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For the CATHOLIC RECORD. EDUCATION IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

By Very Rev. Æneas McDonald Dawson, V G., LLD., etc.

G., LLD., etc. Our attention has been called to an article in the *Globe* of May 31st, 1893, which contains a strange medley of opinions regarding the state of educa-tion in the Province of Quebec. These opinions refer only to the schools that are under the direction of the Catholic committee. They are necessarily the more numerous and the more imthe more numerous and the more im-portant, being charged with the educa-tion of the great majority of the people who are Catholics—over 86 per cent. of the whole population. The opinions in question came to be ex-pressed on occasion of a Minister of the errorm stating in the investigative crown stating in the Legislative Assembly that there are in the Prov-Assembly that there are in the Prov-ince "municipalities in which not one soul knows how to read and write." The statistics which , we published lately, taken from the official educa-tion report to the Lieutenant-Gover-nor show that there are alementary nor, show that there are elementary and other schools all over the Province; and consequently, education, more or less perfect, brought to the home of every family. Such being the case, we must decline to accept the statement of the Quebec Minister of

statement of the Quebec Minister of the crown. And now a Mr. Chas. Fitzpatrick, M. P. P. and Queen's Council, volunteers the allegation, speaking in the Legislative Assembly, that "our system of common schools is the most pitiable that one could find in any country, and its deplorable in any country, and its deplorable results are revealed at every step. The House has learned with stupor that in many parishes the people are so illiterate that it was impossible to so illiterate that it was impossible to find school commissioners knowing how to read and write. For myself I know that 30 per cent. of the jurors called before our courts do not know how to sign their names." This may be, and yet it would not prove any-thing against the schools of to day. It is generally elderly men who are It is generally elderly men who are called to serve on juries ; and of such there might be so many per cent. whose school days were over before the same pains were bestowed as in our days, to impart a suitable education to

every member of the community. the sinner has confessed his sins. The Provincial Government appears to have given over the management of the schools to a Council of Public Inthe schools to a Council of Fubie In-struction, the lay members of which are appointed by the Lieutenant-Gov ernor; and with such a mixed author-ity it is not wonderful that there should be complaints as to the managesimply ment and efficiency of the schools. The Protestants have a more simple method of conducting matters. Their Council of Public Instruction consists of as many lay members as there are lay members on the Catholic side appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in council. These Protestant mem-bers are nominated the same way as the Catholics, *i. e.*, by the Lieutenant-Governor. These two bodies govern the schools of both classes. It will be noticed that the Government has not even their even th pointed by the Lieutenant Governor given up its right to interfere, and does interfere, in the management of educational matters, the Lieutenant-Governor nominating so great a num-ber of the Council of Public Instruction. Hinc illæ Lachrymo, and so, the trouble and abuse arising out of this strangely mixed rule will remain. endeavored to account for the deficiencies enumerated by Mr. Fitzpatrick Q. C., by reminding the House that the Government did not have direct control over public instruction, its powers having been transferred to the Council of Public Instruction. It appears to go hard with the Government power which they enjoyed in the hands of a council in which the clergy possess so much influence. But is not this a reasonable state of things and acceptable to the people generally in a Catholic country ? Judging from the remarks of the Queen's Counsel, M. P. P., the Provincial Treasurer and others, one would say that the present Provincial Government of Quebec, which claims to be Conservative, would gladly do away with all clerical control over the schools. They seem also to have in their minds—and not in a very favorable sense—a declaration of Mr. Mercier in the House of Assembly when he was December to the affect

vide largely for the needs of public worship. In this respect the parishes leave nothing to be desired. It would be the same with elementary educa-tion if we had taught our people to consider it as their own affair and not the business of the State." A Catholic country ought to be legislated for as such. Nothing else will succeed or produce satisfactory results. In or produce satisfactory results. the present state of things complaint is made that primary schools, which are nominally under the control of elected commissioners, are neglected in favor of the higher class of schools, colleges, academies, etc. Most of these, it is alleged, are conducted by teaching orders, and it is only the more wealthy orders, and it is only the more weathry who can afford to send their children to them. Fault is found with such orders that they follow mediæval ways of teaching. It is well known, and that from competitive examinations, that it is not so; and many of the secular clergy, whose education has been complete, devote themselves to the excellent work of teaching. The teaching Sisterhoods, too, are at work in the great field of education; and far from sacrificing one set of schools to foster others, they are to be found wherever vice and ignorance are to be combatted and put down.

CATHOLIC DOCTRINE.

A correspondent asks what is the difference between the Catholic doctrine and the Lutheran on the sacra

ments, particularly penance? The Catholic Church teaches that penance is one of the seven sacraments instituted by Christ : that the priest, the minister of it, has power by divine commission to absolve the properly dis-posed penitent from his sins. A proporty disposed pentent its one who is heartily sorry for his sins and willing to make restitution and reparation of injuries done to others and who is firmly resolved to sin no more. In the absence of these conditions the priest cannot absolve the sinner; these conditions being present he can and does absolve the sinner in the name of God and by reason of the power granted by Christ to the ministers of His Church the priest's act is efficacious and pro-duces the effect it declares. This act of absolution of course supposes that

According to Lutheranism the min-ister does not forgive the sins, but simply declares that they are forgiven. An illustration or two will make the difference clear and solve a question sometimes asked, is it God or the priest who forgives? In our theory of gov ernment the Governor of the State is the agent or servant of the people. The people, by their State Constitution, give him power to pardon criminals when he thinks the due conditions for such a pardon are present. A criminal, knowing of this power which <text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

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Orangemen and ignorant American Protestants, who accept any slander against the Church, from whatever source it may emanate. The New York Independent repudiates the whole business and warns its readers against the men who perpetrate such crimes of the Assumption; she is forbidden the men who perpetrate such crimes against Christian truth and charity. Our contemporary has this to say that what is reported to be a secret Bull or Encyclical of Leo XII., ordering the extermination of all heretics, is that kind of a bogus document which no one of moderate information could believe genuine. The same is true of washing dirty linen, and mending her husband's clothes. And in many believe genuine. The same is true of organization called the American Pro-Sisters of the Assumption seems a bequest in the religious order pecu-liarly fitted to the needs of the times. tective Association, which is doing altogether too much of this discreditable and sianderous work." It is an undisputed fact that minis-These Sisters come before us untouched It is an undisputed fact that minis. These distributions poetry of a by gone ters of the gospel in various sections of the country are members of this Know-age, but practical, and, if the term be allowed, commonplace ever in their

nothing organization which one of the leading Protestant journals of the garb. They belong to the Democracy. country brands as a gang of forgers. It is also true that so called religious papers in the West and in the East COMMENCEMENT DAY. make themselves vehicles for the dis-semination of the unholy literature The Closing Exercises at St. Jerome College Attended by Many Promi-nent Persons, and Very Successful --Graduates have said Good-bye. circulated in the interests of this un-Christian propaganda. Catholics may rest assured that the bigots will so disgust decent Protestants that the Berlin Record, June 30.

rest assured that the bigots will so disgust decent Protestants that the movement will ultimately come to an ignominious end.—Boston Republic. An Anglican Celibate Priesthood. An important debate was started a few days ago in the Lower House of Convocation, significant of the drift of Anglicanism in its more cultured and spiritual forms towards the mother Church, from which she was violently severed a few hundred years ago.

Pruss: second, James Doyle, Honorable mention—Simon Pniak, P Danigan, John Laubacher.
Latin translation (Lower philosophy class—Tacitus, Horace, etc.): First prize, F X Pruss: second, John Schilling.
Rhetoric class—Cicero, Virgil, etc.: Prize P J Donovan.
Higher Latin syntax and translation—Casar, Oxid, etc.: [Rev C Slominski's medal —Jonas Lenhart; first prize, Henry Cook ; second, Leo Doll.
Lower Latin syntax, Viri Romæ, etc.: first prize, Chas Keifer ; second, Geo Spetz.
Latin elements : First prize, Adolph Now-akowski ; second, Hugo Schellinger. Honorable mention—Albert Schellinger, Samuel Waechter, Joseph Winterhalt, Chas Howlett, F Petitpren, Albert Zinger, and John Dunn.
Rhetoric : Rev Geo Brohmann's Medal—P L Mahony; first prize, P Dunigan ; second, C Brohmann. Honorable mention—Pierce Walsh and P J Donovan.
Greak — (higher division): First prize, F X Pruss ; second, Jos Phelan. (Do. nd, Chas Howlett, F Petitjeen, Albert Zinger, P J Donovan, and Wm Gehl ; (Do. Lower Division.)
First Prize, Jonas Lenhart ; second, Chas Kiefer. Honorable mention—Ant Fischer.
Geo Spetz and Leo Doll.
English literature: Rev. J J Gehl's Medal—P J Donovan ; prize, Geo Cleary.
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English grammar, (higher division): First prize, P J Donovan ; prize, Jonas Lenhart ; second, Chas Kiefer, Wm Smith, Leo Doll, Senida and Wm Genire.
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Walter and Wm. Brunner. (Do middle division.) First prize, P Dunigan, second, P J Donovan. Honorable mention—James
Doyle, A Zinger, P Mahony, Jno Wallace, Geo Spetz, Peter E Neaton, Cl Brohmann, L Kessler. (Do. lower division) First prize, A Schellinger, second, Jos Winterhalt.
English synonyms: First prize, Ant Fischer: second, Chas Kiefer and Wm Smith. Honorable mention — A Zinger, L Doll, P E Neaton, J Lenhart, G Spetz and H Gook.
English spelling: First prize, G Cogley; Doll, P E Neaton, J Lenhart, G Spetz and H Cook. English spelling: First prize, G Cogley: second, G Spetz. Honorable mention—S Waechter, F Brogan, D Gillen, R Kramm. Arithu etic, (higher division): Dr. Thos. O'Hagan's medal—Jonas Lenhart; prize, Geo. Spetz. Honorable mention—A Zinger; and James Doyle. (Do. middle division.) First prize, Albert Schellinger; second, Wm. McGuire, Honorable mention—A Fischer, Lee Doll, Juo. Wallace, Geo. Cog-ley and Dan Gillen. (Do. lower division.) First prize, Jos. Winterhalt; second prize, Chas. Howlett, Chas. Burket and Juo. Let us begin now to do good and to advance in virtue, for hitherto we have made but little progress.— St Francis of Assisi. It is well for a soul to know that of herself she can do nothing ; it is well Chas. Howlett, Chas. Anthony Fischer Fornes. Algebra: First prize, Anthony Fischer and Geo. Spetz; second, J Lenhard. Universal history: Rev. F A B Laforest's also for her to know that she can do all

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FIRST COMMUNION IN LONDON.

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WEDDING.

NOONAN-CORRIGAN.

NOONAN-CORRIGAN. St. Mary's church, Mount Forest, was the seend a happy wedding at 9 o'clock mesday morning, when Rev. Dean O'Con-nell mited in the holy bonds of matrimony, Mr. M. Noonan, of North Dakota, formerly of daughter of John Corrigan, Esq. of Arthur T. The groom was supported by his cousin, Mr. E. Noonan, of Harriston, while the bridd-was assisted by her sister, Miss Sarah Corri-gan, The bride was charmingly dressed in cream silk, trimmed with Spanish lace, while her travelling costume was a gray suit. The bridesmaid's dress was a very preity one of the ceremony was the presentation to the bride and bridesmaid, at the conclusion of the ceremony, of a becattind bouquet each, by Masters Langford and Frankie, sons of Com-the bride and bridesmaid, at the conclusion of the ceremony, of a becattind bouquet each, by Masters Langford and Frankie, sons of Com-hub to is one of the most popular young fudies, of the church and who has a host of inde, the church and who has a host of inside in Mount Forest who wish her and her inside in Mount Forest who wish he ...