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## A BEAUTIFUL SPRING THOUGHT THE ETERYAL cift

A friend from the Northwest writes：＂Some three weeks ago I was much struck with this beautiful thought expressed by your
bright correspondent at Ste．Rose du Lac：＇No flowers and our bright correspondent at Ste．Rose du Lac：＇No flowers and our
snow wreaths gone．But if we wait，the flowers will come again， for the world is as sweet as erer to each new soul that comes into it，although it has lasted so many thonsand years．The seasons keep it perennially young，each spring renews its youth and it is
never more than a year old．How differently time deals with us never more than a year old．How differently time deals with us
The clock which ticks so noisily in still and sulitary places is like The clock which ticks so noisily in still and solitary places is like
the beating of a heart，the palpitating heart of Time，ah！all too soon we spend our little share of it．＇

This passage has suggested to me the following sonnet，which you are at liberty to print，if you like it．＂We like it so much that
we give it plenty of room．

## IMMORTAL YOUTH．

How youthful every year is Mother Earth！
No wrinkled brow，no ashes in her hair
At spring＇s return she blossoms young and fair
As when the angels hymned her primal birth．
Of youth renewed make each spring say：＂Beware！
This vernal jny is harbinger of care
Thy frame is aging ；sorrow waits on mirth＇
Mayhap it is because poor Earth knows not
That all of her must die at last．Our flesh
May die，our soul we know shall live form Of age we can endure the saddening lot．
Let earth each passing year bloom

She has no soul，she lives but for a day．
W．E．L．

## The Sign of the Cross．

This is a play now runnin in one of our local theatres． is written by Wilson Barret
and he tells us that his motive and he tells as that his motive in writing the play was to re－en－
kindle in the footlights of our kindle in the footlights of our
theatres the Christian faith，al－ theatres the Christian faith，al－
most extinguished by the lec－ most extinguished by the lec－
tares of Robert Ingersoll． gives us an ocular demonstra－ tion to offset the metaphysical argument．The play is as Chris－ tian as any Protestant could
write；and as realistic as a Pro－ Write；and as realistic as a Pro－
testant audience could under－ stand or appreciate．What is most striking in a play intended tre the great is its prupulous the ness and even the modesty of its rendition．The play represents the best and worst side of Ro－ man life in the first century： yet it would be difficuit to deci－ de which were the more modest in their garb and attitudes，the Christian or the Pagan maidens． The motive of the play is Chris－ tian rather than Catholic ；and late，rather than early Christian． Peter and Paul are philanthro－ pic teachers rather than divine sentimentalists；and the enthu－ siasm of the early Church is
choked in the measured and cal－ choked in the measured and cal－
culated re titude of the golden culated re titude of the golden
rule．The religion of the＂Sign of the Cross＂is a convictio an all devouring passion． tirely unacquainted people en history of the persecutions must be the four acts of this piece
Martyrs！Virgins！Heroes and Heroines of faith！What man－ ner of people were these？Is gion our religion？

## The play is rather Christian

 than Catholic．If it were entire ly Catholic the martyred heroine would have been able to give a better answer to the question She says it is natural．The birds sing；the roses bloom．That is not true．Divine charity is not hatural，but supernatural．Welove God because He loves
and we love Him passionately
hecause He is so hecause He is so good，so true，so
beautiful a Lover．She is a vir－ beautiful a Lover． $\begin{gathered}\text { She is a vir－} \\ \text { gin and } \\ \text { gin } \\ \text { matrimony }\end{gathered}$ Why ？She could tell a Catholic andieuce，but a Protestant one
would not understand her．Vir winity is Sisterhood with divini gin．＂Th clean of heart see Erod，＂
ty．＂Ther and having seen him，never close eye contemplating His loveli ness．Protestants regard matri mony as superior to virginity． rather play is late Christian early Christians knew what it was to leave all and follow Christ．They understood mortifi cation of the flesh and despised worldly riches and honors．We do not believe in martyrdom and deem it prudence to look out for the future in this world as well as the next．The neglect
of worldly interests characteris． of worldly interests characteris．
tic of the early Christians would tic of the early Christians would strike a modern churchgoer as
improvidence，if not downright mprovidence

## Thiltessness．

Then that＂Sign of the Cross＂ wo no dead Christ on it ；it is It is pieces of wood crossed and would be much Protestants， and would be much more appre－ of the crucifix．
Then the assemblies of the early Christians in the play are of the Bread＂which was the ing evitable concomitant in real life．
That would priest and the Mass ． would not do．Peter and Paul make addresses；but they must preach；and the singing of the Christians in the Catecombs is in four voices．This is certainly an anachronism．For these and other reasons the play is not what Catholics would expect； yet we donbt if it could be al－ tered advantageously． splendid portrayal of diluted early Christianity；bat as strong er of ops as the delicate charac－
ter modern stomach could stand．

Rev．Father Blais，O．M．I．，re－ urned from the east at the end of last week
missionary

Influence of the Holy See Amon
the Nations
the vatican and the quirinal
Italys Present Condition is an Artificia
One and its Dilemma is Formidable．

That well－known European correspondent of the daily press latest issue of the English Illus－ latest issue of the English Ilus－ markable article，wherein he con
trasts the influence of the Holy See in Rome with that at presen enjoyed there by the Italian gov－ ernment．At the outset of his pa－ per Mr．Warren briefly review
the more striking events tha have had place in Rome since the usurpation of the control of that city by the Piedmontese government，which occurred in 1870．He quotes anew the me－ morable and seemingly prophe－
tic utterance then made by Vic－ tic utterance then made by Vic－
tor Emmanuel，who declared when he entered it，＂This means he downfall of the house of Sa－ voy，＂a prediction whose fulfil－ ing，day by day，by observers of Italian affairs by no means preju－

Mr．Warren mints out the
Mr．Warren points out that，
otwithstanding this utterance of the Italian auler，the men who had urged him to seize the Papal city，flushed by the easy Paccess of the Italian arms at ad Pua，imagined that the the Roman question by depriv－ ing the Church of its temporal ossessions．Blinded by their riumphs，he remarks，they fail－ d to recognize that the ease and acility wherewith constitutions are written and treaties prepared do not establish nations or crea－ e a united people，and they are now painfully awakening to a realization of the fact that the question which they foolishly considered settled is far removed from having found a satisfactory or enduring solution，and that something more than parch－ ment and political zeal are re quired to hold together in nat onal unity thirty millions of peopt in Rome which is ele cally attached to the is fanati cally attached to the govern opposed to the Holy See and all opposed to tooking to the restora tion of its former temporal thority，Mr．Warren admits，bu that element，he adds，is far less numerous than some folks ima－ gine，and it is more anti－Christi an，he says，than anti－Catholic Nor does he find it strange that such an element，indifferent or hostile to Christianity，should be discovered in the shadow，so to speak，of St．Peter＇s；for，con tinues he，in the shadow of St ． Paul＇s in London men prate o nfidelity，and within half a mi－ le of the Bank of England no long search is necessary to disco－ ver the deepest poverty and des Mr．Wa
Mr．Warren declares that，all contrary assertions notwith－ stending，he found Rome a tho－ roughly Catholic city．The real Rome，says he，is neither anti cent．He risited several indiffe－ rent．He tisited several of the
churches when services were being held in them and he inva－
ardent and devout worshippers． He attended a notable Papal ce－ of an important anniversary in the long life of Leo XIII．－in St．Peters and he witnessed the
obserrance of the king＇s birth－ day．On the latter occasion he was struck with the total lack of enthusiasm shown by the Ro－ man people，whose demeanor to－ inal Palace stood out in Quir－ nal Palace stood out in strong Peter＇s where，when the prisoner of the Vatican was being borne through the church in the sedile heir shouts of＂Long live the Pope－King！＇＂The impressive－ ness of this Papal ceremony was not lost on Mr．Warren，neither was its significance，for Protes－ The though he be，he says of it：
Themains that this king y old man on the great whit throne of the Sistine chapel is， after all，the most important per sonage on earth；that he wields K power wider than that of any King or President or Parliament， and that his word is capable of exerting a greater influence than he word of any other human


A close study of the situation present position is that Italy＇s present position is an artificial one．
Let her disarm，he says， she is certain to become the prey of her national neighbors，some of which powers，headds，would not be sorry to see the Pope keeps up her present costly ar－ mament，bankruptcy awaits her close ahead，and it is because she took and retains Rome，the Pa pal city，that Italy finds herself now placed in this un－ fortunate predicament．Without
saying so explicitly，Mr．Warreu eems to intimate that the only satisfactory solution of Italy＇s dilemma is to be found in the
restoration of Rome to the Holy Sestoration of Rome to the Holy that the Roman question is one hat has an interest far beyond Humbert humbert，he adds，reigns over Pope reigns over people，the and fitty millions of souls throughout the world．－Sacred Heart Review．

## The Difflculties of the Pulpit．

No one who has not had prac ical experience of the work can stimate the burden of the task fter Sunday，and pern，Sunday very Sunday，for the sermice which a priest is the sermons deliver to his people．With the week filled with sick－call duties， isitings among the parishioners， inancial worries，school attendan－ ces，etc．，a parish priest has often very little time to give to the reparation of his Sunday＇s dis－ course．And when，as often as not，he has to say two Masses on preach at the second，it is he want of food tell on the brain and render the preacher unable to speak with the freshness and brightness of the oraters who on rand ocdaisions come into the alpit，carefully prepared，and ortified by breakfast．We com－ mend these considerations to
Catholics who sometimes lend Catholics who sometimes lend
hemselves to criticism on the hemselves to criticism on the hermons which are delivered to
hem wish to depreciate the claims to admiration of the great pulpit


#### Abstract

orators who from time to time raptured listeners，but of en always considered that we have est preachers in the chuich are the humble and unreported country clergy who Sunday after Sunday mount the palpit，fast ing，and at a toreible cost of health and swangh beak the to their simpiryeople．And more than probabiy beead is as good food as honey for the soul which hungers for the Wod of solation of His Gospel－Lipoot

Catholic Times

\section*{AN OPEN TREASURY．}


Granted that you have made a good confession at Easter and received fogireness．what about he temporal punishment still whi Conscience still persists in st＂．＂ works？how，pray？By good nother easy method？or is there Holy Church in the plenitude of her power，like an indulgent mother，opens her treasury and invites us to come and receive he Papal Benediction with the accompanying Plenary Indul－ gence．All can receive it but only tate of grace hat we are in the tate of grace and are determined future．What a great boon！but las！how many of boon！but o take adyantage of it？O Easter Tuesday by a privilege ranted by the Holy See the all chorehes ia cheag of the

Review．

## Preaching．

It is not amiss tor us some－ times to note the opinions of men widely diffiering from our－ selves in matters of theological is food for reflection in the there ations which fell from the lip of a distinguished Nonconfor－ mist minister at a Nonconfor－ Coventry last week．He said in the present age the taste for and there was not dying out， than ever were fewer excuses preaching for poor and inefficient truth and，which killed the hearer El sometimes killed the hial，but a man must be interest ing and instructive The forest the preaching of the present day was being endangered by the ceaseless maltiplication of othe duties upon the minister who had not opportunity to prepare himself and his sermons，and the

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## current commens

That masterly work on Devotion to the Biessed Virgin,
"Mariolatry." is now for sale at the Wimnipeg
Book store, 364 Man St. The copies bound in blue and gold at 60 cents are selling eren faster than the unbound roiumes at May end without getting a cony. It is a real arsenal of arguments
in defence of the Catholic faith and it is rery well aud enter tainingly written.

The United States take possession of Cuba in twen ryyng to get at it for over a have scratched the Pearl of th Antilles. This reminds us of what happened at the outbreak Northerners were going to smash Secession in thirty days; at the end of thirty months the opera-
tion seemed well nigh hopeless. tion seemed well nigh
History repeats itself.

We print this week a beauti Hierarchy of that Catholic country approved for the consecration
of their native land to the Sa cred Heart of Jesus. Those who heard Fr. La Rue's touching ser mon on last St. Patrick's Day in
St. Mary's Church will remem ber that he then read this simpl eloquent prayer at Father McCarthy speques. consecrated to the Sacred Heart has seemed to us an apportune moment for set-
ting before our readers the text ting before our readers the tex
of this short but most compre hensive prayer. Many will glad to use it in their daily derotions.

The June intention for the associates of the Apostleship of
Prayer is"Derotion to the Blessed Sacrament." It was this devotion on Blessed Margaret Mary's part which was the occasion of Our
Lord resealing to her the mysteries of His Divine Heart. It wa on the altar that He appeared her in the most memorable of
her visions. The American "Messenger" for June says very well: "The Eucharist is to the
seven sacraments what the heart is to the memb wand hin 1 iss to the chiel planets. Being the sacrament of par wh the thers They beget, purify, fortify, consecrate the Christian soul, but to lead on. All the others unite the soul to the grace of Christ, the soucharist unites to Christ Him-
self; it is as St. Thomas says, n Jesus Christ.

The Casket Printing and Pub ishiug Company (Limited) of Angotinish, N.S., has published in a neat panphlet of 16 pages clical Letter of His Holiness Pope
Leo XII. on the Manitoba Leo XIII. on the Manitoba
School Question together with School Question tegether with
the Pastoral Letter of His Grace Archbishop Begin promulgating the Encyclical. The translation reads well, though it is not quite so accurate as the one which apprepared in this office. It was an prepared in this ofice. . bishoh Begin's explanatory Pas toral. This is emphaticall pamphlet worth keeping for one's self and distributing to friend self and distributing to friend cal AFFARI Vos is the charter o our school liberties, approring as it does, the accentance of legi
timate concessions as instal ments of justice.

THE PLEA OF SINCERITY. In the all important matter of eternal salration ar well as in
many other matters of secondaimportance it is the fashion to accept, with what beems to
as unjustifiable readiness, the ns unjustifiable readiness, the
plea of sincerity in bar of con demnation and reproof which in the absence of such be richly deserved. That this plea is really valid to an extraordiuary extent in ques
tions of hereditary misbelief we are quite ready to admit. though when it comes to indiidual cases and concrete ins cuit to establish the likelihood of absolute sincerity. As regards downright unbelief or atheism the probability of sincerity diminishes with the growing age
and experience of the unbeliever so that it reaches almost a vanish-
ing point in the case of an intel. ligent and aged unbeliever. For such a one the probabilities against his sinceruy are, to pat
it mildly, a thousand to one. it mildy, a thousand to one.
Still greater is the unlikeliStill greater is the unllieli-d
hood of sincerity when alleged hood of sincerity when alleged ity. The standards of morality are more unitorm all over the
world than are the standards of borlief-a fact which points to the original monotheism and rehious unity of the human race. Hence a calmily jadicial mind will be slow to acknowledge
that a writer of obscenity can hus write in good faith. For example, it requires a pheno-
eenal infusion of amiable creduity to believe that Zola is sincere in his pretence that zeal for realistic fidelity is the true notive of his shameless lubriciolea we sometimes find $e$ choed by eren Catholic writers. One of the most distinguished, when lately confronted with a posthumous reminiscence of that Zola adopted the cry of "natura lism" and its consequent filth as a means of making money, re
plied indignantly that he, being plied indignantly that he, being
personally acquainted with Zola personally acquainted with Zola,
could not believe this statement, for that Zola was the rery soul of sincerity, a fanatic undoubt-
edly but still thoroughly sinere. This great Catholic writer, ike too many other Catholic authors, is not able to cut him-
self loose from the shallow ameBecause Zola, whom he has met Because Zola, whom he has met,
has loudly protested, in season and out of season, that he wa transparently sincere, the good
natured Catholic believes him as if hypocrisy had never sucBut there are limits to the like lihood of sincerity and onk these most certainly is the bridgeless gulf between the the most evident lewdness ranquil flreection, equally aloo $\left.\begin{aligned} & \text { from the glamour of personal } \\ & \text { magnetism and the fear of being }\end{aligned} \right\rvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { taking, } \\ & \text { gifts }\end{aligned}$ to the hing $\quad$ his splendid
thought narrow-minded or into- conscious and constant efforts. lerant, probes the hollowness of The very limitations of his
the plea of sincerity in such character may have kept him cases as this. The more one wise- in invincible ignorance of the cases as his. The more one wise-
ly weighs Zolas methods, the truth as it is in the Catholic ly weighs Zolas methods, the strougest possible motires for insincerely pleading sincerity.
The same reasoning applies to he works of Ernest Renan. As
master of the Biblical langua master of the Biblical langua es, he had few superiors, but his le worth because he so fre quently trampled on the accept-
ed code of morality. The man ed code of morality. The man
who wrote "L'Abbesse de JouarWho wrote "L'Abbesse de Jouar
re" cannot be trusted to speak the truth in his commentaries on Scripture. Insincerity is the
very breath of his nostrils, be very breath of his nostrils, be
cause he delights in immorality cause he delights in immoratid
David Creedon in the Western Watchman has lately handled a cognate subject in his hown how manner. He ha shown how eren so apparently Repplier can bring herself to Repplier can bring herself to
condone moral delinquencies doned. The fact is the opinions doned. The fact is the opimions of their set are too much become moral cowards, slaves to is the dreaded epithet "narrou minded." Perhaps, if they knew how this cowardice wins them the healthy contempt of hey might be stiffened into iterary independence.
"The People's Wil iam.
Since Gladstone's death, du ing the period of mourning which sogreat a loss has brought
upon the English-speaking apon the English-speaking
world, unstiuted eulogy has been bestowed on his cherrshed me mory He was undoubtedty many-sided, perhaps, than any other public man in this century done, the very greatest mav our time is an exaggeration. In point of somdness and balance of mind he camot be compared rion Crawtord so happily says, that he is more "stubbornly sane And. atter all, keenness of insigh and breadth of knowledge are not qualities of such transcendent worth as weil-balanced judg ment, deep knowledge of the human heart and consistency of purpose. in these paramount deficient.
What was most remarkable in combining apparent contradic tions: oratorical impulsivenes with financial genius, revolution ary tendencies with religious conservatism, coolness and ver
satility in debate with almost childish pique at political reve ses. Albeil at one time driftiug Romeward where his best friends had found the truth, he wrote some thirty years later, a wicked pamphlet against the Vatican Though the most democratic of premiers, he alone in this century persuaded the Novereign to use her royal prerogative and abolish sions. He imprisoned Irish leader and then died politically for Ireland's sake. He, who had created so many knights, baron
ets and peers, chose to end his dts and peers, chose to end his people's William," spurning on kind of honor che sake betrayed his plebeian preference for the quantity rather than the quality of his admirers. For ever aiming at the aggrandisement o his country, he inflicted on th British Empire's ineffaceable to a cruel death at Khartoum. In one thing only he was conistent and that is the truest glory of his long career. He was
ever a man of moral rectitude and outwardly blame-

Church. His last word, "Amen," leads us to infer that he conform ed to the Will of God in the fragmentary way in which he apprehended it. And so we may hope that he h

## strange Views

 on Liberty."United Canada" has the fol"Thing sapient remarks
"The Catholic press of the Cnited States shares Unired ween America and Spain. The ay Cardinal at Antigonist (sic), of Spain, and the North West of Spain, and the North West tainly be also with those pious people who are more Catholic than the Pope, especially i Toryism, whether religious o
political. It is not that we love sain less but that we lov liberty more."
Considering that we struck list of exchanges almost a yea ago, the editor of that slipshod sheet is to a certain extent excu
sable for thinking that we a no longer in "existance," though his iguorance is akin to
that of the ostrich burving its that of the ostrich burving its
head in the sand. He is probably not even aware that his ink bedaubed paper has continued ever suce to visit our sanctum.
We half regret the necessity of sending him a marked copy this issue, for he will then no doubt feel himself in duty bound to retaliate by cutting
off and thas depriving us o off and thas depriving $u$.
much innocent amusement.
The poor man thinks he lor liberty more because, forsooth, he sides with the big bully who is batchering the weaking.
Many of the big bully's best friends-or, to drop metaphor, friends-or, to drop metaphor,
many of the wisest non-Catholic statesmen in the United States hare condemned the present war as unjust. And we Catholics of the revolutionary spirit, cau not help seeing that the Ame rican onslaught on Spain is machinations of secret societies For serenty-five years, and especially for the last three years, the people of the United States have been helping that vile rabble which calls itself the Cuban Insurrection, and the Government of the States has tolerated
or winked at the open conspiray against a friendly power. Nor is it even true that "the
Catholic press of the United tates" has unanimously approved the war. Its bravest and most independent organs, such s the "Western Watchman," have strongly condemned it. Now, of course, that the sad conflict is in full swing, most of hold their government. But the claims of patriotism do not blind f their own misgoverned counof th
try.

Here, then, is the gist of our da." The Northwest Review id da." The Northwest Review is enjoying a healthy existence in
the town of St. Boniface, having moved thither from Winnipeg n April 1897. It sees no glory and still less does it see any jemblance of liberty in the un nation with the affairs of week nation, when the latter has not been a whit more cruel han the former, and when the weaker nation was doing its best to remedy the evils of an administration that was certain-
y not worse than the United States administration of the South after the civil war.

REV. FATHER ODWYER, O. M. I.
pays a gracefll trbute to

## Gladetone

At the evening service yesterday in St. Mary's, Rer. Father ODwyer preached a sermon ap-
propriate to Ascension Thursday propriate to Ascension Thursday,
and in the course of his remarks took occasion to nefer to the death of Mr. Gladstone. He said they had all learned that
morning that the Grand Old Man was no more. To many this news had brought deep sor-
row. Mr. Gladstone had not died a Uatholic, he had not lived one, nor had he ever manifested had, however, led a just life, had, however, led a just life,
and had, in consequence, he and had, in consequence, he
telt sure, a happy death. It might seem hard for Catholics
to reconcile Mr. Gladstone's reconcile Mr. Gladstones of the Catholic faith with truth, yet they should remember the great difflculties that stand in the way of a Protestant understanding the great truths of the church. To fully realize these difficulties they would have to read the "Apologia" of John ary Newman. It was custoary prayers for the souls in purgahe dead statesman, and to-gigh rom the statesman, and to-night, wo the bottom or his heart he y on the soul of William E. wart Gladstone." He felt confident that the same prayer
gone up from the hearts of the millions of Irishmen scattered he worid over. Gladstone Ireland proved a friend indeed to Ireland, and he trusted that the sorrow which weuld eroke in Ireland might awaken in the hearts of British statesmen a desire to

Notes from Ste. Rose du Lac.
A missionary in the North he following touching trait of an Indian child "We hare
lately lost an Indian child, she had been in a convent and knew more than most of them. When her. "Why do you always look along the road Salomé? one day I said to her."-"Oh! I might see him coming." "See whom, Saknow, Fat her, he comes and goes on earth because it is between Easter and the Ascension. Perhaps He will come in here I think He has been here sometimes when I have been asleep,
He is often tired and He knows te is infinitely welcome, a Pough tis a poor place or Him." will meet Him. Tell Him I wait r Him, Oh! you will know Him ather, by His hands and feet ay, Oh Sacred Heart!"' "I am al ways sorry", she said another time, "when the Ascension mes, and he goes away but don't think 1 shall be sorry any orry any. And she was not day-break on the Ascension. The His little sun-browned farget when He went Heavenwards. It is written that holy Abraham. entertained angels unawares, welcome to her home the Lord of Angels.
This is what 22 of our school children are hoping to do on the Feast of the Ascension, they will like the little Indian child in the Northwest, but Heaven will promised the kind help of Rev Fr. Gaisford from Makinak for the High Mass and the English Pere may gire all his attention to these happy children.
We picked our first violets to a small posy and put them at On: Ladys feet, without any sugthom us. We heard him explain give her any flowers before for her Month. Later on he gravely
assured us that the "Good Mother" had said she knew that before because he had often told her so, but she was glad to have them now she d got them. neighborhood and wheat coming up in fine style.
Foot-ball is the order of the young men will prop well so as to do honor to themselres, their badges coursur :hey don and meet in friendly conflict the neighboring teams Just fancy Mail pren now only once a week. We reckon to live longer on ac count of living so slowly shall never have time to get all in. Still, I remember when night; but Rome was not built in a day, Ste. Rose is not, so to say, built as yet, she grows like her murmaring waters, truly it has been said Spring is with us turtle is heard in our land," babbling night and day free from its icy fetters.

## Letellier and St. P's

The Reverend Father George O.M.I., who is this week assist ing Father Campeau of $S$ dent sastained by the latter while driving, preached at Ve pers, at Letellier, on Sunda afternoon, returning to
Joseph in time for the evening service there. A large congrega pleased we all were, to hear the pleasedend Father and that we had not forgotte his eloquent discourses th time of the retreat last year Iudeed we should all be glad to have his visit often. To-morrow
evening he will preach again
and there will certainly be a large congregation. Fathe
George also conducted the ces for As
St. Joseph
The sermon on Sunday afte noon was most appropriatel chosen for the parish which is mers, and ran composed of farday, St. Isidore, husbandman. Wheat is looking well but good rain would be welcome as it is rery dry everywhere. Seed-
ing is practically orer, with the ing is practically orer, with the
exception of a little barley which will probably be all
sown before the week is over. The weather has been all that could be desired for spring arm work in this neighbor

## brifflets

Miss Annie Genthon, daughter of Mrs. Francois Gingras, Wa married by Rev. Fr. Messier a
St. Boniface Cathedral on Monday, the 23 rd inst., to Juseph
Taillefer Lerêque, son of Mr Arthur Levèque, Indian Agen at Rat Portage. The bridesmaid was Miss Lavallée and the best-
man was Mr. J. P. McKenna Lerêque. Best wishes.
The First Communion of boys Mary's Church. Winnipe in st Mary's Church, Wimipeg, next
Sunday, the Feast of Pentecost, Suyday, the east of Pentecost,
at the half past eipht o'clock Mass. The Rer. Pastor wil preach to the happy children
who will be about thirty in who will be about thirty in
number. The good Sisters of esus and Mary take charge of
he singing and the pirls of Mary's Academy who made
their Patronage of St. Joseph will make their second communion at the same Mass as the First Baptismal Vows and the Consehe afternoon.

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    NORMAL SCHOOL
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The closing exercises at the last Friday afternoon in the presence $\begin{gathered}\text { of His Ho- } \\ \text { nor } \\ \text { Lieutenant-Gov }\end{gathered}$ ernor and a large audience.
Several Catholic young ladies Several Catholic young ladies
had followed the course with marked success. The two valedictorians were, as usual, chosen by the vote of the students and the coveted honor on the ladies'
side fell to Miss Mary Marrin, daughter of our leading Catholic After a short summary of the gentleman valedictorian's essay, the "Free Press" says: "Miss ful pall the Teacher. The most impor tant and necessary mast impor a teacher is a pure, sweet chane, but a strong character with hat intangible something that
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It is our painful daty to record the death of an estimable Catho lic lady. Mrs. Phileas Cloutier
(née Talbot), who breathed her née Talbot), who breathed her
last, atter a long illuess borne last, atter a long illuess borne
with Christian fortitude, in St. She leares a bereaved husban She leares a bereaved husband
and daughter; ;he latter, fourteen
years old is at the boarding
years old, 15 at the boarding
convent of St . Norbert. Review extends to Mr. Phileas Cloutier, his to Rev. Father sorely tried of late by the death of their father, its most sincere
The funeral serrice, which was rery largely attended, took place on Saturday morning at the Cathedral, the Celebrant being the parish, prlest, Rev,
Father Messier ; the Deacon, Rev. Father Messier; the Deacon, Rev-
Father Beliveau, and the Sub Father Béliveau, and the Sub
deacon, Rev. Father George
R. I. P.

## A Worthless Young Man.

Judge Chandler, of Atlanta Ga.. said from the bench a few
days ago : "I cannot conceive o any more worthless human beng in this world than a young man with a drink of mean liquo
in his stomach, a cimarette in hi mouth, a pistol in his pocket and a Police Gazette or one of those vicious pictures in another walking the streets of a civilized city. Nothing short of a miracle can save such a man. Yet we
are manufacturing such specimens every day in this city."
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what is required in the school,
When the Lieutenant-Gover When the tieutenant-Gover-
nor spoke at the end of the
entertainment he said, he recoo. nized Miss Marrin as having
bestowed on her a medal at bestowed on her a medal at
St. Mary's Academy and was St. Mary's Academy and was
glad to see that she now in a-
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honor to that institution. This remark was applauded by the
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