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ANONYMOUS MISREPRESENTATION.

One of the cheering things in connection with the misrepresentation of the Papacy and the situation in France is that the Protestant world appears to have lost some of its taste for enlightenment by anonymous authorities who call themselves Catholics. These so-called "Catholics" are invariably professed haters of "bigotry" and lovers of "Liberalism." Their devotion to truth enables them, in fact facilitates them in quite a remarkable way, to see evil on their own side of the question and virtue on the other. "Bigotry" alone can see good in themselves and fault in their opponents. But the anonymous "Catholic" is never a bigot. Oh, no!

In the current number of the North American Review one of these masked "Catholics" cuts loose with more than the ordinary degree of freedom. He goes so far, indeed, that one of the leading journals of the United States, never suspected of any desire to defend the Catholic Church, gives him a severe calling down. The North American Review contributor, who styles himself "A Catholic Priest," undertakes to review the three and a half years' reign of Pope Pius X. No one could ever imagine, without the aid of this unknown authority, the things he is determined to convict the Supreme Pontiff of. The New York Evening Post pulls out a few choice indictments.

"Abominable traditions that have disgraced the Roman See and alienated from it the most progressive nations of the world."

"One will have to turn back to some of the most despotic Papal reigns to find a parallel to the bigotry, cruelty, hatred of truth and defiance of civilization which characterizes the Papacy of this hour."

"This good man (Pius X.) has been perverted and overcome by the venerable sham of the traditions of his chair."

All this, if we are to believe the contributor to the North American Review, is the unprejudiced opinion of "A Catholic Priest," who hates bigotry. But he does profess too much. He professes himself far beyond the pale of credence by intelligent readers. And this is what The New York Evening Post means when it says: "That though the writer's legal title to sign himself as he did may be undisputed," the article on its face is an avowal that the writer deals "unfairly with the uninitiated reader."

"What should we think," asks the Evening Post, "of one signing himself 'a Jew' who attacked the Law, or the Sabbath?" There is the point in a nutshell. The writer is not a Catholic in fact, though he persists in using a title that may once have been his. He is an enemy of the Church to which he once belonged, and commits a fraud upon the public when he declares he is still what he once was. He is dealing unfairly with the uninitiated reader. Controversy is so common

these days that intelligent Protestants can no longer be classed among the uninitiated, and the article in The Evening Post is a vindication of Protestant intelligence.

We should be glad to see the example of the Post followed in other quarters nearer home. We should not be surprised if the North American Review article were gulped down with avidity by our friend the Daily Witness. Our quasi-namesake is not giving its readers the benefit of its own better opportunity for forming intelligent opinions. On the contrary, it is giving them what Mr. Dooley calls the merry del val. Our friend's editorial of Saturday is amusing reading. Therein we find that the Cardinal Secretary of State at the Vatican acknowledges his defeat and is in an apologetic mood because he knows now that it was he who got the French bishops into all this mess. The Pope also has not carried the Roman Catholics of France with him. This is entirely of a piece with the assertion of "A Catholic Priest" in The North American Review that the Pope is a bigot and a back number. We are very much afraid that our contemporary "a fanatical organ," and confront us with the broad and liberal views of "A Catholic Priest," who hides his name when he undertakes to enlighten the public. The Daily Witness should remember that it, like the New York Evening Post, has a reputation for intelligence to sustain.

A CHAPTER FROM IRISH HISTORY.

Mr. Burdett-Coutts, the husband of the late Baroness Burdett-Coutts, shares with Lord Eversleigh, better known as Mr. Shaw Lefevre, the intense dislike of the Stock Exchange patriots in and out of Parliament who provoked the Boer war.

Sir Francis Burdett, in 1817, before he became associated with O'Connell, had a strange experience in Ireland of being one of the principal figures in one of the most sensational trials for murder in Irish annals. In 1817 Roger O'Connor, the brother of Arthur O'Connor, the leader in the United Irishmen movement, was placed on trial at the Meath Assizes for the murder of the guard of a mail coach in order to secure the mail bags, which it was believed contained correspondence of a character compromising to a lady, in which the name of Sir Francis Burdett was freely mentioned. Sir Francis Burdett came over from London to Ireland to sustain O'Connor with the weight of his friendship and influence during the trial of the case, which created immense interest and sympathy, and ended in a triumphant acquittal of the prisoner.

At whose side all during the trial Sir Francis Burdett sat in the dock. Roger O'Connor collapsed and sank in a temporary swoon on Burdett's breast. On coming out of court into the hall, a chair was brought in order to chair O'Connor and Sir Francis Burdett, who were the objects of intense popular enthusiasm, through the town, and it was only by the utmost entreaties that their admirers were prevailed on to give up the intention. Sir Francis Burdett subsequently made a tour through Ireland on horseback, and on his departure brought away with him several articles of dress made of Irish frieze as mementoes of his visit, notably a cloak for Lady Burdett, which she wore, and which was frequently the subject of reference in correspondence between Sir Francis Burdett and Lord Cloncurry, his lifelong friend.

The acquittal of Roger O'Connor was due to the fact that that gentleman had discovered, by means now unknown, that Leonard MacNally the counsel who defended all the Irish State prisoners whose liberty and lives were in peril, and betrayed their cases for bribes to the Crown Prosecutors, was a traitor. He accordingly proceeded thus. He got his solicitor to retain MacNally, to whom he gave a false statement

of the case, which he knew would be forwarded to the Castle. He even went further, and was able to see from the brief of the leading Crown Prosecutor, of which he procured an inspection, that MacNally's treachery had been acted on in getting up the case for the prosecution. He then got counsel on whom he could rely employed, and to whom the case for the defence, of which the Crown was unaware, was fully disclosed. MacNally appeared at the trial. The wily Roger O'Connor was profuse in his apologies for the mistake. He only desired MacNally's advice; other arrangements had been made for his defence at the trial, but, as MacNally was there, he was sure MacNally would come into the box as a witness to his character. The ruse entirely succeeded. The "Crown" was utterly baffled and misled. The Castle traitor on whose false information the Crown relied for the conviction of the prisoner was not "defending" him at the Bar, but in the box testifying to his excellent character, and for once the Dublin Castle agents were hoisted with their own petard.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

By the death of Lady Burdett-Coutts a link with the past of the most intense interest to Ireland is broken. Her father, the celebrated Sir Francis Burdett, was one of the introducers to the House of Commons of Daniel O'Connell after the Clare election of 1829. His other introducer was Lord Duncannon, afterwards Earl of Bessborough. Daniel O'Connell's fast and loyal friend through life, who died in Dublin Castle during his Viceroyalty on the 16th May, 1847, the day after O'Connell, whose death was not known in Ireland till ten days afterwards, had breathed his last at Genoa. The large part taken by Sir Francis Burdett in the cause of Catholic Emancipation in the English Parliament is now almost forgotten, and certainly little appreciated by others than students of history. His efforts should, however, be held in grateful acknowledgment by the Irish people. In 1825 the discussion of the Catholic question was raised on the motion of Sir Francis Burdett with unusual spirit and effect. A Catholic Emancipation Bill was actually passed by the House of Commons only to be thrown out on its second reading by the House of Lords. Sir Francis Burdett, however, was undismayed. In May, 1828, he carried another resolution in favor of the removal of Catholic disabilities, and the resolution was communicated to the Lords at a Conference, who refused their concurrence by a majority of forty-four. Almost immediately afterwards the Clare election and the return of O'Connell took place, which were followed by the Emancipation Act in the following year.

The January number of the Century Magazine devotes a number of pages to an article on the Ancient Irish Sagas, which has been written by President Roosevelt. In the course of the article Mr. Roosevelt says in our own day there has at last come about a popular revival of interest in the wealth of poems and tales to be found in the ancient Celtic, and especially in the ancient Erse manuscripts—the whole forming a body of prose and poetry of great and well-nigh unique interest from every standpoint, which in some respects can be matched only by the Norse Sagas, and which has some striking beauties, the like of which are not to be found even in these Norse Sagas. It is greatly to be regretted that America should have done so little, either in the way of original study and research in connection with the early Celtic literature or in the way of popularizing and familiarizing that literature, and it is much to be desired that, wherever possible, Chairs of Celtic should be established in our leading Universities.

The death is announced from Dublin of the Rev. Brother Michael T. Moylan, ex-Superior-General of the Christian Brothers. Mr. Moylan was born in 1848. He belonged to an old and well known Catholic family in Tuam, and in his young days he attended the Christian Brothers' Schools in that town. When he left school it was to join the Novitiate of the Christian Brothers' Order in Dublin, and it is a peculiar coincidence that his death occurred on the 44th anniversary of his entrance into religious life. In the early years of his life as a teacher, the Blarney Lane Schools, Cork, were the scene of his labors, but for the greater part of his stay in the Southern capital his career was intimately associated with the great educational establishment known as Our Lady's Mount.

Queen Alexandra, of England, who is no mean artist, has been drawing in colored crayons a "St. Cecilia," using as a model one of the maids at Balmoral. Driving through the grounds recently she met a beautiful girl, with a lovely complexion and a serene expression, whom she decided upon as the model she was looking for. The Queen is engaged on a series of crayon drawings for the decoration of her new villa in Denmark, and wanted to do a picture of St. Cecilia for the music room. The girl, a young girl just over from the Emerald Isle, was taken from her domestic work, and now poses every morning for the artist.

A court martial at Lille, France, has tried and degraded Captain Magniese for refusing to obey orders in connection with taking the inventory of the Chapel of St. John Magniese, before the court, said: "I am a Christian and I prefer to be shot rather than commit a sacrilege. No one has the right to make me renounce the vows I took at my first Communion."

It is not generally known that the insignia of the Golden Fleece conferred upon the first Duke of Wellington was that actually worn by Columbus, and, as a special mark of Spain's gratitude, that insignia was made hereditary, so that the present Duke is the proud possessor of the star worn by the discoverer of America.

Mr. Spencer's summary of the recent local option vote in Ontario is: "Whiskey beat us in fourteen places, we were legislated out of victory in thirty-five, and in spite of the sixty per cent. vote handicap, we won in forty-two places."

Cornelius O'Brien, a Gaelic scholar and folk-loreist of some note, died suddenly in Buffalo, N.Y., on Sunday last. He was born in Cork, Ireland, and became reputed as a scholar. He was prominently identified with the Gaelic League movement.

PRESENTATION TO MOTHER-GENERAL.

An interesting function took place at St. Patrick's Academy on Sunday, when Rev. Mother Aloysia, superior of the institution, presented to the Reverend Mother General of the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame a cheque for \$1000 towards the erection of an altar in the chapel of the Mother House of the Order now being built on Sherbrooke street, and Atwater Avenue, Westmount. The altar is the offering of the former and present pupils of St. Patrick's Academy and friends of the institution. An attractive programme was rendered by the pupils, while Rev. Martin Callaghan and Mr. Justice Curran expressed their appreciation of the work of the Sisters for St. Patrick's.

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Struggling Infant Mission.

IN THE DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON, FAKENHAM, NORFOLK ENGLAND.

Where is Mass said and benediction given at present? IN A GARRET, the use of which I get for a rent of ONE SHILLING per week.

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No endowment whatever, except HOPE. Not a great kind of endowment, you will say, good reader. Ah, well! Who knows? Great things have, as a rule, very small beginnings. There was the stable of Bethlehem, and God's hand is not shortened, I HAVE hopes. I have GREAT hopes that this latest Mission, opened by the Bishop of Northampton, will, in due course, become a great mission.

Best outside help is, evidently, necessary. Will it be forthcoming?

I have noticed how willingly the CLIENTS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA readily come to the assistance of poor, struggling Priests. May I not hope that they will, too, cast a sympathetic and pitying eye upon me in my struggle to establish an outpost of the Catholic Faith in this so far as the Catholic Faith is concerned—barren region? May I not hope, good reader, that you, in your zeal for the progress of that Faith, will extend a helping hand to me? I cry to you with all earnestness to come to my assistance. You may not be able to do much; but you CAN DO LITTLE. Do that little which is your power, for God's sake, and with the other "littles" that are done, I shall be able to establish this new Mission firmly.

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