

# The Catholic Register.

"Truth is Catholic; proclaim it ever, and God will effect the rest."—BALMEZ.

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## Register of the Week.

The following changes have been made by his Grace the Archbishop in the diocese of Toronto: Rev. F. Smith of St. Catherine's is appointed to Merritton to succeed Rev. J. F. Lynett, who is going south for the benefit of his health. Rev. C. Cantillon, late curate at Adjala is appointed to Brock. Rev. P. J. Keane being now feeble in health, Father Desmond has been appointed to Uxbridge as substitute.

Preparations are making in Philadelphia for a monster reception to Hon. Edward Blake on the 25th of next month.

The legislature of Wisconsin has voted to erect a monument to Father Marguette and has advertised for competition models which are to be inspected on October 15th at Madison.

A German Bishop, Dr. A. Bitter, of Melle, in Hanover, until recently Bishop of Osnabruck, has been sent by the Vatican to take charge of the Church in Sweden. He is the first recognized Bishop since the Reformation. It is only since 1789 that the Catholic religion has been tolerated in Sweden. Before that time priests were not allowed to perform the offices of the sacred ministry. Only since 1873 has full liberty been allowed.

The signs are multiplying that the bitterness of Protestant prejudices is fast disappearing in Holland. At the consecration at the Hague of a new Catholic Church all the Protestant authorities of the city and the Queen herself were represented.

The appointment of a Bishop for Berlin, in which city a new see is to be erected, is another proof of the cordial relations at present existing between the Vatican and the German Government. Some time ago it was announced that the German Emperor had aided the ecclesiastical authorities in Berlin to secure a site for a new church, which will probably become the cathedral; and now he consents to the appointment of a resident prelate for his capital city. The new Bishop will be a suffragan of the Archbishop of Breslau, which see is at present filled by his Eminence Cardinal Kopp, whose influence at the German court has been considerable ever since the time he co-operated with the Kaiser in effecting a settlement of the troubles that arose between the Silesian miners and their employers.

The Rev. Walter Clayton Clapp, a former minister of the Episcopal Church, who was until recently assistant in the Library of Parliament, Baltimore, Md., at the same time had charge of St. Mary's Church for

colored persons, in that city, has renounced the Protestant faith and become a Catholic.

The Koreans at Gonzen have killed a French priest under the impression that he was a Japanese spy.

At last reports Sir Frank Smith was recovering as rapidly as could be expected from the result of his accident.

A monument is to be erected shortly in Bayonne, France to the memory

and especially on the sincere and honest enquirers after truth.

Mr. Fisher went to Rome to convert the Catholics there.

Doctor Norman Fox made a point in the Constitutional Convention at Albany, that suggests the payment by results that obtains in England. He said: "Now, when a man is a candidate for the office of county clerk or brigadier general, the State has no right to enquire whether he does not

orable gentleman a cordial reception. He has been here on a couple of occasions before and left the most favorable impression of all who had the pleasure of listening to him and meeting him personally. He has impressed all with the conviction that he is a man of rare ability, and of his earnestness and zeal in the cause of Ireland he has given the most irresistible proofs. It will be of the highest interest and importance to hear from his lips the exact sentiments of the Irish party regarding the present crucial situation at home, and we trust the result of his mission here may be such as will materially help toward its solution, to Ireland's permanent benefit.

The Pope has received an autograph letter of congratulation addressed to him by the young King of Spain, Alfonso XIII., on the occasion of the Fete of St. Joachim, His Holiness's Patron Saint.

The programme adopted by the German Catholic Congress at Cologne is as follows:

1. Compulsory Sunday holiday.
2. The organisation of trade unions, in accordance with the various natures of the different trades.
3. Christian social courses of instruction to combat social democratic doctrines.
4. International agreement regarding hours in mines.
5. Provision for the unemployed.
6. The better housing of the poor.
7. The combating of "unfair competition."
8. The supplementation of State Insurance.

His Holiness the Pope begged the delegates to give their attention in a special manner to social questions. He said: "It cannot have escaped your notice in what a sad position both religion and society are at the present day. The Socialistic and other fallacious theories which have obtained so firm a footing engender bitter strife between one half of humanity and the other, to such an extent that the public peace is endangered. The Catholics must, therefore, remember what great blessings have been gained for Fatherland and religion by unity, and must not jeopardize these hard won advantages by becoming a prey to discord. Their efforts must further be directed towards promoting the interests of the artisan and working classes on a Christian basis, so as to root out the causes of disunion."

At the Methodist General Conference in London on Tuesday, Rev. A. C. Courtrice of Kingston was elected editor of the *Christian Guardian*, succeeding the Rev. Dr. Dewart, who has ably filled the position for the last twenty-seven years. Dr. Dewart will have the sympathy of a very large public. It is learned that his term of office will not expire until next June.

The Catholic *Maitre de Rome* has just been tried for having published an article calculated to cause a fall in Italian bonds in the foreign markets. The charge could not be substantiated and the journal was acquitted.



HIS GRACE ARCHBISHOP WALSH,  
OF TORONTO.

of the late Cardinal Lavignerie, who was born there in 1825.

Pastor Fisher of the Methodist church in Rome has made the solemn abjuration of his errors, and has been baptized, and received other sacraments of the Church. He was drawn to Catholicity by the recent invitation which the Holy Father made to Protestants, in his Encyclical, *Praeclara*. This conversion, and the circumstances accompanying it, has most deeply moved his Holiness, and has caused the greatest satisfaction to him and to all in Rome who have the interest of religion at heart. This satisfaction, however, is not shared by the former friends and associates of the convert, because they recognize, fully, the loss they have sustained in the defection of so able and so energetic a worker; and they very justly fear the influence that his example may have on others,

and especially on the sincere and honest enquirers after truth. And so when a school applies for a State grant, the State has no right to raise any question as to its religious teaching or relationship. As the State could not properly make a grant to a school because it taught certain Church tenets, so it could not properly refuse a grant on such grounds. The State should make or refuse grants to a school solely with reference to its civil and secular character and work."

The Home Rule Bulletin makes the following appreciative remarks concerning Mr. Blake: Taking advantage of the recess, the Hon. Edward Blake, M.P., has consented, by request of the Irish Party, to pay another visit to the United States, with a view of laying before the Irish residents the present position of the Irish cause. It is superfluous to bespeak for the hon-