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*Reddite quæ sunt Cæsaris, Cæsari; et quæ sunt Dei, Deo.*—Matt. 22: 21.

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## NOTES.

The sentence of Mr. John Dillon, M.P., to six months' imprisonment has been confirmed, and he has been imprisoned. An address was presented to him signed by 150 members of the House of Commons, resenting the policy of sending him to unmerited imprisonment, and expressing the hope that his sojourn in prison would be made less bitter by the knowledge that sympathy for him was not confined to Ireland.

The Government sustained a second defeat on Tuesday in the House of Commons over an amendment to one of the clauses of the Local Government Bill, dealing with police regulations. Mr. John Morley offered the amendment, and, despite the fact that it came from the ranks of the Liberals, the Tories were beaten by a majority of 30, in which were numbered Lord Hartington and many Tories and Unionists, who were regardless of party lines. Mr. Chamberlain retired before the vote was taken.

Ladies are coming to the front in English politics. Mrs. Labouchere has made her first appearance as a political speaker. She addressed a Liberal meeting in a London suburb the other night and produced an effect which, the *Univers* says, rivalled the successes of Mrs. Henrietta Hodson, the actress. "She is an accomplished elocutionist," adds the same journal, "and moved the hearts of her auditors when she related the thrilling, truthful episodes of an eviction scene, where she had to take a babe from its mother's breast. Mrs. Labouchere is an Irish woman, and her sympathies, as those of her husband, are with the suffering and oppressed."

I went into a church the other day, says Laclede in the *Montreal Gazette*, to hear the choral music. It was dusk, coming out of the glare of the morning—and who, do you think, was next me in the pew? A squaw, with a scarf of blue and black stripes, worn as a hood on her head; a jacket and skirt of flowered calico, dead tints; a silver ring on the second finger of the right hand. She knelt and bowed gracefully to the shrine, and under the blessing of the celebrant, while, with sharp whispers, she told her beads, that clinked on the edge of the pew with its cross and medal.

Reference is made in our Montreal correspondence this week to the action of His Grace, Mgr. Fabre, in pointing the misapprehension under which Mr. Justice Church laboured when he referred to Notre Dame Hospital of Montreal, as a charitable institution of a non-sectarian character. The Hospital is an institution, under Catholic control, but otherwise public in character and designed for the relief of the distressed. It is as well to be precise in speaking of such matters. So many are apt to confound them, when we speak of Christianity, properly so called, independent of the Church, or distinguishable from it.

High Requiem Mass was sung in St. Michael's Cathedral on Wednesday for the repose of the soul of the late Archbishop of Toronto. Every priest of the diocese was present, as was also every bishop of the Province at present in Canada. Notwithstanding that he was crippled, Bishop Walsh assisted in the ceremonies. His Lordship was obliged to use a crutch. The body of the church was much crowded, even the aisles being packed with worshippers. Bishop Dowling, of Peterboro', preached the funeral oration, which consisted of a eulogy of the dead prelate and a sketch of his career. Very Rev. Father Rooney sang the mass, assisted by Rev. J. J. McEntee, Oshawa, as deacon, and Rev. F. Shanahan, Niagara, as sub-deacon. Bishop Walsh, assisted by Very Rev. Father Laurent and Very Rev. Father Hamel, S.J., Bishop O'Mahoney, assisted by Rev. Father McCann, and Very Rev. Father Hughes, of Hartford, also took part in the ceremonies. The absolution was pronounced by Bishop Dowling.

Among the resolutions adopted at the recent National Convention of the Democratic party at St. Louis, was the following message of good will to Ireland:

*Resolved*, That we express our cordial sympathy with the struggling people of all nations in their efforts to secure for themselves the inestimable blessings of self government and civil and religious liberty, and we especially declare our sympathy with the efforts of those noble patriots who, led by Gladstone and Parnell, have conducted their grand and peaceful contest for Home Rule in Ireland.

The resolution of the Convention is a sufficient answer to Mr. Chamberlain's boast upon his return to England that no Americans of any prominence were in favour of Home Rule. The wonder is that some Irish member failed to challenge him to name any American of any prominence who was not in favour of Home Rule.