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## CURRENT

COMMENT

In that art of arts, the governance of men, the rarest quality is will power
to do perseveringly what one sees to be right. Many rulers of men see the
right course plainy right course plainly enough, perhaps
they talk loudly about it and thus acquire a reputation for judgment, or thus indulge in promises or threats and ers into the belief that they will be as
good as their word; but when the psychological moment comes for execution, they weaken before party clamor or
back down before private entreaty. The strong ruler, on the other hand, talks little, promises and threatens less,
but is eloquent in deeds. Baron Hubner, but is eloquent in deeds. Baron Hubner
in his masterly in his masterly life of Sixtus V., relates
that when he was elected Pope, his adVisers came to him requesting that he against the brigands who then infested the Roman Campands who then infested near the Eternal City. He replied that he would not. Then the Curia pro-
tested that all his predecessors had done ested that all his predecessors had done
80. The new Pope blamed them not,
but called in the but called in the chief of Police and ordered him to trace and arrest some
brigands without delay. Two of these highwaymen were caught red-handed.
The civil courts tried them, found the guilty and condemned them to deat Lor the murders they had committed.
Sixtus V. quietly insisted on their im mediate execution. The hanging of these criminals did more than a hundred proclamations could have done. Bri-
gandage ceased in the Roman Cam pandage ceased in the Roman Cam
pagna during the stern rule of that

Sueh were the thoughts suggested
to us by Mr. William Allen White's imto us by Mr. William Allen White's im-
partial and realistic sketch of the
present present Governor of Missouri in the the
December McClure's. Joseph W. Foll seems to- have donned the mantle of
Sixtus V. He talks little but does Wonders. When Folk first appears on the scene as circuit attorney Missouri
politics were sadly corrupted by the boodle and graft of the largest city,
St. Louis. Folk attacked that stronghold of corruption. "His first alarming action was to indict a number of elec-
tion thieves. He prosecuted them and convicted them-in spite of the elabor-
ate explanation made to him Thachine leaders, that these thieves had Worked for his own election. His pre-
decessor in office warned him that ther was no sense in making trouble for him people would forget all about it when he needed votes. But Folk went
abead. . Within three years he Uneavered in St. Within three years he at one time and place in the civilized World. The legal records of the coun
try show that before Folk became cir cuit attorney of St. Louis, only 34 cases against bribe-takers had been
brought in the whole United States brought in the whole United States
during more than one hundred years. I Missouri, in all the history of that
imperial state, Oraperial state,' as the bass drum
Orators of the machine used to call it, not one indictment had ever been brought
against a public official for boodling. Folk, in four years, brought forty cases; Convicted twenty men-a dozen of
Whom were released by the State Supreme Court upon technicalities-and
of the twenty convictions eight convicted men are serving time in the penitentiary." The conscience of the comthe people was aroused. In spite of Court and of many lawyers who deFolled the boodlers and sneered at ${ }^{2}$ 2 popular was for a time, in St. Louis, the officials City, the capital, although only officials said out loud: "He has
done his duty; why this fuss over that?" yet in duty; why this fuss over Was combating private "the influences he
Wrath their corroding him; upon him; they tried to entra ened him with assassination, and sent Men to him to say that when he and This thesible for him to live in Missou
believed that they would keep the
word-if they could. Whereupon h
saw but one thing for him to do, if h
lived in Missouri after his term of office hived in Missouri after his term of office
expired, and that was to destroy the corrupt forces which controlled the
machine. There was but one sure way machine. There was but one sure way
to destroy it-and that was to becom governor and be governor in deed and ormer governors had been."

The undertaking appeared most foolhardy. Missouri was supposed to be
hidebound, full of prejudices and hoary precedents. Folk was a new man from
another State, Tennessee. He had no family connections, no social prestige and was hardly known outside the cit
of St. Louis. He had no considerable campaign fund, while his enemies had an unlimited one and all the politicians of any note sneered at him. He is no nored the politicians; he made no deals or combinations; he replied to none heaping upon him. But be wen straight to the Missouri farmers; told
them what he had done in St. Louis, and asked for their support in a straight out promises of what he would do Because he was clearly an honest man and unquestionably a brave one, they took him on faith" and elected him by a majority of 30,000 , which is 5,000
more than they gave to Pesident Roosemore than they gave to Pesident Roose-
velt. Commenting on this "whirl wind campaign," in which all the Demo crats but Folk were defeated and al he other offices but that of governo
ell to Republicans, Mr. William Allen White says finely: "This shows two things clearly: that the return from boss government to constitutional gov-
rnment may be accomplished by the people whenever they desire to do so, without any new laws and without any
unusual conditions; that whenever a politician appeals to the people directly and sincerely upon a moral issue, he strategy on the part of the crooks or their friends. The people have sense they know the right and the wrong of a cause, and only when the right and
he wrong are muddled by compromisg manipulators on both sides of a fight is the issue in doubt. Folk's victory should teach young men in politics first to champion the sheer right of a ques-
tion, and then to trust to the basic common sense of the people to see the ight and choose it." One factor, howver, there is which Mr. White throws into strong relief else where in his article and which must not be forgotten in a the personality and the ecord of Folk. Just men, firm of urpose, lil
very rare.

Rarer still is the young man that is not spoiled by promotion. "In nine cases out of ten promotion finishes a
young man's usefulness. He sees another promotion ahead, and begins to compromise to get it, and that is the end of him. But this young ma
Folk"-he is only thirty-six-"is not letting down. He is keeping up his standards, living up to the ideals which
gave him his promotion. Political gave him his promotion.
prosperity agrees with him."
No soon er was he inaugurated than he began
enforcing a law which had been a dead letter on the Missouri statutes for nearl forty years, the law probibiting rail ways from giving passes to legislator or state officers or state employees
Next, while vetoing bills that were unfair to the railways, he gave his support first time since 1873 a law was passed regu fating freight rates in thestate." Another was passed forbidding railway employer to work their employees more than six teen hours at a time on freight runs. These and several new and wise laws regulat
ing railways were strietly enforced Then Folk put in force, after a mem rable fight, the law prohibiting race rack gambling and making it a felony
and broke up the Delmar track. "The horses are gone, the bookmakers have fled, and gambling upon the results o the St. Louis race

Persistence is the secret of Folk success. When he began last spring to
enforce the Sunday closing law which
had lain forty years had lain forty years asleep in the Mis-
souri statutes, people thought this show of severity woupld soon cease
probably after the third Sunday "which is the Sunday when Sunday closing spasms" in other cities, and
under other rulers "generally" stop; so large number of back doors wer keepers of those saloons lost their li
censes. One enses. One great difficulty in $S$ which, it was thought, would not con ent to forego its beer for one day each week. But the German Americans now
bey and uphold the law. "The hotel obey and uphold the law. "The hote n Sunday in the first-class cities of Missouri for the first time in the his
ory of the state."

Though Folk is described as a "deeply ious" man, self-denying and clean doctrine, the narrow, practical one, that honesty pays better than graft. lection of Folk as circuit attorney o St. Louis the value of land in' the State has increased 20 per cent. The annual immigration to the State has increased
25 per cent. . . The Sunday 25 per cent. . . . The Sunday
business of the local street cars has ncreased 25 per cent., and the Monday increased remarkably, while the number of arrests in the three cities, where 20 per cent. and the Sunday arrests hav iminished 40 per cent. More than that the trade of the grocers and small
merchants has increased so materially that they are making a sentiment for Sunday closing strong enough to mainoffiee at the end of his term in 1909."

Mr. William Allen White deserve great praise for sketching in so manly is an invaluable object-lesson for all who sincerely seek the best interests cuntry or city may be. What present exciting be for Winnicipal campaign ere to develop some imitator of Folk' explain, genius Mr. White is careful insists that Folk is not necessary. giant, that he is is not an intellectual moung man, "whose only difference from Vanity Fair is that he has sense enough Mr Whitst and to make it pay." And Mr. White very wisely deprecates "th
effort to make him a presidential candi efort to make him a presidential candi-
date while he is still up to his elbows in a work that he has sworn to do with What this country needs of Gorning Folk, and what it has a risht Governo of him, is that he has a right to deman Missouri a model American common-
wealth, that other states may profit wealth, that other states may profit seasoning in public life-perhaps six of it in Washington" (as United States
ser ator) -"Folk would be sound and strong and worthy of any burden; but now his worthy of any burden;
buty lies in Missouri, at his appointed task."

One most admirable feature of this irth of wholesome public sentiment in an with difficulty emulate is the sink ing of party difference for the sake of the officians, who in "The Republican state any other conditions might feel that party policy required them to hinder rather than help a Democratic goverrather than help a Democratic gover-
nor, are doing all they can to help him. Republican of the new school of politics, has been standing shoulder to shoulder with Folk in every important fight, and way he has risen above partient bitut
waighest praise for the the people. But for Hadley's sense the people. But for Hadley's sense
and loyalty, Folk might have been
bady crippled."

McClure's Magazine, which has already of Americans and others all over the world. Mr. Ray Stannard Baker, who is writing a series of articles on the management of railways, those gigantic monopolies which "have infinitely more to do with the happiness and
success of the people than the United States Government itself," writes this month on Railroad Rebates. He denes a rebate, strictly so called, as "a a railroad company to a favored shipper as a refund upon his freight-rate."
Last winter and spring United States Senate Committee which investigated railway management, the
railway presidents testified that rebates railway, presidents testified that rebates
had disappeared. But Robert La Folhad disappeared. But Robert La Fol-
lette, Governor of Wisconsin, did not trust these general denials. He determined upon a business-like investiga-
tion. "The information regarding bates came out as the by-product of an investigation into railroad taxation. It was charged a number of years ago
that the railroad corporations were avoiding taxes-that they did not pay their full share." So La Follette, who, like Folk, is nothing if not thorough, at work for about two years, "in the main offices at Chicago and other cities consin." Before this work was begun, the railway officials "denied just plausibly and as positively as they did last winter in Washington, that there
were any such things as rebates; but the very first thing the investigators learned was that immense amounts of
money paid as unlawful rebates did not appear in the grose earnings reported
by the companies. And when the by the companies. And when the
cases came into court a few months the e these same men who had denie prevent aly the details coming out in court-for they fear nothing so much
as real publicity-signed a stipulation admitting that they had made those lilegal rebate deductions from gros
earnings! The total amount of all earningsl The total amount of al
such deductions from 1897 to 1903 wa found to be $\$ 10,500,000$ in the State
of Wisconsin alone.' Upon this said Governor La Follette in his messag 'the railroads should have paid a tax of our per cent., or approximately, 420,000, of which sum the State ha been defrauded.'" However, as soon
as the expert accountants went to work, he amount of rebates dropped off from 46,000 in one month to $\$ 9,000$ in the after the investigation had begun. Without any threat of prosecution indeed, without any intention of looking for rebates at all, the mere sunlight of publicity almost dried up this par ticular rebate plague spot." This is certainly an admirable lesson to those statesmen who really int
ailways amenable to law.

A curious instance of rebate-giving with which our city of Winnipeg is directly, though not responsibly con Ir. Baker. Last year R length by Co., of Philadelphia, wished to secure contract for iron water pipes for Winnipeg. They had to compete with manufacturers in Scotland who had a preferential duty into Canada of $\$ 2.40$ a ton. The U.S. duty into Canada is
$\$ 8$ a ton, making a competitory differ$\$ 8$ a ton, making a competitory differ-
ence against the American manufacturer of $\$ 5.60$ a ton. Thomas L . managed toffic manager for R. D. Wood, managed to reduce this difference one
dollar by obtaining a rebate of five cents a hundred pounds from C. E. Northern Railway in Philadelphia, who fered to charge only $44 \frac{1}{2}$ cents, while "The bills of was $49 \frac{1}{2}$ cents a hundred. The bills of lading read as straight as string, $49 \frac{1}{2}$ cents, freight-rate, the regular published tariff, and this was
paid by R. D. Wood \& Co. The trans action was spotless both in the books the railroad \& Co. and in those traffic manager for the Mutual Trans Company, a line of vessels on the Grea Lakes with which the Great Northern down to Philadelphia with a cheque of
$\$ 1,500$-rebate at five cents a hundred


#### Abstract

on 1,500 tons of iron pipe. This cheque he handed to Mr. Morton, who endorsed to R. D. Wood \& Co. The rebate transaction was complete and no one except the two traffic managers was the wiser." This transaction which took place in 1904 and 1905, has since leaked out. By it were wronged not only the Scotch iron manufacturers but "other American iron manufacturers, who, had they known that the rate was $44 \frac{1}{2}$ instead of $49 \frac{1}{2}$, might have had a chance to bid on the business. And, nally, it wronged all other shippers on the road, for if the published rate low, and other shippers must 44 was too the difference which R. D. Wood \& Co put in their pockets." Mr. Baker lays the chief blame for this unfair discrimination in favor of big jobs upon the financiers of Wall Street, who demand that railways shall pay dividends, who deend secret management, and who in the ong run get the profits of these under-


This painstaking search after public Everybody's and their more recent ime ators, promises well for the correctio of many evils that afflict the neighbor own country. We hail this whole movement with real satisfaction besom return to natural virtue is an ex cellent preparation for supernatural grace. But we are far from entertaining he delusive hope that this movement the harbinger of a millenium. In only a passing phase the fear that it is only a passing phase, and that the
Folks and La Follettes of to-day be followed by the Tweeds and Crokers of o-morrow. History has a tasers o ycles of good followed by cycles vil, and it generally repeats itself. here can be no lasting reforma so long soligious trajority of a nation has no early Dread training in Christian schools. read of public exposure, not consci-
nee, the everlasting vigilance of rulers ot the fear of God, the utilitarian side honesty, not a sense of duty, are ment, and these springs soon wear moveBesides, there can be no permanent till the well-head of the reign of graft up. And this is the magnitude of that source of corruption as summarized by
William Allen White: "Fifty William Allen White: "Fifty men in
New York City form New York City form the board of
directors of the majority of the railroads, the great banks, the great life insurance companies, the great public service corporations. A score A dozen big law offices in New York hire subordinate lawyers in every American state and territory, and it is not no nuch the duty of these subcourts as it is to to practise in the courts as it is to control the courts and
the forces that make the courts and the laws that the courts pass upon. Half, dozen of these great New York lawtes in the state capitals and trade centres, can practically dictate the
election of United States vernors and Supreme Court judges For, by the use Amancan states. zubordine use of railway passes, the subordinate attorneys may say what
delegates shall attend every important ocal convention, and thereby what policy shall be followed. Given a permanent machine in a state amassed wealth contro
fly $\quad$ wap ward."

His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi, of Montreal, wrote recently a weighty pastoral letter to his flock, warning

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When the bowels don't move regularly, the blood takes Then the kidneys get overworked-inflamed Then comes the pain in the back-headaches-constant desire to urinate-rervousness-sleeplessness
"Fruit-a-tives acts directly on the Kidneys-cleans, heals and strengthens them-makes the liver give up more bile to move the bowels regularly-and stimulates the glands
of the skin to increased action. These rid the system of all poisons and every trace of Kidney Disease disappears.



The Rev. Arthur H. Smith, D.D.,
writing in the "Missionary Herald," announces that in the spring of 1907 there will be held in Shanghai a general
conference of Protestant missionaries conference of Protestant missionaries
in China to commemorate the hundreth anniversary of the arrival in that coun try of the first Protestant missionary
He says "the face of the conference will at first be naturally turned towards the past in a survey of a century, but only that it may the better front the future-its problems and its possibili-
ties." As he adds that "all friends of missions throughout the world ought to give this coming conference the
benefit of their sympathies," and as benefit of their sympathies," and as
we are zealous for the syecess of the we are zealous for the success of the
right kind of missions to the heathen and deeply sympathize with the honest
dupes of the wrong kind of missionary, we beg to contribute a first chapter on
the earliest Protestant missionary to China
The Rev. Dr. Smith, who forgets to
remind bis reat aries had successfully evangelized Chin aries had successfully evangelized China
250 years before the first Protestant out a smile: "The early Protestant missionaries were men cast in a large
mould, and although their labors were necessarily of a preparatory nature,
destined to be superseded, they were herculean and phenomenal." The this grandiloquent eulogy. He will see, later on, how the testimony
Protestant witnesses disposes of these fine adjectives. "The present genera-
tion," continues Dr. Smith, "can boast no such sinologues," which, being
interpreted, means Chinese scholars. a. "Morrison, Medhurst, Legge, Chal-
mers, Wylie, Edkins (all connected mers, Wylie, Edkins (all connected
with the great pioneer London Missionwho, like Dr. Medhurst, originally a printer, made every department of Dr. Morrison's name being the first,
of the six "men cast in a large mould," we shall take his as a test case and then
leave the reader to judge of Dr. Smith's adherence to truth, when he says that his labors, though "necessarily pre-
paratory," were "herculean and paratory," were "herculean and phen-
omenal." In order to do so we have omenal. In order to do so we have acter sketch of Dr. Morrison, based
entirely on quotations from fifteen different Protestant sources. These
quotations were carefully collected by

in Europe, where, although the early
Reformers were, to nse the Anglican
Dr. Littledale's picturesque expression, Dr. Littledale's picturesque expression,
"a set of unredeemed villains," their
suecessors shamed iuto virtue by the successors, shamed into virtue by the evample of Catholics, reverted to a less
unchristian mode of life, and practiunchristian mode of life, and practi-
cally acknowledged that faith without works is dead.
Before beginning the extract from Before beginning the extract from
Marshall, we beg to call attention tn the relatively enormous salary enjoyed
by Dr. Morrison. We are told that he was in rectipt of a theיisand pound
a year. In China, in the first third of the nineteenth century. that salary was
equivalent in purchasing power to ten times the amount in England, and
would, therefore, represent about fifty
thousand dollars of our money. Even thousand dollars of our money. Eve
at the present day the wage of an ex dollar a month, and everything else i in proportan why so many unapostolic Pro testant families are so ready to under
take missionary work in a country take missionary work in a country
where they can luxuriate in opulence o the period dollars a year Referrin, volumes, viz., the first sixty years of
the nineteenth century, Mr. Medhurst, the nineteenth century, Mr. Medhurst,
the second of Dr. Smith's famous
sinologucs, says that the salary of each sinologucs, says that the salary of each
native Catholic priest "is eighty-two
dollars yon dollars yearly" (China; its State and
Prospects, ch. X., p. 264), and Mar Prospects, ch. X., p. 264), and Mar
shall adds that "even the French and Spanish priests, some of whom as only receive five hundred francs, twenty pounds ( $\$ 100$ ) per annum, fo
their whole support, and even from this seanty allowance a portion is deducted
either for the suppprt of the colleg
of the mission, or for providing win
for the Holy Sacrifice as well as books, for the Holy Sacrifice, as well as books
etc." This contrast between self-deny ing missionaries and the counterfei
article will be still more strikingly evi dent in the following passages: Protestant missions in china An Extract from "Christian Mi
by T. W. M. Marshall. example of that instructive contras of which every part of the earth will
furnish a new one, and which it is the main purpose of these volumes to trace the Sects have confronted each other. What the Church can do, we have seen let us ask the Sects to unfold, in thei
turn, the secrets of their annals. The day has at length arrived, when Continued on page 7

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but she prudently skipped that fir
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vitiated, she met with rebuffs an well ations of her past that could no visit to Canada if she described her skipped it and described instead he visit to some other places in America
and ultra-Protestant lies emanated.
A fine specimen, indeed of the fairplay A fine specimen, indeed of the fairplay
and equal rights so loudly proclaimed by those same local papers.
a protestant at high mass
firm presentative of one of the large immense amount of intelligent adver connected with a friend of ours, no derived more profit from its proportion the Northwest Review, is those in the other papers of this province This shows that the character of a jour al, vouching forthe honesty of its adsensible readers the more weight with circulation.

The editorial writer of the firs morning, the Free Press of Wednesday Langevin we spoke of Archbishop Does "Romish," not know that the wor And it would have ofive to Catholics? as the Free Press generally does, the simple word "Catholic." We are the aly Simon-pure Catholics, the only hes that need no qualifying prefix to have to add "Anglo-" or "Independent" "Greek." Let them have these pre me-hon all means. We prefer our brethren wince at the implied non niversality of their own sects ed the $\mathrm{om}_{\text {man }}$ Catholics decency by calling

The Toronto "Globe" completely op Lanstands the nature of Archbish priests in Sevin's communication to his 4r. Tarte who hatchan. Replying to serence bet had anked whal is the expressing his political preferences church and a bishop stating bis Thion in a letter, the Globe says ith Archbishop is not merely charged writing a letter to a friend or to , sending. What he is charged with arious a circular letter to be read in ovince of Saskatchewan Grace has publicly foundationless. His munication was not a circular letter to $\mathrm{b}_{\text {is }}$ priests, for such letters are signed and contain injunctions and this one was ${ }^{8}$ tidl ligned and enjoined nothing, nor tended a pastoral letter, which is inthe chur be read to the faithful in al was distins or his diocese, and this one publicly to the faithfud not to be read reamon whyication setting forth the the support of Catholics. ${ }^{\text {suggigestion to the clergy as to what they }}$ But thay if questioned by their flock. enjoin up communication did not the wholen the clergy to say it. Thus dignitary message from a high church Whole province" If the province" topples to the ground. pulpit, which we very much doubsingl Over, a large His Grace's wish. Moreside His Grace's diocese and in th $n_{0}$ cese of Bishop Pascal, who issued

Heither Worship Tom Sharpe may At the meeting of the electors of Ward church on Fuy evening in the Icelandic bet usive language was bandied abou that ween the mayor and his opponent Mayor. A. J. Andrews, as a forme eandidat the city, appealed to the uspion so traise the tone of the dis Meeting of auch might be the las ishod himself, in character, and the had the next day regretted that But Tomentarily forgotten himself leared th Sharpe's Irish wit somewhat only thre air when he said "there were Tho of them liars on earth; the devil ther one", and John Thomson is th

Complaints have come to us from dapers have published Blazowski's foul Gathors on the Galicians and their bit of the noble defence of those same $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}}$ vey in ${ }^{2}$ F Father Kulawy and Mr Whib the Blazowesi Free Press from

A writer in the London Daily News In describing his impressions of High ass on a sunday morning at
minster Cathedral, says: "A few yards way from me is a man of about 35 , ceal his lack of shirt. The coat itself see that the soles of his boots are almos gone. The face is a sad, weary one tanned by exposure, lined by anxiet the features are small and refined. Into how many churches could you Into how many churches could you
have wandered, my brother, without being stared at with eyes not altogether riendly-supposing indeed, you had been admitted and had been given a
seat? But here thou canst sit besides ladies in dresses the most exquisite without a without a single
As it is in Westminster Cathedral, so is it in every Catholic church through-
out the world. The man wearing overout the world. The man wearing over-
alls or the woman apparalled in calico is welcomed and seated in the churches of Catholicity with the same courtesy or as the "gentleman" dressed in broadcloth. Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament hears the prayer and appeal of a Lazarus, made with a sincere heart,
just as he listens to the supplication just as he listens to the supplication
of those whom he has blessed with of those whom he has blessed wit
wealth. Of course there may be a few in every parish who in their pride of heart look down on rags and poverty.
But, thank God, they are few. No practical Catholic would refuse to sit beside a brother or sister in religion
who happens to be dressed according to circumstances of life, and the Catholic who looks down upon the man or woma is church on account of their raimen is a Catholic only in name. The Savi-
our did not call men of wealth an far did not call men of to fulfil his earthly mission. The Apostles were not arrayed broadcloth. Mary, the Mother of th Divine Jesus, wore simple garments.
The Saviour was born into the world amid humble surroundings.

## FATHER DRUMMOND

 PLEADS FOR UNION OF THE TWO RaOEs.Free Press, Dec. 5
The Canadian Club of the city yeste Father Drummond, of St. Boniface Owing to the fact that the funeral
services of the late R. J. Whitla oc curred at about the same hour, a larg were unable to be present. The eminen eacher and preacher found, how audience, and delivered a characteristi ddress.
The purpose of the speaker in his the deepening of the feeling of friend ship and good-will existing between the two great sections of the Canadian
nation, to point out the respective ex cellencies of the French and the English character, and to show what had bee
done by each in the development of the Dominion.
In the absence of J. A. M. Aikins, Evans presided, and before calling on to refer to the lamented death of Mr Whitla. The deceased, he said, had been prominent in the city in building resent mitrially, and in creating the nunity. He had arge business enterprises, and had left is mark in brick and stone in many tively small number of men had collaborated in determining the nature of the business and public life of the city, and Mr. Whitla had been promin nt among these few
In performing the duty of the formal introduction of Father Drummond, Mr Evans stated that the speaker needed western Canada. He introduced him as a gentleman of very wide and high
culture, and as a representative Canadian, one who fittingly stood for both
he French and the English sections of the Canadian people.
FATHER DRUMMOND SPEAKS On rising to speak, Fathcr Drummond


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 259 SMITH ST,| opening his address, after thankin presiding officer for his kind wor introduction, the speaker <br> some detail the nature of his id <br> his mother's side he was the desce <br> of the first noble family which ca Canada to remain permanently <br> French noblemen came to Cana <br> This French family, from which <br> mother was descended came to Dominion 240 years ago, and rem <br> in the land of their adoption. father came from Ireland as a boy <br> was educated in a French college <br> people, and became one of the <br> He himself was not to be lauded on <br> ground of his decent. it was no tributable to any act of his, bu <br> reason of it he felt peculiarly qua to speak of certian phases of Can <br> life. <br> The speaker then referred to va <br> events in the early history of Can and particularly to the occasion of <br> passing of the country from the co <br> event must not be spoken of as a <br> necessary to respect the feelings of <br> The battle of the Plains of ex <br> had been followed by an equally glor <br> battle in which the French were torious. In the diplomacy which <br> this victory, and the English diplo <br> this department of activity. Th <br> quests that when they were not wrou out by steel and shot they were sure <br> be won at diplomatic meetings dinners. (Laughter.) <br> Although Canada had thus pas <br> English, the event had never been <br> ian people. Prior to the cession, they <br> French intendant, who had robbed <br> sion they passed to the control of <br> tinguished English officers, who ministered good laws honestly <br> fairly. The feeling, from that day, been uninterruptedly cordial friendly <br> In 1775 there was a tendency, on part of some Canadians, <br> their lot with the American <br> and at that time it was the Fren <br> alone who saved Canada to Great B tain. He did not wish to <br> those brave and devoted United Emp <br> left the United States for Canada, a <br> made that province what it is. But that timeithe United Empire loyalis <br> had not arrived. There were no Cana ians but the French, and it was <br> loyality of the French-Canadians th saved Canada to England. One of t <br> reasons why French-Canadians had regret for the cession of 1763 was $t$ <br> fact that by it they had been save from any participation in the horro <br> of the French Revolution. One of the mistakes which man writers made in dealing with the French <br> Canadian population of Canada was in regarding them as identical with th <br> people of France. There was as muc difference between the French of Canad <br> and the French of France as there wa between the Englishman and the Ya <br> was the same kind of The French-Canadians ha <br> come from France in the best days of the "grand siecle." He did not wish t $\qquad$ <br> were respects in which the French of Canada surpassed the French of to-day <br> In grace and style and in beauty <br> language, the habitant of Canada could not compare with the cultured French- man. But in solidity of character, in <br> he domestic <br> After the rebellion of 1837, continue <br> closely identified with the defence of the <br> who was qualified for this service Though not a French-Canadian, he had <br> mastery of the French lan- <br> guage and was already a promising awyer. In an address delivered some years ago at Cranbrook, B.C., on the $\qquad$ <br> Burke or O'Connell, and on this <br> ebellion of 1798 Curran was the only <br> man brave enough to raise his voice in efence of the rebels. There had been <br> parallel to this, he had said, in <br> aper stating that the speaker had over- ooked the case of his own father. That | Majesty's Mail <br>  <br> which Curran had done in Ireland, <br> Drummond, the lawyer had done in Canada--he had dared to lift up hi <br> voice in defence of the rebels of 1837. Speaking of the English race, Father Drummond stated that he had noticed Drummond stated that he had noticed that people of various races of Europe who had settled in England were most anxious to be mistaken for born English men, although the decendants of Eng men, although the decendants of Eng lishmen who had settled in other of their English origin. This he con- sidered a remarkable tribute to the English character While regretting English that he had no English blood in his the English people who, the more in- $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> He $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> eadth, we have all the advantages of litical union with an imperial race, |  | goes into every barrel of RoyalHouseholdFlour <br> If Royal Household Flour were not as good as Ogilvies say it is, who would be the greatest loser? <br> You would try it once-if it were not good you would be a small loser, perhaps. <br> But Ogilvies would probably lose your custom. <br> They would also lose the custom of every other woman who tried it and of thousands who had never tried it but had been told that it was not as represented. <br> Therefore Ogilvies must make Royal Household Flour the best flour because they stake their reputation upon it, and if you and thousands of others found it was not the best, Ogilvies would ruin their business. <br> So Ogilvies make Royal Household Flour the best flour, in their own protection. 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"Ban apply to them the formidable test And we have no reason to suppose that they will shrink from the trial. Pro
testantism has not usually worn a timi or modest front. Its voice has hitherto passage through the north and west of rope it has affected the mien of But the inevitable hour of trial ar Protestantism must human things, an ever repugnance, the inexorable judg ment which it is the province of history man. The introduction of Prks of
mrotest by Mr. Gutzlafin has been described by Mr. Gutzlaff, one of its earliest and
most conspicuous advocates, and it recourse. One that we shall first have needful by way of preface. Thus far We have spoken of grave men, engaged figure of Rieci and Schaal, of Verbiest and Parennin, of Sanz and Dufresse yet faded from our recollection. We though now to hear of others, to whom must professing another faith, wo it should be found that the literal cita tion of their own words, the bare recital of their acts, reads like a satire, let no this be imputed as a fault to the an record the other. If the history which a multitude of Protestant witnesses
have traced of their own operations in China should seem to remove us, at one step, from the region of heroism to aim is to present an epitome of their ${ }^{\text {narratives, }}$ is evidently not responsible from unadvised or superfluous com ment, the reader, to whom alone the Office of judge belongs, may reasonably
require; but this is all which he is entitled to demand. And with thi Protestion we commence the history rotestantism in China.

Dr. Morrison
Mr. Gutzlafi's narrative opens afte first herald of the Gospel who landed On the shores of China" (China Opened,
vol. II, ch. xv., p. 233). A few years later, Dr. White, a Protestant American
bishop, used this language in his In${ }^{8 / \text { rructions for }}$ the Missionaries to in a former age the Christian religion Wa $a_{\text {a }}$ exmer age the Christian religion
being perors, and others of high rank in the empire." (Cyclopaedia of American 1855 ) of this historical fact, for he often bear the noblling testimony, as we shall see, to sionaries; wat it was the Catholic mis-
nonenient to forget, in introducing his hero, what every-
body then, was "the first herald," if not of the China, and least of Protestantism, in life and works in that land. We wate of his ourselves no knowledge of either, hut hi ply whatever informans will freely sup Dr. Morrison information we desire. life in the humble guise of apprentice honorable industry he rose from this ${ }^{0} \mathrm{w}$ wh y state to the office of a preacher, function, accepted an offer, in spite of ceed to Cranse of his family, to probis widow-he was married twicedown to the Jesuit Harmony of the Gospels, composed in Chinese, an $0_{\text {onn }}$ future usery syllable of it for h acknowledge more frankly his obligaing to the men whom he was no verting the empire of China.
biogrant, or supplant, in thusiasmer adds, with pardonable en sometimes that perhaps "angelic eye beholding looked over his shoulder both the wisdom glowing admiration in thus training the man who was to of the gates of life to the millions of the East." (Memoirs of Robert p. 134.) As, however, his other bi Morrison unanimously attest that Mr. Whatever, nover unbarred any gates always kept carefully unconscion the East y locked, thelly Arrived at his presence Ellis, a well-known Protestant mission ary, that "so stro Protestant mission

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## Clerical News

A cablegram from Rome, dated Dec.
4th, announces that the Very Rev. A. X. Bernard was that day appointed Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, Que.
Mgr. Giseppi, of Aversa, who succeeds
the late Archbishop Chapelle the late Archbishop Chapelle as Apos-
tolic Delegate to Cuba and Porto Rico siric Delegate to Cuba and Porto Rico
an New York on Dec. 6 by the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II. Very Rev. H. Leduc, OM.M., vica
general of St. Albert, where he now re sides, arrived here at the beginning o
the week. His heath the week. His health is better than i
has been for some time past. It in in has been for some time past. It is now
forty years since he first came, from
Fry Otance originally, and directly from to the Northwest.

Rev. Father Campeau. of St. Eust-
ache, returned home on Saturday from St. Boniface Hospital where he had been laid up for a few days.
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Rev. Father Lecorre, O.M.I., who was } \\ & \text { here on his way to France }\end{aligned}$ here on his way to France on business
connected with the northern missions, conected with the northern missions, Sunday in the Cathedral. He spoke of the mission of Ile a la Crosse, where he
was stationed lately. This mission, founded by Father Tache before he was Bishop, is commonly called "the gem of
the Oblate Indian Missions," because of the thorough conversion of the Mon-
tagnais Indians therre Thei tagnais Indians therre. Their solid
virtues and fervent piety, which, as may be sen in Dom Benoit's admirable life
of Archbishop Tache, were such deep gratitude to the great prelate,
have remained to this day a living memorial and witness of the teachings and example of their first and most
zealous and eloquent missionary. Durzealous and eloquent missionary. Dur-
ing the High Mass, at which Father Lecorre preached, and which was sung
by Rev. Dr. Trudel, assisted by Fothein Pare and Merage, who had been ordained deacons that morning, His Grace the weekly announcements which are gen erally made by the pastor of the Cath-
edral, for Monsignor Dugas was then undergoing treatment at st. Boniface Hospital for a transient indisposition.
Father Lecorre afterwards entertained the clergy of the Cathedral with inten sely graphic descriptions of his mission-
ary experience among the Eskimos, whom he evangelized for many years
before going to He a la Crosse. So vivid were these a talks that several
priests expressed the wish to see them printed for the edification and instruc tion of the public.
Father Menage was ordained priest On Friday, the feast of the Immaculate Langevin. Father Pare, who is as yet only in his second year of theology, will be rai
date.

The many friends of Father Coffee, S. J., will be grieved to learn that he is Hoppital, Gueumonia in St. Joseph Hospital, Guelph

1. Practical Ending to a Charity Sermon quest all persons who brelliren, I re to put anything on the plate."

Persons and Facts
Owing to a special dispensation granted by His Grase the Archbishop of St
Boniface, though the feast of the Boniface, though the feast of the Im
maculate Conception falls this year on Friday, there was no fast nor abstinence hat day, but the fast and abstinence
ere observed on the eve Thursday
Rev. Dr. Trudel who combines the two ehaplaincies of St. Mary's Academy
and of the Catholic deaf-mutes, arand of the Catholic deaf-mutes, ar six of his silent charges take planion of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception at $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in the chapel of St. Mary's Acesemy. The names and ages for whom the Eucharistic King can con-
verse without audible speech or visible sign, are as follows: Flora Olivier, Louis Amirault, 17; Alphonse Pann, 16 17; Walter Molisky, 17: All these faviere young people were entertained at break assisted by their charming and by means silent pupils. His Grace the
Archbishop confirmed the First Col municants at 3.30 in the same beautiful

The last Mass was said in the old day morning at 8 o'clock. Now the
as the old one, is in daily as larg
for the students' class rooms octagon will be thro
tries, study rooms, and recreation hall
next month, and thenceforth all stud
dents will have to sleep at the college. The new front portico will also be ready
for use about the same time. The midyear examinations of St. Boniface col take place, not before Christmas, but at the end of January, as they didformerly
This arrangement affords a more equa ivision of the ten months' session

Lieut.-Col. William Henry Lindsay who has just been appointed governo succeed the late Captain Lawler, was a one time publisher of the Northwest Review and gave proofs of his adminis-
trative ability in his manage paper. Col. Lindsay's son, Norman, a convert to the church, is one of out
leading Catholics. We congratulate he gallant Colonel on his appointment to a post which he is sure to fill with
honor to himself and advantage to the province and to the prisoners themselves.
Father Drummond closed the retreat oo the nurses of St. Boniface Hospital on Monday morning, when all the Holy Communion. Most of the Proeleven sermons of the retreat.
$\qquad$
tron said the temperance man christening ships with champagne." "I don't," replied the other man.

## "How can that be?"

Well, immediately after the firs and sticks to it ever after.

PRIEST BECOMES LAWYER. Rev. Frederic W. Burgett, pasto
of St. Patrick's Church at Washington, Ind., has been admitted to the Davies

WHEN IGNORANCE IS BLISS.
Two New Yorkers, on a hunting ex pedition in the Tennessee mountains were compelled to seek a night's shelter
under the roof of a cabin the under the roof of a cabin they stumbled
upon. After supper, their host explain upon. After supper, their host explain-
ed that although there was only one bed there was no occasion to worry about then put two of the children in the bed father then carefully deposited them still sleeping, on the floor. This opera-
tion was repeated tion was repeated until the host's six
children were fast asleep, oblivious to children were fast asleep, oblivious to
the hardness of their plank bed. The mountaineer then informed the travel
lers that the bed was at their disposal lers that the bed was at their disposal
whereupon, fatigued from the day's tramping, they retired and soon were
fast asleep.
In the morning, when they awoke,
they found themselves on the floor and heir host and hostess fast asloor, and bed.
During the annual convention of a certain religious body, not so very long
ago, an incident occurred which was not ago, an incident occurred which was not
on the programme, and which completely upset the gravity of the ministers and
brethren assembled ing session, and the chairman stated that they were about $\$ 100$ short of amount desired to be raised for a purpose, and hoped that the sum could be made up before final adjournment. One of the laymen jumped up with the remark:
"I don't the good work with $\$ 25$. said the chairman, "but may God bless you and your business be doubled during you and your
Much to his astonishment a burst of laughter followed from many in the hall, which was explained when a brother up
in front stepped to the whispered:
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