

NEW YEAR MAGAZINE.

"Americanism versus Imperialism" is the title of an important article from the pen of Andrew Carnegie in the January number of the "North American Review." Mr. Carnegie is determined to territorial aggrandizement, regarding possessions in the Far East as fraught with nothing but disaster to the Republic. He would leave the Filipinos to themselves, confident, he declares, that the inevitable result would be a government better suited to the people than any that U.S. soldiers and their officers could ever give. In the course of his article he says: "We need a large regular army of trained soldiers. There is no use trying to counter regular armies with volunteers—we have found that out. Not that volunteers would not be superior to the class of men we shall get to enlist simply for full pay in the regular army, if they would enlist there and be trained, but because they are not trained. Thirty-eight thousand more men are to be called for the regular army; but it is easy to call spirits from the vasty deep—they may be 62,000 men by law; we have only 55,000 as the President tells us in his message. Why do we not first fill up the gap, instead of asking for legislation to enlist more? Because Labour is well employed, and men are scarce in some States to day; because men who now know little for what they are wanted, and that kind of work is not what American soldiers have been asked to perform hitherto. They have never had to leave their own country much less to shoot down men whose only crime against the Republic was that they, too, like ourselves, desired their country's independence, and believed in the Declaration of Independence—in Americanism. The President may not get the soldiers he desires, and whom he must have if he is not to make shipwreck of his Imperialism. There is very grave reason to doubt whether the army can be raised over to one hundred thousand men without a great advance in pay, perhaps not without conscription."

To have the men who have demonstrated their organizing ability by great business successes tell the secrets of organization is the object of the editor of the Cosmopolitan. That he is succeeding, is proved in the January issue by the article from Charles R. Flint, who is regarded in New York as one of the three or four ablest organizers in America. He is president of the Rubber Trust and the head of the great mercantile house of Flint, Eddy and Co., which has its ramifications in almost every part of the world. Mr. Flint tells very openly what makes for success in the organization of business. His article may be read with interest by the Workmen, the Armourers, and the Rockers, as well as by the humblest clerk selling tomatas as by the humblest clerk seeking to fathom the secret of business success.

CATHOLIC ORDER FORESTERS.

The last meeting of St. Leo Court No. 84, held in their hall corner of Queen and McCas was most interesting and largely attended. Every seat was occupied. It was decided to bond the officers of the Court in a guarantee company. A number of other important questions having been discussed, the election of officers was proceeded with. The Chief Ranger appointed Bro. J. Malloy, G.R., of Sacred Heart Court, returning officers, and Bro. J. O'Toole and W. Reardon, of the same Court, as electors. The contest was keen and exciting, nearly every office being contested, the following being the result:—Spiritual Director, Rev. S. J. Grogan, C.S.R.; Past Chief Ranger, Bro. John Fahney; Chief Ranger, Denis Brooken; Vice-Chief Ranger, John Ryan; Recording Secretary, J. J. Nightingale; Financial Secretary, W. P. Murphy; Treasurer, Dr. E. Cusack; Medical Examiner, Dr. M. Keown; Trustees, W. Judge, J. O'Toole, Thom. McKenna; Auditor, M. J. Foy, M. J. Fahney, P. O'Connor; Delegates to the convention, J. J. Nightingale; Alternate Delegate, John Fahney. Addresses were then delivered by the visiting Brothers, which were most instructive and entertaining. It was then unanimously decided to tender to the editor of The Catholic Register a hearty vote of thanks for his kindness in placing the columns of that valuable journal at the disposal of the Court, to place therein news of interest to the order, and sincerely wishing the editor and staff a very happy and prosperous New Year. J. J. Nightingale, 300 Queen street west.

SUNDAY NEXT AT THE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH.

On Sunday next (8th inst.), the Rev. Father Macarios will administer baptism and confirmation to a child, according to the Greek Catholic rite, which is a very imposing ceremony. It will take place immediately after the high mass. On Tuesday, January 10th, the St. Michael's branch of the Catholic Truth Society will give a concert and entertainment in St. Vincent's hall, corner of Spitzer and Victoria streets, in aid of this congregation. Mrs. Rosner has kindly taken charge of the concert, and the society hopes that the charitable will assist in this good work.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The Sisters of St. Joseph in charge of St. Michael's Hospital, gratefully acknowledge the following Christmas gifts. They also take the opportunity to thank the St. Vincent de Paul Society for their generous contributions of devotional articles during the past

year, and to the different flower societies for their floral offerings:—Rev. Father Ryan, 1 turkey; Rev. Father Rohleder, 1 turkey; Rev. Father Walsh, 1 turkey; Rev. Father Tracy, candies; Mrs. Hugh Ryan, 12 turkeys and 12 ducks; Miss Alice Doyle, 1 centre piece and vases; Mr. Corrie, Chicago, \$25; Congrave & Co., \$10; Mrs. L. Congrave, 1 turkey and 1 goose; Mr. M. J. Crotte, Miss Smith, Isabella street, turkey, rooster, oranges; Dr. Ross, \$10; Public Library, books; Miss Smith, corner Avenue road and Cottingham street, table drape; Miss Julia Doyle, West Market street, 3 turkeys; Mr. John Kelly, Totenham, \$2; Mr. H. T. Bailey, turkey, fruit, and candies; Mr. H. T. Kelly, candy; Mr. Windeyer, thermometer; Christie, Brown, barrels of biscuits; Patrick Galvin, \$5; Mrs. Pearson, marmalade; Mrs. M. Hynes, soft cushion for Nurses' Home, flowers; Sloan & Co., nuts and raisins; Trenwith & Graham, fruit cake.

GREEK CATHOLICS.

His Excellency, the Patriarch of the Greek Catholics in Syria, Mgr. Germainy, has returned to Alexandria after his first visit to Rome, since he was raised to this high dignity. While in the Holy City, he was not unmindful of the members of his flock scattered through Canada, and he obtained from the Sacred Congregation of the Propaganda a renewal of the authority already granted to his old friend and associate in the Eastern mission field—Father Macarios Nasar—who has spiritual charge of the Greek Catholics in this city. The following is a copy of a letter which His Excellency has enclosed to Father Macarios, and which is accompanied by earnest wishes for the welfare of his fellow-countrymen in Canada:—

(Translation.)

Rome, 26th November, 1898. In the matter of Father Macarios Nasar.

Your Excellency.—In your letter of the 4th inst., your Excellency asks me to grant to Father Macarios Nasar permission to minister to his countrymen residing in the district of Toronto. I may say that in fact the Sacred Congregation has already, by a letter of the 4th June, 1897, declared to the Archbishop now deceased, Mgr. Walsh, that such permission had been granted; or rather, the Sacred Congregation gave him full liberty to administer to the spiritual needs of his countrymen.

As, however, your Excellency wishes for a new declaration in favour of the Rev. Father Macarios Nasar, I have with pleasure, writing to the Vicar-General of Toronto, informing him that the Sacred Congregation accords the necessary permission to enable the said priest, with the consent of the ordinary, to administer to the Greek Catholics in Toronto.

Yours very truly, (Signed) M. C. Ledochowsky, Pref. (Signed) Lingi Ycoola, Secretary. To His Excellency, Monsr. Pietro Germainy, Patriarch of the Greek Melchites, Alexandria.

CANON BROSNAN DEAD.

Our Irish exchanges announce with deep regret the death of the Very Rev. Canon Brozman, P.P., who died at his home, Cahiraveen, on Dec. 21st. His demise came unexpectedly, although it was known that he had suffered of late from fits of lunacy peculiar to old age. The Very Rev. Canon Brozman was born in the year 1826 at Tuillig, near Castleblain. He came of a highly respectable family, who are well and favourably known throughout their native county. After receiving a good education in the classical schools of Kerry, he entered Maynooth College, where his career was marked with much ability, being a Dunboyne student and lecturer of Irish at the College. He also succeeded the famous Dr. Callan as lecturer on physics. After leaving Maynooth he was appointed to his first curacy at Killogeen about 46 years ago. Afterwards he was curate at Lixnaw, Millstreet, Ballyforritter, and Tralee. His first appointment as parish priest was at Ballynascilly, where he was at the time of the famine in the year 1849 he was attached to the parish of Cahiraveen. The venerable pastor had a distinguished career in all those places. In the year 1858, when senior curate at Tralee, he was one of the priests who took part in the religious celebrations on the summit of Brandon Mountain in honour of St. Brendan, the patron saint of Kerry. The public pilgrimage was presided over by the Bishop of the diocese, assisted by numerous priests, and was joined in by some 25,000 people. It was to the late Canon's generous inspiration and indefatigable exertions that everyone was indebted for this splendid Catholic demonstration. The Rev. Denis O'Donoghue, P.P., writing of the good priest in his account of the pilgrimage, says of him:—"The Rev. D. Brozman, C.C., with a humility, worthy of his sacred office, preferred to work on the unseen and untraced in public, for all time, the grateful hearts of the thousands who hailed him on the holy mountain, with their hearts on their lips, told better than any set form of words how highly and how justly his services in the cause of religion are appreciated."

Canon Brozman addressed the people in Irish, the old native tongue of St. Brendan, and moved the multitude with thrilling power. The next good work with which the zealous priest's name is linked for all time, connected with the building of the O'Connell Memorial Church in his town, the Liberator's native place. In 1881 the Canon first thought of building the church, knowing well the great necessity there was

for a church. After gaining a promise of support from several bishops, priests, and people he wrote in the "Freeman" as follows:—"Now the die is cast, sink or swim, survive or perish. I give my hand and heart to the work. I may fail, the work cannot; for it is the work of God, and of God's people." At an audience with the Pope on the 10th December, 1883, Canon Brozman gained the approval of his Holiness for the erection of the church. The Holy Father gave him the corner stone, and deputed the Archbishop of Cashel to lay it. On August 1st, 1888, the Most Rev. Dr. Croke, in the midst of a large assembly, laid the corner stone. Since then some thousands of pounds have been expended on the building, but owing to lack of funds the progress of erection has ceased for the past few years, and the work is now in the hands of Canon Brozman devoted to the years of his life remains unfinished. The accomplishment of his greatest ambition is left to others.

ENGLISH LIBERALS AND RITUALISM.

It is understood that considerable anxiety and trepidation exists among the English Liberal leaders concerning Sir William Harcourt's proposals for the reform of the Anglican Church. They don't know precisely what they are, but it is believed that they will be so framed as to entirely estrange the Liberal churchmen, and attract the warm support of the Nonconformists. It will not be an altogether pleasant experience for Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, or whoever else takes the lead in the opposition, and he is said at the outside either in the position of being a humble follower or a strong opponent of Sir William Harcourt or what will be still more painful unable to decide to go for or against the member for West Monmouth on the most burning domestic topic of the hour. Sir William will very likely provide some excellent sport in connection with this question, for it is one eminently suited to the purposes of delicate Parliamentary strategy.

THE JESUITS AND THE JEWS.

A correspondent, writing from Paris, says:—"The last sermon preached at the Madeleine was by Father Coubet, of the Society of Jesus. Father Coubet is a Jesuit to his fingertips, being literary, historical, philosophical, and dogmatic. His French is, perhaps, the purest that has been heard in any metropolitan pulpit since the days of Lacordaire or Ravignan. He spoke last week on the burning topic of Judaism, and crowds flocked to hear him, for references to the anti-Jews were expected. The polished and eloquent young Jesuit did not refer to the 'affaire,' nor did he fulminate against the Jews. He managed, however, to dissatisfy the 'Aurore,' of priest-hating Clemenceau, on the one hand, and 'Libre Parole,' of Jew-baiting Drumont, on the other. The 'Aurore' pervertedly affirmed that the Jesuit failed for the extermination of an 'infamous race.' The 'Libre Parole' found that he was too audacious and tame, forgetting that he is a priest, and not a journalist, who dips pen in gall. The preacher or confessor, as he is called, simply tried to show that a great distinction was made between the Jews who were faithful to the law of Moses, and the Talmudists, who only believe in money and domination, and make the synagogue a 'splendous lazarium.' As the chastisement, Father Coubet pointed to the persecutions and the wanderings of the children of Israel, and the antagonism from which they are suffering, even in the present day, while the religion which they assailed continues to make triumphant progress in the world, and to gain more adherents as the years roll on.

GENERAL MERCIER MAKES CONFESSION.

London, Jan. 3.—A despatch from Paris to the St. James' Gazette says that the gist of the testimony given before the Court of Cassation by General Mercier, who was Minister of War at the time of the condemnation of Dreyfus, has become public. The former War Minister's testimony, the despatch says, amounts to a declaration that he arrived at a conviction of Dreyfus' guilt by a process of elimination. He first took the names of all the officers who would be likely to be in possession



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of a valuable opportunity to participate of it as by the disclosure of secret information, half of which he himself is discarded, of those remaining, he eliminated more, until there were only three names left. Two of these were thrown out, leaving but one name, which was that of Dreyfus. It is stated that this testimony, calmly given by General Mercier, threw the Judges into a state of consternation. It is reported that General Mercier is about to crave British hospitality.

FIRESIDE FUN.

"What makes your baby so headstrong?" "It was raised on goat's milk." A self-made man should not solicit outside criticism on the quality of the job. Teacher: "What can you tell me about the rabbit?" Pupil: "It's left hind-foot is lucky."

She: "Yes, dearest, I made this cake all alone." He: "I can't believe that. Somebody must at least have helped you to lift it out of the oven." One on the Teacher:—"Now, Harry," asked the teacher of the juvenile class, "what is the meal we eat in the morning called?" "Oatmeal!" was the little fellow's prompt reply. Force of Habit.—"Poor Nivina! I can't forget his early ways." "I heard someone say he handled golf sticks as if they were plectrums." "Worse than that! Let him have his stick in the air for a stroke, and he'll drop it of the noon whistle blow."

"I am sorry your little sister is ill," said a school teacher to her small pupil. "What does your mamma think is the matter?" "Mamma is not quite sure," replied the little girl, with a serious face, "but she is afraid it is going to be stomach-grip." The following remark of a Highland clergyman shows that the Celts in Scotland can lay claim to the faculty of bull-making. In his sermon preached in a small church in Strathguy, after inveighing against slothfulness, he said in closing: "Do you think Adam and Eve went about the Garden of Eden with their hands in their pockets?"

"You want an American movement, I suppose?" said the Jeweller. "You bet!" replied the returned soldier who had dropped in to buy a timepiece. "Triple expansion balance" suggested the tradesman. "That's right!" exclaimed the soldier. "There can't be too much expansion about it to suit me!" That's the kind of an American I am! Whereupon the patriotic Jeweller sold him a timepiece with a highly expanded price on it.

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM.—Mr. S. Ackerman, commercial traveler, Belle-Vue, writes: "Some years ago I used Dr. Thomas' Eucalypti Oil for inflammatory rheumatism, and three bottles effected a complete cure. It was the whole of one summer unable to move without crutches, and every movement caused excruciating pains. I am now out on the road and exposed to all kinds of weather, but have never been troubled with rheumatic pains. I, however, keep a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Oil on hand, and I always recommend it to others, as it did so much for me."

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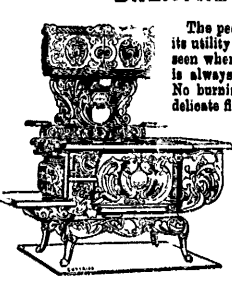
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