. France, no faithful Irish children they have redoubt, intends to claim possession of course to every form of deception and misrepresentation. Sad indeed Portugal has also designs upon porwould that day be for Ireland and for tions of that valuable territory and the holy cause of truth throughout has taken active steps to assert its the world were such efforts to preclaims. The people are urging the vail. Already the enemies of religion government to activity in the matter, rejoice because of a seeming triumph and there is little doubt that before of British malignity and misreprethe close of the year Portugal will aries. sentation at Rome. They rejoice have taken some decisive steps to establish its just rights in that portion

of Africa. Notwithstanding its constant friendship for England and its fidelity to English interests, Portugal has, by its designs on the Congo, become an object of jealousy to that country. No sooner had the Portuguese administration ordered the preparation of an armed flotilla for the Congo than British jealousy at once found of religion in their own midst on the expression. The British minister other, can sever the connection demanded explanations of the Portu-

variance with the actual facts. In reassuming his seat the minister declared his purpose of awaiting the conclusion of the negociations actu. ally pending before saying anything government into an attitude of offen- further, but pledged himself to lay besive interference. According to Brit- fore the deputies at the termination of these negociations all documents no people but the English have any relative to the matter, and to give such verbal explanations as might be required. There is little doubt that insisted on its just rights in northern at the close of the negociations a Portuguese armament will proceed to the Congo and that, with or without England's approval, the Portuguese nation will maintain its just claim in the great African territory watered by theCongo, which now any solid benefit from the victories attracts the attention and excites the of her troops. But the justice of its jealousy of so many European govcourse was so easily shown by the ernments. Portugal has already had French government, that no interfer- a glorious part in the Christianizing of Africa. We trust that what it

# INTERESTING FIGURES.

glories of the same character.

In the United States, during the last forty years, the number of Catholics has increased in a most extraordinary degree. There are now in the neighboring republic 5,606 churches; 614 colleges and convents; 6,057 priests, and a total Catholic population of 6,143,000. In Australia there are actually 16 bishops, 400 priests, 800 churches, 640 religious institutions and 600,000 Catholics. In India there are 1,318,000 Catholics as against 325,000 Protestants.

Turning our attention to France we find that the Minister of Worship who indulge in such loud protesta- has lately had prepared statistical titles of the secular clergy of that guished men, that Catholic religious country. The total number of these bodies have produced multitudes of ecclesiastics is 55,385 divided as tollows: Archbishops and bishops 87; vicars general 182; canons 751, episcopal secretaries 130, retired rectors 3,397, rectors in service 29,752, vicars 10,379, assistant priests 4,617 a p rtion of the Congo country, but chaplains 2,686; superiors, directors and professors of grand seminaries 703, superiors, directors and professors of minor ecclesiastical schools 3,101, making an aggregate of 55,385. There are besides 5,538 pupils in the minor and 2,134 in the grand semin-

## THE MARQUIS OF RIPON.

It is stated that the Marquis of Ripon will soon be raised to the high dignity of a dukedom. This high honor will be nothing but a recompense for the eminent services rendered by the noble lord in his administration of affairs in India. It is affirmed in connection with Lord Ripon's promotion that it is to take effect through Her Majesty's special desire and pleasure to testify her re-

gard for her distinguished servant. The Marquis has, since his appoint-

necessity of religious peace in Ger- found, and the deceased was supposed achieved when the pacific in entions secret junto, of the Sovereign Pontiff are seconded by the German government.

THE EXECUTION OF BRADY.

The unfortunate man Brady, executed on the 14th inst., was the first to pay the penalty of an atrocious crime. We deplore and condemn crime in every form, but more especially when committed in the sacred names of patriotism and freedom. We hold, too, that all men should rejoice when criminals are brought to justice and made suffer for their misdeeds. But while deeply impressed with these convictions, we cannot, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, congratulate the government on the execution of Brady, nor look upon his death as a veritable triumph of justice. We shall speak not a word as to the selection of the judge or jury, though much might be said in regard has done in the past is but a guaranof these very important factors of the tee of future triumphs and future trial. Were we to say anything at all thereunto pertaining, it would simply amount to this, that their selection was not calculated to enhance the respect of Irishmen at home or abroad for the administration of justice in their unfortunate motherland

> What we desire to draw attention to is that the condemnation of Brady was brought about chiefly through the evilence of a man who, by his own testimony, is far more guilty than Brady or any of the unhappy men whom he, the base informer and sacrilegious hireling, seduced into a deed of appalling cruelty. The ends of justice can never be reached while this wretched being, Carey, is permitted to go unwhipt of chastisement. He planned, fomented and instigated crime, and after its commission, to save his own blackened and worthless life, betrays the men whom he had led from paths of virtue and truth into the dark and bloody path of murderous criminality.

One lesson that our fellow-countrymen everywhere may take from this whole shocking business is, that the sleek and shining "patriot" is often to be distrusted; another, that the man who, in disobedience to the commands of Holy Church, joins any secret society, however good its object may seem in his eyes, sins against God, his country and himself.

## A CONTRAST.

The Moniteur Universal says that just fifteen days after the revolutionary manifestations in Paris another and a quite different spectacle was witnessed in that city. It was Good Friday, and pious Catholics crowded the various churches of the metropolis to kneel at the tomb of Christ begging of Him the gift of patience under affliction. This manifestation of Christian piety was far more imposing and more serious than any organized by the radicals. Between on Good Friday last.

When the radicals of the French metropolis will be able to bring out a multitude so large, so intelligent, and so disciplined as that which

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many, which, however, can only be to have fallen at the hands of some

At Linca, near Gibraltar, there was also not long ago surprised a meeting of an international association. Twenty-seven persons were arrested and documents of a very grave character seized on by the authorities. From other points in the southern part of the Spanish peninsula the latest authenticated news is of a disquieting nature. Secret societies seem to have acquired a sad and inauspicious dominion over the population. These societies can be deprived of influence by the government in a very simple manner. Let the government be severe in the punishment of crime and in the repression of such atrocious conspiracies as the Black Hand, but let it also exhibit that vigor required by the necessities of the hour in giving the peasantry the immediate benefit of the reforms admitted on all hands as indispensible to the welfare and security of the nation.

PANSLAVISM AGAIN.

The newly erected kingdom of Roumania is disturbed by a movement similar to that known as the Irredenta in Italy. The Roumanian agitators are not overcome with modesty in their demands, for they ask from Austria a large part of Transylvania and of Cislithania. Austria did more than any other of the greater powers to bring the Roumanian kingdom into being, and is evidently rewarded with as much ingratitude at Jassy as it has experienced at Milan and Venice. The Roumanian agitation is of Panslavist or, in plainer terms, Russian origin. The agitators have not, however, the slightest chance of succeeding in wresting the territory in question from Austria. The future of Roumania lies not in Russian protection nor in territorial aggrandizement at the expense of Austria. In the approaching redistribution of continental Europe the Danubian

countries will of necessity fall either completely under the power or, at all events, under the protection of Austria. The safety, the education, the advancement, and good government of these territories naturally devolve on Austria, and cannot be undertaken by any other power. Roumania can have no good purpose to serve by placing itself in an attitude of hostility to Austria. For Roumania to assume such an attitude and to attempt to maintain it, seven and eight hundred thousand is to expose itself to be wiped off the people visited the Parisian churches map of Europe as an independent state.

THE FRENCH SCHOOL LAWS.

The true character of the French school laws may be apprehended from a circular addressed to the ceived from all parts, I learn that Albi, indulge in violent attacks on teachers who place, or permit to be placed in the hands of children, the manuals of moral and civic education condemned by the congregation of the Index. I beg of you to maintain firmly in your classes the usage of the books which you freely adopted in your municipal (cantonales) conferences and continue to instruct in the knowledge of their pose of making them good citizens. Be the faithful executors of the gress, disenthralment, liberty and the neutrality of the school room by abstaining from all attacks on the systems of religion recognized by the state. By resolutely following this course you will acquire a new title to the gratitude of the government of the republic, which has already done much for you but which has generous intentions in your regard. You need not fear the anger of

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to obtain a satisfactory reply. The whole question came a few

weeks ago before the Chamber of Deputies at Lisbon, and gave rise to an animated discussion. A member of the Opposition rose to demand that light should be thrown on the projects of the government in relation to the Congo country. He showed that there was a decided contrast between recent declarations of the English minister, Lord Fitzmaurice, and those of the Portugal minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Serpa Pimentel. The aggressiveness of the speaker on the left produced a profound sensation in the Chamber. The minister replied with a frankness that did him credit. He declared the statements in the English papers concerning his

interview with the British envoy wholly unfounded. What he had stated to the envoy of Britain was, that the Portuguese government did not propose to send, as it was affirmed, seven ships of war to the Congo, and that until the negociations then pending were terminated, Portugal would send no armament whatever to that country. This statement of an interview not bearing an official character, shows that the Portuguese minister by no means meant to convey toLord Fitzmaurice the idea that

A writer in the London Truth says

ment to the Indian vice-royalty, been made the subject of such severe and unjust criticisms on the part of the fanatical Protestant writers as to excite a deep feeling of indignation amongst the people of India, in whose affections he deservedly holds a very high place. At a public gathering, held in that country some time ago with an attendance of 25,000 persons, it was decided to publicly celebrate the anniversary of the viceroy's birth. The cause of Lord Ripon's popularity is that both in public and in private his every action is controlled by that spirit of justice and uprightness becoming a Christian gentleman.

#### GERMAN CATHOLICS.

It is not alone in Alsace that Catholicism asserts itself with becoming energy in spite of every obstacle. Even in the midst of heretical bodies, and despite governmental persecution holy faith is making rapid progress in the city of Hanover. From that place come the good tidings that the population of the Catholic parish has grown so large that one church will not suffice for its accommodation. The necessity of further church accommodation has been for a long time felt, and now the means required for the construction of a new temple of God are on steps to assort its rights in the por- hand. But the Hanoverian Catho-

tion of Africa in question. The de- lics are troubled with anxiety as to ties, but stood so much in fear of the claration of the minister of foreign the future. When we have churches, conspirators as to be unwilling to imaffairs completely satisfied the Por- say they, will we have priests to tuguese deputies that the statements minister in them? This anxiety on doings to the authorities. In the you from the fulfilment of your misof the British press in reference to their part, legitimate, indeed, under commons of Rogilan, near Xeres, the sion, for l assume all responsibility

flocked to the churches on Good Friday, we may begin to fear for the teachers of the department of Tarn, future. Meantime we have faith in by the inspector, M. Roger, evidently the destinies of a country which a "stalwart" secularist. This worafter all remains so profoundly at- thy says: "From information reevery portion of the French capital the cures and disservants acting on a the faithful came to adore Christ pastoral letter of the Archbishop of and pray to Him. It is not a vain surmise we indulge in when we ex- the law of March 28, 1882, and press the belief that among these threaten with anathema parents and solemn and fervent prayers were many for the deliverance of France from the infamous regime which has inflicted so much disgrace and such lasting injury on its people.

### THE BLACK HAND.

The conspiracy known as the "Black Hand" continues, notwithstanding the repressive measures of duties the children whom the counthe government, to do its sinister try has confided to you for the purwork in the Spanish peninsula. At Arcos four men have been arrested for intimidating a comrade who refused law of March 28, 1882, a law of proto join the conspiracy. In the same place several of the conspirators toleration. Observe scrupulously combined to kill an individual whom they suspected of betraying their secrets. After having succeeded in poisoning this unfortunate man they attached a stone to his body which they cast into the river. It is stated that the father of the luckless victim of Black Hand vengeance was aware of the proceedings of the guilty par- not yet had time to realize all its part his knowledge of their criminal those who by threats seek to divert the Congo question were wholly at the circumstances, demonstrates the dead body of a man was also recently for your course, and can further

places on record of the press and its regard:

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"In modern s Lordship, "is an ant of all that to publish all it k swiftness of lig and the wealthy into the proud the humble cot power is fraug should always h in view to enlig rights and dutie them in the pr ity. It is truly God and the O valiantly defend and courageous the weak. Ala ren, all do not mission of the some who fulfil devotedness, the a direction dia whose pens distil and immorality compared to bi , coming of alight among u that respect for from father to our ancestors h which has always our glory. It was of such Father Leo XIII. of February, 187 so just, in terms and moderation, the deleterious ences of the a Lordship adds to the faithful w ren, have already "Be prudent," choice of the ney to come under v soever they may teach error, they brilliant; for be truth, and they falsehood; if the they cannot be sometimes clothe veil, it is often which they end know, is worse itself. For us ( every one posse