

Now, it seems to us a monstrous argu- with their oppressed brethren as wilfully

necessaries.

ment that, because this unjust settle to imperil the restoration to them of ment affects only a handful of people rights which their Bishops and the Bishc mpared with the Catholic population ops of all Canada deemed so essential to of the Dominion at large or with the their highest interests and virtually to the salvation of their children's souls. What, then, induced them to jeopard-1670 the Catholic population of the new ize the best welfare of their Catholic Province of Manitoba was larger than compatriots in Manitoba ? Our answer the Protestant, and, although the in- is that they seemed to imply the stinct of self-preservation seems to have professions of the Honorable Mr. warned the wiser and farther seeing of Laurier, the Honorable Mr. Tarte and the Catholic community of that the other French-Canadian statesmen time that the changes in pro- to whose triumph they contributed by gress would be detrimental to their so striking a surprise as the election of interests, few people imagined that the June last. They could not believe that room. influx from the older provinces would what they had been promised would not prove so overwhelmingly Protestant us be performed. They had been solemnly to leave the Catholic population so small assured that the settlement which Mr. Laurier would accomplish by concilia-Let us imagine that, in the course cf tion of the Protestant element in Manievents, the Catholic population of this toba would be more favorable to Catholic Province should continue to diminish rights than that of even the Remedial and the Protestant to increase until the Bill. Mr. Tarte had written over his own name that he and his fellow Catho versed and what is now a majority be- lics of Canada would never consent to came a minority. How would the Cath- the spoliation of their separate schools, olics of this Province-the remnant of whatever violence and club law might what was once so strong a majority-like use its strength to effect. Yet to-day begun. It now remains to be seen whether Manitoba Government and the surrender this settlement, which robs the Catholics of Manitoba of every sacred right save question. the merest semblance of concession to Need we have a moment's hesitation in their conscientious scruples, was what riplying that not only would they not the Catholic majority of the Province of like it at all, but, also, that they would Quebec had in their minds on the 23rd bitterly resent it and that if there were of June last. In our opinion it was not.

tute of justice and kindness and sympathy

dation at the disposal of the Trustees permits, instead of allotting different days of the week to the different denominations for the purpose of religious teaching, the pupils may be separated when the hour for religious teaching arrecently called by Le Quotidien, of Levis,

face; but they have taken good care to address themselves to our sworn enemies, to McCarthy and his partisans. And it is Judaa Iscariot Tarte, as he was

Rome, and yet he is a celebrity. That a simple Canon, however greatly es-teemed in his own land should be raised to the dignity of Cardinal, set people thinking of his merits. From a Neapolitan account of him we learn that he

works, should cooperate with Him for the attaining of our ultimate end--tosee, love and enjoy God forever in-Heaven-what pleasure, what joy, what satisfaction, what sense of rectitude must not be yours. Bunded together for

Catholic inhabitants of Quebec, we ought to regard it with equanimity. In and helpless as it is.

present ratio of the two sections was reto be told that they must submit to such | what do we see? an arrangement as the obstinacy of the of the Federal Administration have imposed on the Catholics of Manitoba. any so-called Catholics who had contributed in any way to bring so disastrous a change upon their heads, they would look upon them as anything but friends.

Now, if what some of the papers have been urging for months has any basis of fac, the Catholic majority of this Province are responsible for what has come home to their fellow Christians in Manitoba, because by their vote in June last they rejected the leaders who had promised the Manitoba Catholics redress and gave their sanction by a sweeping majority to their opponents, and, at first sight, it really looks as if this view were correct. In that case there is no more their approval to a settlement by which deprived for ever of the right of Catholic education. They have chosen to set other things above the spiritual welfare

The official statement issued by the Laurier Government of the terms of the "settlement" of the Manitoba School Question-a " settlement " that does not settle anything-is as follows :--

Memorandum re Settlement of School Question.

(1) Legislation shall be introduced and passed at the next regular session of the Legislature of Manitoba embodying the provisions hereinafter set forth in amendment to the "Public Schools Act," for the purpose of settling the educational questions that have been in dispute in that Province.

(2) Religious teaching to be conducted as hereinafter provided :-- (1) If anthorized by a resolution passed by a majority to be said than that the Catholics of this of the School Trustees, or (2) if a petiancient Province of Quebec have given tion be presented to the Board of School Trustees asking for religious teaching their fellow-religionists in Manitoba are of at least ten children attending the school in the case of a rural district, or by the parents or guardians of at least twenty-five children attending the school of the little isolated Catholic community [(8) Such religious teaching to take which the Judicial committee of the place between the hours of 3.30 and 4 Catholic minority. They have refused Imperial Privy Council, deciding by the localock in the afternoon, and to be con- justice to that minority and have, on ment" and are jubilant over the fact that | in support of his allegation." The second states and the second states and

placed in separate rooms.

(10) Where ten of the pupils in any school speak the French language (or afterwards to British Columbia Needany language other than English) as their native language, the teaching of such pupils shall be conducted in French (or such other language) and English upon the bilingual system.

(11) No pupils to be permitted to be present at any religious teaching unless he parents or guardians of such pupils desire it. In case the parents or guardians do not desire the attendance of the pupils at such religious teaching, then the pupils shall be dismissed before the exercises or shall remain in another

flow the "Settlement" is Viewed.

Archbishop Langevin, on being interviewed, said :

"How we have been sold ! How Quebec has been betrayed! A French-Can-adian and a Catholic, who ridiculed the Dickey Bill, who rode into power on false promises, to sell us into the hands of our enemies. Too bad, too bad! But, I tell you there will be a revolution in Quebec, which will ring throughout Canada, and those men who to-day are triumphant will be cast down. This settlement is a farce. The fight has only

His Grace also stated that he had in his possession the official endorsation of the Vatican on his stand on the school

Archbishop O'Brien, of Halifax, expressed himself as follows :

"I can only repeat a remark I made about four years ago, after the first decision of the Privy Council on this same Manitoba school question. On my re-turn from the Pacific coast I was asked If I thought the question settled. I replied-'no question is settled until justice has been done.' Many laughed then; but in view of the latest decision of the Privy Council, fewer will laugh to-day, when the remark is repeated. The Fabian-like policy of delay in giving effect to that decision wrecked one Government; the cynical injustice of this so-called 'settlement' will assuredly wreck another. Yes, doubtless the Government press will make a great flourish; but the writers, even aided by large headlines, will deceive no one, not even themselves, into the belief that the sober sense of a majority of Canadians will permit them to become traitors to our constitution, or will accept as a settlement of a grave constitutional question this feeble compact of incompetent expediency."

La Minerve hits the nail on the head when it says. "Laurier capitulates; Greenway triumphs. Far from being, as they call it, a settlement, it is a surrender. The Laurier Government promised full and complete justice to the

who has come here to do the dirty work of Mr. Laurier. and who has fled soon less to say, the Catholics of Manitoba will not accept this compromise, for it is nothing but a compromise. There can be no settlement which does not give us justice."

La Presse deals with the subject in its usual half-hearted, "fency" tashion. The arrangement, it declares, may turn bad; "it may give rise to peace or to persecutions more odious because legal,"

Le Monde asserts holdly that the Catholic minority in Manitoba has been betrayed by those in whom the Catholics of French race had reposed full confidence. The Liberals have violated their promises, and yielded cowardly. without striking a blow, to the fanatical persecutors of the French Canadians. If ever a people had the right to rebel against their oppressors it is when it is children."

Le Courier du Canada also claims that the French Canadian minority in Manitoba has been betrayed by the Laurier Government. The "settlement," it adds, is "a mockery of common sense."

Sir Adolphe Caron denounces the arrangement as a surrender by the Do minion Government of the rights of the Catholic minority in Manitoba, and asserts that Mr Laurier has secured for that minority less than the deputation sent to Winnipeg by the Conservative Government last March tried to secure for them.

The Mail and Empire, of Toronto, characterizes the arrangement as a farce. "It is," it states, "as a matter of fact, only an arrangement between two Liberal Governments having self-interests to conserve, carefully drawn, and designed to strengthen each other's hands politically. With the people who are so vitally and deeply interested over the question at issue, a settlement can only be reached by an agreement between the contending parties, which, it will be understood, are the Protestant element and the Roman Catholic minority. It is mere twaddle to say any settlement between Greenway and Laurier, therefore, can be a settlement of the school question, which involves a concention be tween the Government of Manitoba and the Catholic minority.

On the other han I, Dalton McCarthy, Clarke Wallace, the Toronto Globe, the Montreal Witness and Herald, and all the other avowed enemies of our Catholic

15 now between hity-lour and filty-live years of age : that he was born at Bosco trecase, a village in the vicinity of Naples, or, to be more accurate, on the southern outward slopes of Vesuvins, which was frequently overwhelmed with burning lava in the more violent eruptions of that active volcano. He went through the ordinary course of ecclesiastical studies at the Archiepiscopal Seminary of Naples, with more than usual brilliancy. The penetrative and comprehensive genout to be good and it may turn out to be jus of the man soon became evident, and his lectures on the doctrines of St. Thomas in the Archiepiscopal Seminary showed him to be a profound and accurate thinker. He published a series of works on Philosophy which revealed still more the extent and depth of his genus Elementary Philosophy; the Elements of Speculative Philosophy, in two large volumes, which has gone through five editions; the Metaphysics of Morality; Hegelianism ; Gioberti and Anthology the Supposed Tendency of Ancient and Modern Philosophy; the Metaphysics of St. Thomas Aquinas; the State According sought to rob them of the souls of their | to Right and Comments on the Encyclical Letter Regarding the Christian Constitution of States. Darwinism Exposed and Examined; the Origin of Life; It the Principles of St. Thomas Suffice to Confute Darwinism. These are the works of Canon Prisco. That he is a priest of immense learning and genius is recognized by those who know him, and by no one more than by Leo XIII.

Winter Lectures.

The directors of the Montreal Free Library announce that their first annual course of lectures on historical, literary and ethical subjects will shortly be delivered in St. Mary's College Hall, 146 Bleury street. Arrangements have been completed with the following dis-tinguished lecturers: The Hon. Bourke Cockran, of New York; Professor Maurice Egar, LL.D., of the Washington University; Conde B. Pallen, Ph D. LL.D., of St. Louis, Mo.; Henry Austin Adams, M.A., of New York; Richard Malcolm Johnston, LL.D., of Baltimore, Md.; and John Francis Waters, M A., of Ottawa. The initiation of this valuable work is due to Mr Henry J. Kavanagh, Q.C., brother of the Rev. Isidore Kavan sub S.J. The first lecture will be delivered on Thursday evening, December 10. by Mr. Adams, the subject being Culture and Character." The dates for the other lectures will be published as soon as they have been fixed.

THE Catholic Journal of Memphis, Tenn., says:

"Here, this thing must stop. Editor Hagaman, of the Topeka (Kan.) Blade somes out boldly in a leading article and declares that 'there is more religion. in hell than in the Methodist Church. The Journal respectfully differs with schools, are delighted with the "settle Editor Hagaman and calls for the proofs

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God's greater honor and glory, be it your consoling thought to know that you e apply with Christ's express command to let your works shine forth in order that they may be seen by men and that. they, seeing them, may follow your exexample, for you are not unmindful of these words of the Master : ' Seek first the kingtom of beaven, and all these things will be added unto you."

A living and vivid proof of this is the fact that you in your organization have been swayed by a twofold consideration --- the consideration of things divine and of things human-of the spiritual and the temporal-the temporal, however, as it behoveth, dependent upon the spiritual. Like unto Holy Church, in a measure, may you be likened, and the truer the similitude the surer the success to be attained. When Almighty God in the beginning of the world, said unto Himself: "Let us make man to Our image and likeness," breathing upon clay He called into existence a being composed of a body and a soul, there was ushered into time man bearing stamped upon his soul the image of the God-head. Upon man, since he was compound, devolved a twofold duty -corresponding to the twofold end for which he was created-for the temp ral end and for the eternal-the temporal ceasing when the soul shall have been summoned to appear before its God to render unto Him an account of every idle word and of every wandering action of which it in unison with the body may have been guilty-the eternal beginning to exist when the temporal small have ceased-never, never to end, but, on the contrary, prepared on the day of general judgment to take unto itself its partner of its temporal life that it may share with it forever and ever its joy or its misery.

You, thus cognizant of your origin, and well aware of your ultimate end have banded together in order the more securely to ensure your accomplishment of High Heaven's decree. For to-day you go forth, and proudly so, and in vast numbers, sons of the Triune Godwhom St. Patrick made known unto our race on the hills and in the valleys of Ireland-you go forth, an enviable band, bearing on your breasts, untar-nished, that of all jewels the most precious, the jewel of Holy Fuith, entrusted to our forelathers so many hundred years ago ; you go forth, a model to be copied,. -true and devoted sons of Holy Church, Christ's fairest and immaculate spouse,loyal and jealous minded children of dear old Erin, you go, not to seek primarily the riches, honor and glory of this world, but obeying Christ's mandate, to seek first the kingdom of heaven, knowing full well that all these things will be added unto you. You go forth, therefore, the sworn disciples of Jesus Christ-for, my dear friends, "by their" works you will know them," and you, following your standard bearer, in whose hands we behold the escutcheon which by its lettering of gold makes known

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