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# Notes From

In announcing the appointment of Bishop Bourne, as successor to the late Archbishop Vaughan, "The Uni-verse" of London, says:--Archbishop Bourne, as he will be officially when the brief of appoint-

ent arrives from Rome, has not it is true, attained venerable years, he is still young, and only just over the borderland of forty. But looking at his career of one purposedness, the uplifting of men, especially Catho-lics, to a higher ideat, his rapid rise in ecclesiastical and episcopal ranks marks a man and a priest far beyond the ordinary. Ever a student in advance of his

years, when nearing the completion of his ordinary course he had, as it were to be kept back to await the canonical age for ordination, and was able in consequence to prosecute his studies in unusually varied de-gree. St. Cuthbert's, Ushaw, and St. Edmund's, Old Hall, the twin offspring of Douay, each at different times had Francis Bourne on its list of students, whilst in his higher courses St. Sulpice, Paris, a trainer of many holy priests, and Louvain, hold him in honor.

Ordained priest in 1884, Father Bourne served, of course, his chosen diocese, Southwark, in which at Clapham, he had been born on March 23, 1861. His missionary life was begun at Blackheath, and he afterwards worked at Mortlake, West Grinstead, and Henfield, in Sussex, so that he has had experience as a simple priest in each county of his liocese of Southwark.

The work on which the foundation his dignity in the Church was built was his organization and rectorate of St. John's Seminary, Won-ersh, which he made a model of its That work it was which no doubt prompted Dr. Butt, then Bishop of Southwark, to seek his assistance in the administration of the diocese, and led to Monsignor Bourne

being consecrated Bishop of Epiphania in May, 1896, and to his appointment as coadjutor to Dr. Butt, with the right of succession, a truly remarkable dignity for a priest who had not yet passed his seventh lus-

Such progress, however, did Bishop Bourne make in his episcopal charge that the next year Dr. Butt, feeling the growing infirmity of ill-health. proved the firm trust he had in his coadjutor by resigning. Thus on April 9, 1897, at the age of thirtysix years, Dr. Bourne received full charge of one of the chief dioceses of England, which under his rule has shown a progress entitling it to rank still higher. For a long time past Bishop

Bourne, in spite of the growing importance and work of his great dioese, which for a less energetic man might have taken all his care, also much to do with certain details in the archdiocese, when the late Cardinal Vaughan's health began to ail, so that his translation to the higher dignity will be, as it were, but the extension of a temporary work into a permanent. We have for months regarded it as most likely that the successor of Cardinal Vaughan would be his colleague over the water, and the long stay Bishop Bourne made at Rome early in the year but strengthened our opinion, which was based not so much on the wonderful success of his administra-tion of the Southwark diocese as on

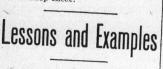
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England.

improvement, too, in the archdiocese, in a matter which especially affects the Catholic Press, namely, the bottling up of Catholic offiial news so that the secu-lar papers may receive it fresh, and the dregs be left to the Catholic papers. To our mind, and we will not allow we are influenced by self-interest, the Catholic Press, which Heaven knows has had a hard fight for the support of the faith, should receive prior consideration to that given to secular papers, which, as often as not, are openly hostile.

There is room for a little

\*\*\*\*\*\* But however these things may be, and however they may go on, we doubt there is none of our readers who will not full hearted welcome as Archbishop the prelate who has in his diocese of Southwark been known as the poor man's Bishop. Than that there is no prouder title, and no surer passport to a generous Catholic heart's welcome. Long Live the Archbishop-Elect!



THE POLISH CATHOLICS of the United States have addressed a petition to His Holiness the Pope, asking for the appointment of Polish Bishops. The document is a peculiar one in many respects, especially that portion of it which details the reasons for making the request. It is claimed in the petition that there are 2,000,000 Poles in the United States.

DELINQUENTS. -An American editor has advertised in the press that he will sell by public auction all accounts due to him for arrears of subscription. In the notice of sale he gives the names, and addresses, and amounts due.

INSURANCE .- A novel kind of insurance has been started in Denmark. By paying down \$220 at the

birth of a daughter, her parents insure for her an annuity of \$25 if she should not be married at 30, of \$50 at 40, of \$60 at 50i and so on. If she, however, marries before her thirtieth year, the whole \$220 is paid over to her.

MANY are the ways devised by priests who realize the constantly growing necessity of institutions to provide education of various grades for the young. An exchange tells of a plan purposed by the Very Rev. Joseph H. Conroy, Vicar-General of the diocese of Ogdensburg, N.Y., and rector of St. Mary's Cathedral in that city, who has been long considering the means of securing for an existing educational institution a permanent endowment. The details of the project as an-

nounced by Father Conroy are as follows: The lowest contribution will be \$100. To make this donation MR. JOHN I. MCCAFFREY. within the reach of all his parishioners, he has entered into an agree-ment with the entered into an agree-Among the many talented young Irish Catholic musicians of Montreal ment with the Columbian National none is held in higher esteem than Life Insurance Company of Boston, Mr. John I. McCaffrey, the able orwhereby twenty-year endowment poganist and choir-master of St. Mi licies of various denominations from chael's Church. Mr. McCaffrey \$100 upward may be taken out in has been for many years a prominent figthe fact that the master of the the names of subscribers to the Irish national celebrations. ure in fund. At the date of issue the polisouthern half of London would be During the recent celebration of the tion. cies will be assigned to the corporsilver jubilee of the esteemed pastor to ation now being formed for the purof St. Michael's, Rev. John Kiernan pose of receiving and investing the Mr. McCaffrey was a member of the moneys from said policies and apcommittee, which had the direction the composition of the book menplying the interest for the maintenof the Garden Party which proved tioned above other than being the ance of the school. The average preto be such a grand success. author of the little sketch of mium per year will be \$5 on each childhood days, which was woven in \$100. Father Conroy will be the to the book, and which, in point of company's agent in connection with LOCAL NOTES time, did not extend to the period of all business pertaining to the endowment fund. A slight commission PERSONAL.Rev. Joseph Desaulwill be allowed him for his services, nier, of Central City, Colorado, calland this commission will be used to ed at the "True Witness" office, this pay the premiums in times of finanweek. He was at one time associat cial inability of individual subscrib ers until they themselves are able to ed with St. Patrick's.

proved of a handful of figurehead re-presentatives in public bodies, who fear to do anything vigorously lest they may be styled "bigots." There



MR. S. McGARRY.

The C. O. F. Sarsfield Court, No. 133, had the direction of the concert held at the Catholic Sailors' Club, on Wednesday last, and they have every reason to be proud of the result. The large hall was crowded by the members of the Court and their friends and patrons.

Mr. S. McGarry, the enthusiastic and popular Chief Ranger, occupied the chair, and made a practical speech during the course of which he dwelt upon the necessity of such an organization as the Catholic Sailors' Club. The following ladies and gentlemen contributed to the programme:-Miss Klock, Miss Murphy, Miss Rose O'Brien, Miss Minnie Harkins, Messrs. G. Morgan, E. Jackson, W. Biggs, Jos. Alywin, - Rowley; Seamen R. Strachan, C. O'Donnell, steamship Mount Calvin; Force and O'Donnell, steamship Montcalm; E. Bottomley, steamship Manchester Corporation; James Kennedy, steamship Kensington; David Allen, steamship Parisian; Miss Orton was the accompanist.

Next Wednesday's concert will be given by St. Anthony's Court, Catholic Order of Foresters.



#### The Church Is Maligned. The week before last we had occasion to mention the conversion, or return to the Church, of a Mrs. Anirews, at Richmond, Va., who was said to have been an "ex-nun" and who ended her career in an hospital, broken in health and spirit, but regenerated in soul and sustained the sacraments of the Church she was said to have abandoned. In justice to Mrs. Andrews; in justice to the community at Emmetsburg, and in justice to the Church, we publish the following extracts of a letter written by her on her death bed. The letter is dated "City Hospital, Richmond, Va., Aug. 21, 1903," and is addressed to the "Richmond News Leader." We need not occupy space with the long biographical sketch in which Mrs. Andrews tells of her birth in 1830, of Episcopalian parents; her conversion to Catholicity in her tender years; her entry as a novice in the community of the Sisters of Charity, at the age of 16; her four years' novitiate, at the end of each

year the vows being renewed; of her departure from the convent and return home; of her three years with her father, as head of the house and mother-so to speak-to eight other children of the family (their mother being dead; of her marriage to Dr Andrews; and of the advice of her confessor, in the beginning not to enter religious life, and of the perfect willingness of the Sisters to have her depart when it was her desire; of the birth, life, and early death of her son; and of the desertion of her by Dr. Andrews. A11 these facts we condense for brevity sake. The ultra Protestant element paraded her name as an "ex-nun," and published a book of attack on the Church and of abuse of the religious, over her signature. The balance of her letter tells the story of that infamous imposture. She thus

"During the many years that have elapsed from the death of my son until now I have seen many vicissitudes and suffered many sorrows, but my faith in the Catholic religion has ever remained as it will remain until death, unshaken.

closes her statement:-

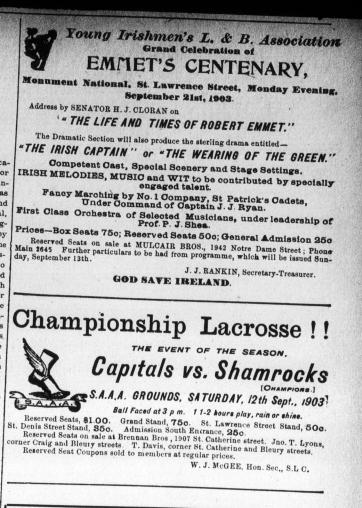
"With regard to the infamous calumnies contained in the book en-titled, 'An Escaped Nun,' and whose authorship has been attributed to me I deny in toto any connection with the book, except that, through a decision of the Supreme Court of New York, I succeeded in having the publication of the same suppressed.

"The publication of the infamous ook mentioned above was brought about by others whose object was the making of money by the sale of sensational publication designated to calumniate the Catholic religion.

':A certain literary man of Norfolk, whose name there is no need of mentioning, hit upon the idea of making my life the subject of a book, with object as already stated. knew nothing of his ideas. I had in my desk a little sketch of my childhood days, before my entrance to St. Joseph's Academy. This was stolen from me and the contents woven into the story of the escaped nun. I knew nothing about the book and its contents until after its publica-

"I solemnly assert before Almighty God that I had nothing to do with

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cceed to the admin ion of northern, where Catholicity requires such another stimulus as Southwark has received, and honorably. It is said that there is not a Cathlic Church in Southwark where Bishop Bourne has not preached in his seven years of rule, and the records of the Catholic Press show in many ways the zeal of the departing Bishop. The only great voicing of London on the education question was that of Bermondsey early last year, when Dr. Bourne presided; the umber of conversions in the diocese pay. He hopes that no more will rehas been great, the number of new churches founded-on one occasion two in a day-has been without parallel, and yet, in his strenuous life, Dr. Bourne has seemed to look for re work. That his latest appointment gives him. To rouse the Catholics of London north of the Thames to a sense of their power when a waked, and of their inglorious scatteredness, which limited Catholic acinscribed. A written guarantee will also be given by Father Conroy on over the education question, and contents itself with what may be to each subscriber that for a period of fifty years at least public prayers given instead of what should be by will be offered once a year on Sun-day in the Cathedral and a High Mass celebrated during the week for right, which allows priests attending public institutions to be paid like Mass celebrated during the porters, or not at all, and which is the benefit of the deners.

quire this assistance than the com-AT VERDUN .- A beautiful statue nission fund will be able to meet. of St. Patrick will be blessed to-Father Conroy purposes later on to erect, if possible, a large and morrow, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Church of "Our Lady of Sorrows," Verdun. Rev. Father P. McGinnis, comodious school building and in the main entrance of the building the assistant priest of that parish will be a large brass tablet on which extends a cordial invitation to all the names of the policy-holders and English-speaking Catholics to attend amounts of their donations will the ceremony. Rev. Thomas Heffer

nan, of St. Anthony's, will preach

the sermon.

PERSONAL .- Dr. W. G. Kennedy, the well known dentist of Dorchester street, who has been spending his vacation in Maine, has returned to the city.

my entrance into St. Joseph's Academy. On one occasion I remember that I was forced by those around me to sign my name to a piece folded foolscap paper. I at the time not knowing the reason of the signature, but was told it was necessary to sign the document. This occurred in the Astor House, New York, This

signature, I found out afterward, was used in a book entitled "Test mony of a Novice,' with the writing of which I had absolutely nothing to do. The use of my name in connec tion with the book is a veritable forgery.

"In conclusion, I call Almighty God to witness the truth of what ]

say when I state that during my re the statements contained in this nce in the academy at Emmitts communication, I solemnly assert the burg I saw or knew of absolutely no same to be absolutely true, and here practices there in any sense deroga-tory to the character of the good sisters. Further, I assert that I with affix my signature.

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knew of no one detained there a- GLOOMY HARVEST PROSPECTS. gainst her will; that I was treated there with unvarying kidness and

Not since 1879 has the agricultural outlook seemed so gloomy as it does just now, in Ireland, says a correspondent of the "Catholic Church, the Sisters of Charity at Times." Owing to destructive rains which have prevailed throughout the summer and the inclement state of the weather generally, the harvest is irretrievably damaged, and no amount of fine weather can now save it. From Antrim to Cork the same sad story is told. The potato crop, the staple food of the small farmer, has suffered most of all.

#### A NEW ORPHANAGE.

A new Catholic orphanage has be erected in Edinburgh, Scotland, is under the charge of the Sisters Charity.

"JOSEPHINE M. ANDREWS."