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C. M. B. A.

Hall of Branch No. 13, C. M. B. A. Stratford, August 3rd, 1887.

At a regular meeting held this date it was moved by Bro. E. O'Flaherty, seconded by Brother M. J. Hanavan and

Resolved, That whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His wisdom to remove by death our late Brother and Marshal, Michael Nolan, be it further resolved that the members of Stratford Branch, No. 13, of the C. M. B. A. do tender Mrs. Nolan and family our sincere sympathy in the sad loss which they have sustained by the death of an affectionate husband and kind father and we commend them in their sad affliction to Him who orders all things for the best.

Do it further resolved that in the death of our late Brother Branch No. 13 has lost one of its most faithful and honored members and in respect to his memory the charter of this branch will be draped in mourning for one month.

And a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of our late brother, also to the CATHOLIC RECORD and C. M. B. A. Monthly.

THOMAS J. DOUGLASS, Rec. Sec. No 13

UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA.

The new library of the University of Ottawa is now receiving the finishing touches, and on the 15th of August will be ready.

The faculty have purchased many new volumes, which will be for the exclusive use of the 400 students who attend their institution. All modern works of merit on science and literature have been added, and this library is now one of the best in the Dominion.

The space formerly occupied by the old chapel will henceforth be utilized as an infirmary, which will be under the special care of the Sisters of Charity.

The incandescent light apparatus has been improved by the addition of a new dynamo machine, which will be powerful enough to illumine every room in the immense college buildings.

ABERDEEN'S ADVENTUROUS BROTHER.

The recent visit of the Earl of Aberdeen to New York recalls the story of his lamented elder brother, who once resided in Richmond, Va. and was known by the name of George Osborne.

His parents were then in England. It is said that before leaving his Scottish home he had often remarked that it was possible for one to go to sea before the mast and return in command of his own ship, and it is supposed that in order to demonstrate the possibility of this he abandoned rank and position, and became a sailor on board an American ship. He found employment in different vocations, sometimes going to sea, again working on the ice, then at rigging vessels. He was recklessly daring in the latter calling, and often received a kindly reprimand from his fellow riggers for his carelessness when aloft. In 1870 he was swept overboard from the schooner Hera, bound on a voyage to Australia. It was then discovered that he was the Earl of Aberdeen. His parents, who had for years sought in vain to find the wandering son, finally learned that he had chosen Richmond for his temporary home. Here they found his effects, photograph, etc. in possession of an estimable young lady now living in Vermont. Many substantial presents were made to those giving information concerning the young nobleman's life in Richmond. The Richmond Library Association received from their mother, in consideration of her son having spent many hours in its rooms, a case of valuable books, bearing appropriate inscriptions to his memory.

The First Duty of a Catholic Teacher.

School exhibitions are not infallible tests of scholarship; yet there has undoubtedly been a gradual improvement in our Catholic schools generally in every respect. We do not, for a moment, yield to the absurd notion that we are to be judged by our schools, or that our schools are inferior to the public schools in point of scientific and literary attainment. On the contrary we insist that the very reverse is true. And, then, there is the tremendously important and indispensable consideration of the superiority of our schools in a moral and religious point of view. But whether our schools are all that could be desired, even in that which constitutes the reason of their being, may perhaps admit of question.

We have sometimes thought that some even of our most successful teachers, whether in convent, college, high or parochial schools, were in danger of overlooking the very great importance of our children being taught to love religion rather than to look upon it as a mere duty—an unwelcome task. It strikes us that this cannot be too strongly insisted upon, for we are convinced from our observation and experience that multitudes of nominal Catholics, some of whom give scandal and seem well-nigh to have lost the faith entirely, were made to hate religion, and have consequently cherished a secret dislike for it all their lives, by an injudicious mode of treatment which they were young. In a word, they were taught religion as a necessary part of the curriculum in a perfunctory manner, and with scarcely less secular spirit than that in which their instruction in science was given; the lessons of duty and obligation being enforced by the same inexorable

discipline of whip and goad, of humiliation and disgrace.

We do not mean, of course, to be understood as saying that punishment should not be resorted to to compel young people to perform their religious duty. Doubtless there are some children who seem to be naturally wayward and not so susceptible to mild, persuasive methods as others, and it is necessary sometimes to hold over them the symbol of authority in reserve, and even to demonstrate, occasionally, the efficacy of the authority by a judicious application of the symbol.

Even in such cases, the enforcement of authority should be preceded and accompanied by appeals to the reason and understanding of the child, and with such patient, unwearying efforts to induce him of the merit as well as the duty of obedience, and the joy of a good conscience and happiness of doing right to please God, backed if need be, by the most earnest affectionate appeals to his better feelings, his nobler sentiments, as will be calculated to subdue his pride and obstinacy and disarm him of all hostility, being desired and to the one who enforces it.

We readily admit that this mode of treatment implies qualifications not always found even in some who stand high as instructors of youth. We believe that teachers themselves will be ready, very generally, to acknowledge that there is apt to be more of an inclination among them to rely upon the exercise of authority, and to visit dereliction of religious duty with condign punishment, than to call in the aid of the mild means of appeals to reason and conscience and earnest, abiding persuasion. We believe the duty of the teacher should be the same as that of the Ambassador of Heaven—love and compassion for souls. The great purpose of all education should be kept constantly in view, and, though the milder means we have indicated may not always be attended with a full measure of immediate success, our observation among graduates for many years convinces us that the seed thus sown will not be without good fruit in due season.

—Catholic Review.

THE PRIESTS

AND THE GALLEY-SLAVES, OR ENGLISH MAGNANIMITY.

J. Ford, S. J., in Indo-European Correspondence, June 8, 1887.

(Translated from the "Indo-European Correspondence" from the Life of Abbe Claude Toulon.)

During the palmy days of the French Revolution, whose apotheosis is now in contemplation, the Jacobin functionaries of the Republic, impelled by their implacable hatred against religion, gathered together from the different duchies of France two hundred and fifty virtuous priests, imprisoned for having been true to God and His holy Church; and not content with accusing them as gally slaves, they tied them one by one to as many lawless ruffians, and huddled them all pell mell together in a vessel bound for Guyana.

When the vessel fairly stood out to sea, the wicked crew for diversion's sake made a diabolical diversion indeed—set to searching the pockets of the poor priests for the little money they were still thought to have. "What need have you of money now," said the wretched out-purges scornfully, "since the Republic will provide for all your wants?"

After toying the priests for days, they began to decay the coast of Guyana, when an English cruiser, too, appeared in sight with an order to chase the French ship. Escape by flight was out of the question. Their only resource lay in a hasty preparation for defence. On the spur of the moment, they set to the hold all the prisoners. Meanwhile the English cruiser neared the French ship, and opened a formidable fire upon her. One may easily imagine the painful anxiety of the prisoners—uncertain of their fate—during this dreadful struggle between the two vessels.

As the vessel was a desperate resistance, the Republican vessel refused to surrender to superior skill and numbers.

The English Captain immediately ordered his men to board her. As soon as he was on deck, suspecting there were innocent victims among the wounded, he walked up to one of them, and asked him who and where the prisoners were. "I will find here in the hold of the vessel five hundred prisoners," said the wounded man; "two hundred and fifty are priests, and two hundred and fifty are galley-slaves. You will distinguish the priests by their black and white habits."

There and the victor ordered them all to be brought up on deck, and their bonds and fetters to be taken off. Then facing them all, with a thundering voice he roared out: "Let those that are priests, pass to the right; and those that are galley-slaves, pass to the left. If any dare stand on the side on which he should not, him shall I pitch overboard!" accompanying his words at the same time with a peremptory motion of his arm showing them the sea.

Fifteen or twenty years later, one of the priests, who stood there, used to say: "I cannot call to mind the exact scene without trembling. We thought it was the day of Judgment." As soon as the "sheep" were sent to the right, and the "goats" to the left, the Captain turned to the former, and taking off his cap, in a solemn tone addressed them, saying: "I call hall! Reverend Sirs! Though I have not the honor to be of the same religion as you are, yet I admire it; and I acknowledge its sovereign influence sways the world. Men of your stamp sooner or later triumph: success crowns your efforts wherever you go. Be not afraid; you are under the protection of the English flag. Until I take you to London, where you shall be hospitably welcomed, you are free."

Here his voice failed him! the wretched livery of the saintly prisoners, and their countenances stamped with the marks of affliction deeply impressed the heart of the hero. Then he went on saying: "A people must sink to the very lowest stage of depravity to treat the ministers of religion in such an unheard-of manner." All the priests began to move towards him to thank him; but he would not give them time to do

so; and turning gruffly to the left, he thundered out: "And you, galley-slaves, what shall I say to you? You heard of rascals. Down to the hold you shall go, and I will take good care not to land you in England. On the coast of France will I leave you, and the liberty thus restored to you shall be the greatest vengeance my country will take upon you."

A Noble Character.

It is a rare sign of a noble character in a son when in going from or returning to his home, he always kisses his mother.

Many a sorrowing mother is there who while mourning the sudden death of a deeply loved child, finds a holy consolation in the thought of his leaving her on the day that proved his last on earth, be kissed her an affectionate farewell. Therefore, sons and daughters, young or old, grown or growing, in all earnestness, all sincerity, and for potent reasons which will gradually dawn upon you by following our advice, never refrain from kissing your mother, and never fear of your friends' who may be witnesses of your action. Believe us such friends are serpents fit only to drag themselves along the mire of debased ignorance—serpents that you should trample under foot, and by so doing, show your mother is always a sign of ignorance and of a bad character, and he that laughs at a son who kisses his mother, has a character so small that it could squeeze through the eye of a needle. Never let any such objections overrule your love for your mother.

Remember, whenever the sensitive promptings of your heart urge you to do so, and never leave for any length of time without first raising your lips to her to receive the protecting charm of her holy kiss.

POOLED THE TRAIN ROBBERS.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

Just as they entered his car he turned in his seat, and with an appearance of anxious dispatch proceeded to squeeze a small satchel behind the shutters of the next window. They could not help noticing his manoeuvre, and promptly ordered him to stand up and fold his hands. When they collared him in due course, their spokesman at once turned to that window.

"What's this here? Try to beat us, you poor sinner, did you? Logale—hold him, let me see that bag; ah! bank notes; I thought so."

"Oh, don't do," wailed the poor sinner, "that's my children's money; they will starve; they will die: my poor little girl."

"Girls, you say? Send them this way, and we'll take care of them," was the brutal reply. "How much is that, any- body?"

"Oh, Lord, Senator, all I have in the world; \$12,000 in American money—\$12,300, I think."

"Is that so?" fingering over the notes. "Yes, more or less; let's see your pockets now."

A handful of silver was turned out, bit by bit, some \$10, perhaps.

"Oh, Senator, you are surely not going to take my last penny?"

"D—n it, no!" broke in the leader. "Let him keep that, and his watch, too. This will do us," showing the roll into his grip-sack. "Good boy!" with a slap on his back.

"Next," with a complacent grin, which was a week or so later was probably seen on the other side of his face, when he announced that those "American bank notes" had been issued by the Confederate Government. A package of irredeemable securities had in the meanwhile been seeking safe under the cushion of the wily passenger, who had taken them along for the special purpose of diverting attention from the main stake.

A LEGEND OF DONEGAL.

A STORY OF HOW THE CHURCH OF KILLMARD CAME TO BE BUILT.

As the traveller passes from the town of Donegal towards Killybegs, and when a mile and a half from the former, he can observe as he emerges from the closely planted wood which clothes the hill on his left and the blooming orchard remaining what was once a very ancient ruin, crowning a beautiful eminence, which rises gently and uniformly from the waters of the creek before him, and by which his way leads. Standing alone on its lonely little hill it is, or would seem to be, the only vestige remaining of what was once a great church, within whose walls, and around after generation met and worshipped, for as the following story would have us believe, over one thousand three hundred years. Like a vast wreath over a single grave, a closely planted hedge of flowering hawthorns surrounds the sacred little spot on which it stands, and within contains the graves of all who died in the parish from time immemorial.

It was a beautiful morning in the early harvest that a strange vessel entered the bay of Donegal. The date is very uncertain, but it is supposed to be early in the fifth century. On her deck stood the captain, a tall, noble-looking fellow, with a tawny, unburned skin, and possessing a heart full of love and kindly feeling. As he paced to and fro he could not refrain from expressions of admiration for the beauty of the country, which rose on each side of the bay to which he had taken the vessel, and which occupied his thoughts on the beauty of his surroundings that he noticed not that the day was fast advancing, and that a fearful storm was approaching, and that his ship was in strange waters, with great frowning cliffs and dangerous sandbanks on every side. Slowly and majestically, the stately ship glided on Durin Head, and for some distance further up the bay, when the order was given to let go the anchors and prepare to ride to their chains for the night. 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