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THE FORCE OF PUBLIC OPINION

There is abundant evidence that the conscience of the civilized world is revolted, and that civilized public opinion is hardening into unqualified condemnation of "the reign of brigandage and bloodshed," miscalled the "government" of Ireland.

It is a wholesome symptom of a change for the better in the near future that the outraged conscience of civilization is arousing the lethargic conscience of the English people; and that world indignation at English atrocities in Ireland is having its effect in informing the British public of what is being done in Ireland in their name.

Our readers will find more interest and information in the following direct excerpts from articles in British newspapers and other periodicals than from the most accurate second-hand summary of the evidences to which we refer.

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bitrary direction. The British people want peace with Ireland. They have no desire to add another chapter to the history of revolting war and unnatural bloodshed; they have no relish for taking up the role that Germany and Austria-Hungary have been forced to drop; they know that no people can impose its rule on a neighbour without danger and disgrace.

The Liberal leaders and the Labour leaders have behind them a body of opinion which is not measured by their representation in a House of Commons elected to hang the Kaiser. Let them declare themselves. England is concerned for her security, and her security can be guaranteed by arrangement or treaty with an Irish Government as it is to be secured in another instance by treaty with an Egyptian Government.

"Nobility pretends that this is justice or that it is aimed at the discovery and punishment of murder. It is the establishment of a military tyranny as complete as the German tyranny in Belgium. I went into the army like most Englishmen when we were engaged in that war for liberty which our Government has turned into one of the gravest jokes ever played by the devil on mankind.

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arrest and imprisonment of the Dail and hundreds of local Republican leaders, and an intensified campaign of terrorism against the mass of the Irish people, in which life is frequently taken and property not spared.

"The scheme as a whole has been put away by the action of the Lord Mayor of Cork. The Government terrorists had hoped to carry out their operations against the Irish people during the recess more or less quietly. Terence MacSwiney has focused the attention of the world on the British regime in Ireland, hence the venom with which the terrorists pursue him.

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BISHOP FALLON'S WARNING TO LLOYD GEORGE

Though Bishop Fallon's solemn and vigorous protest wired to Lloyd George from Belfast was promptly cabled to the Canadian press, our readers will welcome the more detailed statement from Irish papers, now at hand, which we publish on page 1 of this issue of the RECORD.

All Canada knows how ardently, how consistently, through good report and evil report, Bishop Fallon believed in and worked for the consolidation of the British Empire, the perpetuation and permanence of those free institutions and ideals of liberty by which, after a wide experience in other lands, he believed the British Empire was informed and vitalized, and which, more effectively than other political entities, it tended to conserve and disseminate.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

EVIDENCE, if any additional are needed, of the distance that has been travelled by non-Catholics away from all faith in the supernatural, is furnished by a letter in the Toronto Globe on "The personality of God."

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Westminster Confession of Faith, or with the Longer and Shorter Catechisms, which still form the basis of religious instruction to the young.

THE LONGER Catechism, for example, has this to say of the Trinity: "There be three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one, true, eternal God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory."

THE TRUTH is that these modern theories are but a recrudescence of the ancient heresies of Arius, Eusebius, Sabellius and the like, going, however, even far beyond them.

IN VIEW of the foregoing how vain among non-Catholics is the agitation for Christian unity, and how fruitless the deliverance of the Lambeth Conference on the subject it is quite conceivable that "Christian unity" as outlined by the Anglican episcopate may be brought about within measurable distance of time.

"TURKISH METHODS"

"CRIMINAL FAILURE TO GOVERN IRELAND STINKS IN NOSTRILS OF THE WORLD"

The latest bout of murder and counter-murder in Ireland is the most damaging of all to our reputation abroad (says the Manchester Guardian in an arresting comment).



TERENCE MACSWINEY, LORD MAYOR OF CORK

The Lord Mayor of Cork, in a "message to the Irish people," expresses his thanks and those of his comrades in Cork for prayers.

"I attribute this," the message goes on, "to the spiritual strength which I receive from my daily Communion bringing me bodily strength, assisted by a world of Masses and prayers, of which the intensity is so apparent."

any British military force exposed to the demoralising opportunities and aspirations of police work among the social ruins that our politicians have made of Ireland.

notice of certain peculiarities of the Irish race which, I imagine, you know as well as I do, and yet, by unluckily chance, you hitherto ignore them.

PROVIDENCE SISTERS GO TO CHINA

HOLD FAREWELL RECEPTION

Following the morning service an informal reception at the Providence house was held, when the friends of the sisters were allowed to see them and say good-byes.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF CANADA

ST. JOSEPH'S RUTHENIAN CATHOLIC COLLEGE

We have now the first fruits of our appeal for the Ruthenian College at Yorkton and there is every indication that though the beginnings are small the spirit of cooperation is not lacking.

Coming to Canada the Ruthenian people found themselves suddenly translated to another country and climate, with customs different in many ways from their own and practically they had no priesthood to make any great or serious attempt to establish churches and schools for them.

SAINTS ON POSTAGE STAMPS

In a recent issue of your paper there appeared an item in which, referring to the postage stamps about to be issued in France in commemoration of St. Jeanne d'Arc, it was stated that for the first time in history the face of a saint will appear on a postage stamp.

OVER IN IRELAND

CEREMONY IS IMPRESSIVE

Probably in all the history of the Order of Providence no more impressive ceremony has been witnessed. There the six nuns sat quietly in the rear of the church listening the celebration of the last Mass which they were ever to attend at St. Mary-of-the-Woods, in the United States, while those who were staying behind, prayed earnestly that the venture might be a success and that these six holy women might be strong enough to endure the hardships and sacrifices which are bound to be theirs in the foreign land.

College but they are there in by no means sufficient number to supply educated men for their people. Both priests and educated men are needed, and to obtain both, a centre, particularly their own, is absolutely required that large numbers may be reared.

- MASS INTENTIONS
A. D. McIsaac, Upper Ferry 2 00
Friend, New Glasgow 1 00
Mrs. D. H. McGillivray, Reserve Mines 2 00
A Friend, Grand Narrows 3 00
Mrs. C. F. McGillivray, Reserve Mines 2 00
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Campbell, Red Island 2 00
RUTHENIAN APPEAL
A. McK 2 00
James McKenna, Burns Lake 3 00
Mrs. W. Dobson, Chicago 2 00

60,000 AT LAYING OF STONE OF BASILICA OF NOTRE DAME

By N. C. W. C. Special Cable
Paris, Sept. 20.—Sixty thousand pilgrims attended the laying of the corner-stone of the new basilica of Notre Dame de Lourdes on the hill towering above Lens in Artois.

FATHER FRASER'S CHINA MISSION FUND

There are four hundred million pagans in China. If they were to pass in review at the rate of a thousand a minute, it would take nine months for them all to go by!

QUEEN OF APOTHESES BURNS

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ST. ANTHONY'S BURNS
Previously acknowledged.... \$994 05
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Thanksgiving, Ven. Pero Emyard..... 1 00

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Mite Box, St. Jerome's, Warkworth..... 1 50
Mite Box, St. Peter's, Burnley..... 5 06
Mite Box, Sacred Heart, Harwood..... 5 65
Mite Box, St. Jerome's, Warkworth..... 2 00
Suff. Rig. Souls..... 1 00

SACRED HEART LEAGUE BURNS

Previously acknowledged... \$866 15
Miss C. S. Quinn, Montreal, 1 75
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S. H. League, Eganville..... 1 00
Friend & Promoter, Almonte 1 00

CARDINAL AMETTE'S WILL MOST EDIFYING

By N. C. W. C. News Service
Paris, Sept. 15.—Cardinal Amette's will, found among his papers, has been made public.

Following is the edifying text:
"I hereby declare that I wish to die in the Faith of our Holy Mother, the Catholic, Apostolic and Roman Church, and in almost a filial submission to its august Chief, Our Holy Father the Pope.

"I refer to the Lord my life for the time when it may be His wish to take it, in union with the sacrifice of my beloved Jesus Christ, to His intentions in calling me to the priesthood and to the episcopacy and particularly for the salvation of the Souls entrusted to my sacerdotal ministry and episcopal office.

LEON ADOLPH, CARDINAL AMETTE, Archbishop of Paris.

FATHER FRASER'S CHINA MISSION FUND

Previously acknowledged \$4,945 00
A Friend, Grand Narrows... 2 00
St. John's, N. F. 3 00
A Friend, Norwich..... 5 00
A. K., Montreal..... 75
Friend, St. John, N. B. 1 00
Lover of Sacred Heart, Guelph..... 10 08
Mrs. M. C. McForest..... 1 00
Mrs. J. E. K., Harrieston..... 1 00

