

FATHER RAYOUX

Oldest Catholic Priest in the Northwest

The venerable Mgr. Ravoux, the oldest Catholic priest in the northwest, the father of the Church in Minnesota, died on Jan. 17, at St. Joseph's Hospital, St. Paul.

Father Ravoux was the last of the race of priests who founded the Church in the northwest. He had lived the life of a saint, and full of years and honors, he has gone to his eternal rest.

His death removes the last link that binds the ancient days of the northwest with our own times. He saw St. Paul when it was a scattered Indian village, and he lived to see it a metropolitan city of 200,000 inhabitants.

Augustin Ravoux was born Jan. 11, 1815, at Langeac, in Auvergne, France. In his early youth he entered the theological seminary at Puy, France.

Then began the inspiring and most adventurous career of Father Ravoux. His first charge was at Prairie du Chien, Wis., where he exercised his ministry for about a year and a half.

After a short visit to Mendota with his friend, Father Galtier, he set out in a canoe to Traverse des Sioux where he intended to establish a mission for the French and Indians.

After a few months spent at Lac qui Parle and Little Rock, he came back to Mendota and spent the greater part of the summer with Father Galtier. About this time, at the request of the settlers, he established a mission at Little Prairie, now Chaska, and made it the headquarters for his great campaign.

From settlement to settlement of Indians he made his way. He pursued his missionary labors at Point Douglas, Red Wing, Trempealeau and Prairie du Chien.

"This word," he says in his memoirs, "brings to my recollection a fine black cassock that I wore over fifty years ago. It was really a production of the industry of the land. The material was deer skin dyed by Indian women, and the cassock was made by them."

Father Galtier, the first priest at Mendota, and St. Paul, being called to Kookuk, Ia., in 1844, Father

Ravoux took up his residence at Mendota, visiting from there the Catholics at St. Paul, St. Croix and Lake Pepin. For several years St. Paul was comparatively so small that he visited from Mendota only one Sunday in each month, preaching in both the French and English languages.

For many years Father Ravoux was connected with the cathedral under Bishop Graec, and later under Bishop Ireland. A greater portion of this time he was the vicar-general of the diocese.

In 1868 he was appointed by Pope Pius IX. Bishop of the territory of Montana, but owing to poor health, he was obliged to pray to have his resignation accepted. Some fifteen years ago, through the ministrations of Archbishop Ireland, Pope Leo XIII. conferred upon him the title of monsignor.

For the past fifteen months Mgr. Ravoux has been incapacitated from performing his priestly functions. He has occupied special quarters during this period at St. Joseph's Hospital where he has been cared for with tender solicitude by the sisters.

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This man, a leader of strikes, once on trial for his life, having served a term in prison because of his defiance of laws which curtailed freedom of speech, has, after years of conscientious striving, reached one of the most distinguished positions in the world.

Physically John Burns is a powerfully built man with muscles of iron and a will of the same material. He stands about five feet ten inches in height, is thick-set and broad-shouldered and strong-limbed. His complexion is dark, his hair like night, streaked with gray, and he wears a grizzled beard and mustache. His voice is of tremendous power, well adapted for open-air speaking. Well read and well informed, Burns is a convincing speaker, and his black eyes fairly glow when he is interested. He is

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In his newest volume, Justin McCarthy has this to say of Burns: "Some of the workmen who have seats in the house won for themselves a high reputation, and are regarded with respect and confidence by all parties. Mr. John Burns, for instance, was elected as a member of

London County Council as well as of the House of Commons. He was always much interested in public movements and public meetings, and he gradually became known at once as a powerful and a persuasive speaker. He took a part, and a leading part, in many important organizations of workmen, and even in great strikes, and in these his influence was two-fold—it promoted perseverance toward the attainment of the objects sought by his class, and at the same time moderation and fair play in the methods by which those objects were to be attained.

"He proved himself in the House of Commons a most effective debater. A man with the fluency of John Burns and with his love for public speaking might easily have been led to mar his influence in the House of Commons by speaking too often and at too great length. The very sincerity and intensity of the interest he took in so many public questions might naturally have led him to present himself too often in debate. But, unlike many other men gifted with an eloquent tongue and strong convictions, John Burns seems never to have felt any temptation toward unnecessary display of his eloquence, or if he ever did feel such temptation, appears to have been well able to resist it. He only took part in a debate when he had something to say which bore directly on the subject, and was suggested to him by his own practical acquaintance with the question under dispute. The house soon understood this peculiarity, and knew that if John Burns rose and claimed the attention of the speaker, it must be because he had information to impart and argument to put forward which other members of the house would not be likely to have at their command."

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GRAIN MARKETS.

Roller oats are unchanged, and the market is easy and rather unsettled. Quotations are nominal at \$2.10 per bag. The market for mill feed holds steady and firm under a good demand. Dealers are asking \$18.50 to \$19 for choice fall wheat bran in bulk. Manitoba bran in bags is quoted at \$18.50 in mixed carlots. Shorts are firm and in good demand. A fairly active trade is being done on oats on this market, and prices are firm at 41c per bushel for No. 2 white extra, and 40c for No. 3. There is a good demand for baled hay from local dealers, and the market is fairly active and steady.

Men give their measure by their admiration, and it is by their judgments that one may judge them.

Mankind goes ahead but slowly, and it goes ahead mainly through each of us trying to do the best that is in him, and to do it in the sanest way.—Theodore Roosevelt.

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CATHOLIC FRANCE HAS AROUSED.

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Everybody expected a clash to come as a result of this unexpected firmness of the French hierarchy, and now apparently it has come. On Wednesday Paris cable to the New York Sun says that attempts were made that day to take an inventory of the contents of twenty-eight Catholic churches, in accordance with the provisions of the new law separating Church and State. The reports thus far show that in most cases the agents of the Government failed. The churches were filled with the faithful, who threatened to use personal violence on the agents.

At the Church of the Madeleine, Abbe Chesnelong read a protest and the officers were conducted to the door amid the chanting of psalms. They did not attempt to carry out their duties. There were violent scenes at the Church of St. Roch. The cure read a formal protest, and as soon as the

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RESULT ENGLAND

(W. M. C.)

I venture to differ from opinions of some of the friends of Ireland who have expressed themselves regarding the present Parliamentary session. Strongly that England, Scotland and Wales have pronounced Ireland's hopes and have given government an unqualified and unmistakable mandate for the United Kingdom. We know that there is no referendum yet adopted by the popular opinion is distributed by giving a large majority party that professes certain principles and defeating the party is opposed to them.

THE LIBERAL LEADERS

The Liberal leaders, all too plainly, professed friends of Irish self-government, condemned the present autocratic bureaucracy of the Government if they had wished to shrink and minimize it, they strenuously forced it to the fore and made it the election turn on Home Rule for Ireland. I believe they regret their tactics, but whether these were wise or not, the result is that the kingdom was forced to express opinion and its will, and that result cannot fail to take effect.

The Liberal majority is so overwhelming as to render the dependent of the three other parties. This will prevent any alleged made about trading of the Liberals can, at least, carry on the government without having to consider the group that holds the balance of power. Because they are the party in power will not round and abandon all the ston and principles and they were Tory Unionists. I believe they will proceed to a Liberal policy and strive to the abuses of the opposite party have been denouncing twenty years.

SCOTLAND FOR "HOME ALL ROUND."

It is a noticeable matter Premier and most of the members of the Liberal ministry are Scottish or else representatives in the House of Commons of Scotland. This is a fact fraught with importance for Ireland. The Scottish people have always enjoyed a prosperity and contentment on the circumstances that they have not been exploited for the benefit of a predominant partner. British Scotland thinks she is entitled to fuller measure of Home Rule now possesses, and she has pronounced for "Home Rule around."

BRITISH LEGISLATORS SATISFIED IRELAND'S LAST.

We find that Wales is also for self-government, and the British is anxious to have a autonomy for London. These are favorable to Ireland's cause in line with them, but of Ireland is far stronger as a result than those other. Through the efforts and Ireland's representatives, and Jewish emancipation, the of the franchise and local government were secured. But high legislators always satisfied Ireland's claims last, and post-civil government reform in Ireland years. It is possible that Rule may be offered to England before being conceded to Ireland if her representative is insistent and alert. Such things would be calamitous, but things have happened before.

THE REDISTRIBUTION

The question of redistribution is taken up by the Liberal members would probably vote in principle, but also firm on the Treaty of Union. It is to give Ireland one

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