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## NOTES．

The ceremonics in St．Michacl＇s Cathedral on Friday flast closing the Tridumm in honour of the beatification of Blessed John Baptist De La Salle were of the most im－ pressive character．Pontifical High Mass was sung by Kis Grace the Archbishop，assisted by Vicar－General Gaurent，and Rev．Fathers Hand，Shanahan，McBride， Guinane，McEntec，Lamarche，and Harold．The music of the Mass was rendered by the combined choirs of the Cathedral and St．Basil＇s，and the panegyric on the founder Eofthe Clirstian schools preached by the Very Rev．Father Rooney，Vicar－General，and pastor of St．Mary＇s．At EXVespers and Benediction in the evening the services were eagain of unusual splendour．The sermon of the Rev． Father McCann was of a high order of excellence，beauti－ 0 full in thought and clothed in beautiful language．A con－ deinsed report of the sermons we hope to publish in our Knext issuc．

WThe New York Herald＇s correspondent，＂A Member of Pirliament，＂whose political forccast：｜have so often proved Tiocurate，sums up in a cablegram on the gth the situation Fas＇follows：－Mr．Gladstone has just admitted that his EHome Rule scheme has proved more disastrous to the Liberal party than he conld have magined．This is a Efreat change from the position he asserted after the lact grieneral election，when he maintained that his defeat was 3azslight temporary matter．He now takes a despondent aview of the future．All the more wonderful is it to see the zienewed vigour and energy he has suddenly imported to thie contest．Opinions differ widely upon his policy，but for the man himself it is impossible not to fecl admiration． Wight after night he is necessarily brought into comparison with the Tory leader，Mr．Smith，and we who look on feel Sifto be the most unequal contest seen in Parlament．Not Seloquence，bnt numbers decide at last，and the veteran ，lader sees that his strength cannot prevail against the敋仿isterial host，nor can he with all his genius lure back the seceders．

兵The true conditions of the struggle in which he em－ gayked with a light heart only two years ago are now fast
becoming visible to him．，A certain section of Gladston－ ians are still confident of recovering the allegiance of the Liberal－Unionists，hence this project of sending Mr．Cham－ berlain to wander in sweet simplicity through the New Forest with Sir William Harcourt and Mr．Morley．The millennium is to take place in Arcadia．The lion and the lamb are to lie down together，and a little child named John Morley is to lead them．The mere rumour of another attempt to capture Mr．Chamberlain has sent a thrill of disgust through the genuine Radicals．I have talked with many of them，and there are not two out of the whole number who do not feel the profoundest distrust of Mr． Chamberlain and the deepest repugnance at the mere thought of acting under him．
＂Let him come back on our terms，＂they say，＂and we may admit him．We would not have him even if he could install us in power to－morrow．If Sir Wilham Harcourt chooses to make a fool of himself，let him do so．He shall not make fools of us．＂This is the attitude of at least one hundred sturdy Gladstonians．What about Mr．Cham－ berlain himself？Like Joe Bazstock，this Joe is＂sly， devilish sly．＂He，too，begins to sec that he is making no progress．Soon he must take the Tory shalmg，and imi－ tate Mr．Goschen，or be left without any party except Mr． Jesse Collings．There is no more honour or glory to be got out of attacking Mr．Gladstone．The old chef is down， and it looks bad for those whom he made to be perpetually， rushing forward and trs ing to stab hum．The publec hike fair play．Mr．Chamberlain is compelled，perhaps reluc－ tantly，to humour their prejudices on that point．

As for the Nationalists，they naturally and properly are true to MI Gladstone．Irishmeh are seldom ungenerous， and they feel that the great leader has made great sacr：－ fices for them．For their cause he has staked everything， and up to now he has lost．They will not desert him for the sake of making peace with Mr．Chamberlain．Their position was never more difficult than at this moment．

Mr．Chamberlain has a plan，not conceding a separate Parliament for Ireland，but yielding a good deal in the way of local government．To be sure，he tried to thwart Lord Churchill＇s very moderate proposal the uther day， but that is only because he brooks no rival．It must be Mr．Chamberlain first and the rest bringing up the rear． Bitter will it be for the Natinnalists if they are obliged to accept Mr．Chamberlain＇s terms．Having gone so far they had better postpone their hopes indefinitely than be chained to the wheels of Mr．Chamberlain＇s chariot． That，I know，is their present feeling，and who can say that they are wrong if theiribrethren， $\mathrm{O}^{\prime}$ Brien，Cox，Blane and others，are in prison ？Who has done so much to send them there as Mr．Chamberlain ？The whole situa－ tion is one of the most complicated ever seen in politics． When Mr．Gladstone himself sees no way out of it，what can lesser men think？Often I hear Radicals say：－ ＂What a pity the Home Rule bill was pressed to a divi－ sion．Why did we not urge Mr．Gladstone to withdraw it and bring in a resolution，as he did about the Irish Church，pledging the House of Commons to an abstract principle and then introduce a new measure in an autumáal session？＂．

## That Church ia Cumada.

Under this heading will be collected and preserved all obtainable data bearing upon the history and growth of the Church in Canada. Contributions are invited from those having in their possession any material that might properly conce for publication in this department

## list of lile hierarchy of canada.

## (Concluded.)

Diocese or Toronto-Founded in 18.41
Rt. Rev. Michael Power, $\quad 1$ St Bishop, 1842-1847
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M't Rev. " " 1 Ist Archbp. 1870
Rt. Rev. 'I. O'Mahony ('Titular Bp
of Eudocia)
Aux. Bishop.
Diocese of Kingston-Founded in 1S26.
Kt. Rev. Alexander Macdonell, Aux. Bishcp, 1S20-1826
" " " 1 " (Titular) Bp. $1826-1840$
" Remi Gaulin and Bishop, $\mathrm{IS}_{40}-1 \mathrm{~S}_{57}$
Patrick Phelan, (Coadj'r) Bp. 1843-1857 3rd Bishop, $1857-1857$
Edward John Horan 4th "، $185 S-1575$
John O'Brien, 5th " 1875-1879
JamesVincent Cleary, 6th " 8880
Dhocese of Hamilton-Founded in 1850.
Rt. Rev. John Farrell, $\quad$ Ist Bishop, 1856-1873
" P.F. Crinnon, and " 1874-1882
" James Josepn Carbery, 3rd " 1883-i887
Diocese of London-Founded in $185 \%$.
Rt. Rev. Peter Adolphe Pinson-
neault, $\quad$ ist Bishop, 1856-1866
" John Walsb,
2nd " 1867
The seat of this dioces:- was transferred to Sandwich in 1859 and returned to London in 1869.

Diocese of Peterdorolgh-Founded in 1882.
Rt. Rev. John Francis Jamot, Bishop of Sarepta and Vicar Apostolic of Western Canada,

1874-1882


Diocese of Halifax-Founded in 1842.
Rt. Rev. Edmund Burke, 1 st Vicar Apostohc, $1818-1821$ " William Frazer, 2nd " " 1827-1842
" W. Walsh, Ist Bishop, $18.44-185^{2}$
" " 1 Ist Archbishop, 1852-1858
"Thos. L. Connolly, 2nd "1 1859-1876
" Michael Hannan, $3^{\text {rd }} \quad$ " $\quad$ 1877-1882
" Cornelius O'Brien, 4th " 1883
Diocese of Charlottetown--Foundedin 1829.
Rt. Rev. Bemard Angus McEachern, Aux. Bp. 1821-1829 " " " Ist Bishop, 1829-1835
" Bernard Donald McDonald, 2nd " 1837-1859
" Peter McIntyre,
3rd "
1860
Diocese of St. John (N.B.)-Founded in 1843.
Rt. Rev. William Dollard, Auxiliary Bishop, 1813-1843
 " John Sweeney, 3rd " 1860

Diocese of Antigonish (N. S.) tormenty Arichat-Founded in 1844.


Diocese of Chatham (N. B.)-Founded in 1860. Rt. Rev. James Rogers 1st Bishop 1860

Diocese of St. Boniface-Founded in 1847.
Rt. Rev. Joseph Norbert


Dlocese of St. Alabrt-Founded in 187 I .
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Rt. Rev. Henry Joseph
" Inidore Clut

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Diocese of Vancouver Island-Founded in $18+7$.

| Rt. Rev. | Modeste Demers | Ist | Bishop | 1847-.18 |
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| " | Charles Jean Seghers | 2 na |  | 1873-1S76 |
|  | J. B. A. Brondel | 3 rd | " | 1876-1884 |

Mit. Rev. Charles Jean.Scghero, 4th " 1884-1886
Diocese of St. John (Newfoundland)-Founded in $184 \%$. Rt. Rev. O'Donnell


The Principal. Religious Conaunities.
The Order of "The Ladies of Loretto" came to Toronto, upon the invitation of Bishop Power, from Dalkey Abbey, near Dublin. The foundation was composed of five nuns, - Mother Anne Theresa Mary Ignatius Hutchison, Superior.

Sisters Mary Helen Joseph Theresa Dease, Mary Joseph Gertrude Fleming, Mary Ann Mary Joseph de Sales Phelanprofessed; and Mary Joseph Valentine Hutchison-novice.

They arrived in Toronto on the 16th September, 1847, and experienced a series of trials. Bishop Power died a few days after their arrival of the malignant fever which was then raging, and they were thus thrown upon their own risources. Three of them fell victims to the fever, and the sip vors woild hare been without a home had not a charitab, oul given up his own house to accommodate them. In . 3 , however, thes took possession of a new house built for them by Blshop Charbonnel.

The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph came to Toronto from Philadelphia on the 7 th October, 885 , at the re quest of Bishop Charbonnel. The foundation comprised fout Sisters-Mary Antoinette Fontbonne (Sister Mary Delphne); Thecla Bomine (Sister Miary Martha) ; Sarah Margeron (Sister Mary Alphonsus); and Ellen Dinan (Sister Mary Bernard) Onls one of the founders, we believe, now survives,- - fother Mary Bernard, Superior of the Orphanage of the Sacred Heart at Sunnyside.
"The Sister Adorers of the Precious Blood" were established in Toronto in 1869.
"The Institute of Our Lady of Charity of the Refuge." A branch of this Order, which is better known as the "Monastery of the Good Shepherd," has been established at Parkdale since 1875.

The first establishment of the "Community of Priests of St. Basil' in Canada was founded at Toronto in 1852 under Bishop Charbonnel.

## THE PONTIFICATE OF ST.GREGORY VII.

The pontificate of Hildebrand, who on his election assumed the name of Gregory VII., is by many regarded as the most interesting epoch in the history of the Papacy. In the history of modern Europe, four great events, according to a brilliant miter, Mr. W. S. Lilly,* stand out as landmarks upon which the student who desires accurately to explore that field will do rell to fix his attention. The first is the coronation of Charles the Great on Christmas Day, in the year 800; the second the dection of Hildebrand to the Papal Chair on the 22 nd of April, 1073 ; the third, the fall of Constantinople on the agth of May, 1453 ; the fourth, the sacking of the Bastille on the $144^{\text {th }}$ of July, 1789. The first of these, the bestowal of the Imperial Crown upon the great Frankish monarch, was the outward sign, as he cxplains. of that new order which emerged from amid the decay and dissolution of the Roman world-was the beginning of the Middle Ages. The Pontificate of St. Gregory VII. he terms the turning point of those ages, determining in, vitally important matters, the course which they were to run. I'he tiking of Constantınople by Mohammed II. marks their close, that ceent which by scattering Greek scholars over Italy, contributed more than anything else to that movement called the Renarssance, and to all that came therefrom including the Protestant Reformation. "And the passing bell of the Casarism which had arisen upon the ruins of the medieval order is sounded," Mr. Lilly adds, "in the presageful words of the Duke of Liancourt, when announcing to Louis XVI. the capture of the royal fortress, and the murder of its little garrison: 'Sire, it is not a revolt; it is a revolution.' " The second of these great events, is that he believes the significance of which is least understood. For the most important part of our herntage in this new time is held to have come to us directly from the medieval period, that period of which Hildebrand was by all means the greatest figure and the most momentuous issue of which was that conflict which he waged, and which is waged in our own day under different conditions.

For centuries the menory of Hildebrand was reprobated as that of a man of insatiable ambition, ard spiritual pride. Instead of the aureole of sanctity a kind of di dbolical splendour encircled him, and the grim pun, borrowed from the German, whereby be is described in the Anglican "Bjok of Homilies" as "the brand of hell," did but express the general estimate of him, formed alike by Tentonic and English historians. Nor was he judged more favourably in France. "The Church has oumbered him among the saints, the wise have numbered him among the madmen," wrote Voltaire. Even ecclesiastical moters scarcely recorded a more favourable verdict upon him, "but Time," to quote Mr. Lilly's words, "at length retried his cause,
-Time

> "who solves all doubts
> By bringing Truth, his glorious daughter, out."

M ree exact and more thorough investigators within the last half century have examined what manner of man Hildebrand ras, and have revealed to the world a true view of the great Pontiff. To Guiz tt more than anyone else perhaps, is due the passing away of the old error from the European mind. Setting at nought the false Gallican notions, he exhibited him not in the guise of a reactionary, an obscurantist, a foc of intellectual development and of social progress, but as a reformer alike of the Church and of civil society, upon the basis of morality, justice, and order. "We are accustomed," writes Guizot, "to represerst to ourselves Gregory VII. as a man who wished to render all things immoveable; as an adversary to intellectual development and social progress, and as a man who strove to maintain the world under a stationary or retrograding system. Nothing could be so false. Gregory VII. was a reformer under the plan of despotism as were Charlemagne and Peter the Great. He , in the ecclesiastical order, was almost what Charlemagne in France, and Peter the Great in Russia, were in the civil order. He sought to reform the Church, and from the Church to reform society, to introduce therein more morality, more justice, and more law; he wished to effect this through the Holy See and to its profit."
The great fact of the age which witnessed the great struggle between the Empire and the Papacy was feudalism, sids by side with which had grown up the great ecclesiastical system
*"Chapters in European History," Chap. Il. p. g8.
by which Europe had been formed into "a spiritual conmonwealth called Christendom." And the principles of the Church were of a kind to correct in the world the evils of the feudal organization. "Feudalism," says Mr. Iilly, "tended to the annihilation of the individual. The Church taught, and could not keep from teaching, the supreme worth of human personality. Fendalism, essentially aristocratic, set the greatest store upon the glories of birth and state. I'ne Church maintained the absolute equality of all men, not in secular rights, but in their common spiritual nature, in their common dependence upon and accountability to God. 'lhe supreme argument of feudalism was the sword. The Church wielded mightier weapons, not carnal, but spiritual.

Feudalism sternly for bade the individual to break his birth's invidious bar.' The Church proclaimed loudly the doctrine of a career for talents. Her constitution was still largely democratic.

Her religious houses were so many little republics scattered up and down Europe. Her councils and synods were real, deliberative assemblies. Her free institutions were the germ and norm Of the civil franchises which were afterwards to spriug up. once more. Feudalism was by its very nature disruptive; its tendency to universal war. But as political unity perished from Europe a higher unity devcloped, and from the bosom of the most frightful disorder the world has ever seen, arose the largest and purest idea, perhaps, which ever drew men together -the idea of a spiritual society."
Of that society the Roman Church was the centre and head. But the two centuries that intervened between the election of Pope Nicholas 1. (858) and Gregory VII. (1073) are not the brightest, by any means, in the history of the Papacy. Violence and impurity disgraced the chair of Peter; the simoniacal scale of benefices had grown into a scandal, and that everything in Rome had its price passed into a proverb. The feudal tendency of the time was to convert the bishops into feudal barons. Under the successors of Charlemagne, the Episcopate had become in large measure a donative belonging to rogalty, and abbicies and sees were conferred by the nomination of the prince. Indeed, the spiritual character of the bigher clergy was obscured by their civil employment as councillors and governors of provinces. Some of them, St. Fulbert of Chartres testifies, were better acquainted with the laws of war than 1.0 st secular $p$ itentates. Then other abuses crept in, and extended themselves to the inferior clergy, until it looked as if the spiritual society would be swallowed up by the feudal system. That it was not so, and that the great principles surpived, of which the Church in the world is the sole representative, -: he principles of the supremacy of the law, the freedom of conscience, the equality of men and their brotherhood in the Faith, -was the work of one man, humanly speaking; and that man was Hildebrand, afterwards Gregory VII., whose Pontificate, as has been said, is regarded as the turning-point of the Middle Ages.
Hildebrand was born in a carpenter's shop in the little Tuscan town of Sjano- A letter addressed to him by a contemporary abbot on his elevation to the papacy, speaks of him as virde plebe, "fit origın," Mr. Lally thinks, "for the great champion of religious democracy in the Middle Ages, 'the holy athlete of the Christian faith 'as Dante sings, who was to maintain the cause of the poor against a military aristocracy." His father had a kinsman who was the head of the monastery of S:. Mary on the Aventine, and thither Hildebrand was sent, as a youth, to learn the liberal arts and moral discipline. 'ro the great religious house of Olelo, Abbot of Clugny, he turned a few years later. The prescient mind of St. Odelo discerned the coming greatness of the neophyte, applying to him the words spoken of an eariter reformsr, "Me shall be great in the House ofthe lord."
"After some years," the chronicler relates, he set out to rcturn to Rome. When the conscience-stricken Gregory VI. resigned the Rome See, on account of the unworthy means by which his election had been effected, and the Emperor carried the fallen Pope with him to Germany, "Hildebrand beloved of God attended him thither wishing to show reverence towards his lord." Nine months later the troubled life of Gregory ended, and Hildebrand returned to Clugny. That was in 1045 . It appears to have then been his intention to devote himself thenceforth to the monastic life, of which Clugny was the great centre. But shortly after the election of Pope I, eo IX. (A.D. ro48) the new Pontiff was brought into intercourse with Hildebrand. From the first the new Pope clave to the young monk
and desired to attach himi to the l'ontifical Court. Unwilling to break many firm monastic friendslips he was at length overcome by lope leo's entreaties, and they started out, the Pope laying aside his pontifical ornaments, for the lapal City as pilgrims. From that day the young sub-deacon, soon rassed to the cardinalate, and made archdeacon of the Roman Church. was the trusted friend of the Pontiffs who in succession occupied the apostolic chair, until the time came of his own clevation. With Leo "a new light seemed to have nsen for the world," writes one of his cuntempuraries, but it was Hildebrand, observes Mr. Iilly, "who, more than any other, ministered the oil which kept brighthe sacred Alane" during the reignot that Pope, and the pontificates that intervened tullhis own elevation. Hedealt with great problems, and with an cye unsurervingly fixed on a definite ain. That am, to again quote Mr. J.illy, "was the liberty the Church. 'lofrec her from the fetters whether of vice or of earthly tyranny, to vindicate her claims to absolute independence in canying out her mission as a society, perfect and complete ir herseif, divine in her constitution, divine in her superiority to the limits of time and space, in the world but not of it, a supernatural order amd the varying forms of secular polity,-such was the work which his hands found to do, and at which, tor thirty-sia years, he laboured withall his might." In another paper we shall see how be acquilted hmself in this life task, the assertion of the supremacy of the spmitual power whose gauntlet he threw duwn to feudalism; following him to Canossa and witnessing the nemorable scene which has seized so strongly upon the popular imagination, supplied so often a theme for the brush of the painter, the periods of the historian, and the versc of the poet; viewing his work for the Church and the world, and his apostolic reward.
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## IONMDEAI, GOSSIP.

The ultra respectable and evangelical directors of the Sun day school in connection with the Christ Church Cathedral in this city appear to rave become confused by reason of over study of the advertisements $5 n$ freely placarded on our fences by the minstrel troupes and the Salvation Army, and to have taken pattern by those two disturbing elementsof the public peace. What do you think of following advertisement which appeared in Saturday's Star? "Pundita Ramathai, of l'oona, India, the lady of whom so much has been recently heard, will address the schoiars of the Christ Clurch Cathedral Sunday school on Thursday next, at their missionary meeting, and a native Japanese, Takahash, in the armour of his country, will perform the sword cxercise. The Band of Hope school of the church and Sunday school classes will go through their vocal and other exercises for prizes. Mission boxes will be opened, and home missions rill be represented by two children in rolling chairs, presented by the scholars, for the General Hospital. The occasion will be taken advantage of to present a flour mill to the Peace River Indians subscribed for by the children of the schools."

A few barrels of fiour would be more acceptable ghan a flour mill to the dwellers on the Peace River, judging from the accounts given by Monseigneur Clut, of the district of Athabaska, Mckenzie. One of our papers, by the bye, has made the venerable bishop responsible for a "fish story" of no small exaggeration. in his evidence recently given before the Senate the Bishop spoke of a strange fish called the Incomen which abounds in the Athabasca and Great Ilear I, akes. "It is as good as the white fish," said his Lordship, " and weighs from twenty-five to thirty pounds." The reporter confused his figures and the next day we were startled by reading that the fish in question weighed 230 pounds." "O ciest ume erreur, c'est ryament wne crrcur," cried his Iordship when told of this mistake, but he added, "I once saw a salmon drawn from the Yukon River on the Pacific coast, which weighed 72 pounds."

Those of your townspeople who last winter were of opinion that Canada has no literature must have been startled and may have been enlightened at the news just flashed over the occan wircs telliug us of the crowning by the French Academy of the Abbe Caserain's new book, "Un Pelerinage au Pays d'Evangeline." It is not long since our laureate, Louis Fre. chette, for the second time received similar honours, but this
distunction accorded to the Ablec Casgrail, besides being pleasing to the lirench Canadians, will have a double charn for those of whom his book treats, the peaceful dwellers in the fair Acadian land, who are only now beginning to be known and valued according to their deserts.

Some time ago a writer in the İmpire dwelt on the peculass. ties of the porters and door keepers in religious houses. I met a delighiful old character last week, whose portrait certainiy descrves a place in sr-me collection of odditics. Friday morning was very wet, and in a dripping condition I rang the bell of a certain preshytery in this city. The door was opened by an antique clad in a curious garment whech had begun life as a grey waistenat, and had at various periods been added to in the natter of long sleeves and ajron of brown cloth. "Is Father $\bar{S} Y .7$ in $P$ " said I. "I can't tell yc, -come in, and don't be dhrippin' your umbrella over me floor," was the answer, as he took from me the article in question and placed it upon the steam coils. I complimented him on his neatness and said it was surprising. "And whoi?" said he. "Be. cause you are a man; it is generally women who are the best housekecpers." "Not at all," ssid lic, "not at all. Now, tell me, which gets the hest salary when they're cooks?" On that point there was no use arguing-I admited him to be right.

Yesterday was the day of the Monthly Communion of Re. paration for the members of the l.eague of the Sacred Heart, and many, many hundreds of men, women and children, all wearing their little badges, approach the Holy Table of the Gesu at the seven and eught o'clock masses. Since the intro. duction of the League by Rev. Father Connolly, S.J., in December of last year, the increase in the number of its members has been truly marvellous. The cards of the original promoters have been filled, and they in turn have procured promoterships for the most zealous of their associates, thus, as I heard a frenteman say; "becoming spiritual grandmothers." It fias at first thought that the request to wear openly the badge of the scapular of the Sacred Heart while rcceiving Holy Com munion would prove too much for the moral colirage of the male associates, but no,-of the thousand scapulars sent in on 'Ihursday by the ladies of the Sacred Heart, none remainec on Friday evening, and on the morning of the first Sunday in January such a number of members presented themselves for Holy Communion that a second Father had to be called to assist in distributing the Sacred Hosts. This was only in the Gesu, but numbers of members of the League also approached the Holy Table in the various parish churches of the city. In his report of the Montreal branch of the Ieague, the Rev. Father Director says:
" We encourage them to receive the Sacraments in their respective parishes, and impart to them thus doing all the benefits of the Ieague as far as possible. Alrcady there has sprung up a holy rivalry in some of the churches. Registers have been opened and names are being enrolled with great activity. So the holy fire of the League bids fair to sweep the city." In March the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame sent in a thousand badges for the Communions of Reparation, and these are now in a fair way of being distributed.

That the devotion should have gained ground among the "devout female sex" is not surprising, but it is both astonish. ing and edifying to behold men of all ages and professions, many of them in the highest ranks of society, pinning the little badge to the lap of their coat and openly acknowledging their love for the Sacred Heart. All the members, I am told, profess the three degrecs, which are, as doubtless your rearters know :

1st. To make a morning offering of all the prayers, work, and sufferings of the day, for all the Intentions of the Divine Heart, in unic $n$ with the Holy Sacrifice of the'Mass; and in partucular for an intention which is changed every month.

2nd. To say daily a decade of the Rosary.
3 rd. To make every month a Communion of Reparation.
The General Intention for the month of May is for the belp of discouraged souls-on whom may God have mercp.

Montreal, May 7, 1888.
Old Mortality.
Amongst the French pilgrims reccived by the Holy Father was a priest who presented to His Holiness two million francs, or $£ 80,000$, for the propagation of the faith.

## LIQUOR DRINKING IN IRELAND.

An Ottawa gentleman, writing to The Review in reference to the question of the use of intoxicating liquors in Ireland, about which something was said in our last number, sends some interesting statistics, showing the actual consumption and manufacture of liquor in Ire!and. In his letter he says, "The whiskey drinking in Ireland, however, has proved a prolific source of argument to Ireland's enemies. In Parliament, in the Press, on the platform the changes have been rung again and again. Last November an article appeared in the Montreal Gasette in which unfavourable reterence was made to the matter. This article I sent to the late, ever to be lamented, Mr. E. Dwyer Gray, pointing out the necessity of meeting the argument in an authoritative manner, and suggesting the publication of an article on it in the Freemun's Journal. Mr. Gray at once fell in with my idea, and I now inclose you 2 copy of the article which he had prepared and published, and which you may use as to you may seem best. I may add that it has been reproduced, at my recquest, in quite a number of our Canadian papers. While it does not show our countrymen to be sinless, it does show that they 'might be worse'-comparatively."
The article, which was carefully compiled from Im. perial return . is as follows:
No one can deny the prominence of the whiskey manufacture in Ireland or the familiarity of such names as Guin ness and Jameson all over the world. When, however, we compare the liquor manufacture of Ircland with the jiquor manufacture of our prosperous and thrifty neighbour, Scotland, we find that our prominence vanishes, and re sink into the shade completely. Such a contrast will be all the more to the point, as Ireland-the Cinderella of the United Kingdom-is always disadvantageously compared with her "sober and industrious" sisters by the propounders of this argument against Home Rule. The population of Scotland, according to the last census, is $3,735,573$, that of Ireland, $5,17,936$. Nevertheless, we find that the amount of spirits consumed as beverage in Scotland last year was $6,121,5 \mathrm{~S} 4$ gallous, whereas in Ireland the amount so consumed was only $+, y 65,286$ gallons, viz., 1.55 gallons per head. of topulation in Scotland aganst 1 .or gallons per head in Ircland-that is to say, an average Scotchman driuks one- half more spirits than an average Irishman. The quantity of spirits in bunded warehouses in Scotland in 1587 was $40,488,917$ gallons proof, the corresponding yuantity in lreland being only 23,269,912 gallons proof, while the working distilleries in Scotland numbered last year 128 as against a total of 28 Irish distilleries. These figures, we think, effectually dispose of the argument that inasmuch as the prosperity of the liquor manufacture is incompatible with national prosperity, therefore autonomy should not be given to Ireland until the liquor manufacture has been crushed, Another point which is never to be lost sight of in discus. sing this question is the proportion the quantity of spirits manufactured bears to the quantity of spirits consumed as beverage.
The more the manufacture exceeds the home consump. tion the better it is for the country. Last year the number of gallons distilled in Ireland is returned at $10,626,582$, whereas the amount consumed at home was ouly 4,965 ,286 gallons, considerably less than half the the production. In England, on the contrary, the manufacture last year was only $9,635,794$ gallons, while the consumption was 14,664,259 gallons, showing the manufacture to be less than two-thirds of the consumption. If the question of autonomy were to be decided on this basis, Ircland should govern England, but no Home Rule politician, Irish or English, contends any such nonsense. When we come to deal with the second part of this objection to Home Rule, namely, that last year the consumption of spirits in Ireland increased, while the returns for England and Scotland showed a decrease, we see that the argument is still more fimsy and unreal. The quantity of spirits consumed in England in 1887 showed a decrease of 4.09 per cent. as against the quantity consumed in 1886 , in Scotland the decrease was 2.71 per cent. ; in Ireland there was an increase of 4.4 per cent. How that increase of 4 per
cent. in Ireland is accounted for we do not profess to know. Neither do we profess to know why, in 1882, the consumption in England fell 1.56 per cent., and in Ireland fell 1.02 per cent., but in Scotland rose 2.32 per cent. Nor can we assign a talismanic cause for the increase of 6.28 per cent. in the English consumption in 1881, and of 5.05 per cent. in the Scotch consumption for the same year, while the Irish consumption only rose 2.16 yer cent. that year. Nor set can we account for the still more sig. nificant fact that in 188 the Scotch consumption rose 3.26 per cent., while the Irish consumption fell 1.35 per cent., and the English consumption fell 0.72 per cent. To trace the first causes of these fractional and constantly. recurring variations belongs to the moralist and speculator rather than to the practical politiciau; but to pitch upon any one of them, and gravely assign it as a valid reason why a great national concession should be refused, is the veriest clap.trap.
One broad fact that our enemies omit tu state is that in the past ten years the annual consumption of spirits in Ireland has decreased from $6,115,8 y^{2}$ galluns to $4,965,286$ gallons, or over 18 per cent. In justice to Eugland and Scotland we feel bound to state that the figures for these countries during the same period evidence a similarly large decrease, showing that in the matter of drink, as in most other things, the Irishman is made of pretty much the same stuff as his English or Scutch brothers. In the manufacture of beer-including porter and ale-England is largely ahead of us, cven allowing for her vastly larger population. England, with a population of $25,975,430$, manufactured last oear $24,391,920$ barrels of beer. Ireland, with a population of $5,17 ., 836$, manufactured 2,234, . 310 barrels. How much of the manufactured article is removed from England to Ireland, or from Ireland to England, and exported from Eugland and Ireland separately, the returns before us do not state, but we think we shall do no injustice to England if we set off one proportionately against the other. This leaves England with a population five times as great as Ireland producung eleven times as much beer as Ireland dues, or more than twice the yuantity per head of pupulation. Yet nu statesman talks of refusing a Representation of the People's Act until the manufacture of beer in England should become a thing of the past. With the moral aspect of the drink guestion this article dues not proiess or presume to deal, but from a statistical and poltical point of vicw we think the cause of Home Rule has nuthing to fear from the argument whose hollowness we have endeavoured to expose in the course of this article.

## CHRIST TO THE UNFAITIFUL SOUL.

The following is $\mathfrak{a}$ free translation of the famous lines traced on the walls of tho Cathedral of Lubeck :

Thou callest me Master-and heedest not me;
Thou callest me Light-and I shine not for thee;
Thou callst me the Way-and dost follow me not ;
Thou call'st me the. Life-and My name is forgot;
Thou call'st me the Truth-and defiest thy soul;
Thou callest me Guide-and despisest control;
Thou callest me Lovely-withholding thy heart;
Thou callest me Rich-and desirest no part ;
Thou call'st me Eternal-nor seekest my truth ;
Thou callest me Merciful-wasting thy youth;
Thou callest me Noble-and draggest me down ;
Thou call'st me Almighty - nor fearest my frown ;
Thou callest me Just-oh, if Just then I be,
When I shall condenin thee, reproach thou not me:
"The Prig," at whose delightful little books "How to Make a Saint," "The Vonorable Bede Expurgated, Expounded, and Exposed," otc., we have all laughed, is, it is said, Mr. T. W. Longuoville, a Catholic country gontloman, and a well-known writer in a Loudon "sporting" paper. "Dulce Domum" and "The Churgress," two new books from his pen, have latoly appeared. The younger Marshall many supposed was the writer.

Tho Right Rov. Bishop Ryan was received jabilanaty by the Buffalonisns. The Vicar-Goneral of the diocese, Mgr. Gleeson, hás been madẹ a Domostic Prclate to the Pope,

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FROM THE LATE BIBHOLOF HAMILTON.
Hasitictox, Msarch 17, 1687
My Dran Mn. Fizzokrazd,
MTDFAn in. Fitzokrazd, $\quad$ You Lave roll hopit your sord to the matter stylo, form nud quality of tho Review, and I do Lopo it will bucome a oploudid succoss.


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#### Abstract

"The Boy-preacher Harrison and Talmage," says the Western Watchman of St. Louis, "have united their forces and are now holding a revival in New York City. They keep whoopiug it up day and night, takng a half hour for meals that are provided free in the Church. A thousand tramps have been converted already, and there is no telling how great the number will be, provided the grub holds out."


"Had the British Government," says the Liverpool Catholic Itimes, "put aside long years ago all distrust of the Irish people and granted to them such a measure of local self-government as that which has been read a second time in the House of Commons, we should not now hear so frequently those terrible prophecies about complete separation and disintegration of the Empire with which the Coercionists endeavour to startle the public." The wholesome influence of a sense of responsibility would have been felt on the community; local enterprise would have been given a stimulus; experience would have been gained in the art of self-government ; improved relations would have grown up between Great Britain and Ircland; and Irishmen would have proyed how fonlish are the fears of those who represent them as entertaining an inveterate hatred of British connection. That Lord Salisbury, the author of the now famous "Hottentot " speech, did not hesitate at one time to ac...it that the unhappy condition of Ireland was due not to inherent failings on the part of the Irish people, but to the action of English government in Ireland,
the Times quotes from an old speech in the House of Com mons, delivered by Lord Salisbury (then Lord Cecil), som portions of which, it may be remembhred, we printed som time ago in these columns. They are, however, worth re producing.
"What is the reason," asked the present Premier, "that a people with so bountiful a soil, and with such enormous resources, lag so far behind the English in the race? Some say that it is to be found in the c!aracter of the Celtic race, but I look to France and I see a Celtic race there going forward in the path of progress. Some people say that $1 t$ is to be found in the Roman Catholic religion, but I look te Belgium, and there 1 see a people second to none in Europe, except the English, for industry, singulatly prosperous, bu: distinguished for the earnestness and intensity of ther Roman Catholic belief. Therefore I cannot say that the cause of the Irish distress is to be found in the Catholic religion. An hon. friend near me says it arises from the Irish people listening to demagogues. I have as much dislake to demagogues as he has, but when I look to the United States I see there a people who listen to dema. gogues, but who have not been wanting in material pros. perity. It cannot be demagogues, Romanism, or the Cellue race. What, the!, is it ? I am afraid that the one thang which has been peculiar to Ireland has been the Govern. ment of England." It might be supposed, observes the Itimes, that a gentleman who could do such justice to the Irish character would, when the opportunity occurred, le inclined to make the Government of Ireland more accep:able to the Irish people and afford them facilities for de. veloping their energies. Lord Salisbury did not pursie that course, because he is a landlord and a party man. As a landlord, he is not disposed to alter a system which give to the Irish landowners command of the law, the miltaig, and police; and as the leader of the Conservative party lic deems it his duty to denomice as treison to the Constitution the concessions whach the Liberal party advocate for the Irish people.

There is an article in the April number of the Catholu World on the subject of "The Laity," and their proper interest and place in Church functions, which should set Churchmen thinking. "It is beyond dispute," says the writer, "that in modern times the Catholic laity in general, although performing their personal duties as Chris tians, are, in their relation to the public interests of rel. gion, too often like dumb osen. So far as the liturgy goes no one who is aware of its magnificent but unused posstbilities can avoid a feeling of wonder that the Catholi: laity should have ceased to take the share in the-publix worship of the Church to which they are clearly shown to be entitled, as well by the structure of the liturgy itself as by its language and rubrics. In the first centuries of the Church, a living interest was shown in religious discussions, and in respect to ceclesiastical discipline, by the public at large, both laymen and clerics." "Even the most subitle," say's the writer, " of the philosophicai pris ciples which underlie the doctrine of the Incarnation sees to have been debated in the highways, the workshops, the marts of trade and industry, by even the ordinary unle: tered citizens of Constantinople, Antioch, and Alexandria with as much earnestness as simitar men of our own time and country would employ over free trade and protection Indeed, until quite late in the Middle Ages the laity wete accustomed not only to be seen in the churches, but to have their voices heard there, and that not merely in st
portions of the divine office, but also in deliberations on the policy of the Church. So far as the Church was concerned, there was no prufanum vulgus c.scept the excommunicate." Every public function of the Church, he points out, supposes the laity to be actively, not passively, present; to be there as participators, not simply as spectators. As illustrating this he instances the ordination of priests, a ceremony in which, if in any, one might be pardoned for imagining the laity to have no right apart from that of edified spectators. But, in point of fact, the in ritual for ordination, the laity are actually summoned to express their opinion as to the worthiness of the candidate about to receive Hols Orders, the words of the summons declar ing this " to be not mercly a polite or ceremonious formula but a genuine right of the laity;" that is a moral right not a legal one.
Erter a church, says the writer, during the celebration of some religious function. "Around the altar, blazing with lights, are gathered reverend men vested in rich garments of antique splendor. They are all in motion. or, at all events, each has a part, the voice of each is heard and everything is conducted with decent order, and impressive dignty. Even to the unbelieving stranger the spectacle is interestung, perhaps strikingly beautiful. That is tue clergy. But it is all shut in by a barrier-the sanctuary railing. Outside that barrier and filling the edifice is a great throng dressed in sombre everyday attire, and giving out not a sound, making scarcely a motion. The complete silence, the almost breathless hush, of the assembly outside the sanctuary, is in fact one of the impressive features of the occasion. This is the laity, and to all appearances at least they are taking no other pars than that of most respectful spectators. Do the laty understand what is being said and done within the sanctuary? In a general sense they do. In a particular sense scarcely any of them do. Of course there is no secrecy whatever in the function. After all is over, look into one of the scrvice books which the reverend clergy within the sanctuary railing were using at the time, and perhaps it will astunish you to find that the language of the ceremonial then employed assumed that all the laithful present, laity as well as clergy were taking part ; the laity not merely as dumb witnesses but as prayerful and tuneful worshippers." So that however edifying it may be to read, as one dues now and then, of some distinguished layman, a great statesman, or a dashing soldier. who was wont to experience pious and humble satisfaction in serving a priest at Mass, the liturgy assumes that every one of the faithful present at the church serve the Mass at least to the extent of making all the responses.
Just what the writer would suggest to improve the relations of the laity he does not, unfortumately, make cla..r in his article. For, as he is careful to admit, the sanctuary railing, which now seems like a barrier, was devised in other periods for a purpose. Not so very long ago emperors, dukes and petty knights aimed at exercising some control over.the Church. They claimed the "right " of in. vestivure, the appointment of bishops and abbots, and the disposal of benefices. They were intruders, the clergy were forced to resort to the defensive, and the ponderous sanctuary railings which survive, symbolize a certain exclusiveness, a certain distrust which, in the past, was necessary and wholesome. Recognizing the contention of Balmez, in his "Protestantism and Catholicity," that not only has the clergy of the Catholic Church never constituted a caste, but that Christianity has always opposed
the growth of any tendencs towatds the spirit of caste in the elergy, nevertheless, he appears to think there is room for an inquiry. " Has not," he asks, "the Providence of God, for temporary ends, perhaps, so shaped things that there has developed a tendency among the clergy towards a sort of professional feel: g such as instinctively, as it were, resents as an intrusion any participation of outsiders in the sacred functions? And is there not a certain exagecrated fecling of condescension towards the laity, a certain fecling of exclusive posession In the Church, and in the belongings of the Church, displayed among a large number of the priesthood? " While making no complaint, the wrter hacics that the subject admits of intelhgent discussion, without tecnching either on the rights of the clergy, or the duties of the laity.

With the bursting of the buds, the springing of the grasses, and the sweet influences of the renascent May, the Church dedicates the month as one of special devotion to Our Lord's BlessedVirgin Mother, who was "from the first clothed in sanctity, sealed for perseverance, luminous and glorious in God's sight, and incessantly employed in meritorious acts, which continued till her last breath," who fulfilled an original purpose of the Most High, whose Son became man of her, who received her lineaments and her features, and who was known by His likeness to her to be her Son.

Early in the first centuries of the Church, as her cult developed, the Mother of Christ became the centre of a whole system of beautifil allusion. "When thou hearest that God speaks in the bush," asks Theodorous, "seest thou not the Virgin?" "She is the rod of the stem of Jesse; the Eastern Gate, ever shut, through which the High Priest alone goes in and out," says St. Jerome. "The mystical new heavens, the fruitful vine," says St. Ephrem. Such are the similitudes, distasteful to the followers of Luther, by which: the Fathers typified the place of the Holy Mother in the creed and ritual of the Church. "He once had meant," says Cardinal Newman, in a beautiful passage, "to come on earth in heavenly glory, but we sinned, and then He could not safely visit us except with shrouded radiance and a bedimmed majesty, for He was God. So IIc came llimself in weakness, not in power, and He sent thee a creature in His stead, with a creature's comeliness and lustre suited to our state."

She who, after her assumption, was made Queen of Heaven, " clothed with the sun and having the moon under her fect," was on earth the humble virgin, the Mater Dolorosa. A very beautiful hatle poem, printed from a MS. of the fourteenth century, and which we came across lately in a work on mediaval hymnology, is touching in its strain, and exquisite in its conception of the womanhood of the Mother;-

> "Gone her Son, the Mother,
> Wept alune, alone,
> And to angel Gabriel
> Thuis did make her moan :
> " ' Once thy voice did greet me:
> "Full of grace, all hail!"
> Now all full of sorrow
> I lament and wail.
> " " Next, "The Lord is with thee," In my ear did sound;
> Now He is fat from me
> Lyiag in the ground.
> " "All the words of blessing
> That to me were said,
> Now are turned to mouning,
> For my Son is dead." "

TIIE RLSCUE OF THE MADONNA.

## BY BADKE COLOMA.

And in their feats they weregroat for doing them, littlo for telliag them.-de Alariana.

## 11.

Morning woke the foe's artillery earlier than that of the Catholics; and scarcely had the dawn grown lighter when a cannon-ball, shot from the gate of St. Peter, badly wounded five soldiers who were in the trenches, and threw the sergeant Tello Paez lifeless to the ground. A fragment of the metal had entered between the fold of the helmet and the breast plate, and came out at his left eyc. He was the first victim to fall that day, in which so many others were to follow hi.r.

The call to arms was sounded in the Duke's encampment, and the soldiers hastened to their posts in the order already laid down. Following the line of the trenches, six strong bas. tions had been built up to a height equal to that of the defences of the city, and along them were placed forty-eight pieces of cannon large enough in beat down the ramparts. They were to open a breach in that part of the wall which united the gate of St. Deter to that of St. Anthony. From within the camp a mine had been laid below as far as the edge of the fosse, and passing under it concealed an enormous deposit of powder beneath the very foundations of the gate of St. Servasius. This was to be sprung as soon as the batteries had broken down the piece of wall they were intended to demolish, in order thus to divide the attention of the besieged between the two breaches. Its explosion was also to be the signal of attack, before the gates of St. Anthony and St. Peter, for three of the Walloon companies and four of the Spanish Tercios, and before St. Servasius, for the German infantry and the cuirassiers with four other companies of the Tercios. The remainder of the infantry was to hold itself fresh and in waiting till the besieged should be worn out, and then, at a second signal, to attack the part called the Bourg. This lay much lower, and as the fosses were dry, could more casily be assailed with ladders.

It was on this side the heretics had hung up the statue of the Madonna, placing th on the narrow ledge which ran around the bastion underneath the embrasures of the guns, at no scant hegght above the Catholic entrenchments. In the latter stood the ensign Alvar de Mirabal, silent, motionless, a littlo pale, awaung with concealed impatience the signal of assault. He had left aside his breastplate and ungirt his sword, carrying only two pistols in his belt and in his hand one of the large Flemish spikes called springstocks. They had at the end a broad piece of wood, which prevented them from sinking too far in the mud when they were used by the natives, and also served in time of combat for dating leaps over fosses and inpediments.

The wall was long in coming down, as the besieged ran with great haste to make the repairs under the direction of a French engincer, Sebasion Tapin, and the Spanish traitor Manzano, a deserter from the 'lercios. The latter atterward paid for his treachery, dying white running the gauntlet to which Parma sentenced him when Alonso de Solis had made him prisoner.

Alexander Farnese was on a little eminence in the interior of the camp, mounted on a large horse that reared impatiently at the smell of battle. He was girt with gilded arms and crimson belt, and surrounded by Don Pedro de Toledo, Carlos de Manzfelt, Lope de Figueroa, and other commanders, who transmitted his orders and saw to their execution. The cannon of the batteries sounded hoarsely like the thunder before the storm.

Before mid-day, athwart the smoke of powder could be descried the wall split in twain. One of the towers was clearly seen to sink over toward the side of the fosse. Alexander made a sign, and a hundred drums and a hundred bugles sounded together, those witl: their continued rolling and these with their metallic notes. For a moment a solemn silence reigned. The rannon were hushed, swords were lowered, the pikes were rested on the eath, the banner that encircled two worlds humbly kissed the dust, and those mail-clad men, whose steel was less strong than the temper of their souls, those fietce tigers who were waiting anxious to rush upon their prey, bent the knee for a moment's space to implore the aid of the God of battles. For such, says Don Bernardino de Mendoza, is the custom always kept by Christians, and most of all by the Spaniards, before beginning the strife.

Alexander gave a second signal, and a fearful discharge with 2 tremendous explosion resounded together. At the same time the whole side of the wall and the gate of St. Servasius toge. ther vanished with the swiftess with which the scenes are changed in a magic play. The mine had been sprung and the assault began.

In front of all the rest was seen a man who appeared to be mounting through the air from the Catholic trenches to the battery of the Bourg. He seenced to stagger a moment on the edge of the projection which held the statue of the Madonna. But with a strong effort he made sure his footing, and let fall the springstock which he had used for his prodigious leap. Hc was there alone, unarmed, without other support than a narrow ledge, having beneath his fect a considerable depth and above his head a great number of foes who, now that they had recovered from their first surprise, were discharging their arquebuses at him. The wartior did not hesitate. He siezed the statue, which was large and weighty. He let himself fall with :t from the top of the bastion, and rolling backward without letting go his hold, ca. e within the intrenchments of the camp. Then he raised himself to his feet, di:pping with blood from several wounds, and seizing a leather breast-plate that lay abandoned there and brandishing his partizan, shouted, "Santityo. Viryen ilaria!" and joined his 'Tercios, who, like some terrific avalanche, were at that moment rushing on the walls of Mae stricht.

It was the ensign Alvar de Mirabal, who had fulfilled his oath.

## III.

Equal courage and like slaughter were marking out, in the meantime, both besieged and besiegers where they were fighting in the two breaches. On the walls the terrific onset of the Walloons, who were in the vanguard, had been stayed by 2 barrier of immense strength made of chains and pointed beams, which had been raised as if by enchantment with a counterfrsst full of sharp nails and pieces of iron. They passed over at last, with great slaughter on both sides, aided by the four com panies of the lercios, who were following in the rear. Then the fightung begait, pike to pike, on the flat top of lic very wall. In the breach of St. Servasius a fierce struggle bad beco going cn. 'lhe defenders hastened with great readiness to the work of repars, helped by three thousand women distn buted in three divisions, who dragged forward earth and timber, and threw on the Germans and cuirassiers artificial fires, stones, and boiling water. The latter, on their side, levelled up the fors with fagots and earth and fragments from the ruined walls, and opened before thenselves a way fur a hand to hoind fight. The slain fell on both sides, but nether slackened .is efforts, and the heaps of corpses stretching across the breach increased the difficulty of entering for the Catholics, and the ease of their defence for the heretics.

Parma then gave order to the remainder of the army to at tack by the gate of the Bourg. Fifteen hundred of the vanguard made a funous onset, and managed to take the fosse without the besieged having fired a single shot. The Catholics were already setting their ladders along, and many bad climbed the wall. A captain of the cuirassiers succeeded in nailing to it a blue banner with the image of Ctrist, a copy of that sent by Pope Pius V. to Don Juan of Austria for the battle of Le. panto. At the same time there came to animate those who were' fighting in the two breaches the shouts of "Victory! Santiago! The gate of the Bourg is gained !"

At tha:: moment a irightful detonation-louder than the crash of a hundred thunderbolts-resounded, and through the air were seen to fly men, stones, arms, ladders, earth, and the limbs of men, all as in a confused whirlwind soon to fall hearily into the fosses, in the midst of a cloud of powder and smoke which lent to the terrible sight all the horror of dark. ness. The heretics had sprung a mine, secretly laid bencalt the gate of the Bourg without other aid than the three companies of women, and thus destroyed that shining vanguatd which counted in its ranks the flower of the army. Theredied Eabio Farnese, the cousin of I'arma, the Count of San Jorge, the Marquis of Malaspina, the Count of Mondoglio, with forts. five other captans of renown, and more than two thousand soldiers of all nations.

Victory had become impossible, and Alexander Farnest ordered the recall of the assault for that day.
(To bo concluded.)

## BOOK REVIEWS

Rerue Canadienue-The contents of the liebruary and Narch numbers of this periodical are, as usual, interesting. the most "important articles are: Lilrelands-a historical Hetch by Charles Thibeault; Naturalisme et Realisme, a study of the modern French novel, by Joseph Desrosiers ; Les Jnuites du Canada sous la Domination Anylaise-a timely tricle on the position of the order since the Conquest; Une Muit de Noel, in which Mr. E. W. McMahon gives his views oo Plain.Chant ; I,e Cardinal Pie, a biographical notice of the great French preläte, abridged from Mgr. Baunard's life of kin ; Lo Noril Ottest D'Autrefuis, by L. A. Prudhomme, lescribes the career of I.ord Selkirk; Guilo Gonzonelli, an drenture of the painter, Salvator Ross, amongst brigands. The continued story is an abridged translation of Dr. Huntingon's "Rosemary ;" and the poctry: Une ćlule du Soir au Collíye ind St. Joseph endormanll'Enfint Jesus.

## CANADIAN CHURCII NEWS.

On Monday evening next, May ifth, a nusical and dramatic atertainment will be given in the Grand Opera House, Ottawa, in aid of the Good Shepherd's Convent. The affair is under Vice Regal patronage.

The Frunch nowspapers of Quobec stato that St. Rooh's Church has two precious relics-nene a piece of the real cross the other a fragmert of the crown of thorus. The papers tato that their autheaticity is indisputable.

Bishop Loughlis, of Brooklyn, arrived in Montreal yesterday morning and is staying with the gentlemen of the Seminary. He visited Abbe Baile during the day; the latter has been unrell for several days. Abbé Baile taught many of the New England bishops.

The Abbe Casgrain has returned from Europe with a collec. uon of most valuable manuscripts gathered in England and France, and bearing upon the civil and military history of the earls days of Canada. Ihis collection comprises eleven rolumes of manuscripts copied from the archives of the Count de Nicolai, grand-son of the French general de Levis; and steral other volumes and manuscripts obtained from the Chateau of Mosiel, the first series of fwich were written by the orders of General de Montcalm himself on the eve of his death.

Mgr. Tanguay has returned from his European trip. Whilst abroad he learned many things of interest to Canadians and found that there is a tendency among French capitalists to in. rest in Canadian ventures. Mgr. Tanguay spent two months in Rome, engaged in collectung material for his new work on the ecclesiastical writers in Canada. He had several interviews rith the lope and gave him a copy of his "Gencalogical Histry of Canadian Familics." According to this authority, the first Canadian colonist was I ous Hebert, who came with the sle intention of planting the basis of Christianity, The rev. bentleman has carried back some interesting relics, among which is one from Hir, LJolniws the Pope.

## CATHOLIC AND LITERARY NOTES.

Tho Most. Rer. Patrick W. Riordan, D.D., Archbiehop of San Francisco, is now in New York. He is the guest of the Cathedral cler.T. On Saturday, the 12th inst., he sails for Earope to maico his official visit to the Popo.
On Sunday, 2 gth April, a pleasing event took place at the De La Salle Institute, Duke Street. The St. Louis Sanctuary boys of St. Michael's Cathedral assembled in one of the large noms of the Institute to present to Rev. Bro. Servillian an address of thanks. The good brother, who devotes all his lime to them, lately decorated the statue of St. Louis, the Japanese martyr, patron of St. Michael's Sanctuary boys, on the occasion of the Archbishop's formal presentation to the bojs of a large statue of St. Louis, to be placed in the chapel ot De Ia Salle Institute. The address referred to Broiher Sevillian's kind instructions to them as first communicants,
and to his many other kind acts toward them as Sanctuary boys. The rev. Brother in thanking the boys told them that he will always labour for their interests, and he wished their new society the best of success. The boys now have a large meeting-room at the De La Salle and pussess also a fine library.

## Current Cintholic Blought.

## THP CHURCII AND SCIENCF.

The great speceh of Mgr. Perraud, which concluded the proceedings of the first session of the Internationa! Science Congress of Catholics in Paris, is pronounced by our foreign exchanges to have been in all respects the worthy crown of the edifice which the Congress has constructed.

Science, said Mgr. Perrand, is noble and useful, and the Congress now coming to a close pould suffice to show in what high esteem it is held by Catholics. But it must he remembered that science does not hold the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. The wise, like the rich, can enter into heaven, but it is not science which opens the gate for them. Fath and the supernatural practices revealed and instituted by God, only procure salvation for all men of good will, for the ignorant and the sage, the rich and the poor alike. Jesus Christ willed, in founding His Church, that science should stand aside along with wealth, as means to its success, and that the hand of God only should be visible, that the absence of all human power in the accomplishment of the $m$ sst gigantic of all works should throw in relief the presence of a livine power. From the carlies: ages the accusation of ignorance fas cast in the face of the Christians. This system was pursued through the centuries, from the time of that caricature in the palace of the Casars in which a fool's cap was placed upon the head of the Crucified down to the pages of that man of the last century of whom it might be asked what was most decply rooted in him-the hatred of Christianity or the scorn of the people. Why, he used to ask, teach the peasants 'la canaille?' Leave that to the Apostles." Yes, cried Mgr. Yerraud, prefixing to the name of the philosopher of Ferney a tule which showed in what little consideration the kishop beld him-yes Monsieur de Voltaire, that task is left to us, and we accept it-we bear to those disinherited of the goods of this world, to those whom you call the " canaille," the word that consoles and saves. Nevertheless, continued the speaker, though God did not call in science to aid Him in founding His Church, He wished that science should, in filting time and scason, bring the power and renown of which it disposes to the :eligion which the world had seen to be Divine. Catholics have cultuvated and cultuate science; they glory in all its true progress; far from dreading its light they produce it. And why should it be thought that they fear it? If it be a false science, they can unmask it ; If it is true, it can only confirm the infallible tiuth revealed from on high. Let us have no fear of that self-styled science, the force of which consists in the employment of a practice borrowed from certain barbarian tribes who, when coming into contact with an enemy, scek to paralyse him by the thunder of their cries and clamour. "Science knows, science says, science affirms "-th. are exclamations which continually resound in the mouths of our enemes. They will not force us to drop our weapon from our hands. This false and lying science has the audacity to oppose to the supernatural the demand for proofs of facts. And know you that solidly this same demand is established on its ort domain? Open the preface of a "History of the Peopl, of Israel," written by one of the coryphecs of this science, and you will learn from himself that he has filled with "perhapses" the pages of his history. And, for him (Renan) to come nearer the trath, he nould have to say that those "perhapses" filled the margin also. The Bishop concluded his speech, in which the exquisite choice of the language was allied with the nobility of the thought, by expressing his thanks to all the members of the Congress, and particularly " to him to whom was owing the realization and success of this great and difficult enterprise," Monsignor d'Holst.

## confimatilon.

The following lines wero composed on tho ceromonies conducted at tho Gloucestor Strect Couvent, Ottarra. on Saturday, when tho Sacramonts of Confirmation and Holy Encharist were conferred on aino jomg lady pupils:

Nine Graces at God's altar knelt, In pure bright Innocence' altire ;
A vision fair that well might melt
Cold hearts to tears and love inspire.
Oh, what a jojous sight to see
These aerial forms serene and gay,
True types of God's own alchenty,
Approach their yet untrodden way.
Approach the altar to'receise
From their High J'riest with crozier raised,
The seven gifts of the tuthor of love,
sind then, anon, by faith well stajed,
Approach their loving Jesus' feast,
With hearts as pure as crystal stream,
lecceiving in their ice-chaste breast
Him who did this world redeem.
Ah, precious moment in life's span,
When children to their hearts unite
The Father and the Word made man, The Holy Ghost, the l'araclite.

Around that sacred edifice
The sweet and sacred music peal'd.
Oh, God! how like a l'aradise That lov'd sanctuary appeared.

- Othasua Cïisers.


## THE E. B. A. CONVENTION.

At the annual convention of the E:. 13. A., held on Tuesday; the ist of May, in Elor, the following letters were read from His Girace the Archbishop and His I. ordship Bishop O'Mahony. St: Michami.'s 1'atace, 'loronto.
$27!\mathrm{h}$ April, JSSS.
W. L.anf, Esq., Grand Scc. 1:. I3. A.

Sik, - I am directed ly 1 His Grace the Archbishop to ask you to convey to the approaching annual convention of the IE. 83. A. the assurance of his continued intercit and confidence. And to say that he most cordially prajs God's blessing on your association and its deliberations. liaithfully yours,
J. I. Mcl3nidf, Scc.

Mr. W. I.ane, Grand Sec. 3E. 33. A.
D) Eak Sik, In reply to your note of the 2 th I beg you to convey to the li. 13. Association niy best mishes for the success of theit annua! convention, and my blessing upon thear deliberations.

Jours very fantiofully,
i' O. Mahonj; 13p. of Eudocia.

1) Llegates were present at the convention representing branches at Toronto, Hamilion, i)undas, St. Catharmes, Nicr. ritton, Olkville, l'eicrborough, etc. And there is cuery reason to lelicve that several branches will be formed this year.

The folloxing zesolutions were zdopicd:
Hherras cerrain nembers of the Catholic Church (though fex) in this province have seen fit to offer 2 decided opposito litis Grace the Archbishop of Toronto,
liesolred-That we the members of the I:. 13. it. in convention assembled do sincercly regret that such opposition took p'acic, and we do hereby hearilly endorse the action taken by His Grace in the recent trouble.
llesoled-That the thanks of this conveation arc due and herehy tendered to llis Grace the Archbishop, to their lordships llishop O'Mahony and 1)owling and the clergy fo: their kind letiers to the convention.
lirsolred-That the F. B. A. has for its ohject the eleration of humanity and thercfore universal regard to the sufferings of mankind.

Be if liesolerd-That inis convention protesis in the name of humanits and justice $2 g^{2}$ inst the continuance of the Imperial Government's despotic rule in Ireland. And that we hereby extend our sympathy to the Irish nation in this her hour of sore irial and cxasperation.

## DANGEROUS l:OOD ADUIIIERATION.

TIIE FRAUDULENT USE OF Alugi AND bide in Cheni BAKING POKDEK.
If consumers prefer to buy an adulterated article of food because-it can be had at a lower price, they undoubtedly have the right to do so, provided the adulterants are not of a charac. ter injurious to healeh. If such articles are not falsely sold as pure, and the customer is not deceived as to their real charac. ter, the iransaction is not illegitimate.

But the great danger in the traffic in adulterated food ariscs from the deception that is practised by manufacturers usually classing such goods as pure. This is almost invariably done when the idulterant is one that is injurious to health. For instance, manufacturers of alum and lime baking powders not only fail to inform the public of the real character of their goods, but carefully conce.. the fact that they are made from these poisonous articles. Most of these manufacturers also claim that their articles are pure and wholesome, while some go still further and proctaim boldly that they are cream of tartar goods, or even the genuine Koyal JBaking l'owder itself. No consumer wiil buy alum baking powders knowingly, for it is well understood that they are detrimental to health. The sale of lime and alun baking powders as pure and wholesome articles is, therefore, criminal, and it is satisfactory to nolice that scveral persons engaged in such sale have already been brought to justice in the courts.
The otticial analysts have recently been active in the pursuit of these dishonest articles. The baking powders of several States have been carefully and critically examined. The officials are surprised at the large amount of alum goods found. It is a suggestive fact that no baking powder except the Royal has been found without cither lime or alum, and many contaia hoih. Dr. Price's laking'l'owder has been found to contain nearly 12 per cent. of lime; Cleveland's $1:$ per. cent. of impurilies; the phosphate porders over 12 per cent. of lime.

The chief service of lime is to add weight. It is true that lime, when subjected to heat, gizes off a certan amount at cartonic acid gas, but a quicklime is left-a caustic of mot: powerfal nature. A small quantity of dry lime upon the tonguc, or in the cyc, produces panful effects; how much more scrious must these effects be on the delicate membrans of the siomach, intestunes and kidncys, more partucularly o infants and children, and especially when the lime is taken into the sjstem day after day, and with almost every meal. Tons is said by physicians to be one of the causes of indigestion. dyspepsiz, and those painful diseases of the kidjeys now so prevalent.
Adulteration with lime is quite as much to be dreaded as with alum, which has heretofore received the most emphatic cordemnation from food analysts, physicians and chemists, for the reasnn that while alum may be partially dissolved by the heat of baking it is impossible to destroy or change the nature of the lime so that the entite anount in the baking powda passes, with all its injurious jroperties, into the stomach.

Tine large profits from the manufacture of lime and alua baking powders has placed many of them in the market. Thet are to be found in the stock of almost every retail dealer, and are urged upon persons calling for baking powders upron 2? occasiuns. 13zcause of their wellknoan deirimental character it is desirable that prompt means be taken to suppress thes manufacturc.
Pure baking powders are one of the chicf aids to the cost in preparins perfect and wholes one food. While those are to be obtained of well established repu!ation, like the Royal, $a$ : whose purity there has. never beca a question, it is properto avoid all nihers.
"That sermon was the finest effort I cuer heard," said 2 mas on his way hoine from church. "I wouldn't hare missed" for $\$=0$ !"
"I'm glad you cnjosed it, John," said his wif:.
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