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Nearly six months ago our estemed Vicar-Gene- to each of the happy school girls. ral bade good-bye to his adopted ountry, to begin his long projected voyage to Euroe. His numerous friends rejoiced that the pleasre would soon be his to revisit the scenes of his youn; and not a few regretted that time had not stood till for a while, to allow the venerable priest the sasfaction of finding in his native land many a empanion of his

bovish sports. Years ago, when Monsignore Bruyere first made his home among us, often nust his heart have turned to "La belle France"; and now that he has again bade it farewell, to contaue here, his labor of love, might we not suppose tht it required all the energy of an apostle, to tear Imself away from its vine-clad hills and sunny shoes.

But we rejoice that it was with no regret Monsignore retraced his steps to his chosen field of his priestly labors. Those who were so privileged as to be present at the entertainmnt extended to him by the pupils of the Sacrd Hear on Monday last, could bear ample testimony to thisfact.

As Monsignore entered th reception hall, the beloved accents of his mother ongue, attuned to the sweet music of a welcome thorus, broke upon his ear. The notes had scarcely died away when nine charming, white robed chleren came forward, their youthful faces beaming with joy, each bearing a pretty flower, the language of which she addressed to Monsignore.

At the close, with chaming simplicity, each advanced and placed in a bautiful basket at his feet, the delicate blossoms that had so well told their tale of affection. An instat after we might well fancy ourselves in some Aline valley, listening to the merry songs of the shoherds, or the gay tinkling of numberless bells, echoing down the mountain slopes. At one moment, vibrting loud and clear, again lost as it were, in a deep forest, "Le Langage Cloches" transported us far, ar away to the scenes amid which poets would fain have us dwell. As this beautiful melody cesed, one of the senior pupils, a young lady from Washington, stepped forward, and with a great dealof expression, recited a lovely French legend. Se perfect was the accent that we supposed she had sooken in her native tongue, and were quite surprised to learn that such was not the

At the close of this delightful entertainment, a lovely scene was presented to our view. In the distance we behell a miniature Cave of Bethlehem. The flickering light of the lamp from the interior discovered the lifant God reposing on the straw, while above and all around a number of adoring angels knelt. As we gazed on the enchanting tableau, a dear ittle child, about four years of age appeared. A she stood, the subdued lights above falling upon he flaxen hair, her sweet, innocent face and her tiny white robed figure looked very beautiful against tie dark background, formed by the evergreens, surrounding the grotto. With all the

to each of the happy school girls.

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add that we feel justiy proud to find one whose compatriots are proverbial for attachment to their native land returning to our midst, not only without pugnance, but even with pleasure.

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Does it not prove that our Canadian hearts are all the warmer for the cold, wintry blast that sweeps around i Yes, Monsignore! And you will find in the future, as you have done in the past, that as far in us lies, you shall never have to regret the dear as in us lies, you shan never have to be land you have left for us. Welcome, then, to the home of your adoption; to the home wherein your heart is! And may it be our privilege for many years to come to wish you as we do now, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

### OUR MANCHESTER LETTER

From Our Special Correspondent.]

MANCHESTER, ENGLAND, Dec. 5th, 1878.

The depression in our various branches of inbecoming so grevious that people of the most indifferent natures are becoming excited by it. Even liberal politicians are making use of the argument that Government is responsible in some measure for the troubled state of Commerce. Parliament will reassemble in a few days and I have no doubt that this will form one of the charges which will be brought against the present Conservative Government. At first sight it seems unreasonable that so grave a matter should be laid at the doors of any administrator, Liberal or Conservative, yet after all it is impossible for any country to make material progress whilst its people are engaged in wars. Peace is always understood to be a necessity for any nation which desires prosperity. As we have been in constant suspense for many years, fearing a great war in the East, and as we are unmistakably launched into a war with Afghanistan it is easy to see how difficult trade must be. Any government therefore which by its action precipitates us into such troubles contributes directly or indirectly to disturb internal or foreign Commerce. Besides if a people find food becoming dearer and the probability of a heavy income tax falling upon them they retrench as much as possible, and thus the money which might have been spent in the country in support of national industries has to be diverted. Blaming the government however does not hide the wound which is growing larger and larger. Every

kind of industry is languishing. A few days ago I saw a list of mills at Oldham and the control of the polarical pol affected by the recent strike and to-day the number more in Rome, and wither House' how could the absent ones lose, for a moment, their place in his memory? During his travels, he had seen many magnificent churches, stately palaces, elegant buildings, but none could replace in his heart the Convent Chapel of London. He had beheld many a face, but none were to him so bright and cheering as those of the youthful band then gathered around him. But a few weeks before, he had crossed the Alps, and had gazed on their snow-topped summits, but the snow of London seemed to him ever purer and whiter. Monsignore thanked the children for the prayers they had promised him at his departure, and which he was happy to say had been heard beyond his hop s. He then spoke of the coming holidays, wished them every happiness and blessing, and modestly said that if his poor prayers could be of any service they should not be wanting to them. He exhorted them each to bring back one or two companions, so that their number, already so considerable, might be doubled, even trebled. "They should not be wanting to them. He then invited the junior band to approach. Among them he recognized many familiar faces: taking each by the hand in turn he complimented her on the progress she had made in French during his absence. It was a beautiful picture; the figure of the aged priest, his venerable head crowned with silver by long years of toil in the service of God and the Church, and the imnocent little children, clustering lovingly, confidingly around him. It was a vivid image of:—

1 'The sweet story of old, "When Jesus washere among men." It will be present straged in our six weeks' strike and our own resources. During our six weeks' strike and our own resources. During out and and ant larshing lockout in 1875 we never made an appeal for out-side assistance, but under our present circumstances we are compelled to do so, and it is knowing that we have computed to do so, and it is knowing that we have computed to do so, and it is knowing the were computed to does on and it is knowing that we have a

years, in every branch of industry, because our "Once Again" in her usual faultless manner. This Monsignore having expressed a desire to see the Zave of Bethlehem once more, the little angels interesting the production is necessary. Our potantly sprang to their places, and in less time than trequires to describe, assumed their positions and weetly chanted the "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," The promptitude and simplicity with which the children toccaded to his scarcely-uttered wish must have proved to Monsignore more eloquently than words, heir affectionate eagerness to afford him pleasure, With this touching scene ended this most agreeable natinee.

Little more remains to be said; yet may we not did that we feel justiy proud to find one whose our manufactures, is erecting its own cotton mills and thereby injuring to some extent our Manchester trade. Whilst advices received to-day prove that India is also supplying China with low qualities of goods which our manufacturers are unable to make at the same price, but which suit the natives of that immense country, and prevent them buying our immense country, and prevent them buying our better but more expensive goods. It will thus be seen how our own machinery sent abroad and worked by cheaper labour tends to destroy our commerce. This evil will undoubtedly increase, commerce. This evil will undoubtedly increase, either by the erection of more mills and workshops, abroad, or by the poverty of foreign nations making them unable to buy our productions. The cotton industry is not the only one visinly affected here. industry is not the only one visinly affected here. At the moment it becomes more prominent on account of strikes, intelligence reaches us that a whole village is now on strike against a proposed reduction of five per cent. The village is called Cragg Vale which is near Halifax. There are seven mills in the village, all of which are engaged in the spinning and doubling of cotton, and from 500 to 600 hands are employed. It is said that this is the only occurrence of the kind which has taken place in the valley for 30 or 40 years.

I gave you some particulars lately of the prosecution of the Little Sister's of the Poor, by a magistrate named W. Rayner Wood. The Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster wrote a letter to that gentleman through his secretary, on the 25th ult, in which the

through his secretary, on the 25th ult, in which the following sentences occur:—"The Chancellor of the lollowing sentences occur:—The Chancellor of the Duchy has perused the report of the proceedings before the magistrates, and after carefully considering the case, and your own explanations upon it, he cannot but condemn the course which you have considered it to be your duty to take. These ladies were not soliciting alms in any public place, but on your your private grounds. After your being query were not soliciting alms in any public place, but on your own private grounds. After your brief ques-tion to one of them, which appears to have been in-distinctly answered, if answered at all, you asked no further questions, and gave them no op-portunity of explanation, but immediately arrested them and proceeded to imprison them in your own house until they were handed over to the police. Apart from the question of illegality of such a pro-ceeding, the Chancellor considers that you evinced a want of that patience and discretion which should always characterize the conduct of a person occupying the position of a magistrate, and the absence of which is calculated to bring his magisterial authority which is calculated to bring his magisterial authority into disrepute and contempt. He desires me to express his strong disapprobation of your conduct in this matter, and to add that should any similar case of indiscreet action on your part be brought to his notice, he will feel it his duty to remove your name from the Commission of the Peace for the County of Lancaster." It is to Mr. Wood we are indebted for the publication of this letter, severe as it is and which from his letter to his brother magis.

indebted for the publication of this letter, severe as it is, and which from his letter to his brother magistrates, it appears has very little influence upon him. Perhaps after the next "indiscretion" he may feel the full force of a lost "commission."

Mr. John Eastham, photographer of this city, has just returned from Rome, where he has been engaged in taking a photograph of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII. His Holiness has written in Mr. Eastham's

Northgraves and J. Connolly officiated as Deacon and Sub-deacon, and Father M. J. Tiernan and Mr. P. Sheridan as Masters of Ceremonies. During the times between these High Masses the holy sacrifice was constantly offered by the priests. The Cathedral was beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens by the Sisters of St. Josephs. On the left of the main altar an elegant crib is erected, representing the infant Jesus in the caye of Bethlehem.

St. Mary's Church has also been handsomely decorated by the ladies of the Altar Society Mass was offered up at 8 and 10:30 o'clock by the Rev. Father Dillon.

## HAMILTON NEWS.

A concert and lecture was held in the Mechanics Hall on Thursday evening last, the 19th inst., unde "The sweet story of old,
"When Jesus was here among men.
"How He called little children like lambs to his fold."

Scarcely less charming was the naive surprise of the little ones, as Monsignore told them of the beautiful little bird, with wings as white as snow, that had come to see him in Rome, and told bim all the little girls in London had been very good while he was so by birth or adoption can listen to with interest the senior pupils though perhaps not envious, were at least, impatient to have a little of the kird attention so paternally bestowed on their youthful companions. Monsignore's tender heart, no doubt made him acqually desirons of affording pleasure. As he rose all fell on their knees to receive his blessing. Before pronouncing the hendicat, etc., he said that in his fast visit to Leo XIII. Our Holy Father had sent, through limit, a blessing to all Canada, and it was this precious beneficiton he was about to invoke upon them. He then passed round through the markers here, for very little profit would ask and as he shook hands addressed a kind word in the present moment were the area of the control production are fixed and cannot be changed. They are just as fixed with foreign markets. Our competitors, in various countries still undersell us and our articles at the present moment we are still unable to main and pleasure. But, independent of the subject, the reveral lecturerhas been long known and estemed by both Catholies and Protestants of this city, and it was only what might have been expected on the occasion to have a bumper house. The programme alter this state of things now or henceforth is at the present moment we are a drug in the markets. The only thing that can alter this state of things now or henceforth is at the present moment was only thing that can at the present moment was only that and our articles in various countries still undersell us and our articles at the present moment was a still unable to main an unable to main an unable to main an unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main time present moment we are still unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main at the present moment we are still unable to main at

on stepping forward, was greeted with a round of applause. In the course of his lecture, which was fully appreciated by the audience, he recounted the hardships of the early settlers of Quebec, and gave several reminiscences of the first missionaries who fought their way by the sublime truths they taught into the then unexplored wilderness of Lower Can-ada; How they civilized and Christianized the original possessors of the land, and how they even died in endeavoring to lay the corner stone of our now glorious Dominion. He dwelt at length upon

now glorious Dominion. He dwelt at length upon the position the Dominion occupied as compared with other nations, and wound up with a glowing description of the future greatness of "Canada, Our Home." Mr. Richard Martin, Q. C., then came forward and moved a vote of thanks to the reverend gentleman for the treat they had received in listening to him, which was carried unanimously.

The second part of she programme commenced by the Philarmonic Orchestra playing a selection, Mr. M. J. Walsh following with the song "The Gallants of England," and did it all the justice required. "Esmerald," by Miss T. Sullivan was given very sweetly. Mr. Eagan's last song, "The Tar's Farewell," was not as good a selection as his first, but in his execution of it there was nothing left wanting, and, as usual, he received the hearty applause of the piano during the evening.

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This is the first concert the association has had This is the first concert the association has had during the season, and it is gratifying to know that their efforts in getting it up have been fully appreciated. To the energy displayed by the committee, and especially by Messrs. Smith and Harte, is due a large share of the success of the entertainment, and if their future arrangements are made as judiciously as the first, the association will be in a very flourishing condition.

The Christmas examinations of the Collegiate In stitute of this city were held last week, and on Fri day evening last prizes costing over \$300 were dis tributed among successful scholars.
Yours, J. S. D.

### BUSINESS NOTICES.

Just Received-500 barrels choice, handpicked, winter apples, which I can sell at 82.50 per barrel. A. Mountjøy, City Hall Building, Richmond Street.

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