A FIELD DAY FOR CATHOHIC SCHOOL BOYS.

To the Editor of The Catholic Register.

DEAR SIR—Would you kindly permit me to call the attention of the many subscribers to your valuable paper to what I consider a serious deficiency in the education of our youth. After an experience of twenty years as member of our Separate School Board, I think you will admit that I am in a position to express my viewson educational matters. We all of us acknowledge the importance of caring for the physical as well as the moral and intellectual training of the child For to what purpose would we labor in storing the youthful mind with valuable knowledge, if in so doing we undermiud, or even neglected, the health of the student and thus rendered him unfit for the struggles of after life. "Mens sana in corpore sano" should be our ideal.

But, may I ask, what are we doing for the physical culture of our boys and girls? I am well aware that a large sum is annually devoted by our School Board for the purpose of providing and maintaining suitable class-rooms for our numerous schools. As Chairman of the Building and Sites Committee, I have always considered it a matter of utmost importance that our class-rooms be well ventilated and in every way hygienic. My colleagues who share with me my responsibility have on every occasion shown themselves most solicitous for the health of our school children and their teachers. I am confident that the present healthful condition of our schools is fit testimony to the success of our work in this regard. But, at most, our united efforts can be only preventive. Now to prevent disease is not sufficient; something should also be done to foster physical development in our youth.

Would it not then be possible to hold an annual field-day where inducements would encourage this necessary development? Such an annual event would be looked forward to by the pupils and would establish among them a healthy system of emulation, which could not but prove valuable as a moral as well as a physical stimulus. To do this it would be sufficient for some of our generous supporters to contribute a small sum for the establishment of a prize fund. This is all that would be requisite to carry this noble work to final success I for one would be most willing to help in this enterprise. I would consider it a favor to be permitted to lend a helping hand, knowing the numerous benefits that must of necessity result from such an undertaking.

Yours Respectfully,
JAMES RYAN, Trustee.

An Offer to Irish-Canadians for Australia.

A few days ago there arrived at San Francisco from Sydney, Australia, by the steamship Alameda, Frank Coffee, en route for Guelph, which city he left eighteen years ago to seek his fortune at the Antipodes: From extracts from the Sydney daily papers, we observe that Mr. Coffee was the recipient of testimonials from two companies, of which he is managing director. An old job and newspaper compositor, having served his time in Guelph and Fergus, he toured the Southern and Eastern States at the "case." Later on, when working in New Jersey he heard of some old fellow "comps" making money sellin Bibles He gave it a trial, and from '78 to '78 canvassed the Maritime Provinces, also from Vancleek Hill, Co. Prescott, to Windsor and Sarnia in the west, Lake Erie on the south, and Orillia on the north. He claimed that he knew Ontario better than any man on the road except Mungovan, "The Rambler." He is located at Sydney, is a manufacturer and publisher in a large way He has been entrusted by Cardinal Moran to publish the "History of the Catholic Church in Australia" from the pen of His Eminence, which is meeting with an enormous sale, though the work was locally produced—a large quarto volume, 1,100 pages, profusely illustrated His Holiness Leo XIII. was so highly pleased with the copy presented to him that he presented Mr. Coffee with a handsome sacred cameo mounted in gold, of ancient workmanship—probably being the only publisher ever thus honored by the present Pontiff. The work bristles with events that rivalled the persecutions in Ireland a hundred years ago. Priests who dared to land there were deported, and poor Catholic convicts, mostly sentenced for political offences, received 100, 200 and 300 lashes with the cat o' nine tails for refusing to attend Protestant services. The progress of the Church is marvelous in spite of all persecutions.

Rich goldfields are being discovered, the drought has broken, and times in Australia are improving. Mr. Coffee is desirous of hiring half a dozen Irish Canadians, 28 years of age, to go to Australia and canvass. He will visit Toronto in November, and sails from San Francisco at Christmas for Australia. Mr. Coffee will be at the Queen's Hotel, Toronto, from the 7th to the 10th of November and letters addressed there will find him.

Le Caron's Family in America.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—It is stated that the family of Le Caron, The Times spy, have left this country to return to America. His daughter before leaving handed over to a gentleman in London an old United States army rifle, which is said to be the veritable weapon served out to Beach during his connection with the raid on Canada The weapon is a breechloader, much longer and heavier than the arms now in use.

An Anglican Fury and The Mail Newspaper.

To the Editor of The Catholic Register:

SIR—Your editorial in respect to The Mail newspaper, which appeared two weeks ago, seems to have had a very wholesome effect upon the management of that newspaper, as the brainy "Flaneur's" opinions (?) appear to-day (October 23rd) without causing any perceptible change in the weather. Yet there is a visible change in respect to the tone of these opinions (?). In other words, the Irish are getting a rest. And as a result, the "Flaneur" is like Hamlet with Hamlet left out. To one who cares very little what "Flaneur's" opinions are, and who very seldom takes the trouble to read them, this is very gratifying, as it cannot be held that I am prejudiced against this writer, whose opinions I have never thought of sufficient weight to do otherwise than occasionally skim over, and even that at very rare intervals, perished greatness having always been a more interesting subject of contemplation to me than existing littleness.

Being interested in looking over this writer's opinions in Saturday's issue of The Mail, I was forcibly struck with the flatness of these opinions Instead of roasting the "ungodly Irish," this week, "Flaneur" has weighty opinions on "sucking pigs," "haggis." "Scotch whisky" and French brandy." Whatever the reasons may be that have caused "Flaneur" to drop our Irish fellow country men so quickly we are at a loss to know The managing editor has evidently received a tip and has likely dropped into "Flaneur's" lair.

Whence, my friend, this malevolence which has ever pursued the great, even to the tomb? Whence this more than fiendlike disposition to embitter the lives of those in whose veins courses the blood of Celtic origin? What displeases me, as well as ninety-nine per cent of the Liberal Conservatives of this country with whom I have spoken upon the subject, is that a great newspaper like The Toronto Mail should single out one particular religion, and that the Roman Catholic, for especial animadversions. As has been truly said: "A great newspaper may sometimes err on the side of mercy with safety; but no newspaper can afford to be guilty of a palpable injustice even to one of the humblest members of the state." We have seen The Mail newspaper extending its power and influence for the propagation of Liberal-Conservative principles, while flattering the Roman Catholics. We have seen The Mail newspaper extending its power and influence to wreck the Conservative party and do all that lay in its power to heap ignominy upon the leaders of that great party. We have seen The Mail newspaper when it wished to hand this country over to the Americans We have seen The Mail when it preached religious equality. We have seen The Mail news paper when it preached religious inequality, or "No Irish need apply" We have seen The Mail newspaper when it nailed P.P.Ism to its masthead. We have seen The Mail in its prosperity and in its adversity, and we must say, that if there is one paper in Canada more than another that the Liberal-Conservative party have reason to curse, that paper is the Toronto Mail. So long as the Riordans and the Douglasses, through the columns of the Toronto Mail, dictate the policy of the Liberal-Conservative party and inaugurate crusades against our Roman Catholic fellow-citizens, just so long will they sit on the opposition benches chewing the sweet quid of reflection. I am not speaking as a Roman Catholic but as an English Churchman and a Tory who has not read the signs aright if the evils I have endeavored to point out are not augmented the longer this state of affairs exists. On whatever side we regard The Mail newspaper we shall perceive it to be a tissue of follies and misfortunes of politics It is certainly time for a change in the present organ and mouthpiece of the Liberal-Conservative party.

A CORN, Sr.

Stratford, Oct. 25 1897.

C. O. F.

Now that the cool nights are at hand the meetings of St. Leo Court, 581, are well attended and all the members take an active interest in the business of the Court. At the last meeting several debates took place which were both pleasant and instructive. The committee on the good of the order had prepared a good programme of vocal and instrumental music, which was well rendered and much appreciated by the members. Rev. S J Grogan, C.S.S.R., Chaplain of the Court, gave a short address, pointing out the duties of the members so that their efforts would ensure success. He also promised to be present as often as possible in the future. The entertainment committee reported that all arrangements were now complete for their first Annual At-Home and Euchre Party, which will take place in St. George's Hall, Elm St., on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, Nov. 24th. The following committee have charge of the arrangements. Bro. P. Slattery, M. Mack, J. Falvey, P. J. O'Connor, M. J. Foahy, J. O'Tool, M. J. Hogan, J Hinchey and J. J. Nightingale and it is their intention to make it one of the most enjoyable entertainments of the season. The next meeting of the Court will be held on Wednesday Nov. 6th in their hall on Queen and McCaul streets when all visiting Brothers will be cordially welcomed. J. J. NIGHTINGALE, C. R.

John Dillon on the Distress of Ireland.

LONDON October 25—John Dillon makes a public statement to day in which he says.

It is admitted now by all except Dublin Castle that over large districts in the west and southwest of Ireland severe distress, amounting to famine in some places, will prevail during the coming winter and spring.

As in 1845 and 1879, and other famine years, the Government has begun by vigorously denying that there is cause for alarm. This attitude is always maintained until after the November rents are collected.

Meanwhile the area and intensity of distress is increased greatly by levying rents on a people who soon will be face to face with starvation. Ejectments and processes for rent are falling like snowflakes over the distressed districts.

We hold that the duty of providing against distress has entirely on the Government, and that it has no right to leave the people of the charity of the world.

Periodic famines in Ireland are the direct result of this Government. This year, and for the last forty years, $15 000.000 has been taken annually from Ireland unjustly by excessive taxation. One-sixth of the sum of which Ireland has been robbed this year would provide, if judiciously expended, for the wants of the distressed districts if accompanied by a measure placing a check or the levying of rents in the famine districts.

Sixty-seven Irish members out of a total of 103 signed a memorial to Mr. Balfour asking for the immediate summoning of Parliament in order to make proper provision for relief works, and to pass some measure to restrain the levying to excessive rents. Mr. Balfour's answer was the old one: "The Government is carefully watching the distress, and has ample powers to deal with it."

That is exactly what was said in 1845 The Government continued to watch while thousands died of hunger.

A New Franciscan General.

A successor has been appointed in the person of the Very Rev. Father Louis Lemmer, who will henceforth be the head of the worldwide order of Friars Minor. In confiding to him the seals of office His Eminence impressed upon him the great duty of treasuring as a sacred deposit that unity which Leo XIII. had assured to the Franciscan Order.

The Solicitor-General and the Penitentiaries Scandal.

OTTAWA, Oct 26—Solicitor-General Fitzpatrick and Mr. Douglas Stewart, Inspector of Penitentiaries, are at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary to day for the purpose of enquiring into the the recent troubles there. The convicts have been quiet for the past few days, and everything is running smoothly.

The trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies for shooting the striking miners, will begin to-day at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. The jury has been sworn in.

We spend time, we waste it, we save it; we even say that time is money. But one radical difference between the two cannot fail to strike the mind. Time is given out daily to everyone alike, and it must be spent wisely or wasted foolishly; there is no alternative. Money does not come to everyone, and those who get it need not use it and need not squander it; they may save it up, or even give it away in pennies or hundreds of thousands of pounds. We cannot heap up our time like this.

LATEST MARKETS.

TORONTO, Oct. 27—On the curb in Chicago at the opening to-day December wheat was quoted at 94c; at the close December wheat was quoted at 93⅞c puts on December wheat 9 ⅞c, calls 92⅞c; puts on December corn, 25⅞c, calls 25⅞c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Wheat—There was a fair demand for wheat to-day and the market was steady with sales of red and white at 83c middle freights, and at 82c north and west; Manitoba hard wheat was steady at 95c. No. 1 hard sold at Fort William, and 99c Goderich and Midland.

Flour—There is an active demand and the market is steady, with sales of straight roller in wood in the neighborhood of $4; some very choice branded winter patents sold as high as $4 23.

Milfeed—Is slow at $11 to $12 for shorts according to quality, and $7 50 for bran west.

Barley—Is dull No. 2 is quoted at 30c to 31 and feed at 24c to 25c outside.

Buckwheat—Nominal at 35c outside.

Rye—Was offered north and west to-day at 41½c, with 41c bid.

Corn—Dull at 28c for mixed and 29c for yellow west.

Oats—Are quiet at 20c for mixed and 21c for white west.

Peas—Steady and sold at 42c north and west.

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Butter—The receipts are small, there is a demand for all kinds and prices are firm at 15½ to 16c for choice dairy pails and tubs, 15c for larger rolls, 13c to 17c for choice dairy pound rolls and 13 to 14c for medium.

Eggs—The supply is fair, there is a good demand and the market is steady at 16c for fresh gathered and 13c to 13½c for pickled.

Potatoes—Are dull; cars on the track here are quoted at 50c and potatoes out of store sell at 60c.

Poultry—The supply is fair, there is a moderate demand and the market is steady at 35c to 40c for chickens, 50c to 55c for ducks, 6c to 6c for geese and 50 to 10c for turkeys.

Baled Hay—The demand is slow and the market is but steady, cars on the track here are quoted at $8 to $8 50.

Baled Straw—Is dull, cars on the track here are quoted at $5.

FARMERS' MARKET

Wheat Steady; 1 000 bushels selling at 84c for white, 85c for red, and 75c for goose.

Barley—Rather easier; 2,000 bushels selling at 27c to 35c.

Rye—Firmer, 200 bushels selling at 43½ to 44c.

Oats—About steady; 1.000 bushels sold ing at 25c to 25½c.

Peas—Firmer. 200 bushels selling at 46½c to 47c.

Hay and Straw Firm; 12 loads of hay selling at $8 to $9; and a few loads of straw quoted at $8 to $8 50.

Dressed Hogs—There were none received and the prices were nominal at $6 to $6 25.

FARMERS' MARKET.

Wheat white	$0 84	$0 00
do red	0 85	0 00
do goose	0 79	0 00
Barley	0 27	0 35
Oats	0 25	0 254
Rye	0 43½	0 44
Peas	0 46½	0 47
Buckwheat	0 34	0 35
Hay	8 00	9 50
Straw	8 00	8 50
Dressed hogs	6 00	6 25
Eggs	0 15	0 16
Butter, lb rolls	0 15	0 17
do tubs, dairy	0 12	0 14
Chickens	0 30	0 50
Turkeys	0 08	0 10
Spring ducks	0 40	0 60
Geese	0 05	0 06
Potatoes	0 45	0 55
Spring lamb	0 06	0 06½
Mutton	0 05	0 00
Beef, fore	0 03½	0 05
do hind	6 50	8 00
Veal	0 06	0 08

LIVE STOCK MARKET LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Milch cows, each	$25 00 to	$40 00
Export cattle, per cwt	3 50 to	4 00
Butchers' choice cattle, cwt	3 30 to	3 50
Butchers' good cattle, cwt	3 00 to	3 25
Butchers' com. cattle, cwt	2 75 to	2 90
Bulls, per cwt	2 00 to	3 5
Feeders, per cwt	3 25 to	3 75
Stockers, per cwt	2 75 to	3 25
Export sheep, per cwt	3 40 to	3 40
Butchers' sheep, each	2 75 to	3 50
Spring lambs, per cwt	3 55 to	3 90
Calves, per head	2 00 to	8 00
Choice bacon hogs, per cwt	4 40 to	4 50
Light fat hogs per cwt	4 20 to	4 30
Thick fat hogs, per cwt	4 10 to	4 25
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