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Letter from the Priest at Dawson City.

The New York Catholic Nrws of last week says that the
Very Rev. J. B. René, S.J., Prefect Apostolic of Alaska and Superior of the Jesuits there, is Rome. After quoting his plan of an agricultural settlement bet ween the Yukon and Kuskokwin
Rirers, the Nkws continnes as follows
Since Father René has been in this city he has received a letter from the Rer. William $H$ Judge. S.J., who is stationed a Dawson. The letter is dated
Nov. 15, and therefore was two moaths on its way. Father René is quartered at Junean, which is
1,000 miles from Dawson, and 1,000 miles from Dawson, and
is the nearest Jesuit mission to that place. Some extracts from the letter, which are quoted, prove the truth of the newspaper stories
as to the difficulty of getting food, as to the difficulty of getting food
and the fabulous prices paid for Judge is the only priest at Daw son, and his letter gives an ides of the immense amount of wor devolring apon him. He ka hospital within the last six months, and all are under hi direct superintendence. Fathe Rene secured some sisters for the Jodge's letter shows, they were forced to give up the loarney
until spring. His letter is an interesting one. He says
"The first and most important news is, that the Sisters did not get here, they came up on the
Alice as far as Fort Yukon, but the water was too low for the boa to pass, and they, with Brother Cunningham, returned to Nulato as I have heard, or perhaps to
Holy Cross. In fact, I received Holy Cross. In fact, I received
nothing from below except mail matter, not even Mass wine. But that, although you might doubt of its sweetness, I think it is al kind several years and Mr McKan kind sereral years, and Mr.McKan non's son tells me it is the sam
as the Bishop uses in Victoria.
"I was forced to open the hospital on the 20th of August, and have had an average of abou twenty sick persons ever since
At first 1 took temporary help bat when I found the Sister were not coming 1 arranged a etc., and everything is workin as well as could be expected. All the sick are most agreably. sur prised to find so much comfort, and all are loud in their praise the great blessing the hospital is proving to the camp.
"The steamer's not being able provisions very hot here Many have gone dow the Miver having food for the winter, and paying as much a $\$ 100$ for a sack of flour, and it is hard to get it even for that. Many also intend to go out on the ice but I fear some of them will perish. I need not tell you how they have been pouring in all the summer and fall, as you see are still coming every day. W see by the papers and letters that the whole world is excited ove the place and that tens of thon sands intend coming next spring There is only oue thing spoken 'of here, and that is 'grab.' For
the last two months every one of been trying to secure enough of the essentials for the year, but
many laxuries (?) which 1 ex-

## pected, in case the boats came,

 will be wanting."The hospital building inished except the doors for the roms, which we had no lumber o make, bat we hare curtains
which do equally well, if not etter. The Sisters' house adjoinng the hospital bailding, is also inished and in use. The church is also finished. but no is it lined, are not made yet, nor is ing windows covered with white muslin. We cannot line it till spring, as here is no stuff to be had at the
tores. My honse adjoining the stores. My honse adjoining the
church is also closed in and beng used for carpenter shop, hundry and quarters for tho
"I had a slight attack of chills
few weeks ago, but was not laid up at all. I have not missed Mass a single day nor been pre-
vented from attending to my anted Trom attending to my Catholics here ; we have from 75 o 100 at Mass every Sunday. We have high Mass and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament every Sunday, and a fair number of
communions day by day during commanions day by day during
he week. Of course I have to aperintend everything about the hospital myself, seeing that the doctors' orders are carried out in gis to medicine, food. etc nis, together with the finances and the duties of the priesthood, Iope to keep everything in order antii you come in thespring, When, no doubt, the Sisters will be up and rome good father will ame to help me or rep
"Humbly recommending myself and my work to your holy sacrifices and prayers, I remain
your humble servant in Christ,
"William H. Judge, S. J."

## Mexico's Progress

Two Protestant Views of Catholic Mextco.
An incident which occurred recently
An neident which occurred recently
n the Ohio State Penitentiary has given
ise to a rise to a good deal of discussion regardhe papers of that state, and more especially in the weekly Catholic papers.
Religious trouble is always rife in the Reigious trouble is always rife in the
Ohio penitentidry. Freedom of worship denied the Catholic prisoners, who by the state paid chaplain. While this imself to expounding the Gospel-with what ability or effect on his compulsory audience, we will not stop to questiono set himself to calnmniate the teachgigs of the religion professed by some the convicts hissed. In the face of and taiu punishment, they inissed and hiser ntil, as the Columbas papera state, h unfinished. The address in question was elivered Dec. 19, and recounted his im. ressions of Mexico, through which he ocently took a fiying trip. Knowing that amere him were many professing the ere helpless to atter oue word in denial preacher, in disregard of the common intincts of a gentleman, to say nothing of the charity that is supposed to especially characterize a disciple of the Savior, and which should bave restrained
im, even if his statements had been rue,openly declared: "We visited eight tates and the degradation and superstition we witnessed appalled us. ***I
tell you I was glad that I was born in cee America, and that the civilization
knew was of a refining and Christian ?) character. The difference, bretbren, in the two civilizations is that between Christ. The Mexicans know nothing

## Another Ohioan, General Brinkerhoff, president of the Vationgl Prison

 president of the Nationgl Prison Con-gress, and a membar of the Obio Board of gress, and a member of the Ohio Board of
State Charities, also took $\$$ trip throngh Mexico at the bame time with Chaplain Winget, and as a refutation of the lat
er's ignorant and bigoted statements. hear what President Brinkerhoff, whose
imple word will outweigh the other oath, has to say on the Mexican, his life, civilization and reform works:
"Mexico was a revelation to me, as in deed it was to the majority of our party.
We labored ander a wrong impression We labored ander a wrong impression
of the country, as do also the great bulk of the country, as do also the great bulk
people. What we found was surprisingly and interestingly uni-
que and instructive. The conditions were entirely different from what we had expected, and the country as a whole at no point what had been ganerally prom-
ised. Americans regard Mexicans solely ised. Americans regard Mexicans solely
from the peon standpoint, forgetting entirely tbat these same peous are the na
ive Indians and that the enterprising advancing, intelligent public of to-day are the descendants of th.: early Spanvondrous country as their own. "The peons of Mexico represent in heir different sections the unlettered narastly differ, whom the Spanish treated vastly difforent from the plan adopted by erly wiped them off the face of the earth, until now we have get among us English-speaking population of the Unit ed States. On the contrary, the Spaniard protected the Indians of bis country, in-
ormarried with them and perpetaated their early friendships. The result was a bond of family and fraternal union tha wil never be broken; a bord that is
ivilizing a savage race; that has ongratted Christian religion apon the native suoma a fhaos of savagenest one of the
grandest nations on the globe.
"The new federal penitentiary at the City of Mexico, whics is to be opened the coming gpring, is the finest prison,
undoubtedly, upon A merican soil to-day. In this I found one of the greatest sar-
prises of the trip. ment, principle and object, the prison is pronouncedly in advance of anything that we cun offer to-day. It is a creation
of Diaz. The commiseion under whose recommendation the prison was built was appointed by the president. I have
been all over the United States and been all over the Gaited States and
western Europe, visiting the principa petersburg prison, and, barring the SL itentiary leads them all in point of mod arn convenience, arrangement and ob
jects to be accomplished. The intent i on the radiate order of advancement of prisoners by grade until they have reach-
ed a point where parole is advisable. I ed a point where parole is advisable. I
carried out in administration and man carried out in administration and man
agement upon the lines indicated in conagement upon the hinction, the prison will be, beyond al hing in America to-day. Another but more elaborate and complete prison nuch upon the same plan, is being bailt n the city of Pueblo.
Mexico is one of the most promisin nvestment, and in every line of in dastry and commerce there is lively and decided advancement Cotton and wool-
on goods are being manufactured there her home outpot. Manufacturing in and iron is increasing and coal has been found in abondance. No country has approached it in railroad building in the last five years. At all points Mexico
adrancing and in no wise more than in the matters where the governmentinter est is at stake. Just now work that is done on the barbor at Vera Crus bein at all the seaport towns similar improve ment, though upon a smaller scale, being made. Subsidies are paid upon each mile of railroad constructed and development of every sort is substantial her wonderfal futare and I believe hon estly that it is the one country for the man who has some anbridled energy.
The State Journal of Columbus, refer ring to the appearance of Chaplain Win get in the pulpit of the penitentiary last was not so warmly received. The chap
lain has suat was not so warmly received. The chap
lain has succeeded most emphatically in
of the prisoners and they show it only
too often." The Comber that city." The Catholic Columbian fice, as it is an "outrage that Catho lics of Ohio should "outrage that Catho Calnmay to preach his Gospel of Hate and of penitentiary." It prisoners of the Obis whether the demand of the Columbia will have any effect. For a long year more, that paper weekly demanded equal rights for the Catholic prisoner any good results. No body of withou
ath any good resuits. No body of Catholic
men came forward to strengthen the canse advocated by the Columbian. is the v
weight.

Gathering of Indians. Counclllors in Conferen
Commasaloner Forget
It was a pecnliar assemblage the
It was a pecaliar assemblage thas
night have been seen in the largest room of Indian Commissioner Forgets department in the postoffice building Tussday, where a large number of ndian chiefs and councillors gathered various scattered bands on two large various scatered bands on two large
reserves. Though from a white man's point of view it is of minor importance
yet to those concerned it was the momentous occasion of the year. They had travelled miles and wiles by rail and other ways to meet the great rep-
resentative of the government and to discuss very weighty matters pertaining to their fature welfare and that
of the tribes they represented. At the head of the room represented. Commission. or Forget and Messra. McColl and Marlatt, of the Indian department'; Archbural Dean Burman. Seated on and
Ruthen sides of the room were the chiefs and their councillors, with looks of dignity on their countenaces that vividly ra
called the "countils of war" so ably described by Cooper, Bannatyne and
Miss McLean, who speaks the Indian language fuently, acted as interpreter and, through her, Commissioner For-
get, explained the object of the callget, explained the object of the call-
ing together of the chiefs and wisemen aud explained the details of the scheme of amalgamating the nine re-
serves, recounting the advantages that serves, recounting the advantages that
would be derived therefrom by the Inwould be derived therefrom by the In-
dians themselves. Then a chief was
called upon to speak. Making bis to the front, he shook hands with Commissioner Forget, and all those sitting on either side of him. He spoke
with the hearing of a man addressing a multitude, while nois and grunts of approbation came from his red broth they would like to discuss the matter they would like to discuss the matler
with the other Indians before giving an opinion on the matter at all. Several others, who followed him and went cess, spoke to the same effect, so th it was decided to let them talk the matter uver in the afternoon. At ti a preeent of a plug of tobacco, and they going down the elevator, where the were to have their pictures taken. The
indian eloquenol Reserve.
Many favor the Finn and others appose It

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It has been said that the Indian is
tribute great to the casual observer to
toic being who seems to lose no oppor whity of making a grunt express whole sentence and never talks except as a matter of necessity is to use the would have been dispelled had the person been present at the Indian Commissoner Forget and the cheen ammissoner rorget and the chiefs Indian reserves. Speeches were made y most of the braves present and al hough many of them contained the loquent was plainly visible even to
hose who had to take them gecond anded, that is through the interpreter Mise McLean, who ocrupied this difficalt the thoughts were not only condidy, as ccurately but with not only conveyed loquence. The speechmaiking natural onclude until half past seven and the igning of a lorument expressing the views of those consenting to the proposals the deparment oecupied considerable
Commissioner Forget opened the ebate by explaining the proposed stepcattered rate the Indians now on be given at Fairlord and Pine river. The r it wages to be derived were several ch was inpossible to give a school to or couid farm instractors be given They had discussed the matter among ision. sion. The first speaker was Mwaytwas-ab-
sung, of Lake Manitobs reserve. Ho oul not say anything beyond what be had come to state on belialf of his boir They had been a long time on nuch the advantages that would be deived by moving and knew that the at his people had lived what was best ime and they wanted there for a long was yery glad to have a ehurch. And hool on the reserve and had told them hat if they woold baild a church they night have whatever portion of the Antoine Mousean, of Sandy Yay, said the matter had not been sprang on him. His people discussed on the rearrve His people had lived there until it had nterest ontside of hem. They had no home, all was there. They saw around hem all that was necessary to secure - livelihoor. They were happy, and not want to move. When he had made he first treaty the officer of the govern here pou will hook around and choose ad looked, and bad chosen, and the oficer had said that as long as the sun only to have that promise kept.
Alexander Levassear of
The next in the same way.
The next speaker favored the scheme His reserve was not at all a nice place,
uit suite the reverse. When be had hosen it he had been as one walking in dark. He wonld move, on condition Ahangekeesegoowenin, place. River reserve, favored the plan. His children were being educated in indus rial schools, and he realized that thinge ad changed, and they needed reservea hore they could farm. He did not hat others had cast off.

## disclaims the honor" of being Catholic "and says that he is an agno:

 che sort of an says that he is an agnostict." As he was may account for the inferiority of much of his verse, while reminiscences of
the past explain the Catholic tone of the past explain the Catholic tone
some of his poems. Dr. Conan Doyl
竍 "and never was one. He is not the sor of Richard Doyle, the famous car
oonist of Punch, bnt his nephew. It it soane to say that he does not profess to
be even a Christian."

Dr.Nansen,after delivering the same ecture sixty-nine times, and netting thereby some thirty thousand dollars has broken of his ongagement to finis last Saturday. After the first few ap ast Saturday. Atter the first few ap
pearances with $\$ 3000$ or $\$ 4000$ houses the Doctor receiving 55 per cent of the o fall off and finally he broke his conract and returned to New York on the 22nd ult., delivering one lecture i
Jersey City on Monday of last wee and appearing for the last time on a American platorm
negie Hall, Now York. As his agree nent with his manakens part of the contract he should pay $\$ 20,000$ liquidat ed damages. they are now suing him
hat sum. The trouble with
Dr Nansen seems to be, as the Montrea Slar pointed out.that he is a better hand
at doing brave deeds than at making at doing brave deeds than at making
interesting speeches. As a lecturer is a failure.
How true it is that "the best laid schemes ${ }^{\circ}$ micean' men gang aft agley mportant one, we had taken the trouble to dictate to one of our assistants the
oxact wording of the notice that ap exact wording of the notice that ap Archbishop Begin's leter in the
churches of Winnipeg and St. Boniface. churches of Winnipeg and St. Boniface.
The words we dictated are there all right ; but imagine our dismay when we found that the Church of the Immaculate Conception, of which the
ditor of this paper is Pastor, was mitted! Though the fault was of course a mere oversight on our assist
ant's part, we deem it our duty to ant's part, we deem it our duty to apologize for it and to state emphatic-
ally that Archbishop Begin's letter on ally that Archbishop Begin's letter on
the Encyecical was read on Sunday
Jan. 2sra at the Church of the ImJan. 283d at the Church of the im-
maculate Conception by Rev. Father
Clierier " Cecouding to the wishes and Cherrier "according to the wishes an Boniface,"
The General Intention recommende to the prayers of the associates for Feb ruary is "The Wellare of Seamen.
The Aposteship of Prayer will, thereThe Apostleship of Prayer will, there
fore, fix its attention during this month on all those who "Ro down to the sea" rivers and lakes "in ships" or boat whom Our Lord chose his apostles,
must be most dear to His Sacred Heart. must be most dear to His Sacred Heart
Though generally preserving thei belief in the next world, sailors are too often careless of the cominandments.
But they are ready and eager to accept But they are ready and eager to accept
spiritual helps whenever they are offered them, as is proved by the success of the Cahinic Sailors' Club in (England) and Now York. In this great Northwest the practical application of this intention would be praye
tor all the brave fellows who will in for all the brave fellows who will in few months be shooting rapids and
making portages from the Klondike to making port
Hudson Bay

Of all human testimony the weakes ested in exageratin his oxploits. An yet the same world that disbelieve extraordinary facts occurring in the
Midde Ages and attested by a cloud Middle Ages and attested by a cloud
of witnesses who had no possible inof witnesses who had no possible in-
terest in lying, believes implicitly the terest in lying, believes implicitly the
unsupported affirmation of one single unsupporter ainirmation on one single
explorer, whose testimony, as in the case of Nansen marking down hi
"farthest north" in the presence Johansen who could not take or control bjection that it is is is to he obviou ble ambition and pride and that he de clares himself to "have not any Upper
Powers" (voL,11, $\mathbf{R}$. 6 ) who might keep Powers him with the bounds of fact. And of course there is absolutely no means of
veritying if he ever did reach $88^{\circ}$ 13. verifyin
North.

## APHORISMS

School boards that define the length and breadth of scriblers generally pro解 nothing but seribblers
The religious retel borrows the lan
guage of heroic obedience, tlie freethink guage of heroie obedience, thie freethink
er talks as if he were plagiarizing the er talks as if
Holy Ghoost.
of forget that the dulles
an fool him if she tries.
The virtue of the new woman, who ess about 1 ecturing on "Parity" an
stributing Chiniquy's lecherous lie will bear watching.
A State that monopolizes all educatio tills al
nind.

People admire talent, and talk abo hieir admiration. But they value coni mon sense without talking about it an

Man is the only animal that blushes Man needs to.-Mark Twain.
Never repeat a quotation withou nowing its context. Many a fair dame would shudder if she knew the
wilose gambols suggested to Burna


Many good peoble are so engrossed heir work that, when; they catch impse of hier good resolutions at the merely wave them a weak recognition ad a promise to keep an oye on them The man who relates the story of his ife is generally at a disad vantage, since cannot without some confusion of face

Tact and good-breeding, the best natural gifts, far better than bodil healtu, are the closest imitation of super atural virtuc. When anited to holiness, as in the case of St. Francis de Sales,
combination is marvellously perfect.
n Authentic Prophecy Fulfiled

On the twentieth day of this month Our Holy Father,Leo XIII., will have completed the twentieth year of his
reat pontificate. A few years ago the ewspapers began to refer to a well Rown prophecy by a holy monk in
Rome effect that His Holiness vould fill the chair of Peter for twenty ears. Last summer,on thelarrival here
of Monsignor Merry del Val, who is one four or firery del Val,who is one four or five prelates in constant at-
andance upon the Pope, we determined a ascertain what truth there was in the port of this prophecy. Accordingly efirst time the Apostolic Delega, ned at the Archbishop's residence
t. Boniface, we asked His Excellency if the report was true. His reply, listend to with lively interest by His Grace
of St.Boniface and some twenty priests, of St. Boniface and some twenty priests On the day of the Holy Father's elec ion, February 20th, 1878 a Cardinal Ara Coeli in Rranciscan monastery he good Fathers and Brothers the news of Cardinal Pecci's election to the Sovereign Pontificate. The Franciscan risty of their church, and when they were told that the new Pope was sixty-
ight years old, they seemed to deplore is advanced age, saying that there ould soon have to be another conclav the difficulties then surrounding nd of an already aged Pontiff. Just hen a young Friar entered the sacris. $y$, and on being informed of the geney, and on being informed pope could not ive long, he said: "Do not fear; he
will be Pope for twenty years." Little ttention was paid to this unexpecte rophecy till the lengthening years of he present Pontificate revived th to whom they were reported at the time,sseen
Last twentieth of February, severa Holiness were congratulating the wentieth year of his reign. "Yes,"
said the Holy Father with a quiet mile, "I am beginning my twentieth ear, but, according to the good Fran-
iscan friar's prophecy, it will be my last." To this the Cardinals replied would reign only twenty years; Pope hesied twenty, but he fixed no limit nd they hoped his reign would be much longer. This point Leo XIII. id not attempt to decide.
Such was the recital of Monsignor uainted with all the sayings and doings of the present Pope. Thus we have lmost at first hand and on the bost possible authority, the proof of the au-
thenticity of this most curious predicion. And certainly it looks very much known, from the beginning of his reign, that he had plenty, of
time before him. His wonderfu series of encyclicals bears all the
marks of a carefully preconceived plan arranged without haste and in per-
fect order, as if he were all the time
fully aware that his days would be
lengthened so that his entire plan could engthened so that his entire plan could duly younded off and filled in. Even
-which God forbid!-he it o have
ouly twenty years, what only twenty years, what a complet
and perfect work has been his! But w pray and hove that the friar meant " east twenty years" and that our great
and glorious Pope may far outive that romised period.

## Nansen's Limitations.

Nansen's failure to fulfi his contract or a hundred lectures and his sudden eparture for Norway provide us witb
n opportunity of expressing, as to his ork and person, certain opinions which is present conduct strongly confirms. ver since we read "Farthest North" Nansen is in some waya both Friutjo and foolisit. Of his childish tendency the It-repeated unbosomings of his inmost sul to the public are a pretty good Ner York Sun. "His agents have, in some instances, gone to $\begin{aligned} & \text { newspaper } \\ & \text { offices and complained that } \\ & \text { Dr. Nansen }\end{aligned}$ "space" that he did not receive as muc "space" in the naws columns as he publish his lectures as fully as be foll bimself justified in believing that they would. A reminder that papers pab-
lishing news, telegraph and local could not be expected to print the same lec are twice-for it was always the sam
dentical lecture -"was without effect." think, fould have been easy, one would think, lor Nansen to prepare three o Fram's voyage, another on lect on the jran's voyage, another on his sledig cess of the entire undertaking with tue unprecedented coincidence of the simulfourth ran of himself and his vessel, xpedition the scientific results of the and the same lecture all the time and expect newspapars to reproduce it ove
and over again, is certainly childish. and over again, is certainly childish. So
is his sudden departure in disgust at th is his sudden departure in disgust at the
d ind andiences, despite the conract binding him to give thirty-thre more lectures. After his sixty-sevent repetition of the same lecture, be suddenly breaks away from his managers, or two farewell lectures, and then sail for Pepporvik.
Of his filly
he rbapeodles with many instances in alled on the infinity of the universe the aurora borealis, te says: "Oh tho mysterious radiance, what art thou and whence comest thou? Yet why ask? Is it not enough to admire thy beanty an
pause there? Can we at best get beyond the outward show of things?" A rational mind would reason thus: "Th heavens show forth the glory of God. Not to see this is-as traly now as it
was in the days of old- to be a fool. The fashionable increase in the numbe After a long screed about the full moon, Nansen concludes: "It is like en tering a still, holy temple, where the spirit of nature hovers through the place
on glittering silver beams, and the sonl nust fall down and adore- adore the in inity of the universe." We have italicizer the rubbish. Even from the standpoint o say that the full moon makes us adore oon, being the nearest and the be known to us, is the exact opposite of in-
inity. But, from the vantage inity. But, from the vantage-ground o ense is this pantheistic admiration fo feeling! How much more rational is it th say that all this beanty points mathe matically to a
more beautifal.

## A passage wheatif

onable claptrap and balderdash pseudo-scientists,and which also distinct ly acknowledges that the author is cbild, is the following: "What demon is it hat weaves the threads of our lives and ever sends us forth on pathe we
have not-our selves laid out.. Was it a mere feeling of duty that impelled me Oh,no! I was simply a child yearning fo great adventure out in tbe unknown last I believed it really awaited me; and it has, indeed, fallen to my lot, the great adventure of the ice, deep and pare a infinity, the silent, starlit polar night nature itself in its profundity, the mys tery of hife, the ceaseless circling oi th niverse,the feast of death, without su fering without regret, eternal in itself."
What the feast of death, without suffer ing, without regret, eternal in itself means we cannot for the life of us imm gine. No wonder a man that can cooll write such nonsense cannot see that the existence of a personal applications of the
nost immediate
principle of causality. But we must comprinciple of causality. But we must com
plete the quotation: "Here in the great
night thou standest in all thy naked
pettiness, face to face with nature; and pettiness, face to face with nature; and
thou sittest devoutly at the feet of eternity, intently listening; and thou
knowest Gol the all-ruling the knowest Got the all-ruling, the cen-
tre of the universe. All the riddles of life seem to grow clear to thee, and thou sumed by broodin that conldst be cou unutterably little...'Whoso sees Jehoval dies.' " In spite of the august names
God and Jehovat Buddhistic , jargon. Standing "im the seatting he, intently listening," these of eternity. postures which no these are mental emisp!ere mind can deeni other than oolish, unless they are mere poetical exaggerations. Nature, without nature's God, is as nothing compared to the vaoutside of God, there is no suchl. And, ternity; a long lapse of time there thas e, but eternity is not made up of long pses of tinie, however numerons they are supposed to be. It Nansen had
neant that all the riddles of life grow lear in the presence of on grow ersonal, eternal God, we shonld applaud ith both hands; but it is evident tom many other passages of his "Farthest to he nay delude the masses into thinking

And yet, if any man ought to believo a loving Providence, it is Fridtjof
Nansen. Doubtless he helped himself Nansen. Doubtless he helped hizself
and quit himself like the stroag, clever, prudent, long-headed man he ig; but God. ithout Whom all such human preparaons are vain, helped him wonderfully. riunar Arctic expodition was ever so rovidential happenings. And even in he natural gifts of the leader and his nen what Christian can fail to see the
beneficent hand of the Author of all ood?
The fact in Na:sen is foo proud to be ve chaffed himable. Other reviewera ng tone towa about his lorty patronis paternal way with his men. We ve a theory of our own about somehief, thongi carefully suppressed reason wh Nansen broke away from the Fram and ventured northward with one com. anion was that be felt the Fram was wo small for Sverdrup and himself. Wo gather from Capt. Otto Sverdrup's appen-
dix that that same Otto is a masterful and ery able man. :His narrative is much intersting and factfult than Nansen's. lace where he tells us his journale one exceedingly meagre," he yet finds neans to spin out page after page of more or less silly reflections. Sverdrup, on the contrary, isconcise and graphic. Bat the one very important fact which, he Captain's Appendix, as no doubt ceive the prominence it deserves, and has therefore generally escaped the Fram, under Capt. Sverdrups. The ctually reached, at its most northerly rift, a latitude that is only a litle more han nineteen statute miles south of Nanseu's farthest north. Strange to say, his fact is nowhere mentioned in the

In that part of the book which ras written by Nansen, an advance of one egree is loudly heralded and marked by stivities whenever a new parallel is aached; but here, in the appendix, herwise so well proportioned, all such emphasis is suppressed. It is only by he position of the ship at different dates hat we find sandwiched in dates lower latitudes, these trementwen signiflcant figures "85"55.5." Now, as ansen's farthess in his sledge journey was exactly $86^{\circ} 13.6$, the difference beteen the two is only 18.1 geographical iles or a lithe over 19 ordinary miles. Does this not look as if Nansen, finding hat Sverdrup had so nearly equallod lose over the fact by burying it in mass of tabular detail so that it might pass unnoticed, and set so that he might ceused of there in black and white if his overweening pride it must have been osmall humiliation to discover that all he hardships and dangers of his fifteen onthr' sleigh journey had landed him nily nineteen miles further north than ram, which he had left beced by the mained too far south. Wecause it re hink Dr. Nansen's recent breach to ontract, throwing, as it does, an unive color to our view.

Education for a young Man or Woman,
or the active duties of M11e, is obtannod
Winnipeg Business College aud short
 Pope Leo XIIL.'s message of peace
and good-will to Manitoba Catholics should be made public,
it was, on Christmas, for it was, on Christmas, for Iy and torbearance. Its lack of aggressiveness, coupposition mixed schools, is remarkable. deprecates religious and poiitical strife in regard to the settlemen it
of the school question, and it counsels peace and moderation trusting to time to lighten or re move the burdens which the Catholics of Manitoba are now called upon to bear, owing to un wise legislation and decisions In this the Holy Father is a very
Prince of Peace, realizing fully that the hour is not far distan when all difficulties of contend-
ing parties and sects will be set tled satisfactorily by amicable and without unmanly and unbrotherly strife. He is great as ly through the sophistry of men ty, the only true rule for gov ernment, gives to its anointed sons, who can look into the fu ture far as human eyes can see The Pope believes that there mus ry than the Laurier-Greenway compromise, and he awaits its and patience which he desires to impart to his religious children, and more especiald mar everything by the manifesting of bitter feeling and angrily aggressive

The English Church before the

The excellent little tract jus
Then published by Canon Moyen entitled
"Twelve Facts proving that the English church before the Reforma us hope, be carefully studied by Anglicans. It is a pity the twelve facts as set forth cannot be aflixed
to the notice-board of every Protesto the notice-board of every Protesthese prove "that the Mediæval English Church professed the most unbounded Popery; that the Stadirect appointinent of English Bishops by the Pope was so utter-
ly disregarded by the English Crown and the English Church that the number of appointments
made by direct Papai provision was vastly greater after the passing of the statute than before it; and that a careful selection of them miction might present the English Church in the These and other qualified admissions are reluctantly made, and to prove that the English Church professed Popery" before the "Reormation is to disprove the Conand as theory. The Church of Engand as by law established has that did and does and will to the
end of the world "profess Popery" is clearly quite a different institu tion to the Parliamentary establ

## sick Calls. <br> Priests may justly complain, and do, a the annecessary summoning of them in

 the unnecessary summoning hours of the night to a sick call. ases of emergency arise, of a sudal and would censure the intereated who do not call on him, no matter the houror the inclemency of tise season or his state of feeling, so that he is able to go There are too many among us who nevcomaton to be moved about at their own sweet wills, especially in the sick call no excuse for there being ignorant ones, -should call in the priest at a seasonable hour when sickness of a serious the doctor gives the patient up. Mos priest to do ny it the Churct desires mind does not respond. The cick perso mind

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PRESENTATION
Dr. Barrett, who has held the position
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for Yukon, where he will journey with a
$\begin{aligned} & \text { That evening the medical staff of the } \\ & \text { hospital assembled in Dr. Good's office, }\end{aligned}$
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$\begin{aligned} & \text { a slight token of their esteem, and ale } \\ & \text { complimenting him on the most excellent }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { wanner in which he hind performed } \\ & \text { duties in the hospital.-Fres Press. }\end{aligned}$

## A Lumberman's Life. 

 From the Richibucto, N. B., Review. Mr. Wm. Murray, of Cormiersvifle,N. B., is an old and respected farmer, N. B., is an old and respected farmer,
and a pioneer settler of the thriving little villase he now makes his home.
While Mr. Murray was yet a young man, he, together with his father and rother, founded one of the best mill
properties to be seen in those early ays, The mills consisted of a sawmill managed by the two brothers. Lalor saving appliances being then com-
paratively unknown, the young men were exposed to dangers and difficul-
ties almost unknown to the present in connection with the business was though unheeded at the timie, have
crippled its victim with rheumatism. In a late conversation regarding his disease, Mr. Murray told the following lory of his long misery and final cure
y the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills: "For over twenty years I have been a
"fferer from rheumatism.I attribute the cause of disease to the time when as a young man I worked at our mills. In the winter we would haul loge on the pond
where the alternate thaws and frosta of arly spring would imbed them in the tarting up the mill I would go cant on the pond sometimes in water up to $t$ : e knees and work away from morning til
night chopping logs out of the slush and ice. I was generaily wet from
head to foot, and every second nlght of the week I would, without changing ny cothes, stay up and run the mill
ill daybreak. so you see I was for ally wet clothes, and this would last iill the ice had melted in the pond.
After a few years rheumatism fastened itself upon me as a reward for this in-
discretion, and ever increasing in its malignity, it at last became so bad that for weeks in succession I could only go about with the aid of crutcles. At other house by the aid of two canes, and again and I was able to do a little work, but could never stand it for more than a
couple of hours at a time. The least bit of walking in damp weather would over night when I tried to walk from Cocagne Bridge to my home, a distance of five
miles, that I bad to git down by the roadside six times to ease the terrible pain that bad seized my legs. During
all those years of agony I think 1 tried all the patent medicines I conld gat a
hold of, but they did men no good at all I consulted doctors, but my gufferings remained undimininhed. In the fall
1895 I went to a doctor in Buctouche to see ir there were any means by which
might be eased of my suffering. The
doctor said frankly. "Mr. Murray you cannot be cured, nothing can cure you." was not satisfied and then I deter-
mined to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. procured half a dozen boxes and
began taking them at once. I soon felt a change for the better and after my supply bad been finished I got another half
dozen boxes and contineed taking them according to directions. That dozen boses was aill took and you see me now. I ind of and an spring and could follow the plough for pains. Yes Dr. Williams' Pink Pills did ne a world of good and I strongly r
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## CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK

 FEBRUARY.7, Monday-St. Romuald, Abbo Founder of the Camaldoli. , Tuesday-The Prayer of Our Lo
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Wednesday-St. Cyril, Alexandria, Doctor.
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gin. Scholastica, ers of the Order of Servites. Saturday-St. Raym
nafort. Confessor.

## BRIEFLETS.

## Scarlet fever has broken out in the ledian Reserve at St. Peter's.

Rev. Father Vales, O. M. I., from the Trouch

Mr. L. Voerhoeven occupies to day
his new offices in the Marchants Bank block.

Rev. Father Drummond, S.J., is undergoing med
ence Hospital .
Mr. Frank W. Rnisel, C. P.R. Land Department, went to M

At the last meeting of the St. Boniface
Voyageur snowshoe club foarteen new Voyageur snowshooe clui fourteen new
nembers were admitted. Rev. Father Beandin, O. M. I., h considerably improved in health.

Mrs. F.X. Damers, wife of Dr. Demers of Bte. Anne des Clenes, is a guest at Mr. D. Allman has returned from a east. He will soon spring several star King surprises on the clothing trade.

## Keep a watch on your dogs, A fing Newfoundland-collie belonging to

 Boniface College was stolen, probably byprospective Klondikers, last Saturdyy night.
Mev. Father La Rue, S. J., sang Hight
Hass laat Sunday at the Jmmaculate Mass last Sunday at the Immagulate eburch next Sunday on the Unity of the burch.
Rev. Father Chartier, S. d., left inst Baturday for the Snuday services a
Portage La Prairie and thence pro Peeded to McGiregor to visitthe Catholit berd. Ho retarned yesterday
We are glad to hear that the health of University of Manitoba, is much improved. He is at present visiting triend in Wales. We trust he may be long pre. served to di
University.
A fine portrait of the late Miss Pru: omme, daughter of Jadge Prudhomme y Robinson, in Winnipeg last week It is the work of Mr. Victor Long who seems to have caught the expression of the lamented young girl very well.
Last Tuesday the Provincial Chapte of the Oblate Fathers met in the Mother
House, 107 Visitation Street, Montreal o elect a delegate who shall accompany The Provincial to the General Chapter i Fathers McGuckin, Pallier, Lecompte Therrien, Drouet, Boissonneault, Davic, Kangin, Harnois, Vallquette, Laporte,
Pian, Dozois, Lefekvre, Legault and


St. Boniface College. the aged and venerable Pontiff who is enthroned in the reverence and affec
tion of millions of men and women in Christendom, many of whom are amon the most charitable, the most saintly,
and the most self-denying disciples and the most self-denying disciples of

Our Lord Jesus. Christ."- Catround | Our Lurs. |
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## New C.P.R. Time Card. It Goes into Effect To-day. 

The new train service on the Canadian Pacific railway goes into effect this day,
Feb. 1st. The train going Feb. 1st. The train going west leaves
the city at 7.10 iu the evening, while the local goes out in the morning at 7.50 a. m., enabling passengers to reach Mona. m., enabling passengers to reach Mon-
treal the second morning instead of in
the evening as at present the evening as at present. The expres
will also arrive in Toronto much earlie han at present so that passengers can reach any part of western Ontario on the same day as they arrive at Toronto. The
service to New York and New England points will aloo be accelerated. The main line trains will only remain here
one bour. The local will arrive from Brandon at 10.35 at night, ten minutes ater than at present. It leaves Brandon at 520 p.m. instead of 5.10. The ex a.m. and arrive leaves in that city fon at at the
east at a few minutes past midnight. east at a few minutes past midnight.
The Deloraine train arrives in the city
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son will leve at 7.30 instead of 7.5 and
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the train will leave Reston at 6 a.m., inrad or the train leaves Souris-Braud at 9.35
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