

THE CHURCH AND CHARITY.

Dr. Henry A. Braun, writing in the Catholic World of February, says: "Christianity alone made benevolence universal and perfect, instead of being limited and national, as it was among the Hebrews."

SOME FEW COGENT TRUTHS.

St. Francis Xavier, writing of his hardships in the Japanese mission, says: "The labors which are undergone for the conversion of a people so rational, so desirous to know the truth and be saved, result in very sweet fruit to the soul."

roused the fainting citizens, repaired the broken walls, led men to battle, mounted guard upon ramparts, and negotiated treaties. Indeed, there was no one else in the ruinous and tottering State to whom men could turn for protection from one another as well as from the barbarian.

take some years to accomplish it. But enough has been done to assure us that more will be done, and enough has been done to convince us that before many years the paths will be so lighted that no longer will anyone have to grope in darkness.—The Missionary.

There are more lives spoiled by undue harshness than by undue gentleness. More good work is lost from want of appreciation than from too much of it.—Hugh Black.

DIOCESE OF LONDON.

ECCLIASTICAL CONFERENCE. The Quarterly Conference of the priests of London diocese took place last week at Windsor on the 14th inst. for the counties of Essex, Kent and London, and at London on the 16th inst. for the rest of the diocese.

DIED.

In Dundalk, on Saturday, Feb. 14, 1906, St. John's Hospital, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hayes, aged 9 months, 2 weeks and 2 days.

TOMPKINS—A Ridgeway, Mr. John Tompkins, aged eighty-two years. May be rest in peace.

ROCHE—At Stratford, on Feb. 12th, Mrs. John Roche, aged forty-three years. May she rest in peace!

C. M. B. A.

A regular meeting of Branch 301, C. M. B. A., S. Columbian, a resolution of condolence was unanimously tendered to Brother John Lane, Financial Secretary, on account of the death of his Father, Mr. Thomas Lane.

TOWNSHIP OF TEEFY.

The late Provincial government, in laying out this new district into township for the purpose of holding a general election, has named several of them after prominent persons and the representatives of educational institutions. Among the latter is a township named after the President of St. Michael's College at Toronto. It will be known as the "Township of Teefty."

REV. FATHER BRUNELLE'S FIRST MASS.

On Saturday, 4th inst., Rev. Father Phillip Brunelle celebrated his first Mass in his native parish of Ste. Croix Lufontaine, Simcoe Co. There was a large congregation present, all of whom were friends and the greater part relatives of the young priest, testifying the esteem in which he is held where he passed his boyhood days.

TESTED BY ITS FRUITS.

Right Rev. Bishop Spalding. The efficacy of an organization to keep pure religious faith alive and active is the highest test of its worth, and the Catholic Church when tried by this test stands preeminent.

THE ONE AUTHORITATIVE CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. Fairbairn, a non-Conformist leader in England, Principal of Mansfield College, Oxford, had recently an article in the Contemporary Review, which contained the following: "I freely acknowledge the pre-eminence of Catholicism as an historical institution; here she is without a rival or a peer. It is to be at once the most permanent and extensive, the most plastic and inflexible ecclesiastical organization were the same thing as to be the most perfect embodiment and vehicle of religion, then the claims of Catholicism were simply indisputable."

TO PROPAGATE THE FAITH.

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith stands to-day as the main support of Catholic missions throughout the world. It was organized in 1822, and during the last four score and two years the Catholic Church, by the aid of this great Society, has actually increased her missionary army from one thousand, all told, to nearly sixty-five thousand priests, brothers and nuns, who to-day are laboring in more than one thousand missions to reach people who at yet know not Jesus Christ.

TEACHER AND LAW GIVER.

The Catholic Church in the early ages stands out against history's background like a picture done in mosaic, so clear, so distinct in every lineament. In those days she was not only the teacher but the law giver in the civil life, and that she nobly discharged her functions it is only necessary to read history to learn the truth.

THE OPEN DOOR TO THE CHURCH.

In many places in this country converts are only groping their way into the Church. They come, but it is in spite of difficulties. The way to the threshold of the Church is strewn with obstacles that are placed there by Catholics, although, of course, unconsciously so placed.

Those who are at rest seek though the ship be in perpetual movement, and the needle is still true to the pole. Let us regard God in all our actions; so shall we find interior rest in the most agitated life.—St. Francis of Sales.

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A MOVE IN THE RE TION. Mr. Frank A. Munsey out a notice to an adver no more advertising whisky, beer or wine, objectionable anything accepted for Munsey's M sign of the times is accen fact that the loss of revenue particular source will am during the year.

ANGLICANI Recently there came a sermon on Anglicanism as to faith, and ters of opinion. The very much in earnest learning and eloquence harsers that Anglicanis against the onslaughts of has, practically speaking well defined that to imp incur the stigma of heter these doctrines are be Judged by his history, few, if any; for its a ranged over a vast ne have disagreed among the without ceasing to be matters of vital imp aulay's generalization of dred sects battling Church is not without p man says that heresy and infidelity and fanat lunge it in vain.

It is certainly a task tact and skill to show h Jowett, Canon Liddon, Brooks, the Ritualist, e with any degree of co common platform, and teaching fell with the of principle and of the Many a one who has a this has learned to say, Newman; when I looked poor Anglican Church laboured so hard, and appertained to it, and various attempts to d trinally and aesthetical me to be veriest of no going on to recognize Church to a certain and teacher of religio man continues: But thing sacred, that it revealed doctrine than share in St. Ignatius that it can take the r teaching and stop the Church of St. Peter, itself "the Bride of the view which simply my mind on my conce it would be almost a duce. I went by, and I sought it, but its where he found; and n it back to me.

TEACHERS' S The question of to have a fascination for ers. What we think learned from back RECORD. We may r that "fine words but It is one thing to sol preachments on the sponsibility of the t quite another thing nity proper support lars and cents.

BUDDH They who have re Egan's "Vocation of will remember the the dinner at the re Conway — the negli was fond of religious