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Sunday, Dec. 9th, was the first anniversary of the death of Sister Mary Frances Regis. A high Mass of Requiem was celebrated at St. Peter's church on Tuesday morning, by Rev. Martin Maloney, C. S. S. R., for the repose of her soul. Sister Regis died at Waco, Texas; she was a member of the order of Sisters of Charity for fifteen years. She was a former St. John lady, and a daughter of Mr. James McDade, Mill street.

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The mission of Christ has simply a mission, and that mission is to "teach all nations, to preach the Gospel to every creature. A true Catholic by his very name should be interested in this world-wide Church, otherwise his Catholicity is open to question.

A FAIR RECOGNITION.

The Western Watchman has this on the ruling of the Supreme Court warning Aglipay from Philippine churches belonging to Catholics: "Here, again, the United States has shown her respect for the Catholic church and her laws. The case was decided according to Canon law and not according to the rules of equity. The court took the view that the property in dispute was given to religion and was consecrated to divine use. Men could not, without a sacrilege, seize what belonged to God. The religion to which the churches and lands in the Philippines were devoted was the Roman Catholic religion and could not be any other. The church organized by Aglipay was not the Roman Catholic church, therefore his occupancy of church property in the archipelago was a usurpation. What the American Government declined to do for reasons of policy in the case of the Friar lands it has done in the case of churches and property actually used for religious purposes. In this as in a thousand other cases, this country has placed itself on record as recognizing all the laws of the Catholic church, whether the acts of councils, the decrees of the Pope or the statutes of individual dioceses. This government does not require any man to become a Catholic. If a Catholic, it does not require him to be a member of the voluntary association of which he is a member.

MR. ALLEN IS NOT BASHFUL.

Woodstock Press.

E. H. Allen, of Moncton, formerly of Fredericton, is not at all bashful in coming forward and telling the Fredericton Herald that he may be the Liberal candidate for York at the next federal election. We pity Mr. Allen if such proves to be the case.

PRIVATELY AND FROM THE PULPIT.

"In a special article contributed to the London Times, Mr. Sydney Webb discusses the shrinkage in the English birth rate," says Father Hudson, C. S. C., in the Ave Maria. He is much impressed by the absence of such shrinkage in Ireland and in the great English centres of Catholic population, like Liverpool, Salford, Manchester, and Preston. In explanation of this fact, he says: "Among the Roman Catholics in the United Kingdom any regulation of the marriage state is strongly forbidden, and has during recent years been made the subject of frequent, special animadversion, both privately and from the pulpit." By privately, thinks the Catholic Times, Mr. Webb doubtless means in the confessional; and this is one more testimony to the beneficent action of that much abused institution of the Church. The question in point does not lend itself easily to open discussion, yet it certainly can not be ignored. The race is dwindling in birth rate; and all the churches, as well as politicians and economists, must soon be impelled to deal with what imperils the future of the country."

ONE MAN'S THEORY.

"Money makes the mare go," quoted the scanty haired bachelor.
"Due to her sex, doubtless," rejoined the man who acted as freight payer for a wife and three grown daughters.—Chicago News.

TWO POPULAR FALLACIES.

Archbishop Kelly of Sydney, Australia, dresses down two popular fallacies in this style: "Freedom of Thought" is a phrase which contradicts the nature of thought. Thought is like vision. In vision one sees or one can't see; one discerns clearly or obscurely. All depends on the light passing from the object to the eye, and upon the range of sight of the eye itself. The will enters not, except to keep the eyelids open and to direct the eye to the object. Who is free to see anything different from the actual scene or object upon which the eye is fixed? Who is free to disbelieve that two and two make four? Who can protest, in the name of liberty, of thought, that a part is greater than the whole of which it is but a part? Who can pretend that the wisdom and truth of God can either deceive or be deceived? Freedom of Conscience, taken in the sense that the good or evil of human action, the truth or falsehood of religious belief, depend on private personal views, is also a contradiction of the innate and immutable principles of natural intelligence. One is justifiable by conscience when its erroneous dictate is involuntary; but on this point every man will be called to judgment by conscience itself and by God."

DON'TS FOR CHRISTMAS GIVERS.

Don't postpone your shopping until the very last moment. It is hard for a tired sales woman to suggest "a gift suitable for my wife," and you miss the pleasure of planning and choosing for yourself.

Don't give because you think you have to. It is directly contrary to the spirit of the day.

Don't estimate the value of your gifts by the price mark. It is the personal thought and love that counts.

Don't give for the sake of receiving again. You desecrate Christmas by making it a commercial exchange.

Don't buy gifts haphazard, for your grandmother will not value "honest" sidecombs, nor will your daughter appreciate a scroll saw.

Don't wrap up your gifts in brown paper and tie them with a string that came around the laundry bundle. White tissue paper and scarlet ribbon with a sprig of holly lend a charm to the most inexpensive gift.

Don't, in bestowing a gift, seek to impress the recipient with its value. The dress pattern may be of the finest quality of broadcloth of the fashionable shade, and very expensive, but these comments sound better coming from the donee rather than the donor.

Don't fail to send some remembrance to some one who you think will receive few, if any, Christmas gifts.

Finally, don't forget that it is not a gift exchange nor a Santa Claus festival, but the birthday of the King, which we celebrate, and in spirit, word, and deed seek to do Him honor.—Mrs. Elsie Duncan Yale.

A GENTLE TOUCH.

Bridegroom—"I say, will you see the minister for me? I—I quite forgot the wedding fee."

Father-in-law—"Young man, you are beginning early. I at least expected you back from your honeymoon before this began."

AN AID TO GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

The confessional as an aid to good citizenship is set forth by Archbishop Christie in these terms: "One of the most serious concerns of the nation at the present day is the decay of honesty and integrity among the office-holders of the country. It has been made evident by innumerable investigations that many a man elected to administer the affairs of an important post has entered upon his duties, bent on no higher purpose than that of getting all he could, irrespective of justice and common honesty. Such conditions call for an effective remedy at hand. To those outside the Church who have acquired their information from unreliable and unfriendly sources, the mention of confession will hardly suggest to their minds a desirable and satisfactory solution. But the fact is that the confessional is more potent in the promotion of justice than any other power at the command of Christian religion. For, mind well, the retaining of ill-gotten gains and the practice of confession are essentially and necessarily incompatible. A good confession in the case of a dishonest man means the serious obligation of restitution, and the forgiving power of the Church is exercised in no man's behalf who would claim as his own what rightfully belongs to another. The confessional battles for social justice, and the citizen who makes confession a frequent duty in his yearly life will be found faithful and honest in the administration of a public trust."

HOW THE NEWS IS MADE.

The Providence Visitor tells how in Paris they manufacture foreign news for gullible American dailies: "We have the report of a meeting of prominent Catholics representing every class of society in France, assembled at the house of M. des Houx, to protest against the action of the Pope. According to the Parisian papers, this distinguished assembly of so-called Catholics consisted of thirty-six persons, including three unfrocked priests and an unknown Protestant minister. One of the unfrocked, according to La Patrie, wore a threadbare mourning for the soutane that had been stripped from his back. M. des Houx, a few years ago, edited the Moniteur de Rome, without, however, winning distinction as a journalist. The inaccuracy of his leading articles greatly annoyed Leo XIII, and he was eventually obliged to withdraw from Rome in very bad humor with the Pope and the Cardinals. At present he is a contributor of the Matin, which, being a semi-official paper, endorses all the government says or does. So M. des Houx, serving the powers which are inimical to Christianity, and surrounded by thirty-six persons, most of whom are embittered, disappointed, and in revolt, is the gentleman upon whom devolves the duty of guiding the Holy Father and the French Catholics."

REMEMBRANCES OF THE SEASON.

Associated with the anniversary of the birth of the Redeemer of the world are remembrances that are dear to every heart. They bring to our minds scenes of childhood as well as those of mature years; they speak of friends, some of whom have already gone to their eternal reward; they recall incidents, the impression of which can never fade; but doubly dear is the assurance that Christmas brings with it that we have not been left helpless during our pilgrimage on earth.

THE CHIN DIMPLE.

Not one girl in ten thousand has a dimple in her chin. Indeed this kind of dimple seems to be more frequent in men than in women. It has another peculiarity—namely, that it is permanent, whereas other dimples of the face come and go with changes of expression.

Red Rose Tea is good tea

New York's New Catholic Literary Centre.

New York, Dec. 10, 1906.

Recent visitors to New York must have been struck by the radical changes in many locations that new facilities of travel have made. The trend is constantly uptown and sections that but yesterday were considered very remote are now eagerly sought as most desirable and convenient. New York Catholics are progressive and, of course, they are well in the advance ranks of this new uptown movement as is evidenced by the literary and artistic centre that is gradually being formed in the attractive quarter known locally as Washington Heights. Less than a century ago, in 1815, New York's first resident prelate, Bishop Connolly, lived at No. 211 Bowery, and died in February, 1825, at No. 512 Broadway. This is now the heart of the big Italian Colony around "Luberry Bend" where out of town visitors go sight seeing on the vehicles, sometimes styled "rubber-neck wagons." In Bishop Connolly's day this was way uptown, but Washington Heights is miles and miles away from it.

The most attractive street in this Heights section is called Convent Avenue because it begins just below the famous convent of the Ladies of the Sacred Heart at 133d Street and runs north to where High Bridge crosses the Harlem. The Ladies of the Sacred Heart were among the uptown pioneers. In January, 1847, they began the since famous Manhattanville Convent School in the old Jacob Lorillard mansion at the present 133d Street site. The Russian Princess Schamone Galitzin was their superior. Now they have transferred their old school from West 17th Street to "The Maples," one of the most attractive spots in the Washington Heights section, over looking the Hudson and the Harlem.

A near neighbor is Kohlmann Hall, the new office and editorial sanctum of The Messenger and the League of the Sacred Heart—transferred uptown from West 16th Street—a spacious mansion surrounded by attractive grounds. It is so called after the famous Jesuit, Father Anthony Kohlmann, who, after laboring for many years in New York and Washington returned to Rome, and was there one of the professors at whose lectures the late Pope Leo XIII attended. Father Kohlmann started just a century ago the first Catholic College in New York, on the site of the present St. Patrick's Cathedral on Fifth Avenue. This section was then known as the village of Elgen and a big botanical garden, after annexed as a department of Columbia College, was located just across the road.

The great Catholic lawyer, Charles O'Connor, was long a resident on Washington Heights, and so was the late Patrick O'Shea, the publisher, and others of note. The latest addition to the Catholic colony has been the editorial staff of the new Catholic Encyclopedia. A modern four story house has been leased at No. 841 St. Nicholas Avenue, and last month the whole editorial corps, their assistants, secretaries, reference library, etc., were moved up there from No. 1 Union Square, where the business office and publication departments of the Robert Appleton Company, which is getting out the encyclopedia, will remain.

In the publishing trade this is regarded as a daring innovation, but its projectors are already convinced that the housing of the editors and working staff in the quiet of an entirely residential section, and in the comfort and seclusion of a roomy private house will be conducive to rapid and satisfactory results. The new editorial rooms of the Encyclopedia, with their modern paraphernalia for putting this first attempt in this direction of book-making in the English language into printable shape, is already one of the show-places of the Heights.

Nearly the Sisters of Mercy have one of their fine schools, St. Catherine's Hall, and in the neighborhood also in West 142d Street is the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, which the Rev. Dr. Joseph H. McMahon built out of the beautiful facade and side-wall of the old Academy of Design that once stood at the corner of 23d Street and Fourth Avenue. It was, as will be remembered, a reproduction of the Doge's Palace in Venice.

POOR JULIUS.

"I do wish you'd be prompter to your meals, Julius," complained Mrs. Junius as her husband opened his napkin. "I'm quite put out with you."

Mr. Junius winked softly at the potato he was eating and chuckled gently.

"Out with it," snapped his wife; "let's hear what new kind of meanness you've thought of."

"It's a conundrum," said Mr. Junius, "about you. Why are you like a lamp?"

Mrs. Junius stayed the piece of

meat half-way to her mouth.

"There you go, Julius Junius," she cried, in an upper key. "I knew it was something mean for well the neighbors know that little else it is that ever you say to one who slaves her life at home for you that you promised at the very marriage altar to love honor and obey and with all my worldly goods I thee endow and me thinking it meant everything instead of only two dresses a year and my last season's cloak a fright but that's what marriage does opening the eyes of us poor timid females and marriage halter well they may call it or bridle either it's all the same thing about our necks and so no other said the very first time she came to visit us and you complaining every night and always leaving the railway time-tables around with the blue pencil-mark for mother to see when the train left so that her heart was well-nigh broke and oh yes you can sit there Julius Junius grinning like a Cheeshire cheese but well you know that you drove poor dear mother off months before she had intended going and me with nobody in the world to sit down and have a quiet little chat with except the butcher boy and the milkman who have got so they leave long before I finish and it's all your fault for well you understand or ought to that I am a nervous delicate creature needing quiet instead of your sitting there like a graven mummy refusing to tell me what the answer is when well you know I don't care else why don't you out with it and tell me why I am like a lamp Julius Junius?"

"It's because you get put out so often," explained Mr. Junius, ready to dodge in case she flung anything.

But Mrs. Junius only flowed on till bedtime, unmarred by a single comma.—Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The lecture course of Branch No. 134, C. M. B. A., was opened on Sunday evening in their meeting room, by Judge Carleton; subject, "The Monks of the Middle Ages." Mr. Richard O'Brien, the president, introduced the lecturer.

John McCormac, J. P., met with what might have proved a very serious accident Monday night. He fell down a flight of stairs at his home, and was picked up in an unconscious condition. No bones were broken, but the squire received a severe shaking up. His escape from greater misfortune was indeed miraculous, says the Woodstock Sentinel.

Fairville Branch of the C. M. B. A., elected the following officers on Thursday evening: President, Patrick Murphy; first vice, William Terry; second vice, James Wallace; recording secretary, John Gillis; assistant recording secretary, Chas. Savage; financial secretary, John O'Toole; treasurer, John Gallagher; marshal, Michael Butler; guard, George Burns.

Rev. Dr. Louis O'Leary delivered his fourth lecture on Rome, before a large audience Wednesday evening, Dec. 5. The discourse was an interesting and graphic description of the Catacombs.—World, Chatham.

Saturday was the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, and at 11 o'clock, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, His Lordship Bishop Casey celebrated Pontifical High Mass. Very Rev. W. F. Chapman, V. G., was deacon; Rev. A. W. Meahan, sub-deacon, and Rev. F. M. Lockary, master of ceremonies.

DEATHS AND BURIALS.

The death of Mrs. Sarah A. McLeod took place in this city on Saturday. Deceased was the widow of Mr. J. Patnell McLeod, a grandson of the late Hon. Wm. McLeod, of Greenwich, K. C. Mrs. McLeod was of Loyalist descent. Her great grandfather, Mr. J. H. Ruland, was one of the early Long Island loyalists, his body being placed in the first grave opened in the Sydney street burial ground. Two sisters survive, Mrs. William Kelly of this city, and Mrs. Andrew Carney, Bloomfield. The remains on Tuesday morning were taken to the I. C. R. station and conveyed to Norton in the seven o'clock train. At the Church of the Sacred Heart there, the Rev. E. A. Byrne, pastor, celebrated Requiem High Mass at ten o'clock. Interment was made at that place. The body was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Misses Marguerite and Stella Kelly, and Mr. John McMahon.

The death occurred in Douglastown Wednesday, Dec. 5, of Mrs. Charles Barnett, a highly esteemed resident of that place. The deceased lady was 80 years old. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Ellen, and a son, Thomas, who will mourn the loss of a kind and affectionate mother.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

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To feel a life within my life
Grasp its beginning and grow rife,
White God's ineffable new grace
Proves its existence in my face;
To feel the red blush-roses glide
At every moment in my side:
To know a love without reply,
and know that it can never die;
To lie awake night after night
And wonder at the strange, new
light;
To whisper to the listening earth
"I am a mother; know my worth!"
To fear my power; to mold the man
As only she who bears him can;
To number each departing sun
And count the mornings one by one
Impatient for my Christmas morn,
When from my womb a child is born.
(What harm, if when he break the
mold,
He leave my body still and cold?
Shall I not live within his breath?
Can I be more apart from death?)
To wonder at the mighty love
Which could almost, like that above,
Make or unmake a universe,
And prove a blessing or a curse;
To tremble at my power for good
And evil—this is motherhood.

POLISH BISHOP QUESTION AGAIN.

Archbishop Symon, of Rome, who came to this country last year to investigate the conditions relating to the appointment of a Polish Bishop has written a letter to the Chicago Polish daily, The Dziennik Chicagoski, giving his views, as follows:

"Rome, Oct. 31, 1906.—To the Editor of the Dziennik Chicagoski: Having returned lately from a long trip to Poland, I had today an audience with the Holy Father and, among other things, I spoke also about the Polish American cause. The Holy Father gave me this answer:

"No doubt, we will do something, and in the meantime we will send to America Archbishop Webber with all jurisdiction, attached to his episcopal character, and at the same time we recommend him to the American Bishops as an auxiliary in religious matters for the Poles of their dioceses. For the present, the Poles should be satisfied, even with this, until we can do for them something more. We have many difficulties to overcome, and this the Poles ought to remember.

"From these words of the Holy Father follows quite clearly—that Archbishop Webber will go to America not so much as a member of the religious Order of the Resurrectionists, as more in the capacity of a bishop; that furthermore, he will go there, not by the disposal of his general, the superior of the Order of Resurrectionists, but by the will and command of the Holy Father himself, and this at once secures him a position quite eminent among the American bishops, and finally, that the American bishops will have to consider him as an auxiliary in their relations to the Poles and in (satisfying) the spiritual needs of the Poles. At the same time the above words of the Holy Father are a proof that he remembers our countrymen in America and desires to satisfy their just religious demands; but wishes also, that we should not forget the many difficulties he has to encounter.

"Fr. A. SYMON,
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WILLIE KNEW.

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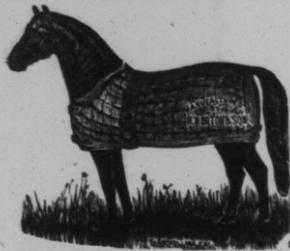
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SHE LOOKED, THEN LEAPED.

Bright eyed Mary had a lover, Handsome, kind and true, "But," she said, "I must discover What is best to do," So she went for sound advice To aunts and cousins married twice. "Don't" said Aunt Martha Teeters; "Men are full of flaws, Scolding round—the hateful creature— At the slightest cause, Take your aunts' counsel, Mary; Men are always 'con-ter-ary.'" Then she went to those still older, Cousins Jane and Ruth; Both agreed that aunts told her Plain, unvarnished truth, "Married women sigh and moan dear, You just let the men alone, dear."

Pretty Mary stood and wondered How these matrons nice, Thinking thus, should all have blundered Into marrying twice, Then said she, "They've griefs and bear 'em, I'll take one myself and share 'em."

GEORGE'S GAME.

Anastasia—Don't you play cards at all? Innocentia—No, but George says he's going to teach me after we're married. Anastasia—I suppose he'll teach you casino or euchre first. Innocentia—No. He says there's a perfectly fascinating game called "solitaire."—Catholic Standard and Times.

JAPANESE ENGLISH.

At a recent exhibition of pictures in Tokio, Japan, the following notice was posted: "No person who is mad or intoxicated is allowed to enter in, if any person found in shall be claimed to retire. No person is allowed to carry in with himself any parcel, umbrella, stick and the like kind, except his purse, and is strictly forbidden to take within himself dog or the same kind of beasts. Visitor is requested to take care of himself from thievly."

A CATHOLIC GOVERNOR.

Mr. John Burke has been elected governor of North Dakota. He is 47 years of age and a lawyer. The new Governor is popular with all classes never touches liquor and is a strong Catholic in his religious beliefs.

THE AGE QUESTION.

The familiar adage that a woman is as old as she looks is absurd. A woman is as old as her friends allow her to be. At seven and thirty we may look ten years younger, and we may feel twenty, while we may say we are anything we like; but we can never escape the relentless memory of that family friend who remembers not only the year, but the month in which we were born. There is always a horrible man, from whom there is no escaping, who remembers pulling our pigtail a quarter of a century ago, when he was in sailor suits, or a spiteful woman who has a distinct recollection of us at her first ball, and we were "quite on the shelf then," she remarks. Should there be any doubt on the subject a year or two are always added, never by any chance taken off. A man marries a woman older than himself, it may be only a year, possibly only a few months. It promptly gets about and for the rest of her life people will say that she is years and years older than he is. Short of producing her birth certificate nobody will believe any thing to the contrary, and those family friends who are so fond of airing dates to prove how old you are invariably maintain a lamentable silence when it comes to proving how young you are.

ORDER COUNTERMANDED.

A Liverpool lady had given her butcher her daily order over the telephone, and later in the day decided to change it a little and countermanded an order she had given for some liver.

Ring up her butcher she said: "You remember that I gave you an order for a pound of liver a while ago?"

"Yes," was the reply. "Well, I find that I do not need it, and you need not send it."

Before she could put down the receiver she heard the butcher say to some one in the shop: "Take out Mrs. Blank's liver. She says she can get along without it."

HE DIDN'T FORGET.

Bobby's Mamma—Now mind, Bobby, if they pass you the cake a second time at the party, you must say, "No, thanks, I've had plenty." And don't you forget it.

Hostess (at the party)—Won't Bobby have some more cake? Bobby (who hasn't forgotten)—Nope, thanks, I've had enough, sn' don't you forget it!

SAVED.

An orator who was equal to an emergency was the late George A. Sheridan, a noted "spellbinder" often engaged by the republican national committee. At a big meeting he was addressing in a town near New York he was introduced by a Mr. O'Brien, the chairman, in most flattering terms. In order to reciprocate, Mr. Sheridan paid a glowing tribute to the sterling qualities of the chairman, and wound up the eulogy by asserting that no man could say Mr. O'Brien owed him a cent.

"He owes me \$3!" came a keen Celtic voice from the rear of the audience. It was almost a solar plexus blow for the orator, and the audience started to laugh and jeer. Rallying, the speaker said: "Don't be alarmed, good friends, I will answer that man presently." His assertion was to gain time, and, if possible, have the audience forget the incident, but again that penetrating voice cried out: "He owes me \$3 cold cash!"

Advancing to the edge of the platform, Gen. Sheridan, in a confidential tone, said: "Yes, I know all about the \$3 for my friend, Mr. O'Brien, has given me the inside facts. Ladies and gentlemen, the truth is simply this, and it reveals a peculiar character: This man who has interrupted me met Mr. O'Brien recently and asked him for the loan of \$10. 'I haven't got \$10,' said the generous Mr. O'Brien, 'but here are \$7,' handing the money to him. Now this man is going around saying my friend, the honorable chairman, owes him \$3, because he could lend him only \$7 when 10 were requested.' A roar of laughter filled the hall, and the indignant man tried to answer the orator. He was howled down. The chairman whispered in Gen. Sheridan's ear. "You have saved me—you are a genius."—Leslie's Weekly.

DEATH OF THE POPE'S PHYSICIAN.

Rome, Dec. 7.—Dr. Lapponi, physician to the Pope, died at 7 o'clock this morning. He had been seriously ill for some time from cancer of the stomach, and pneumonia setting in he could not in his weakened condition withstand its ravages.

When Dr. Lapponi was sinking the Pope sent him the apostolic benediction, and when the news of his death reached the Pontiff he was exceedingly grieved. It is reported that before losing consciousness Dr. Lapponi, referring to the Pope, said: "He has a strong constitution, and having studied him carefully, I think he will live longer than Leo XIII."

The deceased physician was very popular in Rome, both among the clericals as well as with the anti-clericals. Dr. Lapponi attained considerable prominence as the physician of the late Pope Leo XIII., as the medical attendant of the cardinals when in conclave, and as the doctor in attendance upon the present Pope.

THE ORIGIN OF SLANG.

"Here's where I butt in," said the goat making for the children. "I'm getting it in the neck," grumbled the bull, as Ursus gave another twist.

"Come off your perch," growled tabby making another spring at the cage.

"I'm in the soup," gasped the oyster, as he dropped to the bottom of the plate.

"You're a bird," said the fox, as he gobbled up another hen.

"Don't try to string me," said the rattler to the blacksnake, coiling himself into a plumbline.

"It's a lead pipe cinch," said the rat, gnawing his way through another piece of pipe.

"I've got the drop on you," shrieked the hawk, as she landed on another chicken.

"Things are coming my way," said the bear, dodging another bullet.

"My goose is cooked," said the wild gander, dropping to the ground with a broken wing.

"Quit your kidding," exclaimed the fish, as the bait dropped into the water.

"Those fellows are nutty," said the rabbit, pointing to the squirrel faintly eating lunch.

"Stuck again," cried the fly, alighting on the sticky paper.

"I can see my finish," murmured the lamb as he entered the slaughter pen.

THE HIGHWAY-WOMAN.

(By Harold Susman in December Lip-pincott's.)

She held me up! She stole my heart! Her method it was simple.

She blushed! She drew her lips apart! She then displayed a dimple!

Patti says that she will never sing again for money. We decided last time that she would never sing again for ours.

The esteemed True Voice, of Omaha, truthfully asserts that a bitter controversy between three Catholic edi-

tors out West has gone far enough. Just now it is neither amusing nor edifying. Did not Leo XIII once forbid such violent discussions between Catholic editors in the United States?

The Roman correspondent of The London Tablet learns that such Papal positions as nunciatures and apostolic delegations are no longer under Pius X. to be "cardinalitial posts" that is, posts from which the next step or promotion is to a red hat. The late nuncio to France was given an Italian archiepiscopal see—not a cardinalate.

An incipient strike was reported far and wide as being on the D. A. R. line this week. Such could scarcely have been said to be the case. The section men made a very reasonable demand for an increase of pay and it was promptly advanced by the company. For one day the men were undecided whether to work or not but on receipt of the word that what they asked for would be granted they promptly resumed their work.—Annapolis Spectator.

Archbishop Conductor O'Connell was the guest of the Catholic Union of Boston, on the evening of December 1. It was the first of the members' nights of the season, and strictly a family affair. The president, Mr. Charles V. Macksey, presided, and the Archbishop gave an informal talk on Japan. Messrs. John P. Hession, pianist; Richard Tobin, tenor, and Mr. E. A. McGonagle, bass, contributed the music. Mayor Fitzgerald, who is a member of the Union, was present. According to the request of the Most Reverend Conductor, the proceedings were entirely informal, and gave opportunity for that interchange of views and opinions sure to result in more intimate relationship.

HE WAS TRUTHFUL.

An amusing story is related of John Hopkins. Honesty was evidently one of the fundamental traits of his character. On one occasion he was sent by his mother to borrow a flat-iron of a neighbor. The good neighbor gave him the flat-iron and at the same time offered him a piece of pie.

"No, thank you, I don't want any pie," said the red-faced boy as he started home. Half way there, the pie and his conscience were too much for him. He wheeled about and knocked again at the neighbor's door, his face redder than ever. "I told you a story," he explained, "I did want that pie."

PRESENTATION TO BISHOP MARCH.

His Lordship Bishop March, of Harbor Grace, Nfld., paid his first episcopal visit to Spaniard's Bay, on Sunday, Nov. 25th. The church grounds were profusely decorated with flags, and bunting flew from many of the Catholic residences, in honor of the event. After Mass, an address and purse of gold were presented to the bishop, from the people of the parish.

In reply, His Lordship thanked the people for their enthusiastic reception. Speaking of the years he had labored amongst them as their priest, he said that his duties, which were sometimes very difficult, had been rendered easy by the kindness and consideration they had always shown him. He thanked them for the purse they had given him, and felt sure that in the future they would accord him the same generous loyalty as they had in the past.

ARRANGEMENT OF THE HAIR.

Here are a few hints regarding the tasteful arrangement of one's hair.

The girl with the high forehead should wear her hair down low over her brow.

If she has a low, smooth, white brow she should brush her hair well off the forehead.

The girl with an intellectual brow or a fair share of youthful beauty can afford to draw her hair back in loose waves, sans pompadour or parts, and coil it on the neck.

For elderly matrons the pompadour is dignified and stately, and it seems to increase the height of stout women. The round shape head looks well with a soft puff of hair at the nape of the neck.

Every woman should study her own style. If she looks best with her hair low, then she should wear it, though every woman in the land is piling the hair at the top of her head. A wise woman never curls or frizzles or overdresses her hair, if it is beautiful of itself.—Exchange.

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THE INTENTION FOR DECEMBER.

A fitting intention surely for the month of December is "Christian Disinterestedness." Self-interest is the very keynote of worldly action. On all sides we see people doing acts which are good and benevolent, but what is the motive back of it all? Is there not a selfish motive lurking somewhere in the background? If a man does me a favor today, is he not looking for some reward tomorrow? This self-interest is not sinful. It is part of the instinct of self-preservation. Without it as a moving power there would be no progress. God implants it in our heart for a good purpose, but, like others of his gifts, we turn it to ignoble uses. We allow it to grow and develop until it rules our lives, until we have no more room left for that disinterestedness of which Christ gave us an example. The constant seeking of our own ends, without regard to others, is disastrous to our spiritual advancement. We should broaden our vision so as to take others. We should try to look at things from their standpoint. In doing good, we should try to do it for the honor and glory of God, rather than for what material good it will bring in return. We should be charitable and kind, not for our own sake, but for the sake of Christ, who promised us reward a hundredfold for a cup of cold water given in His name.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

As Christmas approaches, the Liturgy of the Church grows more exultant in the spirit of expectant longing with which she desires her children to await the great solemnity. On the third Sunday of Advent—Gaudete Sunday, as it is called, because the first word of the Mass is "Gaudete" or "Rejoice"—this spirit is very evident. The organ, which at other times during the services proper to Advent, may only be used to sustain the singing, today peals forth in joyful strains as on a feast. In the larger churches and cathedrals, vestments of a peculiar tint known as "rose-colour"—a kind of brownish red—are allowed to be used in place of the sombre purple of the season. The Deacon and Sub-Deacon resume their duties instead of the folded chasubles proper to penitential occasions, and the Bishop, if assisting with solemnity, wears his precious mitre.

The Church would have us look forward to the coming of Christ as though He were really to be born for us on the approaching festival; for, to "men of good will" who really desire Him, our Lord will truly come, being born anew in their hearts by abundant outpourings of grace.

As a preparation for the coming solemnity, the Divine Office for the days immediately preceding Christmas has certain peculiar features. One of these is the singing of what are known as the "Greater Antiphons." These are the special antiphons for the canticle "Magnificat," in the weekday Vespers for the seven days which come before Christmas Eve. Each of them is a beautiful expression of this longing of the soul for the coming of the Redeemer: "O Wisdom that proceeded from the mouth of the Most High... disposing all things with strength and sweetness, come and teach us the way of prudence!" "O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver... come and save us, O Lord Our God!" Other similar invocations occur in these devout formularies. Our Lord is styled "Sun of Justice," "King of the Nations," "Root of Jesse," etc., and

is earnestly invoked to hasten to the help of His people.

In cathedrals and monasteries where the Vesper Office is sung these antiphons are surrounded with more elaborate ceremonial than usual. The celebrant, or priest appointed to intone one of them, assumes a purple cope, and is accompanied by acolytes with lighted tapers; the bells of the church being rung in a joyous peal while the singing of the antiphon lasts. In some monasteries the old custom is still maintained of assigning each of these antiphons to one of the more dignified members of the community, beginning with the abbot.

In the Middle Ages it was customary to observe a like practice in cathedrals also, the Bishop intoning on the first day and the Canons following in their respective order for the remaining antiphons. Each dignitary was expected to entertain the rest of the members of the choir, after the service, at a modest refectory in honor of the occasion. This came to be known under the title of "Celebrating the O—", each antiphon commencing with O, as "O Rex," "O Oriens," etc.

The same frugal rejoicing took place in monasteries when the abbot sang his antiphon. We find in the usage books of the Middle Ages directions for providing "raisins and good wine" for the brethren, to enable them to celebrate the occasion with innocent rejoicing. In such ways did Christians during the ages of faith follow in the spirit of the Church with regard to their simple pleasures.

DEATHS AND BURIALS.

Timothy Collins, who was injured in Hilyard's shippard on Tuesday, died at the Public Hospital on Wednesday morning. The young man, who was twenty-four years of age, never regained consciousness after the accident. Mr. Collins, it will be remembered, was crushed beneath a large iron crane used by the Messrs. Fleming, by whom he was employed. From the first it was seen that his recovery was impossible. He is survived by a mother and sister.

Mrs. Theresa P. Whelley, wife of Mr. Richard Whelley, died Thursday morning at her residence 92 St. Patrick street, after a protracted illness. She was the daughter of Mr. James McInerney and thirty-one years of age. Besides her husband, one son survives.

The death is announced at Charlottetown, P. E. Island, on Tuesday morning, of Dr. James Handrahan. He was in his forty-first year and leaves a wife and four children.

KEITH'S ST. JOHN THEATRE.

Mr. J. E. Moore, who represents the theatrical interests of Messrs. Keith, Moore and Albo, who have leased the York Theatre, says that the performers coming to St. John will be the best seen on the circuit and will be the same as appear at Keith's Theatre in Boston. Performances will be given every afternoon and evening excepting Monday afternoon. Mr. Moore says the York Theatre will be renovated and redecorated in a befitting manner. Special scenery will also be installed and everything put in the best of shape.

A PLEASANT FUNCTION.

On Wednesday afternoon, over one hundred gentlemen, prominent in the various walks of life, were entertained at luncheon on board of the "Empress of Britain." This magnificent steamship is owned by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, who invited the guests. They found a hearty welcome from General Superintendent Downie, Mr. Piers, manager of the C. P. R. steamship lines, who came here especially for the luncheon; Captain Walsh, the company's shore captain, and Captain Murray, of the Empress of Britain. The beautiful ship came in for unanimous praise and certainly the surroundings were inviting as the guests took seats in the handsomely appointed saloon. The banquet itself was a most delightful function and was carried out with that careful attention to detail that has gained for the C. P. R. its reputation as the greatest caterer on the face of the globe. Mr. Piers, General Supt. Downie, Capt. Murray and Capt. Walsh presided over the four tastefully and beautifully decorated tables and saw personally to the wants of their guests. The service was excellent. This and the many tempting dishes were the subject of most favorable comment from the company. The nationalization of the port was the principal topic and it was generally agreed by all speakers that it should take place.

THE LATEST FROM FRANCE.

Despatches to Morning Papers. Paris, Dec. 13.—There was a total absence today of any of the sensational or dramatic incidents anticipated in alarmist quarters in connection with the execution of the law of separation.

The parish priests everywhere celebrated mass in the presence of an unusually large congregation, but the actions of the authorities were confined to noting infractions of the law and citing the priests and vicars to appear before justices of the peace.

Everywhere legal notices have been served for the evacuation of ecclesiastical residences, the seminaries, etc. Several of these buildings were abandoned without further ado, but a majority of the prelates, while fully prepared to go, announced that they would not depart except under duress.

In many parishes in Paris and the interior, Catholic laymen came forward today and spontaneously filed declarations for the holding of services in the designated churches during the coming year. If this practice is generally followed it will be a distinct victory for the government, relieving it from the necessity of closing churches and throwing on the clergy the responsibility for the discontinuance of the public worship.

In the meantime the cabinet has prepared measures to be introduced before parliament tomorrow.

The net result of the uncompromising attitude of the Vatican in this conflict with the French government seems to be that the clergy will lose its pension, 38,300 of which have been granted and distributed since the beginning of this year; that all aspirants to the priesthood will be compelled to perform military service and that the taking over of the episcopal mansions, rectories, seminaries, etc., by the state department and the communes will occur immediately instead of in December, 1907.

Rome, Dec. 13. The Giornale D'Italia today publishes an article in which Mgr. Montagnani, referring to his expulsion from France, is quoted as follows:

"My expulsion was painful, but not unexpected. France is going through unhappy hours. The present situation is due to Free Masonry, which succeeded in getting the upper hand through the indolence of the French middle classes. Although deeply Catholic, these classes are unorganized. I am the humble agent of the Pope, and I only did his will. Nobody can say what the consequences of what is transpiring in France will be, but God's will be done. Upon returning to Rome I placed myself at the orders of the Pope; these I execute loyally no matter what the outcome may be."

"OLD TIMES."

We clip the following item from Mr. Clarence Ward's interesting letter on "Old Times," in Saturday's Globe:

The priest in charge of St. Malachy's chapel at this time was the Rev. Jas. Dunphy. Father Dunphy was popular with and well liked by all denominations; he was a very witty man of great good nature. He calls for tenders for improving the church: "Contract—Tenders will be received by the Rev. James Dunphy at his house adjoining the Roman Catholic church until Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at noon, for contracting and erecting an Altar Piece in said church. Plans and specifications may be seen every intermediate day (Sundays excepted) from 3 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon, by applying to Mr. B. Gale, architect, Horsfield street. St. John, April 12, 1834."

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- Children's Morris Chairs, just like grown-up's, \$4.50 to \$7
- Willow Bookers, a fine assortment, \$2.50 to \$16
- Willow Stationary Chairs, fancy designs, \$1.00 to \$10
- Low Sewing or Nursing Bookers, comfortable, \$1.25 to \$1.75
- Lounges, covered in carpet, jute or tapestries, \$5.50 to \$8
- Couches, in all qualities and shapes, \$10.50 to \$35
- Willow Easy Chairs, now so very popular, \$6 to \$10
- Quartered Oak Dressing Tables, mirrors, \$18 to \$27
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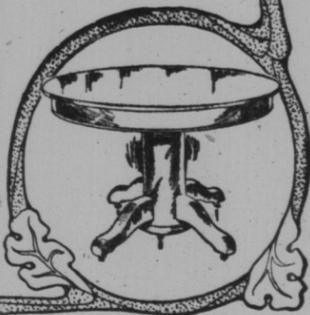
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A SUCCESSFUL OPENING

On Wednesday evening the Victoria Skating Rink was opened for the season of 1906-7. There was a large attendance, the band played splendidly and the ice was in good condition. A Season Ticket for the Rink is always an acceptable present.

INTERESTING LECTURE.

The third lecture of the St. Peter's Y. M. A. course was given in the society's hall on Sunday afternoon, Mr. M. D. Coll, the president, in the chair. Mr. W. J. McMillin, the popular North End druggist, was the lecturer and "New Brunswick 200 Years Ago" was his theme. Mr. McMillin has been studying the manners, customs, and habits of the persons who lived in this province two centuries since, and he was able to compare conditions then with conditions now. The lecture was well delivered and greatly enjoyed by all present, and Mr. McMillin was thanked for his excellent paper.

AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

At the regular meeting of the L. A. A. O. H. of Milltown, held on last Thursday evening, Dec. 6, the members had the pleasure of listening to an address by Mrs. Warren C. Winslow, provincial president of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, in which she complimented the work of their degree corp, and the progress of the order in Milltown. Rev. E. Doyle, chaplain, who was present at the meeting, gave a short address. His remarks were to the point and were appreciated by those present. The grand opening chorus of welcome was rendered by Miss Louise Daly, pianist and leader of the choir, Misses M. Vasser, Emma McFarland, L. Coughlin, M. Carrol, M. Casey, and Mrs. W. J. Haley. The degrees were exemplified by the following staff of officers: Queen Erin, Miss M. McFarland; aids Misses Anna Coughlin and Florence Hinchey; Lady Ita, Miss M. Haley; aide Misses M. McBride and Annie Haley; Lady Banba, Mrs. John McGarrity; aids Mrs. Chas. Kelley and Miss Annie Cronin; Guardian, Mrs. P. Coughlin; Matron, Miss T. McGarrity; Sentinel, Miss A. Burgess.

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A Paris correspondent says that though no effort will be made to close the Catholic churches in France this year, after December 11 the celebration of religious ceremonies in them is to come under the law concerning public meetings. A special and separate declaration will have to be made twenty-four hours previous to each religious ceremony, and the law stipulates that at the opening of a public meeting the persons present shall elect a chairman to preside over it and two assessors. Is it possible to imagine a congregation proceeding to vote before every religious ceremony? And what would happen if bands of irreligious disturbers formed the majority of a congregation and elected one of their leaders? The Church is threatened with further legislative measures of persecution. If the Catholics fall (as they surely will, in obedience to the Holy Father) to form the public worship associations, several supple-

mentary laws will be presented to parliament. One of them, it is affirmed on good authority, will tend to deprive priests who remain faithful to the hierarchical authority of their quality of French citizenship, on the ground that they had accepted public functions conferred by a foreign government. Another bill will, it is said, modify the law to enable schismatic associations to obtain possession of the Church property.

THE RIGHT TIME TO STOP.

"Mother, dear," said a frank young woman to her parent, who had just been giving her a lecture, "if you would only stop when you have scored your point and said what I feel is a truth, you would make so much more impression, but you always go on and on and say so much that it puts us both out of temper, and you lose all the advantage you have gained."

Many people make a mistake by not stopping at the right moment.

Many a truth would be carried home to a culprit and do good work if it were not diluted with discursiveness to such an extent that its effect becomes obliterated, but the fact is that the generality of people talk too much about everything, themselves, their affairs and their neighbors. Talking never does any good, and it is apt to do a great deal of harm.

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BISHOP URGES EARLY CHRISTMAS PURCHASING.

On Sunday week, Bishop Hoban of Scranton, Pa., spoke on a matter which he has evidently greatly at heart.

Preparatory to the reading of the Gospel at the celebration of the solemn high mass, at 10.30, he appealed to the men and women of the congregation to do their shopping during the Christmas holidays as early as possible.

It was his own experience, and that of the priests of the cathedral parish, he said, that after the rush of the Christmas shopping was over, many of the girls were physical wrecks, not infrequently having to take to their beds and incur the expense of doctors bills for many weeks. He felt assured that it only needed that their attention be drawn to the matter to fall in with his wishes, the reasonableness of which they all could recognize.

The Rt. Rev. M. J. Hoban, D. D. has been the head of the Scranton diocese since Feb. 3, 1899.

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It is a pity the sunrise couldn't be pulled off a couple of hours later and then more men could see it.

Mrs. Lillie Devereaux Blake declared at the Federation of Women's Clubs in Saratoga: "We are powerless—the silent sex." That is news indeed. Mr. Blake never thought so.

In whatever place you may be, pay due respect to your guardian angel. Dare you do in his presence that which you would be ashamed to do before a man? Be devoted, then, to this illustrious guardian; be grateful for his care and watchfulness.

It gives great pleasure to us to note that Thomas Connor was elected to the state senate from Joplin Mo. He is a millionaire miner who is proud of his religion and contributes to its spread. He gave \$20,000 towards building the new church at Joplin, and a like amount to the church at Tiffin, O., his native city. It is meet that such men prosper.

Attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is made obligatory on the Catholic students of Princeton University. By the instruction of the Dean, each Catholic student, must leave his name with the Rev. Father Leahy, rector of St. Paul Church, who is to report the names of those attending services, so that the absentees may be known and called to account.

WILLIAM O'BRIEN'S GENEROUS OFFER.

William O'Brien is the recipient of numerous congratulations from all over the country in connection with an offer made by himself and his wife, in Cork, recently to bequeath upon their demise practically every penny they are worth as a contribution toward the endowment of a Munster University in Cork, if the local authorities are willing to assume a slight temporary debt in the meantime.

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LIBERAL CONVENTION CALLED.

To the Liberals of New Brunswick.

It is my desire to meet the Liberals of New Brunswick in convention. Nearly three years having elapsed since the last general meeting, it is also the judgment of many friends that such a gathering should take place for the purpose of perfecting party organization in all the counties of the Province. To that end, I would invite all Liberals who can make it convenient to do so to attend at Perryman's Hall, in the City of St. John, on THURSDAY EVENING, 27th December, next, at 7.30 o'clock.

This invitation is extended to all Liberals in New Brunswick who are interested in the success of the party and the good government of the country; but I would especially ask the Liberal Association and Liberal Clubs of the various counties throughout the Province to select delegates who shall be authorized to represent them at the convention.

There are many matters of importance to be considered, and it is therefore, my earnest wish to have at the convention as many as possible of those who take a real interest in the advancement of Liberalism.

Thursday evening will be devoted to the selection of a Nominating Committee and the arranging of preliminaries. It is probable that an opportunity will also be afforded for short addresses from representatives of the different counties.

The convention will re-assemble on Friday at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the transaction of the real business of the gathering. The day will be given up wholly to the work of organization, which it is hoped will be completed in time to permit the delegates to return to their homes in the evening.

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Alfaretta ran about the garden singing shrilly:
 "Dear, dear, what can the matter be? Dear, dear, what can the matter be? Dear, dear, what can the matter be? Johnny so long at the fair?"
 He promised to bring me a bunch of blue ribbon.
 He promised to bring me a bunch of blue ribbon.
 He promised to bring me a bunch of blue ribbon.
 To tie up my bonny brown hair."
 "Fretty, I really wouldn't call him out of his name—you know it isn't Johnny," Cousin Langley said provokingly from the leafy depths of the grape arbor. "Besides, your hair isn't brown, not in the least. Instead, it's pure carrot color, also mighty pretty. If I were a painter person I might call it something else, but being what I am, a stickler for truth—"
 "Would you know the truth if you met it in the road?" Alfaretta flung at him. "I don't believe so," she went on disdainfully, shaking her glowing waves at him.

She was bareheaded, and the sun struck out high lights from the Titian mass above her white forehead, then fell down to awaken green gleams in her long lashed eyes. Slim as became seventeen, tallish, light on little arched feet, with a long neck upbearing her face, she was distractingly pretty, especially to eyes jaded with artifice and sick of fashion—more specifically, Langley Madden's eyes.
 Langley was only a third cousin, but assumed that the tie of blood entitled him to take an attitude so critical it was more than brotherly in its candor. He had come to Alderbrook farm for six blessed, idle weeks after the stress of a long fight and the triumph of a big legal victory. He had not been there in years, although the place belonged to him. Its present occupants, the Lanes, had lived in it to oblige him. Therefore he had had but a faint memory of Alfaretta as a solemn young person who had disdained to be friends with him, choosing rather to make companions of the dogs, the kittens and her pony, Snap.
 He recalled that she had barely tolerated Susette Barlow, who, in spite of being bigger, came sometimes to play with her. Susette had been a famous



"I REGARDED IT AS MY DUTY TO MARRY YOU."
 comrade. He had kissed her often, called her his little sweetheart and actually gone the length of sending down to her from the city after he was back there a birthday ring. Notwithstanding, he had found her married and happy, with a baby as round, rosy and dimpled as he remembered her. Ten years, he had reflected, made big changes every way. Still he was not quite prepared for the change they had wrought in Fretty.
 The name was of his own coinage; in all other mouths the girl was Alfa. He had been quite taken aback to find that she did not resent his version of the baptismal mouthful. Indeed, she had said, with a little hovering smile, "The one comfort about my name is, no matter what people call me, they can't possibly make it worse than it is."
 The saying had in a way startled him; he had not thought to find philosophy at seventeen in the rural regions. But as time went on he discovered that the philosophy was the least of Fretty's surprises. Young as she was, unformed and inexperienced, she had a way with her, also a poise quite wonderful to see. He did not wonder that she had taken captive his artist friend Vernon; it was Vernon's habit to fall fitfully in love with every girl who was in the least out of the common. Fretty had not a single usual fiber in her. In proof, take the fact that Vernon's adoration had not in the slightest degree turned her head.

"What have we to say to the painter person, Fretty?" Cousin Langley asked, coming out and laying hold of her hands. "Are we going to tell him to go about his business or are we going to say, 'Yes, and thank you, sir,' when he asks?"

"He won't ask," Fretty said, not trying to take away her hands. "You see, I told him at the very first I regarded it as my duty to marry you. Otherwise you would waste all your money—besides, it was the only way to keep Alderbrook in the family. He agreed with me, although I think he was sorry; it must have seemed a shame to him to miss such an opportunity. He admitted that marrying was a necessity to him. That is why, I think, he is away just now."

"Indeed?" Langley said, his tone an interrogation.
 Fretty nodded, echoing: "Indeed! Yes; Mrs. Wortham—your divinity—has opened Grasmere—came herself the day before yesterday. So Mr. Vernon couldn't stay away longer."
 "Who says she is my divinity? And how do you like it, seeing you have appropriated me?" Langley asked, coloring in spite of himself. He felt all at once young and raw and ridiculous and was in a temper over it. He wanted to shake Fretty—shake her hard. She was jesting, of course, but how beautifully she had turned the tables on him. Quite unaccountably he found himself trembling, his hands moist, his face, he knew, high colored, and all without any reason.

It could not be that the bare suggestion of Fretty—the child, the plaything, the creature he loved to tease—as his wife, the mistress of his home and heart, had thus overcome him. For five years at least he had thought of Georgina Wortham in that position. She fitted it so beautifully and was quite evidently ready to accept it.
 "I always answer mother's letters for her. Remember you wrote her about Georgina two years back at least," Fretty said, smiling sweetly, with the faintest touch of malice. "As to my liking her, what does that matter? I have nothing to do with her, only with you."

"You are quite resolved—to take me, I mean?" Langley asked, his eyes downcast.
 Fretty looked pensive. "It seems one must do one's duty, however disagreeable," she said, with a little sigh.
 Langley erected himself. "In that case, suppose you kiss your crown of martyrdom," he said, putting his face close to her lips.
 Fretty sprang back as far as their clasped hands permitted and said, with dancing eyes: "Next year will be quite time enough for that. You see, I am going away in the fall to be finished at the Winslow school. Mother insists upon it, and I myself think it best. I shall come back a fine lady—fine enough, I hope, to do the family credit. May I trust you not to marry Georgina in all that time?"

"Certainly not," Langley said promptly. "You will have to take me now or risk losing me altogether. And I hate finishing schools and all their works. If you go through the mill I won't have you—that's fat!"
 Fretty snatched away her hands, laughing heartily. "What an actor was lost in you, Cousin Langley!" she said. "You had such a ring in your voice! I wish Tommy Hartwell had been within hearing."
 "So! You want the heathen to rage, you minx!" Langley said, again imprisoning her hands, then the ring coming back to his voice stronger than ever: "Fretty, I know you were in fun, but, please, dear, let's make it earnest. I want you—nobody else. I have been wanting you ever since I came, without having sense enough to know it."
 "How about Georgina?" Fretty murmured, turning away her head so Langley might not see the mounting color in her cheeks.

Langley laughed triumphantly. "May I be vain enough to speak the frozen truth?" he asked, his lips very close to Fretty's ear. She turned a little more away from him, saying very low:
 "No! I can guess it. Georgina won't have you; therefore you want me to save your broken heart."
 "Of course. But how did you guess it?" Langley asked, his heart thrilling at thought of her care to save another woman from slurring. He had meant to tell her what he knew for truth—that while Georgina would have accepted him for his position and potentialities and given him comradely help throughout their joint career her heart was by no means engaged, she being of the equable temperament that spends its wildest devotion upon itself. Moreover, there was Vernon. All along he had suspected some kindness, even more, between the pair. They might have each other and welcome. Fretty, sweet, slim, red haired Fretty, was the one wife in the world for him.
 Impulsively he caught her to him and said between kisses: "I see it all now. You're a witch. You saw how I needed comforting and proposed to me right off the reel. Henceforth I shall live to keep you from being sorry for it."
 "And I'll make you sorry for it as long as you live if ever you dare say that again," Fretty interrupted.

Again Langley laughed. He could afford to. Fretty, in spite of her brave words, was nestling to him like a happy child.

What Teacher Said.
 Last Sunday Benny made his debut as a Sunday school scholar. When he came home his relatives and friends were anxious to hear a report of his experiences.
 "Well, Benny," said his mother, "did you say the text?"
 "Yes, ma'am."
 "And did you remember the story of the lesson?"
 "Yes, ma'am. I said it all off by heart."
 "And did you put your penny in the basket?"
 "Yes, ma'am."
 Benny's mother grabbed him up and hugged him ecstatically.
 "Oh, you little precious!" she said. "Your teacher must have been proud of you. I know she just loved you. She said something to you, didn't she?"
 "Yes, ma'am."
 "I knew it," said the fond parent. "Come, Benny, darling, tell mother what the teacher said to mother's little man."
 "She said," was the startling reply, "for me to bring 2 cents next Sunday."
 —New York Post.

WHEN ABOUT TO MARRY.
 Don't impoverish your family by insisting on an extravagant wedding. The show lasts but a short time; the poverty sometimes consequent upon it remains. Don't invite everybody you ever heard of in order to get presents. Every present is a mortgage on your future income. Down to the third generation you will have to pay present for present. Unless you are to go much in society, choose your gown for its usefulness. It is hinted that the latest cry is for brides in church weddings to dress for church and not for a ball.

WAIT TILL THEY SPEAK.
 She was a very beautiful woman and she was very beautifully dressed. She entered a Randolph street theatre at last Saturday's matinee with a woman friend and handed her seat checks to an usher, says the Chicago Record Herald. As she wished and frowned down the aisle she appeared a personification of all that is exquisite. The usher, the beauty and the friend arrived at the fourth row from the footlights. The usher turned down the seats and bowed low as he handed back the checks. The beauty spoke: "Is their seats ours?" she demanded shrilly.
 The usher did not wince. He bowed thrice as low as before.
 "Them seats is yours," said he.

A CLEVER TRICK.
 Many striking illustrations of the shrewdness of Irishmen are getting publicity at the sitting of the commission in Dublin on agriculture and industries. Rev. Patrick Dowling the other day, told of an Irishman who started a factory for the making of leather for boot uppers. He was told he would lose money. But the man, knowing the idiosyncrasies of the buyers, went ahead and began manufacturing. He did not make his stuff as of Irish manufacture, but instead stamped each article with "Jamaica Paris," which translated means "Never in Paris." People fell over each other to get his goods, he had to enlarge his factory, and is not, even now able to fill all his orders.

POPULATION INCREASES.
 Notwithstanding the exceptionally heavy emigration this year, from Ireland, an increase would appear to have taken place in the population of Ireland during the September quarter. The excess of births over deaths was 9,668, and the emigrants numbered 8,469, so that the increase was nearly 1,200. It is a small balance to build hopes upon, but these quarters with the balance on the right side are beginning to be not unusual. They afford some indication that the bottom is being reached in the depletion of Ireland's population, and that a time is coming when the changes will be once again on the up grade.

A GOOD OBJECT.
 Catholic Citizen, Milwaukee.
 Milwaukee Council, Knights of Columbus, put some of its surplus funds to good use last week by donating \$500 to the Catholic institute and students' chapel, that Father Hengell is about to build for the two hundred and fifty Catholic students attending Wisconsin University. This is putting money where it will pay large dividends in making the future leaders of the various Catholic communities of Wisconsin, not only university trained in the sciences and letters, but also in their religion; and, so doubly efficient as exponents of Catholic life and thought.
 There are thirty councils of the Knights of Columbus in Wisconsin. Why should not all of them place their names on this roll of honor?

ST JOHN, WEST

The fine winter weather prevailing at this writing and after a truly severe variety during a week or ten days past, is more than compensating. It reminds one of how prone is humanity to grumble at the existence of disturbed or unpleasant weather for even two successive days, causing with such people entire forgetfulness of the beautiful autumn weather bestowed upon the land this year. Well, we are all liable to prone and after all one is little different from the other. Reading the weather records in the other sections of the province recently makes one inclined to rejoice that he or she dwells in "St. John by the sea."

This goodly city of Saint John contains within its limits some odd people. Its business is done in grooves and if anyone ventures in a new direction there ascends a howl that he is "speculative; that such a step is ruinous." They potter along despite the advantages for enlarged business, possessed by the city in situation and steamships and railway connection, and when some more energetic individual suggests the introduction of some enterprise or business which in its nature and operation must entail benefit to the City and citizens generally, the majority of those who are approached about it are solicitous not to provide abundant capital to make the project successful from the start, but rather to figure out the least possible sum by which it can be operated. This was well exposed by Senator King the other day when speaking at a meeting called for the purpose of establishing a car works in St. John. Some of the individuals seem to require treatment in the line of exorcism evidently, but physicians whose specialty might be on that line are not very numerous among us. Regretful reference to the Harris Car Works removal seems now to be waste of breath.

It has frequently been remarked that there is a noticeable provincialism about our people as a whole—there are exceptions of course—and not a little of what is commonly recognized or used to be recognized as "rusticity." A late instance came to the writer's notice a short time since on this West Side. A lady visitor from the east side was inquiring her route to the immigration building, incidentally, west side people know that there are three land routes there from Rodney Wharf—at Sand Point. She desired to go there very much especially if there were any immigrants there, and, perhaps with a view of explaining her anxiety, she assured the party—it was a west side young lady—from whom she sought information that she had "never seen an immigrant." What an awfully sad story! How deplorable! The fact, as stated, is amazing to a degree. The idea that any east sider, male or female, could have been so remiss, during all the years that immigrants have been coming here, as not to have seen a sample, is more than remarkable. If an outsider could judge aught from the numbers of east side people, who block the windows of the "sheds" with their faces pressed to the glass staring at the new comers within, as each passenger ship disembarks them, then the whole east side population has seen them. Rusticity? Well! rather. The lady referred to may console herself in the fact that through the style of dress, affected by some of the immigrants, is not of the Paris or New York style, none of them have horns. The horned cattle come from Texas like the bronchos.

Among the other amiable characteristics or peculiarities, perhaps the most noticeable is their patriotism, their love of country, their content and all round happiness in that the land we live in forms a not unimportant part of the British Empire. They always rejoice in their loyalty to His Majesty the King and Queen Alexandria. These sentiments are frequently expressed in the halls of legislation, at meetings of trade

boards, on the public platform, even in the daily press, on occasions, by correspondents who affect publicity in that line. When the late good Queen Victoria died, the whole British Empire rejoiced that Queen Alexandra succeeded her and the people, amid their sense of immediate loss, rejoiced, in the existing fact. Queen Alexandra is a noble woman in the fullest sense of the words, considerably sympathetic and interested in the poor, and well deserves the heartiest and truest loyalty of her subjects. Yet, mirabile dictu! on the occasion of her 62nd birthday, in the loyal city of Saint John, this city founded by the Loyalists, there was not a flag to be seen flying from a public building in honor of the day or as a token of rejoicing in a delightful national event.

FINGER BOWLS.

It might at first seem unnecessary to say anything of the correct use of finger bowls after the years in which they have been daily put upon tables but as one observes the way some people seem to be imbued with the idea of using them as wash basins for the hands it is really necessary to make a suggestion—that is, to remember that only the tips of the fingers are to be wet, and, if one wishes, it is permissible to rub the fingers across the lips. This latter is not often done, however. Drying the fingers afterward is done on the napkin as daintily as possible.

PRESENTATION.

Following the custom of some years back, Senator J. V. Ellis was this morning presented by the staff of the Globe with a bunch of 45 carnations, this being the forty-fifth year of the senator's editorship of the Globe.—Times, Thursday.

A. O. H.

At the regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., Woodstock, held in their rooms on Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. T. L. McCafferty; Vice-President, Miss Carrie Caldwell; Recording Secretary, Miss Annie Riordan; Financial Secretary, Miss Minnie E. Hall; Treasurer, Mrs. Frank Kelly; Mistress-at-arms, Miss Sadie J. Brown; Sentinel, Miss Tressa Hughes.

OLD LITERATURE.

The book of Job is believed to be the most ancient literary work in existence. It is known to have been written prior to the Pentateuch and prior to the promulgation of the law. In profane literature the poems of Homer are the most ancient that have come down to our day, though the names of others still older are in existence.

LATIN.

Latin, once the speech of a petty district by the Tiber, became the standard medium of intercourse for a mighty empire, absorbed into itself the spirit of the institution, became its outward embodiment and survives today as a monument to the essential character of that institution better and truer than Coliseum or Forum. Its present place in education, in literature, in law, is determined by the place that Rome still holds in the organized life of Europe and in all organized life whose sources are in European civilization. A visible emblem is the place it still holds as the language of the Roman Church; for the Roman Church is in all reality the Roman empire expressed in terms of the things of the soul. The school-boy learns from his Latin, if he learns it well, more than words, rules, paradigms, maxims, bits of history or scraps of mythology; he drinks in the life of old Rome and the spirit of its institutions—law, order, organization, authority. There is nothing left us, now that the Romans are gone, so Roman as Latin.

YOUNG WOMEN WHO SUCCEEDED.

A recent paper in an educational journal calls attention to the number

of comparatively youthful women who have achieved notable things in their different callings. Joan of Arc at nineteen led the army of victorious France; Patti sang in public before she had entered her teens—how many years ago it was that she made her first great triumph it is not for us to say. At 22 Mme. De Staël accomplished an essay on Rousseau; Jane Austen had completed her life work at 42, and all of the Bronte sisters died before they were 40. When "Uncle Tom's Cabin" appeared Harriet Beecher Stowe was only 39, and George Eliot gave "Adam Bede" to the world at 38. Miss Grace Lathrop Collin and Onoto Watanna, two of the most successful of contemporary novelists, are both considerably under 30.

EAGER TO LEARN.

It was Winifred's first day in school. She had five words to learn, and each was spelled with three different letters. It was really very confusing. They danced before her eyes and kept slipping into one another's places whenever she looked away from the page. After an hour of earnest effort, however, she felt sure she had mastered them, all but the last, of which she was still a little uncertain. In the book, and when her stubby, forefinger was glued to the page just beneath this refractory syllable, the letters obediently assumed the order of B-E-D. But a minute after, finger in mouth and eyes on ceiling, they sometimes seemed to be "deb," "deb" and various other perplexing combinations. It happened that Winifred's associates kept their places during recitation, and somehow the class was called and in "full blast" while the newest and littlest girl in the school was still struggling with the difficult word.

"Winifred," suddenly called the teacher, "how do you spell 'bed'?" "Why, Miss Em'ly," returned the small scholar, "that's just 'actly what I wanted to know!" And she couldn't imagine why all the little girls about her laughed and the teacher bit her lip and gave the word to some one else.

OPERA HOUSE.

Commencing on Monday night, the Gans-Nelson fight, in moving pictures, will be the attraction, running four evenings. The next week the famous Robinson Opera Company, in new and bright operas, will open on Monday evening, Dec. 24.

MILLTOWN, N. B.

On Tuesday evening the A. O. H. elected the following officers: Geo. Hefnerman, Pres.; W. J. Haley, Vice-President; James Purcell, R. S.; M. Kelley, F. S.; W. J. Graham, Treas.; Jos. Casey, Jan. W. J. Graham has held the office of treasurer for the past eighteen years and this will be M. Kelley's third term as financial secretary. The following officers were elected by the O. M. E. A. on Tuesday evening: Edward Haley, Chan.; Thomas Martin, Pres.; Fred Shannon, First Vice; Michael McCarroll, Sec. Vice; William Buckley, Rec. Sec.; Charles Buckley, Ass. Rec. Sec.; Thomas Cody, Fin. Sec.; James Ryan, Treas.; James Corbett, Marshal; Florence Vassar, Guard; Jas. Corbett, Thomas Martin, Thomas Cody, Fred Shannon, James Ryan, Trustees.

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