

Notes of Catholic News.

Mr. De Costa, in an article which appears in the New York "Journal," says:—The melancholy empty benches on Sunday show that non-Catholic thought cannot satisfy minds reaching out after God.

Rev. T. J. Campbell, S.J., in an address at the Alumni banquet of St. John's College, Fordham, said:—Inability to teach the classics! Why, the language of the greater part of the classics is our mother tongue.

Rev. Father Xavier Sutton, C. P., at the close of a recent mission to non-Catholics, held in Philadelphia, referred to some questions which had been asked.

"Why do not Roman Catholics open their convent dungeons to State inspection?" "Can a man become a good Roman Catholic forty-eight hours after he is unconscious, like the late General Sherman, son of the Father Sherman, who gave him the viaticum?"

ly expressed a desire to become a Catholic. So would any one else under like circumstances be baptized. He did not receive the Holy Viaticum. The difference in honorariums for Masses, which are fixed to prevent traffickin— is because of the degrees of solemnity.

Reports from Rome are to the effect that the Papal military forces have been increased from 440 to 600 men. The Pope's army, which is entirely quartered at the Vatican, will henceforth consist of 50 Noble Guards, 100 Swiss Guards, 250 Palatine Guards and 200 gendarmes.

Loretto Abbey, Toronto, put on its brightest and most attractive appearance on Friday of last week, on the occasion of the visit of Mgr. Falconio, the Papal Delegate.

The Most Rev. Angus MacDonald, Archbishop of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, is dead, at the age of fifty-six. He was a scion of the MacDonalds of Glenaladale, a Scottish Catholic family that was identified with the fortune of the Stuarts.

EXPERIENCE TEACHES.

It only requires a slight practical experience of the Catholic Church and its work to convert the most hardened infidel to at least a respect for the Institution of centuries.

"M. Constans, the ex-Minister of France, is an anti-clerical, but anti-clericals sometimes discover that they have been making a grave mistake in looking with hostility upon Catholic priests.

order to extend her influence where French influence has hitherto prevailed. And M. Constans further perceives that if France is to maintain her prestige in the East her Catholic missionaries must receive abundant moral and material support from the French Government.

RELIGIOUS ORDERS AND THE PRESS.

Considerable comment has been made upon the Pope's recently expressed desire concerning the publication of newspapers or magazines of a general class by members of religious communities.

not favor militant journalism by members of religious Orders or Congregations. And very wisely we think because of the jealousies and ill-feeling which militant journalism inevitably begets.

AID FOR CATHOLIC INSTITUTIONS.

The great Cardinal Manning used to say that God should have some place in every Catholic's last will, and the late Mrs. Glover took his advice.

She leaves real estate worth \$20,000 and personal property valued at \$190,000. She leaves a number of legacies of money, paintings, books and other articles to her own relatives and those of her husband, including her Dore Bible and the "Life

of Christ," by Verulot, to Lieutenant Edward B. Barry, as well as \$25,000.

To St. Joseph's Theological Seminary, Yonkers, she bequeaths \$10,000; to the Institution of Mercy, Eighty-first street and Madison avenue, \$4,000, and to the Pope who may be reigning at the time of her death, \$2,000.

CRITICAL INGBATITUDE

It is unfair to deprive a man of his merits, simply because in our eyes he may appear to have certain demerits. We often find this ingratitude for services done and lack of just appreciation of real worth amongst the standard publications.

FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

AN OUTRAGE ON RELIGION.—When General Brooke was military governor of Cuba he issued an order prohibiting the solemnization of marriages by Catholic clergymen.

ABOUT LAWSUITS.—When here and there Catholics bring scandal within the church, it is singular how much is made of it by those outside, and how far it goes.

He saw the hole in the sack when he was filling it. But it was such a little hole that he thought it wouldn't matter. Out of that little hole he lost his grain while taking it to market.

"I've got a little touch of indigestion," says one man. Another says, "my stomach feels a little out of sorts." It is just such little things which if neglected mean the total loss of health.

Mr. Thos. H. Rudasill, of Henry, Lincoln Co., N. C., says: "After having suffered from indigestion of the liver and all the troubles usually attending such a condition for over twenty years, and having deluged my system with floods of medicine from every available source, and being only temporarily benefited thereby, I applied to your institution for treatment. You instructed me to take a course of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which I am now doing.

masses, and one of his heirs, in seeking to break the will, which leaves the bulk of \$200,000 to the Catholics says that amount for masses "is void for uncertainty, contrary to law, as being given for neither a charity nor humane object," etc., and especially "because the sum is so large as to constitute mere foolish waste."

Beyond this we know nothing of the merits of the case. We know neither the name of the deceased nor the identity of the party bringing the suit. But, if he is a Catholic, this we do know, viz: that he differs widely from the Fathers who took part in the councils of Florence and Trent.

It is not likely, however, that persons who bring suits of this kind may be moved by such considerations. They might with profit, perhaps, reflect that a man who toiled and denied himself had a natural right to dispose of his property as he saw fit.

It is an age of avarice, irreverence, unfaith, treachery; therefore plain-speaking now and then is necessary. Of late a number of such lawsuits are being chronicled over the country, and we believe our people ought think twice before they bring them.

A BRAVE IRISH JOURNALIST.

A young Irish pressman, Mr. W. B. Knox, formerly on the staff of the Johannesburg "Star," did a plucky and characteristic deed at the battle of Modder River, he being engaged to follow the fortunes of the campaign on behalf of Reuter's Agency.

A LANDLORD'S LAMENT.

Mr. George Moore, an Irish landlord, has thus addressed his "fellow-lords of the soil":—"It was by menace (says Mr. Moore) that the Irish peasantry won the Land Acts, and it is menace that has made Lord Londonderry Postmaster-General. At the present moment the Irish landlord stands on the steps of the Kildare Club and cheers the Government that is robbing him."

TICKET-OF-LEAVE SYSTEM.

The introduction of the ticket-of-leave system in this country has been the cause of a great deal of discussion. At a recent sitting of the House of Commons, the Premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in moving the third reading of the bill providing for the system, explained the method of procedure adopted by the department with respect to the applications on behalf of convicts for pardons or tickets-of-leave.

where the pardoning power rests, Sir Wilfrid said he was advised by the Department of Justice that this power in the case of offences against the criminal law undoubtedly lies with the Governor-General; the pardoning power for offences against the Provincial statutes belongs to the Provincial authorities and the Lieutenant-Governor.

A thing of beauty is joy forever, and of all the beauties that adorn humanity, there is nothing like a fine head of hair. The surest way of obtaining that is by the LUBY'S Parisian Hair-Remover. At all druggists. 50c a bottle.

TRADE STATISTICS.

R. G. Dun & Co. last week thus review this state of business in the United States and Canada.

Failure returns for April given today are especially valuable, because they show that there does not exist, in the most important branches of business, the conditions which threaten disaster. They call attention to one line in which some curtailment had seemed from previous returns to be in progress, and has been hastened by extensive strikes in the building trades.

The simple fact is that some reaction from the abnormal excitement and expansion and rise of prices last year was necessary to continued prosperity. Its duration may, therefore, be expected to depend on the promptness with which production and prices adjust themselves to actual demands.

The close of the wool year has come without the scarcity which some expected, but with the average of quotations by Coates Bros., reduced in April about 1 cent, sales have been small, and yet much in excess of purchases for consumption.

Failures for the week have been 209 in the United States, against 158 last year, and 27 in Canada, against 28 last year.

THE LAUREATE AND IRELAND

Alfred Austin, as behooves a laureate, follows the precedent set by Her Majesty of England in a little book entitled "Spring and Autumn in Ireland." Just issued by the Macmillan Company, which is a warm and kindly eulogy of the Emerald Isle and her jewels of children, says the New York "Herald." Mr. Austin recognizes that Ireland has wrongs

Dyspepsia?

DR. SPROULE will send you FREE his new book on this subject. It shows (with illustrations) the cause and cure of nearly all stomach, Liver and Bowel troubles. It will be a revelation to you and a beacon of hope.

which should be righted. "No one," he says, "can read the history of the economic relations of Great Britain with Ireland during the 17th and 18th centuries without feeling, if he has any sense of justice, that reparation is due to Ireland for the monstrous commercial fetters in which it was then for so long a period bound, and any assistance wisely and discriminately given to Ireland for the purpose of stimulating material amelioration will be neither a bribe nor a dole, but the restoration of something owing."

IRISHMEN IN ENGLAND.

The next annual convention of the Irish National League in England will be held at Bristol. The local executive has issued the following earnest appeal to Irishmen in the city and district:

Follow-countrymen—As you are aware, the Irish National League Annual Convention is the most important meeting that takes place in Great Britain in connection with the organization of our people and the gaining of Home Rule for Ireland.

After many years we have at last succeeded in inducing our compatriots to visit Bristol, so that the Convention will be held in this city on Whit Saturday next, June 2nd, and as delegates will be present from all the principal centres in Scotland, Wales, and England, as well as many of the leading Irish M. P.'s, we confidently ask your help in making the first Bristol Convention a great success.

Through all the years of stress and trouble the Irish National League of Great Britain has worked unceasingly in the cause of Ireland; at recent elections, where there were any considerable number of Irish voters, it obtained a pledge from the Liberal candidate in favor of Home Rule. It preserved in a large number of towns and villages an Irish spirit that would otherwise have succumbed to the blighting influence of dissension and apathy, happily dying away since the Irish Parliamentary Party has again become united.

It is, in fact, the only great organization in this country existing for the sole purpose of obtaining Home Rule for Ireland, and therefore, we confidently ask you to combine with us in giving a "Cead Mille Failte" to our patriotic countrymen from all quarters of Great Britain who will visit us at Whitsuntide.

CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

Dr. J. Oldfield asks in "The Human Review" whether hanging will end with the nineteenth century. It may be predicted with considerable certainty that it will not. Yet, if we are to trust statistics, its deterrent effects are not so great as those of penal servitude. During the ten years from 1850-1859 there were 167 convictions for murder; but between 1870-1879 there were 255 convictions—an increase of 88. Population had increased during the interval, but nothing like to the same extent. On the other hand, there has been a material diminution of the more serious crimes other than murder. Between 1855 and 1859 there were 2,466 burglaries, 3,264 cases of house-breaking, and 1,013 cases of arson. Between 1875 and 1879 there were 1,650 burglaries—a decrease of 816; 2,263 cases of house-breaking—a decrease of 1,001; and 537 cases of arson—a decrease of 476. If capital punishment does not cause a decrease in crimes of murder, undoubtedly the strongest argument for it ceases to have force.—Liverpool Catholic Times.

"A SINGLE FACT"

Is worth a shipload of argument. What shall be said, then, of thousands of facts? Every cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla is a fact, presenting the strongest possible evidence of the merit of this medicine. Thousands and thousands of such facts prove that Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure all diseases caused or promoted by impure blood. It is the best medicine money can buy.

Indigestion, nausea are cured by Hood's Pills.

SECRETS OF LONGEVITY.

A well known physician has been confiding the secret of longevity. Keep the following commandments and he sees no reason why you should not live to be 100: Eight hours' sleep. Sleep on your right side. Have a mat to your bedroom door. Do not have your bedstead against the wall. No cold bath in the morning, but one at the temperature of the body. Exercise before breakfast. Eat little meat and see that it is well cooked. Eat plenty of fat to feed the cells which destroy disease germs. Avoid intoxicants, which destroy those cells. Daily exercise in the open air. Watch the three Ds—drinking water, damp and short holidays. Have a change of occupation. Take frequent and short holidays. Limit your ambition. Keep your temper.

SCROFULA

is indicated by little kernels in the neck. Sometimes they swell, become painful, soften, and end in a scar. Watch carefully, and just as soon as the kernels appear give Scott's Emulsion. The swellings will grow less and less until they disappear entirely. Continue the Emulsion until the child has good solid flesh and a healthy color.

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