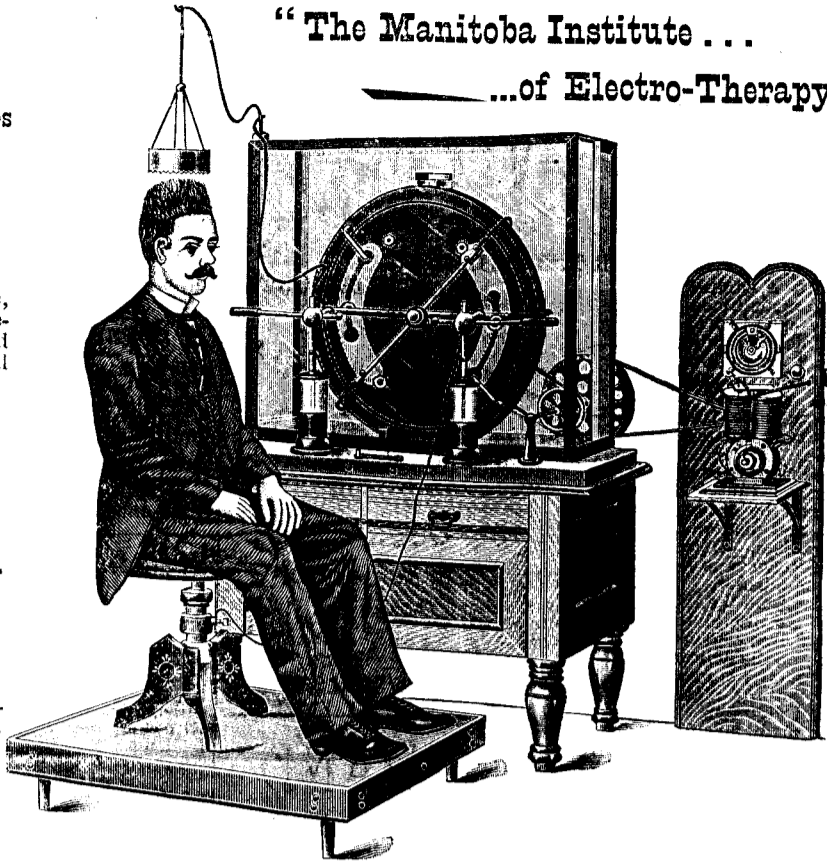


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Gold and Volcanoes.

There were two strange happenings in Georgia recent. The sands of the Savannah river have been found to contain gold. At the river's source gold-bearing earth abounds and much of it is profitably worked in the mountain region. Treasure grains are supposed to have been washed towards the sea and imprisoned in the river's sand. Experiments verify this, but I do not look for any Klondyke craze in this locality. In one of our counties a volcanic disturbance has occurred. A vent or crater has been formed and from it a blue-black vapor is emitted. This phenomenon may explain what has long been a mystery in the country adjacent to Tallahassee, Florida. From the centre of a swamp, which has resisted all penetration, a column of smoke rises constantly. All efforts to reach it have proved fruitless. I believe that a newspaper organization made persistent attempts to invade the jungle, but abandoned the quest. This is rather curious considering how daring men have surmounted, elsewhere, physical difficulties that one would consider much more formidable. —RANDALL IN CATH. COLUMBIAN.

Loyalty on the Cheap.

The "Westminster Gazette" evidently knows not the ways of Belfast Loyalists. It draws attention to the fact that the Belfast decorations have been placed in the hands of a London firm, and commenting on it, says that this is "surely an old way of developing Irish industries." Our London contemporary clearly does not understand that "loyalty" in Ulster must be run on the cheap or it will not go at all. All the appeals and canvassing of a local committee, aided by the efforts of the local Press, could not get as much money together as would defray one-third of the cost of decorating the streets. Those who were desirous of a display were very glad indeed to get a loan on the one-day hire system of the second-hand Jubilee trappings from London.—Freeman (Dublin).

Colleges, Take Notice.

We find the following in a number of our exchanges coming from different parts of our country:
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Let our Protestant colleges [as we suggested in our last issue] fearlessly cast out their devils, and we will speak in their praise.
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The Very Rev. Mgr. Frain, Canon and Rector of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, New Orleans, is steadily improving at St. Boniface Hospital. The Monsignore was on a visit to his old friend, Rev. Fr. Genin, of Bathgate, N. D., when a dangerous kidney disease obliged him to come to St. Boniface for medical treatment. After receiving the last sacraments he recovered and is now gaining strength. Though he is in constant communication with New Orleans he has heard nothing of the appointment of a new Archbishop; so he considers the rumor of Archbishop Keane's appointment premature.

Masses instead of Wreaths.

Arnoul Greban in St. Louis review.
Archbishop Fabre, of Montreal, died a poor man. Whatever fortune he had went to the archdiocesan corporation long before his death, for the benefit of poor seminarists.
His faithful people thanked him for his charity in a novel way, which deserves to be recorded here.
In his last will he had requested them to abstain from floral offerings at his bier. So when his corpse was exposed in the Cathedral, each pious man and woman that came to cast a last glance at it and pray for the good Archbishop's soul, deposited an offering for a mass stipend.
The number of these stipends is no less than two thousand. In giving out this figure, the Semaine Religieuse of Montreal remarks that "poor beggars, humble servants, and even children were seen modestly offering their mite, the fruit in many cases of savings." And it adds:
"The venerable prelate therefore finds himself to-day well repaid for the zeal he showed in re-establishing the Christian practice of offering masses instead of wreaths upon the death of relatives and friends."

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The Catholic Truth Society in Toronto have had published a second edition of that most valuable pamphlet entitled "Some Things Which Catholics Do Not Believe," by His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto, which contains as an appendix a history of the true relation of the Church towards the Bible. (The information to be obtained from the appendix alone is of such a nature that it ought to be in the possession of every Catholic in America.) The pamphlet, as its title indicates, is the presentation before the non-Catholic world, in concise form, of the information we as Catholics would have them possess. Of its literary qualities we need not say anything beyond referring to the name and reputation of its gifted author, and suffice it to say that if any non-Catholic can be induced to calmly read and weigh the statements made in it, God only can foresee the result. The Truth Society desire to scatter this little pamphlet broadcast throughout the land, and so as to accomplish this, will forward single copies to any address in Canada or the United States upon receipt of a 3 cent stamp—extra copies in same proportion. This offer enables each Catholic to do something towards aiding the missionary work amongst our non-Catholic fellow citizens now in progress, and they hope the demand will be so great that another edition will be but a matter of short time. Address, for copies, Corresponding Secretary St. Mary's Catholic Truth Society, 6 Markham Place, Toronto, Canada.

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