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*Reddite quæ sunt Cæsaris, Cæsari; et quæ sunt Dei, Deo.*—Matt 22: 21.

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Irish parliamentary party unanimously invites you to accept an Irish seat at the General Election.

JUSTIN MCCARTHY,  
JOHN DILLON,  
MICHAEL DAVITT,  
P. M. HEALY,  
Wm. O'BRIEN.

The publication of this communication has excited enormous interest among the friends of Home Rule. All agree that his acceptance will be of immense service to the Liberal party in the coming elections. His decision will be anxiously awaited. *The World* says:

It may be said that it is extremely unlikely that Mr. Blake would make the sacrifice that the acceptance of such a position would involve. It is merely necessary to point out, however, that Mr. Blake has been making such sacrifices for years, and for a cause so profoundly important as the settlement of the Irish question he would not stop at any sacrifice. That consideration, his friends say, will form but a very small part of his calculations.

The remark is made that no Parnellite name appears on the requisition. This is of the very slightest importance. The Paanellite faction will simply disappear in the coming election.

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WAKE UP.

English papers to hand are unanimous in the opinion that the cause of Irish Home Rule will depend in the next general election very largely on American subscriptions. What are you going to do to help?

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## \* \* \* THE GOOD SHEPHERDS.

We present elsewhere a very interesting historical notice of the two Institutes commonly known as "the Good Shepherds." The Institute on West Lodge Ave. (this city) is one of the houses of the original Order, whose correct name is "The Institute of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge." This elaborate appellation is,

for practical purposes, lost, and the House is known everywhere as "the Good Shepherds," a name which insinuates the magnificent work of mercy they carry on.

\* \* \*  
C. O. F.

We give elsewhere a summary of the history of this interesting Order since its inception in 1883 (not 1863 as stated in last week's issue).

## \* \* \* HON. EDWARD BLAKE AND HOME RULE.

The Irish Parliamentary party have made Mr. Edward Blake a unanimous offer of an Irish seat in the British House of Commons. The following cablegram was sent on Tuesday:

Hon. E. Blake, Toronto:

## \* \* \* CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS

P. J. CAHILL, H. C. R., IN "C. O. F. GUIDE."

On the 23rd of May, 1883, the Catholic Order of Foresters was called into existence. On that occasion Rev. Father Kelloy, Hon. John F. Scanlan, John Comisky, John K. Clory, Hon. L. P. Dwyer and a few other gentleman met in Sodality Hall, connected with the Holy Family church, Chicago, drew out a constitution, submitted it to His Grace, Archbishop Feehan, and after considering the matter carefully, His Grace consented to the organization of the Order. On the election for High Chief Ranger Brother Scanlan was elected and was re-elected for five successive terms. During the five years that he held the office he organized 83 courts with a membership of 5000. In the year of 1888 Prof. J. P. Lauth was elected, and held the office two years; that gentleman organized 80 courts with a membership of 6000. In 1890 we succeeded Prof. Lauth. The close of this month brings our official connection with the Catholic Order of Foresters to a close. Since our connection with the Order as High Chief Ranger it has been our desire to unite all elements that compose the Order and to attract to our ranks the young and the vigorous of our manhood. In undertaking that task we had no other desire than to make this Order what it is at the present time, the admiration of all classes by reason of its wonderful growth. It is an Order that is a poor man's organization that has attracted attention of the prelates and clergy of the Church as well as that of the laity. In assuming the office of executive head of the Order, we made sacrifices of time and money; we infused all the energy into the work of organization that our Maker had given to us. Nothing was left undone to establish Courts; our services were at the demand of the Order at all times, and not a cent of the small salary that is set apart for our services did we keep, all went into the work of organization. Our predecessors left 163 Courts for us to look and care for. At the commencement of next month we will hand down to our successor 285 and possibly 295 Courts, with a gain in membership in two years of 11,000, so that when this Order will be called out to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America by Catholic Columbus, we will present one of the most magnificent demonstrations that will occur in the city enchantments, with brilliant banners and allegorical displays that will leave their impression on the public for a generation, a demonstration that will, by its grand proportion, attract thousands of young men to our ranks. On that occasion will be witnessed for the first time 2000 young men in brilliant uniforms, officered by men of experience. Young Foresters of the uniformed rank will, on that occasion, attract young men of the cities to their rank, by that means, swelling the grand total of our magnificent Order. All this, brothers, has been accomplished within a short period.