Sbarretti, Head of Hierarchy in Canada
Erudite Ablegate and His Great Work

"Their Utterances Contribute Effectively to the Solution of Those Questions That Perplex the Holders of Temporal Power on Earth."—Archbishop Duhamel, Speaking of Sbarretti's Coming.

Personal Characteristics of Pope's Representative.

Ottawa, April 8.—(Special.)—Mgr. Donatius Sbarretti was born at Monte Franco, in Central Italy, and comes of an illustrious family. His uncle, Cardinal Sbarretti, died about six years ago. When a young man his excellency was appointed professor of ethics in the University of the Propaganda, and his pupils are to be found all over the world, some of them being now in Canada. He was at the same time secretary of the Congregation of the Propaganda for American Affairs, and later on discharged similar duties in regard to the oriental affairs of the church. On account of his erudition, and increased legal attainments, as well as his fitness otherwise, he was appointed consultor to the apostolic delegation at Washington shortly after its institution, and in that capacity aided both Mgr. Satoli and Mgr. Martinelli.

At a critical juncture in the affairs of Cuba, following the Spanish war, he was selected by the late Pope as Bishop of Havana. It was a position hedged around with difficulties, but Bishop Sbarretti extricated himself with admirable success. He worked in conjunction with Governor-General Wood, and adjusted most satisfactorily the new conditions of the church in the government of the island. For twenty months he was Bishop of Havana, and then returned to Washington, and then succeeded by Bishop Chapelle of New Orleans, who is now in the Philippines. From the rank of bishop he was then raised to the titular Archbishopric of Ephesus, and on the transfer of Mgr. Diomede Falconio from Ottawa, was chosen to become apostolic delegate to Canada in December, 1902, arriving in Ottawa on Jan. 3, 1903.

Solves Perplexing Question.

At his coming, His Grace Archbishop Duhamel spoke of him as follows: "The delegate comes to us as the representative of the Pope, who sends such delegate to represent him all over the world. THEIR UTTERANCES CONTRIBUTE EFFECTUALLY TO THE SOLUTION OF THOSE QUESTIONS THAT PERPLEX THE HOLDERS OF TEMPORAL POWER ON EARTH."

Aside from official visits the delegate goes scarcely anywhere. His day is spent very quietly at his residence, "The Highlands," a handsome stone house in a beautiful spot on the new driveway near Lansdowne Park, in the southern end of the city.

His secretary, Rev. Dr. Sinnott, accompanies him everywhere.

For recreation, his excellency indulges in long walks, accompanied by Rev. Dr. Sinnott. Sometimes he is seen in the southern part of the city with Rev. Dr. Lacoste of the university, who is a very frequent visitor at the delegation. He is not fond of driving, for he does not keep a carriage, nor does he drive much at all.

His predecessor, Mgr. Diomed Falconio, visited considerably more than he, tho neither of them has been very familiar with any of the people of Ottawa. Mgr. Sbarretti is considered rather distant, tho, at the Knights of Columbus' hall, Laurier-avenue, where he held his last New Year's reception, he made a very favorable impression by the affability of his manner.

His Visitors.

Among the most frequent visitors at the delegation, aside from the clergy, are Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. R. W. Scott, D'Arcy Scott, Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, Sir Elzear Taschereau and other very prominent Catholic gentlemen of the city.

His excellency attends punctiliously all official functions at Rideau hall, where he takes precedence over all clergy. He comes next to the premier.

Much has been said recently of Mgr. Sbarretti's position in Ottawa, some questions being asked as to what he is supposed to do. He is the head of the Catholic hierarchy of the Dominion. He is the ordinary channel of communication between the bishops and archbishops and the Vatican, tho these dignitaries are still required to make their regular visits to Rome.

Since his coming to Canada, his excellency's time has been spent chiefly in the capital, where he has received visits from all of the bishops of the Catholic Church in the Dominion. Only last year he called a conference of several prelates in conclave to discuss the preparations for a plenary council. When such a council is held it will be the first in the history of Canada. It will define the ecclesiastical rules for Canada, much as the plenary council of Baltimore did for the United States.

"The Highlands."

Mgr. Sbarretti's residence is the same which his predecessor, Mgr. Falconio, used. It stands on a rising ground, between the Rideau Canal and a back stretch of water, called Brown's Inlet, and the new driveway passes in front of it. It was the home of the late F. Rogers, the confectioner and caterer, and was purchased from the estate by Mgr. Falconio for about $11,000. The grounds attached are quite spacious, and very prettily laid out, and the whole place is a sight worth the trip to see it.

Mgr. Falconio, at Washington, holds a first-class delegation, while Mgr. Sbarretti, at Ottawa, holds a second-class. The reason for the difference is in the standing of the countries. Tho Mgr. Falconio is not a nuncio, as the papal representatives at Madrid or Lisbon, where they have diplomatic relations at those courts, he is a delegate from the Pope at the seat of government of an independent nation. Yet the powers of each apostolic delegate,

as far as the clergy subject to them are concerned, are equal. But at the Vatican, His Excellency Mgr. Sbarretti would not take precedence over Mgr. Falconio.

—Macdonald.

Ferry service this (Sunday) afternoon to the Island, starting at 1 o'clock.

The new Milton Royle play, "The Squaw Man," in which William Faversham is to be starred by Liebler & Co., and concerning which there have been many promising predictions, will have its initial presentation at the Star Theatre, Buffalo, Monday, April 24.

VICTIM OF DEADLY DISEASE.

Belleville, April 8.—(Special.)—Deep regret is expressed that the wife of John Bell, K.C., solicitor for the Grand Trunk Railway, is lying at the point of death.

For some days Mrs. Bell has been unwell, but was thought to be improving until yesterday, when last night a consultation of physicians was held, the result being that the malady was diagnosed as cerebro-spinal meningitis, the deadly complaint which is ravaging New York and some points in Eastern Canada.

The stricken lady is almost 60 years of age, and is the second wife of Mr. Bell. There are no children.

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They Tanned the Russians, Too.

From The Philadelphia Inquirer.

Since they showed their fighting qualities it has been found that the Japanese are not a yellow race at all; they are only deeply tanned.

THE COCKNEY AS AN IM

No one will deny the genial lence of The Evening News, impossible to deplore the article that appeared on W under the heading "London send a crew," in which we "another variegated consig East Londoners came to To night"; also:

"Lunnon was there in unsophisticated, blundering gation in a strange land, the that held them in a common ing absolute penury, igno their surroundings and a origin in London East. S call them Hooligans, for certainly floaters in the so ciety; perhaps not half so as some of them look, but glimpse the average patrio dian does not thank The Daily Telegraph for its shill and its gratuitous exporta motley crew to this countr

The article goes on to indul of cheap wit at the expen "blundering aggregation in land." One is tempted to w the writer would feel were down in a strange land and and mocked. Even the pe with children at their breast objects for the pungent wit lant and gracious scribbler, ter taste is an editorial arti peared on the same day in gram, reminding sundry an their parents were once stra strange land, bidding the new imitate the example of their sors and to buck up and exh of their generally accredite pluck, and adding: "Canad do well to suppress their gift when they are confronted wi liness of strangers who ha their footing in a new count

If the members of the afor "blundering aggregation" ar ed in Canada, they should b ed to land, The London Daily should be warned that its ef populating of this country preciated, and the ever effal R Preston, Emigration Co for Canada, should be forbi The London Daily Express paper that "We want a m bodied men and a million w that "Most of the Barr townspeople. They went out ago to a spot 180 miles fro way. To-day they are nea well, and the railway now their settlement." All sorts ers can come here and mingl are neither scoffed at nor m ments for wretched displays humor. But men, women a even the babies, of the race as The Telegram suggests, of our parents sprung, are a suited and reproached for lute penury," "ignorance fr roundings" and "common stead of his stuff being he half a score of big head-line thereof would have been had he been spanked and pu

OUTCAST LONDO

What M. Zola would ha "human document" has be by the London County Cou of homeless outcasts in tropolis. A previous cens taken in January of 1904, the inadequate number of ployed it could not be ma complete as the census night of February 17 last covered on that occasion and 312 women were shive a proper roof or a bed, in on staircases, or under arc has some five millions of but the proportion which wanderers of both sexes fuge of any sort is heart is not a case of a Neapol under the stars, his clos ned by soft zephyrs. An tried to walk about the Lo