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man shows no little dramatic power in some of, the situations, and her story, we believe, is sure to find a large circle of readers. The price is only 50 cents. The books are gotten up in a style which must prove highly attractive to young people. "Tom's Luck Pot" having a beautiful illumin-sted cover on which is depicted a thrifty scene from the story. Benziger Bros., New York. menced her literary career when but a school period and the several local publications published her contributions. Afterward she was connect-ed with the Boston Plot. She was married to John Boyle O'Reilly at the sge of twenty. They had four daughters, Mary Boyle and Bessie Boyle, Agnes Smiley and Blanid.

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ST. MARY'S BRANCH, TORONTO.

George William Erskine Russell, High Church Anglican, Christian Socialist and political Liberal, is contributing to our es-teemed Protestant contemporary, the Church man, a series of papers entitled "The Church in England." In the first of these he says : Evens new (arcent the Pane and his follow In the first of these he says : In the first of these he says : Every one (except the Pope and his follow-ers) admits the historic continuity of the Church of England, and agrees that the changes which are roughly grouped together under the title of the Keformation were doc-trinal and disriplinary, but not structural. An illustration which I have often used on this side of the water will not be unintelligible on the other. The House of Howard is the first family in the British perage. Its head is the Duke of Norfolk, premier peer of England and hereditary owner of Arundel Castle. A hun-dred years ago the House of Howard were Whigs. To day they are Torles, and their from, but diametrically opposed to, those of their predecessors in the last century But this change of opinion does not impair the con-lunuity of the family does not impair the con-lunuito of the Dukedom of Norfolk ; does not invalidate the title deeds of Arundel Castle. Everyone, except the High Church Party

ST. MARY'S BRANCH, TORONTO. The members of this branch assembled in St. Andrew's hall upon the occasion of their last monthly meeting. The president, Dr. A. J. McDonagh, occupied the chair, and in a few well - chosen words explained the particular object of the meeting, viz., to assist as a society at the bazzar in aid of St. Mary's church. There was a gratifying attendance of the members and their friends, a large number of whom partock of supper prepared by the lades of the church. The platform entertainment provided by the sperformers met with well merited and un-stinted applause. The programme consisted of piano solo, by Miss Ruthven, and solos by the gifted child soprano, Miss Aggie Curran, of whose sweet young voice the audience seemingly would not irre. The next meeting of the branch will be held cn Monday evening next, Dec. 6, in the Cameron Hall, corner Queen and Cameron streets. The nomination of officers for the coming year will take place, and every member is partic-ularly requested to make it a point to be present.

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bright faced Irish lads who seemed quite cants under consideration. The quotations were taken from the work for some noted author—it may bare beenPark-man's—and as sentence by sentence was analyzed by Mr. Swift's cultured and keen perception, flaws and defects were found in the composition of the famous writer, and the well trained youths of the principal's class substituted improved phrases of their own making. As Thanksgiving Day inter-wend between the next class meeting, the prudent master sketched out on the black-board the subject for the vacant time : that was "Rugby foot ball." Compositions were to be made on the popular game, that should embrace all its features, tendencies and beneficial physical exercise. And as an incentive, publication of the best were to appear in the Ottawa Clitzen. Under Mr. Swift are six experienced lady teachers, in-cluding the charming teacher first named. The girls of the parish have the good fortune and distinction to be placed under the tuition of the devoted nuns who zealously book to their sufficient in the subject of the sease in the ottake of the parish have the good fortune and distinction to be placed under the tuition of the devoted nuns who zealously book to their sufficient for the same holy foundin. The boys in attendance count 317, and the total of boys and girls for the month of the boys and the class joined, and I learned from him that the opening exercises in the morning partook of the same holy foundin. The boys in attendance count 317, and the total of boys and girls for the month of the ingle will grow out of this virtuous up bringing when the boys and girls of this grows it may be conceived what is the progressive strate of St. Patrick's Asylum, and was led through that charitable and well ordered retreat ard refuge by the aniable yet from Sister Superior Howlay, who has charge of the establishment and sees that the temporal and spiritual welfare of 170 inmates are duly cared for. The helpless creatures who are and Times.

John Boyle O'Reilly's Widow,

cloth. LIFE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN. As a popular life of the Blessed Virgin w krow nothing that can compare with the wor of the learned Benedictine, Father Rohner. I is a book which appeals especially to the devi-tion of the faithful, and is remarkable for it religious fervor and tenderness. It has bee admirably translated and made to conform the the ideas of our English speaking Catholic by the late field one all in their power time make it attractive : they have beautifield it this work : printed it one full page illustra-tions from original drawings made specially for it in a tasteful style. The price is §1.35. Ber ziger Bros., New York. "To Ray, Berjamin Fay-Mills, Boston : "This article, entitled 'Why?' gives a very good example of the stand which the reverend gentleman takes both in regard to the bible and in his defense against the higher critics. The question which I have asked him, viz.: How he knows the book commonly called the bible is the inspired infallible whole Word of God Almighty, amen? or 'What are the grounds of his conviction that it is so?' is a fair question and one of great importance. " Father Tiernan." Canden, N. Y., Nov. 17, 1897 "

ziger Bros., New York. "Buzzer's Christmas," is the story of two children who start. In care of a good natured but is local servant woman, to spend Christ-mas with their grandmother. By a mischance they find themselves, at the end of their journey. In the house of a perfect stranger. This person, an old woman, is living by berself having closed her doors and her heart againt to be found by reading the book. It is a book filled with a delightful pathos, and must add vasily to the author's reputation and meet with a large sale, especially as the publishers offer it at the very low price of 25 cents. Benziger Bros. New York. "Camden, N. Y., Nov. 17, 1897 " Rev. Dr., Briggs, Rev. Silliman Blagden and one or two more able and honest divines occupy a similar ambiguous plane. No ex planation in theology or metaphysics can solve, the mental riddle they present. They est men, in no solves the mental radie they present. They are to all appearance honest men, in no doubt of the absurdity of their religious locus in  $qua_0$  but utterly unable to take the only logical alternative to their present plight. Let us pray for their enlightement; we can do notmore.—Philadelphia Catholic Standard

Mrs. Mary A. O'Reilly, widow of John Boyle O'Beilly, died at ber residence, 33 Winthrop street, Charlestown, Mass., ro-cently, of pneumonia. Mrs. O'Reilly was born in 1851 in Charlestown, and was edu cated and always lived there. Her maiden name was Mary A. S. Murphy. She com-Who is the ord, or beautiful statk or stem or plant out of which the flower grows, but Mary Mother of Our Lord, Mary Mother of God ?

First-Born of many. The touch of the 'vanished hand' we may not feel; on our heart strings there may not play the 'sound of a voice that is still."

But, father, mother, brother, sister, ye are with us in spite of death's separation, and faith sanctifies natural affection when we look forward to that happy Home, which is the term of earth's exile."

> The Prophet says: " There shall come forth a rod out of the root of Jesse, and flower shall rise out of the root Who is the flower but our Blessed Lord?