

FANATICISM IN BANGOR.

Anti-Catholic Outbreak in a Notorious Maine Town.

BANGOR, ME., July 29.—Great excitement has been caused here by a renewal of the outrages at St. Mary's parochial schools, where the threatening placards had already been posted. The following notice was found posted on the door of the school:

From the Knights of Death, Roman Catholics, and Vicar General O'Brien. This is our first attempt to fire this accursed school. If it is a failure you may rest assured that our next attempt will be more successful. We, the Knights of Death, have no connection with the A. P. A., except that, of course, that they have our support and protection. We vote as they do. And now, Roman Catholics connected with St. Mary's parochial school, follow O'Brien, your worthy (?) leader, and see what you will come to. You cowards, you imbeciles, you blots on the fair name of our beloved country. Beware our future vengeance. KNIGHTS OF DEATH

Important.—We wish it understood that Mrs. B. Wetherbee has no connection with us whatsoever.

Some time ago Mayor Deal offered a reward of \$100 for the detection of the person posting these notices, but no one has made an effort to earn the reward. The police have done nothing, and little confidence is felt that they ever will do anything. In some quarters, even, the police are accused of apathy in the matter, and there is considerable feeling against the department.

Prominent Catholics are of the opinion that the outrages are perpetrated by members of a secret order called the American Mechanics, in which, it is said, many who were formerly members of the A. P. A. are now enrolled.

There are many suspicions, some against officials of the city, but as yet there is nothing substantial upon which to base suspicion. Vicar General O'Brien fears that if the threats are continued some of the more hot-headed members of his parish may try to retaliate in some way, and thus precipitate a serious state of affairs. Certain members of the parish have gone armed to the school on various nights, and had they caught any one prowling around there is no doubt that blood would have been shed.

It was reported that the school building would be blown up with dynamite at 3 p. m., and many people congregated in the vicinity, but nothing happened. Again there were startling rumors of intended violence, and some fear that there will be trouble before long.

Vicar General O'Brien says that he will post no guards at the school, but that the civil authorities must protect the building, like other property, or, failing to do so, bear the consequences.

There has been no such excitement here since the burning and feathering of Fr. Baret, and the bitter element, without regard to creed, condemns the outrages and feels apprehensive as to the result of their continuance. There is some prospect that a public meeting will be held to denounce the attacks upon the Catholics, and to demand that the city authorities bestir themselves to catch and punish the guilty parties.

The Miracle of the Birds.

St. Donavento, in his life of St. Francis, thus recounts this famous miracle: "Drawing nigh to Bevano, Francis came to a certain place where a vast multitude of birds of different kinds were gathered together; whom seeing the man of God ran hastily to the spot, and, saluting them as if they had been his fellows in reason, while they all turned round and bent their heads in attentive expectation, he admonished them, saying: 'Brother birds, greatly are you bound to praise your Creator, who clothed you with feathers, and giveth you wings to fly with, and pure air to breathe in, and who careth for you who have so little birds, marvellously agitated, began to spread their wings, stretch forth their necks, and open their beaks, attentive, gazing upon him. And he, glowing in the spirit, passed through the midst of them, and even touched them with his robe; yet not one stirred from his place until the man of God gave them leave; when, with his blessing and at the sign of the Cross, they all flew away. These things saw his companions who waited for him at the roadside; to whom returning, the simple and pure minded man began to blame himself greatly for having never hitherto preached to the birds.

A beautiful picture by Giotto in the church of Assisi represents this miracle, which was an act of literal obedience to the command: 'Go preach the Gospel to every creature.'

President Kruger's Illiteracy.

President Kruger is an illiterate. Dr. Francis' Clark in the August Review of Reviews tells of the Boer leader's sadly neglected education. This modern South African Colossus, he says, cannot write any better than he can read. To be sure, he can sign his name to public documents, but in something the same way that Osman the Great, the founder and first sultan of the Ottoman Turks used to sign his

name to public documents—by dipping his hand in a saucer of ink and spreading it out on the paper, thus literally making his sign a seal. Not that President Kruger has not gone beyond Osman the First, for he can guide the quill sufficiently to sign his name to papers of state; but to write one of those papers or even an ordinary letter, with his own hand, would be quite beyond his powers. The story often told in Pretoria. And yet, should I leave the impression with my readers that he was simply a very false impression. From the scholar's standpoint, possibly he is that, but from the standpoint of the politician and man of affairs he is one of the shrewd great men of the time. If he cannot write a state document he can dictate one. He knows what is in every one that he signs, and his native shrewdness enables him to get the better of far more scholarly rulers of mightier realms than his when the interests of his "poor burghers" or he hypothetically calls them, are concerned.

Japan and Hawaii.

The editor of the American Review of Reviews says Japan's fleet is no match for the united navy. He adds: It is, of course, not strange that the Japanese have become somewhat intoxicated by the ease with which they defeated the Chinese. As a matter of fact, the United States has always been Japan's best friend. The people of this country have had for Japan the most intense feelings of interest and sympathy. If any European Machiavelli has been encouraging Japan to take an attitude of aggression in matters concerning the United States and Hawaii, Japan should be warned in time against evil advisers. It is only an enemy of Japan that could give such advice. Certain London news papers have asserted that the Japanese navy could readily overpower that of the United States, and lay waste San Francisco and the whole Pacific slope. But this merely illustrates once more the invincible ignorance of London journalists. Our vessels already in the Pacific and adjacent waters are more than a match for the whole Japanese navy, and would need no assistance from that larger half of our naval armament that is stationed in the Atlantic. This same element of unvolent European journalism has hinted that it would be an admirable thing for Japan to attack the United States, with Hawaii for an excuse, while Spain should declare war simultaneously on the score of Cuba. It is probably hard for some Europeans to believe that no sane person in the United States would for a moment have the slightest doubt about the outcome under these circumstances. But the Japanese know some thing of the resources of America, and they will not exchange American friendship for a Spanish alliance. Happily there is not the slightest prospect of a war cloud hovering over the Pacific, nor is there any lurking hint of unfriendliness in the Japanese Government's arguments on the annexation question. The correspondence will doubtless proceed with courtesy on both sides. Assuredly it will not exercise any determining influence upon the fate of the annexation treaty. The only thing to be decided is what would be best for the United States.

Funeral of Father McPhillips.

The funeral of Rev. Father Henry J. McPhillips of Upergover, took place on Thursday and was largely attended by the clergy of the diocese and by the public generally. It was supposed that the wet, disagreeable weather of the preceding days, which rendered the roads almost impassable, would have prevented many from attending. But otherwise could have shown their last tribute of respect to the deceased priest, but notwithstanding the bad roads and the stormy weather, more than two thousand people gathered, many of them from long distances. The obsequies were attended by Protestants as well as by Roman Catholics, and people of every class and rank were represented.

Seventeen clergymen and four students were present at the solemn Mass of Requiem, which was said by Rev. Father Killeen, Tottenham, Dean Egan, Barrio, being deacon, and Rev. Father Whalen, St. Catharines, the sub-deacon. The master of ceremonies was Father Hand, Toronto, while the Rev. Vicar General McEgan, Toronto, preached the sermon, his subject being "Death." It was an effort seldom excelled on such occasions for pathos and depth of tender feeling. The musical service was very impressive. It was conducted by Rev. Father Rohlender, Toronto, who presided at the organ. The plain obit was sung by Rev. Fathers Tracy, Toronto; O'Malley, Uxbridge; Roach, Toronto; and Messrs. M. O. Grand, Montreal; and Frank Doyle, Niagara University. Six of the clergymen present acted as pall-bearers. The procession from the church to the grave was a very solemn spectacle, during the progress of which the choir sang the "Benedicite."

"Mamma, was that a sugar-plum you just gave me?" asked Gabriel Mabot. "No, dear, it was one of Dr. Ayer's Pills." "Please, may I have another?" "Not now, dear; one of those nice pills is all you need at present, because every dose is effective."

Catholic Training School for Nurses.

Many Hospitals under the charge of the Sisters of Charity have within the last few years established schools of nursing. The first trial was made at St. Mary's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., and was so successful that other Catholic institutions were encouraged to do likewise. Two years ago a training school for nurses was commenced at St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson, New Jersey, and this summer the first class was graduated. Out of this class of ten young women four were Canadians. It is becoming a well-recognized fact that the large majority of Canadian women who have studied nursing have been very successful nurses, and much appreciated in American schools.

St. Joseph's Hospital offers every advantage to students. Paterson being largely a manufacturing city the Hospital is generally crowded with both medical and surgical patients. A maternity department has lately been added, and the nurses are thoroughly trained in that branch.

The nursing department of the Paterson Isolation Hospital is under the charge of St. Joseph's training school, and every nurse of that school has the advantage of three months training in contagious diseases, principally Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria and Erysipelas. The Isolation Hospital being modern, in its appointment and beautifully situated in a mountainous district on the outskirts of Paterson, the three months service there is, apart even from its professional benefit, much valued by the school. The medical staff of St. Joseph's deliver every year two courses of lectures covering all the branches of a nurse's study.

Two trained nurses acting as Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent are constantly employed in the instruction of the pupils. Recognizing the fact that this is an age of progress, especially in the medical world, the Catholic Schools of nursing endeavor to keep constantly advancing, and avail themselves of all the newest methods of teaching in order that they may send forth, for the care of the sick, only nurses thoroughly efficient and trust-worthy. Young women wishing to apply to St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson, N. J., may do so at any time of the year, and should address their applications to the Superintendent of the Training school.



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