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The Missions of the Century.

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW BY CARDINAL MONSIEUR.

As addressed delivered by His Eminence in the Guild Hall, Sydney.

Three propositions have been again and again repeated—first, that the Catholic Missions in the century have been a complete failure; second, that the results of Protestant Missions have far surpassed anything achieved by Catholic Missions; and third, that the Catholic missionaries have been little better than pious alms-givers...

1866 the number of Catholics was reckoned at about twenty thousand. But once again a fierce storm of persecution was stirred up against them. The present Mikado or Emperor of Japan ascended the throne in 1867, and, thanks to a revolution skilfully planned and energetically carried out, became in the following year sole ruler, invested alike with spiritual and temporal supremacy throughout the Empire.

From Japan we pass to China, which, though vanquished in the late struggle, still holds rank as the premier and most powerful empire of the Eastern world. Here, again, the blood of Martyrs has been the seed of Christians. The Martyrs were reckoned not by hundreds but by thousands. There were ten great persecutions in the early ages of the Church. More than ten times during the past three centuries, from the year 1600 to our own day, the persecution against the Church in China has burst forth with renewed fury, and yet the Catholic faith lives on.

Ceylon next invites attention. It has been styled the gem of the East, the island of jewels, the rarest pearl in India's Crown, the land where flora and fauna are the paradise of those engaged in such pursuits.

field to the Catholic missionary. As early as the year 1608 the Dutch, on the defeat of the Portuguese fleet, entered into alliance with Rajah Singha, the native ruler, stipulating, among other things the expulsion from Ceylon of all priests, friars, and Catholic clergy. From that date till the close of the eighteenth century a bitter persecution raged against everything Catholic throughout the island.

We must now turn to India, that vast Empire which, with its area as extensive as all Europe, its population of 287,000,000 and its manifold distinct races, would require a volume to place its missions in their true light. British rule in India may be said to date from the victory of Plassey, in 1757, and the Imperial authority was permanently secured throughout the whole of its vast territory in 1857.

From India proper we must hurry to North Africa, where there are no fewer than thirty-eight distinct groups, the most numerous of which, the Philippine group, has four hundred islands and more than four million inhabitants, three and a half million of whom are Catholics. In many of these islands our missionaries, unknown to the world, are spreading around them the blessings of religion and Christian enlightenment, amid untold perils and with a heroism that has never been surpassed.

number of communicants was only 182,722.

From India proper we must hurry to North Africa and the Malay Peninsula. In all these countries the progress of religion has been considerable during the past fifty years. In 1850 Burmah had only 8 missionaries and about 5,000 Catholics. When England, two years later, seized on a portion of the territory, the Government avenged itself on the Christians. The churches, presbyteries, and schools were destroyed.

We will pass by the islands of Mauritius and Bourbon, with their flourishing churches and 279,000 Catholics, as we hurry on to the Continent of Africa. This vast continent is colossal in its proportions, being as large as North America and Europe put together. Its teeming population may be roughly estimated at about 160,000,000.

900 Catholics. We now ask what are the results of the Protestant Missions. They claim in all their scattered missions throughout Africa 101,312. It is not easy, however, to know how success can be regarded as conformable to truth. The colonial settlement at Sierra Leone and its neighbouring Republic of Liberia may be said to have been organized under Protestant missionary control, and the mission-aries have now for a hundred years cultivated that spiritual field.

But we must hasten on to other missionary fields. What shall we say of the Missions throughout the vast continents of America? The last census gives to the Canadian Dominion and its adjoining mission more than two millions of Catholics. A British explorer not long ago reported that even in the remotest districts of frozen Alaska he found the devoted Catholic missionary sharing the hardships of his flock and leading them to Heaven. In his Great Lone Land, published by Sampson, Low, Marston, London, 1878, Sir William Butler, Aide de camp to Lord Woolsey, and recently Military Governor of Alexandria, speaking of Edmonton, says, "It is a wild lone land, guarded by the giant peaks of mountains, whose snow-capped summits lift themselves 17,000 feet above the sea level."

This geographical name embraces more than two thousand islands, varying in size from a continent to a tiny speck on the bosom of the pathless seas. The island world has been divided into no fewer than thirty-eight distinct groups, the most numerous of which, the Philippine group, has four hundred islands and more than four million inhabitants, three and a half million of whom are Catholics. In many of these islands our missionaries, unknown to the world, are spreading around them the blessings of religion and Christian enlightenment, amid untold perils and with a heroism that has never been surpassed.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it has the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act 1893. (Signed) THOMAS EMIL STERLING, Declarant before me at the City of Hamilton, in the County of Wentworth, this 25th day of October, 1895. (Signed) E. D. CAHILL, Notary Public.

here among ourselves, visited those islands in 1892, she remarked to me that she was particularly struck by the fervent piety of the Catholic natives who, every morning at the first dawn of the day, used to assemble in their neat shrines and there performed their devotions and chanted their sweet hymns before setting out for their daily work. The same may be said of the Fiji Islands, with their twelve thousand Catholics, of the Gilbert group with its six thousand converts, of the Gambia Islands almost entirely Catholic, and of the Marquesas Archipelago, with about half its population Catholic. The Methodist missionaries who landed in the Marquesas soon quitted it in despair.

Did time permit, I would wish to refer at some length to the Sandwich or Hawaiian group, the history of which is, perhaps, one of the saddest in the whole range of missionary annals. Protestant missionaries early in the century appropriated to themselves this Mission field, but under their rule the poor natives have gradually dwindled away from a population of about three millions to little more than 50,000, and of these about 1,400 are lepers. There was in particular one most lamentable feature of their enterprise: they appropriated to themselves the richest lands and built up fortunes on the misery of the poor natives. The one bright sunny spot in Hawaiian history is its Catholic Mission, the heroism of its missionaries, and the fond affection cherished for them by their 27,000 converts. The name of Father Damien will not be soon forgotten, nor the heroic deadliness and self-sacrifice of the zealous missionaries and Nuns, who, following in their footsteps, spend their lives ministering to the wants of the poor lepers of Molokai. What shall I say of the other Protestant Missions throughout the Pacific? There are, we are told, 2,200 stations in 350 islands, and yet, according to the late reliable report by the Rev. James Dennis, of the American Presbyterian Mission (Foreign Missions after a Century, London, 1893), the whole number of Protestant communicants is set down at 58,000, which is little more than half the number of the fervent Catholic converts. From all the Protestant Missions in these islands the same story comes, that the native races are dying away. The contrary is seen in Wallis and Futuna, and the Gambia Islands, where, under the benign influence of the Catholic Church, the native population has steadily grown in numbers and material prosperity.

A DECLARATION UNDER OATH.

The Record of a very remarkable Case of Rheumatism in the County of Wentworth to wit: I, Thomas Emil Sterling, of the City of Hamilton, in the County of Wentworth clerk, do solemnly declare: 1. That I live at 99 John-street north in the city of Hamilton. I am seventy years of age, son of Thomas Sterling, motorman on the Hamilton Street Railway. 2. About fifteen months ago I was attacked with chronic rheumatism. The doctors who attended me said that it was chronic rheumatism, and that it would be hard to get rid of. I took about twelve bottles of the doctors' medicine, and four different kinds of patent medicines, and none of which did me any good whatever. I suffered great pain and was unable to do any work whatever. 3. On the 31st April, 1895 I started taking the medicine, Kootenay Cure, which Mr. S. S. Ryckman, M. P., gave me. 4. The rheumatism was in my right arm and in my right shoulder, and in my back and in both my legs. 5. I have used five bottles, and I am now entirely cured, and have gained ten pounds in my weight. 6. My general health has also wonderfully improved since I commenced taking the medicine, and I have now completely disappeared and my health has never been better than it is now. It is a grand tonic. 7. The attack of rheumatism which I had was so severe that my feet and legs were so weak and painful that I could not walk without stumbling. 8. I am now able to work without any injurious effect. I believe Kootenay Cure is one of the greatest medicines in the world to day for rheumatism and to build up the system. And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it has the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act 1893. (Signed) THOMAS EMIL STERLING, Declarant before me at the City of Hamilton, in the County of Wentworth, this 25th day of October, 1895. (Signed) E. D. CAHILL, Notary Public. The gentleman is a man of truth, lord of his own actions, and expressing that lordship in his behaviour, not in any manner dependent and servile obligations on persons, or on any possessions. Beyond this fact of truth and real force, the word denotes good-nature and benevolence, manhood first, and then gentleness.—Emerson. A DINNER PLACE.—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Fowler's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct a idly, open the secretions and convert the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with Indigestion or Dyspepsia.

OUR IRISH LETTER.

THE CATHOLIC REGISTER. Dec. 8.—The event of the evening was the Dublin Musical Society's public concert. Throughout the season these concerts are patronized by all the musical world, but the first of the season is par excellence the most brilliant. The hall presents a pageant of art and fashion, only to be equalled by a brilliant night at the Gaiety. Once upon a time the applause of a Dublin audience set the hall-mark on a musician's fame, and a great deal of cultured criticism still lingers in the city, although the taste of the rising generation is leaning down rapidly to musical hall specialties. Mendelssohn's "St. Paul" was performed on Tuesday last, by a full band and chorus numbering 375 persons. The members of the Society who attend these concerts are not satisfied to be guided by programmes or books of words. They bring their music with them—old well used scores that must have seen active service for at least two generations—and follow the performers note by note. That style of criticism may be instructive, but it cannot be enjoyable—even though it provide the fair critics with a captious discussion of the topics next morning. Dr. Joseph Smith, the conductor, is organist in Rathgar Roman Catholic church. It is an enthusiastic member of the Leinster Cricket Club as well. He is if anything more ambitious to be considered an authority on cricket than on music. It is doubtful if he would appreciate a tribute to his genius as leader of the musical world in Ireland, half as much as something nice about his prowess with bat and ball.

Mr. Lecky has been returned for Dublin University by a majority of 746. If you want to know what the scenes in Trinity were like during the election, read Lever. The students lived up to their oldest traditions, still they must be congratulated on having had the courage of their opinions, despite all the influence The Irish Times backed up by the full force religious intolerance could bring to bear on them. Not that Mr. Lecky's supporters were at all behind in criticizing Mr. Wright's orthodoxy. Amongst other things they alleged that he plays golf on Sunday, and could any church respecting Protestant be guilty of such levity? One question this unique election settles conclusively, Trinity is not a national university. It is purely and simply a stronghold of Episcopal Protestantism. True Catholics and dissenters may enter there. They are tolerated after a "fringe of society" fashion, but they must not presume to interfere in its representation.

The reviews are all busy abusing Marie Corelli's "Sorrows of Satan." For naked indecency this book takes the cake. The author has written to the papers as she does not write under a nom de plume and she is not married. What an amount of stony unmarriageable women must waste all the relations of the sexes before she becomes competent to enter into such details as Miss Corelli serves up to her readers! I never could get half way her force of language bowls me clean over. At her best she is just an edition de luxe of the penny dreadful.

At last the church of S. S. Augustine and John, Thomas street, is completed. It will be opened with all due solemnity on Sunday, 15th inst., by his Grace the Archbishop. The Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly, Bishop of Clogher, will preach. In the evening after Vespers there will be another sermon by the Very Rev. V. Walsh, S. J.

A few mornings after the opening of the Arts and Crafts Earl Cadogan paid an early informal visit to the Exhibition and made extensive purchases. Lord and Lady Cadogan are becoming very popular. They are indefatigable in their attention to the commonwealth. Scarcely a day but they attend some public function. They visit all the bazaars, and we often have three in one open new buildings, attend meetings, patronize benefit nights at the theatre, in truth they leave nothing undone to make up Dublin society, a difficult task enough at a period when the hospitality of the Mansion House signifies less than the use of the oak room for the holding of social meetings on behalf of distressed Armenians, or some equally enlightening discussion, while the Gaiety set has dwindled down to the immediate connections of Mr. Morley's J. P's.

The Arts and Crafts are divided into three principal sections—Irish, English and retrospective—and the English loan collection. When I tell you that every article was arranged and catalogued under Lord Mayo's personal supervision, you will have some idea of how hard he worked. He is very jealous of the national reputation of the Irish sections. You dare not suggest that some of the designs were after French, English or any other schools. In his lordship's own words, "Every thing is purely Irish, and quite original, too. There is quite a pleasing display of all varieties of work. Messrs. Edmund Johnson, West & Son, Waterhouse & Co., and several others being amongst the exhibitors. The display of church plate is very fine. One does not know whether most to admire the specimens of Irish lace, or the designs for novelties in this charming combination of art and craft. Pim Bros. & Co. seem the only exhibitors of Irish poplin, and their wares are quite rare in their localities. Anyone who appreciates needle work will find the Exhibition an inexhaustible feast of stitches and color. Every class is represented, and some of the exhibits are so gigantic—take for in-

stance a bed-posted every inch of which is covered with silk embroidery—that you do not know whether most to admire the all or the pattern which it wrought from.

One of the simplest and quaintest specimens of needlework is a bedstead designed by R. C. Orpen, executed in linen, and applied by Mrs. R. C. Orpen. Two chubby white babies are swinging from a cord of electric blue. Mr. Orpen's exhibits find place under the Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland, catalogue competition, and a headpiece. These designs are in black and white for reproduction. The hon. sec. secures an artist as a disciple of the chairman. As an aesthete Mr. Orpen is quite up to date, but his geographical ideas are a whole century behind the age of international postal unions, submarine cables, or even tourist development associations. He measures distance by the hand and foot, and as the ancient mariner might say, "To hear his speech, you would fancy that Toronto must be as remote as the North Pole, and the Canadian public quite out of touch with Irish interests as the man in the moon."

The retrospective section is highly interesting. Our forefathers could have taught us a whole lot of how to make home beautiful. Except in the matter of cushions I do not see that we have improved on their style. After all, these carved wooden chairs, with their bolt upright backs and skeleton arms, are no greater contrast to our luxurious couches than the nervousness of this anaemic age, to the dash and daring, the honest enthusiasm for the sanctity of home life, which made men brave and pure a hundred years ago. Amongst the exhibitors are the Earl of Mayo Lord Lough, Sir Thornley Stokes, one of our new medical knights, Viscount Powerscourt, and a number of others. Especially interesting is the shrine of St. Patrick a Bell, Armagh, A.D. 1085, lent by Miss Margaret Stokes. The collection of Waterford glass is magnificent. Very little cut glass is turned out nowadays. We cannot afford to buy it. Yet modern machinery has given us nothing that can glint and sparkle like those hand-wrought crystals.

Lord Mayo stole a few hours from the exhibition to visit the Leinster Hall and see the bazaar held there in aid of the Magdalen Asylum. He made an appropriate speech about all the good work the Sisters of Mercy had done in the institution since it was founded seventy years ago. He asked his audience to remember that everything used in the laundry, which the Sisters had established in Gloucester street was made in Ireland. One of the fair stall-holders told me that what she appreciated, even more than his lordship's discourse, was that he visited her stall and made extensive purchases. At the Irish Industries and Counties Cadogan ordered some handsome crimson nap flannel, made in Galway expressly for the bazaar, and the Countess of Fingall bought a splendid Moutmellock duchesse table-cover, designed and worked in Clonmel.

It did not feel a bit like comedy to see J. L. Toole play Calob in "Dot" at the Gaiety the other night. Instead of the crowd he had made for himself Toole's own life-story in the personation. It required no art to heighten the pathos of it. Poor old man, what a lonely old age after such a brilliant manhood. He has lived to see his home empty, and his wife and children scattered far and wide, and now he seems determined to remain on the stage until he has flattered away the last remnant of his histrionic reputation. If he never experienced domestic sorrows even a prince of comedians could not expect to be profiting, and the stalling of a man cannot fill the Gaiety now, and the few who go to see him are actuated as much by a kindly regard for an old favorite as by any desire of being amused.

Like folklore Christmas festivities are fast dying out. Here in the old country we have grown to look on Christmas as a lonely feast, a time of all others that is haunted by memories of happier days. We wish one another a "happy Christmas," and, although the words spring from our hearts even while they hover on our lips, we are conscious of their irony. To make the children joyous is only one thing that makes the old people feel it is Christmas at all—times are so changed. Of course we make great preparations. It is a serious matter—almost as serious as eating it—mix a turkey is scarcely less important. Christmas morning is rung in by many melodious chimings of bells on the south side of the city. SS. Augustine and John's church possesses a beautiful peal of bells, and according to a cathedral and Christ church, and in the suburbs the old Protestant church in Irishtown and the new High church, St. Bartholomew's. I would not feel it Christmas at all without the chiming. The whole city hushes itself to listen. Somehow, even when we have a great Christmas, the sky always seems to clear at that midnight hour, the stars grow brilliant, and the soft cadence of the bells harmonizes so prayerfully with the unwonted stillness that their music brings the light of Bethlehem very near to you, and in their reverberations you hear once again the angels' tidings of "Peace, Good-Will."

CHARLES DALTON. Mrs. Coleate Coon, Syracuse, N. Y., writes: "For years I could not eat many kinds of food without producing a burning, excruciating pain in my stomach. I took Farnell's Pills, and according to directions under the head of 'Dyspepsia or Indigestion.' One box entirely cured me. I can now eat anything I choose, without distressing me in the least." These Pills do not cause pain or griping, and should be used when a cathartic is required.

Most of our misfortunes are more supportable than the comments of our friends upon them.—A. Dumas. The best and most important part of man's education is that which he gives himself.—A. Housey.

DARCY MCGEE'S VOICE.

A Great Canadian Prophetic Warning—Its Toronto Appeal for Unity. (Continued from Journal.) Editor Journal.—I read with interest the article in the Friday's Journal on the Equal Rights movement. Every fair minded citizen is in favor of equal rights, and no doubt all conscientious equal rights-protectors the endeavor by some to make the association into an engine for attack, both covert and open, on one portion of the community, and for that reason withdrew from the organization, causing its collapse.

Many months ago my father, who was a friend and admirer of Darcy McGee, gave me a number of lectures and addresses delivered by Mr. McGee, and among them is an address delivered in London in September, 1886, and as the views expressed in your article are in such accord with what he uttered nine and twenty years ago I ask space for it in your columns.

The address contains sublime words of warning, spoken as it were with prophetic discernment as to the warfare likely to be waged, which the confederates were to meet and overcome. And McGee during his career endeavored to enforce both by precept and example, the duty which he considered incumbent on every member of the commonwealth to discountenance sectional strife and religious animosities. On the occasion referred to he said:

"Mr. Mayor, an other branch of the subject remains to be examined, and I am done. Although often before described, some sketch of the physical outlines of British America is necessary to my present purpose. British America, that covers a large part of the whole continent in extent and comprises about a seventh of the inhabitable part of the continent. We have no neighbors to the north and none to the north-west, except the inconsiderable settlements of Russia in the North Pacific; our 2,600,000 square miles of territory, with a double frontage on two oceans, our interwoven wonderful water-courses, the marine, mineral and agricultural riches of our country; the 4,000,000 of intelligent, loyal people who inhabit these provinces, must constitute us when united, the second of North America's powers. (Cheers.) Now I know well there is an active propagandist school growing up in England, who teach the paradox that by diminishing the area of English responsibility they can increase the volume of English power; this is the true way to make their country greater is to make her less, that to increase her perpendicular she must diminish her base. (Laughter.) I will only answer to that style of argument by pointing to a list of facts that they exist in North America. A great power, a first class power, has grown into being on this continent within a century; that great power has become a first-class military power within the present decade, and I think the anti-colonial activities, did ever in the history of the world, have ever been so successful in their tempting state of power without using and enjoying it." (Cheers.) Commercially England and the United States are destined to be rivals, not allies—rivals on land, rivals on sea. If the rivalry is to be a rivalry of the end-all of British statesmanship, how will they maintain that policy, how will they hold their own on the Atlantic or Pacific without a post or a fort on either ocean which they can call their own? (Cheers.) If I were an Englishman I would regret as the worst species of incivism, such arguments as those of the anti-colonial faction: being a Canadian representative, I content myself with saying that I firmly believe no other influence would have such a tendency—did it rise to Imperial proportions—to estrange these provinces altogether from the mother country, as the evil influence of the new light political philosophy. (Cheers.) When united British America will start on its race with 4,000,000 of free people in religion they will be about 55 per cent. Protestant to 45 per cent. Catholics: in some localities the religious minority may be small, and may appear local oppression, but the two great masses will be too closely united to suffer any oppression to be long inflicted on the co-religionists of either. (Cheers.) Our near equality will be the best guarantee of our mutual tolerance. With one-half of the constituent power against him, it is evident that no fanatic, bigot, no trouble of other men's consciences, no insulter of other men's creeds can ever rise to the dimensions of a statesman in British America. (Cheers.)

The minorities East and West have really nothing to fear beyond what always existed, local irritations produced by ill-disposed individuals. The strong arm and the long arm of the Confederation power will be extended over them all, and will be to the wretch on whom that arm shall have to descend in anger for any violation of the Federal compact! (Loud cheers.) Now, gentlemen, having the material edifice fairly underway—having the foundations dug out and the capital and means at hand to build—what do we want for the construction of a noble fabric where we are all posterity not only in and inhabitable? We want, of course, experience of the new duties of our new sphere before we can fall into their habitual discharge; but we want immediately, and shall want continually, to cultivate a love, an understanding, a sympathy, which will bear us up as individuals, and as a people, to great achievements. (Cheers.) Localism—a very good feeling in itself—with proper limits, must be taught to know its proper place; sectionalism must be subordinate; above all combats a man, a generally recognized, especially when carried into the domain of politics, must by every good man be put under. I have always said, and I now again say, that I should be sorry to see any Christian man indifferent in the practice of what he professes to believe; and a man who is hardly to be trusted, certainly cannot be a true man. I wish for my part, that every man had the zeal of Paul, if he only added to it the

charity of John. But against polemical bitterness and vituperation, against a spirit of animosity and sacred scandal, let there be always in British America the strongly expressed reprobation of a sound and active public opinion. (Applause.) There are—I grieve to say there are—now papers for example printed and encouraged amongst us, whose constant aim is to attack and reprint every disgusting anecdote, true or false, at the expense of the clergy or the members of other churches. I hear, hear. Against this habitual anti-unity and anti-peace, I trust that credulous minds are no longer so many good neighbors—which advances so much rancor—which freezes in its genial source so much true Christian charity; against this great evil and great danger to our internal unity as a people, I beg to ask, gentlemen, and you, too, ladies, cheers, your hearty co-operation. There is a favorite saying handed down to us from a great character of antiquity that "a great spirit is methinks a great fortune," and surely the great fortune of British America calls aloud for the cultivation of such spirit. I feel that we, too, have our manifest destiny as well as our neighbors—a subject I hope more fully to discuss with the good people of Hamilton on Saturday (cheers.) I feel that to some extent while we have greatness thrust upon us by the concurrence of events, or more reverently speaking, by the disposition of Providence, it is but a preparatory and preliminary greatness which we shall assuredly be accountable for hereafter, should we abuse or misuse it. Conscious of that great fortune, animated by the spirit it should bring with it, let us cease to be Newfoundlanders, Nova Scotians, New Brunswickers and Canadians; let us cherish the love of the commonwealth and prepare to take to every fellow-subject, of whatever section or sect or speech or creed, the clear name without reservation or qualification, the talismanic title, the beloved distinction of fellow-countrymen as well as fellow-subjects."

Mr. McGee had broad and generous sympathies; and the last words he uttered on that fateful night of the 6th of April, 1868, when vindicating the conduct of Canada's present High Commissioner—Sir Charles Tupper—for the part taken by him in promoting Confederation were, "I feel that we have been and am still his (Confederation's) warm and earnest advocate, speak here not as a representative of any race, or any province, but as thoroughly and emphatically a Canadian ready and bound to recognize the claims of any Canadian fellow-subject from the farthest east to the farthest west equally as those of my nearest neighbor, or of the friend who proposed me on the hustings."

Mr. McGee was emphatically a representative of the people; and the advice conveyed and the warning given by him should at this time have an extended circulation. Past history should convince us that no extremist has ever risen to become a leader in the wide sense of that term. And it will be found that an extremist allied with any government in any capacity, is no more than a section of the mob—will be a cause of any Canadian fellow-subject from the farthest east to the farthest west equally as those of my nearest neighbor, or of the friend who proposed me on the hustings."

DEATH OF CARDINAL PERSEO. Rome, Dec. 7.—Cardinal Perseo, Prefect of the Congregation of Indulgences and Sacred Relics, is dead. Cardinal Perseo, better remembered as Mgr. Perseo, had a distinguished career in the church. He had had a long acquaintance with English-speaking Catholics, and was for some years Bishop of Savannah, in Georgia, U.S.A. Thence he was removed to Rome, where he was employed on various missions in connection with the Propaganda. The most notable of these missions was the one to Ireland in 1887 in connection with the celebrated Rescript was issued with respect to the plan of campaign. The deceased Cardinal was a member of the Capuchin order.

There are certain moments in life in which we say to ourselves, "All is over; no matter what else changes, that which I have made my all is gone evermore." All our thoughts ring back in our ears, evermore—evermore.

Guard within yourself that treasure-kindness. Know how to give without hesitation, how to lose without regret, how to acquire without meanness. Know how to replace in your heart, by the happiness of those you love, the happiness that may be wanting in your self. Keep the hope of another life. It is there that mothers meet their sons again. Love all God's creatures. Forgive those who are unjust, and devote yourself to those who are great through their virtue.

THE SUFFERING SOULS.—Everything done for the faithful departed in the state of grace and from motives of Christian charity is most salutary for them. It hastens their release, it procures their admission to eternal bliss. But these suffrages are also most salutary for us; and the benefactor who thereby insures to ourselves will be the greater, the more diligent and zealous we are in offering our suffrages, provided we offer them also from pure and holy motives. Charity for the suffering souls renders us more compassionate; it increases our spiritual fervor; it impels us to greater exertions for the attainment of perfection; in a word, it promotes us in the growth of holiness.—Rev. John A. Nagleson.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1895.

Calendar for the Week.

- Dec 26—St. Stephen Protomartyr. 27—St. John, Apostle and Evangelist. 28—Holy Innocents. 29—St. Thomas of Canterbury, Bishop and Martyr. 30—Of the Order of Christians. 31—St. Sylvester, Pope.

Peace on earth.

The late Mr. George Augustus Sala was, it appears, a Home Ruler, although all his long newspaper connection was with a Conservative paper.

Our contemporary, The Western Watchman, of St. Louis, Mo., has been indulging in a dream of war upon Canada and its partition into states and territories.

Mr. Chamberlain is said to be the influence in the British Cabinet opposed to the claims for equal rights that the Catholics and Churchmen of England are pressing forward.

The London Times is straining itself to discount the coming convention of the Irish race in Dublin.

Our English exchanges contain extended reports of a remarkable trial now going on in Paris.

So we have Mr. Greenway's official and final protest against remedial legislation. All that can be said of it is that he is, in the language of Terence Mulvaney, making a most "convoyment" plea for Mr. Laurier.

The sonnet from the pen of the Right Reverend Dr. Howley, Bishop of St. John's, Newfoundland, which we publish to-day in the Italian and English, was intended as a contribution to our Christmas Number.

The Unity of Canada.

The apprehension of war between the United States and England has filled the world with all manner of speculations for the past week or more.

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We do not believe that the rash policy of President Cleveland will under present circumstances be upheld by the people over whom he presides as chief magistrate. But what of the future? Well, nothing is impossible.

No impatience or exuberance of temper can mislead our neighbors into a rash judgment of our strength when they know us in this way.

South America.

The Canada Presbyterian addresses to its "faithful" subscribers an appeal to help to evangelize, not South or North Africa indeed, but South America, which it styles "the neglected continent."

It is very much to be deplored indeed, that the followers of John Knox and Calvin were not so energetic or so zealous for the spread of Christianity, as to allow the entire continent of South America to be brought, many long years ago, under the influence and authority of the Catholic Church.

Each mission was built in a uniform style, with a great plaza in the centre, and here were erected church, college, arsenal stores, and workshops of carpenters, smiths, weavers, &c., all under the immediate care of the priests.

Let the thoughtful people of the country, in the light of the international flare-up of the past few days, calculate the mischief

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The people cannot too sternly suppress the license of politicians whose race hatred or struggle for ascendancy bids them to canvas the terms of Confederation as election issues.

From all accounts it does not seem that Romanism in South America is in danger of annihilation, by the efforts of Dr. Bremer and family.

Don Quixote, the emergency editor of the Star, has made a number of startling discoveries in the short time he has been at his new work.

Don on Treason.

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ELECTIONS IN MANITOBA.

On January 17—Mr. Greenway Protests Against Federal Action on the School Question.

The Manitoba Legislature has been dissolved. Nominations take place on January 8th and polling on January 16th.

Father Hart's First Mass.

Rev. Father Hart said his first Mass in St. Helen's church on Sunday at 10.30. The newly ordained priest had travelled a long railway journey the previous evening in order to say this mass in his native parish where his parents are well known and esteemed residents.

The Pretty Tablenax.

PATERNOBONUM, Dec. 20.—St. Peter's Cathedral bazaar is meeting with unbounded success, and the ladies in charge are greatly pleased with the receipts up to the present.

Sir Henry Parkes.

Sir Henry Parkes, who has just been married to Miss Julia Lynch, County Cavan, Ireland, recently visited the convent school and orphanage, at Bathurst.

THE MOTHER LAND.

Latest Mills from Ireland, England and Scotland.

Several of Irish origin—The Stone of Scone—The Honors of the Crown—The Catholic Cathedral at Edinburgh.

The police have received information of an impudent and clever larceny committed in a public house in Armagh. It appears that five or six farmers on their way home from a fair went into a house for refreshment...

A farmer named Driscoll, residing at Killimer, about four miles from Kilslesh, was arrested by the police, charged with waylaying and committing a brutal assault on Mr. P. F. Neenan, the principal teacher of the Carradara National School.

Deep and universal regret is felt throughout this extensive district over the demise of the late Mr. Timothy Murphy, T.O., Middleton.

At the twelve o'clock Mass on Sunday before last in St. Colman's Cathedral, Queenstown, the Bishop of Cloyne, Most Rev. Dr. Browne, before an immense congregation, gave a free exposition of the interview of the two Irish bishops with the Holy Father. He told the congregation with what affection they were received and with what warmth of feeling the Pope spoke of his devoted children in Ireland.

On the 10th an enormous meeting of the men of Donegal assembled at Ballybofey in public meeting in support of the Irish Parliamentary Party. Speeches were given by Mr. David Sheehy, M.P.; Mr. Swift McNeill, Q.C., M.P.; and Dr. Tanner, M.P.

So long as our representatives respect their undertakings, they are entitled, by no means, to exemption from fair criticism, but to a large forbearance owing to the difficulty of the questions which they have to deal. For this reason, and as our experience since has been, it is not regretted that the forbearance shown to the member for this division at the last county convention.

The death is announced of Mr. James Wilson Hughes of Howth View, Blackrock. For thirty-three years the deceased was secretary of the House of Industry, Government Hospitals, Richmond (North Brunswick street), Whitehall, and Hardwicke. By the older inhabitants of the city he will be best remembered as the hero of the great fire which took place on the 11th of November, 1860, and by which the old Kildare Street Club was completely destroyed.

On the 10th the Chief Secretary received a deputation at the Castle with the object of bringing before him the necessity of taking steps to remedy the grievances under which the Catholic children on the estate of Erasmus Smith labour in consequence of the unfair application of the endowments left by him for the education of those children.

The deputation which was introduced by Mr. T. D. Sullivan, M.P., consisted of the following: Very Rev. Canon Ryan, P.P., Clonoulty; Very Rev. Dr. Cororan, P.P., Uppercure; Very Rev. Laurence Hayes, D.D., P.P. Banaha; Very Rev. David Humphreys, P.P., Killenault; Rev. John Murphy, C.O., Lattin; Rev. Matthew Ryan, C.O., Solohard; Mr. Thomas Cleary, P.L.O., Killeale, representing Erasmus Smith tenants, county Tipperary, within archdiocese of Cashel and Enly.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL.

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The present altars are only temporary, but in the near future it is hoped there will be a magnificent high altar of rich marbles and carvings in the east and beautiful niches formed by the chancel, and four side altars in the transept chapels, and two smaller altars, or rather pedestals at the entrance to the chancel, to support statues of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and of the Most Blessed Virgin. One of the deeply recessed vaulted chapels of the transepts will be formed into a grotto for the statue of our Lady of Lourdes.

The Commission rating, a beautiful work of art, is nearly completed and will be erected in a few days. It is seven bays in length, supported by coupled pillars, each bay with a fine pedestal at either end; each bay is pierced with a triplet of foliated circles. The entire railing, finely moulded, is constructed of beautiful marble, with rare Mexican onyx for the shafts of the pillars and pedestals, and having richly carved and moulded caps and bases.

The consecration which was executed will, like the rest of the ecclesiastical furniture, be in harmony with the architecture of the church. The benches are of fine red oak, with the monogram of the Holy Spirit, surrounded by shells, carved in the quartered panels. The wainscoting round the body of the church is of very fine oak and well executed, and is finely moulded and paneled.

The organ gallery is of moderate size, supported by ornamental arches springing from stop-chamfered bases and has all round an arched railing with traceried arches, moulded, capping, etc. It contains two fine organs built by Mr. Lye. The sacristies, north and south, are of convenient access. There is no ornament on the building that is not the natural development of the architectural construction.

The church, at night, is lighted by jets of gas or incense, or both, giving a fountain-like, from sprays from out the polished brass coronas of harmonious design on the walls of nave, or from the star-shaped sprays of transepts and chancel, and the cordons of incense burners outlining the wall-arches surrounding.

It is heated by radiators of pleasing but unobtrusive decoration, on the low-pressure, noiseless, steam system, the most effective for large spaces, while the ventilation is thorough. The church is 5,150 ft. The cubical contents of the interior equal 104,019 ft. It is lighted by 28 windows of varied dimensions. It has 56 granite shafts, 164 carvings in stone, including the exterior, and 176 gas and electric lights. All these figures add, also, the dimensions already given of the length, width, &c. of the different parts of the church are multiples of the mystical number 7, and, besides, the work throughout, even in detail, is designed on the triangulation principle, which obtained in the great churches of the Middle Ages, giving that unity and charm of proportion which so distinguished them.

The church is built of massive brick walls on a stone foundation, and will stand in two colors in pleasing designs. A sub-storey gives ample room for a fine novitiate and refectory, also class-rooms, etc., and spacious airy corridors.

The works were ably and thoroughly carried out by the different contractors. Messrs. J. McGilve, for masonry, etc.; J. Hanrahan, carpentry, etc.; James Larkin, plastering; J. P. O'Hearn, tinsmith's work; Stewart & Killackey, slating; J. W. Morgan, painting and glazing; Purdy, Mansell & Mashinter, steam-heating and plumbing; W. J. McGuire & Co., gas and electric fitting; Toronto Incandescent Light Co., electric wiring; Thomas Mowbray & Son, Glass Co., the western Rose window, and the Toronto Foundry Co., etc.

The entire works were designed by and carried out under the superintendence of Mr. Joseph Connolly, R.C.A., architect.

The glass work to the new chapel was supplied by the Dominion Stained Glass Co., of Adelaide St. W., Toronto. The large, exquisite rose window carried out in "Early English" style is a credit to the artistic skill of the firm. The six principal parts are relieved by emblems and symbols of the Church and the remaining parts are finished to lend a harmonious effect to the whole.

Perhaps the most beautiful object which the chapel will contain is yet to be supplied. This is the massive and beautiful window which will be placed in position on the east side of the chancel of St. Joseph, the 19th March next. The window is now in London in the hands of the English maker, Hardmann. Upon it will be represented Pope Pius IX. proclaiming St. Joseph patron of the universal Church. The Pope holds in his hands the decree dated Dec. 8, 1850. The window will also represent the different grades of the Church: Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops. Among the figures will be that of the founder of the Institute.

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OBITUARY.

MR. M. J. O'BRIEN. The President of the St. Ann's Young Men's Society, Mr. M. J. O'Brien, Montreal, died Wednesday morning last, after a short illness. The deceased was elected President of the St. Ann's Young Men's Society at the annual elections last February. He was a member of St. Ann's church choir, and took an active part in the dramatic section of the Young Men's Society. The funeral took place on Thursday, at 7.30 o'clock, at St. Ann's church, and St. Ann's Young Men's Society attended in a body.

MRS. JOHN M. CAMPBELL. On the 23rd of November there passed away at the General Hospital, Montreal, Mrs. John M. Campbell, nee Jane O'Brien, of St. Bernard's parish. The deceased lady was dropped and had gone to Montreal to take a course of Turkish baths to relieve her condition. She was under treatment a month and was being greatly benefited. On Thanksgiving night her husband went to see her and found her in excellent spirits and in good hopes of being able to join her family for the Christmas. But God had otherwise decreed and before the morning dawned she was stricken down with paralysis and quietly passed away. She died fortified with the last rites of the church and had around her dying bed her husband, son-in-law, her son Vincent, who is attending the McGill Medical College, and her daughter Jennie, a pupil of the Villa Maria Convent. The attack was so sudden that her two sons and daughters at home were unable to reach her, and so their mother died without them seeing her. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family, for she was a model wife and mother. The distinguishing mark of her character was a cheerful, off-hand tenderness of heart, and her memory will be cherished with loving affection by her many friends and will claim an honorable mention in their prayers.

Her remains were brought home the night of the 26th, and her funeral took place on the 26th in the little church of St. Bernard's, so doubly dear to her motherly and Christian heart, for his Grace the Archbishop of Kingston, named the church in memory of her son Bernard, who died six years ago. A solemn requiem Mass was chanted by the Rev. J. McKinnon, the parish priest, after which he delivered an appropriate and consoling sermon. May her soul rest in peace.

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