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[CONTINUED.] It is easy to travel as far as Edmon-

ton, in the north of Alberta. The train takes you there from Calgary. After that good bye to the iron horse. Messrs. Somerset and Pollen therefore make their journey begin at Edmonton. They left it, accompanied by many good wishes, on June 14, 1893, and pushed on to Athabaska Landing, 100 miles to the north, but still in Alberta Athabaska Landing ("a square mile of territory and half a dozen log houses and stores") is the gate of the North. From here, says Mr. Pollen in the preface, all the stores go out that supply the Hudson's Bay Company's forts from Hudson's Hope to the mouth of the Mackenzie. A steamer plies up the river to the mouth of the Slave River, and down to where the the rapids make the Athabaska no longer navigable.

"Athabasca" is mapped out as a Provisional District of the Northwest Territories. Nevertheless, according to Mr. Pollen, the authority of the Government hardly extends so far north. Athabaska Landing, he says, is the last outpost of the Canadian police. On the north bank of the River Athabaska, and over far the greater part of the Northwest, all the control the Indians know "is represented by the Hudson's Bay Company and missionaries of St. Mary Immaculate."

"These last fill a picturesque place in the history of the country. At almost every fort you will find the neat loghouse and church of the Roman Catholic Mission; and the priests themselves are all highly educated men, whilst the most of them are of good French or French-Canadian families. Their influence with the Indians is immense. During the last rebellion the Canadian Government owed much to the missionaries' power of restraining incipient revolt, and every Hudson's Bay Company's officer we met was loud and unqualified in their praise, though these officers were to a man alien to their race and their creed. For ourselves we have a score of services to thank them and again we found hard pieces of for, and the Fathers at the Little Slave ground, and sometimes made dry camp; Lake, Smoky River, Dunvegan and Fort they possessed at our disposal in the condition we marched and worked and friendliest way. It was through Pere slept. I have heard people who ought to make the arrangements that enabled Dankhan Tustowitz and John Kuothands to Pere Morice we owe a debt of that it will be a lasting pleasure to remember.

however, holds the pride of place in the north."-Preface.

The travellers speak as highly of the company's officers as our missionaries have always spoken.

The eleven chapters of the book describe the journey from Athabaska Landing, by Little Slave Lake to Dan- to the Pine River-150 miles-without vegan, on the Peace River; thence, the aid of a trail for more than half the through the Rocky Mountains, to Fort McLeod in British Columbia (not to be straight line to a place where he had confounded with Fort McLeod in Allouly camped for a few days five years berta, to the south of Calgary); and so before." Stuart's Lake, and further south, as far as Quesnelle on the Fraser River, and the Pine River northward to Moberley's finally (by stage coach, 250 miles) to lake and came upon a series of lakes Asheroft (still in British Columbia) on the Canadian Pacific Railway.

named Pat." "After a fearful struggle mountain foot-hills of the Jura." we landed opposite Pat's cabin in a very | The travellers eventually passed

Mr. John Gough Brick, rather a farmer spoken of severely in the Daily Chronicle himself is the greatest authority Review. Quite another sort of man upon Carrier history and customs, and Missionary, met previously at the west that I shall say about these people I of Little Slave Lake. And yet Mr. Somerset thinks all Anglican missionaries in that country "to a certain ings." extent poachers." "In many places the Indians are Protestants in the winter, when the times are hard, and Catholies when there is nothing to be gained."

"Fort Dunvegan is a charming little place, lying close to the river between high bluffs." The Beaver or Tsuten Indians inhabit the district between Danvegan and the Rocky Mountains. They are a race in every way inferior to the months was nearly over. Crees. From Fort Dunvegan, on their way to Fort MacLeod, the travellers passed through what may safely be called a damp country.

were given, it is almost impossible to brightly colored clothes, who smiled upshow the extraordinary amount of damp on us and said "Clehya" in a very to which we were subject. To begin friendly way." It is said that there w s with, it rained almost every day, and once a Hudson's Bay Company's officer when the sky was unclouded the bush called Clark, and men would come to his was nearly always wet, so that one be- place and say "Clark, how are you. ?" came thoroughly soaked fron top to toe | The Indians made it "Clehya," and to before the morning's vork was over. For many days together one walked The Chilkotins were going to the town continually in swamp or muskeg to the to a fair. ankle, and often for hours in water reaching well above the knee. But all this was of small consequence. A warm smoke of a train, and so they really fire would always dry out one's clothes as one stood, so that one went to bed moderately dry. But it was during the great Canadian Pacific railway and so in night that the damp worked its worst touch once more with civilization. upon us. We had small waterproof sheets under our blankets, and these were of great service to us, but one piece will do little against an acre of water. It must be understood that on many occasions one could plunge one's hand out of bed to the wrist or even to the elbow, if one had a mind to, in slushy water or sodden moss and mud. Of course now but the country, as a whole, was nothing McLeod each put themselves and all but a vast morass, and in this sodden Husson, at Dunvegan, that we were able to know say that England is a damp climate to camp in, but England at its wettest would be mere child's play to these invaluable men-to leave their this rain-haunted land. Looking back families for the summer, secure in the on the expedition now I do not wonder consciousness that they were in good that we were delayed a little by sickness, but I always marvel that we got thanks for much of the information that out of that country alive, or at least we obtained, - and to all a recollection without some serious illness. And the of personal kindness and consideration most amusing part of the whole thing was, that one of the party had gone there under the doctor's orders. But, of The Hudson's Bay Company itself, course, neither this medical adviser, nor any one else for that matter, had any idea of the nature of the country."

Now perhaps we know enough of the maskeg, so we may start once more, with our travellers, as if leaving Fort Dun-

"Daukhan brought us from Dunvegan way. And now he brought us in a

Mr. Pollen with two men went from which he believes he was the first European to visit. Passing from plateau At the outest, at the Smoky River to plateau, he says, "As we topped the Mission, on the far side of the Peace second rise we saw a tall wooden cross River, a wagon and the assistance of a rising among the trees. Nothing could Lay Brother were secured for the jour- be more eloquent of the faith and nationney to Dynvegan. "The Brother (says ality of the missionaries and for a mom-Somerset in chapter II) had promised to ert one could imagine oneself on the call for us at the house of a half-breed outskirts of a French village in the

exhausted condition." The Peace coun-through the Rockies, and after dreadtry is described as glorious, but intense- ful hardships reached Fort McLeod at ly cold in winter. "The priests and one the northern extremity of McLeod's Mackenzie have cultivated a consider- Lake. Their next move was to Stewart's ly employed and existed in many places able portion of the valley." At the Lake 100 miles away. The Indians Mission House by the banks of the there, who live principalty by fishing, Peace, "the missionaries, Pere Xerc build houses, so that there is quite a (probably Le Serrec). Husson and Le hamlet at Stewart's Lake, where the two places, of which Oberammergau is made on that day in 1633, which so ef-Treste, were kindness itself, making us Hudson's Bay Company have a large the most famous. He related the cir- fectually stayed the plague, had been presents of milk and butter, and allow- fort with outbuildings. The name of ing us to camp before their door. It the priest at Stewart's Lake is familiar to there, shewing how at the end of a long might be kept for many a decade yet.

After some days at Stewart's Lake Messrs. Somerset and Pollen set their faces to the Southeast. In two dug-out canoes they and their men went "down the rapids and away," first as far as Fort George, and then, on the Fraser River, very far south to the village of Quesnelle, "the wreck of a once prosperous mining camp." Their journey of many

At Quesnelle they got a waggon to Ashcroft, 250 miles to the south. Coming into the little town of Ashcroft they them it answers to "Good morning."

On the hills above Ashcroft Messrs. Somerset and Pollen saw the faint white knew that their expedition was over. At Ashcroft station they were on the

"THE PASSION PLAY."

Father Kavanagh's Lecture at St. Mary' Church-Addresses by Father Cherrier and Father Drummond, S. J.

As we predicted would be the case the lecture by Rev. Father Kavanagh, S. J., on "The Passion Play at Oberammergau" in aid of the funds of the Catholic Truth society, attracted an immense audience to St. Mary's Church on Thursday evening last, in fact, the number of those present was so great that the large staff of ushers found it no easy matter to accommodate their patrons. And we may certainly say that not one of the vast throng at the close regretted having been present, for the entertainment was in all respects one of the most enjoyable and at the same time instructive ever given in the city. The arrangements were so perfect that it passed off withtrust that this lecture may prove to be only the first of a scries. The programme was opened with an artistically played violin and organ duet by Miss Denholme and Mr. Evans at the close of which

REV. FATHER KAVANAGH

commenced his lecture and for upwards first scene was a bird's eye view of the thanks to Father Kavanagh. little village of Oberammergau, showing point out to the audience the exact loca- ence. First he would ask them had tion of the village. Before proceeding they realized how long ago that vow fact that in early days this method of founding of Quebec; when the first boy interesiing the common people in the that was born in America from the Pilteachings of religion was very frequent- grim fathers was only twelve years old;

vow and the plague immediately ceased year in the little Bavarian village. the seriousness with which they regardof whom enter into the play with the tragedy; it could only be done, theresame spirit which animated their pious ancestors who originated it, desiring only the greater glory of God. A scene was then thrown on the sheet representing the stage on which the play is presented, and this called forth a descripdrive over the old Cariboo road as far as tion of the great open-air theatre in which thousands from all parts of the world assemble to witness the proceed-"Unless an actual day-to-day diary met many Chilkotin Indians dressed in lags. Next came an outline of the methods of the performers, showing how first a tableau would be presented of a a type of something to come, followed by another tableau illustrating the part of our Lord's passion thus typified. Several very reliable views having been thrown on the sheet and each one appropriately described, a series of photographs of the most prominent characters was given and excited general admiration, notably those of Joseph Meyer and Rosa Lang who played the parts of Christ and the Blessed Virgin. Then the various steps in the Passion were put before the audience in a most vivid manner—the betrayal in the garden; Christ before Pilate and Herod; the scourging at the pillar; the crowning with thorns: the way of the cross; the crucifixion; the burial in the eloquent, descriptive lecture of the reverend father was rendered even more impressive by admirably chosen vocal selections at appropriate stages, as follows: "The Palms" and "Hear us, O Saviour" by Rev. Father LaRue, S. J., whose high tenor voice was singularly touching, and Rodney's "Calvary" by that accomplished singer, Mrs. McIvor. Fatner Kavanagh closed with a most eloquent peroration and in resumresponse to this

rose and stated the circumstances under which he went to see the play in 1890 at the suggestion of Father Langevin, now out the slightest hitch, and we sincerely their beloved archbishop. He admitted that before going he had not been at all favorably impressed as to the desirability of plays of this kind, but like everyone else he found it a wonderful revelation, which moved all the beholders to tears and could not fail to have a beneficial effect to the end of their lives upon all who witnessed it. Although speakof an hour and a half he held the at- ing entirely without preparation, Father tention of the large audience whilst he Cherrier, as the daily press put it, fairly described in a most entertaining manner electrified his audience with the dramatic the various scenes which were thrown and emotional description he gave of the from a lantern fixed in the choir loft, and noble and pathetic scenes represented operated by Mr. Cheshire, onto a sheet by the humble villagers of Oberammerstretched across the sanctuary. The gan. He concluded by moving a vote of them to further efforts in the same direc-

Rev. Father Drummond seconded it the cluster of houses, with the church and in doing so said he did not intend to prominent in the centre, nestling in the keep the audience long, but there were a village, with tall mountains looking few thoughts that suggested themselves down upon it from all sides. A map of to him while perusing beforehand the Enrope was next thrown on the scene by structure of this wonderful play, and he means of which the lecturer was able to would briefly submit them to the audifurther Father Kavanagh gave an ac- was made which was now being fulfilled count of the origin of the Passion Play every tenth year? It was in the year at Oberammergau. He referred to the 1633-twenty-five years only after the when Lewis XIII reigned in France in Europe, but these "mystery plays" and Charles I was still king of England. as they were called, have gradually They saw how far that brought them been suppressed or died out except in back in the past ages, and yet the vow cumstances of the origin of the play kept until this day, and they trusted it was here the travellers met Dukhan, a our readers, and Mr. Somerset says his war a terrible pestilence spread over the This meant that twenty-seven times famous Indian hunter with some white influence with the Indians is prodigi- land and despite the precautions of the during two hundred and seventy years for Sheet Music, Strings, etc. Planos tuned.

THE LAND OF THE MUSKEG. blood, a man of perfect manners, and ous. "Father Morice (he adds) is the authorities was eventually introduced that great performance had been carried speaking "the soft and beautiful Cree Catholic missionary, and we made his into the village, where it raged with such out in every detail by the inhabitants of language." Three or four miles away acquaintance almost as soon as we ar- violence that the people with one this simple hamlet in the mountains of was an American Mission in charge of rived, and thus came in contact with accord made a vow to the Ahmighty that Bavaria. He considered this something one of the most remarkable men in if He would stop the plague they would very peculiar in the history of the than a missionary, the same man who is North-western America. Pere Morice once every ten years give a representatively world, something that was absolutely tion of the Passion in memory of His impossible outside of that religion which goodness and for His greater glory. God claimed from its chief-"Eternal Peter however was Mr. Holmes, an American has written much concerning them. All listened to the prayers, accepted the of the Changeless Chair." This could not be done where there was any learned from him, and much that is its ravages, and ever since then the Pas- change in religious sentiment-or else written here is quoted from his writ- sion] Play has been enacted every tenth the people would have gradually lost Father Kavanagh then described the ed the whole proceeding; it could not be villagers who take the various parts, all done where there was any diversity in of whom are very simple, humble folk, belief or else their hearts would not most of them wood-carvers, but each beat as one in roing through the great fore, where there was that which represents so perfectly the majesty of God -the Eternity of Truth-where that was -oh! then the soul realized all that had taken place in the greatest of all tragedies-it understood that that tragedy was the one act towards which all that went before led up, and all that came after is but the implication and the development. Christ is the same yesterday, to-day and for ever, and the history of his work was the history of mankind, scene from the old testament which was but the central point of his work was his death on the cross. No tragedy was ever like unto this. The books tell us that the elements of tragedy were terror and pity, and where was there terror such as this-terror for the mother's heart; terror for the disciples that loved him; terror at the thought that all was coming to an end. How the weak in faith must have felt as they stood at the foot of the cross, and asked themselves 'Has His life then been a failure, is everything going to fall away, is all this a gigantic fraud?" And oh! the pity of it-the most lovable of the children of men to be forsaken by His friends Greater love hath no man than this that he gives his life for his friends." sepulchre-the whole concluding with He gave His life not for friends, but for the resurrection and ascension. The His enemies, for His murderers, and it was said by those who had heard the play that one of the most touching things was to bear Joseph Myer, stretched upon the cross, exclaim "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do!" What prayer like that had ever been heard before? This then was the tragedy of tragedies. It was the one that linked together everything that made dramatic power most effective. The three passions which ing his seat mentioned that there was went to constitute the strength of all one amongst them who had seen the dramatic work were ambition, love and play itself and they would, he had no hatred and in this tragedy they had the doubt, be pleased to hear from him. In ambition of the High Priest, the love of the mother, of the disciples and the surpassing love of Jesus for mankind finally they had the hatred of the scribes and the pharisees for One who threatened to overthrow their power. What wonder then that this tragedy should have taken hold of Europe as no modern play had ever done.

Father Kavanagh berefly responded and in doing so thanked Mr. Cheshire who had operated the lantern and the musicians who had assisted.

This unique and enjoyable entertainment was then brought to a close and the audience dispersed, as we have said well satisfied. The members of the Catholic Truth Society are to be congratulated on receiving as a result of the lecture a substantial addition to their funds. We trust that this will encourage tion and that they will induce Father Kavanagh to give a similar lecture during the coming winter. We would add, in conclusion, that not a little of the success of the entertainment was due to the excellence of the musical items. Miss Denholme has before this proved that she is an artiste and her selections on Thursday evening were given in a manner that more than sustained her already high reputation. It was the first time we had had the pleasure of hearing the Rev. Father LaRue, but we sincerely trust it may not be the last. He possesses a most sweet and pure tenor voice which he knows how to use to the best advantage, and without effort. Mrs. McIvor was in good voice, and the accompanists being in the capable hands of Mr. Evans, were of course. all that could be desired.

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NOTICE!

Next Wednesday being Christmas Day, THE NORTHWEST REVIEW will appear on Tuesday, the 24th inst. We take this opportunity of wishing to all those of our readers who are too far off to receive their paper on Christmas Day, the choicest blessings of this season of grace. To such of them as are still behindhand in the payment of their subscriptions, we wish an awakening of the Christian conscience, or, if that is wide awake, the power of paying their debts. How can a Christian scatter Christian gifts about him, when he will not, though he can, PAY WHAT HE OWES ?

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Our Protestants friends are at last waking up to a realization of the inadequacy of their school text-books. Mr. Watson Griffin, in lecture recently delivered in Montreal on "The Industries of Can ada," severely criticized Chase's High School Geography because it minimized the resources of Canada while giving a very complete and glowing account of the United States. We long ago called this geography "a monument of peda gogic ineptitude." We have found it a farrago of ill-digested knowledge, utter ly unsuited to young minds. But now the recent Free Press editorial on Mr Watson's Griffin's strictures makes us suspect a graver danger, an undermining, by this geography and by U. S school readers, of patriotism in the hearts of our children. It is a plank in the Freemason platform, which secretly underlies many governmental measures in this country, to reduce all the nations of the earth to one homogeneous mass in erder thus the more surely to mould all men after the pattern of the "Man of

Take Chase's Geography at p. 5, end of second column, and read :- "Thus the story told by the unstratified rocks is less clear, less certain than that of the stratified rocks, but at the same time infinitely more grand. The latter does not take us beyond our earth; it keeps us among processes and amid scenes with which we are familiar.....hence its teachings are of 1890 have placed beyond question the certainties. But the former, from its very fact that the Catholic minority has a nature, must be uncertain; though for a grievance, and that the Governor-Gentime it confines us to the earth, yet it is eral in Council was bound to hear its amid conditions that are no longer pres- appeal, yet the Dominion Government is ent, and that we can hardly realize. It | not bound to remedy the grievance by does more; it takes us away from the removing it. Can anything be more earth, carries us to the heavens, and preposterous, more dishonest, than this makes us look upon our world as only line of argument? The Regina Leader one of the innumerable stars, like them | must find some better reasons than these

like future history, and with them forming a part of one universal plan designed by the Almighty Architect."

The above paragraph presents many objectionable features. The last word of it is an unfortunate specimen of Masonic jargon. Why not "Creator" instead of "Architect"? Probably because the word "Creator" implies belief in a creative power which no man has ever discovered without the help of revelation. Then, mark the confusedness of the whole paragraph. It begins by announcing that the story of the unstratified rocks is infinitely more grand than that of the stratified; and, in order to prove this grandiloquent assertion, more or less comprehensible to young minds, it goes on to insist on the uncertainty of the grander story, as if uncertainty were an ol:vious element of grandeur. The next step is to promise something more, i. e., of course, something more in the same line as uncertainty, as if uncertainty were an appreciable quantity; and, when we proceed to examine what more the grander story really does, we find that it "makes us look" upon what the preceding paragraph tells us is at most "possibly true;" and thus, after all, we do nieet with something still more uncertain than those conditions of the plutonic rocks which "we can hardly realize." The result of piling up uncertainties in this fashion and calling them very grand must be bewilderment in the budding intellect that hungers after facts. Are there not enough facts to learn in geography properly so called, without wasting time and murdering logic anent uncertainties?

On the other hand, when Mr. Chase chooses to be categorical and dogmatic he rides rough-shod over the most palp able uncertainties. For instance, on page 4. section 11 of his Geography, he says that the finding of human bones in the glacial drift is "a fact which shows that the existence of man on the earth dates from a period indefinitely remote." Now the best and most honest geologists admit that the epoch of the glacial drift is extremely uncertain, and that, however much we may know about the order in which stratified rocks occur, their age cannot be even approximately guessed Mr. Chase himself says almost as much in the very next lines: "Only by observing in modern waters the rapidity of deposition of sediment can we form any estimate of the lapse of time in geologic al ages: even the estimate can at BEST be only roughly approximate." And yet be affirms unhesitatingly that the "existence of man on earth dates from a period indefinitely remote," words which have a strong anti-Biblical flavor. Sir William Dawson, who is assuredly one of the great est living geologists, has repeatedly said that the oldest human remains are well within the limits of Biblical chronology. and these limits certainly do not embrace a period that could be styled "indefinitely remote." We are, therefore, justified in stating that this High School Geography, besides being unpatriotic, as Mr. Watson Griffin shows, is illogical and anti-Christian.

THE MANITOBA SCHOOL QUESTION.

The Manitoba School difficulty, with many of our contemporaries, seems to be the one absorbing question discussed in their editorial columns. It is painful to notice the dishonest manner in which many of them approach it. The Regina Leader, we are sorry to say, is among this latter class. In a long and labored article, it takes the Montreal Star to task for its recent able and moderate article on this question. The whole burden of its reply may be summed up in this one sentence: Although the Imperial Privy Council has declared that the school acts

ing people of this country that guarantees are made and solemnly placed in our constitution only to be repudiated. This kind of argument may suit the political exigencies of the electors in its neighborhood. It may be admirably suited to catch votes in places where men's minds are blinded by the unreasonableness of passion and religious prejudices; but it can have no weight among thinking men who can reason clearly and calmly.

The Leader would say to the Catholic Dominion Government say to us: "Although (1) the highest Court in the Em-Constitution to appeal for redress of that redress." grievance, and that the Dominion Cabinet were bound to hear that appeal, still, you must understand that we have merely been going through a solemn farce. We have, indeed, heard your appeal; we have listened to it carefully; we admit the hardship of your position; but we will not grant you relief."

After five years of litigation; after the expenditure of a large sum of money and untold labor and anxiety; after asserting our rights in the highest Court in the Empire; after putting us to the additional cost and labor of presenting our appeal, and after going through the solemn form of hearing it; the Leader tells us that the Government should not grant us relief.

If the Regina Leader, whose motives it is very easy to fathom, it pass unnoticed. Let us ask the Lead- maintain and defend." er what position it would take, supposing the Protestants of Manitoba were in the would they show the patient forbearance and smash Confederation into atoms. No one knows this better than the editor of the Leader and no one would be louder than he in denouncing such an

act of injustice. contemporary should take the unjust and | up and educate their children in the unfair position it has assumed in its latest article on this vexed question? The to the zealous, able and learned Arch-Constitution of this Dominion guarantees | bishop of Kingston our most grateful the educational rights of minorities, thanks. It was manly, noble and whether Protestant or Catholic, and, generous of him to come to our defence pectfully to approach your Lordship and while it remains, these rights must and and to brand, with befitting infamy, to extend to you our humble, but shall be respected. These guarantees the machinations of unprincipled poliwere placed there at the solicitation— ticians, whether Grit or Tory. Catholic nay, the demand, not of the Catholic, but or Protestant, who, to get rid of doing of the Protestant framers of our Constitut- a simple act of justice to a persecuted ion, and it comes with peculiarly bad minority, because, for sooth, it might grace from them to preach a doctrine of deprive them of a political advantage, repudiation simply because the minority or allow their opponents to score one, is, in this instance Catholic.

ARCHBISHOP CLEARY'S DISCLAIMER.

Our able and courteous contemporary. The Canadian Freeman, a Catholic paper printed in Kingston with decided liberal learnings, published an justice to the Maritoba minority, and article some time ago, mildly endorsing Mr. Laurier's suggestion that a commission be appointed to examine into the claims of the Catholic minority for redress of the grievances under which the they have been laboring for the past five them. Opposition to the Constitution years. This article in the Freeman caused much comment at the time and and treason to the Queen. the enemies of the Catholic cause in Manitoba, as well as the ultra supporters of Mr. Laurier, took advantage of it to fasten upon the suffering minority in this province, the further outrageous injustice, annoyance and delay that a commission to enquire into a question which the highest court in the Empire had decided would cause. To make the Freeman's article more weighty in the opinion of the public, the paper able, fearless and talented Archbishop of Kingston. In our next the crushing and unqualified dis-

of Kingston will bring but small comfort to the politicians, especially to of the most sacred rights and liberties of their co-religionists, so long as it promised to help them in their contemptible scramble after office. The Archof that class of Catholic politicians, who minority, or rather, would have the are willing "to refuse to the persecuted minority of Manitoba the redress of pire has recognized a grievance in the charged them to redress and Her Ma- altar of St. Albert's cathedral, which is Acts of 1890, and although (2) it has de- jesty's Privy Council has decided to thus a lasting memorial of Albert Lacided that you had a right under the be grievances demanding immediate

"Had I the misfortune to publish a 'declaration' (favoring a commission such as this in substance and in spirit. would regard myself as having forfeited my character for justice and honesty and true manliness; I would be unworthy of honor among my fellow-cit izens; I would be justly chargeable with disloyalty to the Queen and Constitution; my conduct would be treachery to my faithful Catholic people, who repose unbounded confidence in me as the guardian of their religious liberties and the unflinching defender of the sacred principle of liberty of conscience to all parents, whether Catholic or Protestant, to rear and educate their children in the religion of their own belief in the family home, in the school house was the only paper that put in the Church and everywhere: in fine forward this preposterous plea, we and worst of all, I would be a traitor to could treat if with indifference; but when Our Lord Jesus Christ by impious be it is only one among many papers that trayal of His rights in the Children of have dishonestly done so, we cannot let redemption, which I have sworn to

Let all those politicians, whether politico-religious, or otherwise, who are minority and the Catholic majority had willing to inflict upon the minority passed a tyrannical measure like the of Manitobathe injustice of a commis-Acts of 1890? What a chorus of howls sion to inquire into a question that has would go up against the injustice! Nor | been before the people of Canada for five years and the justice of which has been of the Catholic minority and peaceably decided in our favor by the Highest await the decisions of Courts of law. They | Court in the Empire, read with care the would take the law into their own hands | noble words of the Archbishop of Kingston. On behalf of the persecuted Catholics of Manitoba, who have, for the past five years, been maintaining a mighty struggle in defence of the sacred principles of liberty of conscience and That being so, how comes it that our the God-given rights of parents to bring religion of their own belief, we tender are ready to advocate a commission

of inquiry, Let the politicians understand that the Manitoba School question is one demanding a simple adhesion to the compacts of Confederation. Refuse simple the compacts of Confederation are a delusion and a snare, for with \mathbf{them} of minorities the rights necessarily disappear, and Constitution which guards means opposition to law and disloyalty

ALBERTS GALORE.

GALA DAY AT PRINCE AL. BERT.

Celebration of the Patronal Feast of His Lordship Bishop Pascal and Father Lacombe.

Some forty years ago, Monseigneur Tache, who was then the only bishop in was quoted as the organ of the this country, was visiting at Lake St. Ann, fifty miles north of Edmonton, where Father Lacombe was doing misissue, we will give our readers silting with the good Factor and age when every sulting with the good Father as to the master-an age of the worst form of establishment of a new mission nearer Socialism—the uprising of ignorant and in its present or past condition, with a to convince the intelligent and law-abid-claimer of the Most Rev. Dr. Cleary. to Saskatchewan and better adapted to characterless charlatans and nobodies

This pronouncement of the Archbishop agriculture, went with him on a dog train southward, towards the end of March, to choose the desired location. those who would not hesitate, while bank everlooking Sturgeon Creek, and calling themselves Catholics and seek- there the Apostolic bishop and his faithing Catholic support, to make a football ful missionary ate a hearty luncheon of pemmican. Then Mgr. Tache commanding a view of the beautiful valley at their feet, said to Father Lacombe: This is a fine place for the new mission," and, planting in the snow the bishop of Kingston tells us his opinion stick he held in his hand, he added, "Here you shall build the church, provided you call the mission by the name of your patron saint, St. Albert." On the very spot where the far-seeing pregrievances which the Constitution has late planted his staff now stands the

When, some years later, Father Grandin having been consecrated bishop, there was question of dividing the diocese of St. Boniface, Monseigneur Bourget, the then Bishop of Montreal, whose portege and spiritual child Father Lacombe had been, insisted that the diocese should take the name of St. Albert, which it now bears. By a happy coincidence, when the central government divided the Northwest Territories, the region under consideration was called Alberta. Later, when from the diocese of St. Albert was taken the new vicariate apostolic of Saskatchewan, it was also found that the new bishop's name was Albert-Mgr. Albert Pascal.

Last year, when the feast of St. Albert, which occurred on November 22nd,came round, Bishop Pascal went to St. Albert to celebrate the day. On separating, it was agreed that Father Lacombe should go the next year to Prince Albert to greet his episcopal name sake. Hence their meeting again on the 22nd of last month. The celebration was enhanced this time by the presence of Bishop Grouard, who, having, missed the last boat at Athabasca Landing, could not return to his northern mission.

On Friday the 22nd ult., there was a great foregathering of the priestly clans in the episcopal residence of Prince Albert. Addresses were presented by the Catholics of the city to His Lordship the Right Reverend Albert Pascal, in which of course, Father Albert Lacombe was not forgotten. We give below the splendid address which the Hon. Judge Mc-Guire read in the name of his Catholic brethren. The good Sisters gave a nice entertainment.

On the following Sunday there was high festival at the Cathedral. Bishop Pascal officiated pontifically at High Mass, while Bishop Grouard preached in French. In the afternoon the latter sang the Vespers and Father Lacombe preached in English and Cree.

ADDRESS:

To the Right Reverend Albert Pascal, Vicar-Apostolic of Saskatchewan and Bishop of Mosynopolis:

My Lord,-On this the anniversary of your birth and at the same time the natal day of your Patron Saint, we, the English-speaking portion of your congratulations on the recurrence of this happy day. We give thanks to the Ruler of all things that this auspicious day finds your Lordship in the enjoyment of restored good health and with renewed vigor and energy to enable you to discharge the onerous duties of your sacred and exalted office, and we pray that He that noteth even the sparrow's fall may grant your Lordship a continuance of health and strength AD MULTOS ANNOS.

We, the Catholics of Prince Albert, are naturally proud of having resident in our little frontier town a Prince of our Holy Church, and we beg to assure you that, though of different national origins, and speaking different languages, we recognize that our Church is, as its name de notes, Catholic, i. e., universal, confined by no national or political boundaries as wide as the globe itself-embracing under its fold all nations, peoples and tongues. Let our spiritual guides be of whatever nationality they may-whatever may be the language in which they express their thoughts-they have one common language known PER ORBEMand the true and sincere children of the Catholic Church ask only the one question-Have these spiritual guides the commission of the Church of God-Are they clothed with the divine authority which Christ gave to His Apostles, to teach all nations whatsoever He had commanded them.

The Catholic Church has always been the bulwark of liberty; on the one hand, protecting the poor and the weak against the encroachments of the rich and powerful; and on the other cultivating and commanding the respect due to those in authority. This is an age of "hurly burly innovation" -an age when every

who would forsooth "reform" the world her statements. -Ed. L'Impartial. according to their crude and selfish, conceits, and would fain tear up and overturn the established order of things. Against this destructive tendency of the age the Catholic Church stands as the bulwark and defender of society—the sturdy ally of law and order — and wise the control of the and farseeing men even among our rate reopte. This otheren in loose form separated brethren recognise that the and should be avoided, as they are Catholic Church is the only breakwater against the incoming tide of atheism and dynamite-preaching radicalism. Like the waves of the ocean these periodic movements sometimes acquire great and dangerous strength, but, like the waves they at length reach the shore, and there

they at length reach the shore, and there end in froth and sound—dashing themselves to pieces against the Rock on which her Divine Founder built His everlasting church.

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In conclusion, my Lord, let me once more voice the wishes of your people here-congratulating you on the enjoyment of health and strength, and surrounded by noble and devoted priests. May you long be spared as the head of our Church in the diocese of Saskatche-

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Nov. 22, 1895.

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23, Monday—Ferial Office.

24, Tuesday-Vigil of Cristmas. Fasting Day 25, Wednesday-Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Holy-day of obligation. First class feast with octave.

26, Thursday-St. Stephen, Protomartyr. Second class feast with octave, 27, Friday-St. John, Apostle and Evangelist.

Second class teast with octave. 28. Saturday-The Holy Innocents. Second class feast with octave.

CITY AND ELSEWHERE.

Rev. Father Sinnett left for Portagela-Prairie on Monday evening.

This week Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are days of both fast and ab-

Branch No. 52 of the C. M. B. A., hold a regular meeting in Unity Hall this

Dr. and Mrs. Demers, of St. Anne, were in town last week the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Germain. Mrs. J. G. Miller left on Tuesday for

Medicine Hat, where she will join her

husband and in future reside. Rev. Father Kavanagh, S. J., started for Beardsley, Minn., last Monday. He is to preach a mission and give a lecture there.

We are glad to see that Mr. T. J. Mc-Carthy who about a month ago met with a somewhat serious accident has sufficiently recovered to resume his ordi-

nary occupation. The late Dr. A. E. Versailles was a member of the Independent Order of Foresters and the amount of his insurance in that organization was paid over to his widow this week.

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Mr. Joseph Couture, of St. Boniface, left for Darwin last week to work in the shanties. Mrs. Couture will remain with her mother, Mrs. Joseph Roy, till Epiphany, and will then go to St. Jean for a month, where she will be a guest of her relatives.

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We read in the daily press that a committee of citizens of Portage-la-Prairie have arranged to secure a life-size portrait of His Honor Judge Ryan which will hang in the new court house. It is said that no project in the Prairie town ever secured such spontaneous and general sympathy, in fact it was so well received by the public at large that the subscription list was soon filled and the committee were obliged to decline many donations that were offered them.

Mr. L. A. Hamilton has been elected President of the Exhibition Association for the coming year with Mr. Daniel Smith, Vice-President. With these two gentlemen at the head it is safe to say that everything will be done that is possible to make next year's exhibition a success. At the annual meeting the speakers were unanimous in praising the work of the manager, Mr. Heubach, and we believe that the public at large will heartily endorse all that was said in this direction.

Mrs. R. J. Dewitt, a member of the congregation of the Immaculate Conception, died at her residence on Gomez street on Friday last. Deceased had been ailing for a considerable time, and she leaves a husband and several small children to mourn her loss. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon, services being first held at the church, after which the remains were interred in the Fort Rouge cemetery, being followed to the grave by a large number of friends. We offer to the bereaved family our sincere condolence in their affliction. R. I. P.

Upon receipt of the December issue of Stovel's Pocket Directory, we observe that it is just twelve mouths since the made its appearance before a suffering public, and in that time very evident and appreciative improvement has been made within its pages in the selection of matter and enlargement. Its contents are carefully revised and corrected and so placed within its covers as to be in the handiest possible manner. It is large enough to put on a business desk and small enough to put in your vest

ments.

The pastor of St. Mary's church at High Mass on Sunday, urged upon the Our \$3.00 Calf-Skin Boots made on the Waukenphast Last are very easy and durable. Sole is Goodysar - Welt. No nalls or tacks to hurt in these famous Boots for either Lady or Gentlemen.

gentlemen of the congregation the necessity of sending in the amounts which they intend to subscribe to the building fund of the church. The building comgentlemen of the congregation the necesfund of the church. The building committee held a meeting at St. Mary's Presbytery on Friday evening, at which | Some of those most worthy of mention some plans were submitted and were the piano solos by Miss Carning, discussed, but no definite action taken, which were a treat in themselves, and have made a return (as per circular) not later than 17th December, because on that date the committee met to considconsent of His Grace is conditional on the late for this issue, but we trust to be able to give full particulars in our next. tion of the audience thought her an

On Sunday evening at the church of on the last article of the Apostle's Creed "the life everlasting." He described this as the crowning feature of all the articles contained in the creed and proceeding to speak of the objections made by those who claimed that there was no hereafter he shewed, first, how reason itself taught them there must be an etermity secondly, that this eternity was demanded by the justice of God; and then he gave proofs from scripture, especially from the teaching of the Saviour himself. Having dealt exhaustively with this part of the subject, and taking it for granted that his hearers were convinced that their souls would live for ever Father Cherrier went on to consider this eternity with reference to the good and gave a most beautiful and congood and gave a most beautiful and con-soling description of the reward in store for those who fight the good fight. Next Sunday evening he will speak on the same subject, but treat it from the op-posite standpoint. At Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament which followed the sermon Miss Valade, who has only recently joined the choir, was heard in solo for the first time. She has a sweet and well trained soprano voice and gave and well trained soprano voice and gave a very accurate and pleasing rendition of Mozart's "Sancta Maria."

Leave Her Out.

A foreign paper tells a good story of a clergyman of the Established Church who went to a certain part of Ireland to stamp out of the people's minds the evils of "Mariolatory"; and taking a little boy, he asked him to repeat his prayers for him. At once the boy began the "Lord's Prayer," and then went on to the "Hail Mary"; but the proselyter immediately stopped him, saying, excitedly: "Leave her out and never on any account mention her again," Continuing the little one recited the "Creed" till he came to the words "who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of-" when turning his eyes to the Virgin-hater he said: "Please, sir, here she is again! What am I to do this time?"-San Francisco Monitor.

Bazaar at Oak Lake.

The bazaar for the benefit of St. Athanasius' parish church, Oak Lake, opened on Tuesday of last week and was a decided success. It was patronized by all classes of people irrespective of creed. The parishioners sent numerous costly Bookseller presents for the different tables. The voting contest was the source of a great deal of excitement and was won by Miss N. McKinley, of Virden. The prize was a costly ladies' dressing case, which she generously returned to be raffled for the benefit of the church. Nothing but the rosy side of life was seen during the three days the bazaar continued. The attention of every one was given to the buying and selling of the many attractive articles on the tables.

All the little people liked the two large dolls and cast their eyes with longing upon the inanimate beings that to them seemed endowed with life. Views of Oak Lake in book form nicely ornamentend by Mrs. W. J. Manbey were much Office.

All work sent C. O. D. If not received on delivery, must be called for at Office. ed by Mrs. W. J. Manbey were much admired and sold well. The success of the bazaar is largely due to the president, Mrs. J. E. Daoust, and Mrs. Steve White, of Virden. The Rev. Father A. Lemieux, who is in charge of the porish, did everything possible to make those who patronized the bazaar feel at home.

Kamloops B. C. Chips,

We have received the following note

from a subscriber living in Kamloops: I have noticed, or rather should say, have not noticed anything in your paper lately from the Catholic correspondent, and as I consider we are worthy of some notice on account of our size and importance, will endeavor in a humble way to contribute the notes which he she, or it, as the Haggard Rider has it have seen fit to drop. That the Catholies, and in fact a large majority of our separated brethren are taking a hearty interest, in fact, I may say, a practical interest in the school question, is evidenced by the way tickets were bought here for the raffle. That the good Sisters of St. Ann's convent there are fully able to arrange and carry brough a first class entertainment, was on the 27th ultimo demonstrated to one of the

St. Mary's Church Improve- most enthusiastic and representative audiences which has been got together for some time. The large reception room which has just been refitted was packed to the doors and a great many had to stand in the hall. The different before at performers, particularly the little ones. drew well merited applause for the way in which they rendered their parts. The report is too long for a detailed account Those who intend subscribing should the piano duet by the Misses Carning and McLean, which was well rendered and proved their ability to handle difficult music. The tableau, "A Child at er whether they can go on or not, as the Prayer," by Miss E. Verner and one of the little ones was excellent, Miss Vernsubscription reaching a certain sum. er taking the part of the angel hovering This meeting was held last night too lover the child with outstretched wings, and it is needless to say the male porangel. The recitation by the little ones the Immaculate Conception Father not only brought out their ability as Cherrier preached a most telling sermon elocutionists of no mean order, but proved who weretheir teachers. Take it altogether, every one voted it one of the most pleasant and profitable evenings they had spent for a long time and it was only another proof that our rising generation could not be in better hands. One and all left for home with good wishes in their hearts for those who had supplied them with the material for passing an otherwise profitless even-

ing.
If this gets past the waste paper basket I will next week send you some notes about our town and its inhabitants, particularly the Catholic portion, which may prove of interest to your many readers. John Oleson.

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