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struction of theology." As examples of these "spiritualminded men " he names Canon Dods, Dr. George Adam Smith, and others whose attacks upon the truth of the Old Testament have been as open and direct as those of Voltaire, Tom Paine

and Col. Ingersoll. At the General Methodist Conference recently held, Dr. Carman, the general superintendent of the MethodistChurch, pronounced most positively a condemnation of these views, and it has been stated by a member of the Beard of Regents of Victoria University, in an interview with a representative of the Toronto Mail and Empire, that the chancellor will most probably be brought to trial before the college board for heretical teaching, as Dr. Workman was five years ago.

The frequency with which these trials for heresy are now held, show to how great an extent Latitudinarianism is spreading among the Protestant clergy of all denominations, and the fact that such views are so largely held by professors of the various theological seminaries in which the rising generation of ministers is being trained, indicates that we are on the eve of a very general transformation of Protestantism into Latitudinarianism or Deism. Thus Protestantism, which originally professed to be founded upon the Bible as the only rule of Christian faith, is rapidly coming to reject the Bible entirely as a rule of faith at all.

This movement of Protestantism is called by Chancellor Burwash, "the revolt of reason from ancient dogmatic superstitions accompanied with, or rather preceded by, a remarkable increase of new spiritual life."

We must emphatically deny that the tendency to Rationalism, which subjects God's teachings to the tribunal of human reason, arise from any increase of spiritual life. The teachings of God cannot be against reason, but they are truth may be and is frequently beyond the reach of fight the reach of th the reach of finite human reason, and view. it must, therefore, be accepted on the authority of God, even though we can-

plicated in the "heresy" with which his example, which is a paramount Dr. Workman is charged, through influence in Russia, will have great having written a preface to the "Vinweight in repressing the intolerance dication of the Old Testament," in of officials of every rank.

#### CATHOLIC PRESS.

Some few weeks ago an ultra-Protestant London newspaper suggested that among the other jubilee celebra-tions a week should be set apart for fasting, confession to God, humiliation and prayer, with the object of stopping the Ritualizing and Romanizing of the Church of England. It is to be feared, however, that the Londoners will do Ave Maria. all the fasting by deputy-in India .-

tracted by the edifying sight of groups of children going quietly to the differ-churches Holy Thursday, remarked that the greatest impression ever made on his mind in regard to our religion was when he asked a Catholic child on the way to Mass one Sunday, why she visited the churches on Holv Thursday, and she told him where he could find out all about it. She said: "Buy a catechism for five cents."— Home Journal and News.

American Sunday reformers of our day have never reached the point of perfection attained by the Scottish Sabbath Alliance, which propose to dock a cow on feed a week in orderto dispense with the necessity of Sunday milking. A this with beneficial results. Could not members of this Alliance be relieved from walking on Sunday? They might lie in bed and read the Bible and interpret it to suit themselves, as seems to be the fashion of the hour. The Blue Laws contained nothing more ridiculous than this effort to make man and beast abstain from necessary work on the first day of the week .- Sacred

"America is destined to become pagan, infidel, or Catholic; Catholic because Catholicity is positive, concrete, united Christianity. It is not a entiment, a school, or a sect; it is a livine organism, animated by a divine fe, and, therefore, indestructible And it is only through this divine en ergy of the Church that Christianity, as a religion, is to be perpetuated on earth. This is why the Catholic hopes o make America Catholic. He loves his country and its people, and want to see them right, prosperous, and happy here, and on the road to eternal happiness. Are not his hope and desire laudable? He is not exclusive He wants to see others enjoy the bless ings that he himself enjoys; to see al in possession of the inspiring and well grounded hope of a happy immortality."—The Missionary.

The membership of the Apostleship of Prayer have for their general intention during June "Filial submission to the Vicar of Christ." This intention is always opportune, because the spirit of docility to the Pope is a sign of a good Catholic, and a willingness to accept his direction is like an act of faith in the promise of Christ to abide with His Church for ever, for His often above reeson, and therefore one Vicar is His representative, and to truth can never be inconsistent with him special lights and special graces another. The dogmas of religion can. are given for the proper management of affairs that involve religion. Re-

breathed upon the dry bones, and so they breathed upon the dry bones, and so they came together and stood up an exceeding great multitude. The Catholic revival that is associated with the name of Newman did at least this for England. It made Anglicans believe in the Church as something other than an ecclesiastical branch of the civil service. Cardinal Manning used to declare to the day of his death that it is absolutely impossible to get the spiritual idea of the Church of God into the head of an English churchman, so hopelessly Erastianized is the Anglican mind.

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We observe that some of our Euglish contemporaries are disputing about the best definition of the Augli-can Church. We give our vote for Mr. Stead's — "An ecclesiastical branch of the English civil service."—

The following sentiment of Cardinal Wiseman, written four years before A Protestant gentleman, being at John Henry Newman were received into the Church, has borne its fruit in a host of converts. The same attitude in the Church to-day will not be without its rich fruitage: "Ought we to sit down coldly, while sentiments manifesting so strong a desire for Christian unity are breathed in our hearing, and rise not up to bid the mourners have hope? Are we, who sit in the full light, to see our friends feeling their way towards us through the gloom that surrounds them, faltering for want of an out-stretched hand, or turning astray for want of a directing voice, and sit on, and keep silent, amusing ourselves at their painful efforts, or perhaps allow them to hear, from time to time, only the suppressed laugh of one who Christian employer, it is said, has tried triumphs over their distress? God forbid! If one must err, if in mere tribute to humanity one must needs make a false step, one's fall will be more easy when on the side of two theological virtues than when on the bare, cold earth of human prudence. If I shall have been both too hopeful in my motives and too charitable in my dealings, I will take my chance of smiles at my simplicity both on earth and in heaven. Those of the latter, at least, are never scorn (Letter to Lord Shrewsbury, p 20.) -The Missionary.

# CHATS BY THE FIRESIDE.

For the CATHOLIC RECORD.

Just now we are having the annual

learning established for the education ports in the daily or weekly press of women in this province cannot show is certain to abate prejudice. It

lectually wild. Go to any town or city in the Province and you can count ten educated Catholic young women for one educated Catholic young assail the Church, their own people view.

Never before have the sentiments of human brotherhood penetrated so deeply into the souls of men, and never content in the Canonic raining be sent to the convent for two years, why should not the son be sent to a Catholic burner is not a secret society, and must stand an open battle. If the enemy attacks, fight hard and skill-not Catholic young men the hope of the fully. Will any one say that

vania from July 6 to July 30 is an and publications ;-do all this, if you exceedingly fine one. It includes five lectures on Arabic History, five on Romance Literature, five lectures by Dr. Shahan, of the Catholic University, Ghost will sanctify and appoint to on the constitution of the Mediaeval assist them.

Church, five on Mediaeval Philosophy, The Holy See and the Bishops, both by Dr. Shanahan, five on Mediaeval by instinct of their teaching office education, by Prof. D. C. Munro, and by their divine mastery of the and five on English Local Institutions, public life of men, will establish the

by Prof. Andrews. special period. It is interesting to note that two of the most important series of these lectures are to be given by two Catholic professors - Drs. Shanahan and Shahan. Thus is Cath-

olic truth marching along.

There came to my desk a few days There came to my desk a few days non Catholics, course of lectures, ago a volume of poems bearing the title "Heart Tones," from the pen of else.—The Missionary. Father Brennan, of the Passionist Order, now a resident of Dunkirk, Father Brennan is best known in literature by his pen name of "D. O'Kelly Branden. published by the Peter Paul Publishing Co., of Buffalo, and is dedicated to Father Cronin, the brilliant and veteran editor of the Catholic Union and Times.

The volume has two marked characteristics—the intellectual and religious. There is not a poem in the collection wanting in strength of thought, and quite a few have that spontaneity and divinity of shaping that are the mark of true inspiration. Some of the best of Father Brennan's poems are flowers of the sanctuary - blossoms of faith, hope, love and charity. In several poems the author has also struck a strong note of patriotism, particularly in his poems commemorative of Grand Army reunions. Altogether 'Heart Tones" bears out well its title for it has in it much of that immortal thought begot of the threshing out of the spirit, which, when wedded to music, is the supremest excellence of Thomas O'Hagan.

## THE STILL HUNT.

REV. WALTER ELLIOT.

We sometimes hear it said that it is best to work quietly for the conversion of non Catholics. If this means that commencements in our colleges and for making solid converts the personal influence of soul upon soul is absolutely turning his, or her, face towards the world of fact and stern reality. This is a moment of deep concern to the young heart that has been nurtured by the dews and sunshine of wisdom and prayer, within the sauctuary of course of public lectures, especially in connection with a mission. God's temple of truth and learning.

Did it ever occur to you, gentle reader, what our convents are doing for higher education? Perhaps not.

Well, let us take an inventory of their reach. There are more than twenty. There are more than twenty to the result. work. There are more than twenty sion are to tone up the faithful themconvents in Ontario, with an average | selves, to arose personal zeal, to circuattendance of one hundred young late literature, to reach the entire community by carefully prepared reone half the number of students. And equally certain to some prejudice. It is yet the Catholic Church is charged with being the enemy of progress and culture! The education of our Catholic boys bidding for converts, are calculated to is not nearly so well looked after. In embitter Protestant ministers and to some instances they are running intellarouse their venomous attacks, the Why this disparity? If the will regret it and even hinder daughter in the Catholic family be sent it; furthermore, it is not possible

by instinct of their teaching office y Prof. Andrews.

Altogether it is the ablest course of the efforts of private zeal, both tolectures I have ever seen set for the gether and evenly and equally, every-dealing with the life and thought of a where in the Church. Meantime, all ensible non Catholics will think it eminently proper that a religion of universal claims shall make public ffers for a hearing in the open court of this country, both in the press and on the platform-call it missions to

### 10,000 CONVERTS

In their record of notable person who have united with the Catholic communion within the past three months, as converts from other de-nominations, the Paulist Fathers mention the following: Charles Hanson Towne, Theodore A. Havemeyer, Miss Susie F. Swift, head of the Auxiliary League of the Salvation Army; Rear-Admiral Tremlett of the British Navy, United States Marshal John H. McCarty, Aubrey Beardsley, the English artist, and Edward Scott Marble, actor and dramatist, who has heretofore been a free thinker and follower of Ingersoll. It is also stated that Queen Ranovalo of Madagascar is about to be received

madagascar is about to be received into the Church.

THIRTY THOUSAND CONVERTS A YEAR

"Cardinal Gibbons, in his 'Ambassador of Christ,'" say the Paulists in the current number of The Missionary, "makes the statement that there are received into the Church every year in this country 30,000 converts. He admits that this figure is only estimated by calculating on a basis of actual numbers received in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. During an average year he had 700 converts. In Baltimore there is a Catholic population of 240, 000. In 10,000,000 Catholics there should be at that rate about 30,000 convert every year. Whether his con-clusions are strictly correct we have been very anxious to determine.

CONCLUSIONS REACHED. "With this end in view we set out to get actual statistics. We sent out hundreds of inquiry letters and we learned many interesting facts. First cord has been kept of the reception of converts. The replies from the chancery offices of the various dioceses show that only a few instances are actual figures at hand. The policy of priests has been to receive a convert quietly, and in announcing his reception pub-licly the knowledge of the event has een screened from the public eye. second-Priests who are known otherwise as particularly active minded men, taking part in public affairs and meeting their non Catholic brethren on neutral ground, are the ones who make the most converts. Third-Convert-making is a thing easily stimu lated and is readily increased by cer-

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burned at Montreal. He resigned, but the Queen refused to accept his resignation, showing that she approved of what he had done. In 1851 was the World's Fair at Hyde Park, the greatest gathering of nations in the world's history, up to that time. This great work was superintended by the Prince Consort. The postal system was transferred to the Canadian Parliament, the Normal School and Trinity College were built at Toronto, and the construction of the G. T. R. commenced in that year. Aid was granted for the construction of the G. T. R. commenced in that year. Aid was granted for the construction of the G. W. R. a year later. In 1854 reciprocity in tariffs was concluded with the United States, and the period of a few years following was the most prosperous in the history of Canada. The Russian war, the Indian mutiny and other events were next spoken of by Mr. Murphy. He touched on the Prince of Wales' visit to Canada in 1860, the Prince Consort's death in 1861, the Fenian raid, the birth of consideration, the disestablishment of the Irish Church, the Washington treaty, ballot act and abolition of dual representation. From 1877 to 1887 he said was a reign of peace and prosperity both in Canada and England. In 1878 was the introduction of the National Policy, and since then the history of Canada was the history of Sir John A. Macdonald and the Conservative party. He then went on to speak of the vastness of the empire, with its 12,000,000 equare miles, 4,500,000 of which had been acquired during her Majesty's reign. He made a comparison, showing that British possessions embraced more area than these of Germany, France and Russia combined. The population of Great Britain and Ireland was \$4,000,000 while that of France was 30,000,000. Now Great Britain has 30,000,000 and France has practically the same. A notable feature in this was that Ireland sixty years ago had a population of 8,000,000, and now had secreely

# CHIEF CLERK MULLINS.

London Free Press, June 21.

It falls to the lot of few young men to be so honored by their fellow-citizens of all classes as has been the case with Mr. W. E. Mullins, now chief clerk to Supt. Fitzhugh, of the G. T. R., at Toronto. Mr. Mullins has practically only begun his career, yet upon the Advertiser the following synopsis of Mr. Murphy's very interesting address on the Advertiser the following synopsis of Mr. Murphy's very interesting address on the Advertiser the following synopsis of Mr. Murphy's very interesting address on the occasion:

Mr. Murphy referred, at the outset, to the very depressed and agitated condition of England at the time of her Majesty's birth. It was at the close of the Napoleonic wars, and the public debt amounted to £80,000,000. London Free Press, June 21.

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