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NOBODY HURT.—It appears from Mr. Foster's figures that McKinleyism did not do any real injury to Canadian commerce and prosperity—it merely drove our trade into new channels, which increased our returns both for imports and exports by a few millions. So the *Guardian* notes.

WASTED CHARITY.—In a letter to the *Times*, the Bishop of Bedford urges strongly the advisability of more organization and collusion among the various sets of relieving agencies for the poor. Injudicious visitors ("slummers") from a distance waste about two-thirds of their funds by unconscious "overlapping."

"CATHOLIC AND EVANGELICAL" is the description which the intrepid and resolute vicar of St. Alphage, Southwark, gives of the character of the Church work in his parish during the past twenty years—a district where the Salvation Army failed to effect anything. He groups together among his models Forenir de Sales and Fenelon, as well as Fletcher of Madeley, and John Keble.

MORE "ROMAN TACTICS."—The American correspondent of the *Church Times* attributes the curious ferment among Romanists (Archbishops, Bishops and priests) in the neighbouring Republic to a desperate effort to capture all America for Romanism by catering in this change of front (Cahendeyism) to popular fancy for secular education—the "public school" fetish.

COLUMBUS MANIA.—Our Romanist friends are in too great a hurry to "run" the American continent, as they once ran the European. They cannot persuade intelligent American citizens by any hoodwinking on the subject of history, that America owes what religion she has to Columbus, Queen Isabella and the Pope. Bishop Perry, of Iowa, showed them up at the Chicago Church Club.

"BUSTLE IT ABOUT, IT WILL COME TO THE KING"—the old Jacobite principle—is, the *Guardian* thinks, at the bottom of the present French agitation about the Panama canal. By attacking the Republican Government, Royalty may come to the top in the confusion.

ARCHBISHOP PLUNKETT IN SPAIN.—The Irish Archbishop has been severely taken to task by the *Saturday Review* for intruding into the domain of the Bishop of Gibraltar by his recent proceedings at the Spanish capital. There should be at least harmony among those who are encouraging the

enslaved continental Churches to assert their liberty against Romanism.

"A COWARD'S RELIGION."—There is a good deal of force in "the Khan's" metrical comment on a scene during the hazardous voyage of the "Umbria" recently. Our Canadian Burns puts it well when he says, "It's when our ship is sailing the calm and friendly seas, we then forget our God who holds the ocean in his hands." Hurricanes and whirlwinds "force us on our knees."

SAPLESS BRANCHES.—The *Toronto World* well says—on the subject of Presbyterian and Congregational union—that many of the peculiar features of these sects (originally) are "branches through which the sap of earnest conviction no longer flows."

SECULAR SCHOOLS.—The Metropolitan, at the meeting of the Synod of Rupert's Land, delivered a strong charge against secular schools, insinuating that the Roman Catholics were very anxious to have religious training in the schools abolished in order that they might have the cry of "Godless schools." A committee of the Synod was appointed to watch this matter in the interests of the Church.

HOW A FEW CLERGY SHOW THEIR DISAPPROVAL OF THE LINCOLN JUDGMENT.—By removing the holy table in their churches from the east wall, so as to enable the celebrant to face the people, or by placing it lengthways in the chancel. It is, we understand, doubtful whether such an alteration can be legally made without a faculty, and it is probable that a test case may be submitted for judicial decision. It is said that the opinion of an eminent ecclesiastical counsel has been taken on the point, and will be shortly made public.

A DESERVING OBJECT.—St. John's Guild, New York city, has for its special work providing the poor and sick with summer outing, and reports that during 1892 the Floating Hospital under its care made forty-one trips, and 48,584 patients were cared for. At the Seaside Hospital 1,188 patients were cared for, including 722 children and 412 mothers. It has been decided to build an addition to the Seaside Hospital at New Dorp, Staten Island.

A WARNING.—*Church Bells* says: "We would fain appeal to the members of the Church Association not to forget in their anger at the Lincoln Judgment that they are Churchmen. However disagreeable that result may be to them, and however much they dislike it, we cannot think that they mean deliberately to promote dissension within the Church, and to weaken her at the present crisis. But whatever their intentions may be, the results of their actions if persisted in cannot be doubtful."

PANAMA CANAL FINANCES.—The *Times* correspondent in Paris says: "M. Flory at Wednesday's examination estimated the Panama Canal Company's receipts at 1,484,000,000 francs, of which 199,000,000 francs were swallowed up by expenses of the management, 249,000,000 francs by interest on the coupons, and 550,000,000 francs by canal operations. Of the last-mentioned sum 107,000,000 francs went directly to workmen, and