

ENCYCLICAL LETTER.

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whose affections have been turned aside, and call them back to the harbor of truth and the unity of the faith, so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd. Be Thou King also of all those who still sit in the ancient superstition of the Gentiles, and refuse not Thou to deliver them out of darkness into the light and kingdom of God. Grant, O Lord, to Thy Church assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; give peace and order to all nations, and make the earth resound from pole to pole with one word: Praise to the Divine Heart that wrought out salvation; to It be glory and honor for ever. Amen.

TRANSVAAL NEWS IN LATIN

This is how "Vox Urbis," of July 15, sums up the situation in the Transvaal. We will present a valuable work to the person who sends us the best English translation of this admirable piece of modern Latinity. The name of the winner, together with the translation, will be published in this paper. We shall also print the names of all who translate fairly well. "Vox Urbis" is a most interesting fortnightly Latin periodical published in Rome at Via Alexandrina, 87.

Transvaalanae etiam res graves in dies fiunt; Krüger enim reipublicae preside rigide obstante, ne anglicis petitionibus quid legislatores concedant, Anglorum irae succensae quasi ad bellum videntur, ita ut quotidie militum tormentorumque expeditiones ab anglicis portibus ad ultimam Africae coloniam proficisci audiantur. Utlandera namque collegia petitionem aliam nuperrime emisissent, qua civis in Transvaal quinto saltem anno commemoranti electionis exercendae ius adscribi expostularetur; insuper religionis ac edendorum scriptorum libertas, atque anglico batavicoque idiomate ad publicas res utendi facultas. Quibus postulatis licet Joubert dux, vicepraeses, inclinare videatur, Krüger tamen omni nisu obstat.

Neque satis; belli enim minae finitimam iam Orange reipublicam ita pervadunt, ut Praetoria in urbe Steijn praeses, coetum oratorum Volksraad dimittens, belli fautores facilem controversiarum compositionem stulte equidem impedire affirmaverit: quodsi eam impossibilem reddissent, futurum ut reipublicae fata Deo committerentur.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM MR. TARDIVEL.

To the Editor Manitoba Free Press:

Dear Sir—While thanking you for inserting my letter in your issue of Aug. 19, may I be allowed a word in answer to your editorial comment? You quote Morgan, who says: "Mr. Tardivel is strongly pro-Catholic and favors the secession of the province of Quebec from Confederation, looking to the eventual independence of New France." "This programme," you add sounds rather anti-English." Why, may I ask? Is it because I am strongly pro-Catholic? Surely not. Cardinal Vaughan, Archbishop of Westminster, is certainly quite as pro-Catholic as I am, yet no one imagines, I fancy, that there is anything anti-English about him. Is it because I favor—under certain conditions, one of which is loyalty to the British Crown—the secession of the province of Quebec from Confederation? Many Nova Scotians are, or were until

quite recently, favorable to the secession of that province from the Dominion. No one, that I am aware of, ever accused them of being anti-English on that account. Is it because I hope for the eventual independence of New France? Where is the treason in that, provided I counsel the use of legitimate and constitutional means only to attain that end? Is the establishment of a new France in America intrinsically bad? Is it even intrinsically anti-English? Is not the New World wide enough to hold several nationalities living peacefully side by side? Or must the English have it all, in order that peace may reign? I protest, as an Englishman, against such nonsensical jingoism. It is un-English if not anti-English. Such were not the great Gladstone's ideas. Fair-play is supposed to be the motto of Englishmen. Therefore, if the French Canadians, who have been in this country nearly 300 years, can, by fair and lawful means, establish a new France here, why, in the name of all that is reasonable, not allow them to do so?

You say, again: "It is notorious that Mr. Tardivel has for years preached doctrines that are most obnoxious to the English Protestants of that province. He belongs to that school in the province of Quebec to which Mr. Trudel, Mr. Desjardins, and others belong, which declares the doctrine of the separation of Church and State to be 'absurd and impious.'" I simply deny that I preach doctrines obnoxious to English Protestants; and my denial is sufficient till some proof of the accusation brought against me is forthcoming. What is notorious to all who really read my paper is that not a writer in the province of Quebec leaves Protestants and their business more severely alone than I do. I never, in any way, meddle with their concerns; so, I cannot possibly see why my writings should be considered obnoxious to them.

As regards the separation of Church and State, I hold, on that question, exactly the same doctrine that is taught by the head of the Catholic Church, and that all Catholics must hold to be true Catholics. On that score I belong to no "school," and I do not differ in the least from enlightened Catholics the world over. I could go into the subject at length, but refrain from doing so, not wishing to trespass unduly on your space. Any Catholic theologian will tell you what is the teaching of the Church on that matter. You will find that it is neither unreasonable nor anti-English.

Hoping that you will kindly publish this reply, I remain your obedient servant.

J. P. TARDIVEL.  
Quebec, Aug. 24, 1899.

MRS. H. KAVANAGH.

It is our sad duty this week to record the death of one of Montreal's most esteemed and honored residents in the person of the late Mrs. Henry Kavanagh. The deceased lady was the widow of the late Mr. Henry Kavanagh, one of the gifted and respected members of the older generation, whose name has remained a household word amongst the Irish Catholic population of the city. The maiden name of Mrs. Kavanagh was Mary Ann Helen Horan. At the time of her death she was in her 78th year, and, although she had passed the allotted three-score and ten, she was, until quite recently, active and hearty. Gifted with a happy disposition, a sincere devotion, and an absorbing love of all those near and dear to her, she had moved through life "doing good," and performing with Christian zeal and Catholic fervor all the duties of her state—both domestic and public. At home she was the model of a

pious and true woman, as wife, as mother, and as friend; abroad in society, she was the living example of the beauty and grandeur of Catholic virtue. When the end drew near and the way to eternal happiness was opening out before her she had the supreme consolation of being surrounded by all her surviving children, and above all, she had the happiness of receiving the last sacred rites of Holy Church from the hands of her own son, Rev. Father Kavanagh, S.J. Mr. H. S. Kavanagh, Q. C., Mr. Walter Kavanagh, Miss Kavanagh and Mrs. Craven, her sons and daughters, had the glorious consolation of witnessing the saintly death of their beloved mother, and of feeling that peacefulness of resignation which alone comes to all who have faith in the Communion of Saints and in the assurance of a reunion hereafter.

While tendering the bereaved family the sincere expression of our deep sympathy, we join in the prayer that the Church—which she loved and served so well—pronounced over her grave, "may she rest in peace." — True Witness, Sept. 2.

THE BAZAAR IN AID OF NOTRE DAME CHURCH.

In spite of the counter attractions with which the present week has been crowded the attendance at the Catholic bazaar has continued to be good throughout and the receipts correspondingly flattering. The special features of the week at this entertainment have been the banquets, one given by the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association on Tuesday and another by the Catholic order of Foresters on Thursday night. At both of these the ladies provided feasts which would have done credit to the menu of the best hotels, and the attendance was amply sufficient to justify the generous preparations. Owing probably to the fact that the Catholic Order of Foresters is but recently organized here and the membership much larger than that of the older order, the guests at the banquet given by them assembled in much larger numbers. But the Foresters were especially favored also by having Archbishop Langevin of St. Boniface to preside at their supper, as well as Rev. Father O'Dwyer and other distinguished guests. Rev. Fathers Poitras and Thibodeau, and the congregation of Notre Dame have reason to feel pleased with the result of their bazaar.—Rat Portage News, Aug. 26.

HE SHEDS HIS SKIN.

ONCE A YEAR FOR 43 YEARS, HE HAS DONE AS THE SNAKES DO.

Denver Evening Post.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 7.—A man who sheds his skin in its entirety once a year, and who has done so regularly for the last 43 years, is one of the curiosities that Butte boasts of. The man—J. M. Price, a fairly well educated miner—is at the present time engaged in the curious pastime of skinning himself. The method that he adopts is to first skin his hands and face and then strip it in an immense sheet from his body.

The process of skinning his hands and face was completed yesterday and it came from the face like a mask. The skin from the hands resembles a pair of gloves and was exhibited on the street yesterday. The toughness is something remarkable and two men tried with might and main to tear it. They were not successful, although the skin is not thicker than the leather of a man's street glove. Price talks freely about the matter, although he is rather tender about

any publication in the newspapers. Many physicians have examined him during the period of the skinning, but not one has been able to solve the problem. In speaking of the matter yesterday Mr. Price said:

"My mother told me that she first noticed the trouble when I was six months old, and regularly every year since then I have shed my skin. It is a phenomenon that no physician has yet satisfactorily explained, although hundreds have made examinations and investigations. The fact is, that I shed my skin, and that is all there is to it. Regularly on the 24th day of July of each year I feel the premonitory symptoms, and on very few occasions has it missed the 24th of that month. The first thing I feel is nausea, and then I know that I am in for it. The skin becomes perfectly dead, and the perspiration that should come through forms in blisters under it, and the whole thing becomes loose. I generally cut a circle around my wrists, and with the aid of a lead pencil strip it off whole for the purpose of preserving it in the shape of a glove. I take it off from my face in the same manner, but am compelled to remove it from my hair like dandruff. I took a long walk this morning for the purpose of getting up a perspiration, and, as you see, my whole body is blistered. I will strip it off today or tomorrow. It comes off in great strips, as you can see by this photograph, which was taken last year. There is no particular pain accompanying the operation, although the new skin is very soft and tender during the first week or ten days. I have to lay off for about two weeks each year to attend to it. My children do not inherit the disease from me. There is one of them, and she is nine years of age, and there has been nothing of the kind ever noticed with her. Several years ago I was in San Francisco when I shed my skin, and the doctors there preserved it in its entirety and then stuffed it. I am a miner, but my work in the mine does not affect my condition in any way that I can see. My general health is good, even if I do have skin to throw at the birds."

20 Miles to Procure Medicine. Winfield, Ont. W. H. COMSTOCK, Brockville.

DEAR SIR—Am selling your "Dr. Morse's India Rubber Pills" locally. I have customers who come 20 miles for the sake of getting Morse's Pills. This speaks for itself as to their value. I use them in our family with "the most satisfactory results." My wife has been cured of "sleek headache" by their use. We could not do without them. Yours, etc., A. KRAMPEN.

I have used Ripans Tablets with so much satisfaction that I can cheerfully recommend them. Have been troubled for about three years with what I called bilious attacks coming on regularly once a week. Was told by different physicians that it was caused by bad teeth, of which I had several. I had the teeth extracted, but the attacks continued. I had seen advertisements of Ripans Tablets in all the papers but had no faith in them, but about six weeks since a friend induced me to try them. Have taken but two of the small 5-cent boxes of the Tablets and have had no recurrence of the attacks. Have never given a testimonial for anything before, but the great amount of good which I believe has been done me by Ripans Tablets induces me to add mine to the many testimonials you doubtless have in your possession now. A. T. DEWITT.

I want to inform you, in words of highest praise, of the benefit I have derived from Ripans Tablets. I am a professional nurse and in this profession a clear head is always needed. Ripans Tablets does it. After one of my cases I found myself completely run down. Acting on the advice of Mr. Geo. Bowser, Ph. G., 588 Newark Ave., Jersey City, I took Ripans Tablets with grand results. Miss BESSIE WINDMAN.

Mother was troubled with heartburn and sleeplessness, caused by indigestion, for a good many years. One day she saw a testimonial in the paper endorsing Ripans Tablets. She determined to give them a trial, was greatly relieved by their use and now takes Ripans Tablets regularly. She keeps a few cartons Ripans Tablets in the house and says she will not be without them. The heartburn and sleeplessness have disappeared with the indigestion which was formerly so great a burden for her. Our whole family take the Tablets regularly, especially after a hearty meal. My mother is fifty years of age and is enjoying the best of health and spirits; also eating hearty meals, an impossibility before she took Ripans Tablets. ARTHUR H. BLAUENK.

A new style packet containing THE RIPANS TABLETS packed in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some drug stores—50¢ FIVE CENTS. This low-priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dozen of the five-cent cartons (120 tablets) can be had by mail by sending forty-eight cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce Street, New York—or a single carton (20 tablets) will be sent for five cents. RIPANS TABLETS may also be had of some grocers, general storekeepers, news agents and at some liquor stores and barber shops. They banish pain, induce sleep and prolong life. One gives relief.

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My seven-year-old boy suffered with pains in his head, constipation and complained of his stomach. He could not eat the children of his age do and what he did eat did not agree with him. He was thin and of a saffron color. Reading some of the testimonials in favor of Ripans Tablets, I tried them. Ripans Tablets not only relieved but actually cured my youngster, the headaches have disappeared, bowels are in good condition and he never complains of his stomach. He is now a red, chubby-faced boy. This wonderful change I attribute to Ripans Tablets. I am satisfied that they will benefit any one (from the cradle to old age) if taken according to directions. E. W. FAIRC.

