

a judicial error. He being isolated from his fellowmen, this appeal is signed by his grief-stricken wife, who, through her tears, gazes at the Vicar of Christ, as the daughters of Jerusalem looked upon Christ Himself on His way to Calvary."

Cardinal Vaughan has instructed the Superiors of convents in England to secure as teachers persons well qualified for this work. The Cardinal thinks that the education of women must be raised to a higher level, and has taken this method to accomplish his purpose. It is not to be inferred that the instruction received in the convents is inferior; on the contrary it is equal to that given in any school, but an improvement in general is necessary. An action of a different kind is taken against convents by the Protestant League. They are securing names for a petition to be forwarded to parliament, asking for an official inspection of all convents. In placing these petitions in bar-rooms, where they can be signed by the most depraved class, the promoters of the scheme seem to wish that virtue may be governed by vice.

OF LOCAL INTEREST.

THE football season has gloriously ended; the championship is home again; and on the evening of December 14th, the Athletic Association prepared a dinner in honor of the players, who, during the past weeks, have fought so nobly in the cause of the "garnet and gray." Our spacious dining hall, artistically decorated for the occasion, was well filled with merry-hearted students and their welcome guests; and

all present did ample justice to the many good things placed at their disposal. But the more enjoyable part of the programme was only commencing, when, after the meal was over, Mr. Clancy, President of the Association, arose, and, after reviewing in a neat little speech, the glories of the football campaign just triumphantly ended, introduced the different items which went to make up the intellectual part of the evening's entertainment. Spirited speeches were delivered by Rev. Father Fallon, Messrs. W. McCarthy, H. Myers, J. McDougal, J. P. Clarke, E. Gleeson and R. McCredie; the recitations of M. Foley and T. Morin were heartily received, and the songs rendered by Messrs. O'Connell, O'Malley, R. Murphy, T. Murphy, Bolger, Payment, Clarke and Bertrand, were one and all enthusiastically applauded. Then came a chorus; students and guests, with heart and soul, as well as with voice, made the old walls resound with the pleasing strains of "We're Champions Again;" and ere its last echoes had died away, the crowd began to disperse, well satisfied that such a banquet was a fitting conclusion for such a season as had been that of 1897.

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On Monday, Dec. 6, the professors and students of the University were agreeably surprised by an invitation to attend in their Academic hall an entertainment kindly prepared for them by one of America's most gifted Shakespearian actors, Mr. Jas. Young. The fame of this tragedian had preceeded him to our midst; and when, after several well-rendered and enjoyable recitations delivered by members of his company, Mr. Young himself stepped