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Hospital Sunday has once more proved the supreme liberality of English Churchmen in this matter. Out of a total of nearly \$200,000, the Church congregations contributed over \$150,000, or about four fifths of the whole! Three London West End churches sent in over \$5,000 each to the fund.

Episcopal Functions are being extended. Church Bells-apropos of the Bishop of North Dakota boasting that he is (on his "Cathedral Car") "a pretty fair fireman, bedmaker, and sweep,"-is ready to "give a character" to certain bishops as being good at washing, mending, shoemaking, bricklaying, printing, carpentering, and building generally.

THE NEWMAN MEMORIAL appears to hang fire in a way which—contrasted with the vigour evinced in the case of the Keble, Pusey and Liddon memorials—suggests an enquiry into the cause. It seems as if the great English cardinal had fallen between two stools, disappointing those who remained loyal to the Church of England, and not gaining the confidence of those at the head of the "Italian Mission."

THE KILBURN SISTERS are good beggars -so an Islington clerical testifies. They are "good" in more senses than one at begging. To beg in order to teach economy and self-reliance and self-respect is not a bad sort—that is what they do when they sell—at however small a price—what they get for nothing to worthy people who don't like to "take charity" as long as they have a few cents to buy with. The Sisters have a depot on York St. (Toronto), opposite the Rossin House.

"SALVUM FAC REPUBLICUM" is quite a new note in the Roman Mass. There seems to be an organized and deliberate "bid" on the part of the Roman Catholic authorities-emanating, too, from Rome -- for the favour of Republican and other democratic forms of government as opposed to the despotic kinds of civil authority. Our "American Cousins" are basking just now in the sunshine of the Vatican-with all their "notions."

IRISH CHURCHMEN are in high glee over the appointment of Bishop Magee (from Cork) to York; and well they may. There is no man in the three Kingdoms to stand beside him, barring it is Gladstone -- and nobody to stand "foreninst" him at all, at all. Canadians, however, may be permitted to remark that we have got a Carmichael in Montreal, a Dumoulin in Toronto, a Curran in Hamilton—and a Sullivan in Algoma.

THE POPE AT HOME has not a very "happy lot," at least just now. There are significant rumors of suspicion as to spies in his very household. Then, the Italian Government has intimated an intention of requiring the virtue of loyalty from the papal bishops, on pain of being deprived of their exequaturs. The matter is to come up for consideration (and indignation, no doubt,) at the approaching consistory.

CREMATION, as the logical terminus of the present Burial Reform agitation, is coming more distinctly into view as the simplest, quickest, most thorough, sanitary system of reducing a body to its elements. This may lead some impulsive reformers to question whether, after all, the natural human sentiment of respectful preservation of the remains of a friend is not sufficiently sanitary for all practical purposes.

"WILLIAM BOOTH, Esq.," is the title—how it must have chagrined the soi-disant "General"by which the Queen, through Sir Henry Ponsonby, addresses the leader of the Salvation Army, in acknowledgment of the receipt of a copy of his book. It is a pity that the same care is not more generally exercised in refusing to give humbugs and charlatans of all kinds their self-chosen titles of General, Professor, Doctor, &c.

A CONCILIATORY POPE, MODERN AND MODERATE, is the desideratum cherished at Rome for the next election of Pope by the conclave of cardinals. They are scanning-according to "American" correspondents-the very horizon for such a beau ideal. Australia, Canada, the United States, England, Germany, Central Africa (Cardinal Lavigerie!) are being scrutinized in search of the best equipped specimen of the species "Cardinal."

OVERWORK AS A CAUSE OF STRIKES IS WELL Illustrated in the case of the "Scotch Railway Strike." It appears that in north Britain the railway hands have to work outrageously long hours. The public safety alone demands that some amelioration of their hardships should take place. One of the most frightful railway holocausts in Canada was traced to the sleepiness of an overworked conductor. Nature will have her revenge, one way or another.

"BROTHER IGNATIUS"—whatever his eccentricities as a parson without a bishop—has been doing great service among young men in New York by his trenchant excoriation of freethinkers like McQueary. Some of our readers may remember about his famous lectures against Voysey and others at St. George's Hall, Langham Place, London, some years ago. Few men can argue "without gloves" with this class of thinkers or sceptics better than Ignatius.

Too Fine a Distinction was made by a certain Massachusetts rector, newly appointed, who left his card, cheaply printed on poor paper, at the house of one parishioner, while for another, in a more choice locality, he left one nicely engraved on superior cardboard. These two ladies happened to be cousins and compared notes: neither did they keep the secret! The injudicious parson's popularity took a downward curve. He was too discriminating—by half.

EXTRAVAGANCE AMONG THE POOR is, no doubt, the cause of much of the poverty which exists. Somebody has figured out that the average con sumption of beer by a bricklayer's labourer costs him nearly \$1 per week, while his tobacco costs about 20 cts. more. This is in England. No doubt a liberal education in the comparative nutritive values of different kinds of food and drink would help this class of workmen to live with better regard to economy of their resources.

Too Much Eye and Ear.—It appears from an article in the New York Sun that the Salvation Army people are beginning to realize that their noisy street parades excite too much public ridicule to be healthy for their success. They propose to shelve their tamborine and drum business, in the cities at least, and confine their operations to chapels or halls. "We have been appealing too much to the eye and ear," says one of their officers, "and not enough to the soul!" So they subside. Thanks!

TRINITY UNIVERSITY, whose foundations were so "well and truly laid" by Bishop Strachan and Provost Whitaker-nomina digna et venerabilia !-has blossomed forth into wonderful vigour and popularity under its present singularly able management. The noble Convocation Hall, unique Chapel, and handsome west wing, all lately built, are all too small for the numbers who press forward for their occupation. It may be safely asserted that anything now started in Toronto, under the auspices of "Old Trinity," has its success assured beforehand. . . .

THE PLANET MARS can no longer keep its secrets from Camille Flammarion and other inquisitive "Earthites." It has lately come within 441 million miles of us, and the big telescopes have been busy; snowstorms, fogs, lakes, canals, &c., have been surveyed (a long way off) and named after earthly "Paul Prys." We know more about the north and south of Mars than we do about our own. The thing is getting exciting, and no wonder people are asking, "what can be going on over there?"

CHICAGO'S SABBATH is not supposed by outsiders, to be an institution of very marked qualities or of very great value. When, therefore, the people of that locality take up cudgels in defence, other people wonder what it is all about. Whether the World's Fair will be a proper thing to have