

FANTASTIC PICTURES OF IRELAND.

"La Patrie" published last week a peculiar article from the columns of an Irish contemporary. The editor of the journal in question must have an elastic imagination, or at least be a dreamer of the Jules Verne class.

This is very beautiful and quite expressive of the sentiment of friendliness that survives between the Irish and the French. This feeling is very natural considering the many mutual attachments of these two peoples.

France as a sympathizing neighbor, a kind-hearted friend is one thing; France as proprietor of your estates, as mistress of your destinies is a very different affair.

A CATHOLIC'S SOUL SAVED.

The Rev. Thaddeus Hogan, rector of the Sacred Heart Church, Trenton, N. J., had a memorable experience a short time ago. While returning by train to that city from Philadelphia, a passenger was taken dangerously ill, and as no physician went to attend him, it occurred to Father Hogan, that possibly he might be of some assistance to the sick man.

The stranger finally admitted that he had come of Irish Catholic parents and was a Catholic in his youth but had not been in church or spoken to a priest in twenty years.

LUTHER EXPOSED.

Strange as it may seem, the Sacred Heart Review—which is so intensely Catholic—has a somewhat regular correspondent who is a minister. Rev. Dr. Starbuck, makes one of the most remarkable statements concerning Luther which has been our privilege to ever read.

ed these "before the Frank had crossed the Rhine, when Grecian eloquence still flourished at Antioch." as McCaulay said of the Church: It is only a visionary who could imagine that the Government of France, if once in possession of Ireland, would not make her pay tribute and tax her for the purposes of central revenue.

But, it is almost useless to treat the subject seriously. The writer of the article which "La Patrie" translates would, evidently, be content to resign all Ireland's present advantages to France, and would gladly become the protegee of that nation.

ness may be found in the following words of that so-called reformer: "A man who hesitates for the sake of the true religion, to come out with a good plump lie, is a poor stick. Here we have propounded, with cheerful shamelessness, the principle: The advancement of Protestantism is the supreme moral good.

One of the most striking passages in the Starbuck letter is the following: "What if the Protestants could find such a thing in the life of Loyola? It would damn him, and damn his society. We would never hear the last of it, and we ought not. And, pray, why should we ever hear the last of this scandalous transaction of Luther's, and of the turbid current of immoral teaching which flows through the last twenty-five years of his life?"

The writer then continues with the following splendid tribute to Jesuits: "Protestants often feel this and resort to expedients worthy of Luther himself to help themselves out of the mire. Thus, Charles Carleton Coffin, in his "Story of Liberty," sets down, as Loyola's, this proposition: Any action, however wicked in itself, becomes holy if done in the interest of the Church.

THE MAYORALTY CONTEST IN BOSTON.

The defeat of the Democratic candidate, Hon. P. A. Collins, for Mayor on Tuesday casts a serious reflection upon the Democratic voters of the city says the Boston "Republic." It may be admitted that Mr. Hart owes his election largely to the great reserve Republican vote which came out, but this vote could not elect him had the Democrats done their duty.

It is particularly regrettable that a man of the character and eminent qualities of Mr. Collins should be the victim of this mean and contemptible treachery. Democrats all over the country were expecting and hoping for his election. Irish-Americans everywhere felt confident of his success.

DEFENCE FUND FOR FRANCE

A despatch from Paris, last week says: "M. Lockroy, President of the Budget Committee of the Chamber of Deputies and formerly Minister of Marine, introduced a bill to-day providing for an appropriation of 500,000,000 francs, for the purpose of placing France on a secure footing against foreign naval aggression.

The Cabinet Council to-day discussed the proposal of M. Millerand, Minister of Commerce, in regard to the establishment of a network of cables by which France can communicate with her colonies independent of the English cables.

GREENWAY'S DEFEAT.

ngive him youth, my father, it is "The Manitoba School Question appears to have played no small part in defeating the Greenway Ministry up in Manitoba last week, and it will be interesting to watch and see how the Conservatives up that way will handle their issue when they come into power.

A DANGEROUS COMB.

Mrs. Noah Brown, residing in Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, met with a peculiar accident last week. Mrs. Brown was waiting on her husband, who was in bed suffering with a sprained ankle. She had occasion to stoop down in front of an open grate fire, and as she did so a collared comb worn in her hair exploded with sufficient force to throw her to the floor some distance away.

that learned research, on the part of enemies, can do is to bring forward from a few Jesuit writers, a number of generations later, a sentence or two which it is contended may be interpreted in a sense somewhat approaching the reproached one. Indeed, one Jesuit writer says that another, in his zeal for a sound principle, has, without knowing it, almost betrayed himself into this error.

"Such round-about tactics, however do not content Mr. Coffin. He boldly puts down Luther's maxim, in the blackest of black and the whitest of white, as being Loyola's. Each name begins with an L, so where is the difference? The two men were contemporaries. One was denounced, the other suspected, and twice imprisoned by the Inquisition. Each brought in a new order of things and a new spirit into the Church. If, then, we find it expedient to make over Luther's maxim to Loyola, who is to say us nay? It is very awkward for us to have to carry it, and Jesuit shoulders have long been used to it.

The first thing we may hear is, that Rev. Dr. Starbuck will find himself where Rev. Dr. De Costa is at this moment, and where such writers as W. H. Mallock should have long since been. We can only pray for the conversion of such a free and easy, outspoken, unprejudiced, man. There is a tide of conversion from the rank of Protestantism, and especially from the Protestant ministry, which seems to rise and swell at our feet.

They did not for a moment imagine that he would be stricken down by his own people. But defeat under such circumstances cannot dull his prestige or lessen his national and international reputation. He stands to-day as he stood before the election, the foremost man of his race in America.

The vote was as follows: Hart, R. 40,678 Collins, D. 38,594 Plurality for Quincy, 4,087. The vote in the last Mayoralty contest two years ago was as follows: Quincy, D. 39,984 Curtis, R. 35,947 Plurality for Quincy, 4,037.

It will thus be seen that Hart gained 4,731 votes on the total cast for Curtis, while Collins lost 1,300 from the Quincy vote. This shows a net Republican gain of 6,121.

lashes were scorched and she was severely burned about the face and neck. Considerable effort was required to prevent the carpets and other furnishings from catching fire, as it was found impossible to extinguish the blazing comb after it had been pulled from her hair. The explosion was accompanied by a report similar to that of a blank cartridge discharged in a pistol, and was heard by several people. Commercial Tribune.

CURIOUS CUCKOOS.

The cuckoo is generally known only as a bird with a very monotonous note: a continuous cry of "cuckoo, cuckoo" over and over again. Among naturalists, however, the cuckoo is known as a bird that never builds a nest for itself, but takes advantage of one already built by some more industrious bird.

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