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ABOUT OURSELVES.

This week we will mail to our subscribers who are in arrears a statement of their account with the CATHOLIC RECORD. In summing up liabilities that should be adjusted before the new year opens, we trust our kind friends will not forget to include their newspaper item. The small sums received from subscribers all over the country make the total which gives motion to the journalistic wheels. Many, we regret to say, neglect attending to this matter, some for one and some for many years. This is not fair dealing. It arises in most cases from neglect, or from a habit of postponing until tomorrow what should be done today. We would feel obliged if our patrons will make a prompt response when they receive their bills, and on our part we promise that during the coming year we will make the RECORD more than ever a welcome weekly visitor to their homes.

We would draw the attention of those who owe us a considerable amount to the annexed letter written by the saintly Archbishop of Toronto shortly before his death. His words were called forth from a knowledge of a very deplorable state of affairs in regard to Catholic newspapers; and has special reference to the class of persons who will allow many years to elapse without paying their newspaper debts:

"I have been often pained and astonished at the frequent appeals of editors and proprietors of newspapers to their subscribers, urging them to pay their just debts. Catholics at least cannot be unaware of their obligations in this matter, and that abolition in a prudent heathen sorry for his sins does not free him from the obligation of paying his just debts. The atonement for the oblivion of justice in this world will certainly be exacted in the next. The editors and proprietors of newspapers, on their part, give their time, the product of a high education, and experience, together with their money, for stationery, printing and wages to employees, and they expect and should have, in common justice, a return, often by no means adequate for their outlay. A man who will not pay for a paper he takes and reads, and whose contents he enjoys, is a retailer of another man's goods, and is on a level with a thief. ARCHBISHOP LYNCH.

The scrupulousness of the Times in its treatment of political opponents has had further illustration in the result of a trial entered by Sir John Pope Hennessy two years ago, and concluded lately in the Queen's Bench Court of London. The Times accused Sir John of having in his capacity of Governor of Mauritius, garbled and altered official reports of speeches in the Legislative Council, for the attainment of his own purposes. It is positively stated that the informant of the Times was a forger who had undergone fourteen years penal servitude, and that the Times knew his bad character when it made on such information its attacks on Sir John, and that all this would have been proved if the case had gone on. Now, however, the Times acknowledges that it was "mistaken," and apologizes and pays the costs on both sides. Sir John P. Hennessy accepts the apology and so the case terminates. It is to be regretted that the case was not brought to trial, so that the facts might be all elicited judicially.

The discovery is being gradually made by Protestants that Godless education is not the glorious thing it has been represented to be. They are, therefore, becoming more and more earnest in agitating religious education in the schools. It is only when Catholics insist on educating their children religiously that some extreme bigots raise the cry that the public school system is in danger, and agitate to take religious education out of the school curriculum. It makes a great difference whose goats is killed. The Mail of the 7th has the following on the subject:

"A correspondent gives the following: Not more than eight miles from the city of Hamilton, within half a mile from a Methodist church, two miles and a half from an English church, and three miles from a Presbyterian church, there is a good school in every way well appointed. It will scarcely be believed that one day when the teacher asked a good sized boy a question, she discovered that he knew nothing whatever about G-d. Yet why should it be so strange? The Bible is not read by the children, nor do they get any instruction regarding their duty to love God and their fellow-men. Other studies, secular, but deemed more important, occupy the whole time. Many of our children are growing up unaffected by the restraints or elevating motives of the Christian religion, and Sabbath schools cannot meet the want."

The priests of London diocese met last Tuesday at Sandwich to offer congratulations to Very Rev. D. O'Connor, on the occurrence of his silver jubilee of ordination to the priesthood. A suitable presentation was also made on the occasion. We will next week refer at length to the matter. THE CATHOLIC RECORD likewise desires to give expression of sincere regard, with a prayer that this distinguished and holy priest will be spared to celebrate his Golden Jubilee in the service of God.

Some papers, have been circulating items to the effect that Cardinal Tscherning will be the next Pope. His Eminence undoubtedly stands high both for learning and administrative ability, but such reports as the above are not based upon any real or reliable foundation, and should not be circulated. It is to be hoped that the illustrious Pontiff who now rules the Church, Leo XIII, will continue so to do for many years, but probably, even among the Cardinals, it is scarcely known

with any degree of certainty who will be his successor in the contingency of his death. The report that Pope Leo will come to Quebec in the event of a war breaking out in Italy is equally without foundation.

THE BISHOP OF HAMILTON.

We have pleasure in transferring to our columns the following expressions of regard towards Bishop Dowling from two prominent non-denominational papers.

Hamilton Times, Dec. 14. Our Catholic readers will be delighted to read the intelligence contained in our news columns this afternoon. There is every reason for the belief that Bishop Dowling, of Peterboro—'one of the most popular priests ever ordained in this city'—has been transferred from Peterboro to Hamilton. In returning here, he comes among friends, for it was in this city he entered the Church, and it was here, too, that he was consecrated to the Bishopric. Bishop Dowling will prove a worthy successor to the able man who preceded him in the high office, and it is not difficult to prophesy that his return to Hamilton will be warmly endorsed by the people at large.

Our telegraphic dispatches announce that His Lordship Bishop Dowling has been translated from Peterborough to the See of Hamilton, to succeed the late Dr. Carbery, and that the Rev. Richard A. O'Connor, Dean of Barrie, has been nominated to succeed Bishop Dowling. The dispatch is correct, the announcement of the removal will cause general regret, as His Lordship has made many warm friends during his episcopate. The news has been received at the priest's house, though no official confirmation has yet arrived. There is, however, scarcely a doubt of the accuracy of the report. All dioceses in Peterborough will part with Bishop Dowling with regret, and the people of Peterborough, while commending the good judgment, cannot complain of the amiable anxiety of the Hamilton diocese to regard Peterborough in the light of a preserve for prelates. The first bishop of that diocese was from Peterborough—Bishop Farrell—and now they are taking another Bishop from us, in the person of Bishop Dowling, with the added amiable quality of leaving him long enough with us to learn his many good qualities, and then taking him from us.

Bargains can be had at the Orphan's bazaar now being held in the City Hall. Many beautiful articles on sale would make very pretty Christmas presents, and everything will be sold cheap.

THE FORGERIES COMMISSION.

The Parnell Commission, or rather the Forgeries Commission, continued its work during the past week, very much after the same style as before. There have been one or two witnesses that there have been outrages in Ireland, and all the details have been gone over with sickening minuteness. More outrages are committed every year in London than have occurred in Ireland in ten, though in London there is not the protection of the grinding oppression which exists as before. Innocent men are not so wretchedly thrown into prison as to be returned to death, nor are tenants ejected remorselessly and by wholesale from property which has been built upon and improved by themselves, the sick and infirm being cast by the roadside to die of the brutality which is perpetrated under the wing of the law. Yet such enormities as the Whitechapel murders occur almost under the eyes of the police. The Times having hitherto failed to connect Mr. Parnell or any leading Nationalist with the Irish outrages in any form, made a desperate effort during the last week to show some connection between them and the National League.

A man named Kelleher testified that moonlighters assailed his house, and obliged him to swear loyalty to the League, and to quit the employment of a farmer who was under duress. With all their predisposition to do so, the judges will scarcely admit that this is evidence against the League. Another witness named O'Connor testified that he was induced to join an "Inner Circle" of the League, which went by the name "The Boys."

The witness said he took part in moonlight expeditions of the boys, carrying guns and revolvers. Timothy Moran, secretary of a branch of the League, paid witness and said others six shillings each on the occasion of one outrage. Timothy Harrington promised to pay the witness and others their own price if they could secure the election of a member of the League as Poor Law Guardian. He instructed them not to kill voters, but only to frighten them greatly and compel them to sign the voting papers. Those who refused were coerced and compelled to sign. Mr. Harrington paid witness £7. All the members of the Inner Circle belonged to the League. Membership in the League was essential to membership in "The Boys." O'Connor said the day before Callaghan shot his offence was discussed at a meeting of the League committee. Afterwards Father O'Callaghan said he knew Callaghan was an ugly man, and would soon be higher. The Curragh branch of the League applied to the Central League for aid for evicted tenants, and received a reply refusing any relief on the grounds that the district was too greatly disturbed. By the same post, however, was received a private letter, signed Timothy Harrington, in which the reason given for the refusal to respond was that the place was too dull.

Timothy's witness's evidence was completely shaken up on cross examination, leaving it evident that he is one of those who have been induced to forswear himself to secure the reward which has been promised to those who will incite prominent members of the League. There is no doubt that when the evidence will bring forward its witnesses,

TORONTO SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD.

At its last meeting, on the 4th inst., the Toronto Separate School Board presented to the Very Reverend Administrators of the archdiocese, F. P. Rooney and J. M. Laurent, a handsomely illuminated address, congratulating them for their able management of the affairs of the archdiocese, and thanking them for their interest in the schools manifested since the death of His Grace the Archbishop. The Administrators replied suitably to the occasion.

A motion was also introduced by Mr. Cahill to establish in St. John's Ward a night school for the education of the Italian children, who are said to be about 500 in number, more than either French or German Catholic children. The motion was referred to the management committee. Sixty-five dollars were also voted to procure complete chemical apparatus for

the De la Salle Institute. We congratulate the Board on these evidences of Italy, and on their desire to increase the efficiency of their schools.

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his specific accusations will be rebutted. Another witness named Burke testified that Clonbar branch of the League decided on the murder of Lord Mountmorris, and that a member of the League named Sweeney had asked him to assist in the murder, and that he had promised to assist but that he absented himself. On cross examination he stated that he could not swear that there was a branch of the League there at the time of the murder. The society might have been some secret society—perhaps the same of which he had himself been a member fourteen or fifteen years ago.

Another witness named Walsh, ex-secretary of Kildare branch of the League, Co. Mayo, testified that several persons had been boycotted by order of the League, for refusing to join the Plan of Campaign. He admitted that he had been expelled from the League on a charge of pilfering, and that for making a fraudulent claim for damages, he had been discharged by a glass insurance company for which he had an agency. He stated that the police had told him they did not know what would befall him unless he gave evidence for the Times, and that then he consented to testify.

Pat Molloy, said to be a noted renegade, refused to obey a subpoena to give evidence for the Times. However he was arrested and brought before the Commission. He then stated that he was promised money if he could eliminate Mr. Michael Davitt either by true or false evidence. He acknowledged to Mr. Chas. Russell that he had told the Times' solicitors stories against prominent Nationalists, but he was humbugging the Times, and trying to get what he could out of the evidence of Hannon refused to hear the evidence of the solicitor's clerk regarding what Molloy had told him.

CATHOLIC NOTES.

Bishop Foley, of Detroit, was presented on the Feast of St. Martin with a purse of \$1,000 by his old congregation in Baltimore.

There are in Spain 221 monasteries with 3,220 monks, and 1,109 convents with 25,000 nuns.

The pilgrimages are still visiting the Holy City. One from France, and one from Spain are still expected before the end of the year.

In Austria the movement for the restoration of the Pope's rights is assuming immense proportions. A large meeting was lately held in Vienna to give more life to the movement.

The progress Cardinal Newman is making towards recovery is most satisfactory. It was nevertheless deemed advisable by his doctors that he should be spared the excitement of a personal interview with the Holy Father. We understand Cardinal Newman expressed a wish to see his old man servant who was his attendant many years ago in Ireland, and who is now in business in Birmingham.

Rev. Dr. McSweeney, of St. Bridget's Church, New York, wishes it to be distinctly understood that the name of the patron saint of that parish is not St. Bridget, but Brigid. St. Bridget was a Swedish saint, and died 200 years ago, whereas Ireland's patroness died 1,300 ago, and St. Brigid is the only correct way of spelling her name.

A Milan paper announces that the Pope, whose fondness for journalism is so well known, is about to start a large popular penny paper for the people, with round Catholic views, with many leading articles which will be written at the Vatican. He has already 500,000 francs for the purpose, and suggested that fifty copies of the forthcoming first copy be sent to every parish priest in Italy for distribution.

In the last Prussian Parliament the Catholic Party held ninety-five seats. In the present they held ninety-seven, having retained all the previous seats besides gaining two. The Poles, who in all things essential also vote with the Prussian Catholic party, number fifteen, making a total strength of 112 members, out of 433, or nearly 26 per cent. of the whole. The new Canadian College was inaugurated at Rome on the 11th ult., the Cardinal-Vicar presiding at the inaugural banquet. The superior expressed thanks to the English Government for its protection and sympathy for religious associations in the colonies, and Mr. Kennedy, *charge d'affaires*, responded. The cornerstone of these handsome Resurrection buildings was laid two years ago by Cardinal Howard.

THE MORMON SETTLEMENT.

Dr. Allen, the Customs Collector at Fort MeLeod, now at Ottawa, was interviewed by the *Globe* correspondent in the capital last week on the subject of the Mormon settlement at Fort MeLeod, which is in his district. The doctor said:

"The settlement lies some fourteen miles south of Fort MeLeod and contains about 125 souls. The Mormons were an industrious and pushing people and in every way good settlers, provided they did not practice polygamy. At the time they came into the country he had an interview with Elder Caird, who is their leader. Mr. Caird distinctly told him that it was their intention to abide by the laws of the country and give up polygamy. He could not say whether they had done so or not, as it might be carried on without his knowledge. He had met Mr. Stenhouse, ex M. P. P., British Columbia, who had come to live in the settlement, and who was made an Associate Priest by the settlers, on several occasions, but was not aware of the fact that he was an advocate of polygamy until he read it in the press. One of the wives of Brigham Young, the mother of Elder Caird, paid a visit to the settlement very recently, but has since returned to her home in Utah. The Mormons had some 200 head of cattle. The doctor states that smuggling is carried on to a great extent along the border. In

respect to the ranchmen not permitting settlers on their lands, he only knew of one case of this kind. Those holding a twenty or thirty years' lease had the power to deny, but the Government had also the power to cancel the lease after two years' notice, and in this way had the remedy in their own hands."

CATHOLIC PRESS.

Catholic Columbian. The abuse of Catholicism is becoming less and less popular. At a recent religious conference in New York, a "Rev." began an onslaught on the Church when Rev. Josiah Strong stepped forward and, in a whisper caused the abuse to cease; but, again resuming, a Mr. Dodge requested him to stop and apologized for the abusive remarks of the Bohemian clerk.

The Troy, N. Y., Catholic Weekly is strongly in favor of the absence, in sermons, of all meretricious ornamentation, such as too great a straining for mere elocutionary effect, and the like. It asks: "When will our preachers and editors learn that it is the homely, robust Saxon that is earnest and eloquent, and not the composite dandyism of the verbal dancing-masters?"

Still approximating, without arriving at the truth. At various times we have noted a disposition, on the part of the High Church Episcopalians, to adopt the Catholic practices which their forerunners disowned. The latest case is that of Rev. Dr. Betts, of Louisville, Ky., (a prominent home ruler, by the way,) who offered up in his Grace Church a requiem mass. What a pity 'tis, that so many minds are drawn so near the portals of the Temple of Truth, and yet fall in the heroism of entering so as to abide therein.

Not long since, in Chicago, twenty-one clergymen of the various Protestant denominations met together, and made an interesting investigation as to their standing on different lines of theology. The result is somewhat amusing. The attendants upon the twenty-one churches were found to be 7,174, of whom 4,036 were women and 3,138 men. It was also found that women were the more inclined to religious meditation; that men were tired after a week of work and preferred to stay at home on Sunday, while in many cases men worked on Sunday and could not go to church. Then, again, men were becoming more careless as to religious things. Of the twenty-one clergymen thirteen believe in hell of some sort. Some of them in a place of eternal brimstone; one was rather skeptical, while one would not talk on the subject. As to whether orthodoxy was dying out or not, thirteen said it was not, but rather on the increase; four were mixed on the subject, three said it was on the decline and one would not talk.

United Ireland.

Every day the country gives cheering testimony of the splendid spirit with which our people are facing oppression and trampling it under foot. If Mr. Balfour has any difficulty about filling his prisons it must be the difficulty of selection amongst the eager candidates. There is no single institution or practice against which Coercion has been directed that is not more flourishing and more widespread at this hour than when Coercion was at its height. The great meeting last week at Clonsilla, in the county of Kildare, under the auspices of the indefatigable Dr. Tanner is but one illustration in a thousand. Within a few hours the rents of an obituary rack-renter and intending evictor—Mr. P. Penhony O'Kelly—were (less a reasonable deduction) promptly collected and lodged in the war chest of the Plan of Campaign, while the aggregate police force of the district were kept amused at a neighboring demonstration. When it comes to a fight with Coercion and the Plan, Coercion is not in it; literally and figuratively not in it.

A desperate effort is being made to throw an atmosphere of blood-curdling horror around the piles of old newspaper cuttings with which the "Forger" is filling the Commission Court. It was, they say, a little too low down on public credulity to send in anonymous "Forger" witness to the London police court to complete that he had been intimidated by "one of the Parnell side." Questioned as to the name or residence of the person who had intimidated him, he grew so confused and evasive as the "Forger" itself when the forged letters are in question, and declined to supply the slightest information. We are inclined to think that the intimidating letter to the President of the Commission is a trick of the same kind.

The Coercionists are sorely exasperated about Colonel Tarnock Turner's unflinching exposure of the rival Plan of Campaign against rack-renters. The British Daily itself, which was quite cock as a sheep over the first letter, as an intimation that its tenants were about to abandon their leaders, has lately been feverishly waiting for an explanation. Mr. Balfour has intimated "the Government will take no steps in the matter," probably not knowing what steps they could take. But it is probable that Mr. Balfour has a private winging, Mr. Balfour's own special and peculiar organ, the *Saturday Review*, has been constrained to confess "that Colonel Turner's proceeding certainly bears too much resemblance to an attempt to oust the original Plan." But we miss the logical conclusion that Colonel Turner's act be prosecuted under the Coercion Act.

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