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CATHOLIC DOCTRINE

The Vitality of the Church a Manifestation of God.

The Truth and Harmony of Her Teaching—The Catholic Doctrine to the Genius of Our Government.

From a discourse delivered at the inauguration of the Catholic University at Washington, November 14th, 1889, by Father Fidells, C. P.—James Kent Stone.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory; for Thy mercy and Thy truth's sake, lest the Gentiles should say: Where is their God? [Ps. 113; 9, 10]

My Christian Friends and Fellow-Countrymen.

This is a day for us, not so much of effort in the initiation of a great work, but rather of wonder and thanksgiving, whilst we contemplate the things which the omnipotent God has done for us and among us. It is ours to gaze upon the evolution of God's plan, becoming intelligible before our eyes. It is ours to stand still a moment, to stand like the rescued people of old, and behold what God hath wrought. We have been brought out of the land of bondage.

My friends, the only hope for humanity is that there is somewhere in revelation a manifestation of God in time, a coming in of the Infinite into this world of ours.

You believe in a God, do you not? I speak to those here present who may not be Catholics. Yes, I know you do, though sometimes you may have been tempted to doubt Him. Better an infinite personal spirit, directing all things in spite of apparent contradiction and imperfection, than a blind impersonal force, whirling us onward we know not whither. Materialism is too degrading a doctrine, to be held by men conscious of the dignity of their own spiritual powers; it could find an advocacy only in those baser passions of our nature which would rise up to destroy spirit, and with it truth and right and moral responsibility. Yes, you believe in God: you believe in Him rather than know Him; and this belief has been to you a solace in the midst of much that is dark and perplexing. It has gone before you, like a pillar of fire and cloud—of fire by night and cloud by day—brighter, more distinct, in the darkness of silence and sorrow that shuts out the landscape of this world, yet still there amid the activity of active life, an obscure, majestic column, pointing toward heaven. But if you believe in God you cannot doubt that He has given us a revelation—aye, and more than a revelation—that He has come to the rescue of his creatures, and supplied them with a remedy for their ill. Being such as we are, to hold that God made us and then abandoned us would be to increase a hundredfold the intellectual misery of our situation. Plato's "great hope" that a God would come and give us "some surer word" than that of human speculation, is only the lofty expression of that noble instinct wherewith the human race looks upward with agonizing desire for help and for redemption. Either the Catholic Church is God's agency set in operation and maintained by Him for the salvation of mankind or else there is no hope from God—nothing but confusion, and struggle, and blind alarm, and ultimate despair.

Thinking men are everywhere seeing this—this solemn alternative; and nowhere are they seeing this more clearly than in this great country of ours, where, by the sweeping away of the old forms of thought, intellectual activity has been stimulated into a boldness and accuracy hitherto unknown among the multitude. Nevertheless there are, unfortunately, many whom this alternative is driving off into the blackness of negation, into the darkness and cold. And why? Simply because they started in life with a presumption which rules out the claims of the Catholic Church—a presumption instilled into them insensibly from the first opening of their reason, namely, that the old Church has been tried and found wanting; that she was sighted at the bar of history and human experience and condemned centuries ago. Of Protestantism as such I cannot stop to speak. It has had its day and is passing, as all human systems of philosophy or religion must surely pass. It was an illogical effort of the human mind to put itself in possession of revelation without the aid of any authority, and all such fallacies are exposed in the end by the inexorable logic of time. But these clear-headed men of whom I speak, though not Protestants themselves, are the descendants of Protestants, and they are suffering from the mistakes of their forefathers; they have inherited what has been well called Protestant tradition. And they form a large portion, and, let me most willingly say it, some of the best material of this our republic. To such as these as well as to my Catholic brethren, I would address myself.

The work which the Catholic Church has done in this country during the century which we are here bringing to a close, is the same which she has done in other ages and in other lands; but she does it in a new way, and in her own way. She has taken hold of new conditions of things and adapted herself to them; and the result of her work is a structure distinctive and typical of the age and country in which we live, and differing from anything which has preceded it, as truly as the Church of the Middle Ages differed from the Church of the Fathers. And, mind you—for this is the point of all my discourse—she has done this not by any prudent forethought, not by any unerring adaptation of policy, but simply because she is a living force, capable of acting in all times and in all places, so that she has become American without ceasing to be Catholic; and, on the other hand, in endowing us with all that is truly hers, she has not thwarted or crippled, but rather appropriated and vivified all that is best and noblest in our national character.

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CHRISTMAS TIMES.

Thoughts which Each Passing Year will Always Recall.

We are here again, "Old Father Time" says to us. Yes, we answer, but you are making us older. What if we do? Is the reply, which seems, at first, harsh to us, but we are not given time to think over it. Our good angel, whom God has appointed over us, is guarding our thoughts. He, sweetest friend, though unseen, of our life, is placing before us pictures which so charm our every faculty that we forget the rush of years which are whirling our heads.

We are forgetting everything which may cause a shade of sorrow's disappointment to wrinkle, for even a moment, the lines of our face. The smile of joy with which youth brightened our first days of life is with us, and the hearts and faces of our father and mother, sister and brother, and others—many, so many of whom are now no more.

Somehow, though we sigh when we think of these of our own, we are not lonely. Thoughts so sweetly consoling come into our hearts concerning them. Parents, they taught us first of the Infant Jesus, and now comes to our mind an expression, which burst from the lips of a little one so dear to us. She saw, for the first time, a crib and the figure of Mary and her Child, the Infant Jesus, and cried out, "It is God and His mamma." No one could better give voice to our faith's expression to our love, even now, though we have spent a score of years at God's altar, than this innocent, practicing child of a few years ago. It was a volume in one expression, from a soul whose baptismal innocence was yet fresh and untarnished.

OUR FIRST CHRISTMAS MASS.

The first we heard, or among the first. We may so easily and do go back to our parents, and what they said and how we prayed, taught by them, to the Infant Jesus. Oh our hearts were warm then. The world, cold and cruel to innocence was then a dark unknown to our little minds. The one sign which we give now is of sorrow for forgetting the promise we then made to the Infant Jesus. We heard the "Venite Adoremus," and we loved it then and we love it now with the freshness of your first love for it. It broke out from the organ loft, and its strains went all through the church, from point to point, and it was everywhere—now up and now down, now here, now there; and it went out the door and all around and about, and it came in again, and everywhere "Venite Adoremus," and it swelled and grew stronger and all the while sweeter as it came and rested before the very altar.

NATIVITY AND ADORING JESUS IN THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT.

We thought then all the time of the Crib and the Manger, of the Infant within it, of Mary and Joseph and of angels which were with them. The "Gloria in Excelsis" of that day was a new revelation to us, for we were told of the angels and their song, and we wondered if the angels were with the choir we were hearing, and were wishing, oh, so much, that we could see and hear them. We were waiting for the sermon of the priest, good, kind and beloved by his flock, and were trying to think what he would say to us of the one thing with which our whole self was filled, the Infant Jesus. Would he say things we knew, or would he tell us new things of our love which would make our hearts bigger and greater?

The Gospel was read, and we waited to count the number of times he said things we loved to hear of the Infant Jesus. It almost seemed to us, then, that a good sermon would be to say often and only "Infant Jesus." Oh, how our hearts danced with joy all that day! We hailed with the delight of youth's strong love our parents when they awoke us, and we laughed and talked of the day that was before us. On our way to church we cried out to every one the Christmas salutation, and, coming home, we forgot everything to make merry all whom we met with the "Peace on earth to men of good will." And now we look back, and yet we can see the smiles with which our parents greeted us on that day, and we think of the thoughts which they put into our hearts, and then, looking up to heaven we think our thoughts are with them above, and this is why our recollection of them in these times brings to us joy and not sorrow.

These are some of the thoughts that are with us now, and our minds are with the children about us. We want them to enjoy God's greatest gift to earth, the proof of His love for man, His only-begotten Son, the Infant Jesus. Let us go back to our first love, and regret only the times we have parted from it. Let us go to the Crib, and think, while kneeling in front of it, over the thoughts which came into our minds on the first Christmas we recollect, and this Christmas will profit us. If the thought for our dead rush into our minds and the tear for their sweet memory begins to moisten our cheek, let the prayer for their soul to the Infant Jesus dry it.—S. S. M., in Catholic Columbian.

THE NATIVITY.

Alluding to the Birth of the Infant Saviour St. Bonaventura, in his Revelations, gives the following brief but beautiful account of that event of greatest importance to the whole human race throughout all time as well as all Eternity. "The expected hour of the Birth of the Son of God having come," says St. Bonaventura, "on Sunday, towards midnight, the Holy Virgin, rising from her seat, went and decently rested herself against a pillar she found there. St. Joseph, in the meantime,

sat, pensive and sorrowful, perhaps because he could not prepare the necessary accommodations for her. But at length he arose and taking what he could find in the manger, he diligently spread it at our Lady's feet, and then modestly retired to another part. Then, the Eternal Son of God, coming forth from His Mother's womb, was without hurt or pain to her, transferred in an instant, from thence to the humble bed of hay, that was prepared for Him at her feet. His Holy Mother hastily stooping down, took Him up in her arms, and tenderly embracing Him, laid Him in her lap. Through instinct of the Holy Ghost, she began to wash and bathe Him with her sacred milk, with which she was most amply supplied from Heaven; this done, she took the veil of her head, and wrapping Him in it, carefully reposed Him in the Manger. Here the Ox and the Ass, kneeling down, and laying their heads over the Manger, gently breathed upon Him, as if endowed with reason. They were sensible, that through the inclemency of the season, and His poor attire, the Blessed Infant stood in need of their assistance to warm and cherish Him. Then the Holy Virgin, throwing herself on her knees, adored Him, and rendering thanks to God, said: "My Lord and Heavenly Father, I return thee most cordial thanks, that thou vouchsafest thy bounty to give me thy only son; and I praise and worship thee, O Eternal God, together with thee, O Son of the Living God, and mine.

"St. Joseph likewise paid Him adoration at the same time; after which he stripped the ass of his saddle, and separating the pillow from it, he placed it near the manger for the Blessed Virgin to sit on, but she, seating herself with her face towards the Crib, made use of that homely cushion only to lean on. In this posture the Queen of Heaven remained some time immovable, keeping her eyes and affections steadily fixed on her Beloved Son.

THE STABLE OF BETHLEHEM.

Written for the San Francisco Monitor.

BY KLEANOR DONNELLY.

There is no ante-chamber in this royal palace, There are no waiting rooms of haughty state— No chamberlain austere, no courtiers puff'd with malice, To shunt us out from where the King doth wait— The newborn King, unseparated and uncrowd'd, In swaddling-bands of lowly linen bound.

Open and wide to all, are these old palace-porches— The very beasts have found their way therein. Amid the thronging Angels, would you seek for mortals? Behold, the Virgin without stain of sin! And Joseph, her chaste spouse!—Thrice blessed pair! They kneel before the Babe in wordless prayer!

The sweetest, fairest Babe e'er seen! Thro' ruined rafters, The happy stars shine in upon His stall; The keen wind blowing from the fields and mountain-pastures, Deepens the rose-tint in His visage small; And bids His hands on Mary's bosom glow! Like soft, pink blossoms on a drift of snow!

Kneel and adore Him! Bring your hearts, like stainless lies, To cast before His darling, dimpled feet; Soon shall the shepherds from the dusty hills and valleys, In simple faith around His manger meet; And stately Kings, on wondrous quest intent, Shall bring their gifts from out the Orient.

O Love, so free so royal, yet so condescending— So unpretentious in your majesty! As your beginning, even so shall be your ending Upon the open heights of Calvary! A fountain, free to all beneath God's heaven, Wherewith all sinners may be cleansed and shriven!

Here is the well-spring of these sparkling, saving waters— Here, in the heart of Mary's Blessed Boy! From out the Saviour's fountains, O earth's sons and daughters, Ye shall draw grace with exceeding joy! And with the Christmas Angels, rapturous, sing: GLORY AND HOMAGE TO THE NEW-BORN KING!

Christmas Proverbs and Predictions.

A green Christmas makes a full graveyard. A white Christmas, a lean graveyard. Other sayings connect Christmas with Easter: A green Christmas indicates a white Easter. A warm Christmas, a cold Easter. Easter in snow, Christmas, in mud. Christmas in snow, Easter in mud. Its influence on the crops during the ensuing year is set forth in other proverbs: If windy on Christmas day, trees will bring forth much fruit. If it snows on Christmas night, we expect a good hop crop next year. Christmas wet gives empty granary and barrel.

"If on Christmas night," says a German proverb, "the wine ferment heavily in the barrels, a good wine year is to follow."

Somewhat uncertain is the prediction that follows: If at Christmas ice hangs on the willow, clover may be out at Easter. The proverb that follows is somewhat obscure: If Christmas finds a bridge, he'll break it; if he finds none, he'll make one. Nor is this one very clearly expressed: Wet causes more damage than frost before than after Christmas.

An English proverb tells us: If ice will bear a man before Christmas it will not bear a mouse afterwards. A German saying declares that: The shepherd would rather see his wife enter the stable on Christmas day than the sun.—Exchange.

A Policeman's Terrible Death.

WINDSOR, Ont., December 19.—Policeman G. W. Hunt met a sudden and horrible death to-day at Walkerville. He was crossing the Grand Trunk tracks opposite the watch house, near Walker's store, as two freight trains approached from opposite directions. In endeavoring to dodge the train going west, the east-bound train struck him, knocking him down and ground his head into a horrible mess. The unfortunate man was formerly a member of the Windsor fire department. He moved to Walkerville a short time ago and became a member of the police force.

A MINER'S CHRISTMAS.

How the Yule Tide is Celebrated Up in the Rockies.

"Stag" Dances—In the Lonely Cabins Where Two "Pards" Are Shut in for Months by the Snow—Flowers from Loving Letters—"Home, Sweet Home."

Imagine a point in midair about two miles above New York city, and you have the elevation at which over 1,000 miners in Colorado spend the holiday season. They are shut in by snow and ice, and for months to come they will know as little about what is going on in the busy world as though they were sailors on some vessel frozen up for the winter amid the icebergs of the Arctic regions. Early in the fall, before the snow flies, they are housed in on some of the lofty peaks of the Rocky mountains, and not until May or June will they again mingle with their fellow men.

It is often the case that some one of the boys is a good fiddler, and Christmas night he will roll the bow, tune up the old fiddle, and with alternate "pards" for girls the boys will dance and make merry.

But there are those who are not so fortunate as the miners who are shut up in the big cabins for the winter. There are the lonely cabins, far up on the mountain side, many miles distant from human habitation. Here three or four men are snowbound together for the winter. Often there are just two "pards," and "pard" in the mining camps means almost the same as "comrade" does in the army. Their Christmas meal is a frugal one, and with eager longing their hearts will reach out from that deep gorge or lofty peak to eastern homes, and wonder what the loved

sters to the boys out west. One found a rosebud, another a violet, another a daisy, and then another rose was found in a mother's letter. Withered and faded were those tokens from the old homes, but never did men value flowers more than we did that withered bouquet.

"Can't some one say grace," said one of the boys. No one volunteered. "The closing lines in my mother's letter," said a boyish fellow, "might do."

"Read them," was the response that came from all. Heads were bowed around that frugal Christmas board, and the young man read: "God bless you, my son, and God bless us all."

I then looked up and saw tears on the cheeks of weather beaten faces.—Denver Cor. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A CHARGE REFUTED.

Speedy Backdown by Mr. Meredith. TORONTO, Dec. 19.—The following open letters explain themselves:

THE PALACE, KINGSTON, Dec. 18th, 1889. To W. R. Meredith, Esq., Q.C., M.P.P.:

DEAR SIR,—The public journals of this province report you as having made the following reference in your speech on Monday night in the Grand Opera House in London:

I take from a newspaper published in the city of Kingston, addressed, it is true, to the readers of the paper, but arising out of matters that engage the attention of the province; the words are used by a newspaper, but to some extent, I apprehend, by the gentleman who presides over the Arch-Episcopal See at Kingston: "Holding, as we do, the balance of power between the two factions, we are, if only true to ourselves and to the crisis about to come upon us, independent of either, and can dictate the terms upon which one or other shall receive 'our support.'"

May I take the liberty of requesting you to inform me and my fellow-citizens of Ontario by what authority you publicly attribute to me the authorship of the foregoing extract from a Kingston newspaper, which you were pleased to interpret to your auditors as revealing "A great danger to the State," "One of the dangers of modern civilization," "One of the greatest evils we have to contend with in parliamentary Government," and "against which both parties should cry unite, unite against a common enemy."

I have the honour to be, dear Sir, yours very respectfully,

JAMES VINCENT O'LEARY, Archbishop-elect of Kingston.

TORONTO, Dec. 19th, 1889. My Lord Archbishop:

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday containing a quotation from the Empire's report of my recent address to my constituents at London, and requesting me to inform you and your fellow-citizens of Ontario by what authority I "publicly attribute to you the authorship of the extract from a Kingston newspaper," which I read to my audience.

Taking the report as it stands, I do not think it open to the construction you seem to place on it, or fairly read to do more than indicate the speaker's opinion that the newspaper in question from its position and surroundings might not unreasonably be taken to express your sentiments upon the matter in hand, and that certainly was the full extent to which I intended to go, and, as I believe, my words went.

A public man cannot safely, as you know, be held responsible for the verbal accuracy of every line of an extended report of his utterances, however correct, in the main that report may be.

Limited as I have pointed out the inference was not, I thought, an unfair one. The newspaper in question is by many understood to be in your confidence at least, and one would hardly have thought that so important a statement would have appeared in it without your approval, or if it had appeared without that approval, would have been permitted to remain before the public without at least some effort on your part to modify it not to withdraw it.

I am very much gratified to find from your letter to me that you do not approve of the sentiments expressed by the writer of the paragraph in question, (for that I take to be your view, else the inquiry you make of me would be an idle one) and I am pleased to find and shall have great pleasure in justice to you as well as in furtherance of the principles for which I am contending, in publicly stating in my future addresses that I have the weight of your great authority with and against me, on the important question which forms the subject of this correspondence.

I have the honour to be, Your Grace's obedient servant, W. R. MEREDITH. The Most Revd. the Archbishop (elect) of Kingston, Kingston, Ont.

PAX.

A happy Christmas tide to every one, A thought from the festal board some guests are none.

And yet, not gone, for to each vacant place There cometh one who hath an angel's face. And there is left a store of life and love, Links which unite us here to those above. Happy Christmas-tide, and let the poor Turn with a thankful heart from every door. If in our hearts there's strife with kin or friend, For Jesus' sake let the contention end. So, ere the year is hidden 'neath its pall, Thank we the Lord, to be at peace with all.

It is from our own hearts, and not from an outward source, that we draw the lines which color the web of our existence.

He is not worthy the name of a poet who would not rather be read a hundred times by one reader than once by a hundred.

There are two difficulties in life; men are supposed to spend more than they can afford, and to indulge more than they can endure.

GUILTY, BUT NOT GUILTY.

McDonald, the St. John Poisoner, will spend the Rest of His Days in an Asylum Anytime.

St. JOHN, N. B., December 22.—The MacRae murder trial is over and William J. McDonald will spend the remainder of his life in a lunatic asylum. Mr. Weldon's speech in the prisoner's behalf Friday night occupied five hours and was a very powerful argument. But the case against the prisoner proved too strong. Solicitor-General Pugsley's address yesterday morning swept away every vestige of plausible defence and the Judge's charge, while impartial, told heavily against McDonald. Both the counsel for the Crown and the defence touched upon the question of insanity, and Judge King pointed out the law relating to it. The jury went out a little over five hours, and returned a verdict that the prisoner was not guilty of the crime charged, but expressly stating the case not guilty because insane, which being later proved, means that he did the deed but was not responsible. Judge King expressed a full concurrence in the verdict, and the prisoner was remanded to await commitment to an asylum. McDonald manifested no emotion. He slept well last night, ate heartily and talked about the case with the utmost coolness. He will probably be confined in the provincial lunatic asylum, which is located here.

KNEELING AROUND THE CRIB.

The Mission of the Infant Jesus is to Save us From Our Sins.

We are young again, and our thoughts are of the Infant Jesus. We draw a picture in our minds—it is of a lonely little stable and the beasts and their food, and Jesus and Mary and Joseph are in it. It is a sheltering name, but for years cold winters, as now, have blown through it. Perhaps, for seasons, it was thought of only for the time when the first Christmas came, and to-night there is no place on earth that has so much joy in it. A father and a mother and a Babe are there, but the infant is the God of all creation. Before Him, in heaven, the mighty angels tremble in awe, but here on earth who needs the cry of the shivering Babe? He is a King born for the redemption of His people, but they have forgotten the time of His coming. They should know of it, they have of it and been told of it, but because of the world, they will not think of it.

We have, like the children about us thought, yes so often, thoughts all this over. We have wished so often that we could have smiled on the Infant in the manger. So often have we said: "Ah! I would have knelt there with Mary and Joseph, and my thoughts would have been of God and His mother."

We gaze at the crib and the little image in it. We let our eyes wander from one figure to another, but our heart was with the Infant, Mary, and Joseph.

Everything that was there, yet ever so humble, did but teach us a lesson. We looked and loved and looked to love and did not tire, and we sighed, yes, but it was when we left it.

The crib and its sweet little figures are a help to us. We would be lost on Christmas day without them. They seem a history of our life, and our joys and our tears are numbered by them. As we grow older, the first lessons we learned of the crib grow sweeter. We know so much the better the love of our parents who taught us. The questions we asked and the answers that were given are among the dearest memories we have with us. We live with them over and over again with each Christmas God gives to us. Old! sure these old-told stories are always of our youth, but the children grow old who forget them. We smile and grow happy with the children about us. If a sigh come to us all this day, it is because we have so often forgotten the promises of our youth. But then we chasten the bear of sorrow with the prayer—"Infant Jesus, have mercy."

We think of the shepherds, and the angels from heaven, and we call them to our aid when we hear the Venite Adoremus.

When we were young we thought, "What is Christmas in heaven?" and the older we grow the more our hope for it makes us fear to lose it. We think blessed are the babes who died in their innocence and we almost envy them. But God did not will us to die in our youth, hence vain regrets are not in our minds. He knew how we would fail, yet He loved to let us live and the why is with Him. It is not our duty to pine, we must be up and doing. We do not work alone, God works with us. But my life has been ever evil, and how will I get it? Just think of the joy that is in heaven when one dies in penance. Remember that David sang: "My iniquities and sins are always before me. A contrite and humble heart O God! Thou wilt not despise."

It is a time of the year for us to think over life. What if the thoughts frighten us? then let it be for the future debt us from transgression, and let our contrition be deep.

No matter what we have done, what we have been, we are still children of God and He loves us with the eye of His mercy. If we have wandered into the desert of life, let the Wise Man bring us home to say: "We have come to adore Him." We have nothing to fear from Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

What if we say: O Mary and Joseph! we are the cause of the cries of the Infant! The tears of our contrition will but relieve the sorrow of their hearts. When we kneel to plead at the crib for mercy and strength, Mary and Joseph will plead with us. And what of the angels! for on this night they brought glad tidings of joy to men of good will. And we, poor we, we will good but we do evil. But, even we, may and will be changed. Sure our prayers and our tears for the evil we have done will make the Infant Jesus say through the months of His priests: "Thy sins are forgiven thee."—S.S.M. in Catholic Columbian.

Thomas A. Edison's latest achievement has been the invention of a light by which pictures may be seen at night with nearly all the advantages of daylight. It is so used to illuminate "The Angelus" at the Barys exhibition.

German chemists have discovered in the cocoon a fatty substitute for butter, and it is being produced in large quantities at Mannheim. One factory turns out 6,000 pounds per day, worth fifteen cents a pound.

CATARRH AND GOLD IN HEAD HOW CURED. NASAL BALM. A certain and speedy cure for Gold in the Head and Catarrh in all its stages.

Many so-called diseases are simply symptoms of Catarrh, such as headache, partial deafness, loss of sense of smell, foul breath, hawking and spitting, nausea, general feeling of debility, etc.

HAIL! HOLY CHRISTMAS.

Reflections Concerning the Great Religious Festival.

The day that commemorates the Birth of our Divine Lord is the festival of humanity, and the day that brightens our lives and floods this world with light and beauty.

"Hail glorious day which miracles adorn, Hail glorious day which mankind did view The saviour of the world and new."

How this anniversary carries us back to that scene in Bethlehem which we delight to meditate upon and to keep green in our memories. In the manger reposes the Infant Jesus with the tender Virgin Mother and St. Joseph keeping watch above Him.

Time will not allow to speak of the many beautiful customs in Catholic countries associated with the Christmas holidays. Suffice it to say that the lovely legends of the day, the stories, the songs, and the half-fairy-lore that gathers around it, are but so many ways of manifesting our love for our Blessed Saviour.

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In 1659, the general Court of Massachusetts enacted that "anybody who is found observing by abstinence from labor, feasting, or any other way, any such day as Christmas day shall pay for every such offense five shillings."

What tender memories, what happiness, what perfect love and devotion to Jesus and Mary, Christmas should bring to every Catholic heart. The Lord of Lords over human nature takes to free us from sin and its due consequences.

At the festival of the Nativity approaches how our hearts warm with love to our Divine Lord and the Blessed Virgin. On that day, even inanimate objects seem to give expression, as it were, to awe and adoration to the

world's Redeemer. And to the Faithful, living in a steadfast hope of eternal life, what place on earth is comparable to the Catholic Church on Christmas morning?

Our holy religion opens the human heart to its noblest impulses. At such a time charity should reign in our hearts. We should be imbued with that spirit of giving the best and life to help others of which the Supreme Sacrifice of Christ is the type.

Our object should be to employ the coming time as we now wish we had the past. If each of us fulfills his duty the next year will bring with it less sin, and more glory to God.

Happy, indeed, should be all true children of the Church founded by Jesus Christ, and they may count all the vanities of this world as mere nothing compared with the privileges they enjoy as Catholic Christians.

With our Heavenly Father's care, the love of Jesus, and the prayers of the Blessed Virgin, if we are true Catholics, we have nothing to fear. We know that the Mother of our Divine Redeemer will ever intercede for us if we look to her with confidence.

For each of us prayers are floating upwards like clouds to the Throne of God, from the many precious hearts of the chosen servants—from the loving, faithful hearts of the poor, the dejected and the hidden of this world.

We are also children of the Blessed Mother of our Redeemer. Oh, sweet Mother! Our greatest advocate and refuge! Our guiding star! How can we thank thee enough?

What that all might learn to love thee, the most perfect creature created by God, next in the courts of Heaven to the Adorable Trinity. Would that all might acknowledge thee to be the Immaculate Mother of God. Pray for us and for our Mother still. Teach us the virtues which she so conspicuously

can therefore scote the anguish of her children who are subjected to its scorching fury. Let the arrogant disciples of the false and human philosophy of the day, the "wise and prudent" of this world, from whom the mysteries of heaven are "hidden," and who therefore fancy, in the darkness of their miserable blindness and unbelief, that there are no such mysteries—let all such, in the pride of intellects untaught of the spirit of God, sneer at what they are pleased to call the "delusion" of Catholics, because they glory in their Cross and are devoted to the Holy Mother of God.

Every day brings us more to realize the goodness of God in permitting us to be numbered among the elect race of Jesus Christ. Every day we find something more to admire, something more to love in His Church. What would life be if God had not been so merciful and enlightened our souls?

This year, 1889, will soon be added to the irrevocable volume of the Past, all its joys and sorrows, pleasures and pains, all its changes buried in the great tomb of the past. How many hearts have been filled with new joys in the course of the year so soon to close? How many have gained Heaven? How many have lost it? Ah! that is the one great object of life—the purpose for which God created us.

"Going thy night from star to star, From world to luminous world, as far As the universe spread its flaming wall; Take all the pleasures of all the spheres, And multiply each through endless years, One minute of Heaven is worth them all."

Our object should be to employ the coming time as we now wish we had the past. If each of us fulfills his duty the next year will bring with it less sin, and more glory to God. Every Catholic knows that we possess that precious treasure, without which time is long, life is all dreariness, and eternity is misery without a hope of change.

W.M.C. in San Francisco Monitor.

THE CROSS.

Quiet though the construction be of the following poem, yet never has the story of the Cross been told with more truthful simplicity:

Blest they who seek, While in their youth, With spirit meek, The way of truth, To them the sacred Scriptures now display, Christ as the only true and living way.

THE RESULT IN STANSTEAD.

Men. Mr. Colby Elected by Increased Majorities—The Figures in Detail. STANSTEAD, Que., December 18.—The elections throughout Stanstead to-day passed off very quietly, less than two-thirds of the nominal vote of the county being polled.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Colby, Le Baron. Includes entries for Ayers Flat, Boynton, East Hatley, North Hatley, etc.

CHICAGO, October, 1887. I, the undersigned, O. C. Lebeck, suffered from a nervous trouble for eight years, and after having tried some of the leading physicians of Germany, they could give no relief, but advised an ocean voyage, even this, however, did not improve the trouble and my condition became daily more hopeless.

JERUSALEM AND THE HOLY LAND AT THE TIME OF THE CRUCIFIXION.

The grandest work of Art in America, pronounced by the clergy of all creeds, and by the thousands of people who have visited it, as unequalled anywhere for magnificence of conception, beauty of colors, harmony in composition, and so LIFE LIKE that one feels actually as if on the sacred ground.

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Show your regard for your friends on New Year's Day by giving them a drink of JOHNSTON'S FLUID BEEF. Made in a minute by merely adding Boiling Water. PALATABLE, WARM and NUTRITIOUS. The Most Healthy Winter Beverage.

ENGLAND'S FUTURE QUEEN.

The Young Woman Who Will Probably Wed Prince Albert Victor. I hear from a high English source, says a Paris letter to the New York Tribune, that the Princess Feodora of Schleswig-Holstein, who did the Eiffel tower the other day, chaperoned by her elderly maiden aunt, Amelie, of the same house, is in all likelihood the coming Princess Albert Victor of Wales.

Alexandria with a population of between 500,000 and 1,000,000, was the one city of the first rank in Africa. Jerusalem was alone in Asia. In the Middle Ages there was no city of great size. London 300 years ago was much smaller than Boston; 200 years ago it had 670,000 people—less than Chicago claims. It was not until the American Revolution that London was as large as Philadelphia is to-day.

The Queen would like to secure her the crown of Great Britain, because she is descended from her majesty's mother, the duchess of Kent, whose first husband was Prince Linington. Princess Feodora has been a great deal here with a party of aristocratic English friends, some of whom are connections of her aunt-in-law on the maternal side.

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LEARNING TO BE AN ORATOR.

The Art of Public Speaking an Acquaintance rather than a Natural Gift. It is encouraging to young speakers to know that there never has been and never will be, such a thing as a "born orator."

The best known instance is that of Demosthenes, who passed some months in a subterranean cell, having one side of his head so that he could not appear in public. He overcame a defect in his speech, and gesticulated beneath a suspended sword to rid himself of an ungraceful movement of the shoulder.

Many of the best orators have, even to their latest efforts, felt a tremor on rising to speak. Erskine said that on his rising to speak for the first time he should have set down in confusion had he not felt his children tugging at his gown.

On the boards of the House of Commons Johnny is one of the most able and dangerous of opponents; take him off these boards and I care nothing for him. To few was it given as to O'Connell to succeed equally with all audiences.

MRS. LANGTRY Has a Decided Leaning Towards the Catholic Church. When approached on the subject of her religious views, Mrs. Langtry dictated the following publication:

"I accept in full the Christian faith as contained in the Apostles Creed. I cannot imagine anything more dreadful than to be in a state of unbelief; to feel with some great joy or happiness comes that there is nothing more powerful or greater than a human being to turn to, to give thanks or to ask help.

"What church? Of course I was born in the Church of England, my father, grandfather and great-grandfather all having been Deans of the Jersey. But I must confess to a decided leaning towards the Catholic Church. It has always seemed to me to so thoroughly understand poor humanity—no perfectly grasped the truth that special temptations surround each individual and that where there is no special grace in one withstanding them, there is a great victory for another in conquering."

She Wanted Delay. Ador; As we are to be married in January, should we not announce our engagement? Sweet Girl: No, no; not yet, not yet. "My own, I would not hasten to make known the sweet truth to all the world were not the time so short. Can you not bring yourself to acknowledge your betrothal without further delay?"

Success always attends our preparation for removing the downy hair from women's faces. It is now in universal use, and costs, including a box of ointment, only \$1.50. We have always had a preparation to dye the whiskers and give to the hair its natural color. Also one of the best preparations for whitening the month of skin blemishes, as well as tooth-ache and corns, removed as once without pain.

GOD SAVE YE KINDLY.

BY AGNES GOULDING.
What land can boast of such a greeting?
What old Ireland's hearts can greet?

To see the dear old cot they love,
The ivy all around it twining,
The birds sing sweetly from above,

PARNELL AT NOTTINGHAM.

The Irish Leader Speaks on the
Great Question of the Hour.

Representative Irish Laws Will Never Pacify
Ireland.—Mr. Balfour's Policy Strongly
Criticism.—The Government and
the "Times."

LONDON, December 17.—Mr. Parnell, who
is to speak in reply to the speech recently
made by Lord Salisbury, at the Conservative
conference at Nottingham, arrived in that
city to-day. There was a great crowd at
the railway station when he arrived and he
was greeted with mingled groans and cheers.

Mr. Balfour's plan of making railways
through impoverished districts was a vain
expenditure of money. Home rule aimed at
national regeneration, and this implied the
regeneration of the industries and the industrial
and commercial spirit of the people.

THE GIANT TENANTS' LEAGUE.
Mr. Parnell devoted the speech he made
to-night to the Tenants' league. He said
this was by far the greatest and most powerful,
peaceable movement ever organized in
Ireland or any other country.

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE "TIMES."
The Government had nothing to be ashamed
of in its connection with the "Times." Doubtless
it would guard jealously by making
known the truth about the matter.

PARNELL'S RECEPTION IN LIVERPOOL.
LONDON, December 19.—Mr. Parnell
was received with a public demonstration at
Liverpool. In his address he exhorted Lancashire
to rally in the next election to the
assistance of the grand leader of the Liberal
party.

Catholics and Social Affairs.
A very important move has just been made
by the Catholics of Blackburn, England. They
have banded themselves together in an
organization called "St. Anne's Catholic Re-

gistration Society," which has for its constitu-
tion and laws the principles enunciated in
the Holy Father's Encyclical on the "The
Christian Constitution of States," as explained
by his Lordship Bishop Vaughan in the
"Manual of Catholic Politics."

An Old Abolitionist Dead.
BROOKLYN, N. Y., December 11.—Oliver
Johnson, the veteran anti-slavery abolitionist,
died yesterday at his home, 81
Columbia Heights. Oliver Johnson was born
in Pocomoke, Va., December 27th, 1809 and
served his apprenticeship to the printing busi-

THE CRIME OF BETHLEHEM
AND ITS LESSON.
"Have ye heard the wondrous story,
Told by shepherds from the plains,
Of the land-crooked with glory
Ringing with angelic strains."

TO THE DEAF.
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recognized in the highest Courts; therefore, beware of
cheap imitations.

MONOPOLIES AND COMBINES
are a source of menace to the public welfare,
and should be stamped out. So should
catarrh. Mr. J. Duncan, Maple Creek, N.
W. T., says:—Nasal Balm has done my
catarrh good, more than all the numerous
remedies I had previously tried combined. I
have improved so much that I believe one
more bottle will completely cure me.

AN INSURANCE CLERK'S GOOD FOR-
TUNE.
Roe Grant who is employed in the Hart-
ford Life and Annuity Insurance Company,
held one-twentieth of ticket #3,856, which
drew the first capital prize of \$300,000 in the
drawing of The Louisiana State Lottery
Company on the 15th of October. He col-
lected the money through Adams Express
Company.—Hartford (Conn.) Times, Novem-
ber 18th.

AFTER THE TRIAL.

How the Prisoners Take Their
Conviction and Their Hopes.

Scenes in their Prison—Probabilities
of a New Trial—Chances of a
"Sequel"—The Jury Room Trouble.

CHICAGO, Ill., December 18.—The con-
victed Crokin murderer, now that the
suspense of the trial and waiting for the
verdict has passed away, have taken heart
of grace again, and look forward with hope to
the probability of a new trial. They will not
be taken to jail till a motion for a new
trial shall have been passed upon by the
Supreme court, and this process will consume
a year or more. There was a sound of weep-
ing in the victors' cage of the jail to-day.

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Conviction and Their Hopes.
The friends of the four men who were
tried and declared their fate. Mrs. Coughlin
thanked her heart would break. She can't
her handkerchief to her eyes and wept while
her husband whispered through the wire
screen such words of comfort and consolation
as he could command.

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The State Attorney still thinks the desire
to have Bege denounced all other purposes in
the mind of the obstinate juror. Notwith-
standing the logically unappreciated pleas of
the jurors that nothing appreciable took place
in the jury room, as a fact the Sunday
night Mr. Coughlin said to the juror who
was in charge in the courtroom and denounced
Coughlin from his fellow jurors. He was in-
formed that the juror had no right to in-
terfere with the actions of the jurors. From
just what sort of decided injury Mr.
Coughlin desired to be protected, he could
not get a word, as the juror is both to dis-
miss the affairs of the jury room now.

How the Prisoners Take Their
Conviction and Their Hopes.
A visit to Alexander Sullivan's office by
two reporters was not productive of much
information. On being asked what he
thought of the verdict, Mr. Sullivan replied:
"I do not wish to be interviewed. I have
nothing to say."

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Speaking on the probability of a motion for
a new trial, Mr. Ingham said:—"That
might be advisable if only the question of
retial were to be considered. But there
would be a great difficulty in securing a com-
petent jury. It would be hard now to find
men who had not formed an opinion."

How the Prisoners Take Their
Conviction and Their Hopes.
After reflection the representatives of the
state are not so sure that perhaps the ver-
dict of the jury was the best that could have
been rendered. One of those connected with
the prosecution said:—"At first I thought
the imprisonment sentence would shut off a
'sequel,' but now I think it will not. You
see Dan Coughlin's wife and child must be
taken care of by the men who are responsible
for Coughlin's position. If Dan ever gets it
into his head that his little family is being
neglected I think he will 'sequal.' Neglect
of their victims' families is characteristic of
the 'sequal.' You will remember that one
of the charges brought against them, along
with that of embezzling the funds, was that
they allowed the widow of Mackey Lomax,
who was killed on the Thames, to con-
serve. I cannot imagine how any man can
consent to have his whole life waste away
in a penitentiary in order to shield scound-
rels who argued him on to commit crime
for their benefit. Coughlin must see by this
time that there is no patriotism or principle
actuating the men who plotted Dr. Cronin's
murder."

How the Prisoners Take Their
Conviction and Their Hopes.
Frank Woodruff will not be given an op-
portunity to pose as the centre figure in a
sensational trial. He will be tried as a com-
mon horse thief. When he heard this he be-
came frenzied with rage and cursed every one
connected with the State Attorney's office.
He might, however, be tried as an accessory
after the fact for throwing the State off the
scout so long with his lying stories.

How the Prisoners Take Their
Conviction and Their Hopes.
O'Sullivan's friends, who seem to have
labored under the impression that he would
be acquitted, fare now swearing vengeance
against various triangle men, among whom is
a prominent Irish politician, who they claim,
got him into the trouble and then failed to
get him out of it. O'Sullivan is now being
posed as a dupe, but one who could give
valuable information should he desire to
"sequal." Strong efforts will be made to
induce him to do so, though the State insists
upon first knowing what he has to confess
before holding out hopes of executive
clemency.

How the Prisoners Take Their
Conviction and Their Hopes.
It costs us more to be miserable than would
make us perfectly happy.

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Conviction and Their Hopes.
When certain persons abuse us, let us ask our-
selves what description of characters it is they
abuse; we shall often find this a very con-
solatory question.

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containing their name and address, and we will
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Great workers, under the most favorable
conditions, are now being secured for the
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points in Minne-
sota, North and
South Dakota
and Montana.
It is the only line
to Great Falls,
the future manufac-
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the fertile lands of the Milk
River Valley; and offers choice
of three routes to the Coast. Still
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Minnesota, Fargo, Winnipeg, Can-
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ton, Graton, Fargo, Fairbank, Devils
Lake, and Bismarck. It is the best
route to Alaska, China and Japan;
and the journey to the Pacific Coast,
Tacoma, Seattle, Portland and San
Francisco, will be remembered as the
delight of a lifetime once made through the won-
derful scenery of the Manitoba-
Pacific Route. To fish and hunt;
to enjoy the magnificent scenery of
nature; to revise the spirit; to re-
fresh the body; to realize the
dream of the home-seeker, the
gold-seeker, the tourist, or the
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THE CHRISTMAS CRIB.

This Beautiful Devotion Originated with St.
Francis of Assisi.

The beautiful Christmas devotion of the
Crib sprang from the simple-hearted piety of
the gentle St. Francis of Assisi, and now that
the growth of the Third Order is increasing
so, encouraged by the patronage of the Holy
Father, Leo XIII., the devotion is likely to
become more general.

At first the shepherds and poor people were
the only ones to assist at it; now the rich and
the noble, as well as the poor and humble,
crowd around and with burning love offer the
homage of their hearts to the Infant at
Bethlehem.

It was in the year 1223, in a lowly stable
on the mountain of Grecio, Italy, that the first
Crib was seen. The poor came, and St.
Francis sang the Gospel at Mass and tried to
preach about the Babe of Bethlehem. But
his heart was filled with ecstatic love, tears
of joy coursed down his cheeks, and the only
word his lips could utter was the sweet name
of Jesus.

And the Divine Child Himself came to
those who showed such love for Him, and
was seen in the arms of the saint, embracing
and caressing, even as He had been on a
Carnival night long ago before in the arms
of His Blessed Mother. From that hour the
saint only spoke of our Lord as the "Little
Babe of Bethlehem."

THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS.
A Few Instructive Particulars that should
be Read by All.
Christmas comes from Christ's Mass,
converted into Christmas, or from Christ's
Feast, feast being Mass, from that comes
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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 25, Christmas Day. THURSDAY, Dec. 26, St. Stephen. FRIDAY, Dec. 27, St. John. SATURDAY, Dec. 28, The Holy Innocents. SUNDAY, Dec. 29, St. Thomas a Becket. MONDAY, Dec. 30, St. Sabina. TUESDAY, Dec. 31, St. Sylvester. WEDNESDAY, Jan. 1, Circumcision.

A Merry Christmas.

With this issue of the TRUE WITNESS is ushered in that most beautiful of the festivals of the Catholic Church, the nativity of our Divine Redeemer. We have arrived at that point in the Ecclesiastical Calendar when joy and gladness should predominate in every household.

The Night Schools.

A visit to the night schools throughout the city during the past week has disclosed the wisdom of the Quebec Government in this, their latest legislation. For years Montreal has been filled with bright, sober and intelligent citizens whose lack of a sufficient early education has handicapped them in the race for position, wealth or honor.

support they have given us in the cause of Catholic journalism. We desire that they may be long spared to enjoy the benefits of this life; we pray that they may be enabled to participate fully in the joys of this holy season, and we wish them, one and all, most heartily.

"A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS."

The Test.

On the day Mr. Colby made his speech on the disallowance of the Jesuits' Estates Act in the House of Commons, the Daily Witness, assuming to speak in behalf of the Protestant minority in the Province of Quebec, stated that he had outraged the feelings and trampled upon the convictions of the class in whose name he had undertaken to speak in the legislature of the country.

On the day after the delivery of the speech, until it was announced that Mr. Colby had obtained a perfolio in the Dominion Cabinet, that the "only religious daily" did not level at him its deadliest shafts, and seek by every means, fair and foul, to asperse his character and render him odious to the Protestants of his constituency.

Mr. Meredith.

It is conceded on all sides that Mr. Meredith, the leader of the Opposition in the Ontario Legislature, put his foot in it when he delivered his London speech last week. Far better for the hon. gentleman to have remained all his life in opposition, enjoying the respect of all classes for high-minded liberality, than to have encumbered to the lash of the Hamilton Spectator and the Mail and entered the ranks of the anti-Catholics.

ment. He understands thoroughly that he is under no particular obligation to attend the schools, yet he fully realizes also the value of the gift which he is allowing to escape from his grasp if he neglects to accord that assiduity to his studies and punctuality to his attendance which they deserve.

Mr. Mercier's Opportunity.

For some time there has existed a very widespread feeling among the Irish Catholic population of this province that in the matter of representation they were not fairly treated by the administration at Quebec. Again and again has the Hon. Mr. Mercier professed his desire, nay his anxiety, to have an Irish Canadian among his colleagues in the Ministry.

Sarcastic but True.

The Catholic Record, of London, Ont., has the following bit of quiet sarcasm at the expense of the parties concerned:—"The Orangemen of North Hastings are up and doing. L. O. J. recently met, and a very strong resolution containing many forceful 'whereases' was thrown to the breeze. Condensed it would read something like this: 'Whereas,—Mr. Mowat found the separate schools inefficient. Whereas,—He made them efficient. Whereas,—We don't want them at all, and they must be abolished. Therefore be it resolved,—To hell with the Pope.'

Archbishop Walsh.

His Grace Archbishop Walsh, of Toronto, speaking the other day in that city gave expression to sentiments that will find an echo in every loyal Catholic heart. He said he had all his life endeavored to create a Canadian priesthood, racial of this soil. He was a Canadian in heart, soul and sympathy. He told his hearers they should inculcate in their boys sentiments of patriotism, for this is their country. On the same occasion he referred to what he styled the unprincipled, ignoble and wicked crusade, now being preached against the Catholic minority, in Ontario, and expressed his confidence in the sense of justice of the majority of the people of that province.

Should it be in the negative, we shall be compelled most reluctantly to admit that our faith in the promises of Mr. Mercer and his professions of intention to do our people justice has been very much shaken.

Northwest Complaints.

The venerable Bishop Grandin has published a letter addressed to his Eminence Cardinal Taschereau and the Bishops of the Province of Quebec, asking their powerful influence on behalf of the Catholic half-breeds and Indians. It is alleged that great injustice is being done them by the agent of the Department of the Interior. It is to be hoped that the matter referred to will be closely looked into by the authorities at the earliest moment and the prospect is that such will be the case, for Le Courrier du Canada, published in Quebec, one of the organs of Sir Hector Langevin, Minister of Public Works, speaking of the letter of Bishop Grandin, says:—

"It contains touchingly eloquent complaints and a statement of facts of extreme gravity. It cannot be read without emotion. As regards the conduct of the Indian department, we call the attention of the responsible parties to the facts set forth. Such acts, if true, cannot be too vigorously denounced and punished. And the least that can be demanded is that a prompt remedy will be furnished for such crying abuses and just grievances. Once more, we call the attention of the Minister of the Interior and his colleagues to this important document. Mr. Dandoy has been Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West, and, on the occasion of his appointment as Minister of the Interior and the Indian Department, he was the recipient of the most emphatic expressions of sympathy from Mr. Grandin, the Rev. Father Lacombe, &c. The time has come to ascertain how much these tributes contained that was genuine as far as he was concerned and whether they were not delivered at the wrong address."

Hon. Mr. Dandoy will do well to look into the complaint of the good Bishop, who was his best friend in the days when he needed some one to endorse his elevation to the eminent position he now occupies.

LIBRARY REVIEW.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION Double Christmas Number is a charming souvenir. Its delicately colored cover encloses a wealth of stories and pictures that are intensely interesting to readers of all ages. Among the features are, "A Ride in a Wagon," by L. Harbo, a story of pioneer life in the Rocky Mountains; "A Double Decker," by Mrs. Frank Lee, a story for the boys, and another for the girls, entitled "Beth's Memorial Stacking," by Mrs. H. C. Rowe; an interesting description, by Emily J. Haynes, of the famous "Minto's Ledge Light," "A Book of Prayers," "Sleep of Plants, and What it Means," "Attacked by Chaynes," by K. L. O. F. Wolcott, a story of wild western life; "A Christmas Night's Sensation," by Clifton B. Converse, and "Alice's Christmas," both fresh and appropriate to the season; high-beneficial editorials on "Thoroughness" and "Stanley's Return," with a beautiful page for the very young children, together with anecdotes and bits of fun, culled to make a complete treasury for the whole family.

Certain newspapers are announcing a series of articles on the Civil War, by Lord Wolsey, which it is said, "will appear in an American Magazine." They have appeared. They were begun in the May number of the North American Review, and are concluded in the December number of that periodical. More than this, they have been comprehensively reviewed by Gen. James B. Fry, in the same magazine, and have been noticed by almost every paper in the country.

Donahoe's Monthly Magazine.

Donahoe's Monthly Magazine, for January, 1890, is a superb number. There is a portrait and biographical sketch of one of the leading Catholic merchant princes of the country, Joseph J. Donohue, the Napoleon of Commerce. The second article is delivered at the Catholic Congress by the silver-tongued Donohue of the country, Daniel Donohue, with an excellent portrait. The interesting series on Canada and her Neighbor are concluded. The great Sermon of Archbishop Ryan, at the Centenary in Baltimore, is given at length. The platform of the Catholic Centenary is given entire. A complete Christmas story by the author of Brannan's story is given complete, together with many other articles too numerous to mention. The juvenile department is enriched by the Christmas Crib, contributed by L. W. Reilly. Now is a good time to subscribe. One dollar for six months—two dollars a year. Address Donahoe's Magazine, Boston, Mass.

The Owl, a magazine published by the students of the University of Ottawa is to hand, and is in every way a credit to the college. It contains an interesting account of the inauguration of the University, and the unveiling of a monument to its founder, Father Tabaret. Great care has been taken in the preparation of the illustrations, and the editorial work is of a high standard.

The National Magazine for January announces two new and valuable departments—"Biblical Literature" and "Pedagogy"—with Rev. J. C. Quinn, Ph.D., and S. H. H. A.M., President of Western College, as editors. "Cultural Readers" will be especially interesting in the new "Institute of Agriculture," described in this number—a part of the University Extension System of the National University of Chicago, whose non-resident or correspondence undergraduate and post-graduate courses have been such a favor. Other articles are by Prof. E. A. Birge, of the University of Wisconsin, and eminent specialists. Published at 147 Throop street, Chicago, Ill. Subscription, \$1.00 per year. Sample copy, 10 cents. Three cash prizes of fifty dollars each for the best essays on "Our Common Schools," "Study of the Bible," "How to Keep Young Men on the Farm," are announced.

"THE VOICE," a copy of which is to hand, contains the usual amount of interesting religious matter. With its December number it completes the sixteenth year of its existence. It has prospered well during this long period and we can heartily wish it long life and increased circulation during the incoming year. The subscribers of The Voice enjoy numerous advantages which it might be well for us to quote at this particular time as the hope that those whose names do not yet adorn the list will lose no time in subscribing to this cheap and important magazine. "There is a Mass every month for all subscribers, to obtain for them the grace of a happy death. On this, many seem not to set a sufficient value; but it is certain that nothing is more valuable in this world than a happy death. If, after all the vicissitudes of life and struggles for salvation, God, by the fire-blasting wounds of His Son, so often offered for us, grants us the grace of a happy death, of closing our eyes to misery and sin, to open them in the purest bliss, what a blessing. In this Mass are also included the intentions made known to us. Besides this, these intentions are prayed for every morning by a priest at the altar, and recommended to the prayers of the pious faithful. Another Mass is said in the month of January for the repose of the souls of our subscribers departed the foregoing year. Apart from these precious advantages all receive a monthly magazine for their families. The Voice, which is only 25c monthly. Address, Rev. James Brown, Hamilton, Bermuda.

Mr. Balfour is under a cloud just now.

He is reported to be engaged to the daughter of Sir Charles Lennart, the strong and active supporter of the Gladstonian policy, and he will neither affirm nor deny the rumor; consequently all the dames of the Primrose League are unmerciful in their jealousy, and at the recent grand meeting of the league the name of Balfour was received in ominous silence, while those of other statesmen were significantly cheered. Poor unfortunate, even his own friends are becoming disgusted with him.

TRIX impression in some quarters that, if the condemned Cronin suspects are accorded a new trial, a chance remains of having the death penalty imposed, is erroneous. The Supreme Court of the United States has already decided that in a case involving the possibility of capital punishment that, when the original trial jury has fixed the penalty at imprisonment, a second jury cannot inflict the death penalty. This will account for the determination on the part of the State's attorney and his associates to resist the motion made for a new trial.

GLADSTONE'S extraordinary vigor shows that his increasing years have not effaced it in the least. While his interest in politics still absorbs a large portion of his time, he still finds a few moments to devote to literature. He is now having an iron building constructed at Hawarden for his library of 16,000 volumes, and although this engrosses his attention more than anything else, he manages to devote a little time also to the arrangement of his immense stores of letters and papers. He is truly a wonderful man.

A DECISION was recently given in the United States courts that unless the clothes which he makes fit, the tailor need not be paid. Although this may at first sight appear hard on "the sixth part of a man," still it is but just that the party falling in his contract to perform a job satisfactory to the party of the second part should be made to suffer. The usual number of grammers against tailors mislaid will find in this decision a fruitful subject for reflection.

THE ANNEXATION QUESTION.

We reproduce the following article from United Canada, the organ of the Catholics of the Archdiocese of Ottawa:—"Our American exchanges, Catholic and non-Catholic, have been of late giving much attention to Canada—present and future. They seem eager to grasp at the smallest expression of apprehension on this side of the line of the idea of annexation to the United States. The Boston Republic, a journal which we always read with pleasure, quotes the Montreal Herald to show that the revolution in Brazil has had its effects on Canada. 'These words may not,' it says 'have any special significance, but they seem to indicate that the force of a certain section of the Canadian people. Whether Brazil's revolution will influence Canada as to hasten the downfall of the sham royalty with which the latter country is at present burdened is another question, the solution of which time alone can furnish. It is now the only nation on this continent that was not excluded from an American zollverein, in case such a union is achieved by the Pan-American congress now being held at Washington, and should such a result fail, her exclusion from whatever advantages might come to the other American states from the zollverein would be very likely to set Canadiana to thinking more seriously, and might materialize the last vestige of monarchy in this western world which would be abolished forever, and Canada become either an independent republic or part and parcel of these United States.' These words had not been long penned when a new light dawned upon our contemporary. The light came from our esteemed contemporary the True Witness, in one telling paragraph. 'There is only one Catholicism in the Senate of the United States! That is a remarkable statement. We have in our Dominion Senate a score and more of Catholics, and as for Irish Catholics, Murphy, Smith, Powers, Sullivan, Donahoe, Scott and others are names indicating that we have an abiding place in that quarter. We have in the Catholic judges past and present in the highest courts on the main island a task; only a day or two ago Hon. Mr. Sullivan was elected to the chief justiceship of Prince Edward Island; and no one will maintain that any lawyer's Catholicity would be a bar to his attaining the chief justiceship of the supreme court of Canada, provided his qualifications were equal to the position.' This remark is, but a reasonable exposition of facts by our Montreal contemporary draws from the Republic the subjoined sensible observation: 'The truth of the matter is that, although in many respects Canada is behind this country, in the matter of liberality and fair dealing with all classes of her citizens, our northern neighbor is well ahead of us. It is a true and noble idea of the matter referred to in the above quotation, but in other things, also, Canadian Catholics are, for instance, far more justly treated in regard to schools than their American coreligionists, and it is no wonder, therefore, that the Catholic prelates and priests of the Dominion look across at the proposition to annex their country to this knowledge as they do, the injustices and prejudices with which American Catholics have to contend, and the manner in which a certain section of this country's population seeks to discriminate against every Catholic who is proposed for a position of trust or emolument. Of course there are fanatics and zealots in Canada as well as in this country, but it is the credit of our northern neighbor that they pay little to the ravings of these classes of their population, and do not permit them to influence public opinion in the shameful manner they are allowed to do in certain localities in this country.' For the information of our esteemed contemporary we may say that it is not so our knowledge any public opinion in Canada in favor of annexation. The Canadian are a free, happy, self-governing nation concerning whom a woful amount of ignorance prevails amongst our enlightened and hospitable neighbors. The Catholic Church has nothing to gain, and perhaps much to lose by annexation. She does not, of course, fear the loss of her members, but she teaches her people due submission to the just law and well-balanced constitution they now enjoy. The example of Brazil can have and actually has no effect upon Canada. The two countries are wholly dissimilar, and Canadians have no desire for a volcanic republic on the South American plan. We admire our American neighbors but our country is not in the many respects inferior to our own. We are anxious to cultivate the closest possible trade relations with them, but they will never force or hurry us into political union by exclusive commercial regulations. Republican institutions are as yet only a trial in North and South America. It may not be long before impartial judgment of his countrymen will be made. May that judgment be satisfactory say we. But however satisfactory it proves, it can never obliterate from the honest affections of thousands of Canadians their deep-seated love for constitutional monarchy.

DOM PEDRO NOW A PAUPER.

Santhed, His Property Confiscated and Allowance Stopped. RIO DE JANEIRO, December 21.—An executive decree promulgated to-day fixes the date of the general election for September 15, and the meeting of the Constitutional Assembly for November 15. By the same decree the ex-Emperor Dom Pedro is banished from Brazil, together with the members of the royal family, the Viscount of Ouro Preto and his brother, General Alfoves, and the Marquis of Maranhão, governor of Rio Grande do Sul, charged with treason as the leader of the movement for the secession of that state, is condemned to transportation. The decree recalls and cancels the grant of 5,000,000 milreis to Dom Pedro and suspends his allowance in the civil list. Besides suppressing his allowances the decree orders the confiscation of his real estate and forbids the return of the Imperial family to Brazil for two years. The city is tranquil.

LONDON, December 21.—The news of the provisional government's action in issuing a decree suppressing the allowance to the ex-Emperor, forbidding the return of the Imperial family to Brazil, has been well-received from Dom Pedro by the advice of his physician, who has ordered the sixteenth year of his existence. It has prospered well during this long period and we can heartily wish it long life and increased circulation during the incoming year. The subscribers of The Voice enjoy numerous advantages which it might be well for us to quote at this particular time as the hope that those whose names do not yet adorn the list will lose no time in subscribing to this cheap and important magazine. "There is a Mass every month for all subscribers, to obtain for them the grace of a happy death. On this, many seem not to set a sufficient value; but it is certain that nothing is more valuable in this world than a happy death. If, after all the vicissitudes of life and struggles for salvation, God, by the fire-blasting wounds of His Son, so often offered for us, grants us the grace of a happy death, of closing our eyes to misery and sin, to open them in the purest bliss, what a blessing. In this Mass are also included the intentions made known to us. Besides this, these intentions are prayed for every morning by a priest at the altar, and recommended to the prayers of the pious faithful. Another Mass is said in the month of January for the repose of the souls of our subscribers departed the foregoing year. Apart from these precious advantages all receive a monthly magazine for their families. The Voice, which is only 25c monthly. Address, Rev. James Brown, Hamilton, Bermuda.

He Killed All His Family.

NILES, Ohio, December 21.—This community was startled this morning by the discovery of a horrible butchery. The victims are Charles Shelar and wife and three children, and the crime is supposed to have taken place early in the morning. When the deed was discovered all five bodies were stiff and cold, with their faces lying together across the foot of the bed and the three children were in different parts of the house. Shelar was a mill man and had steady employment, but of late drank heavily, and it is rumored he and his wife did not live happily together. The wife was a good woman and was purchased out from the slave trade. The street in front of the house was densely packed with excited people to-day.

Mayor Armstrong and several civil officials of Salt Lake City, Utah, have been arrested on the charge of extensive frauds.

IF WE KNEW.

Could we but draw back the curtains That surround each other's lives, See the naked heart and spirit, Know what ap the action gives, Often we should find it better, Purer than we judge we should— We should love each other better If we only understood.

"I'm poor, and so runs this world away! Heigho!" "But you told me last evening that you were rich!" "Did I? I must have been drawing on the future, or possibly I meant to imply that a man with such a wife as you are rich! But, presently, I am not overburdened with money."

"But you would sell yourself for it as readily as ever, I suppose?" "How well you know me! Yet I could desire a greater delicacy of expression, Kathleen. Anything that I have or am which is marketable I should be glad to convert into money."

—Woman's Work.

LADY KILDARE; Or, the Rival Claimants.

CHAPTER X.

THE guardians of the young Lady Kildare remained for an hour or more in close conversation with Mr. Wedburn, Sir Russell's lawyer, but the result of their private conference differed in no way from the other. The three gentlemen were equally convinced of the justice of Redmond Kildare's claims, but determined to proceed with the investigation as agreed upon, but merely for form's sake. The proofs which the new Earl had submitted in support of his claims were deemed incontrovertible.

"I wonder how you dare tell me all your story—how you dare confess to me that the police are looking for you! How do you know that I shall not betray you?" "You dare not! I do not trust to your love, but I do trust to your pride. If I am ever arrested, I shall proclaim myself your husband!"

"And I am tied to this man!" thought the Lady Kathleen, in horror, when he had gone. "God pity me! Poor, poor Barry!"

Bassantyne went down to the spot where he had left his small boat on the beach, and an evilly exultant smile lit up his weary face.

CHAPTER XI.

BASSANTYNE SEEMS SAVES QUARTERS. The days drifted by at Kildare Castle, after the visit of the guardians of the young Lady Nora, and, despite the girl's heavy cares and anxieties, every day had its share of sweetness and joy.

which I gave you a hint. Had I known that Bassantyne lived, I should never have consented to marry you. I thought him dead. I read a notice of his death in an Australian paper a year ago."

"Then he was an old suitor of yours?" "Yes."

"What is the mystery between you and him?" cried Lord Tresham passionately. "Tell me, Kathleen. Let us share the secret together. Perhaps I can help you."

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Men would think better of "fussy" women if they understood better the gentler sex—Literary Women as wives—Bachelors and Benedicts.

The Light of Love. As flowers, by their wealth of bloom, Will shed a gladness o'er the room, And when 'er December's gloom To cheerfulness and light,

And as upon a stormy day, The clouds will have far away, When golden sunbeams dance and play, Up to their robes of night.

Literary Women as Wives. I have often been surprised how deep-rooted is the general impression that literary women make but moderate successes as wives and mothers.

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- 1. To render and make transferrable the life-insurance policy by the Society to the widows of the deceased members thereof.
2. To validate the transfers already made of such rents.
3. To permit to the Board of Directors of the said Society to take from the reserve fund the sum of money required and necessary to redeem the said rents.
4. To grant to the Board of Directors the right to refuse the admission of new members in said Society, and for all the purposes aforesaid to amend the constitution, rules and by-laws of this same Society.

And, finally, for the purpose of making other amendments of a less importance.

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ESTATE OF JOSEPH DUBEAU-DAME

SCHOLASTIQUE MAURICE, widow of JACQUES DUBEAU, her son CHARLES and JACQUES DUBEAU, all of this city, hereby give public notice to all interested parties that the late Joseph Dubeau-Dame, who was dying at his residence, 111 St. James Street, New York City, during August 1886, that they will petition on the 20th day of February, 1887, one of this District Superior Court Judges, in Chamber, at the Court House of Montreal, at 10:30 a.m., to grant for their own and exclusive benefit letters of verification of the will of the said deceased, and to order before the said date, if they judge convenient.

Montreal, October 17th, 1886. DAVID, DEMERS & GERVAIS, Attys. for Petitioners, 165 Notre Dame Street. 18-5

CANADA, PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, SUPERIOR COURT, No. 734.—JANE MCINTOSH, of the city and District of Montreal, wife common as to property of John McCowan of the same place, clerk, duly authorized to enter on justice, Plaintiff:

vs. JOHN McCOWAN, of the City and District of Montreal, clerk, Defendant.

An action for separation as to property has been instituted in this matter this day. Montreal, Nov. 30, 1886. GREENSHIELDS, GUERIN & GREENSHIELDS, Attorneys for Plaintiff. 18-5

CANADA—PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, SUPERIOR COURT, No. 1931. DAME MARY SARAH FARRELL, of the City and District of Montreal, wife of THOMAS CONNOLLY, of the same place, Cabinet Maker, and duly authorized for the purposes of this suit, Plaintiff:

vs. The said THOMAS CONNOLLY, Defendant.

An action for separation as to property has been instituted in this cause. Montreal, 28th November, 1886. DOHERTY & DOHERTY, Attorneys for Plaintiff. 18-5

DISSOLUTION OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Notice has been deposited, according to law, of the dissolution, by anticipation, the twenty-seventh of November last, of the limited partnership that has existed, in the City of Montreal, between Alfred Gussman, Esq., Joseph Octave Trempe, Francis Archambault and Joseph Archambault, as special partners, under the firm name of "Jos. Marcotte & Co.," of which the public is hereby notified. Montreal, December 3rd, 1886. COUTLEE & LAMARCHE, N.P. 19-3

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, No. 5197.

JOHN LYON, of the City and District of Montreal, Plaintiff,

vs. THOMAS CONRAD, of the same place, filer, Defendant.

On Plaintiff's motion, by his Attorneys, Messrs. Doherty & Doherty, the Defendant is ordered to appear within two months. Montreal, 16th December, 1886. CHAS. DONOAINA, Deputy C. C. 20-2

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Irish Marriages and Deaths.

MARRIED.

BRETT—PURCELL—Nov. 21, at the Pro-Cathedral Marlborough street, Dublin, John Brett to Ellen youngest daughter of the late Patrick Purcell, Rose Inn street Kilkenny city.

CROWLEY—RYAN—Nov. 20, in the beautiful new church at St. Stephen's Rock, Ballyneely, by the Rev. Michael Ryan, P.P., Patrick E. Crowley, Ballinacree, Cashel, co. Tipperary, to Johanna, eldest daughter of Michael P.P., Ballyneely, co. Limerick, sister to Rev. Denis Ryan, Rockhampton, Queensland, and grandniece to the late Rev. Laurence Bourke, formerly P.P. of Killinure, co. Tipperary.

FONAHY—RYAN—Nov. 21, Michael Fogarty, youngest son of the late Timothy Fogarty Whitegate, Loughmore, co. Tipperary, to Elizabeth, youngest daughter of John Ryan, Coolatogal, Rosrisleigh, co. Tipperary.

GOBE—FELLY—Nov. 21, at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church, High street, Dublin, William Gore, of 33 Thomas street, Dublin, to Jane, second oldest daughter of Hugh Felly, 45 Bridgefoot street.

KENNEDY—KAVANAGH—Nov. 21, at St. Mary's, Bootstown, John Alexis Kennedy, St. Mary's road, to Maud Josephine, second youngest daughter of the late John Kavanagh, Esq., Temora, Bootstown, county Dublin.

LOUGHRAN—CORCORAN—Nov. 15, at the Roman Catholic Church, Skerine, Francis, only son of Francis Loughran, P. L. G., Tullylane, to Jennie, second daughter of James Corcoran, Trevis.

TALLEN—MCENTYRE—Nov. 18, at the Church of the Visitation, Fairview, Dublin Patrick Joseph, youngest son of P. Tallen, 27 Constitution Hill, Dublin, to Henrietta Rose, only daughter of Thomas McEntyre, Esq., 107 Edmond terrace, Fairview Strand, Glentarf.

DIED.

BRENNAN—Nov. 25, at his residence, 31 New Row, South, Dublin, Martin, eldest son of Owen and Elizabeth Brennan.

HROG—Nov. 26, at his residence, Holborn Mount, Hull, Yorkshire, John Joseph Broc, Co. Wick, aged 55 years.

BYRNE—Nov. 26, at his residence, 15 Belview, Dublin, John, eldest son of the late Morgan Byrne, millwright, of Dunlavin, co. Wicklow.

BURKE—Nov. 24, at his residence, 14 Upper Sackville street, Dublin, John Burke, in the 67th year of his age.

BRADY—Nov. 23, of gangrene of the lung, John Brady, eldest son of the late James Duff, co. Cavan, aged 45 years.

BYRNE—Nov. 19, at his residence, Southfield, Ballinlubber, Bridget Byrne, in her 65th year.

COOKE—Nov. 23, at Dublin, Charles Cooke, Theatrical Manager, and Irish Comedian.

GREEN—Nov. 25, at his residence, William street, Dublin, Maurice Green.

CARBERY—Nov. 15, at Laxton Hall, Stamford, the Right Hon. George Percy Parry, Baron Carbery.

CAMPION—Nov. 28, at the residence of her mother, Mrs. O'Brien, 2 South Earl street, Dublin, Mrs. Kate Campion, of 41 Denbarr street.

COLLINS—Nov. 10, after a protracted illness, Mrs. M. Collins, relict of John Collins, Inchicore, Dunnamway, co. Cork.

D'ARCY—Nov. 28, at Kildenny, Bray, Matthew Peter D'Arcy, Esq., J. P., D.L.

DOYLE—Nov. 24, at his residence, Stratford on Slaney, county Wicklow, Michael Doyle, in the 75th year of his age.

DOWNING—Nov. 24, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Dublin, Edward, third oldest son of Edward Downing, of 17 Lower Gardiner st., Dublin, car proprietor, formerly of Brittas, county Dublin, aged 26 years.

DOYLE—Nov. 23, at his residence, Winetavern, Stratford, co. Wicklow, Mrs. Eliza Doyle, relict of the late Thomas Doyle, aged 74 years.

DALTON—Nov. 22, at his residence, Lad Lane, Baggot street, Dublin, Michael Dalton.

DARVILL—Nov. 28, at his residence, Trim, Richard Davis, builder, father of the Rev. Wm. J. Davis, C.C., Rathcab, aged 74 years.

DOYLE—Nov. 24, at his residence, Stratford-on-Slaney, co. Wicklow, Michael Doyle, in the 75th year of his age.

PINKNEY—Nov. 26, at his residence, Rosemount, Thee, R. Pinkney, of 61 Old Kilmalham, late of Drogheda, aged 51 years.

GARTLEY—Nov. 26, at 50 South Mall, Cork, Joseph C. R. Gartley, Dental Surgeon.

HASLAM—Nov. 25, at his residence, 156 James's st., Dublin, James Haslam.

KELLY—Nov. 27, at St. Peter's Phippsboro', Dublin, Rev. James Kelly, C.M.

KIRGAN—November 26, at his residence, 3 Great Britain st., Dublin, Mary, wife of John Kirgan.

KRAMER—Nov. 6, at Portlinton, Michael Kramer, aged 55 years.

LAW—Nov. 24, at 7 Brighton square, Rathgar, Dublin, Edward Law, aged 72 years.

MCNAMARA—Nov. 26, at Macroom, Catherine, wife of George McNamara.

MCCANE—Nov. 28, at Church street, Cavan, Francis Joseph, youngest son of John McCane, C.P.S., Cavan.

MORRIS—Nov. 16, at Brown street, Weaver's corner, Dublin, Edward Morris.

MCKINNEY—Nov. 24, at 36 Ivy terrace, London-derry, Patrick J. McKinney, late of the Telegraph Department, G. P. O., Dublin.

MITCHELL—Nov. 24, at his residence, 186 Clonliffe road, Mrs. Catherine Mitchell, relict of the late Patrick Mitchell, of Dublin.

NOLAN—Nov. 22, at his residence, Monmouths, Co. Wick, John Kilkenny, John Nolan, in the 85th year of his age.

O'NEILL—Nov. 23, at his residence, Glasshouse, Dublin, James O'Neill, member of the Bricklayers' Society, aged 67 years.

O'SULLIVAN—Nov. 24, at Baggot street Hospital, Dublin, Teddy J. O'Sullivan of Kennara, late of Pimms Brothers and Todd & Burns, Dublin.

O'TOOLE—November 22, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Dublin, Mr. Joseph O'Toole.

PAYNE—November 14, at Ballaghaderreen, Eleanor, daughter of the late Thomas Payne, Esq., and sister of the Honorable George Thomas Payne, of Natchez, Mississippi, U. S.

PURCELL—November 22, at 37 Westland road, Dublin, Ernest, infant son of Daniel Purcell, solicitor.

RYAN—Nov. 11, at his residence, Rathkeale, county Limerick, James J. Ryan, after a short illness, aged 22 years.

TIMMONS—Nov. 23, at his residence, Foster terrace, Ballybong road, Dublin, Richard Timmons, late D.M.P.

REILLY—November 19, at 16 Kenmare Parade, N. C. R., Dublin, Catherine (Katie), youngest daughter of Joseph and Theresa Reilly.

SCANNELL—November 12, at Crossroads, Kenmare, county Kerry, Mary relict of the late Daniel Scannell, aged 60 years.

SHERIDAN—November 15, at Marshall, Crossroads, county Cavan, Mr. Patrick Sheridan, third son of the late Mr. James and Catherine Sheridan, aged 26 years.

SHERRY—November 15, Jeremiah Sheehy student of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, in the 20th year of his age.

SINNOTT—November 17, at Crofton road, King's Cross, William, the beloved husband of Mary Sinnett.

TODD—At 19 Rugby Road, Belfast, Arthur Todd, aged 86 years, formerly of Sandy-mountain, Dublin.

WHEELER—November 20, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Dublin, of typhoid fever, the Rev. Joseph A. Wheeler, O. F., in the 44th year of his age.

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