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One not of any fixed creed might look for a rule of faith to find the true religion, but, when once found, he gives himself no further trouble. He believes, from history and other sources, that Christ founded a Church, and that He commanded all to hear it.

I should fear to trespass too much were I to follow the Rev. Mr. McLaren through his dissertation on the Church and on the infallibility question. I shall state two points upon which all must agree. First, that Christ established an infallible Church as a guide to eternal life.

Again the Protestant will argue that many Popes have fallen into error, but can state this only on the strength of party historians. These Popes have been vindicated over and over again from calumnies heaped on them by party historians.

Papal infallibility except two, and I saw these two on their knees before the Pope giving in their adherence to the lately promulgated dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

Our rev. Professor is at sea when treating of the infallibility of the Pope, speaking *ex cathedra*. He is like a country gentleman bewildered seeking in a large city a house, without knowing precisely the street it was on, or the number of it.

Each denomination will, of course, apply the definition to itself, but to which of them would Christ apply it? He founded only one Church, and that about eighteen hundred and sixty-seven years ago, when he founded the Catholic Church.

Police-man Kennedy was informed yesterday morning that a little boy was drunk in the basement of 547 Greenwell street. He entered the room of Alexander McDewitt, a longshoreman, and found it a dark apartment in the centre of the building.

On the stove was a bottle containing a little vile whiskey, and a can which had held beer.

The mother and children were taken to the Prince Street Police Station in a hand-cart. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children was notified. Officer Chiardi came, and said he knew the family.

Justice Morgan committed Andrew and the baby to the care of the society, and sent the drunken parents to Blackwell's Island.

THE NEW MEMBERS FOR ROS-COMMON.

Mr. O'Kelly, who has been returned for Roscommon with Dr. Commine, of Liverpool, had a rather eventful career. He was a prisoner under the Habeas Corpus Suspension Act with Mr. O'Connor Power.

AN IRISH EVICTION.

Charles Bradlaugh, the celebrated English Radical, in one of his lectures, gives his experience as an English soldier, in assisting to evict an Irish tenant farmer's family from his holding.

THE PRIESTS OF IRELAND.

We can conceive no closer links of friendship and mutual confidence than those which bind the hearts of the Irish and their priests. Their sympathies, their sorrows and their joys are, as it were, one and indivisible.

ALSACE-LORRAINE AND THE CONQUERORS.

The conquerors had fixed a date by which every inhabitant of Alsace-Lorraine was to determine whether he would be French or German. To adopt either resolution meant to lift up a heavy burden.

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Slight Hopes of the Atlantic—The Division Among the Home-Makers.

LONDON, Eng., April 26.—A despatch to the Times from Portsmouth says that no news has hitherto been received in reference to the missing training ship *Atlanta*, and even those who have been most sanguine are beginning to lose heart.

DEATH OF MR. KENELM DIGBY

We deeply regret to have to record the death on Monday, at his residence, Shaftesbury House, Kensington, of one whose name has long been familiar to English Catholics, Mr. Kenelm Digby.

AMERICAN CATTLE IN CANADA.

The regulations in regard to the importation of American cattle, which came into effect on Saturday, are substantially as follows:—The importation or introduction into Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island of meat, cattle and swine from the United States is prohibited except in bond at the ports of Sarnia, London and Amherst.

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—A seven-year-old girl, left alone with her infant sister, in Cincinnati, was found fatally burned when the mother returned. "Why didn't you call for help?" the mother asked. "Cause I was afraid of waking baby," was the dying child's reply.

—The *Mail* denounces Mr. Blake's remarks favoring Home Rule for Ireland. Mr. Blake has a perfect right to advocate Home Rule if he pleases, and his doing so is no sign of any thing like disloyalty.

—Dr. C. H. Thomas of Philadelphia has been making a study of the various new devices for helping the deaf to hear. All of them, he says, depend for their action upon the principle of acoustics that solids vibrate in unison with the sound waves produced in the air near them.

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—An Ohio woman, before drowning herself in a shallow trough, strapped her head down in the water, for fear that her courage might fall her when she began to smother.

—About fifty weddings have taken place in the Onedia Community since their peculiar marriage doctrines were renounced. There are over 300 adults in the establishment.

—Bismarck and Metterlich, the two greatest German statesmen of this century, were afflicted with very large-sized hands. Metterlich's hand is small, but Bismarck's is tremendous.

—To raise beef in Montana for exportation to England is Lord Dunmore's object, and if he succeeds he will have done more for himself and his country than most of his order.

—The American war vessels in the Mediterranean are ridiculed by the Italian press, which claim that the *Dulio* could chase them all through the Straits of Gibraltar, or sink them at short notice.

—M. Louis Favre, the engineer-in-chief who built the St. Gotthard tunnel, fell dead in the tunnel on the eve of the completion of the boring. His bust in marble is to be placed over the entrance.

—Dijon proposes to raise a splendid monument to Garibaldi, in memory of his defence of that city during the Franco-German war, and subscriptions to aid the undertaking have begun throughout France.

—A Lutheran preacher of eminence in Berlin complained in a recent sermon that one-third the scholars in the higher schools of that capital are Jews, though they form only 5 per cent of the population.

—A pamphlet has been largely circulated in Middlebury, Scotland, entitled "Political Achievements of the Earl of Dalkeith." It is neatly gotten up, and when opened is found to contain thirty blank pages.

—A Confederate soldier named Moore crawled out under the fire of two armies to give relief to a wounded Union Captain. He recently received information, at his home in Arkansas, that the Captain had bequeathed him \$10,000.

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