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The Liberal Shibboleth.

The Casket.

Catholic liberals, who, by a dispensation of Divine Providence, find themselves existing on this Western Continent near the end of the nineteenth century, under a free republic, deem it wise, prudent and good to recognize the fact, and their actual environments. They want to live under the conditions in which Providence has placed them, and not revert to conditions that have for centuries ceased to be.—New York Freeman's Journal.

Here you have up the same old man of straw that you hoisted when you charged those who differ from your views with "weeping over the monarchic ruins of the past." You put him up in order that Your readers, fancying him a real, live antagonist, may admire your dexterity in knocking him down. Who asks you to renounce your free republic? Who wants you to take a chaise-coach instead of a railway car on your next trip to Philadelphia? Who demands that you shall use a hand press instead of the most improved tury, think the warfare against machine to print The Freeman's Journal, or that you shall read this article by a tallow eandle rather than an Elison lamp? It would make your task very easy if you could get the public to accept this bugaboo for the Catholic of sound, conservative

By all means recognize your environments and accept whatever is good in them. But do not imagine that the Church, which has the whole earth for her environment and all ages for her season, is going to revolutionise her entire polity to conform to the tendencies of your civilization of a day, that will pass like that of the many centuries she has left benind,-that shall grow old as a garment and be changed as a vesture. An English liberal, a non-Catholic, much given to scanning the great stream of progress with his little rush-light, a few years ago came to the conclusion that the only salvation for the Papacy lay in its removal to London. An American liberal Catholic priest, who was more or less of a hero and martyr with those of his school, about the same time became possessed of the notion that the Church in the United States would never make any progress until she should have "an American Pope walking down Broadway in a stovepipe hat."

It is the same old story, repeated with wearisome iteration-the Church must onform to the age-despite the 80th proposition of the Syllabus. If we wish to know what this expression means in the mouth of a liberal Catholic, we can ascertain it without much difficulty. We have frequently in the course of this controversy referred to the utterances of an alleged Catholic writer in the Protestant New York Independent, the complimentary reference to which by The Freeman's Journal was the occasion of our entry into the discussion. What was it, then, that this so-called Catholic writer, whom our contemporary found so much after its own heart, and who was expressly pleading the cause of liberalism, had to tell the readers of The Independent? Here are his words:

God grant that the cord of liberalism, which only turns out to be patriotism, science and republicanism, may wind itself more and more about the Church in this country! That is not the enemy. The real danger to the Church comes from another cord, also a triple cord, made up of foreignism, Jesuitism and reactionism.

These are the views of the writer whose words The Freeman's Journal quotes with such gusto! This is American Catholic liberalism, as expounded by a writer who has the stamp of our contemporary's approval. It is no longer, mark you, the world, the flesh or the devil, with which the Church has to wrestle: it is-the Society of Jesus-the followers of Ignatius Loyola. Here is liberalism unmasked. If our contemporary is anxious for a definition of it, it cannot get a better one than the single word, anti-Jesuitism. The so-called Catholic apologist of liberalism in The Independent is sagacious at least in this-that he recognizes its congenital enemy.

This, then, is the school of thought which our contemporary vainly attempts to disguise as "a rational attachment to doctrine without hatred or dislike of those who differ from or reject that doctrine." of God, in discovering that the couraging that a great future ideal of the absolute self-devotion of the tion has increased from 500 to 30,000.

Last week we saw what Dr. Brownson's views of the school were. That it has not changed its spots since his day is amply evident from a comparison of the above passage from The Independent, and of our contemporary's latest article, with the following portrait of liberalism as painted by Brownson in 1871:

There are some people who would fain persuade themselves that the devil is dead, that he has lost his malignity or that he tempts poor man no more; that the flesh has lost its enmity to God, has become pure and holy, and may be safely trusted as a guide of the soul to God and heaven; and that the city of the world has become the city of God. Even some Catholics, liberal Catholics, as they are called, illumined by the effulgent light of this glorious nineteenth centhe world ought to be discontinued, and that the Church might advantageously for herself and for civilization, society and the State, form an alliance with the spirit of the age, and move on in harmony with it. They persuade themselves that the world has been christianized, that the spirit of the age,-only another name for the spirit of the world,—is really the spirit of Christ moving the minds of the people outside as well as inside of the Church, and would be recognized and accepted as such were it not for the undue influence with Catholics of the Jesuit and other OSCURANTISTI.

Jesuitism, you see, was the enemy then, as it is to-day.

Of Dr. Brownson's competency to peak for liberalism and to detect its tendences, we shall present the evidence in his own words. The seductiveness of this most insidious enemy of religion is such that, as is well known, it for a time held captive the great mind of Brownson himself-and that too even after he had written those profound remarks upon the relation of the Church to the age which we quoted last week. Of his brief captivity in and final escape from the miasmatic liberal camp he tells in the passage immediately following the one which we have just quoted, from his article on the Religious Orders, in The which speaks volumes for the genuine humility and real greatness of the prince of American converts, and it should be a warning to those who have experienced the fatal seductiveness of liberalism. Says Dr. Brownson:

I must myself confess, to my shame and deep sorrow, that for four or five years, ending in 1864. I listened with too much respect to these liberal and liberalising Catholics, whether at home or abroad, though I had previously written against them, and sought to encourage their tendency as morals. I had been taught better of the grand monarque and the adherents, and he thought what a great and my better judgment and my Canadian seigneurs to vie with advantage it would be to Protestantism with them; but I was induced to ther country. These traditions its atherents."-Lord Overtoun at Prothink that I might find in the of family distinction and merit more fondly cherished tenden- were not lost with the succeedcies of my non-Catholic country-ling generations. Elegance, ease, men a POINT D'APPUI for my pleasure and patriotism played a arguments in favor of the teach- conspicuous part in their annals. ing of the Church, and by mak-Representatives of the sturdy ing the distance between them middle class, and those at home Rankin, Manse of Muthilt.' and us as short as possible, greatly facilitate their conversion. leading to competency and to admit that there were many ways in My faith was firm and my con-wealth sought homes amid the which the silent, unwearying and confidence in the Church unbroken, snows of new France, and from sistent devotion of the Romish clergy is but I yielded to what seemed at these three classes the Canadian an example and sometimes a rebuke to the moment a wise and desirable people of to-day have sprung. policy. All I gained was the distrust of a large portion of the developed with her sister colo-Catholic public and a suspicion nies, keeping pace with the best. among non-Catholics that I was To-day she stands abreast of the losing my confidence in Catholicity and was on the point of tions would do honor to any land; turning back to some form of her literature is forcible and full

tendency I was encouraging seems in store for the literature would, if followed to the end, of Canada; her artists have lead me out of the Church, and achieved such success, that Canaas soon as that became clear to dian art is a reality; her represenme I did not hesitate to abandon tative men have not only thrill it and bear as well as I could ed home audiences by their perthe humiliation of having yield-suasive eloquence but they have ed to an un-Catholic and dan-held the elite of the French gerous influence.

We do not think that, after those cita- chette, poet, was crowned lautions from Dr. Brownson, we need offer any apology for the persistence with the vice-president of Montreal's which we have fought this dangerous school. We have he and that some thought as too unrelenting in our pursuit of that snake in the gross, "Innominato." We were never told who they were; but we venture the opinion that they were not of those who were in the habit of reading his productions, with their carefully concealed poison. If justification of our course were needed, we think the above quotations would furnish it. As for The Freeman's Journal and its bitter denounciation of our "frog tendency to croak," we can assure it that we can take its abuse with perfect equanimity so long as we are on the same log with Orestes | high st authority. A. Brownson.

Our Neighbors.

Catholic Sentinel (Portland, Oregon).

On the banks of the St. Lawrence we find a people as cultured and refined as the French Any one familiar with the decapital itself can claim. There the descendants of France's Golden Age, they bring us back to Louis XIV and the glorious period of French letters. France has undergone many changes, many revolutions since then; consequently who can tell whether the more genuine Frenchman is to be found on the banks the St. Lawrence or on those of the Seine? Alsace and Lorraine are an object lesson. Polished, the Canadians truly are, with all the grace and ease of their countrymen on the continent; they may have lost somewhat of their mercurial temperament from contact with the more phlegmatic English, but they are undeniably of the same race as Evangeline and politeness and versatile mind. quick perception and ready sympathies, seem to be in truth the Frenchmen of the Old Régime.

From these observations the visitor among them readily concludes that when the fleur de lis ceased to float over the northern pines, it left widowed hearts to bewail its going, but it did not bear away from the colonists the national traits which made France great in its palmiest days. who were debarred from avenues

* Under the English rule Quebec

capital spell bound. Louis Frereate by the French Academy; university was honored as a public speaker in Paris, Quebec's prime minister was lionized in the true God was set before the people." the French capital for the same reason. This brings us face to face with an absurb question raised by those who never mingled with the cultured class of French Canadians or who are incompetent to judge. Is the Canadian language a patois? The actions of the French Academy towards Canadian men of letters are the best answer, and it is the

The English language has almost as many dialects among the unlettered, as there are sections in our country, even among the educated how diverse is our pronunciation; in France itself, the tongue varies with the locality. velopment of languages must is much of interest attached to recognize the constant changes

every living medium of thought is undergoing. But nice discrimination is no part of the unthinking, he sins alike against logic and courtesy; to hold an entire people guilty for the offences of the few or the irresponsible, is what common sense disclaims and good judgment repudiates.

Protestant Testimony.

An Eloquent Collection of Tributes to the Catholic Church From Outside

In a recent religious controversy the defender of the Catholic side of the ar gument submitted the following collection of tributes by Protestant writers to Catholic excellence:

"The moral debt which the world owes Madame de Sevigné, and the to the Catholic Church is immeasurable, charms of these two combine to but perhaps none of its ceremonies have Ave Maria of 1871. It is a confession give a distinctive characteristic to done more for the preservation and the cultured French Canadian wo- elevation of European morals than the man; while the men, with their practice—so much misunderstood if not misrepresented-of confession." - Professor Knight, L L. D.

'Protestant as I am, when travelling or serving in Roman Catholic countries I have felt a wholesome influence from the symbol of our common faith, the crucifix reared on the lonely roadside or niched in the angle of the crowded street. I can imagine the mind of the reprobate being diverted from its purpose by the sudden sight of the rudest image of the cross and passion of Him who died for the sins of mankind."-Col. Mundy.

"He had often been ashamed on going far as I could without absolutely | Frontenac had endeavored at | into Roman Catholic churches to see the departing from Catholic faith and | Quebec to rival the magnificence | amount of devoutness exhibited by the Catholic instincts never went their equals in rank in the modification devoutness was practiced by testant Congress, Elinburgh, October,

"Rome with its unity, zeal and historic continuity, is rapidly growing, in virtue of possessing a better Christian spirit than the sects, with more of true prayer. reverence and devotedness. Rev. James

"It is impossible for any candid man not to admit that there were many ways in others."-Dr. John Macleod, Hamilton, October 17, 1394.

"In the system of the Church of Rome the whole of moral duty is included in the law of God and Holy Church. Morality becomes a thing even of legislative declaration by the authority supreme on earth in matter of faith and morals."-Sir F. Pollock.

Protestantism or infidelity. But of promise; much has been done: General Gordon found none but the recently the half century of its existence. I was not long, through the grace but the possibilities are so en- Roman Catholic who came up to his During the fifty years the Catholic popu-

Apostolic missionary."-Canon Taylor, Fortnightly, October, 1888.

"The zeal with which the Roman Catholic priests visit hospitals and prisons deserves all praise. These priests everywhere show themselves to be men full of courage and conviction."-Protestant Missioners of Batavia: Official Statement, 1894.

"The Catholic pricethood were zealous for the salvation of souls; they had disengaged themselves from all ties which attach us to life."-Southey.

"The Catholic missionaries taught the glorious doctrine of the divine unity: -Malcolm: Travels.

"We must express our admiration for the exalted piety of the Roman missionaries, who endured poverty and misery in all forms to win the Indians to better habits and purer faiths."-B. Seeman, F. L. S.

"From lake to lake, from river to river. the Jesuits pressed on unresistingly and with a power no other Christians have exhibited won to the faith the warlike Miamis and the luxurious Illinois."-Washington Irving.

"I know of no parochial clergy in the world whose practice of all the Christian virtues has been more universally admitted and has been productive of more beneficial consequences than the Catholic priesthood of the province."-Lord Durham's Despatches: Canada.

"Her missionaries who have carried Christianity to the ends of the earth; her Sisters of Charity who have carried relief and solace to the most hopeless want and pain-do not these teach us that in the Romish Church the spirit of God has found a home?"-W.E Channing. "Is it not most unjust to accuse the Catholics as enemies of knowledge? Here (Rio) is a noble and public literary institution, filled with books on all subjects, founded by a rigid Catholic monarch, superintended and conducted by Catholic ecclesiastics on a plan even more liberal and less exclusive than any similar establishment in our own Protestant country."-Walsh: "Notices of Brazil.'

"In all those places it has been my fate to travel I have met the successors of the Apostles carrying the standard of the cross, fighting against human misery, ignorance and heathendom. Wherever I had gone I found a Catholic mission and with it education having a strong place."-Sir Arthur Havelock, K C. M. G., Governor of Ceylon, December, 1890.

"Whatever Popes of an earlier period, they had ever great interests at heart-the fostering of an oppressed religion, the struggle with heathenism, the propagation of Christianity; these actions stamped on the actions of the Popes a lofty character."-Leopold Ranke.

"Can our wise men tell us why the Catholic mission stations were self-supporting, rich and flourishing as pioneers of civilization and agriculture, from which we even now reap benefits, while the Protestant mission stations are mere pauper establishments without that permanence or that ability to be self-supporting?"-Dr. Livingstone : Travels in South Africa, page 117.

"Much as I admire Protestantism and revere the forefathers who fought and died for the cause, I cannot withhold my tribute of praise from the Roman Catholic missionaries who have made their success as educationists a household word. I cannot but admire the steady march of their disciplined battalions, of their phalanxes, either bristling with the weapons of efficiency and preparedness or ever showing a fresh and constantly renewed front."-Principal Macdonald, Doveton College, Calcutta.

"What we think of religion to-day you may know; what we think of it to-morrow you cannot affirm. On what point of religion are the churches which have declared war against the Pope agreed? Examine all from beginning to end, you will hardly find a thing affirmed by the one which the other does not directly cry out against as impiety."-Beza to

New Bedford, Mass., once famous as the whaling port of the world, observed

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CURRENT COMMENT.

There comes to us from the American Type Founders Company the quaintest and daintiest of pamphlets, advertising, through the medium of historical narrative printed in several sizes and mode of typography, "a new series of type with appropriate initials for the delec tation and profit of the printers of the world." And for once an advertisement lieth not. Yea, it maketh ge very mouth to water of him that hath an eye for He beautiful. And verily, were it not that our purse flingeth flaccid to ue wind, we should e'en purchase of this olden type made new again a plentiful store. For a smuch as not only is it in itself a beauteous object & therefore an ever present joyance, but likewise ye pamphlet, which is yelept "Schoeffer OLD STYLE," recounteth how that ye first works of said Peter Schoeffer, disciple of ye great Gutenberg, him that but forth ye invention of type-making, are, after four hundred & forty years to this our day & before ye "Blessed Reformation"("which is supposed by some to be ye starting-point of all advancement") by sixty years, most graceful in form & workmanship, in such wise that that same has never since been excelled & full seldom equalled. Ye pamphlet itself, albeit seemingly writ by one not of ye Household of ye Faith, sayeth of Schoeffer his Psalter: "It hath been asserted that this Psalter is more neatly printed than any modern book."& presently subjoineth that which beareth witness to the devout Catholick mind of Schoeffer, to wit, the colophon of ye aforesaid Psalter in this wise "This book of Psalms, decorated with antique initials, & sufficiently emphasized with rubricated letters, hath been thus made by ye masterly invention of printing & also of type-making, without ye writing of a pen, & is consummated to ye service of God, through ye industry of Johan Fust. citizen of Mentz, & Peter Schoeffer of Geruzheim, in ye year of Our Lord 1457, on we eve of ye Assumption, August 14;" ye which lowing suit. Fathers Nies and Henle, sheweth how sweetly these goodly workmen were mindful of our Sovereign Ladye, ye Blessed Mother of God.

By far the weightiest article in the December Catholic World is Fr. Rivington's "Since the condemnation of Anglican Orders." Writing with unparalleled knowledge of the communion of which he was not so long ago a shining | the discovery and execution of the murlight, he says that the bull Apostolica Curx, which fell amid the jumble of Anglican views "as a bolt from the ed officials, including the Governor of blue," "acts as a throw-back to all the Shan Tung province; the reconhopes of reunion in the case of those who are so wedded to the Anglican the payment of an indemnity of 600,000 system that it has become their all, but taels (about one million dollars) to the in the case of those whose minds were, in any real sense, kept open to the truth, a heavy indemnity to cover the expenthe Bull only clears the air."

a touch of life to Father Rivington's Kiao Chau Bay; the railway monopoly there are still quite a number of heathsplendid and luminous analysis of the of the Shan Tung province; and the occontemporary Anglican mind, the Cath- cupation of Kiao Chau Bay as a German law-abiding farmers — would never be judgment and of sound sense his educa-

humor which is the natural fruitage of a logical intellect. In an all too brief sketch of his providential career, we read: "Dr. Rivington's powers of oratory are unusual, while the delicacy and persuasiveness of his manner, and the charm of his marvellously modulated voice lend such aid to his keen logic and his complete mastery of the science of ecclesiastical history that one does not wonder when those who know him Subscription, - - - \$2.00 a year. | best aver that in these twelve short years he has made more converts than any other priest in London."

Canadian French.

The article on "Our Neighbors," which we gladly borrow from our well edited Oregon contemporary, The Catholic Sentinel, proves conclusively that the language spoken by French Canadians is not a patois. This contention needs no proof for those who are acquainted with the history and the present state of the French language in France. But some amateur students of French, with more pretensions than real knowledge, are fond of casting aspersions on the ordinary language of the French Canadian people. Such shallow critics need reminding that the peculiarities of Canadian French are archaic, not dialectical they are a survival of the accent and French King as late as the beginning of last century. In this respect the French Quebec bears a certain analogy to the English spoken by the farmers of New Eigland and their congeners, the U. E. Loyalists of Ontario. In both cases archaic forms and nasal drawl are noticeable features; but as no one would call the English of the latter a patois or a dialect, so no one is justified in giving that name to Canadian French. We do not hesitate to say that the

French habitually spoken in Canada is purer than most of the French habitually spoken in France. In the mother country, outside of Normandy and the departments of the north and northeast, the language is, as a rule, very incorrectly pronounced. This is especially true of all the south central and southern departments. In what used to be called Gascony, Languedoc and Provence the French one hears in the streets is far less pure and less intelligible than the French of Quebec. Canadians experience no difficuly in giving those nasal syllables, "in," "on," "an," which, though essential to the purity of the French language, are indescribably jumbled up and spoiled by the vast majority of southern Frenchmen. A citizen of Marseilles or Bordeaux or Toulouse who does not murder the nasals is a curiosity. On the other hand, any Canadian who makes the slightest effort at clear and discriminating utterance can easily equal the best French of Tours, Blois and Orleans, cities which pride themselves on speaking better than Paris.

Some ten years ago, at a lecture given before the Historical Society of Winnipeg, the Rev. J. J. Roy instanced his own versity of Paris, he was surprised and pleased to find himself listed fifth out of till he travelled through half of its departments, mistaken at every turn in railway carriages for a Frenchman of the purest water.

The Inconsistencies of Persecutors.

It has often been remarked that France harries and molests religious orders at home, while she protects, lauds and decorates their members in her colonies abroad. Germany is now fol-German Jesuits from the House of Missions at Steyl in Holland, where they were obliged by the persecuting Falk laws to take refuge, have recently suffered martyrdom in Shan Tung, China Straightway the Minister to China of that German government which refuses to allow the Jesuits to return to Germany, demands of the Emperor of China derers of the missionaries Nies and Henle; the punishment of the implicatstruction of the missionary buildings; relatives of the victims, the payment of ses of the German naval expedition and Very opportunely, as it were to give the manitenance of the German force at still heathers — and it appears that

est face, with a suggestion of that quiet peror that he protests he would rather The late Mr. Francis Waldron. abdicate than fulfil such onerous conditions. Meanwhile Germany maintains its demands in the teeth of Russian and Japanese opposition.

Thus we have almost a casus belli faced, for the sake of martyred Jesuits, by the very Government that expelled the Society of Jesus from the German ceived from Mr. Francis Waldron's Empire and still resists the reiterated demands of the Centrum for the repeal of that last remnant of the persecuting May laws excluding the members of the Society from residence within the limits terrible shock to the whole family. of the Fatherland.

Surely, if those two murdered missionaries were blameless enough to have their death avenged by so tremendous it from him for several days. Francis alstylish hat to match. Her bridesmaids an atonement, it is hard to see how their presence in Germany could be a menace to the state.

Tekahionwake at the Indian Industrial School.

Last Thursday was a memorable day for the Indian girls and boys of the St. Boniface Industrial School. Between three and four in the afternoon the famous Indian poetess, Miss E. Pauline Johnson, accompanied by Mr. A. E. Forget, Superintendent of the Indian Department, Mrs. Forget, Mr. A. Richard and Mrs. Lecompte, visited the school.

The children, drawn up in ranks in a pronunciation current at the court of the large hall, welcomed their distinguished guests with an overture by their fine brass band. Then Mr. Forget greeted used by the natives of the Province of them in a few well chosen words, this being his first visit to them, and introduced Miss Johnson. This young and stylish lady, whom one would easily mistake for a handsome brunette of the palefaces, in a neatly worded speech with equal earnestness and case of manner expressed her joy at seeing the cheerful, healthy appearance of the children, and gave them two points of valuable advice: first, always to be proud and never ashamed of their red skins, she was a redskin like them and she was proud of it; secondly never to forget how they owed all their educational advantages to the Roman Catholic Church, the oldest and grandest in Christendom.

> At Mr. Forget's request Miss. Johnson consented to recite one of her poems. She said she would choose something light and amusing, and indeed she did win enthusiastic applause from the ordinarily undemonstrative Indian boys and girls; but, during her recital, they, as well as her grown up audience of guests, priests and nuns, were nearer tears than laughter. The way she gave Beyond the blue," a dog story in the style of Trowbridge, would have made the best elocutionists green with envy. It was agonizingly realistic.

When the boys went through dumbbell exercises and the girl, sfigured steps hands in almost childish delight. She accord to mingle and talk familiarly

over eighty candidates from different dian name is Tekahionwake, belongs to President, Vice-President and Secretary: parts of France. We have known a Ca- the Six Nations (Iroquois) Reserve, nadian, who had never lived in France Grand River, Ontario. Her present members; that all new members should home is at Brantford, six miles from the reserve. Her father, Chief Onwanonsyshon of the six Nations, died twelve evening in St. Mary's school-room. There years ago. He was a full blooded Indian. Her mother, still living, is a purely white English-speaking woman, who maiden name was Emily Howell, a relative of the American author of that name who was at one time U.S. consul in Canada.

On seeing this perfectly equipped woman of the world, whose conversation reveals infinite resources of tact and knowledge, one can hardly believe J.Smith supported by Mr.D.Coyle on the that she has had only six years of schooling, three on the Reserve and three at a Brantford public school. But then the talent revealed in her poems, especially in the volume called "The White Wampum," in which savage lays and Christian musings are strangely interwoven, explains all.

Miss Pauline Johnson, who belongs to the Church of England,"very High" as she puts it, hopes some day to contribute to the church which Father Laboureau is erecting at Penetanguishene in memory of the martyred Brebeuf and Lallemand, thus, as she says, making some amends for her ancestors who butchered these heroes of labored in the Roman Catholic missions the cross. Speaking of the Indians on of the land of the Boers. He spent her native Reserve, she also expressed the opinion that those of them who are en Onondagas, though all civilized and

Our readers can hardly have forgotten the sad tragedy that occured in Winnipeg on the 19th of last October, when a nant gas. Letters have lately been refriends. Mrs. Waldron, grandmother of the deceased whose parents were long since dead, writes from Havelock House, Formby: "Needless to say it was a most the news of that terrible accident was a great shock."

The Catholic Rector of Formby, near Rev. Father Drummond:

"I hasten to reply to your kind letter the lamented death of my young friend, F.X. Waldron.

"It is especially consoling to his family and to myself to learn from you that he was attentive to his religious duties, so that his death, if sudden, was not unprovided.

"His grandfather, with whom he has lived since his father's death some seven years ago, is a retired Liverpool tradesman, spending his declining days in this quiet suburb. He is a devout religious man, and received the mournful tidings with resignation to the Divine Will. He and the whole family, with the two brothers of the deceased, are grateful to you and to the people of Winnipeg who have shewn such sympathy with the young stranger whom you have barboured and laid to rest in your midst.

"Let me once more convey my most profound thanks to the Reverend clergy and yourself in particular for the care you have bestowed on this boy whom I committed to your pious care.' Instructions are also sent that the dead boy's clothing shall be given to the poor and his other personal effects, books,

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etc., returned to his family.

On Monday evening of last week about twenty-five Catholics of the city assembled in St. Mary's school-room in response to the invitation which had been issued to all those who felt interested in the formation of a Literary Guild. Mr.J J. Golden was voted to the chair and Mr. A. E. Kennedy appointed Secretary of the meeting. After talking over the steps which had led to the calling of the meetand songs, Miss Johnson clapped her ing a motion was proposed and unanimously carried to the effect that in the was afterwards shown all over the opinion of those present it was desirable building and went back of her own to form a Literary guild. Subsequently it was decided that the new organizawith the children, who looked immense- tion should be called "The Newman ly proud of their far-famed poet sister. Literary Guild" and that at least for the remarkable experience. All his early Miss Johnson was profuse in thanks present, the membership should be coneducation he received in the Province of to Rev. Father Dorais, O.M.I., director fined to the sterner sex. A short recess Quebec. When he was first examined of the school and to Rev. Sister Fisette was taken to enable a committee to draw as to French pronunciation in the Uni- and the other good Sisters who take up the few rules thought to be necessary such loving care of their dusky wards. and this was soon done. It was decided Miss E. Pauline Johnson, whose In- that the officers should consist of a meeting should be held every Thursday matter of faith and morals. will be no dues. The officers elected were: President-J. A. McInnis; Vice-President - D. Coyle; Secretary - A. E. Kennedy. The first regular meeting of the guild will be held at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening of this week when the programme will be a short paper read by Mr. F.W.Russell, and a debate to be led by Mr. F. Smith supported by Mr.E. Golden on one side and by Mr.J. other.

Much travelled Priest.

Father Brady O.M.I., of Dublin is the Guest Of Rev. Father Cashman, of Chicago

A man who has visited five continents and who thinks nothing of a journey by sea of 50,000 miles is in Chicago. This is the guest of Rev. T.F. Cashman, pastor tourist, and Father O'Brien of Dublin-Father Brady spent nearly a year in southern Africa, and as an Oblate father some time in the Orange Free State and official orders,-Exchange.

Ste. Rose du Lac.

Our quiet village was the scene of two weddings this week. Monday, 22nd, Mr. Ludovic Normand led Miss Marguerite young and promising English lad was Perrault to the altar. The bride was asphyxiated by the escape of illumitastefully attired in pale French grey and white satin.

Tuesday 23d, at high Mass Mr. Jim Robinson, youngest son of William Robinson, Esq., formerly of Dauphin, was married to Miss Marceline Ramsay, eldest daughter of R. Ramsay Esq., in the presence of a large number of their Francis's Grandfather, who is over eighty, mutual friends. The bride was handwas in a very serious illness when the somely dressed in brown velvet, ornanews arrived, and I was obliged to keep mented with gold fancy brail and & ways wrote cheerfully up to the last, so were M ss Cleophile Neault and Miss Cassie Robinson accompanied by Mr. B. Ramsay and Mr. J. Hamelin. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to the Liverpool, Rev. Wilfrid Carr, writes to bridegroom's residence where a delicious breakfast was served to a number of guests. In the evening there was a of the 26th Oct. containing accounts of supper and dance at Mr. Ramsay's in honor of the occasion and the rejoicings were kept up till after daylight next morning, Our best wishes attend the happy couples.

Mr. le Vicomte d'Aubigny is opening a new store in the village, which it is said will be well stocked. Mr.R.Robinson has lately improved and enlarged his

There are 65 children on the school register and for sometime a daily attendance of 50 children, quite a large school for this settlement.

THE POPE AND MANITOBA.

Touching the Pope's pronouncement with reference to the school question in Manitoba, the New York Tribune remarks:

The Pope does not accept the Laurier-Greenway settlement of the Manitobs school question. But Sir Wilfrid Laurier is Prime Minister of Canada, and Mr. Greenway is Prime Minister of Manitoba, and the settlement is likely to stand.

The question with the Pope was not who is Prime Minister of Canada or of Manitoba, or whether the settlement is likely to stand. That would be a political consideration merely. The Pope's primal duty, as chief pastor of the Church of God, is to instruct Catholics in faith and morals. Now, the question of morals enters into the question of education: and, in pointing out to those committed to his care principles for their guidance, which his office obliges him to do, no sensible Protestant will take exception. But no matter who takes exception, the Pope must do his duty.—IrishWorld.

"The Infallible Pope Before The TRIBUNAL OF REASON."

The Jesuits' Church, says the Montreal Star, was again crowded last night to hear the Rev. Father O'Brien Pardow in his third lecture, "The Infallible Pope before the Tribunal of Reason." The peaker is a close reasoner, and he appeals more to the mind than to the heart. The thesis he set himself to prove last night was that sound reason rethat all present should form the first quires that man should have some ultimate authority to which he may refer, be proposed and voted on; and that the and whose conclusions are final, in the

In the course of his lecture Father Pardow said:

"Does the doctrine of infallibility of the Pope teach that he can never make a mistake? It teaches no such thing. What then becomes of the much-disputed papal infallibility? The Catholic Church teaches that when the Pope, as head of the Church, proclaims a point of faith or morals, he is so assisted by the Holy Ghost as to be kept free from error in this his official act. How this dogma could have raised such a storm in the world is inexplicable, unless we fall back on the dearth of dictionaries."

The preacher heard many non-Catholies say: We could accept what all you Catholics believe except the infallibility of the Pope; that, our reasons forbids us to admit. It is strange, indeed that their reason should suddenly become so jeatraveller is Father Brady of Dublin, who lous of its rights, when these very people, as all Christians, have been admittof St. Jarlath's Church. With him are ing for centuries the infallibility of many Father O'Reilly, who is also somewhat of men, and yet their reason seems to have entered no protest. Why do all Christians accept the Bible as the word of God? Did God write it? God in the Old Testament wrote the Ten Commandments on tables of stone. He wrote nothing more, not a line. Who then did write the Old Testain the Transvaal, and also in Basutoland. ment? Men. Were the men fallible when Hesaw and was present at a reception to they wrote? If you are consistent, you Paul Kruger, president of the Boers, and | must say that they were fallible when says that while he is a man of excellent they wrote, otherwise you make them olic World gives, in the same issue, the coaling station. So formidable has this converted except by Black Robes from tion stops with the signing of his name to were fallible when they wrote, then you are not sure that you have the Word of

God, but only what fallible men thought was the Word of God. Then how do you dare to print Bibles, and place Holy Bible on the cover, and scatter them broadcast over the world as the Word of God? Before doing so, you should print in the title page these worls: We beg to state to all our readers that we are not sore that the following pages are the Word of God, as they were written by fallible men.

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Now for the New Testament. Did Jesus Christ write the Gospel? He wrote not a single word of it, not even the ten commandments. Who then wrote the New Testament? r'allible men. Two of the Evangelists were not even apostles. Luke was a physician, Mark a disciple. Are all doctors and disciples infallible? Of course not. You are not, therefore, sure that you have the Word of God even in the Gospels. This is precisely what the ever-advancing troops of agnostics and infidels say. You have been blindly admitting for three hundred years those pages to be the Word of God which were written by fallible men. No Protestant can answer this on Protestant principles; for, according to them, to teach that the Pope is at any time infallible is to make him practically God; therefore, to teach that Luke, the doctor, and Mark the And Lord's Day Observance. disciple were infallible in writing their Gospels, would be to make them practically gods.

Remarkable Cures.

Two recent Instances Attributed to Faltl And Pious Appeals.

New York, November 23 .- To the effieacy of the prayers of school children, in the opinion of many, is due the remarkable change for the better in the condition of Mrs. Adrian Iselin. Mrs. Iselin's death was hourly expected a month ago, and her symptoms became so alarming baseless are the reflections cast that Rev. Father Kellner, pastor of St. on Catholics in the connections Gabriel's Church in New Rochelle, was called to the Iselin homestead at Davenport Neck, to administer the last sacraments to one of his most cherished parishioners.

Mrs. Iselin had built the handsome church structure, which is one of the notable buildings in New Rochelle, as well as the parish house and the church school which adjoin it. She has given \$150,000 for this purpose, and otherwise had materially aided the work of the

Father Kellner was summoned. The children of St. Gabriel's Church Sunday school were in session at the time, and at the suggestion of their pastor they offered prayers asking for the speedy recovery of the church's benefactor and friend. Day after day the little ones offered up prayers for Mrs. Iselin's recovery. Within a few days, despite the gloomy views the family physicians had taken, Mrs. Iselin's health began to improve. The physicians were unable to explain the change. The patient is now rapidily convalescing at her city home, No. 23 East Twenty-sixth street, facing Madison Square. Mrs. Iselin was brought to this city from New Rochelle in a special train on Sunday.

A St.Louis Cure.

St. Louis, November 24.—James Mur phy, a boy, who was at the point of death from concussion of the brain, has been saved, seemingly by a miracle wrought through the prayers of a pious and venerable monk, Brother Arnold, who sprinkled the sufferer with holy water of Lourdes and implored Our Lady of Lourdes to save him.

Anna Prud'homme,

The eldest child, Anna, of Hon. Judge Prud'homme, died of typhoid fever last Saturday. She had been ill six or seven weeks. Though this beloved girl was cut off in the bloom of youth at sixteen years of age, she was perfectly resigned to God's Holy Will. Her bereaved parents, with whom we deep- The "Paters" and the "Aves." ly sympathize, must feel their loss

The funeral, which took place at nine o'clock yesterday morning in the Cathedral was very largely attended. Rev. Father Messier was celebrant. Rev. Father George, O.M.I. as deacon and Rev. Father Garon as subdeacon. There were present in the sanctuary Rev. Father Cherrier, Rev.Fr. Guillet, O.M.I., Rev. Father Chartier, S.J., Rev. Father O'Dwyer, O.M I., Rev. Father Gravel and Fathers Mirault and Carriere, S.J. with the classmates of Joseph Prud'homme, brother of the dear departed one.

R.I.P.

A Papal Diamond Jubilee.

Rome, November 20.-Arrangements are already making in Rome for the celebration of the diamond jubilee of Pope Leo's first Mass.

It was on January 1, 1838, that the then Father Pecci offered up his initial Mass in the chapel of Amadeo in the Quirinal. Pilgrims are expected from America in considerable numbers to visit Rome and to join the celebration.

BRIEFLETS.

At the annual meeting of the C.M.B.A. branch 52, Winnipeg, the following officers were elected for 1898: Chancellor, Geo. Germain; president, M. Conway; first vice president, G. Gladnish; second vice-president, J.O.D vy; recording secretary, H. A. Russell; assistant recording secretary, R. Hinds; financial secretary, D. F. Allman; treasurer, W. Jordan; marshail, John O'Connor; guard, A. D. McDonall; trustees, R. Murphy, John O'Connor; delegate, D. Smith; alternate

A very venerable Irish priest has just passed away in the person of the Very Rev. Thomas Bennett, D. D., a member of the Carmelite Order, whose demise at the advanced age of ninety-six years was announced recently. The deceased, whose death occurred at the Carmelite College, Terenure, County Dublin, was considered to be the oldest Catholic priest in Ireland He was a priest for close on three quarters of a century, and was ex-Provincial of the Carmelite Province in Ireland.

CATHOLICS

Catholic News, Eng.

Catholics are occasionally taxed with a remissness in the due observance of the Lord's Day, and Irish Catholics are set down by their critics as special sinners in this regard.

Those who have a right apprehension of what the Lord's Day by divine ordinance is, and those who know the real condition of things in Ireland, are aware how stated.

That the Catholics of Ireland have a due regard for the sanctity of the Lord's Day has just been shown by an incident reported from Clonmel. An American minstrel troupe visiting that town, having occasion to remain in it over Sunday, proposed to give a concert on that evening of what they designat. ed "sacred" music. But not Mrs. Iselin was fast sinking when even the palliative "sacred" could reconcile the Catholic authorities to the proceeding, which they publicly denounced. Notwithstanding the denunciation, the concert proceeded, and though Cor. Portage Ave. & Fort St. hundreds of people assembled at the entrances "to see who would enter," only a few dozen people of any or all denominations entered the hall.

There was no scene of the kind anticipated. The troupe gave its concert as it had the right to do (we suppose : in the absence of a complete knowledge of the circumstances it is impossible to speak absolutely). The priests, as they had the right and duty, warned their flocks not to violate the sanctity of the day by attending. The flocks hearkened to the advice. All concerned can conclude that in Ireland a real respect for the Lord's Day exists healthily; that the people having observed the obligations of the day do not, with their Scotch neighbours, consider it a sin to indulge in decorous relaxation, but that they are just as far from the other extreme of the Continental Sunday. Long may they remain so !

The Holy Father, in his latest Encyclical, urges anew the Catholic teaching that prayer to Our Lady does not derogate the supreme worship due to God, Whose creature Mary is, but rather honours Him, since honour to the creature refers to the Creator. In Aubrey de Vere's "Recollections" there is printed a readable anecdote bearing on the same point It was in pre-railway days, and the scene a stage coach. One of the travellers way "a pretty girl, with modest but arch eyes.

On the way she took out her rosary and began to say her beads. A Protestant clergyman beside her thought | most confidence on the DRUGS and the opportunity a happy one for her conversion. "What is the name of this large bead?" he said. "A Pater Noster"she replied. "And what is the name of the small one?" "An Ave." And those priests make you say ten Aves for every one Pater! Now, you see how much more they think of Mary than of her Son! What but idolatry is that?"

"Well," the girlanswered, "I always thought that anyone, even a parson himself, knew that one Pater was the equal of ten Aves any day." There was another laugh, and the controversialist took to studying the signs of the weather.

Which, let us hope, he found more profitable than his attemptsat Papist-baiting.—CATH-OLIC NEWS (England).

A New Boarding-House For Small Boys.

The Sisters of Charity of St. Boniface. yielding to repeated requests from various quarters, have determined to un dertake the management of a boardinghouse for boys between the ages of six and twelve. Special halls will be set a-part for them, where, under the care and supervision of the Grey Nuns, they will be prepared for their First Communion, while attending either the Preparatory Department of St. Boniface College or the classes of Provencher Academy. This establishment will be known as "Le Jardin de l'Enfance" (Kindergarten).

The results already attained in similar institutions of the Order give every

reason to hope that this arrangement will fill a long felt want.

Board and lodging will cost six dollars a month. For the boys who attend Provencher Academy there will be an additional charge of fifty cents a month Bedding, mending and washing will be extra. The Sis ers are willing to attend to these extras on terms to be arranged with them. The boys who attend the Preparatory Department of St. Boniface College will have to pay the tuition fee of the College.

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THE NORTHWEST REVIEW St. Boniface Manitoba.

#### CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK December.

- 12,-Third Sunday in Advent.
- 13. Monday-St. Lucy. Virgin, Mar-
- Tuesday-Of the octave.
- Wednesday-Ember Day fast Octave of the Immaculate Conception.
- Thursday-St. Eusebius, Bishop, Martyr
- Friday-Ferial office. Ember Day fast.
- Saturday-Ember Day fast. Expectation of Our Lady's delivery.

#### BRIEFLETS.

Rev. Father Lacasse, O. M.I., is preaching a mission at St. Leon.

Rev. Father Duhaut, O.M.I., left for Prince Albert last Friday.

Mr. James C. King, stock farmer of Calgary, passed through Winnipeg last Saturday on his way to England.

Rev. Father Coutlee, O. M. I., from Qu'Appelle is a guest of Rev. Father Guillet, O.M.I., St. Mary's Presbytery.

Our friend and former publisher, Mr. E J. Dermody is now business-manager of Yorkton Enterprise, the get-up of which does him credit.

A woman with a new dress that is very becoming isn't satisfied until the his rare talents to the construction of a man she likes best and the woman she likes least have seen it.

His Lordship Bishop Pascal is expected here from Prince Albert to-day. Their Lordships Bishop Legal and Dontenville intend to get here by the end of this week.

Last Sunday evening at the Immaculate Conception Church, Rev. Father La- railways vary from 55 to 60. This fact Rue, S. J., developed, in an able sermon, strikes us somewhat differently. When the Scripture proofs of the necessary visibility of the Church.

HisGrace Archbishop Laugevin, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Father George, O.M.I., and Rev. Father Gravel, conferred the holy order of subdeaconship on Rev. Abbe Garon. The ordination took place last Sunday morning in the chapel of St. Boniface hospital.

Russell and Co., 504 Main Street, Winnipeg, have sent us their select list of imported books for the "eighteenth holiday season." In its very sparse showing of Catholic publications we are pleased to note the Dublin Freeman, The Month and The Tablet. It is a pity that Newman, Wiseman, Manning, Faber and Allies do not figure in this list.

We heartily congratulate Ottawa University on winning the championsnip of the Canalian Rugby Un'on. That game of football with the Hamilton club was a grand one, perhaps the finest ever played in Montreal. Both teams were well matched, but the, Varsity Owls had the advantage of the excellent generalship of their Captain, E.P. Gleason.

The people of the Northwest Territories are agitating for what the Western Sun call's a "cismontane railway" to the Klondike. The question has been debated in the Regina Assembly with an all-round ability to which our Manitoba Legislative Chamber has long been a stranger. The cismontane route is about 1000 miles shorter than the Pacific coast route, and it appears the gradients are easy. If, as seems likely, next summer will witness an influx into the Klondike of an immigration surpassing the total of the entire population of the

Territories, all the Northwest (including Manitoba)may be enriched by furnishing supplies to the prospective miners.

Rev. Father Drummond, S.J., will preach to morrow evenning, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, in St. Mary's Church.

The whole population of the Greek schismatic village of Biath has embraced the Catholic faith, with the exception of a single family; and also forty-two families in the neighboring village of Rufoir. Both places are in the diocese presided over by Bishop Geraigny.

Monsignor Becel. Bishop of Vanues, who has just died of typhoid fever, at the age of seventy-two, was, after the Bishop of Perigueux, the oldest member of the French episcopate, having been appointed in 1865. Almost his whole career was passed in his native Brittany, where he had a great reputation as a preacher. The Pope sent him the pallium in 1891.

It is our sad duty to chronicle the sudden death of Mrs. Velesphorus Rochon, whose bereaved husband is the Inspector of French schools. The deceased lady, who was a most exemplary and devout Catholic, was found lying cold and lifeless by her brother-in-law, Rev. Fr. Rochon, parish priest of Papineauville, who had called to bid her good-bye before returning to his home. He remained over to sing the Requiem Mass at the cathedral last Wednesday, assisted by Rev. Fr. Poulin as deacon and Rev. Abbe Garon as subdeacon. The funeral was largely attended by the best people of St. Bonitace, R.I.P.

Father J. Gerard, S.J. has published 45 Albemarle street, London, his reply St. "The Gunpowder Plot and the Gunpowder Plotters," selecting as the motto of this THE ONLY Catholic College latest work on the subject the words of Sir Edward Coke at the trial of the alleged conspirators, "Veritas temporis filia" (truth is the daughter of time); and this will appear especially in this case. It is illustrated with fac-similes of documents in the State Paper office and the Hatfield Library.

We were misinformed when we announced lately that the new novitiate of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate at St. Charles was built by Mr. Senecal of St. Boniface. Our mistake was due to the modesty and retiring disposition of Brother DeByl, O.M.I., the true builder, a very skilful architect, who also erected the new and beautiful church of St. Laurent, Man., and who will soon devote convent in the latter place. The exquisite woodwork of the St. Charles novitiate is all due to the handieraft of the two Brothers Gauthier, O.M.I.

The Free Press announces, with evident delight, that the C.P.R. has succeeded in reducing working expenses to 49 per cent of the gross earnings, whereas tne average percentages on American the working expenses were higher, accidents were almost unknown on the C. P.R.; now they have become frequent. If the working expenses were a little higher, the trains would not be eternally late as they now are. If the net earnings are 51 per cent., is it not about time to reduce fares and rates, or is the C. P. R. subsidized for the enrichment of the shareholders?

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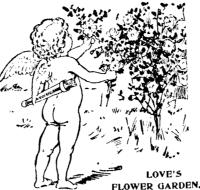
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