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OUR ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER.

ST. BONIFACE, May 10th, 1888. Mr. E. J. Dermody. DEAR SIR,—I see by the last issue of the Northwest Review that you have been entrusted by the directors of the journal with the management of the same.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Hamilton, Brantford and London elected Protestant Protective candidates as their Mayors. The people of these places will have an opportunity of finding out how much better these gentlemen are than other well deserving citizens.

No A.P.A. for Pittsburg. Rev. A. P. Phillips, of Springfield, Mo., who for many months past has been challenging the Catholic priests of the country, finally comes across one who combats him unmercifully.

Catholics are not the only persons who object to the exclusion of all religion from the school rooms, or who decline to send their children to the public schools when other schools are within their reach.

For some time past the True Witness, published in Montreal, has been launched on the stormy seas of legal and other difficulties. It is with more than ordinary pleasure, however, that we learn that this excellent Catholic weekly has emerged from its troubles, and begins 1894 on a sound footing.

At the time of the insane attacks, noticed some time ago, of the Apatists upon a convent of the Good Shepherd, at Columbus, Ohio, a committee of non-Catholics visited the convent, and ended their report as follows:

The undersigned do, therefore, after careful investigation, most earnestly invoke on behalf of these unoffending Christian workers the sympathy and good will of all good citizens, regardless of their religious belief.

A Protestant Episcopal organ has recently come out in favor of the congregation liberally applauding the preacher when he makes a good point. "A hearty round of hand clapping," it says, "will put life and spirit into the audience."

"DANGEROUS AND INTOLERANT."

A couple of weeks ago, in an article on the aims and objects of the Protestant Protective Association, we quoted Sir James Grant, the newly-elected member of Parliament for Ottawa, as having expressed an opinion that it is a "dangerous and intolerant association," and we added that its methods of action proclaim it to be also "unpatriotic and subversive of the very principle of the Canadian constitution."

"It is, in our opinion, unwise and unsafe to appoint or elect to civil, political, or military office in this country, men who owe supreme allegiance to any foreign king, potentate, or ecclesiastical power, and who are sworn to obey such power."

And the oath which every candidate for admission is made to swear, that this extraordinary language is intended to refer to every Catholic citizen, as anyone may see from the following extract:

"That I will not employ a Catholic in any capacity if I can procure the services of a Protestant, and that I will not countenance the nomination in any caucus or convention of a Roman Catholic for any office in the gift of the Canadian people; and that I will not vote for, nor counsel others to vote for any Roman Catholic, but will vote only for a Protestant; and that I will endeavour at all times to place the political positions of the Government in the hands of Protestants."

We do not need anything more than this oath to convince us that this association is in its aims, objects, and designs, as well as its methods of action, not only "dangerous and intolerant," but "unpatriotic and subversive of the very principle of the Canadian constitution."

To enter into an argument with a man who will stoop to such a glaring misrepresentation as this would be a sheer waste of time. We need only place him in the pillory of public contempt by reproducing his statement side by side with the actual ritual of the association, but on the other hand, we feel pleasure in being able to point out that a representative of the Toronto Globe, who recently called upon a large number of Protestant clergymen and laymen of Toronto and Montreal, found them practically unanimous in condemnation of the P.P.A.'s.

The A.P.A.'s are being stamped out in the United States. As we said last week, they are being routed there all along the line, and we venture to predict it will not be many years before the prominent leaders of the P.P.A. in this country will be sorry that they ever joined such a movement, and in all probability we shall even find the editor of the Brandon Mail trying to conceal the fact that it had his assistance in its attempt to gain a foothold in Manitoba.

A FEW WORDS FOR "PROTESTANTS TO REFLECT UPON."

It is the custom of this age of railroads and telegraphs to belittle the efforts of men who render themselves conspicuous by any quality that runs counter to its ideas and aspirations. We can easily imagine why worldlings hurl taunt and jibe against monks, and religious, because, forsooth, they cannot understand a life of silence and mortification.

But little reason have they to utter sarcasm, for look we up the long vista of ages, and we see them going their ceaseless rounds of mercy, entering the hovel and dungeon and venturing forth through fire and martyrdom, in the cause of human souls. Under their touch, monasteries, repositories of learning, colleges and universities to feed the heart and intellect, spring up as if by magic.

The University of Paris was in flourishing condition long before Luther raised the standard of revolt. The University of Bologna dates its charter from 1158. Oxford and Cambridge, erected by Catholic hands, were thronged by gentle monks who prayed and studied when England considered it a thing impossible that it should ever cast off the yoke of the Church that warmed it with the life of Christianity.

Printing was a thing unknown at that early day, and books had to be written or transcribed on parchment. Think of the patient toil and drudgery of such a task! Who performed it? Who for the most part but saintly religion. Day after day they worked on, never flagging in their zeal, because it was done to instruct their brethren and to lay firm and deep in their souls the love and knowledge of God.

READ UP! MR. EDITOR.

We notice a letter in the Free Press of Monday evening signed "Neutral" in which the Encyclopedia Britannica is quoted in answer to the Rev. Father Drummond's remarks in his sermon on Sunday with reference to the Spanish Inquisition. We do not intend to refer, at least just now, to this letter more than to say that the Encyclopedia from which the writer gets his information is not exactly the authority to which any one should go who is really desirous of learning the truth about any historical fact connected with the Catholic Church.

one in his senses attaches any importance to the denial of the cruelties of the Inquisition, or is led away by the sophistry that attempts to throw all the blame on the secular governments," but with regard to other statements in his note, surely if he has not read history backwards he knows that the theory of the rotation of the earth, which Copernicus had been by Catholic dignitaries allowed and encouraged to teach, and even rewarded for teaching, Galileo was forbidden to teach on account of his pretensions in teaching it, not as a mere theory but as a demonstrated truth, and moreover a truth proved from Scripture.

As to the rest of the comments of the Editor of the Free Press no more need be said than that he should have known better than suppose that Father Drummond had any intention of citing the details of the Russian massacre of Catholics as an excuse for any cruelties of the Inquisition may have been guilty of.

ARE THEY LOST?

Reply to the Question Regarding the Fate of Non-Catholics. In answer to the question, "Are all who die outside the Church lost?" the Cleveland Catholic Universe gives the following short, clear, and theologically sound reply:

The Catholic Church teaches that all those who are outside her pale are not in the way of salvation, but she does not teach that all who do not profess Catholicity are lost. The matter cannot well be explained in a short space, but in substance the idea of the Church is this:

All men, in order to obtain salvation, must belong to the Church founded by Jesus Christ; the Catholic Church is the Church alone founded by Him, for it alone has the essential marks of the true Church; therefore, all men, to obtain salvation, must belong to the Catholic Church.

An example familiar to all readers of the New Testament is that of Cornelius, the Centurion, who is described as a just man and one that feared God. Before the visit of St. Peter he belonged to the soul of the Church only, and as such was in the way of salvation. When baptized by St. Peter he became a member of the visible body of the Church. If he had declined to be united by baptism to the Church he would have ceased to belong to the soul of the Church, and would as a consequence have placed himself outside the pale of salvation.

First—Only involuntary ignorance or present impossibility excuses a man from the obligation of belonging to the visible body of the Church.

Second—No man in the Church or out of it can possibly be saved who dies in mortal sin. Professing Catholics have immeasurably better opportunities of freeing themselves from sin than non-Catholics, no matter how well disposed they may be, some of whom die in sin for want of sufficient knowledge to make an act of perfect contrition.

Dangerous A. P. A. Lunatics.

The A.P.A.ists in Eau Claire, Wis., demanded of the Mayor the dismissal of a policeman, because he is a Catholic. The Mayor refused to comply with their impertinent demand. They insisted in their demand, and the Mayor persisted in his refusal. This brought out the true spirit of these dangerous lunatics, and they wrote:

"Mayor Hopper, if you don't take that man Ryan off the police force you may get what Harrison got. A. P. A. The Mayor sent the letter to the daily paper, and replied to it thus: "My life is ready at any time to be sacrificed to a principle which underlies American institutions; but when he or any of his associates in villainy shoot, they must shoot for blood, or their society will lose a member whose apparent object is his own personal aggrandizement, regardless of principles."

GENERAL NEWS.

Fourteen of Ottawa's leading merchants have been fined for infraction of the early closing by-law during Christmas week.

Chicago is trying to feed her poor, but objects to feeding all the tramps that have headed for that city under the impression that they will receive free quarters and free food.

About nine miles distant from San Francisco there are four cemeteries and a crematory, and in order to reach them in quick time, an electrical funeral car has been placed in operation.

At San Francisco's Midwinter Fair the prize features of the Columbian Exposition are to be reproduced, while the fake element, which disgraced the Chicago show, will be left severely alone.

The new Factory Inspector's Bill to be presented to the legislature in the United States, has the advantage of being most judiciously explicit in particularizing the working women's grievances.

A woman, 80 years of age, who went to New London, Conn., from England in 1852, says she has never since been out of the town, nor never set foot on steam or sail boat or railroad or electric car. What's the matter with her trying the Ferris Wheel.

A large Newfoundland dog, in resenting a kick from a 14-year-old boy of Cavington, Ky., on Christmas Day, literally chewed him to pieces. The dog jumped on the lad, knocking him down and tore one of his arms off. A crowd of 1,000 it is alleged, looked on without the courage to interfere. A policeman finally assailed and shot the dog. The boy will die.

The next World's Fair is to be held in Paris, France, 1900, in recognition of the opening of a new century. The Frenchmen are taking time by the forelock in already announcing such practical plans for the Exposition as will be likely to smother the ambition of London, Berlin, Vienna and Venice to rival the enterprise.

Eight hundred thousand persons able and willing to work, are said to be out of employment in the United States. On them are dependent nearly one million four hundred thousand beings. No wonder, that the charitable societies are beset with applications for aid; no wonder that signs of distress are everywhere prevalent; no wonder that the well-to-do are urged to be generous to the army of the destitute. It is to be a hard winter for the poor. Whoever can give work to the idle should do so, and whoever can afford an alms to the needy should make haste to offer it.

CATHOLIC NOTES.

Mr. Dwight Benton, a Protestant minister of note, in charge of churches in Indian Territory, was received into the Catholic Church at Guthrie, Oklahoma, last month.

Mr. O'Brien, one of the high officials of the Vatican, and for twenty-eight years at Rome, who has been on an extended tour through Canada and the United States, has sailed for Europe.

The Catholic Historical Society of Brooklyn is doing good work in collecting historical data of Long Island, which had begun to sink into obscurity. The members are making a collection of curios and relics of Catholic interest.

The Cologne Gazette repudiates the official denials of the recent massacre of Catholics in Krosche, Kowno, Russia, and gives details of the cruelty of the Cossacks, who speared and knouted men, women and children in front of the church. The bodies were thrown into a lime pit. The sacred vessels and ornaments from the church were smashed and thrown into a cesspool. The officers also allowed the Cossacks to loot the homes of the Catholic inhabitants.

CONSIDERABLE comment has been excited in the highest European court circles by the ordination as a Catholic priest of Prince Maximilian of Saxony, nephew of King Albert. The prince was ordained on Saturday last, at Eichstadt, by Bishop Leonard.

Pope Leo XIII. takes a great interest in Catholic journalism, and he very frequently gives practical proof of his desire to encourage Catholic editors. His latest act was to confer the cross of the Order of St. Gregory the Great on Mr. Leonz Niderberger, of Munchen-Gladbach, editor of two Catholic papers in Germany.

VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS.

A young man desiring to become a reporter on the daily press received the following suggestions from an old-timer to whom he applied for professional tips:—

"In rescuing drowning men it must always be when they are going down for the third time." No case is on record of a rescue when the sufferer was going down the first time.

"When a gentleman gives a bank-note it must always be a 'crisp' five-dollar or ten-dollar one.

"Thuds are of two descriptions, the 'dull' and the 'sickening.' "Of course, every writer knows that fire must always be mentioned as the 'devouring element.'

"What 'wildfire' is no one exactly knows, but when anything spreads rapidly, remember it 'spreads like wildfire.' "Flags, especially political ones, must always be 'flung to the breeze,' no matter whether there is any breeze or not; fling it, do not unfurl it.

"You can manage to get an assault, a dog fight and a burglary all into one column do it, for it will secure the all-embracing scare head of 'A Carnival of Crime.' "Speaking of winning or losing money, it must always be a 'cool' 500 or 5,000. However heated the struggle, the amount must always be 'cool.' "Always remember that a man is 'launched into eternity,' not hanged at a certain time.

"When a person, after an accident, is found to be dead, it is best not to say so, but that 'the vital spark has fled.' "Speeches on the political side which your paper advocates should always be 'ringing' speeches.

"Jokes respecting one's 'best girl,' the old man kicking the lover out, size of his boot, or respecting 'After the Ball,' 'Comrades,' plumbers and icemen had best take a back seat for the present.

Monsignor Satolli's Mission.

The constant attacks made on Mgr. Satolli, the Apostolic Delegate to the United States, have excited considerable comment in Rome. The Holy Father has expressed his strong feeling in the matter, condemning these persistent reports about the Delegate.

The Corriere di Napoli, a paper which is usually well informed as to Vatican news, some days ago published a paragraph announcing that the Pope was about to recall Mgr. Satolli, and that his Holiness had nominated the Apostolic Delegate to the vacant Archbishopric of Bologna.

We are in a position to authoritatively deny this. The true feeling of the Vatican is as follows: "Any opposition to Monsignor Satolli," said one prince of the Church, who was at one time opposed to the appointment of the Apostolic Delegate, "seems to me to be very un-American. As to the assertion made by the Protestant Bishop Cox, that Monsignor Satolli should be handed his passports, that is a very unpriestly attack. The appointment of the Apostolic Delegate was made solely in the interest of America, and all his expenses in the United States are paid from here. The appointment was made in the truly American spirit of a desire to accelerate the transaction of business between the Vatican and the American Church."

In reply to the question as to whether the appointment of Monsignor Satolli was likely to be cancelled either now or in the future, the answer is: "It is safe to say that the Apostolic Delegate will remain in America. Those who think that they are weakening his position by making violent attacks on him may save themselves all future trouble. Monsignor Satolli will remain in America until he is made a Cardinal, and perhaps for years after that. When he leaves America some one else will be appointed Apostolic Delegate in his place. Perhaps his successor will be an American."

OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

Katie—Did you ride on the Ferris wheel? Annie—No. Did you? Is it nice? Katie—Oh, it's too deliciously terrible. I fainted twice going round the first time.

Mrs. Lightheart—Dear old Tom, he is so thoughtful of my happiness. Mrs. Heavyweight—What has he done? Mrs. Lightheart—Doubled his life insurance, and now I don't have to worry in the least when he is in danger, even if he dies.

A farmer who has a son at Yale College was asked by a neighbor: "Is your son a close student?" "Clothes student! You'd think so if you had to pay his tailors' bills."

Did you ever have all the cake you wanted to eat? asked the lady of the little boy who was visiting her. No, m'm, replied the little boy; I haven't lived long enough to eat all I ever wanted.

Judge Duffy—What is your age? (Female witness hesitates.) Judge Duffy—Don't hesitate in answering the question. The longer you hesitate the older you'll be.

Clerk—Did you wake the gentleman in No. 73? He wants his breakfast at 7 o'clock. Bell Boy—No, he don't. Clerk—Did he say so? Bad Boy—No; he blew out the gas last night.

Railway Superintendent (to Carriage Inspector)—Any of the carriages out of order? Carriage Inspector—Yes, No. 413 is unfit for service. Superintendent—Well, use it only for excursions after this.

Applicant—Yes, madame; I wish to secure board, but I must inform you that I am a vegetarian, madame. Mrs. Slimdick—Oh, that will be all right. You will not be expected to eat the meat. None of the others ever do. Son (over in Brooklyn)—Papa our teacher says that unless something unforeseen happens, the country will be overpopulated. Papa—Don't be uneasy my son. The trolley-car can always be depended upon to keep the population within bounds.

