sweet Erin! the mother of leaders. Sweet Erin: the momer of leaders.
In all the bright ways of the earth,
Look up from thy woe and thy hunger,
Look up to the sons of thy birth!

Let thee starve! sweet mother of sorrows, The gen rous, the brave and the just, who would share with the outcast thy

wouldst break with a foeman thy

Let thee starve! while broad lands around

Are teeming with good gifts untold, Starve! our sweet mother of sorrows! No! not for the lack of our gold.

Share with thee! Yes, who would refuse What son who to thee owes his life; What daughter whose parents lie yonder Upon thy sweet breast, feed from strife?

Then take it, mayourneen, our mother, Tis all we can do forthee now; Poor mourner, our mother of sorrows,

What heart can refuse thee this row "No hunger shall gnaw at thy heart-

No famine come in at thy door: Well give our last coin to thee, mother, And trust in our God to send more." HUGH ADAIR.

A GRAND EMBASSY

FROM THE QUEEN TO THE HOLY FATHER.

The Duke of Norfolk's Mission to the Vatican Described .- The Correspondence now First Published.

A parliamentary return has lately been brought down in London giving the first published details of the special mission of the Duke of Norfolk to Rome with the Queen's present and congratulations to the Pope on the occasion of his jubilee. The return was ordered on the motion of a faratical member who strongly condemned any "dealings with the Vatican." The documents are interesting. First there is a letter from the Marpuis of Saiisbury to Cardinal Howard. asking if the proposed mission would be agreable to the Pope. Cardinal Howard not being able to obtain audience in time submitted the matter to Cardinal-Secretary Rampolla, assuring him among other things that the " Holy Father will not only receive Her Majesty's Envoy with the greatest pleasure but that even now he expresses feelings of lively gratification thereat. The Duke of Norfolk then proceeded to Rome in state, with

a suite, bearing the following letter :-THE QUEEN TO POPE LEO XIII. Most Emmens Sir.—Being desirous of expressing to your Holiness in a pullie and formal manner my sense of the courtesy shown to me by the mission of Mgr. Ruffe Seilla to convey your Holiness congra ulations on the liftieth anniversary of my reign. I have for that purpose accredited to your Holiness in the character of my special envoy the Duke of Norfolk, Earl of Surrey, Arundel, and N. riolk, a poer of my United Kingdom. Earl Marshaland Hereditary Marshal of England a Knight of my Most Noble Order of the Garter. I feed assured that the choice which I have made will be perfectly agreeable to your Holiness and that the Duke of Norfolk will prove himselfworthy of this mark of confidence. Therefore request that your Holiness Duke of Norfolk shall communicate in my name more especially when renewmy sincere triendship and of the unteigned respect and esteem which I entertain

at our Court at Bulmoral. VICTORIA, R. I.

The return then gives a long statement by the Duke describing his reception at the Vatican, which was of a most

Majesty's Special Envoy to express to your Holiness, in a public and formal manner, her sense of the courtesy shown by the mission of Mgr. Ruffo Seilla to convey your Holiness' congratulations on the fiftieth anniversary of her reign. I have the honour to respect to your

say that, in confiding to me this high fourth. also to give expression to her feeling of deep respect for the elevated character and Christian wisdom you have displayed in your high position.

"The temperate sagacity with which your Holiness has corrected errors and assuaged differences from which much evil might otherwise have arisen inspires Her Majesty with the earnest hope that life and health may long be granted to You, and that your beneficent action may be long continued.

In conclusion, I beg leave to be permitted to express to your Holiness how very sensible I am of the honour which has been conferred upon me by my gracious fovereign in selecting me for this high mission, and in making me the interpreter of Her Majesty's sentiments

The Holy Father said in reply :

Queen of England our congratulations

congratulations and compliments on our Sacerdotal Jubilee. We acknowledge with gratitude Her Majesty's letter, and we thank her for the choice that she has made of your illustrious self (who is, tor

the liberty which the Catholic religion

ment.
"Will you have the goodness, M. le prosperity?"

The Queen presented on this occasion some handsome golden vessels for the use of the Pope at the altar, and His Holiness sent the following autograph :-To the Most Serene and Most Power-

ful Victoria, Queen of the United King-dom of Great Britain and Ireland, and other regions, Illustrious Empress of

LEO, P.P. XIII. "Most Serene and Most Powerful Queen and Empress, greeting! The most noble act of courtesy with which

render it to us most gratifying
"For the distinguished kindness and regard of your Majesty towards us are most signally displayed in the letter, full of courtesy, which we have received; they are displayed in the choice of the an old bonnet a little longer. A Catholic noble person of our beloved son, the illustrious and honourable Duke of Norfolk, to discharge the office of your Envoy to us, and which will remain in our Palace as a lasting memento of your

kindness. For all these reasons we rejoice to assure your Majesty, in this our letter, of our most lively sense of gratitude, which the illustrious Envoy of your Majesty will more fully declare to you. Eor we have carnestly charged him to be the messenger and interpreter in his own words, and in your presence, of our esteem and mutual regard for your Majesty.

"The cordial goodwill which your Majesty has expressed in your letter to us is valued by us most highly, and we assure you that to us it is, and ever will

be, most gratifying.
"It only remains for us to implore the King of kings to grant to your Majesty, who, with the assistance of most able and distinguished men, wields the sceptre of a mighty Kingdom and Empire, all those gifts which may cause the lasting glory of your name to grow

greater day by day.
"And while this is our fervent prayer. Mind while this is our fervent prayer.

We also carnestly entreat the Divine the Lord that is worthy? Wherewith shall I knee before the high God?"

and Imperial Majesty, and all your august House, and to unite you with us evening sacrifice I rose up from my and Imperial Majesty, and all your august. House, and to unite you with us

in perfect charity.
"Given at Saint Peter's, Rome, the 3rd day of January, 1888, in the tenth year of our Pontificate. "LEO. P.P. XIII." (Signed)

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Catholic Education in New Hampshire. The Manchester (N. H.) papers have

just published the following details, that out first falling on his knees. A learned to show how well the work is done in tries; informs me that it is certain that atholic schools. This report is but a will give entire credence to all that the renewal of what has taken place already in use in the earliest ages of the Church, every section of country where Catholic and it seems that in the public worship

my name more especially assurance of alry:—
ing to your Holiness the assurance of alry:—
"The result of a competitive examination of the unteigns."

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"The result of a competitive examination." ed respect and esteem which I entertain tion for a berth at West Point Military fer your person and character. Given Academy, held at the High shool building, June 6, and entered into by fifteen bright young men, has been made public.

Weare Railroad, and a student of the parochial High school in this city, separochial High school in this city, se-imposing description. Then follows his speech and that of the Pope, as follows: "Holy Father,—Her Majesty the Queen, my most gracious Sovereign, having been pleased to select me as Her Michael J. Conroy, also of the parocured the coveted first place, but, unfortu-

"Michael J. Conroy, also of the parochial High shool, is near-sighted and this

"Another parachial High school student, Joseph M. McDonough, ranked third, and being physically and mentally qualified, has received the Holiness Her Majesty's letter accrediting appointment. The alternate, John Edmonton Company of the Company of t me for that purpose.

"Her Majesty has commanded me to say the in the formal fo

"The boys who secured the next two by a desire to acknowledge this proof of your Holiness' goodwill towards her, but sale to acknowledge this proof of John J. Kennedy, are likewise from the John J. Kennedy, are likewise from the parochial High school. The seventh young man is a graduate from Pembroke academy, Henry P. Cofran, Edward Mc-Derby was eighth in rank.

"Joseph M. McDonough, the successful candidate, is a life-long resident of Man-chester and a son of M. A. McDonough 323 East Spruce street. He is a studious young man of quiet manner and is universally esteemed by his associates. Western Christians prayed standing, it is The alternate, John E. Fitzpatrick, is also certain that not very long after pagan persecution had ceased the latter

High school.

"Seven young men from the parochial High school entered the competition; six of them secured first places and the seventh finished eighth, a fact which speaks velumes for the excellence of the training pursued at that school under the diretion of the Christian Brothers.

"The examination was held under the supervision of a committee of which Principal Baldwin of the Ash-street "M. le Duc.—It was with pleasure six months ago that we were represented in London by a Special Envoy charged to offer in our name to Her Majesty the Course in our name to Her Majesty the Course in our name to Her Majesty the born and Rev. Brother Peter, principal of the parochial High school.'

on the fiftieth anniversary of her glorious accession to the throne.

"No less great is our joy to-day in receiving from you, M. le Due, on behalf of the Queen, your Sovereign, the same congratulations and compliments on our kneel in their churches only once a year at the services of the feast of Pentecost. which in consequence is called by them ghonatisti, the root of which word is the Greek name for knees. The Melchites, and other Greek Catholics in communion a dose. Try them.

The Catholic Journal.

A home in which the only literature on this particularly propitious day, to sense. In every Catholic home a good who wish to enjoy the former carry attest publicly our great satisfaction for Catholic paper ought to be part of the

enjoys in all the vast dominions of the British Empire, and which permits it to prosper more and more. This happy result, we are glad to acknowledge, is due to the great wisdom of Her Majesty, and to the enlightened spirit of her Government.

"Will you have the goodness M. le equipment. Fathers and mothers who Majesty the Queen, for whom we form the most ardent wishes of glory and possible. The real mission of the press the mock "nows" is like the grass of the field which to-day is in flower and tomorrow is cast over the over. A Catho-lic paper in a household is a "perpetual missionary." It permeates all the fibres of household life; its influence is recurrent; every week it stimulates and up-raises. It comes constantly—even the careless son or brother, yawning because the night is stormy and he must remain indoors, turns to it when he has finished the daily news. And, indifferent as such men are, the Catholic paper influences them unconsciously. They may your Reyal and Imperial Majesty has keep away from church, they may avoid honoured us at the close of the fiftielh year of our Ministry in the priesthood possesses all the qualities which should No secular paper can supply the lack of a Catholic paper in a Christian home. It is worth even a sacrifice of no small proportions-worth even the giving up of a few cigars yearly or the wearing of necessity, not a luxury .- Futher Cronin

POSTURE IN PRAYER.

Biblical Proof That Kneeling Always Prevailed.

A Catholic priest writes to the New York Sun with reference to a controver-

claiming that all should bow their knee before him."

Fourth Kings, 1 13-* * * "And when he was come, he fell upon his knees be- French or English, with full directions before Elias, and besought him and said

Second Paralipomeuon, xxix., 30-"And Ezechias and the princes commanded the Rochester, N. Y. Levites to praise the Lord with the words of David, and Asanh the Seer; and they praised him with great joy, and, bowing the knee, adored.'

Isaias, xiv. 24-" For every knee shall he bowed to me, and every tongue shall

Micheas, vi. 6-" What shall I offer to

affliction, and, having rent my mantle and my garment, I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands to the Lord my

Mark, i., v. 40-" And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down said to him: If thou wist, thou canst make me clean."
Ephesians, iii., v. 14—" For this cause I

bow my knee to the Father of our Lord

Philippians, ii., 10—That in the name of Jesus every knee should how, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and

under the earth. In the Old Testament prostration is frequently mentioned as having been made in prayer to God, in veneration of angels, and as a mark of respectful homage before holy men, kings, and men in power. Now it is plain that a suppliant cannot prestrate himself withstanding and prostration were both in and State schools meet in honest riv-at mass and in receiving communion the general attitude was standing, sometimes with the head bowed down." colored wood cuts in "Roma Sotteranea." of frescoes found in the catacombs, are confirmatory of the above statement. bright young men, has been made public.

John Edward Byron of North Weare, son of Conductor Byron of the North Weare Railroad, and a student of the excavations under the Church of San Giovani e Paolo in Rome have laid bare unique mural paintings, representing the martyrlom of certain saints put to death on that very spot, it is just possi-ble that discoveries hereafter may reveal representations of Christians praying on their knees. There were, moreover, good reasons for the early Christians to pray standing; the places where they met for worship were not roomy, and in times of persecution they had to be prepared to flee at the first signal of alarm. The requirements also of the "Discipline of the Secret," established to guard against pagan profauation, may have been partly a cause; it made obligatory upon Christians to avoid giving in conversa-tion or by any other way indication of their faith to their pagan fellow-citizens in general. In the widespread and unparalleled destruction, during the persecu-tion by Diocletian, of Christian archives, records, and other historical chronicles, documents were probably destroyed which might have thrown light on the question; but conceding the fact, which seems incontrovertible, that, in the first ages of Christianity, both Eastern and adopted the kneeling posture for prayer. This is shown by the paintings, illustrations of manuscripts, and sculptures be-longing to those early ages of our era when the Church was establishing it elf in western Europe. The words feedmens genua (let us bend our knees), used by the deacon before collects in the office of Good Friday and in certain masses, followed immediately afterward by the word levate (rise), date back to ancient times (Catholic Dictionary, p. 348). At the present day, as I am told by a relia-

ble informant, the Greek schismatics al-

ways pray standing during mass, and

with the Holy See, during divine service

kneel, squatting back on their heels, just

as is practised in Spain at the present

provided for the faithful, and women

camp-stools to and from church. All Catholics kneel at their private devotions; at mass nearly all the time except at the Gospel and epistle parts, when they stand during the former and sit during the latter, as also during the offertory. If the mass be celebrated pontifically—that is, with deacon and subdeacon—the custom is to stand when the Gloris in Excelsis, the Creed, and the Pater Noster are intoned in part or wholly and while other prayers are uttered aloud by the celebrant.

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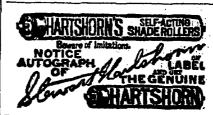
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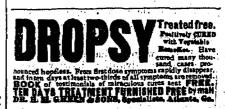
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