In proposing the re-election as a Director of Mr. George Lawson Johnston, at the Annual Meeting, in London, Eng. of the Shareholders of the Bovril Co., remarked that apart from the question of dividends, they were he was sure, sufficiently patriotic and public spirited to rejoice that their commodity has stood the country in good stead in the four trying and terrible years of conflict through which it had passed. They had the testimony of all our leading generals that it had proved an inestimable boon and comfort to our these enemies of our men in the trenches, in the field, and country!—Rosary Magazine. on the march; and Sir Arthur Slog-gett—and there could be no higher authority—had borne witness to the fact that it had often been the very best physic for our sick and wounded and had helped many a poor fellow stricken with illness, mutilated or suffering from shock to turn the corner. (Hear, hear). Bovril, moreover, was a great reconstructor, and would help to steady, recuperate, and build up again those whose nerves, in the words of the Paine Min. build up again those whose nerves, in the words of the Prime Minister, had been "rattled" during the War. At that particular moment, too, Bovril should, he was confident prove invaluable in connexion with the cruel and insidious epidemic of influenza which was again scourging the country and was confident prove invaluable in connexion with the cruel and insidious epidemic of influenza which was again scourging the country and threatening national disaster by cutting off, like the War, so many of the best of our young lives full of hope and promise. It was, he thought, a matter of deep regret—a most unfortunate coincidence—that during the recent visitation of influenza, which had been so virulent, there should have been a dearth of Bovril through the shortage of bottles; and the visitation, unhappily

1902 he married Mary, only daughter of the late John Burn who survives him. The other mourners are his brother James F. O'Meara, Lewis-town, Pennsylvania, and sisters, Mrs. David Roche, Watford, Ont., and Sister M. Auralia of the Community of St. Joseph, Toronto, who were with him when his spirit passed to its Creator and Redeemer. The decased was a brother of the late R. A. O'Meara, B. A., Ottawa University, J. M. O'Meara, London, and Mrs. Daniel McIntyre, Dorchester.

On Wednesday, April 30th, the bottles; and the visitation, unhappily was not yet over; there was a recrudescence of the disease. Its past history suggested that it came in these great was leading to the control of the disease of the disease. Its past history suggested that it came in the control of the disease of the disease. Its past history suggested that it came in the control of the disease of the disease. influenza. Not only might Boyril be employed to ward off the disease, but it might be resorted to prop up the constitution during its course, and to obviate its pernicious effects. Per-haps the recent and present scarcity of Boyril would enhance public appreciation of it.

### THE DIVORCE EVIL

The United States Census Bureau on March 20 of this year published official figures which show that approximately one out of every nine marriages ends in divorce. While the number of marriages has increased since 1890 the divorce rate has increased much more recovery. According to the returns for 1916 the number of divorces granted in that year was 112,036, or 112 per 100,000 population, as against 84 in 1906, 78 in 1900, and 55 in 1890. South Caro-lina enjoys the distinction of being the only State in the Union where divorces cannot be obtained, the law permitting them having been repealed in 1878. The States of Nevada, Mon-tana and Oregon, on the other hand, bear the odium of having the highest divorce rates—607, 323 and 255 re-spectively. Perhaps the most significant clause in the report is the one which calls attention to the fact that nearly two-thirds of the divorces were granted to childless couples!

These are terrifying statistics to changing.

one who has the good of the "5. There is a spirit of reverence These are terrifying statistics to any one who has the good of the country at heart, as they clearly show that the same condition of decadance which caused such alarm in France and England before the War exists in the United States, and is the house of God, and should be entered with holy reverence. While, the same terrifying statistics to changing.

"5. There is a spirit of reverence and devotion in the Catholic Church that is largely wanting in the Protection of the province of the country at heart world. Every Catholic has been taught to feel that the church is the house of God, and should be entered with holy reverence. While, is growing steadily worse. Now that those countries have been through the fire, patriotism will doubtless to insure the repeopling of lands drained of their manhood.

The Ctabelia the United States, and is the house of God, and should be entered with holy reverence. While, be it said with shame, too often the license are turned into insure the repeopling of lands drained of their manhood.

The Catholic Church has had such The Catholic Church has had such legislation from the beginning, and had she performed no other service for mankind she would have proved herself by that single act the greatest benefactor of the world, as impartial historians agree. If Europe did not become the theatre of progressive polygamy—a continental harem—it was because Rome, when Europe was still Catholic and there. Europe was still Catholic and there fore listened to her voice, was rigid and immovable on this great question. Then, too, by her "impediments" she did much to insure marriages that would be happy, and consequently, by mutual desire indissoluble.

consequency, by mutual desire indissoluble.

A great tidal wave of "reform" and social reconstruction is sweeping over our land. The sluice-gates have been opened by childless women who appear in public carrying flapping banners or befurred with lap-dogs. During the War, they delighted in feting other mothers' sons. Most of them had no sons of their own to send to the defense of their country. Reform is good—and sorely needed. But let it begin with the essential things. No Catholic will object to the most stringent kind of bone-dry prohibition, provided the laws regarding divorce, and re-marriage while both parties are still alive, are made equally severe.

And as for the infamous anti-social

And as for the infamous anti-social brood of birth-controllers, whose mission it is to spread a knowledge

REMARKABLE ADDRESS of contraceptive devices, no punishment can be too severe. Why does not the Postmaster General forbid the carrying of their literature in the mails, and why do not our city fathers prohibit the sale on our streets of magazines that openly and brazenly propagate such nefarious teachings?

Rome was as great—if not greater Rome was as great—if not greater—in the heyday of her power than the United States is today, but the things of which we speak sapped her virility and brought her to the dust under the heel of the barbarians of the North, who respected the fundamental laws of nature. America was not maile to grovel in the dust. Therefore, let us show short shrift to these enemies of our beloved enemies of our beloved

### OBITUARY

MARTIN JOSEPH O'MEARA

At St. Joseph's Hospital, London, Ont., April 28th, Martin Joseph O'Meara died after a serious opera-tion. Deceased, eldest son of the late Michael O'Meara and Mary Howe, was born in London and a resident was born in London and a resident of the city nearly sixty years. Pro-longed ill health compelled him to spend some years in California. In 1902 he married Mary, only daughter

of these waves had swept over us with dire results, and the third wave seemed now to be gathering force and advancing with its death-dealing tal, who administered the Last Sacrageomitants—pressure and advancing with its death-dealing tal, who administered the Last Sacrageomitants—pressured in the sacrageomitants—pressured in the sacrageomy and the sacrageomy are sacrageomy and the sacrageomy are in the sacrageomy a and advancing with its death-dealing concomitants—pneumonia, meningitis and heart-failure. It was to be hoped that during that third wave more copious supplies of Bovril might become available. He regarded it as a great protection against influence. Not only might Bovril he

The pall-bearers were nephews: J. M. O'Meara, Sarnia; R. A. Mc-Intyre, Dorchester; J. M. O'Meara, G. M. O'Meara, Joe Henry and Geo. Henry of London. Requiescat in pace.

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teaches many vital truths that are not taught by any Protestant body.

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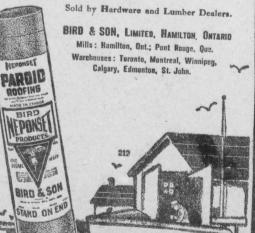
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