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The New Year.

that we begin with this issue a New Year.

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WITNESS

of Montreal. If you read the paper daily, particularly its editorials and the construetion of the headlines of its articles, you will tell us what we say is true.

The Deadly Wires.

We are pleased to see that the determined action taken by the civic authorities of New Yerk to do away with overhead wires, (only, however, after several lives were sacrificed) has had a salutary effect on the Montreal City Council. By a resolution just presented the city will acquire power to imitate New York in forcing the telegraph, electric light and telephone companies to place their wires underground, thus milmizing the dangers to public life and preperty. It is to be hoped, hewever, that our worthy aldermen will get have to be so rudely awakened to the necessity of prompt action on this point as was the Empire Olty, that several lives will not have to be first sacrificed before their eyes are opened to the dangers that subscriptions will remit the daily surround us in the electric wires, and that it will not be necessary to raise a storm of indignation about their heads before they decide to take action to preserve the rights, lives and property of these who sent them to the Council to take care of their interests. A good plan for getting the dangerous and cumbersome wires underground is that suggested by the commissioners of the District of Oslambia. It is simply to put a tax of \$25 a year on each pele bearing wires, and thereby cenvince the companies by the most forolble of arguments that it would be to their interout to exchange the poles for the subways. Let our ald ormen, then, be up and doing While time allows of it let them decide upon what pian should be adopted to rid us of the unsightly and death-dealing poles and wires.

Mr. Parnell.

The two speeches recently delivered by the great Irlah leader seem to have made a perfound impression on the English public. The tone of mederation that pervaded every sentence, the clear and unmistakeable manner in which he set forth the just aspirations of the Irish people, to manage their own affairs, and more especially, to develop their country's resources appears to have struck home in the minds of those who like practical statesman ship. To the dismay of his political opponents, the grand old man Gladstone, on the other hand, seems to lose none of his vigor and the prospects fare, that at the next general election the Gladstonian and Parnellites will sweep the country. Ireland's affairs will receive prompt attention, and the country will then be allowed to enter an era of peaceful dovelopment.

Toleration,

Even the Daily Witness is driven to pay a compliment to the French Canadian Oatholics in a recent issue, when it compares two WITNESS this week our readers will notice speeches recently delivered, one by Ron Hr. Meredith, leader of the opposition in Ontarlo, Although the year just closed has witnessed the other by Hon. Mr. Taillon, leader of the many disasters and misfortunes Canada has opposition in Quebec. Our usually bigoted contemporary says. No less remarkable than the Anti-French manifesto of the Conservative, leader of Ontario is the Equal Rights manifesto of the Con-servative leader of Quebec. We like Mr. Taillon's attitude for several reasons better than we do Mr. Meredith's. Mr. Meredith is in-tolerant toward the French. He says there is no room for two languages in this country. Mr. Taillon is generous toward the English. Speaking to an audience and amid surroundings as Exclusively French as Mr. Meredith's were English, he declares, amid the plaudits of his countrymen, against a policy of elight and in-sult toward those of a different race. The trouble with the Daily Witness is that it will not make a full confession, which would do it a host amount of good and acknewledge at once with the Hon. Mr Colby, that nowhere in the world is a minority treated with greater justice and consideration than in the Province of Quebec.

South brought about by negre enfranchisement. The tollowing quetation from the able article of our contemporary clearly shows that our friends on the other side of the lines | part of the Pacific Ocean, had not been defihave a problem to solve in the negre question | nitely settled, it is notorious that the dominthat will call forth the highest statesmanship:

We have a strong side-light thrown on Mr. Grady's speech by the action of the South Oarolina Legislature on Saturday last in repealing the Civil Rights Law, which obliged common carriers, hotel keepers, etc., to give a colored man the same accommodations as a white man. This is the ekcleton under the rhetoric. Any inferior race, created and sus-tained by law and custom. In what is this different from slavery, except in the human market? The manacles and the chains, and even the socurges, remain-with the sheriff or constable for the executioner instead of the naster.

If the Southern whites may refuse givil rights a boon to the old owners, relasing them from responsibility while preserving their power.

It is not true that the Southern blacks love and brust the Southern whites, and vice versa, no matter what the orators say. The colored people of the North who are free to speak, and who know the feelings of their breabren in the South as truly as an Irish-American understands his kindred in Ireland, say "No; they do not trust them-they are not satisfied." What nearo in South Carolina is satisfied to be ordered out of every public conveyance, theatre and hotel, except those provided for his own outcast race?

The repeal of this righteous Civil Rights Law in South Carolina is had work and the beginning of evil. There is no quietness or justice in it forever. If the negroes accept it for one day they are unworthy of citizenship. The plaint from the South that the white population is kept solid by negro enfanchisement is the best proof that the Southern blacks do not trust their old owners. God forbid that The Pilot should aguate for sectional op-position; but sectionalism is not in-humanity, and the legal degradation of millions of colored Americans is inhuman and abominable. It has nothing to do with Democracy ; and Northern Democrats will not endure it in their name. The South had better take care that it does not create a "solid North" outside politics, and based on common humanity and morality. It would be well if partisans at the South, to use My Grady's vigorous words, would understand this

Behring Sea Seals.

The sale of the monopoly of the Alaska Commercial Company, to take seals upon the islands of St. Paul and St. George in Behring Sea, will bring the present Republican administration in the United States in face with one of the most troublesome questions with which Secretary Blaine has yet found time or strength to handle. Attention is drawn to this subject at this particular time by the fact of an advertisement, appearing in another column, from the Secretary of the United States Treasury to the effect that proposals are now invited for the previlege of taking seals in the above mentioned sea ; the offers to be received up to January 23rd, and the concession to run for twenty years from the first of nexu May. The company which purchased the privilege in 1870 is understood to have made very large profite. The control of these islands confers practically the monoply of seal skins in the entire world, the product from all other seal fisheries being not more than 20,000 skins. The number which the Alaska Commercial Company has been allowed to take during its twenty years' lease is 100,000 a year, and it has not fallen below this figure. For this privilege the company has paid the government an annual rental of \$55,000 and a

whether Behring Sea was an inland water subject to the jurisdiction of Russis, or a ion of Russia was not acknowledged under

international law. In conveying to the United States her rights in Behring Sea, therefore it is plain that Russia could not give a clear title to the exclusive control of that part of the Pacific Osean set off by the through Behring Strait to the western end of the Aleutian group of islands.

In face of this it is sourcely oredible that Great Britian could for a moment assent to the American claim for exclusive jurisdio. tion over Bahring Sam. It should be therefore her duty to notify the Washington Government that any concession which gives a monopoly of catching seals beyond three marine miles from the coast will not be recognized or tolerated. It is, however, again reported from Washingtan, as many times already, that Sir Jullan Pauncefote and Mr. Blaine are engaged in preparing a basis of sgreement upon this question in connection with that of the Atlantic fisheries. When such a conference takes place, (and there should be no delay about it), it is safe to say that it must proceed upon the lines laid down by Mr. Bayard, the secretary of state in the Cleveland administration, looking to the joint protection of the seal fisheries, and not upon the basis of a claim by the United

States to the absolute ownership of an un inclosed sea.

Mr. Murphy Elected.

The election to fill the vacancy in Quebec West took place on Monday and created intense excitement in the Angient Ospital. As we go to press information reaches us that Mr. Owen Murphy, the Government candidate, has been elected by a majority of be

tween two and three hundred.

Large and Devous Congregations Attend the Midnight Masses-The Musical Por-

tions of the Ceremonies.

Christmas eve was ushered in by a welcome snow storm, this year, but the weather did not prevent the Catholics of Montreal from gathring n their thousands at the different churches at midnight to inaugurate the celebration of the nativity of Our Divine Rebeemer by solemn and musical masses. The music was of the highest class and was mag by nificently rendered; the decorations, floral and artificial, of the various churches were of the highest grade of beauty ; and the congregations were, as ever, most devout and sincere. At the grand Basilics of Notre Dame was

such an effort produced that Oatholics bowed to the impression of their faith and men of other creeds who came in the reverent spirit of the meason bowed their heads from the very impressiveness of the solemn yet joyous surroundings. To a stranger entering the sacred edifice the first effect was that of a dazzling effulgence of

TO DUR SUBSCRIBERS of by this bigoted sheet to pender to the too-the warning it deems fit to give those who, of these claims had been yielded before the time to themselves, ware : (lat tenore) Mr. J. Mor-like the late Mr. Grady, speak of a solid of the cession of Alaska : and while it is gan, W. Murphy ; (2nd tenore) G. Holland; T. of the cession of Alaska ; and while it is gan, W. Murphy ; (3nd tenors) G. Holland, T. C. Emblem ; (basses) Ed. Finn and Morgan true that the determination of the question Quinn. Mr. W. McCaffrey acted as conductor, and Mr. P. Shea, as musical director, presided

at the organ. At the Uathedral the midnight services were also of a very imposing nature. Here Arch-bishop Fabre officiated and the altars presented a dazzling sight with their numerous lighted tapers. The mass chosen was Nicon-Chown's which was rendered by a powerful choir with orchestral accompaniment The soloists were Meesrs, A. Bourdon, M. Bourduss, J. Goyer, Guillemette At St J. Laberge and E. Joseph's, after Novello's Adeste Fideles, J. L Battmann's mass for three male voices was ably rendered, the soloists being Messrs. J. Danserimaginary line drawn southwestwardly eau, A. N. Belanger, A. Blouin and D. Valliere The offertory was followed by Cs. Bergers for the organ, and at the Ummunion the "Non!" of Adam, was sung well by Mr. M. Gagnon The organist was Rav. A. Sauvé and the musi

cal director, Rev. A. Lareveiere. There was no celebration at St. Vincent de Paul owing to repairs in course of construction on the building. At St. James'. Chernbini's Scored Heart was efficiently rendered, tugether w th R-y chool's 'No I,' while at St. M.ry' Van de la Hache's mass of Ste. Therese was ad mirably given, the soloists being Messrs. N. Giroux, H. Roussell, A. Langlois and A. Sauciar. The mass at the Church of the Sacred Heart was an elaborate one and was well rendered by a chorus of 140 voices under the direction of Mesars. Pegrad and Turcot. At the Ohurch of the Immusulate On coption on Rachel stree Pe rault's mass well sung under the direct tion of Mr. N. Herbert. The soloists there wer Messes Renaud, Chalifoux, Langlois, Tanguay and Lafond. At St. Peter's Abbe Perrauly's Messe de Noel was well given, and at the Church of the Nativity the choir rendered the Second Mass of Dumont, with the following soloists :-- Messre. A Lapointe, Fortin, J. P. Turcoste, A. A Gibesu and H. Lapointe. The featival was also appropriately ushered in at the churches at Ste. Canegoude, St. Henri, St. Jean Bapeiste, St. Therese and Longue Pointe.

MEREDITH ENRAGED.

Me Beplies to Archbishop Cleary to Justify His Recent Utterances-Dragging Up Old and Bepeatedly Befuted Charges Against the Archbishep.

LONDON, Oat., December 27 .- Mr. W. R. Meredith has made public the following latter written in reply to the one recently given to the press by Archbishop Cleary :-

LONDON, Ont., December 27, 1889. My Lord Archbishop :

I have to acknowledge the receipt of you letter of the 22nd inst., but only through the public newspapers, and were one content with a superficial reading of it it would be difficult in the mass of exhortation, instruction and fetherly admonition which it contains, and which reaches its climax when you stay for a moment the torrent of your eloquent invective to drop a sym pathetic tear at the thought of the injury I have done to my cause, to recognize the handiwork of the fiery ecclesiastic whom at the last provincial general election swept Eastern Ootario his demunciations of the party I had the honor to lead, and exborting, nay commanding, those of his episcopal flock to cast their ballots against

But it has been impossible for you to conceal entirely your true sentiments or to hide the mo-tive or object of your attack, else why do you speak of my avnostic friends? Or why do you talk of the "ferocious bigots" of the Equal Binter exception on their or with Rights association, or falsely charge me with desiring to oppress the Roman Catholic minor ity, or with seeking by disgraceful methods to catch the votes of the unthinking populace and influence religious passion against the Roman Oatholts minority of Ontario ; for, mask it as though you do not appear opealy to make it. I can appeal to a life time in this community

for the answer to the charge of intolerance and bigotry which you insinuale against me and to the utterances of nearly twenty years of public liie as my defense against your calumnious

THINGS THEY CANNOT FORGET.

Tried by the same test can you ask a verdict time. Alas, Brazil, Brazil, that beautiful light, which threw out from behind umprageous of acquittal, or a like charge, from your fellow-citizens? I trow not. They do not, they can country :] cannot return th Baroness Japura and two nuns watched not, forget the cruel, the wanton attack which you publicly made upon the defenceless girls and young women of Ontario and that, too, that the body, during the night. The face of the dead Empress wore a peaceful expression. DOM PEDRO BESIDE THE BIER. you might make a point against the public school system of this province; nor can When Dom Pedro arrived at the beside of they forget the language which you thought fit to use towards your Protestant fellow citizens his wife yesterday he knelt and kissed her forehead. He appeared to be unable to move, if even the dumb, unknowing little threads of when you were addressing a body of Roman Ca-carbon knew that they were doing bonor to the bholic gentlemen connected with an association and did not speak for twenty minutes. Then he said : "I have experienced the most bitter which had its meeting not long ago in Kingston. trial that God could inflict upon me. Her Then. too, by what right do y in speak of those who are connected with the Equal Rights move-ment as ferocious bigots ? Such language from faithful and affectionate companionship has sustained me for forty-six years. God's will a politician in the best of a political haracque could hardly be palliated. But what is to be be done." Then noticing her eyes still opin, he lost command of himself and exclaimed said of its use by a high dignitary of a great "Is it possible that those dear kind eyes will church, not spoken but written in the seclusion of his study and when he was penning a never again brighten when they see me." Having closed the eye-lids he reverently oharge of intolerance and bigotry against a kissed them. He then asked to be slone and public man? Think of such language as applied to the re so he remained for a long time, after which he became calm and asked the attendants to orgaized leader of the movement whose position in the church to which he belongs is as high keep all quiet until the Lisbon fetes were as that of Your Grace in your own and whose every utterance, while he spoke with clearness ended. The news had already been sent everyagainst a piece of legislation which a vast where. Later in the evening Dom Pedro majority of his fellow citizens, whatever view they may entertain of the constitutional ques-tion involved, join with him in condemning, sent despatches announcing the death of his wife to various monarchs. He also sent a telegram to King Carlos in which he exwas characterized by that broad liberality, gen pressed a desire that his wife's remains be erous toleration and true charity towards all men which should pervade the utterances, not Interred in the Pantheen, The Brazilian Minister at Lisbon has notionly of a Ohristian minister, but of a Ohristian fied the provisional Government in Brazil of gentleman . Then how do you justify your attempt to make me an oppressor of the Roman Cabholic the death of the ex-Empress. This morning the Oardinal Archbishop said mass in the minority, if not in act, at least in intention ? I room where the body lay. Dom Pedro and had thought that you concurred with me in dethe Governor of Opoato were present. In precating the advice given to the Roman Cathe afternoon the body was embalmed and shulic minority by the writer of the article in was afterwards transferred to the Chapel the Canadian Freeman, to whom you referred in your first letter, but as your last letter seems to leave that matter in doubt the people of the Ardente. The Government will probably defray the expenses of the funeral. It is province, whom you are addressing by means of your own choosing, are entitled to know expected that King Oarlos will come to Oporte. whether you do or do not approve it, and if no Dom Pedro rose early this morning and attended mass. He was greatly dejected and other good results from my correspondence with you much good will be done to have obtained a so weak that his doctors were obliged to supclear definition of your view on that subject. port him. The Imporial physician has arriv-THE "OPPRESSION OF THE MINOBILY." ad here to attend the ex-Emperor, for whom But you say that my proposition to meet much anxiety is felt. such a combination as is suggested involves the Dom Pedro has received many telegrams of oppression of the minority. Granting your condolence on the death of his wife, among premises, I deny your conclusion and am as tonished that in the face of the declaration them one from Quoen Victoria. Dom Pedro has accepted the offer of one of which I made as to the principles upon which I believed that the government of this province should be conducted you should make such a the royal palaces as a temporary residence, but he expresses a desire to live alone. The Comte and Comptesse D'En have left Madrid charge. In this province the Roman Oatholic minority has been treated not merely justly but for Liebon. On their arrival here the arrangewith generosity, and if, which I do not deny, prejudice exists in some quarters against the Roman Catholics, is is a judgment due mainly to the policy of the oburch which forbids the ments will be made for the funeral of the ex-Empress. youth of the country being educated together and to a system of education which tends to The native congress at Bombay has agreed upon a plan of political organisation for India-which is to be presented to Parliament. The separate from the rest of the community a body of its citizens by creed lines, as well as to the injudicious and intemperate utterances of men essential forms are that there should be a popular electoral representative body formed upon on both sides who do not know, or have for-gotten, what civil and religious liberty means. the basis of twelve members for every millio of population; this great body to be controlled by an inner one formed of selected perrons from I have no quarrel with my Roman Ostholic fellow citizens. I have nothing to do with their its own number and an imperial council conreligious views or opinions and cannot be drawn into a controversy as to the merits or demerits stituted upon the basis of one member for every five million of population, Provincial councils are also proposed. Mr. Bradlaugh will frame the bill and present it to Parlia-Into a controversy as so the institut of demeries of the dogmas or practices of their church. I am ready to give to them every right which I enjoy and I seek to take from them none that I claim for myself, but I am not willing that ex-ceptional privileges should be granted to them, and I protest against and shall use my best endasyons to prevent their willing. ment. AT Send 10 cents for the sixteen page Christmas Number of the CATHOLIC SENTINEL, gon-taining a large amount of information interesting to Catholics, and intending settlers in the Great Northwest, Address, CATHOLIC SERTINEL As to the separate schools I have nothing to | PUBLISHING Co., Portland, Oregon,

add to what I have said, except to say that the principle on which they, in my judgment, rest is that their organization and support depend solely upon the voluntary action of the Roman Oatholic citizen, and that the state has in their creation and for their conduct committed to the citizens, and not to the hierarchy, the manage-ment and control of them. Upon no other ment and control of them. Upon no other ground and on no other view of their true position can the existence of them in a free country be excused, much less defended.

HOW HE MUST BE JUDGED.

By the principles which I have laid down my party and myself must be judged, and not by unjust inferences which you, sgainst the whole spirit of it, profess to draw from my language, You have too long been accustomed, when any question affecting, or supposed to affect the Roman Oatholic people of this province, was being raised, to see its public men, through fear of the cry which you are now seeking to raise against me, deterred from the efficient discharge of their duty, but I have the satisfaction of be lieving that whatever effect my declaration of principles may have on my party or myself, and it may be that your forecast of the result may prove correct (for 1 know the effect of the crusade you seek to preach), those principles must ultimately receive the endorsation by their votes as they do now of the convictions of the people of Ontario because, as I believe, they have their foundation in the principles of evenal justice, and that without the recognition of them there can be no full development of the principles of civil and religious liberty which have done so much for humanity, and for none more than for the Roman Catholic minority of the great empire of which we form a not insignificant part. I have the honor to be, Your Grace's obdt. Servant,

W. R. MEREDICH.

The Most Reverend, the Archbishop (Elect) of the Diocese of Kingston, Kingston, Ont.

BRAZIL'S EX-EMPRESS DEAD,

Exiled from Her Country Her Last Words are for Brazil.

OPORTO, December 20.-Therewa Christina Maria, the ex-Empress of Brazil, and sister of Francis 1., late King of Naples, died here to-day of heart disease. She was visiting the city with her husband, Dom Pedre, and had not been very well for the past month, or since Dom Pedro was deposed from the throne of Brazil and his family driven to exile. The dead ex-Empress, who was married to Dom Pedro in 1843, leaves two daughters, one of whom is the Princess Isabells, wife of the Comte d'Eu, and to whose intrigues is ascribed by many the responsibility for the recent overthrow of the Brazilian monarchy. The illness of the ex-Empress first assumed an alarming phase Friday. It had been the intention of the Imperial family to start for France to-day, The doctors forbade the journey for fear that excitement and fatigue would precipitate a ofisis. The Empress was, however, a little better yesterilay morning, During the morning Dom Pedro went out

for a premenade, and visited the Mussam of Fine Arte. He was found by the Brazilian consul, who had been deepstohed to hasten his return to the hotel because the condition of the Empress had suddenly become critical. Before Dom Pedro arrived the Empress was dead. The remains will be temporarily deposited in a mortuary chapel in the La Paz convent here, and will be afterwards taken to Liebon for Interment. The municipal authorities of this city, returning in full state from the celebration of the King's proclamation in the Cathedral, went to offer their condolences, but Dom Fedro was so overcome by the event that he could not receive them. The Archbishop of Operte also called.

When it became evident that the end was rapidly approaching the ex-Empress was advised to summon a confessor. Although in great agony sho replied :- "Yee; but we must await the Emperer. He will give instructions,'

Her last words were : " I regret that my children and grandchildren are not around me, that I might bless them for the last

CHRISTMAS MUSIC. The Feast of the Nativity Celebrated by Beautiful Services

remarkably fortunate in escaping from the very serious occurrences which have befallen most countries, and for this we should feel grateful. The Dominion has infact no researto complain of the year that is just closing, and there are many things that have occurred in it with which it ought to be satisfied. The country has continued to enjoy presperity, its trade has been greatly increased, its pepulation largely degmented and better than all its relations with its neighbors have remained peaceful. Long may it presper ac. As for ourselves we have every reason to feel proud of the daily increasing sapport and encouragement which we find our readers are according us. We trust that shey may be long spared to aid us in our noble mission, that they will continue incessantly to get their friends to join them in support of the TRUE WITNESS, and that the close of the year 1890 and numerous years thereafter may find them in the peaceful enjoyment of happiness, plenty and presperity.

Queen's Counsel.

Our readers will be pleased to learn that amongst the recent appointments to the honor of Queen's Counsel by the Deminion Government are Mr. P. J. Coyle and Mr. public. Mr. Hackett is the leading Irish-Canadian in the Eastera Townships, brim full of talent and everybody's friend. We heartily .congratulate both gentlemen.

A Wonderful (?) Discovery,

the luminary title and the boasted subscrip- sentiments of patriotism which graced its plorgy opposed the agitation it is advecating. As it is, the Oathelio Church, through the menths of its dignitaries, has ever and in all at issue, that question is settled for ever. The constries fought for an increase of the license | question may be settled, and for that matter tax on salcon-keepers, that the temptations settled for ever in the minds of those who are to drink daily thrown in the path of the convinced that the late olvil war in the United laboring class, especially, might be reduced. States removed the question from the arena But it has ever been the same with our worn | of political issues. But we fear much that the

The Negro Question.

The death of Mr. Henry W. Grady, the and, if another twenty years' mengreat Southern orator, has cast a gloom over oply is established; by the American the community in which he was held in high esteem. Mr. Grady was in the full vigor of manhood, having completed his 38th year. Only a few weeks ago he made one of these occasion of the dinner of the Merchants Olub. Ex-President Cleveland was one with credit to himself and advantage to the in the neighboring republic and Mr. Grady was the spokesman of the New of great American orations, the speech delivered by Mr. Grady of Georgia, on the ques-"Our enlightened (!) local contemporary with for the warmth of its argument, for the noble tion list has just found out that the Oathelio | flow, It deserves high praise and a permanent clergy of Montreal are in favor of high license place in the literature of eratory. and dishes up this intelligence to its readers But not as an Amorican Classic may with a display heading. It would have been it stand, for its morality is issentimore sensational and more to its tasts if ally that of a section." The Pilot believe that the question of freedman's rights is eut enterprising (!) contempory. Old, scond-hand issues are constantly revived and re-olethed far the president state of the samples that we could furnish only one of the samples that we could furnish our readers of the samples that we could furnish our readers of the samples that we could furnish our readers of the samples that we could furnish our readers of the uniced States is evident from out the states is evident from out the states, with its adjacent waters. Much out the states, with its adjacent waters. Much out the states were most tastefully decorated. Van Bree's Mass with full on the atter the set here one tastefully and is not settled, but is merely at the opening chapter. That our contempo-at the opening chapter. That our contempo-tion over a considerable part of the settlement to the extent of the same of the American continent new held by the out for the states is evident from the solution was stated at the states were most tastefully decorated. Van Bree's Mass with full conten-and I provieges should be granted to them, and B Finn, as goloist, and at the solution to destate their utilizing the party system for enabling the the states the part of the of the American continent new held by the majority of the United States is evident from to the states with its adjacent waters. Much

revenue tax of \$2 62} upon each skin, to. gether with the performance of other obligations in the way of furnishing schools, night service. The most recent developments churches, wood and provisions for the natives. The total receipts of the govern-than half a thousand electric lights, all placed ment from this source at the date of the last where they would do most good, all shining as report, covering eighteon years of eccupancy

and as the majority of the stockholders have roda's Mass with full orchestral accompanimade great fortunes out of the monopoly, it it guite probable that there will be a keen competition. Yet the renewal of the contract will take place under somewhat different conditions from those which obtained In undisputed monoply twenty years ago is not so to-day. The exclusive rights of the Alaska Commercial Compuny have been frequently challenged, organ. Government before the existing Behring Sea trouble is settled, complications will be increased and a satifactory settlement rendered more difficult than ever. When the Uleve-

great speeches, delivered at Boston on the land administration presented a bill to the United States Senatedealing with a settlement of this bone of contention between American Hackett, Mr, Coyle has filled the post of of the speakers. Mr. Carnagle was and Canadian fishermen that Republican Aulstant City Attorney for several years past the representative of republican ideas body threw it out and now they find themasives placed in an equally awkward posttion. What they refused to accept at that South. The Boston Pilot referring to the time they are now prepared to take into conspeech of the latter says. "In the golden list alderation. Force of circumstances compells them to do so, and it is the duty of the British and Canadian governments to see that tion of colored Americans, must take high some definite understanding is arrived tion of colored Americans, must take high some definite understanding is arrived eary an average of its elequence, at without delay on this tangling dispute. If choir has deservedly gained a high reputation under the able directorship of Mr. A. P. Mo-for the warmth of its argument, for the noble another twenty years monophy of the scaling Guirk. The church was most artistically decoprivileges in Behring Sea is allowed by the American Government, Great Britain should American Government, Great Dritain and in Howers. The music performed was Fauce not stand tacitly by and acquiesce in the innier's elaborate mass, and Generali's "Oredo, absard contention of the United States for and the difficult choruses were sung in excellent exclusive sovereignty over the waters of style by the large choir. The choir was well packed up by an efficient orchestra, the violins Behring ses. If this is her intenour independent (sic) daily par excellence then proceeds to show, that these who also tion Canada should be apprized of it at could have had it to say that the Catholic sympathize with the sentiments of the great once that she may knew what steps orator, now no more, delude themselves if they she should take on her own responsibility. The theory put forth by certain United States officials that Behring Sea was mare clausum is absurd. It is true that the United States, in the purchase of Alraka, succeeded to"the rights formerly held by Bussia in that territory ; but it has never been fully determined what these rights were. The pretenout enterprising (1) contempory. Old, second. question net only is not settled, but is merely | sions of the Rassian goverment in past times

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pillars the fantastic forms that majestic Gothic architecture will assume in such surroundings. Fally ten thousand people attended the midof science were put into requisition for the purby the Alaska Commercial Company, have new born babe, filled the church with an efful-been 20 574 282 The company which now helds the lease trancing. The choir, which was largely re-inforced, performed in faultless style, under will certainly be a competitor for the cencesion the able direction of Mr. Chas. Labelle, Kallirment.

THE CHURCH OF THE GESU.

The Jesuits' church has always been the favorite of all the Roman Oatholic churches of the city among our Protestant population, and there gathered there at midnight a large con-1870. What was practically from the doctrines of the Catholic Church. The mass sung was Fauconnier's Sacred Heart, for the first time in Montreal. The solos were Reymond, sopranos ; J. Trudel and D. Brodear, tenors ; H O. St. Pierre and C. Terroux, bass. The choir numbered over one hundred voices under the leadership of Professor Alex. Clerk. Prof. Ducharme presided at the

ST. PATRICE'S.

The music was unusually fine at midnight mass at St. Patrick's. The choir did full jus-tice to Fauconnier's brilliant and tasty music. The choruses were full and observed the ex need of the pices. The Adeste Fideles by Novello, the Christmas song by Gound, and Neel, by adam, was rendered effectively during the service. The soloists were Messrs. J. J. Rowan, F. J. Greene, T. C. O'Brien, E. Hewitt, tenors ; Messrs. J. P. Hammill. J. Cromp on, baritones ; C. MoDonnell, U. F. Casey bass esch one rendering his part in a most sais factory manner. Mr. P. F McCaffrey officiated as leader and Prof. Fowler, as organist and musical director.

ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH.

As is usual on Ohristmas eve, this church was so crowded that numbers of people were unable to obtain admission. The music was undoubtrated and the altars were ablaze with countless tapers and fragrant with the odor of hot house flowers. The music performed was Fauco packed up by an efficient orchestra, the violine being a great feature, played by such well-known artiste as Mr. W. Sullivan, R. Ander-son and R. MtGuirk. The principal soloists in the mass were Messre. Clanoy, Fanning, Kydd and Foley. At the offertory Millard's beauti-ful work "Salve Regina," was parlormed, the difficult solos being sung by Messre. Desmarice-and P. J. Evans. "Adaste Fideles" was sung with Mesara. Bissonette and Kearney as supp with Mesers. Bissonette and Kearney as soloists. Mr. A. P. McGuirk was the musical director.

AT ST. ANN'S ORUSON

the nusical portions of the services were of a very high order. The oburch was brilliantly illuminated and the altars were most tastefully