

His conversion was announced some time ago only to be denied. It is now announced with authority.

THE POPE ON THE LABOR PROBLEM.

The Pope's Encyclical on the Labor Problem is epitomized in single sentences by the *Christian Union* as follows:

That there is a labor problem.

That workingmen are suffering under gross injustice

That it is the duty of the Church to concern itself with these facts.

That wealth is a trust, and must be administered as a trust.

That hours of labor should be such as to be given time for soul culture.

That wages should be such as to give opportunity for acquisition of property.

That, if these results cannot be secured by free contract, the law should interfere.

That labor arbitration should take the place of labor battles.

That labor organizations should be encouraged.

That woman labor and child labor should be regulated and reduced by legislation.

That the factory acts are right in principle.

That the Church, the State, free labor organizations and capitalists should all cooperate in labor reform.

The late Sir John Macdonald's favorite poem was Father Ryan's "Rest." It is said the dead statesman was never weary of quoting its inimitable lines.

The handsome statue of Pope Leo XIII, presented by Count Loubat to America's Catholic University, has arrived at Washington. It occupied eleven cases and weighed eleven tons without the pedestal. Six hundred cubic feet of space on the steamer were employed in its transportation, and it is said to be one of the rarest pieces of workmanship ever imported into this country. It is of the finest Italian marble and approved by His Holiness as a genuine and faithful work of art. Giuseppe Luchetti was the sculptor, and the designing alone cost no less than \$10,000. To avoid damage, it was not opened in New York, the Archbishop proposing to be present at the University on the 28th inst., when the unveiling will take place.

AN ANCIENT STATUE DISCOVERED.

ATHENS, Aug. 1.—Milo, the island of the Cyclades in which the famous "Venus of Milo" was discovered, has again been the scene of the unearthing of a splendid example of ancient Hellenic art. It is a statue of a boxer, somewhat above life-size, which is almost perfect. The statue has been shipped to Athens, where a commission of Greek archaeologists, aided by some members of the German Archaeological Institute in Athens will report upon the period of its origin and its probable creator.

GENERAL NEWS

Rev. Father Quinn, O.M.I., an old student of the university, replaces Rev. Father Forget, O.M.I., as first prefect of discipline. Father Quinn has always shown himself willing to work for the boys and with the boys, and they may rest contented that their interests will be looked after

One of our most valued contributors in the past was Very Rev. Aeneas McD. Dawson, LL.D., well known in Canada and the British Isles for his historical and biographical writings. We hope to be able to offer our readers several articles from the pen of this learned priest who has worn himself out in his devotion to literature and history—the subjects of his special predilection.

Rev. Father Gendreau, one of the ablest sons of the Oblates, has been elevated to the position of Provincial Procurator of the Congregation in the Province of Canada. Father Gendreau has a host of friends, not only among the present students, but among the ex-students of the university where he acted as bursar for some years.

Rev. Father Forget, O. M. I., for many years prefect of discipline in the senior department, will be missed from the yard where he was a general favorite. He has given the best part of his life to the service of the students, and now seeks the only rest allowed to an Oblate—change of place and labor. He is stationed at the Sacred Heart church, Lowell, where he ministers to the spiritual wants of the French-Canadian population.