

# The Catholic Record.

"CHRISTIANUS MIHI NOMEN EST, CATHOLICUS VERO COGNOMEN."—"CHRISTIAN IS MY NAME, BUT CATHOLIC MY SURNAME."—St. Pacian, 4th Century.

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## THE SONG OF THE DEATHLESS VOICE.

BY FATHER RYAN, THE POET PRIEST OF THE SOUTH.

'Twas the dusky Hallowe'en—  
Hour of fairy and of wraith,  
When in many a dim-lit green,  
'Neath the stars' prophetic sheen,  
As the olden legend saith,  
All the future may be seen—  
And when, in an older story hall—  
What'er in life hath ever been  
Lovely, hopeful, or of wrath,  
Cometh back upon our path,  
I was dreaming in my room,  
'Mid the shadows,—still as they;  
Night, in veil of woe and gloom,  
Wept and trailed her tresses gray  
O'er her fair, dead sister—Day.  
To me from some far away—  
Crept a voice,—or seemed to creep—  
As a wave child of the deep,  
Frightened by the wild storm's roar,  
Creeps low-sighing to the shore,  
Very low and very lone  
Came the voice with song of moan.  
This, weak-sung in weaker voice,  
Is the song that night I heard.

How long, alas! How long!  
How long shall the Celtic chant the sad song of hope  
That a sunrise may break on the long starless night of our past!  
How long shall we wander and wait on the desolate slope  
Of Talors that promise our Transfiguration at last!  
How long, O Lord! How long!  
How long, O Fate! How long!  
How long shall our sunburst reflect but the sunset of Right  
When gloaming still lights the dim immemorial years?  
How long shall our harp's strings, like winds that are wearied of night,  
Sound sadder than moanings in tones all trembling with tears!  
How long, O Lord! How long!  
How long, O Right! How long!  
How long shall our banner, the brightest that ever did flame  
In battle with wrong, droop faded like a flag o'er a grave?  
How long shall we be but a nation with only a name  
Whose history clanks with the sounds of the chains that enslave!  
How long, O Lord! How long!

How long! Alas, how long!  
How long shall our isle be a Golgotha, out in the sea  
With a cross in the dark,—oh, when shall our Good Friday close?  
How long shall thy sea that beats round thee bring only to thee  
The wallings, O Erin! that float down the waves of thy woes?  
How long, O Lord! How long!

How long! Alas, how long!  
How long shall the cry of the wronged, O Freedom! for thee  
Ascend all in vain from the valleys of sorrow below?  
How long ere the dawn of the day in the ages to be  
When the Celt will forgive,—or else tread on the heart of his foe?  
How long, O Lord! How long!

Whence came the voice! around me gray silences fall:  
And without the gloom not a sound is a stir 'neath the sky;  
And who is the singer? Or hear I a singer at all?  
Or, hush! Is't my heart athrill with some deathless old cry?

Ah! blood forgets not in its flowing its forefathers' wrongs—  
They are the heart's trust, from which we may ne'er be released;  
Blood keeps in its throbs the echoes of all the old songs,  
And sings them the best when it flows thro' the heart of a priest.

Am I not in my blood as old as the race when I sprung?  
In the cells of my heart feel I not all its ebb and its flow?  
And old as our race is, is it not still forever as young  
As the youngest of Celts in whose breast Erin's love is aglow?

The blood of a race that is wronged beats the longest of all;  
For long as the wrong lasts, each drop of it quivers with wrath;  
And sure as the race lives,—no matter what fates may befall  
There's a Voice with a Song that forever is haunting its path.

Aye, this very hand that trembles thro' this very line  
Lay hid, aye gone, in the hand of some forefather Celt,  
With a sword in its grasp—If stronger not truer than mine—  
And I feel, with my pen, what the old hero's sword-hand felt—

The heat of the hate that flashed into flames against wrong—  
The thrill of the hope that rushed, like a storm on the foe;  
And the steen of that sword is hid in the sheath of the song  
As sure as I feel thro' my veins the pure Celtic blood flow.

The ties of our blood have been strained o'er thousands of years,  
And still are not severed, how mighty soever the strain;  
The chalice of time o'erflows with the streams of our tears,  
Yet just as the shamrocks, to bloom, need the clouds and their rain,

The Faith of our fathers, our hopes and the love of our isle  
Need the rain of our hearts that falls from our grief-clouded eyes  
To keep them in bloom, while for ages we wait for the smile  
Of Freedom that some day—ah, some day! shall light Erin's skies.

Our dead are not dead who have gone, long ago, to their rest;  
They are living in us whose glorious race will not die—  
Their brave buried hearts are still beating on in each breast  
Of the child of each Celt in each clime 'neath the infinite sky.

Many days yet to come may be dark as the days that are past,  
Many voices may hush,—while the great years sweep patiently by.  
But the voice of our race shall live sounding down to the last,  
And our blood is the bard of the song that never shall die.

### FROM NAPANEÉ.

We learn that it is the intention of the R. C. Congregation to testify their esteem for the Rev. Father McDonagh and their high appreciation of his devoted life and faithful service by surprising him on New Year's eve with a present of a new cutter and a handsome set of robes. We have seen the cutter and it is elegant—one of the finest that our manufacturers turn out, while the robes are as good as money will buy. No one could be more deserving of such an expensive gift of good will, and it fully expresses the general confidence in which the Rev. gentleman is held by those with whom he is most closely associated. The people of all denominations will freely echo the good wishes which accompany the gift. The presentation will be a surprise but we know it will be appreciated. Mrs. J. P. Hanley and Miss Walsh act for the ladies of the congregation in tendering the gift. May the receiver live long to enjoy it.

### Mrs. Bancroft a Convert.

From the London World.  
The "reception" of Mrs. Bancroft into the Roman Catholic communion took place on Saturday afternoon, in the presence of her husband and sisters and a small company of about a dozen persons, mostly intimate friends. Mrs. Bancroft arrived at the church (that of St. Peter and St. Edward, in Palace street, Buckingham Gate) at about 7.45, and took her seat with two "sisters," whom she fervently embraced. The function was conducted by Father Forster, partly at the church door and partly before the altar steps, which were covered, for the first time, with an extremely handsome carpet, the gift of Mrs. Bancroft. The place and the hour had been religiously (and most properly) kept secret, and the ceremony was, therefore, as is usual on these occasions, a private one. Mrs. Bancroft wore an every-day black satin and crimson velvet gown, and a fur lined cloak and no bonnet. It may be permitted to a very old friend to express the hope that this solemn step on the part of one of the most popular ladies in England may be followed by all the satisfaction and happiness which she can herself expect from it.

The Catholic population of the arch-diocese of New York is 600,000.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO.

### PASTORAL LETTER

His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto, publishing the encyclical letter of His Holiness, Pope Leo XIII. on the rights and duties of the Catholic Church and also of the secular power.

JOHN JOSEPH LYNCH, by the Grace of God, and appointment of the Holy See, Archbishop of Toronto, Assistant at the Pontifical Throne, etc., etc.

To the Venerable Clergy, Religious Communities, and Beloved Laity, of our Diocese, Health and Benediction in our Lord.

Our Holy Father Pope Leo XIII. in the discharge of his divinely instituted apostolic duty, continues to instruct the whole world on matters most important to their eternal and temporal welfare. The Holy See is the beacon light to point out to the weary pilgrims of earth the harbor of salvation, as well as the rocks and shoals of shipwreck and ruin. The words "Go teach all nations and son of thy brethren" are particularly addressed to St. Peter and his successors the vicars of Christ. Our Holy Father's last encyclical letter "Immortal Dei," which we now publish instructs all men on the rights and duties of the Church of Christ, and also on those of the secular power. Both have their origin from the Supreme Being and Master of the universe, God having confided the government of the earth to these two powers. The Church which represents the kingdom of Christ on earth, proven from the words "He that hears you hears me," is appointed to instruct the followers of Christ on earth in all things relating to their spiritual and eternal welfare. The state or secular power is constituted by Almighty God for the good government and peace of the people confided to its care, that they may enjoy rational liberty and a protection of their persons and property from the state. Hence the office of the state is earthly, the mission of the Church of Christ is heavenly, having for its object the eternal welfare of immortal souls made to the image and likeness of God and redeemed by the blood of His Son Jesus Christ. Both, however, derive their authority from God; not take the like of anyone, no matter how great his crime may have been, except it had the power of life and death given to it by Almighty God himself, who holds both in his hands. Such authority could not emanate from the people. The people are not therefore the source of power as has often been erroneously asserted. Yet they are the instrument of administration of a government, and when thus elected he becomes the depository of supreme earthly power and should exercise it with justice and mercy according to the constitution of the country. Hence we must obey in all things that are just and right, the secular power, for this is the will of God, "Render unto Cæsar, and to God the things that belong to God." If, however, the secular power should exceed its faculties and command anything against the natural or divine law, then obedience is not a duty, but on the contrary would be sinful, for an unjust law is no law, but as St. Thomas says is simply a "perversion of law."

The apostles when commanded not to preach Christ answered, "We must obey God rather than man." Hence the multitude of martyrs in the Church of Christ even up to the present day. Witness the thousands of martyred people, priests and nuns, in the Anamittia Kingdom. Witness also the hundreds of Catholics who suffered death, and the tens of thousands who suffered the confiscation of their property in the British Empire rather than defile their conscience by obeying the laws of Henry VIII., commanding them to take an oath declaring him to be the supreme head of the Church in both spiritual and temporal. Christ did not appoint kings or emperors to be heads of his Church. "The Church," as our Holy Father says, "is a perfect society in itself, having all the faculties necessary for the good government of its members in spiritual things. With respect to its doctrine, teaching, administration of the sacraments and in all its other spiritual functions she is independent of secular power. Christ has made her so. The apostles did not ask permission from the Cæsars to preach the gospel or administer sacraments, nor did the numerous Bishops of Germany yield to the wicked "May Laws" which presumed to usurp ecclesiastical authority. The state authorities too frequently exact from the Church the tribute of servitude as a price of its protection. The Church was constituted free by Christ Himself, but alas the stronger in worldly resources oppressed the weaker. The only arms which the Church uses are purely spiritual, viz: excommunication and interdict. Most frequently she bears in silence her wrongs and persecutions, expecting better times. The secular clergyman as well as the religious have been robbed of their property and banished from their country, for no other crime than their perfect obedience to the precepts and councils of our Divine Lord. These holy men obeyed the injunctions of Christ, who said to His disciples, "When you are persecuted in one city fly to another." These noble confessors of the faith preached the Gospel in foreign countries, and have reaped and are still reaping a most fruitful harvest of souls, so that the vineyard of our Lord has always been and is still cultivated by zealous and efficient husbandmen, and thus the number of the elect will be always filled. Churchmen are subject to the just laws of the country in which they reside, for when they are just they do not interfere with the spiritual functions of the clergy, otherwise than protecting their rights and favoring the spread of the Gospel of our Divine Redeemer. A difficulty sometimes will

arise concerning mixed questions of spiritual and temporal, such as marriage and the education of children. The peace and well being of the state require laws respecting marriage, dowries, contracts, and succession to property, etc. But it cannot touch the essence of the marriage contract, which among Christians is a sacrament instituted by Christ. Much less can the state break the marriage bond, for Christ has said, "Those whom God has joined let no man put asunder." The state as well as the Church for very grave reasons permits temporary separation of man and wife, and the state may regulate questions respecting their worldly goods, but as we have said, it can not unloose the marriage tie. Secular authorities have arranged Concordats with the Holy See, relative to those mixed questions, wherein the Church occasionally yields to the state in certain matters by which many inconveniences are avoided. Secular powers are bound in conscience and in honor to keep faith with the Church. Alas! some Concordats were shamefully broken, as if no faith were to be kept with the Church of Christ, and as a consequence of such dishonest and dishonorable actions, the people and religion suffered greatly. But where the Church and the state mutually agree, there the greatest good of the people arise. Respecting children, the state cannot claim the exclusive right of educating them. Children belong primarily to God, who gave them being and life. Next, to their parents, who brought them into the world, and only in a certain sense to the state whose subjects they are in matters relating to temporal affairs. To parents belong the care, support and bringing up of their offspring, but if the parents are unable to give them an education proper for their state, so as to fit them to become good members of society, then the state may and should assist the parents in the education of their children. State education without any religion has proven a failure both morally and socially. It has failed gloriously in the United States, even according to their own best authorities. A people who were once Christian but who have apostatized from the faith of Christ and the teaching of his Divinely appointed Church, are in a worse condition than the pagans. They retrograde into the lowest forms of paganism without any redeeming trait of honor or honesty.

In the 16th century the secular power usurped in many places of Europe, the spiritual authority, and hence, the government of the Church and the preaching of the true Gospel were sacrilegiously impeded. A host of errors, hurtful both to religion, and the well being and peace of the state, devastated the land. The modern Gospel has poorly benefited the people, for notwithstanding an open bible, the number of paupers in one of the richest countries of the world, viz: England, is astounding, and no wonder their drunkenness is on the increase, for since that deplorable defection from the Church of Christ, civil society has gone from bad to worse, wars, contentions, standing armies, enormous taxation, are bratishing and impoverishing the people. Rich landlords have oppressed the poor by unjust and exorbitant rents. Men of huge capital often pay their employees wages not sufficient to provide themselves and families with nourishing food, proper clothing, and their children with a fair education. Hence the deep dissatisfaction exhibited from time to time in strikes and riots, which have not always served either the employees or their masters. Then again among large corporations themselves, there are rivalries injurious to trade and profitable commerce. The root of all this evil is avarice and a desire to become rich too quickly, even though the poor should unjustly suffer. Any day a civil war may be the result of this state of things. The preventive remedy for this not distant evil, is to let justice and mercy prevail. The rich have not starvation staring them in the face, but the poor have it almost continually. Let each treat the other as he would wish to be treated himself. The observance of this golden rule would bring peace and contentment to rich and poor. There must be inequalities in society, some poor, some rich, some more talented and thrifty than others. All, however, are children of God desiring to be happy, and their allotted time on this earth, to be transported to Heaven, there to enjoy its delights for all eternity. Among the powerful weapons used against the Church, calumny may be ranked as the most injurious and hurtful, and let calumny be repudiated a hundred times over it will be still repeated. We, however, thank God that many people are becoming better instructed, so as not to believe absurdities uttered by opposite parties. One of these calumnies is, that the Church does not favour progress. She does not when progress means retrocession into naturalism, which is pure Paganism. But the Church favours progress in all science which never contradicts the Author of all science and works of nature. Science properly understood has found no divergence between itself and the laws of nature and nature's God, for every divergence founded on facts, or legitimate inferences from such facts only corroborates the history of the creation as narrated by Moses. The Church does not disapprove of the efforts of scientists to search into the laws by which God governs by secondary agents, the universe. The more we know of God, His ways and workings, the more we are inclined to love and adore Him. In fact the true philosopher is a true worshipper of God. If all followed the teachings of the natural law and law of the Gospel, promulgated by Christ through His Church, then indeed society would be purified and blessed, and the people comparatively happy. But on the contrary the so-called new law of liberty, but properly named unbridled license, threatens

society to an alarming extent, when every one claims the right to think, to speak, to act as he pleases, whether the general good of society suffer from it or not; and from it, indeed, society is sick unto death. Obedience to God and to the just laws the state cannot be set aside by individual foolishness, or the machinations of unprincipled demagogues.

Our Holy Father justly complains of the robbery and spoliation by the state, by pious and generous Christians for religious and charitable purposes. The framers and supporters of these unjust and sacrilegious laws of confiscation must answer individually for their evil votes and deeds at the dread tribunal of God, and the excuse of having been a member of government will not weigh in the scales of Divine justice. Our Holy Father in his letter exhorts Catholics to attend to the well being of the state and municipality in which they live, that their actions may be for the greater good of the citizens. The Church recognizes various forms of government, the Imperial, the Regal, the mixed Constitutional, and the Republican. She has lived and prospered under all and was persecuted in turn by all, but Christ, her Lord guides her in the steady course of her Divine mission. She saw the rise and fall of states and empires that wronged her and will still live to end of time, notwithstanding the machinations of her enemies. The Church as the spiritual guardian of civil societies condemns all secret organizations, plots and seditions against legitimate governments. She does not, however, condemn the rising of a whole people against an illegitimate power of tyrants, which unjustly works for the ruin of the people in general, showing clearly that the charge of her favoring oppression and tyranny is utterly false. But a rising must be accompanied by certain conditions which the bounds of this letter forbids me to mention. We recommend this excellent and instructive letter of His Holiness to the study of our governors and public men. It is full of truth and wisdom. We also earnestly exhort our people to govern themselves by the wise laws and holy precepts laid down for our guidance by the Holy See, the teacher of truth.

Whilst writing the above another encyclical letter has arrived from our Holy Father, dated the 22nd day of December last and commencing with the words "Quod Auctoritate Apostolica," in which His Holiness proclaims a general Jubilee for the present year. This is another of the great favors bestowed upon us by Heaven for our sanctification and the general good of Church and society. Persons, by complying with the conditions of the Jubilee will gain for themselves the greatest graces and blessings, and the Church and society, by their united prayers, will reap immeasurable spiritual fruits. From the wonderful success and blessings which followed the two former Jubilees, extraordinary graces may be confidently expected from this. For our Lord Himself has said, "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." Yet, with a more fruitful presence, will be in the midst of the Church when she prays. We, therefore, most earnestly exhort the faithful of our diocese to take advantage of the grace held out to them by our Holy Father for the coming years. The conditions for gaining the Jubilee are nearly the same as those of former years, viz:

1st. An humble and contrite confession of sins, with a worthy reception of the Holy Eucharist.  
2ndly. To make six visits to the nearest parish Church, with a short space of time between each visit. In Toronto two visits, to three of the churches, one of which is to be the Cathedral. During the visits you are to pray for the Pope's intention which is the extirpation of heresy and error, the conversion of all sinners and the peace and liberty of the Church.  
3rdly. To fast two days, these days not to be the ones already prescribed by the Church as fasting days, the fast to be that which is called the black fast, that is, neither to use meat, butter, eggs, milk nor cheese. Only one full meal is allowed with a collation.

Fourthly, aims are to be given according to ability with the advice of the confessor, the aims to be sent to the Curator of our diocese to be distributed by us according to the greatest need. The indulgences gained by the faithful observance of the conditions prescribed may be applied to the souls in Purgatory. Those who from grave reasons, are unable to perform the Jubilee during this year may with permission of their confessor perform it at such a time as he may deem fit to assign. Children incapable of making their first communion, may gain the indulgences of the Jubilee by complying with the other conditions prescribed. We also take this occasion to announce that the regulations of Lent for this year will be the same as those of last year.

Given at St. Michael's Palace, this 14th day of Jan., 1886.  
JOHN JOSEPH LYNCH, Archbishop,  
Toronto.

### A Priest at Seventy-two.

From the London Register.  
The ranks of the priesthood are to receive a venerable recruit in the person of Lord Charles Thynne, youngest son of the second, and uncle of the present, Marquis of Bath. Lord Charles was born in the year 1813. Educated at Harrow and Christ Church, he entered the service of the Anglican Church, and was Rector of Kingston Deverill, Vicar of Longbridge, and a Canon of Canterbury Cathedral, when, in 1852, he resigned his preferments preparatory to being received into the Catholic Church. Lord Charles married nearly half a century ago Miss Bagot, a daughter of the Bishop of Bath and Wells, but he has been widower for some years. Lord Charles resided for a

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long time in Redcliff Gardens, but was lately lived at his place near Wokingham. After he is ordained, the new priest will probably join Canon Brownlow at St. Mary's Church, Torquay. Though very unusual, the case of Lord Charles is by no means unique. Persons whose memories carry them back for some forty years will remember that Sir Harry Trevelyan, after being received into the Church, was admitted to Orders in Rome when well stricken in years. The question of Anglican Orders had not been so fully sifted then as it has since been, and one of the several remarkable points about the ordination of the Cornish Baronet, who had also been a minister of the Church of England, was that Sir Harry sought permission from a Cardinal, who was also a great Canon lawyer, to make a mental reservation to the effect that he was receiving Orders if he had not received them already. But whether Lord Charles Thynne, at the age of seventy-two, has or has not the distinction of being the most venerable candidate for Orders within living memory, his elevation to the priesthood is an event on which we congratulate him very heartily. It is reported that Lord William Nevill, who some months ago was received into the Catholic Church in Melbourne, and who has returned to England, contemplates entering the priesthood.

### Correspondence of the Catholic Record.

#### DIocese of Hamilton.

On Sunday last in the city churches of Hamilton, as well as in the various churches throughout the diocese, an authentic English translation of the Encyclical Letter of our Holy Father on "The Christian constitution of States," was read by order of the Bishop. Accompanying the Encyclical was the subjoined circular addressed by His Lordship to the diocesan clergy.

VERY REV. AND REV. BRETHREN.—We have recently received from Rome, a most important document in the form of an Encyclical letter of our Holy Father Leo XIII. on the "Christian Constitution of States." We herewith send you an authentic English Translation which you will read and explain to your people, that all may know the principles inculcated by the Holy Father, as universal teacher, and that having his teaching before our minds, we may form a right conscience in the discharge of our duties to the State and its rulers, as well as to each other in our civil estate.

From time to time social questions arise and agitate the public mind in every country. We must be prepared for any emergency of this kind, so as to act as becomes true Christians and Catholics. Now, we shall find clear and full instructions laid down in this Encyclical letter on the principles which should guide us as Catholics, in discussing such questions. These principles are sometimes ignored, and hence it is more incumbent in us to teach them to our people, as necessity arises, and occasion presents itself. We should warn our flock against all revolutionary principles, which unfortunately are now common in other countries; let us warn them against those Secret Societies, which the enemy of God and man has spread far and wide in these our days, and which were so forcibly condemned by the Holy Father in his Encyclical of last year, and which the Catholic Church has never ceased to condemn. Let us remind our people of their duty to obey the constituted authorities, for there is no power, but from God; and he that resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God; and they that resist, purchase for themselves damnation." Rom. XIII. 29.

You will please read the Encyclical on the first Sunday after receipt of it.

"And may the God of peace be with you all." Rom. XV.

I am Very Rev. and Rev. Brethren,  
Yours faithfully, A. S.  
E. CARRE, Secretary,  
Bishop of Hamilton.

Episcopal Residence, Hamilton, January 14th, 1886.

### Clerical Conferences and Appointments.

The Rev. Clergy have been officially notified that two theological conferences will be held during the month of February, one in Dundas on the 16th prox., and the other in the northern part of the diocese. His Lordship has been pleased to make the following appointments: Rev. Father Cosgrove to be administrator of St. Patrick's Parish, Hamilton, Rev. Father O'Connell pastor of Galt, Rev. Father Cassin pastor of Mt. Forest and Rev. J. J. Feeney (late assistant of Father Doherty of Arthur) to be pastor of Priceville.

"Highly Recommended" is a production which a tradesman at Vangiarid has invented for the Paris public. It is a "wine for domestic use," which can be used not only for drinking purposes, but for cleaning brass pans and clothing, for making ink, for destroying insects and poisoning rats. The prospectus informs us that this wine is perfectly harmless to those who drink it, and that it "gladdens the heart of man" in a way no other wine does.—*Ta Sack.*



JAN. 23, 1886

The Day of Wrath.

A HYMN OF LABOR.
Swing inward, O gates of the future!
Swing outward ye doors of the past!

ORANGE LOYALTY.

Boston Pilot.
The curious spirit of fanaticism which
impels its victims to place hatred of their
neighbors before love of country, and to

IRISH NATIONAL LEAGUE.

ABLE ADDRESS BY LORD MAYOR O'SULLIVAN.
At a recent meeting of the Irish
National League, Dublin, the Chairman,
Mayor O'Sullivan, delivered the following
remarkable address:

He said they all observed that the re-
port of the secretary was a continuation
of the same pleasant news which they
were able to announce week after week—

only alternative, was to beat the armies
and fleets of England. He could not see
how separation was to be brought about if
the country was accorded a native Parlia-
ment for the control of Irish affairs, as it

A Western Soldier Wants a Wife.
The Rev. John J. Riordan, of Castle
Garden, New York, has been requested
by a soldier in the 10th Cavalry, Fort Douglas,

REASON AND ERROR.

THE HOSTILITY OF THE WORLD TO RELI-
GION.—CARDINAL NEWMAN'S VIEWS.—
HOW UNREASONABLY HE HAS BEEN WRONGED
BY HIS CRITICS.
These comments have been taken from a
recent issue of the London Tablet:

His Eminence was very jealous of the
British Association at its commencement,
because its members began with a profes-
sion of their interest in keeping to their
own range of subjects. He argued that

spite of Scripture, men's minds shrink
from the notion of such suffering at-
tached to the life of the soul. And, again,
what do we know of the obstacles to a reconcil-
iation between God and man? The punish-
ment may be self-inflicted, and due to
such a proud defiance and even loathing
of God, that to change a man in such a
case would be to change his identity. Again

During one of Col. Tom Scott's visits
to St. Louis, he was hailed on the street
by a little bootblack with, "Boss, have
your boots shined?"

HALF ORPHANS.

N. Y. Freeman's Journal.
It is a common complaint of parents
that children will not stay at home in the
evenings. Fathers grumble because boys
disappear into outer darkness as soon as
the evening meal is over, and mothers
sigh, but see no remedy.

Headache.
If you suffer from Headache you may
be sure that your Stomach, Liver or
Blood is at fault, and perhaps all three are
concerned in bad action. If so, the best
remedy is Burdock Blood Bitters, which
cures Headache by regulating the organic
action generally.

It is hardly possible that a boy who is
thoroughly in sympathy with his father
should ever get into mischief. A mother
never quite understands her son. She
may know his weaknesses well, and con-
structs for him a hundred imaginary
virtues by way of indemnity; but it takes
a father to grasp a boy's character, to
develop his mind, and to prepare him
for temptations of which woman can
have little idea.

Nothing is too good for family enjoy-
ment. Every appliance possible for
making home comfortable ought to be
secured, and home made, so far as pos-
sible, a place of delight. The housewife
who closes her boys out of the room
where the treasures of the family are
kept makes a mistake. It is better that
sons should wear out their mother's car-
pet than their hearts. Let her be sure
she should find some disorder in her house
after an evening spent by her boys at
home than that they should contract
mortal disorders of the soul.

It is hard work, sometimes, to keep
up household at home after a day of
trouble and toil; but when the task is
divided among all the members—
"Be careful that I don't forget the day
I sold my tent, like the Arabs,
And silently steal away."

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- CALENDAR FOR JANUARY. 1 Circumcision of our Lord. Holiday of Obligation.



ENCYCLICAL LETTER OF OUR MOST HOLY LORD, LEO XIII., BY DIVINE PROVIDENCE POPE, IN WHICH AN EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE IS PROCLAIMED.

TO OUR VENERABLE BROTHERS THE PATRIARCHS, PRIMATE, ARCHBISHOPS, BISHOPS, AND OTHER LOCAL ORDINARIES, IN THE GRACE AND COMMUNION OF THE APOSTOLIC SEE.

LEO PP. XIII.

Venerable Brethren, Health and Apostolic Benediction.

That which we, by the Apostolic authority, have more than once decreed, that an extraordinary year of Jubilee should be kept throughout the whole Christian world, and the treasures of heavenly gifts, the dispensation of which is in our power, should be thrown open to the faithful—that with the favor of God we have determined to decree for the ensuing year.

afford any hope of relief. With this purpose, and in this hope, we proclaim a sacred Jubilee to all those who have their salvation at heart, and need to be reminded and exhorted to raise their thoughts, now busied with worldly matters, to the contemplation of heavenly things.

But you will observe, Venerable Brethren, that success will largely depend upon your industry and zeal, and it will be needful to prepare the people properly and carefully if they are to reap the fruits which are to be placed before them.

Those who reside outside Rome, in whatever part of the world they may live, must pay two visits to the Lateran, the Vatican, and the Libreria Basilica, and pray there for some time to God according to our intentions.

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iteration which they should ever keep in mind that the only begotten Son of God, even at the approach of His last moments, asked nothing more urgently of His Father than the mutual love of those who believed, or should believe, in Him.

Relying, therefore, on the mercy of the omnipotent God, and the authority of the blessed Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, and making use of that power of binding and loosing which our Lord has given to us, though unworthy of it, we grant under the form of a General Jubilee a plenary indulgence to all the faithful of both sexes upon this condition and subject to the obligation that during the coming year, 1886, they perform the things mentioned below.

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AFTER EIGHTEEN YEARS.

Sunday last was the 18th anniversary of the day on which Bishop Walsh took possession of St. Peter's Church in this city, the Dominican Fathers, who had ministered here for several years previously, having the week before vacated the premises, and taken their departure for the States.

Now, thanks to the blessings and the mercies of God, and to their united labours and sacrifices, a different state of things prevails. The Sacred Heart academy is in a most flourishing condition.

God forbid that we should refer to these things in a vain and boasting spirit. We know very well that men's labours in the domain of religion would be barren and fruitless unless blessed and made fruitful by God.

THE LOYALST ORANGEMEN. We are informed by cable that a great meeting of so-called "Loyalists" was held at Belfast on the 18th.

THE ENGLISH PRESS. Archbishop Walsh has denounced the English press for slandering the Irish people, in accusing them of being addicted to crime.

The celebrated French Dominican preacher, Father Didon, is at present engaged in the preparation of a work likely to make a great sensation, namely, "Refutation" of M. Renan's so-called "Life of Jesus."

A GRATEFUL CONVERT.

A convert to the Catholic Church, residing in Burlington, Vermont, has recently presented a very handsome altar and a costly stained-glass window to the church that is attached to the convent belonging to the Ladies of the Sacred Heart, in Boston, Mass., as a token of gratitude to Almighty God for the priceless gift of Faith.

long as his happy hunting grounds are left undisturbed, gives no trouble. Ireland has been, and is now the happy hunting ground of the Williamites. A change must come, and they are about to don their war paint and sharpen their scalping knives.

DEATH OF THE REV. R. BEAUSANG.

We deeply regret this week to be called upon to chronicle the death of the Rev. R. Beausang, a priest of the diocese of London; which occurred at the residence of Rev. Joseph Bayard, Sarnia, on Thursday, 14th instant.

Mr. Thos. O'Hagan, M. A., recently delivered an address on elocution before the Brockville Business College. During the course of the address he gave selections from some of the most popular authors. The entertainment is spoken of in very laudatory terms by the local press.

New branches will be organized this month in the Cathedral parish, Rochester, and at Middleport.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. John F. O'Connor, Ottawa. With the decline of the old year and its last sunset, went out from the life of Mr. J. F. O'Connor, of Ottawa, all the sunshine and happiness that rendered his hearth cheerful, and his home happy, and the darkness of death laid its gloomy and sorrowful settlement upon the place.

The funeral, which was largely attended, took place on Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock, from her late residence, Duane street, to St. Joseph's Church, where a solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father O'Connor, of Perth, warden and sub-deacon. The church was draped in mourning, and a full choir was in attendance.

Miss Nellie Ryan. On Monday, the 11th instant, at the demise of her mother, Glengarry Ave. Windsor, Miss Nellie Ryan died of illness of short duration at the early age of twenty-one years.

STATEMENTS have been extensively telegraphed to the effect that there is now good reason to believe that the Nationalists will support Mr. Gladstone through thick and thin. The Nationalist members have resolved on making a field day in Parliament on the starvation question the first opportunity that can be found.

In the English House of Commons, Bradlaugh, the infidel, has been permitted to take the oath. Speaker Peel said he was unable to recognize anything done by a previous Parliament in regard to this case and he was powerless to prevent him from taking the oath.

AND NOW we have that unclean thing called Socialism invading Ireland. In Dublin even the Odd Fellows would not allow their hall to be used for a meeting of the society, and they were forced to retire to an obscure house on Wellington quay.

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NEWS FROM IRELAND.

Dublin.

What is up? is a question that is being asked in Dublin, in view of the numerous appointments of paid magistrates that have been going on for several weeks past.

The so-called "loyal minority" are making extraordinary efforts to account for the overwhelming defeat they sustained at the polls.

The tenants on the estate of Lord Clifden, in the county of Kerry, having memorialized for a reduction of rents, to help them to meet the pressure of the times, met the agent, on Dec. 18th, when he informed them that he was instructed to allow them 15 per cent. reduction on their half year's rent.

The tenants on the property of the late S. G. Ireland, Robertstown, county Kildare, met the agent, and in pursuance of an agreement, previously come to by them, asked for reduction of 40 per cent.

The agent of Mr. Mills, of Dublin, met his Ballynanna, county Carlow, tenants at Tynan's Hotel, and gave them a reduction of 30 per cent. on the rents paid.

Queen's County. Mr. Thomas S. Trench recently met the tenants of Mr. Fitzgeorge Colley, at Deane's Hotel, Edenderry, to receive rent.

Westmeath. It is a very remarkable thing that the late elections in the county Westmeath passed off without a single case of drunkenness being reported during the whole time by the police.

Louth. The Rev. Dominic Mangan, of the Remedistort Order, second eldest son of Alderman John Mangan Drogheda, has gone on the Australian Mission.

On the estate of Sir Ivan S. Robinson, Bart., of Rokeby Hall, Dunliver, the tenants, without a single exception, have paid the rents.

Cork. The worth of the gods must have fallen on the Cork Steam Packet Company; for surely they have lost their reason.

Fermanagh. The Rev. Cormac Smullen, C.C., died on Dec. 24, at the residence of Very Rev. Archdeacon Smullen, P.P., Eniskillen, brother of the deceased.

Monaghan. Mr. Dacre Hamilton, of Cananacross, county Monaghan, when applied to for a reduction, simply slammed the door in the faces of his tenants.

Kerry. A special meeting of the tenantry on the Kenmare estate was recently held at the League rooms to avert their rights,

and protest against the arbitrary action of Lord Kenmare, in making an unmerciful sweep on the tenantry of this locality by serving with writs and civil bill processes the greater number of them.

The Rev. Thomas Sullivan, P.P., Annascaul, Tralee, calls public attention to some recent proceedings of Mr. S. M. Hussey. Finding that his tenants were unable to pay their present rents, Mr. Hussey conceived the brilliant idea of forcing them under threat of eviction to sell of the benefits of the Land Purchase Act by purchasing at a price which they could not possibly hope to pay.

On Dec. 21st, Woodford was the scene of an extraordinary armed demonstration. One hundred and fifty constables went to protect a man named Finlay, whilst engaged in serving processes on the mountain property of Sir Henry Burke, Bart.

One of the largest orders ever obtained by the Limerick Army Clothing Factory from the Government for military clothing has been just received by the proprietors of the company.

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Many ingenious specifics for the cure of catarrh have been invented, but without success, until a physician of long standing discovered the exact nature of the disease and the only appliance which will permanently destroy the parasite, no matter how aggravated the case.

Like a thief at night it steals in upon us unawares. Many persons have pains about the chest and sides, and sometimes in the back. They feel dull and sleepy; the mouth has a bad taste, especially in the morning. A sort of sticky alime collects about the teeth. The appetite is poor. There is a feeling like a heavy load on the stomach; sometimes a faint all-gone sensation at the pit of the stomach which food does not satisfy.

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The Way of the World

Laugh, and the world laughs with you; Weep, and you weep with them. For the heavy old earth mirth is but a thin disguise.

Rejoice, and men will seek you; Grieve, and they turn and go. They will not come to you unless you go to them; But do not you let them know you have done so.

Be glad, and your friends are glad; To be sad, your friends are sad; And those who are neither glad nor sad, will give you the reason why.

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BY BELLA WHEELER. Laugh, and the world laughs with you...

Words of Wisdom.

The more you say, the less people remember. Simplicity of character is the natural result of profound thoughts.

For a gold currency the people are being encouraged to sacrifice their goods, their liberties, their children and themselves.

Who is wise? He that learns from every one. Who is powerful? He that governs his passions.

Those that would be safe have need to be suspicious of the temper. The garrison that sounds a parley is not far from being surrendered.

He who expresses in his conduct justice and charity accomplishes the most beautiful works; the good man is, in his way, the greatest of all artists.

Public opinion is a weak tyrant compared with our own private opinion; what a man thinks of himself, that it is which determines, or rather indicates, his fate.

It does us good to admire what is good and beautiful; but it does us infinitely more good to love it. We grow like what we admire, but we become one with what we love.

The foundation of good labor in any sphere is a good man, and all that is done to give breadth, depth and fullness to him will react in ultimate improvement upon his work.

Knowledge must be made vital in the heart before it can blossom into feeling, and the continual passing of right feeling into right action alone can form a worthy character.

Men who complain most loudly about the inequalities of the human lot are generally a little blind to those great stores of wealth and blessings that no class can monopolize, and no wealth can buy.

The man who will not execute his resolutions when they are fresh upon him can have no hope from them afterwards; they will be dissipated, lost, and perish in the hurry of the world, or in the slough of indifference.

Leaves are light, and useless, and idle, and wavering, and changeable, and even dance; yet God has made them part of the oak; in so doing He has given us a lesson not to deny the stout heartiness within because we see the lightness without.

Warm Hearts and Ragged Jackets. Warm hearts are sometimes found under ragged jackets, as is shown by the following incident:

A kit is a box of tools or whatever outfit is needed in a particular branch of business.

It surprised the shiners and newboys around the post-office the other day to see "Little Tim" coming among them in a quiet way, and hear him say: "Boys, I want to sell my kit. Here's two brushes, a hull box of blacking, a good stout box, and the out-fitting goes for two shillings."

"Not 'zactly, boys, but I want a quarter the awfulest kind just now."

"Not to-day, but I must have a quarter," he answered.

tributed by the crowd of ragged but big-hearted boys. Did God ever make a heart which would not respond if the right chord was touched.

Poor Relations.

"It is a melancholy truth," says Dickens, "that even great men have their poor relations;" but it seems to us that it is more sad to reflect that small men are provided with the same abominations.

It is perfectly astonishing how little some people give to help forward the cause of Christianity. It is the very poor that we find sometimes, like the widow of old, casting in all the living they have.

Public speakers and singers are often distressed with hoarseness, and much danger is lurking in the bronchial pipes. Hagyard's Pectoral Balm is a prompt remedy for the irritation, and cures all throat and lung difficulties.

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NEW BRANCH IN MONTREAL. From Montreal we learn that there was a very largely attended meeting held on the 15th in St. Ann's hall, for the purpose of forming a branch of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association for St. Ann's parish. Mr. J. D. Quinn occupied the chair, and Mr. T. P. Tansey acted as secretary. Grand Deputy Organizer T. J. Finn addressed the meeting, giving a full explanation of the benefits to be derived by the members of the association. Messrs. T. W. Nicholson, president of Branch No. 26, Chancellor O'Brien, P. O'Rielly, and T. P. Tansey also addressed the meeting, after which several persons gave in their names to become members of the new branch. After a vote of thanks to the chairman and the members of Branch No. 26, who were in attendance, the meeting adjourned till Friday the 22nd inst.

Stratford, Jan. 13th, 1886. Received from D. J. O'Connor, Recording Secretary, Stratford, Branch 15, C. M. B. A., draft for two thousand dollars, being the full amount due me by the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association for my son the late Thomas Fleming.

JANE FLEMING. Witnesses—T. F. Ryan, D. J. Kenny.

Bro. John Gibson one of the charter members of Branch 16, Prescott, and at present Financial Secretary of Branch 38, Cornwall, is about returning to Prescott, where he becomes proprietor of a large store. Mr. Gibson has been a very energetic worker in the C. M. B. A. cause, and was instrumental in organizing Branches 16, 33 and 38. The latter Branch is increasing in membership very rapidly and bids fair to become the largest in Ontario, owing no doubt to the great interest taken in its working by its president, Rev. Father Murray. Mr. Gibson has also taken great interest in separate school affairs, having held the office of school trustee for six years in Prescott, and was re-elected at the last election. We wish Bro. Gibson every success in his new undertaking, but hope he will not discontinue giving a helping hand in furthering the good work of our C. M. B. A.

PRESENTATION. Branch 19, C. M. B. A., Ingersoll, Jan. 12, 1886. To Mr. JOSEPH LONG, REC. SEC.—Your friends in this branch embrace the pleasing opportunity of the occasion of your marriage to-day to present you with this easy chair as a small token of their esteem and respect, not only as a very useful officer of the branch, but as a kind and obliging friend. Wishing you and yours every happiness, we are, in behalf of this branch, Very Truly, J. S. SMITH, President. D. H. HENDERSON, Financial Secretary. C. B. RYAN, Asst. Recording Secretary.

Correspondence of the Record.

FROM DUNDAS.

The new additions to the House of Providence are nearly completed. They comprise a chapel 32x44 feet. Under the chapel there is a dining and sitting room for the old men. Adjoining the chapel is the vestry, while underneath are the furnace and drying-rooms. The latter is a magnificent arrangement, and consists of clothes-horns on rollers. The clothes are put on and run into a room of very high temperature, where they dry in a short time. The dress to the chapel from the main building is by means of covered pas-

sages. Another part of the main building opens into the chapel by a gallery, where the Sisters can assist at Mass, and is also intended for the use of the choir. The chapel is a perfect gem. It contains three altars, and is furnished with commodious pews. On the whole, the additions are well laid out, and reflect great credit on the architect, Mr. Roberts Clehney, of Hamilton, who, in this and many other buildings of which we will speak at another time, has shown that he understands his business, and promises to be one of the foremost in his profession. The contractor is Mr. Wm. Casey, of Main street, Hamilton, formerly of Dundas. The work is done in that thorough and perfect style that gentlemen's contracts. The chapel is of brick, with stone foundation. On the front, and facing the town, is a beautiful statue of Our Lady.

Correspondence of the Record.

A SUCCESSFUL MISSION IN THE NORWICH CATHOLIC CHURCH.

A grand mission was opened in the Norwich Catholic Church on 3rd instant, and closed on the morning of the 5th. The famous missionary Fathers, Miller and Kautz, of the Redemptorist order of priests, at the kind invitation of Father Brady, came to our humane church, with their great soul-saving message, as soon as possible after the Woodstock mission. These holy missionaries, during their stay, told us in grand and stern language the mission of Holy Mother, Christ's mystical spouse—the Church on earth. They were not only humble preachers, taking part in the magnificent work of our divine Saviour's great army of the Priesthood. If we are allowed to judge from the exterior efforts of the good that is being done, the interior work, we most assuredly ascribe to the message of our Divine Saviour proclaimed by these good Fathers, received a hearty welcome in the hearts of both young and old of this parish.

For the first two days a constant rain fell making the roads almost impassable, did not prevent the mission from being full number to the earnest words of the fathers. From early morn until late at night could be seen faithful souls going to and coming from the church. The holy sacrifice of the Mass was offered up at 6 and 6.30 o'clock by the missionaries, Fathers, and at 8 by Father Brady, at which the people all attended.

At 10 o'clock an instruction for one hour was given by one of the fathers. In the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, a short instruction preceded the recital of the Holy Rosary, and was followed by a magnificent sermon by either of the fathers, which lasted from one hour and a quarter to one hour and three quarters, and no doubt, owing to the forcible manner in which they were delivered their length seemed not to wear. Confessions were heard from 5 o'clock till 12 o'clock, and in the afternoon from 2 o'clock until 7 o'clock. After the first day the people flocked in large numbers to the sacred tribunal of God's mercy. The number of confessions heard during the whole mission was 178. Nearly the entire congregation responded to God's goodness by receiving His precious Body and Blood.

After every instruction articles of devotion were blessed. That the people appreciated the unifying efforts of the missionary Fathers during this mission is evident from the substantial manner in which they manifested it by presenting their pastor with a purse of \$50.00 for the fathers, to assist in the work of education. The missionaries, during their stay, were the guests of Mr. Peter McNally, whose generous heart is best seen by Christ's appointed, who has made his house their stopping place for many a long year. Two converts were baptised and received into the church this week.

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS FOR EARLY MASSES By the Paulist Fathers.

Preached in their Church of St. Paul the Apostle, Fifty-ninth Street and Ninth Avenue, New York. "He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and grace with God and man.—Gospel of the day."

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY. In these few words, my brethren, the sacred writer raises the veil that conceals the mysterious quest of Little hidden life, and gives us an insight into the domestic concerns of the Holy Family at Nazareth. Jesus lived with Mary and Joseph. He was obedient and subject to them, and so He advanced in age and wisdom and grace with God and man. The door of the Holy House is opened to us, not only for a moment, so that we might get a glimpse of the domestic life of a model family. Joseph the father, day by day, works at his trade to support the family. He rises in the morning; gives his soul to God in prayer. He toils through the day. He comes home at night to enjoy his rest in the company of Jesus and Mary. He meets with trials, but he is patient—he is tempted, but he sins not—he leads a busy life, but he still finds time to pray. Mary the mother tends the household duties with care and precision, and by her sweet, kind way, diffuses an air of peace and contentment throughout the home. Jesus the child is obedient and submissive to His parents in all they ask. Here is the model of a true Christian home. Its quietude is the love of God; it is surrounded by an atmosphere of virtue, and to its members it is the holiest and dearest spot on earth. Such should our homes be.

The true Christian home is to society what the sanctuary is to the Church of God. The parents are the priests in the sanctuary. It was God who ordained them priests when they stood before the altar with clasped hands and promised that they would be faithful to each other while life lasts. The Blessed Sacrament of this sanctuary is the Sacrament of Matrimony. It is the great treasure-house of supernatural strength to the married couple. The perpetual presence of our Lord in this sanctuary is by His grace, which is never wanting. The altar in this sanctuary is the hearthstone around which the family gathers. The Communion rail in this sanctuary is

the family table from which are dispensed the necessities of life.

There is about the sanctuary in the Church of God an atmosphere of piety and reverence. It has a sanctity that no stranger dare violate—it has a privacy which no one but he who has a right dare invade. So there should be about the sanctuary of home. A priest would never allow a heretic or an infidel to sit in the sanctuary of God. He would never allow a corrupt man to stand on the altar of God. Take care, then, Christian parents, how you violate the sanctity of your homes. Take care what heretical or infidel books you allow to pass the gate of that sanctuary. Let the sanctity of your newspapers you allow within its sacred precincts. Take care of the persons whom you allow to stand around your family altar. It is one thing, you know, to be obliged to meet a man in everyday life; it is a far different thing to invite him to your home and permit him to violate its sanctity.

It is the duty of a priest on the altar of God, by his good example, to edify his flock; to stand at all times before his people a bright shining light of Christian virtue. So, too, it is your duty, priests at the family altar, to be a model of all virtues to your children, so that they might learn from you what it is to be a Christian. Would it not be horrible for a man to come in on the altar and utter repeated curses? Would it not be horrible for a man to stagger up to the altar of God in the state of intoxication? It happened once while Mass was going on, during the elevation, while all heads were bowed in humble adoration, a drunken man rushed into the church and in a loud voice uttered a horrible oath. It made the hearts of the good Catholic people stand still, and their blood ran cold in their veins. Is it any the less horrible for a father to come home intoxicated to the household sanctuary, or a mother, when anything goes wrong in the house, to give vent to her wrath in harsh language and sometimes even cursing?

See to it, then, dear parents; make your homes holy places—real sanctuaries where you can do your duty as priests of our All-Holy God. Keep from all evil influences, and let your home be a place where even the Child Jesus would not be ashamed to dwell.

Correspondence of the Catholic Record.

FROM OFFA.

There was a most successful entertainment given in the Roman Catholic School here, consisting of dialogues, recitations, songs, and a variety of vocal and instrumental, on the evening of Dec. 22nd, 1885, and, notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather and roads, was very well attended, the building being comfortably filled.

There was upwards of \$40 realized at the entertainment, which was expended in excellent books as prizes to the children. It was a most pleasing sight to see the large collection of beautifully bound books and the bright intelligent children coming forward to receive them at their parents' tables, and to see them distinguished themselves at during the year. The whole affair reflected great credit and praise on their worthy teacher, from the finished way the whole concert was conducted, no prompting, not a single mistake from any of the children, and the best talent in our cities.

After the distribution of the prizes, there was a pleasing event in the presentation of a beautiful and chaste silver cake basket, and kindly words addressed to the children, and to Miss Conlon, the teacher, who is leaving, read by Miss Louise O'Leary; and to which Miss Conlon made a suitable reply.

As the worthy chairman, T. Coughlin, M. P., remarked, he but echoed the feelings of the whole assembly, when he said, "We thank you, Miss Conlon, for the education and manners of the children of this neighborhood. Our school is in a most flourishing condition and is second to none in the county, and we fancy that we all have these excellent teacher again in Miss Lynch, of Belleville, who comes most highly recommended to us. The following is the programme."

Introduction—Galep (Violin and Organ). Song—I am happy Mother darling. Recitation—A little gift from Ireland. Song—Barney Mr. O'Leary. Miss O'Brien and Mr. Breen. Dialogue—The Tar's Farewell, Frank Mohan. Dialogue—When Women have their Rights, Mrs. S. Busley. Dialogue—Old and New Year in character, Mrs. S. Busley. Recitation—Mary Queen of Scots. Tableaux—Execution, Queen of Scots. Dialogue—Introduction, violin & organ. Song—Take me Home. Dialogue—Iris Schoolmaster. Song—Tuckahoe Ferry. Mr. M. McIntyre. Dialogue—Notes and securities of all kinds. Song—A dear spot in Ireland. Mrs. Mohan. Dialogue—Too Greedy by Half, Frank Mohan. Distribution. Tableaux—Crowning of Moses. With best wishes for self and Record, Offa, January 11th, 1886.

ORANGE TREATON OIRELAND.

The poor, benighted Orangemen of the North of Ireland die hard, but they will have to give in. They kicked up a similar row when the Church established by law was about to be disestablished. What a pitiful spectacle they make of themselves before the eyes of the world, in protesting to rebel if their country gets independence. If there was any further proof needed to show who were to blame for the depth of infamy that brought Ireland to her late impoverished condition and kept her there so long, the display of reason to their country now being made by those unfortunate Orangemen, furnishes it. Let Americans never blame Catholics again, as they are often too apt to, for Ireland's woes. Catholics have ever been ready to grasp hands with their Protestant countrymen, but the landlubber oligarchy always stepped in and waked up the dying embers of religious fanaticism. But it is of no use to the people of Ireland are determined to be free, and demagogues, who for personal ends try to revive religious fanaticism among them will have to stand aside or be trampled under foot by the people in their grand march toward the goal of freedom.

Correspondence of the Catholic Record.

ST. JOHN, N. B.

LECTURE BY REV. WM. DOLLARD ON "THE IRISH RACE."

On January 12th, every available inch of space was occupied in Hamilton's hall by persons desirous to hear Rev. Wm. Dollard discuss "Clan-na-Gael," and long before the hour for the lecture, at least 400 people had to be refused admission. Mr. R. O'Brien presided, and Rev. J. J. Walsh and Rev. F. T. Carney occupied seats on the platform. The *Telegraph* reports the lecturer as follows: Fr. Dollard said that in the history of the church could be found the most perfect organization that the world ever witnessed, but in the records written in old ruins and on battle fields, and in the council chambers, the Clan-na-Gael, the Irish race, were something that was only less perfect. In its history the world witnessed the people of one race and one faith, though scattered far and wide, though as with one mind, felt as though through one heart, sending a life-like surging through one great anatomy. The time was not a quarter of a century ago when a British minister, in an interview concerning the importance and influence of Irish agitators, sarcastically remarked: "Phah! We have 35,000,000 to their 4,000,000!" "But," the response came echoing from Irish exiles all over the globe: "You mistake, kind sir. Please count us in." The chief factors in the construction of a people are the influence of their past, the influence of their religion, and the influence of their patriotism, pure and exalted. Some may say that the past is dead, but it ever lives and is creative of true life, and has a peculiar influence in forming what might be called the nature of a people. Particularly is this true of the Irishman. He had something grand to look upon—the records written on the very face of his native land. In an hour's walk on Irish soil there would be found remains of prehistoric civilization, of Christian glory and devotion. Archaeologists cannot tell of the reasons for the building of the towers that are yet standing in many a valley of Erin; but the builders of these towers walk *pari passu* with the builders of the pyramids of Egypt. The hills and are mirrored in many a land-locked lake or rippling river of the old land speak of its glorious past; and their beauty makes the heart sad, because it is but the beauty of decay. For the long faded glories they cover they are cherished and thought over until through them the past becomes creative of true life and patriotism.

The second great conserving factor of the Clan-na-Gael was their love for their religion. Their is a strong bias towards the supernatural in their disposition. The history of Ireland's connection with the Catholic Church is without blot or stain, and so closely it interwoven with her nationality that it cannot be considered apart from her history. Strong indeed would be the need of praise that would do too great a justice to the champion of Catholic emancipation, Daniel O'Connell. The lecturer here sketched in glowing terms the love of the Irish peasant for his pastor, and continuing said that at no time were the Irish more intimately related with the church than at the present time. The third great factor in a national existence was patriotism. He did not claim that this was an exclusively Irish attribute. He did not dispute with the Englishman who boasted that when slavery touched the soil of Britain the earth never gave a more noble son than the Scotchman, who believed that pure liberty can only be inhaled on Alpine heights, or by the Yankee, who think they "can whip all creation," he had no dispute; but he contended that patriotism was the pivot of all Irishman's affections—in fact, his life almost amounts to infatuation. The Irish mother oft gave evidence of love for country, and when her boys had gone to distant lands in search of fame or fortune, many a time did her eyes turn westward and anxiously look for that phantom of her heart to bear them home to her. If a pride in history that is glorious, in tenacity to faith and religion that is almost supernatural, in an undying patriotism, entitle a people to freedom then is Erin of all other nations pre-eminently worthy of it. Let us trust that God will speed the day when the foremost of her stalwart sons would bend the knee to her in knightly homage as she bows her beautiful head to receive from his hand the crown of a glorious nationhood.

The lecture was one of the best national lectures ever delivered in this city. The lecturer was repeatedly applauded and at the conclusion received quite an ovation.

Correspondence of the Catholic Record.

FROM DRYSDALE.

WEDDING BELLS.

The great bell of the parish church, French settlement, rang forth a merry peal on Thursday morning last, on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Kinmo Pellow, of Grafton, Dakota, to Miss Bridget Shreenan, youngest daughter of Mr. Bernard Shreenan of this place. The bride was attended to by Miss S. Ellen Shreenan and Miss Rachel Shreenan, and the groom by Mr. Arthur Shreenan and Mr. Joseph Merew. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Kealy, at the end of which a solemn High Mass was sung by the same gentleman assisted by an efficient and well-conducted choir. After the ceremony the happy party adjourned to the residence of the brides father, where the festive board was found to be liberally groaning under the weight of the good things, to which the assembled guests did ample justice. After the usual congratulations had been offered to the bride and bridegroom, the happy couple in their far Western home, the guests dispersed, grinning under the weight of the good things, to which the assembled guests did ample justice. After the usual congratulations had been offered to the bride and bridegroom, the happy couple in their far Western home, the guests dispersed, grinning under the weight of the good things, to which the assembled guests did ample justice.

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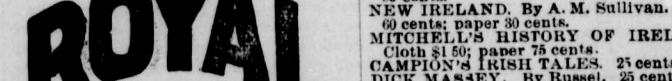
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God the Son, in ransom God the Holy Spirit, who dwells in the Powers of might have we

God Most High and Holy May our souls, through Thy All Thy gifts divine

Holy Mary, Virgin Mother of our Lord, through thee

Queen of sinners, best and All our wounds who sweep

Spite of all that conceal Grace accused, remorse's

Though a tenfold thrice Hell's burning day, Even then Thy love can

Mother, guiding, shielded Rainbow, Mercy's throne Joy of sorrow, star of

Trampler of the serpent Mary, sinners' Queen Tower of Ivory, Golden

Garden where the Queen of sinners, best and All our wounds who sweep

Round Thy feet, with blood-gleaming, and the wings of transparent

Oh, my soul, the jubilation of heaven, the coronation of Queen of all God's bright

Virgins, prophetic, elder Mary, sinners' Queen Tower of Ivory, Golden

Round the radiant infant, Ompire of angels, the steel between the steel

Voices of the shrine of light, Boils of harmonious, Heal these God's supreme

Before the Throne, and Flash back, and God

There the breeze of light, Light-like waves in the New born stars salute

Harp celestial, though Hymin thee, reigning Star-crowned, and

Tower of David, silver Carist all power to the O'er earth, heaven's

The Sinner's Refuge, Vase of singular virtue, Still the passionate will

Seat of Wisdom, Lord, Chase their gloom, Comfortors of mort

Queen of married, Change our woes to granting humble

Show thy Son's ex O'er our sorrow, ch Blessed who the Cro

Right the wrong, but Love than hate shall Dove of Peace, d

Lamb of God, who All our sin's pollut Clasp'd in Mary's