

The Rev. Jas. McKenna, the zealous pastor of Rathbrun, has distributed 120 copies of the edition of the Catholic Bible just published in Dublin, as recommended by all the Catholic bishops of Ireland to those under their jurisdiction, and by the Very Rev. T. Mathew to the members of the various Temperance societies throughout Ireland, England, and Scotland.

The Very Rev. T. Mathew is to arrive in Dublin on the morning of the 16th inst., in order to preach for the Christian Schools, New Richmond-street, in the church of St. Francis Xavier, N. Gardiner-street, on the following day. He leaves England at considerable inconvenience to preach this sermon for the benefit of schools very dear to his heart.—*Correspondent of the Tablet.*

SCOTLAND.

DUNFRIES—CATHOLIC SCHOOL.—A building which promises to be the most handsome in town, is now in progress in Shakespeare's street—a school house adjoining the Catholic chapel. It will contain two large rooms, one above and the other below, for boys and girls; and the whole will be surmounted by an elegant tower fifty feet high. We understand that the original plan was sketched out by Mr. Maxwell, of Ferniglass. There has been a school in connection with St. Anthony's Catholic chapel here for many years, but hitherto instruction has been in a temporary school-room.—*Dunfries Courier.*

The *Dunfries Herald* also notices the Catholic schools in terms the most flattering to Mr. Maxwell, of Ferniglass, who designed them, the workmen who are building them, and the Catholics of that town who are exerting themselves to raise such a structure.

AUSTRALIA.

TO THE CLERGY AND FAITHFUL OF THE CITY OF SYDNEY.—John Bede, by the Grace of God and of the Holy Apostolic See, Archbishop of Sydney, and Vicar Apostolic of New Holland, placed in the church of God to watch over the spiritual welfare of her children, as having to render an account for their souls, we are impelled by a strict sense of duty to sanction and to strengthen, as far as in us lies, the expressed judgment of the civil power on a subject of the greatest importance in a moral point of view. You are aware, dearly beloved, that the legal authorities have entitled themselves to our

gratitude by the decided opposition they have made to the inundation of immoral publications with which the colony was threatened. They have denounced, after due examination, certain publications as destructive of good order, and tending directly to the corruption of the mind and heart—in a word, as utterly unfit for perusal. The purpose of the persons who edit these publications is to obtain money by means necessarily destructive of the morals of the community. Our object in now addressing you is to invite you to abstain from the purchase of them. We exhort you thus to set a good example to the colony at large—an example which, if universally followed, will prevent effectually the continuance or repetition of this most dreadful evil; for so long as there are readers to purchase, there will be found wretches to publish, whatever may be the risk. Parents, guardians, masters, and heads of families are particularly admonished. Let them remember their responsibility to God. Let them avoid co-operating with these assassins in the spiritual murder of those under their charge; for of this heinous crime will they be held guilty if they permit such publications to be circulated within their homes and amongst their dependants. And whilst we decline the exercise in full of that authority to rule in the Church of God with which we are invested, and use the language of entreaty rather than of power as regards the purchasing of these publications (either under the same or different titles), we prohibit most strictly, and in virtue of the obedience due to us, any one of our flock from aiding in the dissemination of these publications, by selling, lending, or in any other way. The peace of God be with you all. Amen.—*Australasian Chronicle.*

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