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CURRENT COMMENT

Ireland, sedate old Ireland, seems to be suffering from the same mania that afflicts our Canadian public school management, the mania for change. Among many other excellent remarks made by the Archbishop of Tuam at a recent public meeting of the National Teachers' Association of County Galway, is this: "I think the teachers have many other grievances besides the inadequacy of their salaries which I should like to see remedied: the perpetual changes in the programme (for instance). . . I cannot for the life of me see why the Commissioners are Perpetually changing the programme, and I am sure it must be most disheartening to the teachers. I can say for myself that I gave up trying to ascertain what the programme is at all. The Commissioners are taking up the plants before they are rooted, to see how they grow." Or rather, as we should say, the beau ideal of these erratic pedagogues seems to be a continually revolving kaleidescope. The trouble is that they mistake change for improvement, capricious agitation for healthy activity. Every change in text-books or methods entails much time and effort in order to acquire the habit that comes only from a frequent repetition of acts. Therefore no change should be adopted on the mere chance of its being an improvement, on the mere recommendation of some restless would-be reformer. This change must be proved by long experience of trustworthy teachers to be a real advance before it can be safely adopted by a national board of educa-

Last week, at Norwood, Ontario, a fool, armed with a rifle, without any provocation at all, merely for the fun of the thing, fired three shots at the house of a defenceless farmer in the middle of the night. Two children, aroused by the yells of the rifleman's companions, rushed to the window as the shots were fired. One of them was slightly wounded, the other killed. The fool said he did not mean to hurt anyone. The coroner's jury exonerated him. He ought to have been condemned to ten years in the penitentiary for man-^{8laughter.}

We have just received "The White Elephant" by Cy Warman, the well known author of stirring railway tales. Written to prove that the operation of our railways by the Federal Government would be disastrous alike to the railways and the country, this pam-Phlet would be more convincing if it dealt less in brilliant epigram and more in facts and statistics. The author Asserts that "American railways are well managed, deliver the goods cheaper and pay better wages than do therailways of any other country on earth.' He complains, with some show of reason that the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which has done so much to inflame the public mind in magazines and newspapers against the managers of American railways, on account of the great loss of life therein recorded, is unfair because it makes no mention of the increase in the number of passengers carried. That report says that the increase in the number of passengers killed annually has been, in sixteen years, 32 per cent.; but what it fails to give out and "what hurts," as Cy says, is that during that period the increase in the number of passengers has been 93 per cent. It is a pity that Mr. Warman's comparison with the number of accidents in English railroads is confined to two separate years and does not cover a definite period of Years as his American statistics do. The general impression certainly is that, during the past twenty years, accidents are becoming far rarer on English railways, proportionately to the number of passengers carried, while there is very little improvement in this respect on American lines.

Marquis of Bute, gives as follows, in these speeches, though they all reported

The chief thing that attracted me to the Church was its universality, as opposed to the insularity of Episcopalianism, in which form of Christianity I was brought up. And I felt that very strongly during my first visit to the Continent. Details had never much difficulty for me, for when once I had grasped the notion of a Teaching Church all followed as a matter of course. My first impressions were amongst the poor in Ireland, where I was born. Brought up myself in a school of extreme Low Churchism of a deeply religious character, but surrounded by masses of practical goodliving Catholics, I was struck by the little impression the educated Protestant classes made on their poorer brethren the simple devotion and faith of these with Catholics of position and education, I found the same devotion and my education at Oxford had thrown me more or less under the influence of the High Church party, and I drifted thenceforward almost insensibly into the bosom of the Church, and had ceased to believe in Protestant Episcopacy or any other form of Protestantism some time before taking the step. But the personal example and simple faith of the Irish poor were the first things that impressed me. I compared it favourably with the class of Protestants in Ireland amongst whom I mixed and whose doctrines consisted more in hatred of Rome than in any definite belief. The language they used first irritated and then disgusted me, and predisposed me to make enquiries. At Oxford I was still further impressed by the conversion of many of my acquanitances, especially of the late Father Clarke. S.J., then a Protestant minister and fellow of St. John's College, who lost his fellowship and sacrificed his career for his faith. He put things before me in an altogether new way, and

This shows that good example is the best of preachers, more powerful in the long run than even bad example with its seductive allurements. Of this latter we were told an instance not long ago in a city that shall be nameless, A Catholic girl, after marrying a Prosoon solemnly embraced the religion of her husband. One of her new co-religionists was crowing over this apostasy in the presence of a Catholic. "All your best people are coming over to us; look at Mrs. X." "Indeed; why, we never knew her as a good Catholic; her mother, though brought up in the Church, gradually fell away through evil associations and ended by having no faith nor morals to speak of. She trained her daughter to admire nothing but beauty, flattery and money. You are quite welcome to your new recruit." A similar view of such cases was expressed some years ago by an American Bishop of wide experience. When asked if the accession of converts equalled the leakage of indifferent or bad Catholics who fall away, he said: 'Yes, I think we lose as many as we gain; but those we gain are the salt of the earth, while those we lose are the refuse of the Church, the ignorant. the worldly and the vicious." When a bad Catholic turns Protestant he is welcomed as a brand plucked out of the fire. But no Protestant ever joins the Catholic Church in order to lead a more comfortable and more worldly life.

I always consider that my conversion

was largely due to him.

The special attention of our readers is directed to our report of the Blessing of the new church at St. Charles, particularly to the speeches at the banquet that followed, and most particularly to the remarks of Mr. Parker, a Protestant old-timer, who severely scored the ignorance and bigotry of too many of his co-religionists who have immigrated to Manitoba in recent years and have never learned to esteem as they ought Patronesses' success. Sir Henry Bellingham, who has re-their Catholic fellow-settlers. Not one

"Roads to Rome," the reasons why he in their usual colorless way the rest of the proceedings.

Clerical News

Father Ruelle, O.M.I., left last month for the mission at Pine Creek, where he will henceforth reside. The Indian Industrial School, over which he presided of late, having been done away with, or rather replaced by several boarding schools, each situated within the limits of an Indian reserve, the St. Boniface building has been purchased by the Oblate Fathers and transformed into a Juniorate or Training school in which boys who give promise of a religious vocation will be prepared and was very favourably impressed with for the Oblate novitiate. These boys will attend the classes of St. latter. As years went by, and I mixed Boniface College, which is hard by and during the rest of the day will be under the constant supervision faith amongst them that I had admired of some Oblate Father or Brother amongst the poor. Previous to this, in their separate building and grounds. Father Gladu is Superior of the Juniorate of the Holy Family, St. Boniface.

> On Sunday, the 27th, Father Garaix, S.J., took the Great Northern train for Seattle, whence he will set sail for Macao, China, there to learn the Chinese language and prepare himself to succeed Father Hornsby, S.J., as chaplain to the Chinese Catholics of Montreal. As a boy, Father Garaix received his early training for the religious life at the Apostolic School of Avignon, France, whence have also issued Father Chossegros, S.J., of St. Boniface College, and Father Vales, O.M.I., of Fort Alexander, Man. Father Garaix made his noviceship at New Orleans and was afterwards transferred to the Canadian Mis-While in Montreal some

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Northwest Review

St. Boniface Hospital

"The Sisters of St. Boniface Hospital congratulate and thank the Lady Patronesses for their great success, in realizing the sum of \$2,500.00, for the Hospital. The Sisters also convey their sincere thanks to the kind friends who have contributed by their generous donations, to the Lady

Cently married his daughter to the of the daily papers gave any account of SISTERS OF ST. BONIFACE Bishop Rouxel, who for the third time accomplishment of my duties. Though

years ago he constructed with his largest in the world, a description of which appeared in the Scientific American. After his ordination and tertianship he was stationed for a year as missioner at Thessalon, Ont. He spent last year teaching in St. Boniface College. On the 15th of August he took his final vows as a Jesuit, being coming to New Orleans, delivered a now thirty-eight years of age.

The Apostolic School, founded in 1866 at Avignon by Father de Foresta, S.J., for the gratuitous training of youths intending to become missionaries or priests in any religious order, was transferred last year, on account of the persecution in France, to Salussola, Italy. In its annual report for 1904 we find that there were thirty "apostoliques" that year. The school also published this year a list of all its past students with, when attainable, their address and present position. Although the list is confessedly incomplete as to "present positions," we gather therefrom that among the graduates of that school, besides a large number of Jesuits and parish priests or curates, there are or were (for some have died) six Benedictines, five priests of the Missions Etrangeres, three Capuchins, two Trappists, two Oblates of Mary Immaculate (Fathers Vales and Planet), two Redemptorists, two members of the Society of African Missions, two Dominicans, one Carthusian, one Canon Regular of St. Augustine, one Marist, one Father of the Holy Ghost, one Salesian, one Missionary of the Sacred Heart, and two Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales. Father Coube, S.J., now the most celebrated orator in France, was a pupil of the Ecole Apostolique d'Avignon from 1868 to 1870.

Pope Pius X. has contributed Secchi, S.J., to be placed in Father

Father Sauve returned from the east to the Immaculate Conception presbytery, last Monday, greatly improved after his vacation.

Father McCarthy, O.M.I., left on Tuesday morning to spend a few days t St. Laurent.

👼 Father Trapeau, a Missionary of Lo Salette, stopped over here last week and went west last Sunday evening, going by Regina to Forget, where he is stationed. Father Trapeau, who spent four years in the States, speaks English very well. There are now eight members of his order in this diocese.

Father Bonnald, O.M.I., the zealous Cross Lake missionary, came here last week to spend a few days with his Provincial and Brethren at St. Mary's, and returned north on Tuesday. An interesting communication from him will appear in these columns next week.

Father Munro returned from the States at the beginning of this week.

Father Chossegros, S.J., returned on Tuesday from St. Anne, Ill., where he had, for the past six weeks, taken the place of the parish priest, absent on

The funeral of Archbishop Chapelle vas strikingly simple on account of the quarantine which prevented outside their last outward tribute to one who stood at the very head of the most emi-

was called upon to administer the afown hands the largest reflecting fairs of the diocese upon the death of its telescope in Canada and one of the Archbishop, was the only Bishop present. Though, owing to the yellow fever epidemic, the funeral was not public, most of the priests in the quarantined city of New Orleans were present. Father Biever, a distinguished and scholarly Jesuit, who had been Archbishop Chapelle's confessor for the last seven years, ever since His Grace's touching and eloquent discourse. No one knew the late Archbishop better and no one was so well qualified to speak on this sad occasion. Referring to the late Delegate Apostolic's great work in the Philippines, Father Biever said: "Fearless in the pursuit of right, the Archbishop mapped out a policy whose wisdom shines out the brighter as time and prejudice wear away. Few, even of his most intimate friends, knew the momentous issues dependent on his labors to bring about a 'modus vivendi' between Church and State, and fewer were aware of the brilliant success that has crowned this gigantic undertaking. His rule of golden silence may have surprised the public and called forth adverse criticism from prejudiced persons, but won for him the confidence of the Popes and Presidents of the United States. I know from good authority that tempting offers were made by leading reviews and papers to obtain his view on the intricate questions he was sent to solve, but, true to his trust, he reported only to Church and State. whose implicit confidence he enjoyed to the very hour of his death. In him the much slandered friars found a fearless champion and stanch friend, who did not wish to sacrifice the honor and labors of hundreds of years of good and noble men to the caprice and ambition

"There is, however, in the life of every priest a record whose pages the great God alone can unfold and read. It is the spiritual element that must enter largely into every sacerdotal life. It has been my privilege to possess the fullest confidence of the illustrious prelate, and thus to gain an insight into that inner life with God, which must \$500 to the fund for the erection be the mainstay and daily bread of of a monument to the late Father every true priest and Bishop. Punctual in his morning rising, the Archbishop Secchi's native town. Father found time in the midst of his varied Secchi was the inventor of the and immense work and vast corresspectroscope, with which, for the pondence to make his daily meditation, first time, the sun's rays were to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass analyzed, and he was a pioneer in and recite his breviary at the liturgical the spectrum analysis of sun and hours. Every Saturday he would cleanse his soul in the sacrament of penance, so as to make it every day more worthy and more holy for the celebration of the great mysteries and the reception of the Holy Eucharist. Even on the day he was stricken by the insidious disease the Archbishop, though greatly suffering, stood at the altar of God offering for the last time the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for his beloved people, to whom he had returned in time of danger and disaster. Overcome by pain, he was unable to finish the pastoral letter that he had begun with feverish and trembling hands, and he begged me to write under his dictation the following touching messages to his people in the country parishes, who had so lovingly and loyally received him during his visit to the country parishes: 'Nor will we forget you in our prayers, beloved brethren, whom in our recent pastoral visit we exhorted to the practice of all the virtues of a pure Christian life. We must confess that we were deeply moved by the marked and sincere tokens of affection and loyalty that were shown us everywhere. Our heart was comforted at the sight of the good done for the cause of Christ by a devoted and zealous clergy; and though our Auxiliary Bishop has faithfully visited the parishes during our absence, we were more than compensated for the fatigues and labors of our pastoral tour by 8,000 children and adults who received the holy sacrament of confirmation at our

"The work of this last pastoral visit in the hottest season of the year, which would have taxed the constitution of a young giant, proved too much for a man archbishops and bishops from paying who had borne the heat and burden of forty years of sacerdotal life. If I die.' he repeatedly said during his last sicknent prelates of the day. Auxiliary ness, I die of the fatigue endured in the

death came unexpectedly, the Archbishop semed to have a distinct presentiment of its approach; for, on leaving the city two months ago, he asked for the episcopal ring, which he desired to have buried with him, and wrote down that in case of his death his Santa Fe pallium should be placed under his head and the pallium of New Orleans on his heart. Archbishop Chapelle, after finishing the visitation of the parishes, might have gone North to recuperate, but he returned to his people in the time of their sorrow, and, like the true pastor, laid down his life for his flock. I have not heard of anything more pathetic than the last scene of his great life. Holding in his hand the beautiful crucifix given him by Leo XIII, he frequently kissed it, pressed it to his heart and lifted it up heavenward, praying all the while. Having received the sacrament of Extreme Unction, and being comforted by the blessing that the Pope had sent him he fell back-dead."

Last Sunday morning at 8, in the Gray Nun Mother House, Rev. Josaphat Magnan, was ordained subdeacon by His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boni-

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Father Perisset, who is supplying for Father St. Amant at Pinewood, came charge of St. Lazare, in the place of spend their honeymoon. Father Maillard, who becomes pastor of Wolseley.

On Trinity Sunday, June 18, the Most Reverend Archbishop Murphy, of Hobart, Tasmania, the oldest bishop in the Catholic Church, both by years and by priority of consecration, completed his ninetieth year, having been born on the day of the battle of Water loo. It was indeed a double anniversary. His Grace having been ordained priest on Trinity Sunday sixty-seven years ago. The venerable prelate was consecrated on October 11, 1846, and is, therefore, in the fifty-ninth year of his episcopate. If he lives till the same date next year he will then celebrate the diamond jubilee of his consecration. He was nominated coadjutor to the Bishop of Hyderabad and after his consecration immediately went to India. As the Bishop of Hyderabad died before his arrival, he entered at once upon the full responsibilities of the see, and remaned in India, till 1865, when he was translated to Hobart, where he has spent forty years. In 1889 the see was raised to the dignity of an archbishopric, and His Grace received the pallium from Cardinal Moran, Archbishop of Sydney.

Persons and Facts

Lady Lafontaine, relict of Sir Louis her C. F.C. Morrison a distinguished Lower Canadian priest, who was 1850, and actually received but refused rooms had been secured for them. the bulls appointing him coadjutor to the Bishop of Vancouver.

Mr. Adrien Dubuc, the young Winnipeg barrister, left on Wednesday Aug. 23, for Edmenton in company with his elder brother, Lucien, also a barrister. They will henceforth work together in the capital of Alberta. Mr. Lucien Dubuc will run for the provincial parliament in the Peace River district.

The marriage of Miss Maude Herriot and Ambrose Devereil was solemnized Thursday morning at the church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, by the Rev. Father Lietaert of Brandon .-Brandon Sun.

I On Sunday last at four o'clock in the afternoon Miss Beatrice Stewart, daughter of Mr. Arthur Stewart, manager of from. the National Trust Company, was received into the Church by Father McCarthy, O.M.I.

On Tuesday, at St. Mary's church, at two o'clock in the afternoon, Miss Beatrice Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stewart, of Colony street, was married by Father Drummond, S.J., to Mr. Percival Boxer, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boxer, of Kennedy street. Mr. Evans presided at the organ and Miss Madge Barrett sang sweetly. The bride was given away by her father. The bridesmaid was Miss Florence Stewart, twin-sister of the bride. The bestman was Mr. A. H. Bright. Little Miss Helen Boxer, as a



flower girl, carried a basket of daisies A fairly large number of relatives and friends were present. After the ceremony the wedding party returned to the residence of the bride's parents, here last week on a visit. He will soon where the wedding breakfast was served. become pastor of St. Adelard, in the The happy couple left on the 5 o'clock place of Father Hogue, who will have train for Detroit, Mich., where they will

> Owing to alterations necessitated by the new octagonal wing, St. Boniface College, which, according to this year's calendar, was to re-open on Sept. 6, will not re-open till Sept. 13.

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Regina Notes.

The C.M.B.A. Grand Officers, Hon. M. F. Hackett, K.C., Grand President, and J. J. Behan, Grand Secretary accompanied by Mrs. Behan, arrived in Regina on the morning of the 9th, and were met by a large delegation from the local branch, the Secretary to His Honor, Lieut. Governor Forget, and by Major Laird and Premier Haultain, all of whom testified by their presence the respect they desired shown to the representatives of the foremost Catholic Society in the Dominion.

His Honor the Lieut. Governor extended a cordial invitation to his Hippolyte Lafontaine, of Lafontaine- school friend Hon. Mr. Hackett to be a Baldwin fame, died on Thursday the guest at Government House during his 18th instiat the age of 93. She was a stay in the city, but the Branch having the prior claim on their Grand Officers, ings. they were conveyed in His Honor's application. offered the bishopric of St. Boniface in carriage to the Windsor Hotel, where

> The Exhibition opening on that afternoon, Mr.E. McCarthy, of the Committee, harnessed his pair of spirited bronchos, and found place behind them in a three seated rig for the visitors, L. L. Kramer, Grand Deputy for the District, himself and Mrs. McCarthy and drove to the grounds and were present at the opening ceremony at which His Honor the Lieut. Governor was the central figure There the schoolmates of over 35 years ago met for the first time since, and both returned to Government House whilst the rest of the party enjoyed the exhibition attractions for an hour after which Mr. Hackett joined them and the drive was contineud through the N.W.M.P. Barracks and south of the city over the prairie and through the grain fields, a round trip of 10 miles, and a return made to the city from the opposite side from the one they started

> With the summer weather perfect, nature in her kindest mood and the fruits of the farmers' labors promising beyond our fondest dreams, little wonder is it that the visitors declared over

and over again, that such a scene alone repaid their journey of so many hun-

The writer is reminded by Mr. John McIntyre, whose magnificent farm, adjoining the city, they visited, that not since Michael Davitt in 1901 viewed his crop, have prospects been so bright

The same evening a meeting of the work of a devoted lady friend of the Society. The wording of the address was as follows:

To the Hon. M. F. Hackett, Grand President, C.M.B.A. and Mr. J. J. Behan.

Branch 362 of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada extends to you as representing the Executive of dour noble Catholic and Canadian Association the glad hand of a hearty welcome.

Located as we are, afar out on the boundless prairies and in the Capital and centre of the youngest Province of our Grand Dominion, we are proud and grateful for the material heritage which Providence has bestowed on our unworthy selves, but prouder far were we to enroll ourselves under the banner He always uses Nerviline which is noted of Holy Mother Church in a Society whose every act is inspired by that ings and strains. Nerviline is just as Divinely commissioned Mother, and which has ever amongst its members numbers of the devoted shepherds of the flock in Canada.

We are sensible of the influence which pastors of the Church can wield towards advancing the interests of a Society such as ours and have realized from the founding of our Branch that the inability of our then pastor to qualify

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dreds of miles

C.M.B.A.'s members and their friends, amongt whom the ladies were quite conspicuous, was held in the McCarthy Hall, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The Chair was taken by Mr. L. L. Kramer, Grand Deputy, and with him on the platform were seated, besides Messrs. Hackett and Behan, His Worship, Mayor Laird and the Hon. N. F. G. Haultain, Territorial Premier. The programme was opened by a piano duet by Misses O'Connor and Von Ferber nicely rendered, followed by words of welcome from the chairman who then called on J. McCarthy to read an address which was a very tastefully written and bound manuscript, the

Grand Secretary, C.M.B.A. Gentlemen:

for membership was unfortunate.

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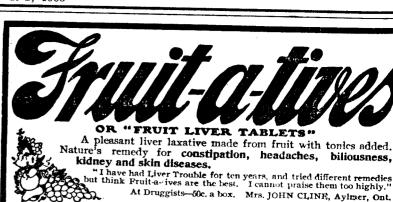
Location with respect to railways, towns, timber and water determines

For information regarding homesteads apply at the Dominion For purchase of Provincial lands apply at the Provincial Land Office

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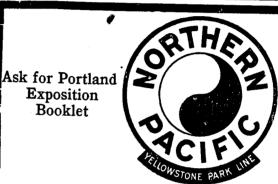
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ated into our Society, and whilst we in- cures as Dr. Hamilton's Pills. tend to contribute towards it, we hope to cures as Dr. Hamilton's Pills. be long ineligible to draw from it, as we have been hitherto mercifully preserved from the Beneficiary benefits.

In conclusion we beg you to accept from your worthy representatives of our executive, and for each Branch you may visit heartfelt and repeated greetings. Signed on behalf of Branch 362,

Regina, Sask.

The Hon, Grand President, on rising to reply, was warmly received and for a space of time which seemed but a few minutes, but was really nearly an hour. held the close attention of his auditors, whilst with force and eloquence he explained the principles on which the C.M.B.A. was founded and the advantages, spiritual and material, which a true member of the Society earns for himself and family.

After Mr. Hackett concluded, Madam Keenan, who is always good in her line, excelled herself in rendering a solo, "Queen of the Earth," with piano accompaniment by Miss O'Connor, which number was thoroughly appreciated by the audience.

Mr. Behan then addressed the meeting, and the clerical profession need not fear that his likeness to them disparaged in any respect their reputation for concise and plain, if quiet, speaking. His words had the true ring, and fittingly rounded off the remarks of his superior officer. Madam Keenan then gave another solo which had a good reception and the Chairman then called on the Hon. Mr. Haultain, who, in his usual happy manner complimented both the Local Branch and the Grand Officers on the success of their efforts. He took occasion to remind those newly arrived from the East, that, up to the present, our affairs have been administered without oppression or dissatisfaction, and hoped that the future would bring similar results. •

He moved a vote of thanks to the visitors which was seconded by Mayor Laird in a happy speech in which some of his C.M.B.A. friends received salutary advice, and their lady friends were advised to withold their hand from any suitor who could not produce a C.M.B.A. Policy. After a suitable reply from the Grand Officers, Mr. Kramer announced that all were invited to a supper at the Glencoe restaurant near by, to which a majority adjourned, and enjoyed a very pleasant hour refreshed with the choicest viands which the hostess Mrs. Mair could secure, and with short speeches in reply to toasts by Messrs. Hackett, Behan, Haultain, Laird, Kerr, Rimmer, Smith, McCarthy and Moltar, the latter in German being really the gem of the evening for those who understood that tongue.

Mr. Kerr, editor of the "Leader," besides making a very happy address, tendered the regrets of Mr. Walter Scott, M.P., on his inability to be present. A pleasant and profitable evening was closed after the midnight hour.

Next morning Messrs. Hackett and Behan took train for Prince Albert, not to be eagerly welcomed and faithaccompanied by Mr. Kramer, and on Saturday night returned to Regina.

At 10.30 on Sunday many of the members gathered at the Windsor corner and escorted the Officers to St. Mary's church, and after High Mass a much larger number of members, joined by prospective ones, escorted them back to their hotel. During the afternoon social calls were made on them by Brothers, and Mr. Hackett found time to call again on His Honor the Lieut. Governor. The party went west by the night train.

Their visit has been already productive of gain to the Society judging by the rate at which applications have been written the past few days.

Regina Fair was a grand success. Lovely weather, crowds of people, and Regina's competent President, Mr. Mytton, of the Agricultural Association, assisted by his most efficient secretary, Mr. Meadows, with the zealous citizens of our flourishing city did the rest.

Our city was favoured with a visit from prominent gentlemen of the C.M.B.A., a full account of which has been kindly handed your correspondent by Mr. J. McCarthy and appears here-

The Feast of the Assumption was duly observed Rev. Father Kim said Mass and preached to an overcrowded church at 9 a.m.

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JAPAN

(From the "Apostle of Mary", Dayton, Ohio. Translated from the French of Rev. Father Ligneul, Director of the Seminary at Tokyo, by A. W.)

For all that, it would be a mistake to believe that ever since that time religion has progressed in proportion to the good feeling shown it by the government. Freedom of belief, though guaranteed by the Constitution, did not produce in the minds of the people in general the effect expected. From that day on, the Christian religion was no longer the forbidden fruit, and had, therefore, less attraction. Again, by the Constitution, Japan, in imitation of the great powers of Europe, was endowed with a representative government, comprising an upper and a lower House. The Japanese people on this occasion believed they had taken a great step forward on the road of progress, and, of course, they were led to take a more active part in politics. During the ten years that followed, the greater part of their attention was drawn in this direction, the majority believing sincerely that from this new form of government a new era of grandeur and prosperity would dawn upon the country and the whole nation.

At the same time the cultured and governing class, initiated by dint of hard labor in ideas and things foreign began to think themselves capable of getting on without the Europeans. Year after year all foreigners whose service were no longer absolutely necessary, were dismissed one after the other. Japanese youths, at the age of twentyone were thought to have finished their education, and to be well prepared to steer their own bark. The effect of these views was also felt in regard to religion. Although the missionaries were never entirely without hearers, still the number of those who came to listen or to be instructed was more limited, and their condition more modest. There was already a tradition in the country that religion is good, especially for the common people. This prejudice was, moreover, strengthened by the false idea brought over from Europe that for a people in a state of infancy, religion is necessary, that it takes the place of science which they need to live well, etc., but that to a civilized nation religion becomes useless, because in the civilized states it is replaced by science. This thesis harmonized only too well with the sentiments of educated Japanese, and of the members of public instruction in particular, fully practised according to the well known programme of the league of instruction, the teaching body which prepared and reserved to themselves alone intellectual authority in the whole Empire. The aim of this league was to prepare, by means of education, the elements of a new society, which should, later on, be established and completed in all parts outside the influence of religious belief. This programme is less difficult in Japan than in Catholic countries, because Pagan religions, with their loosely defined dogmas, offer small resistance to adverse pressure.

This idea was put to the test, and even for a time instructions to this effect were given by the Minister of Education, but it was never adopted by the people at large, because, under the guise of indifference, the Japanese people hold infinitely more to their religious beliefs than mere appearances lead us to believe. Happily for Japan and for its people, this first attempt did not effect what the partisans of the system had promised. Three years ago the intellectual masters of the country by the hundred gave a public scandall not against morals, in which case nothing would have been said, but against ordinary honesty. And ever since the new instruction has produced this fruit, it has been sufficiently shown by experience that, if science should ever take the place of religion, it would never be able (Continued on page 6)

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SEPTEMBER

- 3-Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost. The Mother of the Divine Shepherd. 4-Monday-Votive office of the Holy Angels.
- 5-Tuesday-St. Lawrence Justinian, Bishop.
- 6-Wednesday-Votive office of St. Joseph.
- 7-Thursday-Votive office of the Blessed Sacrament.
- -Friday-The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin. "Second class feast with octave.
- 9—Saturday—Of the octave. memoration of St. Gorgonius, mar-

BLESSING OF ST. CHARLES' CHURCH

His Grace's Eloquent Sermon—The Central Artery of the Central City of Canada-A Protestant Old-timer protests against Recent Butters-in.

Had the weather at eight o'clock last Sunday morning been as fine as it made up its mind to be at noon large crowds of Winnipeggers would have driven westward to St. Charles for the blessing of the new church. However there was a fairly large attendance, but chiefly of its vicinity, with a sprinkling of devoted friends from the city. What astonished outsiders, who expected nowork is all up, the solid stone foundations include a high basement, the brick veneer is half way up to the roof, and the tower shoulders of the future steeple were adorned with flags. When His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface drove up at 10 o'clock there had already been a few drops of rain and

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the grass in front or sat on improvised dazzling sunshine after the clouds of by a handsome contribution deposited ladies to the shelter of the gallery. But Mgr. Langevin congratulated the parthat was the last alarm. When, a few moments after the Mass, Mgr. tors in front of the new church, the sun broke out in all its splendor and day. A very efficient male choir led by the clear and sweet tenor of Mr. Lalonde, Father Thibaudeau's brotherin-law, did all the congregational plain chant very well. The St. Boniface band, which greeted his Grace on his arrival, was indefatigable in its frequent, most agreeable and skilful performances.

PAROCHIAL ADDRESS

It is not often that one hears so well worded and so admirably read an address as was that of the dignified and cultured reeve of St. Charles, Mr. George Caron. He expressed the joy of the parishioners because a new era was dawning for them; a substantial church was being built and His Grace had come to bless the corner stone. They thanked the Archbishop for his care of their spiritual welfare and were glad on this occasion to renew publicly their faith in and reverence for their people from the parish of St. Charles and archbishop, who, with his cross in hand, stood erect before the violence of the hurricane and waited with calm until few in number, reckoned the charges the storm was over. He had told thing but the foundations of a building them many times that life was short \$30,000 church? Yes, they had. But (as generally happens when a corner and eternity, where all were going, had they were far-seeing, they had faith in stone is laid) was the advanced state no end, and that the eternal peace of the church. The roof is on, the frame | could not be bought otherwise than by | province of Canada, Winnipeg was the suffering With their Archbishop they capital of that province and the geowould suffer and vindicate their rights, knowing that, being on Gods' side, they were sure of the last victory of eternal central artery of that prosperous and

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that a Low Mass was substituted, as less ing as a background, His Grace, in full urbs. By that time this new church long, for the High Mass which was to pontificals, flanked by his assistants and would not seem too large. The pastor have been celebrated in the open air. the altar boys, spoke in those clear and Very Rev. P. Magnan, Provincial of the penetrating tones of his that could had, it is true, no other resources than Oblates said the Mass in the presence have been heard distinctly by an open their own to draw upon, save, of course, of the Archbishop in mitre and crozier, air gathering ten times as large as the the generosity of their well wishers assisted by Father Lacasse, O.M.I., three or four hundred who were privi- throughout the province. But they and Father Drummond, S.J. The altar leged to hear him. The close attention trusted in the westward spread of the was on the gallery of the priests' resi- of the reverent audience, the fervid elodence and the congregation knelt on quence of the speaker, and the now their friends would begin this very day benches. Shortly after the elevation the early morning, all combined to by each one on the corner stone. a slight shower drove several of the make the occasion most impressive. ishioners and their parish priest on the in the blessing of the corner stone and beautiful monument they were raising the foundations of this church; the Langevin addressed the assembled visi- to the glory of God. He extolled their preacher would insist merely on the spirit of faith and generosity. It was sign of the cross used so often in these consoling for a pastor to see his flock blessings and on the salt mixed with disappeared, but the principles for which they stood would outlive them all. salvation. 'It had been the badge of all In these days men wanted to make an true Christians from the earliest times outlaw of Christ. He had no more room In the second century or early in the in the schools and His holy name could third Tertullian wrote: "At every step not be mentioned in the school to child- or movement, when we go in or out, ren He had redeemed. But let them when we dress or put on our shoes, at have courage, "He would rule the na- the bath, at the table, when lights are tion." Let men so act as to have no brought, when we go to bed, when we cause to blush at the hour of general sit down, whatever it is which occupies judgment.

> His Grace, who had spoken in French, then called upon Father Drummond, S.J.

EXPLAIN THE CEREMONIES

in English. Choosing as his text the words of Our Lord in St. Luke, 14, 28: "Which of you, having a mind to build a tower, doth not first sit down and reckon the charges that are necessary, whether he have wherewithal to finish it?" Father Drummond said this question might well be put to the brave little parish of St. Charles. Had they, that are necessary for the building of a the future. Manitoba was the central graphical centre of the North American continent, Portage Avenue was the rapidly growing city. and St. Charles was the present terminus of Portage Avenue. In ten years St. Charles, form erected in front of the corner though nine miles from Winnipeg,

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and people of the parish of St. Charles central metropolis, and they hoped

It would be too long to explain all the beautiful ceremonies about to be used continued to shine all the rest of the standing by him. Men appeared and the holy water sprinkled all over the building. The cross was the sign of us, we mark the forehead with the sign of the cross." The salt which is blessed, as the Church blesses all things which it uses, and mixed with the holy water, represents wisdom and the conserving power of God, for salt is even in nature the great preserver, and true Christians are called by the Master Himself, "the salt of the earth." Let all the faithful here present unite with the clergy, while the blessing is going on, to pray for the future development and sancti-

fication of this parish. Then the Archbishop and clergy proceeded with the liturgical function, sprinkling the foundations, chanting collects, psalms and the litany of the Saints, and after going all round the church, blessing the corner stone itself. His Grace translated into English the solemn prayer by which the corner stone is laid in the name of the Blessed Trinity and then reminded his hearers that all non-Catholic rituals for corner stones were but an imitation of the Church's ritual. After congratulating the architects, Messrs. Hooper & Walker, and the contractor, Mr. Will. H. Carter, of the Grace Co., the Archbishop laid his own cheque in the plate over the corner stone. The clergy and laity followed suit, each one tapping the stone and then depositing his offering. Many ten dollar bills thus found their way to the collection plate.

BANQUET AND SPEECHES

At 1 o'clock an exquisitely cooked warm dinner was served by the ladies of St. Charles in the shade of the magnificent sycamores planted thirty years ago by Father Dandurand, O.M.I., Towards the end of the repast, His Grace rose, and speaking first in French, expressed his regret that Father Dandurand, who had been so long pastor of this parish, was not present. Although he was healthy, the emotions of this great gathering might have been too keen for him in his advanced years. Continuing in English, Mgr. Langevin congratulated the guests not only on having faith in the future, as Father Drummond had said, but having trusted the weather this day. They trusted the sun and they now see how brightly it is responding to their trust. He heartily welcomed all who were present. They had reason to be proud of their parish, their province and their common country, Canada, than which there was no better country in the world.

FATHER THIBAUDEAU, speaking in French, thanked His Grace and all the priests who had come to en-

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hance the splendor of this festival. We must not forget those who have gone Provencher especially. The speaker about the history of the parish of St. Charles, but he was reminded that yesterday in all the daily papers of Winnipeg (This sketch, prepared by the editor of the Northwest Review, is appended to our report.). Keep these

A FRIENDLY OLD-TIMER

Mr. Parker, a Protestant farmer, who has been living in the neighbourhood of Headingly for over thirty years, when called upon to speak, complained that his tongue did not respond to his feelings in church matters. There were other public meetings, political ones, in which he was more at home. He wished, however, to say here that the Protesants of this district have always highly appreciated their French countrymen. They have never had in public or private matters any disagreement worth mentioning. Far from being an unprogressive people, the French were the first to build a church here, although the Protestants preceded them in this district by fifteen years. Mr. Parker had already attended one dedication of a French church; it was at Lasalle and he never heard a more liberal sermon than was preached on that day by the late lamented Archbishop Tache. In a word the Protestants of this district kindly help from their French neighbors. the parish was so poor that it could not He regretted that he had been informed support a priest, and now they have a of to-day's ceremony too late to hear fine church, presbytery and convent. the sermons of His Grace and Father This is the best country in the world. Drummond, but he was glad to hear Archbishop Langevin speak so eloquent- obliged to get her wheat and cattle here. ly of the greatness of Canada. He was This province is not only the centre of glad to hear these sentiments from the Canada but of Canada and the United People who have come here of late do shall be building churches of \$125,000. not understand this country. He could When there was question of building never stand any depreciation of this country as compared with the United States. He thanked Father Thibaudeau for inviting him to speak.

Mr. Will. H. Carter, manager of the Grace Company, contractors, thought Father Thibaudeau was mistaken in imagining that he (Mr. Carter) was a speaker. Nevertheless, he would say a financier. They thank His Grace for that he was proud to be connected with giving them the man they want. the church of St. Charles. The more he knew of Father Thibaudeau, the more he admired his activity and business ability, This has been one of the pleasantest business undertakings he had ever had anything to do with.

THE STORM

Father Drummond said that, while recognizing to the full the great work done by the present pastor of St. Charles, we must not forget that venerable pastor, Father Dandurand, who had been 24 years here. Although far advanced in his 87th year, he was practically the youngest and liveliest member of His Grace's household. Having called on him the previous evening, he ad heard him relate his experiences during the terrific storm of August 27, 1884. The aged priest remembered all the details and described them graphically. Seeing the threatening clouds he had closed all windows and doors, and was standing inside one of the windows of his house when he was momentarily blinded by a vivid flash of lightning. On opening his eyes he saw that the church was in ruins. He immediately rushed out to save the Blessed Sacrament. With the hurricane howling about him, amidst a maze of falling and flying timber, he crawled under the debris and found the tabernacle almost miraculously intact. Prying open the voked Homeric laughter. door with a pocket knife, he seized the ciborium and carried it safely to his Thibaudeau's sister, (both of whom had house. Everything else was crushed done so much to organize this enterand shattered. The belfry had been lifted three times and hurled each time several hundred feet. As soon as the Work could be attempted reconstruction was begun; but as the autumn and Winter were at hand, the little church in this banquet did not surprise him, was rebuilt without the 25-feet addition for he knew that the women who came that had been made ten years before, and on the 8th of December of the same Year Father Dandurand was commissioned by Archbishop Tache to bless the restored edifice, then only 40 feet long. He now rejoices to hear that a kind of Divine blessing. more worthy temple is being erected to the glory of God.

Mr. Hooper, Jr. regretted that his father, the head of the firm, could not attend this celebration. He would say for the homeward drive. that it gave him great pleasure to work with Father Thibaudeau, who is always around and less no detail escape him.

GROWTH OF THE COUNTRY

Mr. J. B. Lauzon, speaking in French,

he also congratulated the St. Boniface band; seldom have we the pleasure of before, Archbishop Tache and Bishop dining to the sound of sweet music. In 1877 he accompanied Messrs. Lepine, had at first intended to say something Lamarche and Desrosiers, who camped out half a mile from St.Charles. Though so near, they could not see the church. everybody had had an opportunity to To-day when driving hither, he had read the historical sketch that appeared | hardly left Winnipeg when he discerned the towers of the new church four miles off. In these 28 years he realized the wisdom of Archbishop's Tache's advice: Buy property near our missions. papers; they will be a souvenir of this He had followed this advice and now understood how wise these early missionaries were in choosing locations. When in those early days he bought a house near the old church of Lorette, he little dreamt that the latter would be, in 25 years, transformed into one of the most beautiful edifices in Manitoba. So will it be with St. Charles, which is only nine miles from the finest city in Canada. Winnipeggers are already buying property for residences all along this great Portage trail. Father Drummond truly said that, although the parishioners of St. Charles were not very numerous, they were very strong; they are also united, one heart and one soul. Among other parishes recently started is the Ile des Chenes, where the speaker owned five thousand acres. Mgr. Langevin is afraid of nothing; he is a man of progress. While travelling near St. Agathe in 1878, he (Mr. Lauzon) lost his horses and had to take refuge at the house of the parish priest, the late Father Samoisette, whose dry bread-for he had nothing had received the most valuable and else—he shared for two days. Then Quebec manufactures for us, England is French people who were the pioneers States. Let us Catholics always be here. Many of the English-speaking united, and in ten or fifteen years we a French church in Winnipeg, even the Archbishop hesitated; but when he saw how the French Canadians were united and how generous they were, His Grace said he could build three French churches. They did not realize their strength till they met together. Father Portelance is not only a zealous priest, he is

THE REEVE'S HOPES

Mr. George Caron, Reeve of St. Charles, said it would be a great pleasure to speak at some length, but to speak one must be prepared, and farmers have no time to prepare. He would, however thank all the clergy and laity who came to grace this festival with their presence. One word of encouragement he would say to his pastor and fellow parishioners. He hoped to see the time when it will be necessary to enlarge this new church (Applause and laughter, which His Grace stopped by saying, "You must not laugh, Mr. Caron is quite serious.").

Father Lacasse said he was willing the guests should laugh, provided they did not laugh at him. He wished to tell the people the joy he felt to-day as in the old house-chapel. In September, an Oblate. Talk of faith in the future of this country. Why, as far back as first resident pastor of St. Charles, and fifty years ago the Oblates foresaw that in two years the young and zealous Manitoba was to be the centre of the world (Laughter and applause). This Portage Avenue was then the great trail leading to the mysterious west. Many are the rosaries Mgr. Grandin recited on this road. It is now doubly blessed by the presence of Our Lord in the old church here. At the Archbishop's request Father Lacasse then told some of his inimitable yarns of his personal reminiscences, and pro-

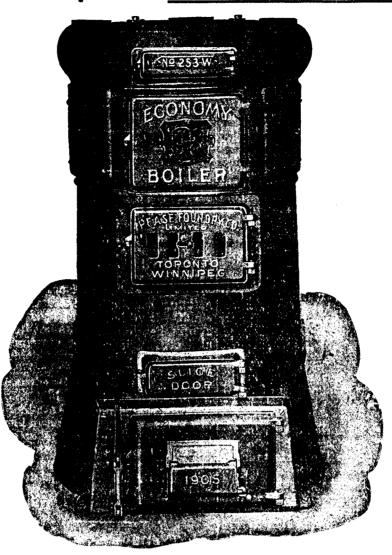
Mr. Lalonde the husband of Father tainment), a Quebec lawyer, was the last to speak and he did so with remarkable facility and tact. All good things must come to an end. He spoke especially for the ladies. Their success out here had brought with them the traditional devotedness. Representing as he did the old province of Quebec, he wished this young province of Manitoba ever increasing prosperity and every

The guests then dispersed after many a handshake, while the band played some more of its inexhaustible repertoire and carriages were being prepared

HISTORY OF ST. CHARLES' PARISH

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eral of the illustrious Bishop of St. Boniface, Mgr. Tache, and later on himself Bishop of Three Rivers, built a house chapel of logs, 20 ft. by 20 ft., wherein worshipped the neighboring Catholics, mostly hunters of the plains, numbering some sixty families. Until 1858 the mission was attended from St. Francis Xavier, White Horse plains, by Father Thibault and Father Gascon. From 1858 to 1868 the attending priests were Fathers Vegreville, Fravi, Frain, Rickher, Lestanc and Allard, all Oblates. Meanwhile, in 1866, the first regular church, a frame building, 24 ft. by 40 ft., was built by Father Lestanc, who then resided at the Bishop's palace and was directed in this undertaking by Mgr. Tache.

School is Opened

Two years later a school was opened 1868, Father Allard was appointed the missionary had a presbytery and new schoolhouse built. In 1874 the church, having become too small for the growing congregation, was lengthened twentyfive feet. Ten years later, on Aug. 27, 1884, this building was blown down by a great storm and was rebuilt on a smaller scale in December of the same

Father Allard remained in charge of the parish till 1876, when he was succeeded by Father Dandurand, O.M.I., whose name, as pastor of St. Charles for twenty-four years is inseparably linked with the history of the parish. He retired to the archiespiscopal residence in 1900 and is still doing excellent work in the sixty-fourth year of his priesthood and the eighty-seventh of his life.

Frequent Changes

Since 1900 there have been frequent changes in the pastorate. Father Beaudin, O.M.I., was parish priest from August 1900, to May, 1901; Father Van Gistern, O.M.I., from May 7, 1901, to Nov. 9, 1903; Father Dorais, O.M.I., from Nov. 9, 1903, to May, 1904; Father Marion, O.M.I., from the latter date to the beginning of 1905. The present pastor, Father J. E. S. Thibaudeau, O.M.I., was installed on Jan. 1, 1905, and soon realized the need of a larrger and more beautiful church. With characteristic energy he set about preparing plans and collecting funds. The result of his devotedness may be seen in the fine edifice now approaching

The New Building The architects, Messrs. Hooper &

Walker, have adopted, on Father for circulars and testimonials. Thibaudeau's suggestion, the gothic Address: style of architecture, with transept. The Grace company are the contractors. The church is 90 feet long by 40 feet wide, with basement of the same dimensions and 11 feet high. The foundations, in rough hewn stone, support a frame building vencered with brick. The tower is 108 feet high. All the woodwork finishing is in oak. The organ loft and chancel have bronze railings. The rest of the interior, including a graceful row of columns with ornate capitals and a fine cornice is finished in the best of plaster. The stained glass windows are from the celebrated house of Louis Sohier in Montreal. The pews are made by Messrs. Paquette & Goudbout, of St. Hyacinthe, Que. Just over the front entrance will be a beautifully colored window, represent- Phone 519 ing the patron of the church, St. Charles

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JAPAN

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to produce the old virtues that made outside of the hours of teaching and of faithful, and devoted to his duty. the class room, religious instruction is they do for the people.

ferably employ those who have a faith people believe that the destinies of Japan of some sort. In the language of our hinge upon the issue of the present war; day, faith has become a synonym for but these view only the surface of conscience. Indeed, these two things things. No doubt this war will mark an are so closely related that it is next to important epoch in the history of the impossible to separate them. That sci- Japanese nation, but the future of a ence cannot replace conscience has been | country depends not alone on the issue amply proved by the number and con- of a great war, but infinitely more on dition of the criminals in the courts of the spirit and virtues of its people. The

one? This is the question that premerely a system of mental abstractions, inaccessible to the many, and from which it is impossible to draw a popular and honest moral, the true and the false, the good and the evil being proclaimed one and the same thing by its ethics. There remains Christianity, but it has the drawback of being foreign, and it must become Japanese before it can hope to become popular. Protestantism, it is true, is accommodating enough, at least in principle, to allow itself to be assimilated, but its weak points are 'too apparent; it has no definite creed, it lacks precision and certitude, and with its multiplicity of sects, it is full of contradictions. Catholicism is precise and definite, it has unity, it rests upon an immutable tradition, but it appears too absolute to the Japanese. How can we reconcile progress and intelligence with this fixity of faith? How can we harmonize this religion, which does not yield, with the ideas and habits of the country?

In the presence of such difficulties, the new eclectics agreed to make an ideal religion, which every one would shape according to the capacity of his own mind, which he would believe by change at pleasure according to the progress made by science. Such a conception is very ingenious, and, above all, convenient, but however ingenious it may be, it does not answer the purpose of a religion, it does not solve with certainty, the problem of final destiny, and it is ineffective as a basis of morality since each and every one may, under it, regulate its teachings to suit his fancy.

The opinion most commonly shared to-day in regard to religion is, that we must wait until evolution has shown what will be the religion of the future. But while awaiting this future religion there are many things which the present generation cannot ignore. At this moment there are over a hundred thousand families mourning their dead. Those who survive cannot fail to ask themselves what has become of their loved ones? Whether death ends all things, or whether there may not be a hereafter?

The dangers and distresses of war have all at once stirred up in the hearts the religious faith that lay slumbering there. Every one according to his lights has recourse to the means he thinks proper to find, outside of this world, a succor, a consolation, or a hope. The Japanese proverb, "Want makes us think of God," is well verified in this instance. And, no doubt, men who reflect seriously on the future of the country direct their thoughts beyond the mere joy of having defeated the Russians. In reality, the heroism shown by the Japanese soldiers in this war is a fruit of the ancient faith, of the ancient virtues of the Japanese, of the fund in aid of St. Louis church, under worship of their country and the code of honor. The whole strength of this people lies in their religious respect for authority, and in their principle, Monday, August 14, in one of the most Mayor of Keewatin, Mr. R. A. Mather, "the interest of the country before

that as a result of the higher education this part of the country. of these fifteen years, egotism and a spirit of independence have made as- attractions in Keewatin and Kenora fancy and useful article might be found, tonishing progress. Now, nothing is were somewhat of a drawback, nevermore opposed to respectful obedience theless the Bazaar proved a financial

two things. If the principle of "private interest before all" were to get the upper hand in public spirit, Japan would immediately cease to be herself, and would enter upon the way that leads to ruih. the honest man. In fact the system is There lies her greatest danger and her not yet abandoned, and it cannot well most formidable enemy. Now the only be, since in the present state of affairs thing that can effectively counteract in Japan it is almost impossible to adopt | both the one and the other, is a religion one religious teaching and follow it to which reaches conscience, and which is the exclusion of all others. However, capable of making man respectful,

This means that the moment has not prohibited. Far from discarding come for the representatives of Catholireligion, it is commonly admitted, even cism in this country to make a superamong the professors that some religion human effort. It does not require is necessary; they may not acknow- prolonged reflection to reach the conledge this necessity for themselves, but clusion that Catholicism alone can preserve what is good in this extraordinary In government circles and among people, and assure its peace and prosemployers, the greater number pre- perity in the future. A great many people in its units constitutes the Religion is then necessary, but which strength or weakness of a country. In this connection it is almost proverbial occupies most minds bent on this sub- to say that the future of a country lies ject. Buddhism, such as it is, believed in its schools, because the children and and practised by the people, with all its young men of to-day become the men superstitions, can no longer hold its of to-morrow. The future of Japan own in the face of reason. Shintoism therefore, depends principally upon the likewise, which with its gods who found- ideas planted in the minds, the princied the Empire, greatly resembles Ger- ples sown in the consciences of its man pantheism, is no religion, but rising generations. In every part of the country an instruction is given to the common people that is often far beyond their condition All the schools, from the public schools of the villages to the Imperial University, are crowded to overflowing. There are few persons below the age of forty, even among the women, who cannot read and write. Curiosity to know and the desire to show what one knows being one of the principal traits of the Japanese character, we may define Japan as "a country where everybody reads and reasons and knows how to express his thoughts."

But how sad it is to see these active and subtle minds struggle helplessly in the midst of a chaos of ideas, to see how by public speech, by instruction and by the press, the errors and prejudices of the two Worlds spread and penetrate to the heart of the people; and in the midst of all this confusion, what a pity to lack the means that would bring virtue to shine forth in all its splendor. This regret is all the deeper and the more poignant, as it it no longer Japan alone that henceforth is exposed to this invasion of error. Since the war with China ten years ago, Japan has taken the lead in the far East. Her action self-suggestion, and which he could has already made itself felt far and wide, even into the heart of China. In Tokyo alone more than three thousand Chinese students attend the Higher Schools. The number of Japanese teachers and instructors of all sorts at present in China is unknown. They are found everywhere.

(to be continued)

OBITUARY

JOHN M. HUGHES

The funeral of Mr. John M. Hughes, formerly of the firm of Clark Bros. & Hughes, undertakers, who died on the 25th of August, after five years' illness, took place at 3 p.m. on Sunday last from the residence of his father-in-law, Mr. D. Parker, of St. Boniface, to St. Mary's church, where Father Cahill, O.M.I., assisted by Father McCarthy, O.M.I., officiated. Father Drummond, S.J., and Father Bonnald, O.M.I., were present in the chancel. Interment was made in St. Mary's cemetery. The pallbearers were R. Murphy, M. Mc-Manus, M. Savage, A. H. Kennedy, J. J. Macdonald and R. F. Hinds, all representing the Catholic Mutual Benefit association, of which the deceased was a member. The late Mr. Hughes was only 29 years of age and leaves a widow and two young children to mourn

R. I. P.

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untiring interest of the several ladies who took the affair in hand at the commencement and worked untiringly during the whole week.

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The stalls were most tastefully decorated with evergreens, bunting, flags, The inclement weather and several etc., and there every description of many handpaintings were noticed.

Then came the lunch-room which was

The ice-cream and light refreshments were served in prettily arranged nooks. The musical platform proved quite an acquisition.

Much interest was evinced towards the closing of the bazaar in the voting contest between Mr. L. Cardinal and Mr. B. Rochon, both gentlemen from this town. The votes were almost even all week, but finished at the last moment with about one thousand votes in favor of B. Rochon. The two gentlemen were the recipients of most costly

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DION AND THE SYBILS

By Miles Gerald Keon

A CLASSIC CHRISTIAN NOVEL.

"Mind," observed Dionysius to his returned?" asked Thellus. friends, when undertaking this momentous mission, "were Tiberius in Germanicus's place and Germanicus in his, I would not adopt this measure, because worse pretexts, and worse opportunities, civil wars, for the furtherance of base personal ambition; and whereas Tiberius would not scruple to use for such ends the explosive elements accidentally collected around us, Germanicus will. He shrinks from sovereign power, but will put such a transient pressure upon the tyrant as will secure the deliverance of your daughter and sister, dear friends."

Thirdly, Thellus with Paulus went forth to find Claudius the freedman; and, on the way, Thellus was to call at various centres, and resorts of gladiators, and by trusty adherents of his own to prepare that most redoubtable, lawless, desperate class for an organized attack upon some given house, palace or Place, afterward to be designated.

The two former undertakings were accomplished with all the success that could be expected.

As Thellus and Paulus were returning to the lodgings of the Lady Aglais after having conferred with Claudius at Tiberiu's own palace, and after having madden them if touching themselves, called at the various centres or families of gladiators (where Thellus effected fully the purpose for which he went) Three hours ago, some of them assemthey had arrived close to Aglais's lodgings, in a narrow street, badly lighted by a single oil lamp, suspended upon a cord which ran from house to house at the middle point of the street's length, when-being now far from the lamp in question, and the night being dark-Paulus accidentally brushed somewhat roughly against the figure of a girl, who clung to the arm of a tall man, and who was, with him, going in the contrary direction. He apologized, and the girl returned some mild reply in a sweet voice, which he fancied not unknown daughter of the Aemilians. Being told to him. In doing so, she had thrown that no one knew what they meant, or back the hood of her ricinium, but the to what they alluded, and being ordered night was too dark to allow recognition. to disperse quietly they resisted the Paulus remarked to his friend, as they guard. went on, that he had somewhere heard the girl's voice ere now. Thellus also had, he said . They found Aglais waiting the poor drunken brawlers and some up for them, and stated to her that the freedman Claudius was not yet apprised where Mistress Agatha might be detained, but would quickly and privately inform them when be discovered the

"But I know it already," said Aglais, who looked pale and haggard, but full of lion-like wrath and courage. She then related that a reverend old man, with a most beautiful girl had ascertained at one of the military posts, Paul lus's residence, and, on calling and being informed that he was out, had asked for Aglais; that she, Aglais, had only just then seen them; that they had given her all those particulars which Lepidus the trium vir, was unable to furpish concerning Agatha's ulterior fate; and had positively stated that her principal captor, being tipsy, had referred to Cneius Piso and to Sejanus as the persons under whose authority he was acting.

"Tiberius's confidential officer, and private assassin (sicarius)," said Thellus "We can prove now who is the criminal. Well, they said where your daughter is?"

"In a house on the Viminal Hill, surrounded by willows and beeches."

"I know it well," cried Thellus. "Why, it is the Calpurnian House, the house of Cneius Piso's wife, the Lady Plancina."

"Ohi" exclaimed Aglais, bitterly; do you remember, my Paulus, at Crispus's Inn one morning, our darling telling us that she had received an invitation from a dreadful, pale-faced, black-eyed woman, to just this very description of house in Rome?"

"Distinctly," replied Paulus.

"The invitation, it seems, has been renewed," remarked Thellus with equal bitterness. "By the way, my young tribune, we can guess who the old man and the beautiful girl are. You brushed by her in the street,

"Yes," answered Paulus, "Josiah Maccabaeus and his bewitching and noble little daughter. I met her just now in reality; I meet her often in my dreams."

At this moment, some distant shouts and one long shrick (very faintly heard, however), disturbed the nightly quiet of that great city.

They listened; but, except a much lower, confused, vague, ominous mur-"Has Longinus or Chaerias re-

"Well, to-morrow nothing can be done. One more day we are compelled to give to the wicked man; the gladiators and my preparations require vo are sufficient to produce revolutions and less. Be here, Tribune Paulus, as the shades of evening begin to rush down to-morrow. I am glad it it the Calpurnian—a detached dwelling.

> "We will burn it, and through the flames carry Agatha away, dead or alive. If alive, well; if dead, down goes Tiberius Caesar; for that I'll answer. It is not certain that men eat bread and not stones, if my certainty of this be not a true one."

> He took up his brass helmet to leave, when steps were heard in the passage leading to the conclavium, or inner room where they conferred. (It was a rude kind of triclinium) Knocking at the door and being told to enter, Chaerias appeared followed by Longinus.

"Work done?" asked Thellus in a low

"Overdone," replied Chaerias. "The news flew like a fire in dry grass among the troops just come from the Rhaetian valleys and Venetia. It is exactly that kind of Tarquinian tale which would and every man among them makes the case of their young tribune his own. bled in a thermopolium, and began to drink and discuss the story. Who will henceforth, asked one, go to a distance from wife or sister or sweetheart, or even mother, if, while he is fighting for Caesar, Caesar himself makes this infernal use of his very absence? They worked themselves into such a frenzy (while we were elsewhere kindling the like fury far and near) that, without concert or forethought, out they marched straight to the palace of Tiberius, and demanded the immediate liberation of Agatha, the

"Thereupon, not half an hour ago, the Praetorians were set like dogs upon half-dozen of them were slaughtered. The rest fled."

"We heard just now a strange sound." said Thellus. "Well, let this be known in addition. It serves."

And, taking leave, he and the two who had last come went away together. Truly a little yeast capable of leavening the whole mass, had suddenly been cast into Rome.

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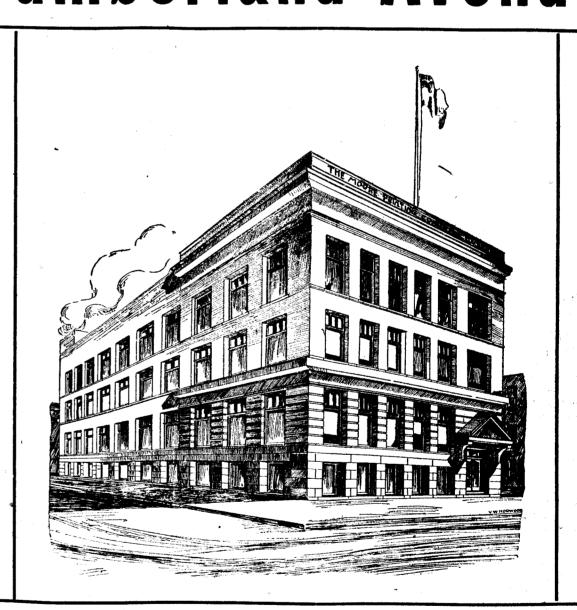
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THE BLACK POPE

By Count Francesco Vannutelli, in Donahoe's for August.

With wonderful foresight Father General Anderledy called, in 1891, Father Martin to Italy, in order that the entire Order might receive the benefit of his sage counsels. When Father Anderledy died in January, 1892, it was discovered that he had assigned to Father Martin the difficult task of governing the Society until the electors could meet and choose a new General. This seems to be a custom with the Jesuits-that the General during his life place in a sealed envelope the name of someone who shall thus be a provisional head until the wishes of the entire body can be ascertained. Certainly a wise arrangement. So well did Father Martin acquit himself of his delicate task that when the electors finally met in the autumn of 1892, he was chosen to be the head of the whole body. Spain will not soon forget that memorable occasion, for, owing to many circumstances, the election was not held in Rome, as is usual, but in Loyola. As the new General was well known by the people of Lopola and of the neighboring town of Azpeitia, they determined to celebrate the event in truly Spanish fashion, and a magnificent procession wended its way to the ancestral home of the hero of Pampeluna, in order to express the joy his countrymen felt over the signal honor that had been conferred upon one of their number. Since assuming charge of the Order, Father Martin has continued to show that same foresight, prudence and consideration which have been the leading traits of his previous administration. He has had to deal with many thorny problems, some of which are not yet settled. The most perplexing question which confronts him is undoubtedly the condition of the exiled French Jesuits and the present anti-religious persecu- gestive of sweet memories. tion in France which presses upon this unselfish follower of Christ.

LORD RUSSELL'S TRIBUTE TO THE CONFESSIONAL

In "The Catholic Church, Her Faith, Works, Triumphs," the following letter addressed to the "Times" of London, some years ago by the late Lord Chief Justice, Lord Russell of Killowen, is quoted: "During over sixty years I have made certainly more than 1,700 confessions, to hundreds of different confessors, and in various countries, and I have never discovered therein any trace of wrong or harm. In addition to my belief in a priest's power of absolution, which as a Catholic I hold. I have found that the duties, incident to every confession, of making a careful examination of my conscience, an express and vigorous mental act of sorrow and a firm resolution to avoid sin, most useful; and though these mental acts may be made without intending confession, the habit of confession certainly causes many of them, which would otherwise not be made. My experiences of confession have, so far as man can judge, been those of my mother, sisters. wife and daughters, and of many female friends, and I have always noticed in myself and others that devoutness and regular attendance at confession and at Holy Communion which it ordinarily precedes, ebb and flow together."

JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY'S BOYHOOD

By Brian O'Higgins, in Donahoe's for August

We had the good fortune that same evening, of coming across one-a fine, healthy, intelligent, smiling, old farmer -who knew O'Reilly from childhood, and who was a close comrade of his all through the early years, until the breaking that is inevitable in all our lives came, and then he saw him no more. When we spoke of him the old man's eyes filled with tears, and he shook his head in a way that was sug-

"Ah, indeed I did know him," he organization with redoubled fury. It said, "no one knew him better or loved damage caused by catarrhal inflammais on account of these and of similar him better either. It's many a brave tion. "Catarrhozone" always cures bedifficulties that the Holy Father and day we had together over there along cause it goes into those tiny cells and prominent churchmen are anxious that the Boyne, and up through the woods, passages the ordinary reme ies can Heaven should grant the Church the and everywhere. He was that sort that reach, goes where the disease actually benefit of his experienced judgment for no matter what he'd ask us to do-is. Impossible for "Catarrhozone" to many years to come, a prayer which there were five or six of us that used fail as any doctor will tell you. Don't will find an ardent echo in the hearts to be always together—if it was to be misled into thinking there is anyof all those who know personally this jump into the river with our clothes on, thing so good as Catarrhozone,—use it

have to do it. All the same you'd never think he was wild. He'd be sittin' along the edge of the river-bank, reading a book out loud for us-it would often be a 'History of Ireland' and he'd always read or tell us something about Sarsfield or Emmett, or Wolfe Tonewhen up he'd jump of a sudden and say We'll go for a swim, lads' or 'Come on 'till we see who'll be at the top of the tree the soonest' or something like that and off we'd go, without a second's thought. I think it was his voice that used to put a charm on us. I don't know how it is but I think nobody ever had a voice like his. I can remember the sound of it whenever I like, and that's often enough.

IN VACATION TIME

By John Robertson, in Donahoe's for August

It is wonderful how men and women manifest in vacation time their dominant traits; the selfish mortal insists on getting the best of everything, and even the good rejoice when fortune refuses to favor him; the woman whose desire to rule is strong attempts to control all the other guests, and reduces the hotel staff, from manager to bell boy, to abject subjection; despite what may be said to the contrary the arrogant disposition secures more for its possessor than does the gentle, sacrificing spirit; the fussy person soon establishes a reputation for making others nervous and is studiously avoided; and the man who has one story and wants to tell it continually has difficulty in securing an audience; the guest "who doesn't mind" being imposed upon frequently knows it by heart, and newcomers are promptly put on their guard by the omnipresent individual whose sense of duty is rampant.

ORIGIN OF THE TOY BALL

Handball is the oldest game known. Millions of boys and girls play it the world over, yet never give a grateful thought to its inventor. Most of them will be surprised to learn that so simple a thing needed inventing at all. Herodotus and Homer, two famous Greek writers, have preserved the inventor's name, and it is a feminine one. Yes, woman made the first toy ball and her name was Anagalla. She was a noble lady of Corcyra, and she gave it when finished to the little daughter of King Alcinous. No other toy has furnished so much amusement, nor is another so necessary in so many games as is this simple article. It is strange, too, that so few of these games are for girls. Do not forget that the ball was invented by a woman, for girls although boys may be grateful for all the fun they have with it.

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