The Poet Pontiff.

Frequently have we had occasio mention the striking and excep-nal talents of the venerable and Mustrious Pontiff Leo XIII. As rules the two hundred and fifty million Catholics of the world, as the Infallible Vicar of Christ, everyone in the faith recognizes his suprema cy: but, outside the domain of spiri tual affairs there are many phase in the character of Leo XIII. would suffice alone, or even any one of them, to immortalize an ordinary individual. In the ranks of states men his pre-eminence is universally recognized by the rulers of all the nations of the world. Then in the realm of letters, of science, of philo sophy, of all that is inspiring and cultivated, he has long since earned niche in the temple of fame.

As a poet he owes much to his native disposition, to the atmos phere of his childhood and his youth his delicacy of sentiment and kindliness of disposition, as well as to his fertile and soaring imagina tion In addition he is such a con of Latin, And summate master of Latin. And Latin is, perhaps, the most perfect language wherein to give expression poetic ideals. An illustration of his wonderful command of that an cient tongue, is to be found in his Ode to the New Century, written on the occasion of his own jubilee. We have the advantage of not on

ly possessing that gem-like ode in the original, but the still further privilege of having before us an original translation by Rt. Rev Bishop Howley of St. John's, New foundland. We need scarcely speak of the personal literary merit Bishop Howley. His name and the productions of his pen are familia in almost every household in the land. We are positive that our readers will enjoy the treat of sublime Latin, from the Pontiff, and de lightful English from the Bishop.

Poem of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII. to the New Century

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Cultrix bonarum nobilis artium Decedit actas: publica commode, Viresqde naturae retectas, Quisquis avet, memoret canendo

Saecli occidentis me vehementius Admissa tangunt; haec doleo et freno Pro! quot, retrorsum conspicatus, rum monumenta cerno.

Querarne caedes, sceptrague diruta, An pervagantis monstra licentiae? An dirum in arcem Vaticanam Mille dolis initum duellum?

Quo cessit Urbis, principis urbium, Nullo impeditum servitio decus? Cuam !aecla, quam gentes avitae Pontificum coluere sedem.

Vae segregatis Numine legibus! Quae lex honesti, quae superest fides? Nutant, semel submota ab aris, Atque ruunt labefacta iura.

ditis? effert impia conscius

Mens una reges, te dure, temperet, Tuis ut instent legibus obequi; Sitque unum Ovile et Pastor unus, Una Fides moderetur orbem.

Cursum peregi, lustraque bis novem, Te dante, vixi. Tu cumulum adilce: Fac, quaeso, ne incassum precanti Vota tui recidant Leonis. -Leo XIII

Centennial Ode of His Holines Pope Leo XIII. to the New Century Original translation by Rt. Bishop Howley.

Sing he who lists, the Age that now departs:

- Which fosters Science; cherisheth the Arts Which Nature's secret forces doth
- reveal. And all things bendeth to the con
- mon weal.
- But, as the dying years I backward scan,
- And view the crimes and shameful deeds of man.
- My heart deep touched these crying evils mourns.
- And with indignant ire my boson hurns
- Shall I complain of slaughters scepters hurled?
- Of vice unbridled stalking thro' the world;
- Of direful war waged with a thousand wiles
- Against e en Vatican's high, sacred piles?
- Oh Queen of Cities! who didst never how.

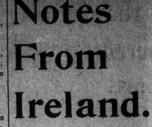
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- Thy neck to yoke of servitude, where now.
- That glory, which in by-gone ages shone
- Amid the Nations, round the Pontiff-throne!
- Oh woe! when kings to faith and conscience blind
- npose their godless laws upon mankind,
 - No longer Faith nor Justice can be found
- And Altars, desecrated, strew the ground
- Hark ve! the impious boastings of
- the crowd, Who with their silly lore "puffed up" and proud,
- Deny the Power Supreme 'of Nature's God.
- And place instead Brute Nature's inert clod!
- Senseless, they scorn the honor mankind,
- Vain shadows grasping in their shallow mind.
- And with the beasts that grovel on the ground
- The noble origin of man confound. Alas! how in its vortex, yawning
- wide.
- In blind and powerless rage, whirls human pride Oh all ye people, scattered thro'
- the lands Keep well, thro'-out all time God's
- dread commands.
- only is, "The Life, the Truth, He the Way' Direct to Heaven:-He only can re-
- pay To Mortals striving in "this vale
- of tears" The vows and yearnings of the flecting years.
- Tis He who now to Peter's relicshrine
- The throngs of holy pilgrims doth incline
- In prayer to visit-pledge of openmorn.
- Of Faith reviving:-Piety reborn. Oh Jesus! ruler of the flowing tide Of Future years. The course se



THE VERUE WINNESS AND CAUTORICE CHERONICIDE

SECTARIAN ANIMOSITY. Speaking at the Dublin dinner of the Surveyors' Institution recently, Sir Antony MacDonnell said that

coming back to his own country af tor half a lifetime of foreign service, detached from any political party and entirely above any secta-rian feeling, nothing had surprised party and pained him more than the ex-tent to which sectarian feeling prevailed in Ireland. Seeing that Sir Antony's time since he returned to Ireland has been entirely devoted to a most laudable effort to reform the Castle with its various departments and ramifications, his words bear a significant meaning and speak vol-umes for the bigotry with which he has to contend. He also asserted that he had not met anyone be he Catholic or Protestant who had not deplored this miserable condition of things. No doubt the loudest weepers were those who live and thrive on sectarian animosity. It has ever been thus in Ireland. Commenting those remarks, a correspondent of the "Catholic Times" says:-Had Sir Antony leisure to interview the

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directors of our principal railways he would most assuredly find them deploring the bigotry which prompts Catholics to "introduce questions of religion" at the annual meetings simply because their Faith is a bar to employment and preferment the services of the Irish companies live and thrive on the Irish

As already stated in these col-

At the recent convention of Irish National League in Dublin a resolution was passed calling on Mr. Thomas Sexton, former member of Parliament,/ to return to public life. Mr. Sexton's reply was as follows:-"Dear Mr. Rooney,-Accept my sincere thanks for your kindness in calling this morning to express to me personally the feelings of the members of the League in Belfast with regard to the resolution which, at their instance and on your motion, the National convention has done me the honor to adopt. For this manifestation of the favor and confidence of my countrymen I am and shall always be most grateful. Since I retired from the House of

Commons, my health, impaired more seriously than I knew or supposed at the time, has allowed me to get through a fair amount of ordinary work, regulated by ordinary conditions; but, knowing as I do the effceptional strain and mental pressure entailed by certain Parliamentary duties, and the peculiarly trying con ditions under which they have to be discharged, I feel myself unable to undertake them. Hence I have been obliged to decline invitations from several constituencies, one so lately as this day fortnight. If I thought I could do service, even for a line ited time, mere risk to health would not prevent me, but the question is one of attempting a task beyond my strength from the first. present, then, I can only thank the members of the convention, and hope I may yet be able to offer some proof of my gratitude.

ther Wilkinson, with Father Brady The second of the May p in honor of our Blessed Lady took place on Sunday in the beautiful grounds attached to St. Paul's, grou Mount Argus. The morning was so wet that it seemed doubtful if a procession could take place at all. procession could take place at all. However, the afternoon was fiber and the Cynfraternities of the Christian Doctrine and of the sacred Heart, headed by the band of the Boys- Brigade, Church street, took part in the out-of-doors celebration. The attendance, of course, was not by any means as large as on the first Sunday. The Very Rev. Father Wilfrid, C.P., rector, preached a practical sermon on devotion to th Blessed Virgin, and mentioned that a statue which had stood in the

grounds for the last 30 years had on injured in the recent storm were solicitand that contributions ed to replace it. The third procession will take place next Sunday when it is hoped the weather conditions will be more favorable.

A STRANGE ACTION .- The lowing strange case is reported in the "Catholic Times" by its Dublin in correspondent:-

In the Law Courts on Thursday trial which lasted three days excited considerable interest in Dublin came to a close. It was an action brought by the Very Rev. E J. O'Malley, P.P., St. Agatha's, a gainst the Most Rev. Dr. Walsh recover £4,727, described as "money paid to and for the use of the defendant" in connection with the site of a new parochial church. though the cause of the action was thus described, the real question at issue was whether a parish priest is at liberty to embark on any scheme of church building without the sand tion or in opposition to the wish of the Ordinary of his diocese.

The jury, composed mostly of Pro-testants and presided over by Judge Madden, also a Protestant, after a re-

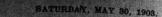
would see his way to come to terms with His Grace, so that a sch for building a church in the parish might be carried out. It is to hoped that Father O'Malley will have regard to the well-meant rider of the jury to whom he appealed. If he does, no one will be more pleased than the Archbishop of Dublin or de more to extricate him from a posi-

priest of his high character and great zeal in the service of God.



We are accustomed to receive good advice, and though it may be couched in a variety of styles, it is always acceptable, especially to those are anxious for the success of their race on this continent. Sometimes however, that advice is exceedingly practical. An example of this mention form of advice we find in an address, delivered a few days ago in before the Charitable Irish Boston, Society. The speaker was Mr. Ed F. McSweeney, former assist ward ant United States Commissioner of Immigration. The title of his adwas, "Irish Immigration dress the United States; its Character, Scope and Results." The main ob-

ject of the speaker, seems to have been to insist upon the Irish people



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he allen arrivals has brought ce forces that have I race forces that have been trained in a school of adversity just as bitter as the Irish, and who come here eager to take the place of the Irish in every field of human endeavor if they can. This is to their credit; the strongest always win, and they deserve to, and my only purpose is to point out the fact, because it is my honest belief that, if they want to, the Irish can do as much in the next fifty years as the Irish immi-grants did in the fifty years gone

Mr McSweeney then insists upor of race, and in this he pride every reason to speak out, for we cannot deny that too many of our people have learned the lesson of ef-facing their national identity, with the vain hope of attaining rapidly some temporary end. "The first thing to be done is

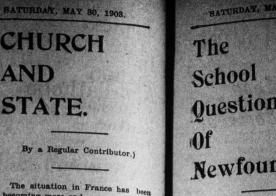
instill price of race everywhere al-ways. The Germans in the United States are better citizens they keep alive pride in their race. Of late years there has been a dency among a certain class to drift away and to follow the lead of a peculiar creature who has been a-perior in the land and who is a radical absurdity calling himself Scotch Irishman. Many Irishn a have been led astray by this freak, who belongs in the class of things that do not exist-like the dodo, great auk and the whanedoodle Once Irishmen begin to excus themselves for being what they are, are lost. Only race degene they ates are ashamed of their race and their fathers. The Americans we despise and ridicule are Anglomoniacs; Jews who bring shame upon their race are those who hide religion and apologize for their fathers. Adversity brings out strong virtues of a race; prosperity saps them; and if in an alien the Irish forget and do not continue to live up and love the religion, race and traditions that have pre served them intact all these centuries, they will and should perish. What the Irish need to-day is plain talk. The virtues of honesty, loyalty, fidelity, industry and courage were the chief characteristics of our fathers and they must never be allowed to become minor qualities in

the New England Yankes -Irish." This is all emphatically true; but the most practical part of the tire discourse is that in which the speaker dwells upon the activity and commercial energy demanded of all who would win. He

The world of the century we are entering is an industrial and com mercial world, the qualities that le men successful in the ages of battle and discovery, exploration and colonization, will secure success to-day and in this century. Courage, imagination, fidelity, tenacity, honesty, reverence are as potent in trade, industry and finance as in the other departments of human activi-ty. If the fires of our fathers have burned out of their sons; if there be nothing but ashes and dust in their hearts and brains, the race will, and would better perish:

"The men of the twentieth century will be manufacturers, mer chants, financiers, engineers, men of executive ability and technical train-There may be a place some where for the born genius who does things by inspiration and intuition but it will promably be in a museum So far, the history of man seems to show that results are achieved by work.

"When these facts have been instill-



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By a correspondent News-' of St. John's

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becoming more and more acute every day. It is now quite clear that M. bes has reckoned beyond his strength, he has gone too far. There is no longer any secret in the fact that he and President Loubet are at variance on the important matter of Church and State. And if any thing were wanting to prove this situation, we would have it in the very words of the President, w he delivered his last speech in when giers. However, during the course of last week the Ministry nearly Alnearly toppled over. It was only by technical effort of proceed procedure that Combes succeeded in saving his government. Two motions of confiace were proposed. One dealt with the immediate severence of Church and State, and the abrogation of the Concordat; the other approved of the Government's policy, while express ing the hope that it would maintain the liberty of worship. It was this latter which saved the ministry. Had the former carried | Combes have been made all-powerful; but it was defeated by a majority of over eighty, leaving the Government, on this issue, in a minority, and antagonized by a considerable bulk of its own supporters. But on its heels came the second motion of confiheels dence, requesting the maintenance of liberty of public worship. This was carried by a fair majority; thus leaving the Government in power, but bound to a policy that practically contradicts that of the past ion months.

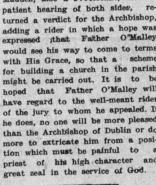
Tray who can see clearly into the mass of contradictions in French politics, do not fail to recognize here the beginning of the end for Combes and his anti-religious policy. The "Herald's" correspondent, J. Cornely, gives, in his last letter a pretty fair summary of the situation, and from it we can glean the rays of hope that the situation impart. He says, in his despatch of last Satur

day:-"The French Parliament has re umed its sittings. According ustom, the Deputies hustled each other to demand of the Ministry an ccounting for everything that occurred during their absence, not only about the congregations, but also about the disturbances that were occasioned in churches and even the intestine strife of the administration, which is attributed to the ambition of M. Edgard Combes, son president of the Council of Minisers, who is represented as seeking to upset the Prefect of Police, M. Lepine, in order to take his place. "M. Combes survived the first

hock of battle very well. He replied by scorning, the interpellations aimed at him as father of a family. As for the interpellations on his religious policy, he demanded an immeliate discussion. This was the Parliamentary field of a battle which lasted two days, Tuesday and Wed-

"The tactics of the opposition con sist in attributing to the Ministry responsibility for disorders provoked by the socialists, who are going to make disturbances in churches prevent from preaching former mem-bers of the religious orders who have not been made secular priests. The tactics of the President of the Courcil are, on the contrary, to prove that he is only opposed to the con-

sented, is likely to the Catholic the Government how ashamed to vote for who so barefacedly most cherished princ "I say, speaking that there is nothin parent as the quest gious and moral tra child No matter w to the contrary, thi step to the taking a teaching from our and it will not be the schools of the ing out men and w and scoffers. People city life have no ide tions that beset the outports with regard The formulas and p Catholic religion at and made a bye-v vance of fasts and l to ridicule, and child, brought up in ings without religio therefore unable to for the faith that is become tepid and ca tually develops into Take away religiou our public anchor of Catholici from its cable. I the Catholics of th Ontario and Quebec read of the action supporters of the ment? These people been fighting the b and religious teaching They have not hesi themselves to be tax for the maintenanc lege. They have de vate as well as the towards this object upon it as the mos connection wit While others are fig to have their childr God-fearing and zens (for one is the legi



Insanientis grex sapientiae; Brutaeque naturae supremum	ly guide Of this New Century; compel each		in America turning from law and politics and going into the fields of more practical ar's and business.	and accompanying salve: when we	are diations and intends to P	ing every effort and moral tr
Nititur asseruisse numen.	erring land,	the state of the second states and the second states and				schools."
	To better paths, by thy divine command.	1				We need not for
Nostrae supernam gentis originem Fastidit excors; dissociabilem,		MAY CELEBRATIONS The wea-	Irish immigration and of observing	and individuals are measured by	for the debate. who	which principally politics of the I
Umbras inanes mente captans.	Oh cause to spring the seeds of joy- ful peace;	ther on Sunday was anything but	the immigrants both concerts and	mamine we will start in to grasp	manted to make it appear as an as	another passage
	Let wars,-dire angers,-tumults, -				sent to a discussion of different one	bearing, and, w
miscet.	quickly cease,	wisely in confining all the solemni-	considered, for there is a grain of	ing age and get them."	relative to the abrogation of the	tion. He says:-
Heu quam proboso gurgite volvitur	The frauds of wicked men exposed	ties to the church. In spite of the	wisdom in each sentence. He thus de-	der and they come from a source	Church and State. M. Combes re-	"If any furthe of the reticence
Vis impotentis caeca superbiae,	lay And unto realms of darkness drive	cold and inclement weather a very	scribes the advancement and the	that commands the attention and	liected for the time being this com	bers on this mat
		The city confraternities were repre-	immigrants:	respect of all. We feel often that we	bination, which a part of his major	point to France,
Iussa Del metuenda tempus.	Beneath Thy guidance, let all kings	sented in force, and there was also	"Our race was formerly classed as	are only squandering our energies	ity adopts; for on this point Left,	Combes and his deavoring to up
Qui vita solus, certag 10 veritas,	be led,	a very strong detachment of	Delug composed of service ,	the line and we month	than the Million	gion from the so
Qui recta et una est ad Superos via,	In Unity of thought:-Thy laws	girl processionists from an parts of	and policemen. In the second gener- ation alone of Irish in Massachu-	while, allow our best opportunities	"There resulted right in the final	make her a nat
Is reddere ad votum fluentes	obeyed, Lot all the world within One Faith	The preacher at the 12 o'clock Mass	setts to-day, there are more lawyers,	to pass away unnoticed, or unutiliz-	of the sitting, between the	I have no hesite
Terrigenis valet unus annos.	enrolled	was the Very Rev. D. M Invyro,	doctors and addicit	an stated States on in Con-	the expedition perceived. Its me	if some of our their way they w
Nuper sacratos ad cineres Petri	Be by One Shepherd ruled, within	vincial, who gave a very learned and	saloon-keepers, and more countries		the suspended their a	wise. Knowing
Turbas piorum sancta petentium	One Fold.	the Church. At 4 o'clock the Ros-	than policemen. The verdict of time will, I am sure, give the Irish emi-	us all. No race is better equipped	tack in the hope that the his	is the basis of
Is ipse duxit: non inane , Auspicium pietas renascens.	I've run my course,-full eighteen	ary was recited by Father Wilkin-	grant the measure of credit he de-	physically and mentally than the	thom was about to break up. Bu	Combes is level
	lustres,-I, By Thee upheld,-Do Thou the Crown	son, O.M.I., after which Father Bra-	serves. The United States, and	THE THEE TO UNK ALL SHOT OF THE	the friends of the Ministry scente	from the nation,
Iesv, futuri temporis arbiter,	supply.	dy, O.M.I., occupied the purple	Massachusetts in particular, is under the greatest onligation to him. They	industries of the land. And if the	the manoeuvre and the usual	agree to elimina
Surgentis aevi cursibus annue;	Oh grant this final grace, that on	sarmestness on devotion to our incy.	gave him a nome, but in resurt ne		A RELATION AND DESCRIPTION AND DESCRIPTION AND A REPORT OF	schools he would "in subsidizing s
Virtute divina rebelles Coge segui meliora gentes.	Thy ear May not be poured in vain, Thy	The sermon was followed by a statu	did his full share toward outside		Combes toward	Speaking as a C
	Leo's Prayer.	procession round the beautiful	them up to the position they enjoy. The second and third generations	of this continent's affairs. Work and	congregations met with approv	fident that every
Tu pacis almae semina provehe;	4M. F. H.	Confraternities and little girls,	The second and third generations should, however, swake to the fact	determination are the words that the	and the hope was explanation liberty	volie in the count
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