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### Shamrock Incident Again Before the House of Commons.

### Beantiful Custom for Palm Sunday at the Pro-Cathedral, Kensington.

Mr. Goschen's Lame Excuse for the Punishment Inflicted upon Seaman Pilkington-Bible Lectures at Hyde Park - An Appeal for the Sufferers in the South and West of Ireland-Mr. Morley and the Local Government Bill--That Famous Surnames Bill---Mr. Gladstone's Condition.

London, April 13.

THERE WAS a somewhat unusual function in Hyde Park last Sunday when an open-air lecture was delivered by Mr. Morris, who chose for his subject the 'Catholic Church and the Bible.' The lecture was attended by a tremendous infamous thing for punishing a man for crowd, which was not only respectful in its hearing, but enthusiastic in its applause. Once or twice there were some slight attempts to interrupt the lecturer, but these were promptly suppressed by the police. At the close Mr. Mooris thanked his immense audience for their patient hearing, and promised to lecture again at an early date. These open-air lectures are likely to be of great benefit to the Catholics of the Metropolis, for the eagerness with which they are listened to fore shadows good results, and the London public does not seem to be so biased against things Catholic as it was but a very few years ago.

'Father Fitz' may found somewhat flippant to ears that do not know the familiar and loving relations which ex-ist between Father Fitzpatrick and his congregation at St. Jcseph's, Bemhill Row. If ever there was a faithful, over worked priest in this district he is Father Fitzpatrick, and it was with great delight the information was heard last Sunday that he was to be provided with the services of a co-adjutor. The announcement was made at the end of a most successful mission which had been conducted by the Passionist Fathers,

The Pro-Cathedral, Kensington, was the scene of a very impressive ceremony on Palm Sunday, when His Eminence Cardinal Vaughan blessed the palms. All the male members of the congregagation received a leaf after kneeling and kissing the episcopal ring. The ladies present each received a palm from the clergy at the altar rails. The procession then took place and was a very interesting feature of the proceedings. Headed by the thurifer, it consisted of the sub deacon with the processional the sea. cross, two acolytes with lighted tapers, the clergy of the cathedral, the choir, and lastly His Eminence, accompanied by the deacons at the throne (the Very Rey. Canon Graham and Mgr. T. Dunn). During its progress various heautiful thought that the East End of London from doctors and some of the many antiphons, all turning upon our should do something in this direction, Saviour's iriumph, were sung. Arriving and a committee has been formed for at the entrance, the doors were thrown the purpose of organizing a concert to "open and the party, with the exception be held at the Bow and Bromley Instiof two chanters, left the sacred building. | tute at an early date, in aid of the peo-This is the symbolic conception of the ple in the distressed districts. Saviour's entry into Jerusalem, the thanters representing the populace within the walls and the party without representing the regal body about to nolitical considerations, all uniting in the common cause of charity. They confidently appeal to you on beout from the chanters :

to the second class for conduct. UR ENGLISH BUDGET. The captain ordered his clerk to make out his warrant in penoil and bring it to him for his signature. He further considered it, and reduced the sentence to seven days' cells retaining Pilkington in the first class for conduct. He gave orders that when the warrant was read the man should be informed that the punishment was reduced on account of his previous good character. The regulations require that men awarded cells for more than ten days, and who are in the second class for conduct, are to have their hair cut short, but as Filkington was not reduced to the second class bis hair would not be cut. (Laughter.) The captain of the ship states he is not aware that it was cut, and owing to the ship having been paid off it is difficult to ascertain the full facts at short notice.

Mr. W. Redmond sgain in a milder form took up the question and asked whether, in view of the existing strong feeling in the matter, the Admiralty could not see their way to make some arrangement with regard to wearing of the shamrock such as the army authorities have very wisely done. Mr. Goschen-Certainly. I will give this matter very full consideration. It is stance, which is a strong argument for clear that no one regrets such incidents as this more than the naval officers themselves.

Mr. W. Redmond then offered the following explanation in regard to the little scene at a previous session. He said: As a personal explanation with regard to what occurred yesterday, I desire to say that my conduct was not at all actuated by any desire to be discour teous towards you, or in any way to be disrespectful. I simply made a protest sgainst what I think was an unfair and wearing the shamrock.

The British Medical Journal, in referring to the condition of Mr. Gladstone's, health, says it is undoubtedly grave, and we have authority to state that though there is no immediate cause for anxiety, the future is looked forward to with great apprehension. Sir Thomas Smith was unable, having regard to Mr. Gladstone's advanced age. to advise any operation for the local condition, which is unfortunately of such a nature that the resources of the medical art cannot do more than afford relief. Happily, it is possible to do a great deal to mitigate the neuralgia by which the nerves of the face have been affected for some time past, and we are glad to learn that during the past few days he has been comparatively free from pain. His strength is still maintained, his appetite is good, and he is happy to be once more amid the familiar surroundings of his home. Though cut off from many of the sources of intellectual enjoyment to which he had been habituated he is able to derive much pleasure from music and to enjoy conversation in which, on occasion, he takes part with something of his wonted fire.

News of the sufferings of the people in the South and West of Ireland is of more than ordinary interest just now, which will probably be seen in a more definite way from the following letter:

98, Campbell Road, Bow, E. Dear Sir,-The daily papers teem with instances of the terrible nature of the distress which at present prevails in the South and West of Ireland. Hundreds of families are slowly dying of starvation, and there is nothing to stand between them and death, except the kindcharity of their friends here and across

much of any Statute as prohibits the use of 'O' or 'Mac' before any surname is hereby repealed.' Mr. Macaleese, the father of the bill, could hardly have recognized it when it came from the hands of the Committee. and expressed much indignation at the jocular manner in which the Attorney General had treated what he, Mr. Macaleese, consider ed to be a serious matter, accusing him of 'chiming in' in harmony with the small pressmen of Ireland who had made jibes and jeers at him and his little bill. Notwithstanding the attitude the Attorney General had taken towards his meas ure he would take upon himself the part of a prophet and say that a great many years would elapse before the old love of the Irish people for the 'O' and the 'Mac' would be in danger of extinction.

Those who took part in the discussion seem to have overlooked the fact that a case recently occurred, and may occur, where a will in which the testator had placed a 'Mac' before his name, contrary to his usual way of signing it, was the cause of much litigation and resulted in a verdict that it was null and void. Even Mr. Macaleese series to have omitted a reference to this circum the passage of his bill.

In the course of an address recently delivered by Mr. John Morley before the National Liberal Federation, at Leicester, he referred to the fact that 'the par ticular chapter in the relations of the Liberal party to Ireland, which opened in 1886 might be approaching its last page.' He said if the Local Government to Rome the result of his interview. Bill was a good bill, there was no reason why it should be regulated. 'When language of the newspapers is commentthe demand for further concessions ed upon at the Vatican, we must believe came forward the Liberals would not forget the arguments on which the high policy of 1886 was founded, and would be no more justified in retreating from any illu-ion in this matter, but have a the compulsions they involved than proper sense of the extent of the respontheir fathers would have been to drop the cause after thirty years of battle for the direct intervention of the Holy See. Catholic Emancipation. He made a touching reference to Mr. Gladatone and said that 'all should lay to neart the grand lesson his life had taught them.'

#### GAINED 39 POUNDS.

THE EXPERIENCE OF MISS FLORA FERGUSON, OF SYDNEY, N.S.

FOR FIVE YEARS SHE WAS AN ALMOST HELP LESS INVALID-USED MANY MEDICINES WITHOUT BENEFIT-DR, WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS RESTORE HER HEALTH.

[From the Sydney, N.S., Reporter.]

Many of our Cape Breton readers, especially those residing in Sydney and vicinity, will remember the subject of this article and also knew Miss Ferguson when residing at her home on Hardwood Hill, just on the borders of the town. From 1890 to 1895 sickness preyed upon Miss Ferguson, and from a bright and healthy girl she became an invalid, completely given up to weakness and despondency. In the spring of 1895 she left her nome and went to the States, where she has a sister and other friends, thinking that a change of climate might benefit her. While there she was at tended by medical men, but without any improvement, in fact she gradually grew worse, until she used to spend the greater part of every day on the lounge st her sister's. Friends came to see her. nly to go gway with the sympathetic this world." From the beginning of her sickness up to the time when the first box of Dr. Williams' Pick Pills was taken, she had tried upwars s of twenty different kinds of medicine-scme patent drugs for sale at druggists. Hear-Williams' Pink Fills, Miss Ferguson resolved to give them a trial, and requested hersister to get her a box. Following the directions carefully she be gan to take them. As day by day went by she began to feel better and her spirits to return, and in the course of a few weeks she wilked a mile to the post office and home again. Miss Ferguson continued taking the pills until she had used eight boxes, when she was completely restored to health and happiness. She was again strong and healthy. While ill she had greatly run down in weight, and at the time she began using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, was reduced to 102 pounds, and when she had completed the eighth box her weight had increased to 141 pounds. Only one month ago she called at the home of the editor of this paper to leave her address to have the Reporter forwarded to her at Arlington, Mass. During the moment's conversation with her the above facts were told to Mr. W. A. Richardson, the editor, and with beaming countenance Miss Ferguson willingly agreed to have. him tell the people ' How Dr. Williams' Pink Pills brought her from the gates of death to the enjoyments of health.' He was astonished, as being well acquainted with her when in Sydney, knowing how ill she was and seeing her a physically changed person was enough to cause anyone to be amazed at the change. The above facts can be verified by writing Miss Ferguson, at No. 16 Henderson street. Arlington, Mass.; the editor of the Island Reporter, Sydney, C.B., or any one of the intimate friends of. Miss Ferguson, Hardw.od Hill, Sydney.

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ECHOES FROM

The principal topic of conversation here just now is the intervention of the Holy Father in the Hispano-American question. I: is generally thought that the telegraph agencies have attempted to distort the real meaning of the good offices which the Pope had in mind, and which all made for the preservation of peace. The intention of His Holiness was such as became the Vicar of Christ, and whether war comes or not the world knows that the Holy Father and the whole influence of the Church was averse to bloodshed. A high authority states that the intention of the Vatiran was very simple. The Holy Father, in hoping for peace, appealed to the Queen Regent, who replied that such was her eager desire and that her Government would do all in their power to effect this end, provided Spanish popular feeling wore not at the same time rufflad From the Secretary of State a telegram was despatched to Mgr. Ireland, who left Cincinnati immedistely for Washington, requesting definite instructions. I feel warranted in stating that the reply of the Vatican was not so formal as Mgr. Ireland would have wished. He was told to keep rather within general lines, not to go too far, but to act nevertheless so as to avert a conflict. Mgr. Ireland saw President McKinley, and telegraphed Judging by the way in which the sibilities which would be involved by They know, not only that the United States would resent interference, but that such action would result in placing Américan Catholics in an embarassing and difficult position. Telegrams from several influential Catholics in the

United States warned the Vatican that the direct intervention of the Pope might injure the progress of Catholicism in the Union. Throughout this affair the Holy Sre has had in view but one object-namely, to gain time for the flicial negotiations, so as to permit a

definitive arrangement to be made.' The Pope's interposition is due to the fact that the Spanish Government, in soliciting the good offices of the Powers in favor of the maintenance of peace, addressed a similar application to the Pope. Up to the present, however, His Holiness has entirely contined his efforts to bringing about an armistice between the Spaniards and the Cuban insurgents.

The "Dogmatic Teaching of the Catacombs" was the title of a lecture de livered before the Catholic Truth Society by Mgr. Campbell. The theme may seem a somewhat old one to be interest ing to a Roman audience, but for all that the audience was a large one, and what is better still, it was in a great measure comprised of non Catholics. Here is one of the beautiful passages in the lecture. Mgr. Campbell said :--After examining the pagan tombs on the Appian or Latin Way, or visiting one of the Columbaria, on entering any of the subterranean cemeteries of our Fathers remark, "Poor Flora, she is not long for this workd" From the beginning of her difference. We find no proud monu ments recording the deeds of ancestors ; we read no drepairing farewells and wailing over eternal separation; the bodies are not reduced to a handful of ashes, or hidden cut of sight under a pile of masonry, but we see ranged by the side of galleries of easy access, or in chambers reverently disposed, the loculi of the children of the Church, the breth rn, members of one family, not distinguished by other nobility than what was conferred by the palm and purple robe of martyrdom. The words "eternal sleep." or "death" itself are never named; it is a place of rest, of sleep indeed her a time, where the mortal remains that were the temple of the Holy Spirit are laid, to be taken up again-where the living and the dead still commune ever united in the faith. The Rev. Paul M. Ponziglione, SJ, celebrated his golden jubilee as a priest of the Society of Jesus on Aununciation Day. In February, 1889, he celebrated his golden jubilee as a member of the Society. Rev. Father Paul was born in February 1818, in the City of Chirasco, the Tusculum or fashionable summer re sort of the upper class of Turin, in Piedmont, Italy. His father was Count Felice Ferrero Ponziglione di Borgo d'Ales. His mother was the Countess Ferrero Ponziglione, nee Marchionees Ferrari di Castelnuevo. Father Paul was therefore christened Count Paul M. Ferrero Ponziglione di Borgo d'Alee. Besides being a Ferrero and a Ponziglione, he was also a Guerra, his father's mother having been the Countess of Guerra, the last representative in a

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the party outside taking up the strain, Monday kneeling the while. Finally the sub deacon knocked at the door with the pleted. foot of the professional Cress, and, on being thrown open, the procession wended its way into the sanctuary singing 'Ingrediente Domino,' etc. Bach's "Passion' was exquisitely rendered by three deacons, the 'Evangelist' cr 'Narrator' being sung by the Rev. G. G. Knoth, and the 'Synagoga,' or represent | names Bill," and the discussion it pro-

At a recent session of the House of the Westminster salons. The three prin-Commons, Mr. J. F. X. O'Brien requested cipal clauses are as follows:that some definite information be given in regard to the punishment meted out to gunner seaman Pilkington of H M.S. Retribution. There is a certain measure of irony in the name of the warship. when one reflects upon the pettiness of the offence and the meanness of the punishment inflicted.

Mr. Gorchen's reply was worthy of the system in vogue in dealing with Irish matters generally. Here is what he said :---

I have ascertained the following facts: Three men, one of whom was Pilkington, were wearing the shamrock in their caps, and they were individually ordered by the officer of the watch to take it out. Two at once obeyed, and, having removed the emblem, were not punished. Pilkington flatly refused to do so, thus willully disobeying the lawful command of the lieutenant who was on duty. The captain investigated the case next day, and ordered a warrant to be made out awarding Pilkington fourteen days' cells, which carried with it the de privation of a badge and reduction

tite gone, your health impaired. Noth- | was also struck out, and clause No. 3 ting builds up health like HOOD'S. | was omitted and the words inserted, 'So |

A wave of pity for these unfortunate people has swept over the United Kingdom, and tokens of practical sympathy in the way of subscriptions and other assistance have been displayed. It is

At present the committee consists of representative professional and business men, without regard to religious or

half of a famine-stricken people, to allow your name to be placed on the committee of organization. The meetings will take place at the Bromley Vestry Hall, Bow Road E, each

Monday at S.30 p.m., until the arrangements for the concert have b en com-

We beg to subscribe ourselves, N. P. MURPHY, F. J. O'MAHONY,

Hon. Secs.

Parliament has been considering a short measure entitled the "Irish Sur-Knoth, and the 'Synagoga, or represent ativa of the populace, by the Very Rev. M. Fanning. High Mass, celebrated by the Rev. F. Akehurst, assisted by Frs. Fanning and Knoth, concluded the ser-frequent, the whole proceedings being characterized by a degree of humour, usually foreign to the serious nature of

1. When any person of Irish birth or extraction desires to use the prefix O, or Mac, before his surname, it shall be lawful for him to do so, on making known in writing such intention-

- (a) in Great Britain, to the Secretary of State for the Home Department;
- and (b) in Ireland, to the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant; and in either case an acknowledgment shall be given that the document has been received.

2. Proof that such intention "was duly communicated to the said Secretary of State, or to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, shall be held to satisfy the revising barristers, registrars, and all others whomsoever, that O, or Mac, is a legal portion of the surname of the person desiring its use.

3. All ancient statutes prohibiting the use of O, or Mac, before Irish surnames are hereby repealed.

On motion of the Attorney General for Ireland, the first clause was struck out, YOU NEED Hood's Sarsaparilla it your blood is impure, your appe-tite gone, your health immired Nut



of the Pope's death.

streets of Rome or anywhere else except

St. Peter's, the Sistine chapel, or the

made the object of demonstrations of re-

spectful enthusiasm on the part of the

faithful, and by a natural reaction these

demonstrations would be followed by

others of a hostile character. The Pope

would be simultaneously applauded and

hissed, and surrounded by tumults and

faction fights. The Government would

render military honors to him, but it

could not long tolerate in the streets of

Rome demonstrations in favour of the



certainly an indication that some traders have faith in the future of the market. In fact, everything tends to confirm the impression of strength. The Liverpool cable took another advance to day, white advancing is to 39s, and colored 25 6d to 435, and bets were off-red to-day bhat it would be 45s before Santo Stephano, at this moment Car- another week was cut. Receipts were dinal Dean; that is to say, Senior Cardinal, who would be the head of the College of Cardinals in the event light, only 177 boxes, and reports from the country all report a light make. One letter from Ingersoll said that the April make did not amount to more than 1000 which is about one sixth of what the output was at this time last spring, Much comment has recently arisen on a paragraph which appeared in the when fully 6,000 April cheese were Osservatore Romana regarding why His marketed. In New York exporters show Holiness the Pope is never seen in the a decided desire to get hold of cheese

and are ready buyers at 8c. The butter market continues easy in Valican gardens. "If the Pope went tone though there was no further quot-about in Rome he would inevitably be able change to day. Sales of fair size lols were made at 16c, and while 154c was also accepted, the quality of the goods in question was not very desirable. Receipts continue to increase, amount-ing to over 800 packages to day.

> Our subscribers are particularly requested to note the advertisements in The True Witness, and,

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