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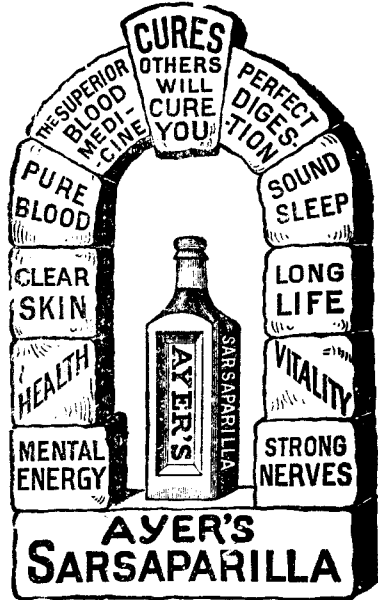
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LENT.

The gracious days of Lent are here, With solemn steps and garb austere, So stern, and yet so strangely dear.
A time to count our wasted years,
A time for holy Christian fears,
A time for penitential tears;
A time with bitter sweetness fraught,
A time for sober, sadder thought,
A time for works of penance wrought;
A time to fast and watch and pray,
A time to give our wealth away,
To live more strictly day by day;
A time to welcome pain and loss,
To count all earthly treasures dross,
To cling more closely to the Cross;
To walk about that blood-stained road,
The way of sorrows Jesus trod,
Bearing a little of His load.
This is the one sweet task of Lent,
To go the way our Master went,
With eyes and footsteps heavenward bent
Till we have done with times of fast,
Till the short Lent of life is past,
Till heaven's bright Easter dawns at last.

Rules For Lent.

The official lenten regulations of the diocese are:

1. All days of Lent, Sunday excepted, are fast days.
 2. By a special indulgent from the Holy See, A.D. 1884, meat is allowed on Sundays at every meal, and at one meal on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Saturdays, except the Saturday of Ember week and Holy Saturday.
 3. The use of flesh and fish at the same time is not allowed in Lent.
- The following persons are exempted from abstinence, viz.: Children under seven years of age, and from fasting persons under twenty-one, and from other or both those who, on account of ill-health, hard labor, or advanced age, or some other legitimate cause, cannot observe the law. In case of doubt the pastor should be consulted.
- Lard may be used in preparing fasting food during the season of Lent, except on Good Friday, as also on all days of abstinence throughout the year by those who cannot easily procure butter.
- Pas.ors are required to hold in their respective churches, at least twice in the week during Lent, devotions and instructions suited to the holy season; and they shall earnestly exhort their people to attend these public devotions. They are hereby authorized to give on these occasions Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Besides the public devotions, family prayers, especially the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin, should be recited in every Catholic household in the diocese.

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[The St. Louis Republic man must have had a vision in which he wandered in imagination into one of our P.P.A. lodges. They are the only collection of snakes we know of in Manitoba.—Ed. Review.]

A Sermon by the Pope.

The Pope delivered in St. Peter's Church, Rome, recently, an address suggested by the recent disturbances in Italy. He expressed himself with great tact and frankness when he referred to current affairs, and his words deeply impressed the minds of all present. His Holiness spoke substantially as follows:—
"The present occasion gives us fresh proof of the devotion of the Roman people, to whom we wish all blessings. In view of this, it is easy to understand our bitterness when we think of the trying conditions in Rome, which are aggravated by the general state of the peninsula. Let us hope, however, that the present disasters can be repaired and order can be restored in those districts which are now troubled. We cannot on this occasion omit to recall the past, when the presence of the Popes gave Rome, not merely for years, but for centuries, glorious tranquility. That prosperity was the outcome of neither chance nor the institutions of man. It was rational and sure of the morrow. Life was then calm and well ordered. Nothing was wanting for the well being of the people. The opposite is true of the present. If we would profit by bitter experience let us trace the evils to our origin and seek an effectual remedy.
"The religious ruin, invoked and designed, has brought moral and material ruin. Not only justice, but also political expediency must demand the return of the nation to the religion of its fathers with mutual confidence and affection, and without suspicion of the Pope, whose preaching of the life eternal renders even mortal life happy and prosperous."
The Pope seemed to be in excellent health and spirits.

A GREAT SUCCESS.

Entertainment at Rat Portage Convent.
A decided success was the entertainment given on the evening of Monday, 5th instant, and repeated on Tuesday evening by the day pupils of Mount Carmel Convent.
There was about twenty numbers on the programme, the first of which was "Welcome," by seven mere babies,—Stella Kenealey, Lizzie Horrigan, Bernadette Donville, Lena Charbonneau, Laura Hilliard, Bertha L'Heureux and Mabel Ward. Each bore her representative letter, and indeed it required seven of such stature to wrestle with the immense two-syllabled word.
"Mary Queen of Scots," a recitation, was rendered by Miss Alice Ratchford in the absence of Miss Trean to whom it had been allotted. Her enunciation was perfect, although she recited rather hurriedly.
"Pussy Cats' Party" consisted of Stella Kenealey, Bertha L'Heureux, Emilie Bariteau, Eddie McMurdie, Willie Archambault, Joseph Bariteau, Mabel Ward and Bernadette Donville, all dressed in character, with tails, bibs, tin cups and spoons. Stella Kenealey was the mamma and after careful training she hoped that all her family would behave very politely at the party; but in the handling of their cups and spoons they deceived their mamma sadly.

"La Promenade" and "Les Vacances" were well rendered by junior French pupils.
"The Bell Drill" by the boy pupils was regularly and pleasingly effective. The music of the bells is always irresistible.
The Fan Drill by the girls was extremely pretty in its execution, and besides, to the beholder, it suggested varying or kaleidoscopic glimpses of a Japanese gallery.
"Bluebeard" an operetta in two acts, was one of the most fascinating numbers on the programme.
As "Bluebeard" is a skit on Henry VIII it embodies the very soul of English humor; but the English composer was very careful not only to make Bluebeard a Tartar, but to lay the scene in Tartary. Now comes the test or rather the difficulty of reproduction—as to the costumes and characters to be represented. And here these good Nuns' travels, sojournings, and studies in different countries of the Old World stand them in good stead. The costumes and manners of the respective characters were so very Oriental as to make those of us who had visited the World's Fair fancy we were once more on "The Midway."
The parts were taken by Katie Eimons, Bertha Riteuie, Nellie Galigan, Alice Ratchford, Laura Westgate, Jennie McGee, Nellie Brown; and as fairies were introduced, Sadie Goodman was Fairy Queen.
In the second scene Bluebeard's Guards under the command of their Captain, Alfred McDonald, went through a course of mimic military drill; their get-up and mock gravity, choruses, and deportment creating great amusement.
The acting throughout was all that could be desired and the singing was exquisite.
A march by Hoffman, was executed with much expression by Miss Reed.
Duet in D—Diabelli, by two of the advanced pupils was also well rendered.
March (Trio) by Gobbartes, and played by Miss McMurdie, Miss Lachapelle and Miss Archambault, was very pleasing.
Guillaume Tell and the apple shooting was ably illustrated by Louis Plouffe, Freddy Baribean and Leo Lenilier.
"Vat You Please," by Alfred McDonald was a very humorous recital in broken English, of a hungry Frenchman's experience with an English waiter.
"Gypsy Girl," a song in character, was pathetically rendered by the sweet, plaintive voices of the little girls,—Rosie Lavoie, Jennie McGee and Veronica McLachlan.
"Perseverance," a recitation well given by Master Savage, enumerated the many trials and sufferings of a school boy while struggling with a course of education especially in the writing or rather learning to write department.
A March, (Duet) by Miss McMurdie and Miss Cook, with triangle accompaniment by Bertha L'Heureux and Laura Hilliard was very pleasing.
"Diamond Cut Diamond," an operetta in two acts, was brimful of Irish wit and humor. It was composed in his college days by an eminent musician, who is now a grave ecclesiastic. The characters were thus taken:
Paddy Blake,—Hattie Mulligan, with long ulster and broad brimmed hat under which was tucked all tall-tal tresses.
Solomon (the Jew)—Laura Westgate with severe long black coat and skull cap.
Bob (Solomon's clerk)—Laura Monroe.
The Judge—Alice Ratchford enveloped in the regulation gown.
The argument of this operetta consists in the usurer-Jew with his "doctored" scales weighing, and at length buying at a low figure, the golden nuggets of poor simple-minded and more simple-hearted Paddy Blake, who has recently returned from the gold mines. The nuggets prove to be brass, Paddy is captured, tried, and when a terrible sentence is about to be passed upon him he insists upon the nuggets being weighed by the Judge. His request is complied with, scales are brought into court, and the nuggets weigh twenty ounces, whereas those bought by the Jew weighed only fifteen ounces(?) Now Paddy Blake triumphantly avers that they cannot be "the darlins'" he sold the Jew. So he is acquitted with much glory, and money in his pockets besides, which Paddy finds very convenient.
This operetta, in its different points, changes, and progress throughout, is given body and soul through the medium of Moore's Melodi's parodied in a most witty and masterly manner. The Jew

langhis first and his low ripples are attuned to "The Meeting of the Waters:"
There is not in this wide world a pleasure so sweet,
As a genuine out-and-out Paddy to meet,
Hal the ast ray of feeling and life must depart,
Ere the joy of his presence shall fade from heart.
Yet it's not his knee breeches, his elegant hat,
That tickle me so when I meet with dear Pat,
Tis not his soft accent, his "shall" and his "will"
Oh no! it is something more exquisite still,
Tis his eye, wherein nature has set to be seen
Her clearest of crystal, her brightest of green,
So clear, you can see in his soul every bend,
So green, that he thinks all the worlds his friend.
Sweet simperton Paddy! how happy I'd be
If our customers all were as simple as thee,
How easily then all the world we would fleece,
Make our fortunes with speed and enjoy them with peace.
Again, when backed by "The Harp of Tara" what could excel Paddy's pathetic, and triumphant summing-up of the case before making his final bow?
The hope that once on Judah's brow,
The smile of triumph shed,
That hope is gone to glory now
That bearing smiles is dead,
So sleeps thy wisdom, Solomon,
So Robby's game is over,
And heas that heas to rob poor Pat
Now feel that pulse no more,
No more mid loris and ladies bright
Poor Pat can cut the swell;
His modest breeze, his purse so light,
The tale of ruin tell,
Thus Erins' genius lost to view,
The only such she gives
Is when poor Paddy comes in a Jew
To show that still she lives.
Rat Portage is to be congratulated upon the possession of the Convent of Mount Carmel. This institution of learning is in charge of the Faithful Companions of Jesus, highly educated Nuns, who conduct academies in England, Scotland, Ireland, Italy, Australia and Canada.
Several years before they came to Canada, the writer learned much of these good Nuns or "Rev. Sisters" as we style them, from one of their former pupils, a daughter of the Marquis of D'Erveux, France, who is now a Nun of Loretto Convent, Toronto, and whose sister is Mrs. D'Erveux, of Toronto.
The Rev. Mothers have taught not only noblemen's daughters, but princesses also; and while they have dear pupils in the shadow of the court, they love even more the dear children they have found in the shadow of "the woods."
IDRIS.

Father Chierri at St. Mary's.

Rev. Father Chierri, of the Immaculate Conception Church, preached at St. Mary's, on Sunday last, at vespers. The announcement that the rev. father was to occupy the pulpit attracted a very large congregation to hear one of the most able and eloquent pulpit orators of the country. He took for his text the words, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace and bring tidings of good things," Romans x. 15.
After inviting the congregation to ponder on these words in conjunction with the context, he proceeded to consider three points suggested by them:—First, the necessity of a Divine commission to preach the Gospel; second, the great good to be derived from the preaching of the Gospel; third, what lamentable misfortunes will fall upon them that will not hear the preaching of those who are sent. He pointed out that so long as their first parents perished in a state of innocence God Himself spoke familiarly to them, but after the fall He sent His angel and His prophets to speak for Him, and lastly His own Divine Son, who came to be the Light of the world, and who after preaching Himself gave us His apostles a commission to go and preach to all nations after He left this earth. There was not one word said about committing the teachings to tablets or paper, but the Gospel was to be spread by preaching, and by that of their successors, with whom Jesus promised to remain until the end of time.
Continuing, Father Chierri traced the career of the apostles and their successors and preachers of the Word, and incidentally referred to the charge made against Catholics that they are not allowed to read the Bible. He remembered that some years ago a Protestant minister went so far as to say that he doubted whether a copy of the Bible could be found in a priest's house in this country; but upon investigation it was found that between St. Boniface and St. Mary's presbyteries they possessed upwards of two hundred editions either of the whole or parts of the Bible. He then eloquently reviewed the great success which had attended the preaching of the Word, and referred to the fact that the previous day was the sixtieth anniversary of the approval of that great missionary body which labored in this country, and in all portions of the world, and to which the clergy of St. Mary's belonged, viz., the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Father Chierri closed with an earnest appeal to all present to listen to the Word of God as preached in that church, and thus avoid the terrible result promised to those who would not listen.
Miss Madge Barrett made her re-appearance in the choir, and sang a "Sancta Maria" at benediction.
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OUR ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER.

St. Boniface, May 10th, 1893.

Mr. E. J. Dermody.

DEAR SIR.—I see by the last issue of the Northwest Review that you have been entrusted by the directors of the journal with the management of the same.

I need not tell you that I take a deep interest in the Northwest Review which is the only English Catholic paper published within the limits of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The hard times must have struck the notorious Ingersoll. We read of him lecturing in cities in the Western States—the same worn out lecture—a tune that does not change.

Will not the P. P. A. organs and spouters be morally obliged to bring out, for their special use, a newly revised edition of the Holy Scriptures, since the very opposite of that gospel of hate and uncharitableness, which is the main-spring of all P. P. Aism?

Archbishop Feenan is said to have withdrawn his approbation from the German Catholic paper of Chicago. Its scandalous and repeated attacks on "Irish Bishops" provoked this action.

Our esteemed contemporary, the New World, informs us that the newest thing out is—or is going to be—"a church for all." This unique organization is to be started in Chicago, and is to be as "wide and deep as the ocean."

The Brandon Sun, like all the other little nobodies, seeks to find an apology for the existence of the P. P. A. by abusing the Jesuits.

The Brandon Mail strongly endorses the P. P. A. and describes Hon. Mr. Costigan as a man with "none too much ability for a councillor in a county township."

If our contemporary wishes to kill the Brandon Mail man, the best thing he can do is to induce some of his P. P. A. friends to give him a bath and fit him up "for a councillor in a county township."

WHOSE FAULT IS IT?

The Brandon Sun expresses its regrets that there should be any divisions between the different sections of the community. The regrets must be mercant and hypocritical, on the part of the Sun, otherwise it would not be using its columns every week for the purpose of, if not creating, at least intensifying that feeling of religious division.

To the statements made by Mr. Prendergast—that in 1891 Sir John Thompson acknowledged and, in a State document, said that should the case fall before the Courts, the minority would have the right of appeal to the Governor-General in Council.

It is not our purpose to become the apologist of either Sir John Thompson or the Government of which he is the distinguished head, but we cannot but feel that Mr. Sifton's statement, that Sir John meant to deceive the minority in this province when he stated that they had a right of appeal to the Governor-General in Council, is both unfair and unjust.

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well as a stumbling block to the growth and development of this province. Let it do all this and demand the restoration of our rights; let it help to give us back our schools, of which we were shamelessly robbed, and we will believe in its sincerity.

SIR JOHN AND THE SCHOOLS.

Strange things often occur in this electric age, but we venture to say that the little scene which transpired in our legislative hall a few days ago was not only strange, but remarkably unique in political history.

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for one month the insults and injustice which we have had to endure for three or four years. They would have risen in open rebellion and smashed Confederation and the offending Government in short time.

A "MORAL GEOGRAPHY."

An Episcopalian minister, one Rev. W. Adams, has been writing a series of articles on "The Bible. We extract a portion of his latest effusion—

"Tell me where the Bible is," he writes, "and where it is not, and I will write a moral geography of the world. I will show what, in all particulars, is the condition of that people. One glance of your eye will inform you where the Bible is and where it is not.

This is rhetoric, pure and simple, but it is rhetoric of a kind. It sounds eloquent, but it is not eloquent. The essence of true eloquence is truth.

Mr. Adams' geography is incomplete. It is not up to date. As Protestants claim a monopoly of the Bible and gratuitously give themselves credit for our present state of civilization; as it is repeatedly asserted that the free and enlightened institutions of modern times are the direct result of the wide diffusing of the Scriptures; as Mr. Adams is laboring under the delusion that what is great, good, and free in modern times is the logical sequence of Protestantism, that is, the Bible indiscriminately distributed and privately interpreted, he should have been impartial enough to complete his "moral geography."

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to where fetichide, that cruelly destroys the nascent life in the womb, is cultivated as an art. I will show you where infanticide, that robs the new born babe of the life God gave it, highly flourishes.

This is what Mr. Adams should have said, if he wished to make a truthful and complete presentation of facts. We suggest that he incorporate it in his second edition, if it be called for.

Truly, we are constrained to ask, in all candor, is this a sample of public school education? Is the spirit manifested by Mr. Adams the spirit inculcated by all our public schools? Was it in them he acquired his amazing knowledge of the moral geography of the world? What a commentary is his extract on the intelligence of the closing decade of the nineteenth century!

THE BRANDON "SUN" AGAIN.

The editor of the Brandon Sun is at all times an amusing—well, let us say, gentleman, but when he gets after the Northwest Review he is at his best.

Here is one of its statements, in reply to our defence of the Very Rev. Dr. Langevin, in calling the act of the Greenway Government, by which it dishonestly appropriated \$13,000 of the Catholics' money, robbery. The Sun says: "The facts are, the Catholics failed to appropriate that sum of the public monies which had been entrusted to them to pay for certain specific purposes.

characterize the act of misapplying trust monies?"

There is a paragraph, every sentence of which contains an ignorant or malicious lie. It is a lie to say the Catholics failed to appropriate the public monies which had been entrusted to them to pay for certain specific purposes.

But the cold nerve of the organ is brought out clearer in the structures it ventures to make on the P. P. A., when contrasted with its rebellious language in another column.

Here, again, the Sun exhibits its ignorance or malice. The editor of the Sun must have been trying to qualify for the position of superintendent of some Sunday school, and, therefore, turned his ponderous intellect on to acquiring some of the precious slanders generally found in Sunday school libraries, about what those horrid Catholics believe.

THE BRANDON "SUN" AGAIN.

super-loyal and patriotic P.P.A.'s were playing the traitor to this country, it was the loyal and much-despised French-Canadian Catholics who fought and died in defence of British connection.

The Sun simply lies when it says that there has undoubtedly been all along a distinct Catholic political organization ready at all times to use its power to accomplish its ends.

It is equally impotent to erase from the pages of history the record the Church has made for itself in nearly every country where it has gained a foothold.

What is the use of commenting on the remarks of a man who is so ignorant of all that the Catholic Church has done for the human race.

The Sun concludes thus: "The Review should bear in mind that the Catholics are the only religious body in Canada that finds itself in hostile array with the rest of the community."

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Afflicted with Deafness and Partial Paralysis—Obliged to Give Up His Business on Account of These Infirmities—To the Surprise of His Friends Has Been Fully Restored to Health.

From the Ottawa Free Press.

Mr. R. Ryan, who is well known in Ottawa and vicinity, having been until recently a merchant of this city, relates an experience that cannot fail to prove interesting to all our readers.

It is only when we are kicked, abused, and persecuted, through the intolerance of men like the editor of the Sun, that we unite for self-protection; and, even then, many—too many—among us are indifferent, or act in a manner that can only be interpreted as indifferent to our rights and liberties as citizens.

The debate on "Woman's Suffrage," announced to take place at the meeting of the above society on Monday evening, was a spirited and interesting one, both sides ably supporting their respective contentions with proofs and arguments that seemed unanswerable.

COMMUNICATION.

THE SCHOOLS OF THE NORTHWEST.

To the Editor of the Northwest Review. Sir,—I am just after reading the article of the "Minerve," on "The Schools of the Northwest."

For the present, I will simply state its information is not only incomplete, but altogether false. I respectfully request the friends of justice and fair play not to let themselves be prejudiced by them or other similar articles, but to wait for the other side of the question before forming their judgment.

I hope you will not be surprised at my taking the liberty of addressing you these lines, since my name has been mentioned in this affair, and of the facts of which I am perfectly cognizant, having been for six years a member of the Board of Education of the Northwest Territories.

Hoping you will kindly insert this letter in your paper, I remain, dear sir, yours truly, H. LEDUC, Pt., O.M.I.

LAW IS NOT JUSTICE.

IMPORTANT DECISION IN THE SCHOOL CASE.

The Supreme Court Has Ruled That The Catholics of Manitoba Have No Right of Appeal to the Governor-General-in-Council Against the School Law of 1890.

The Supreme Court at Ottawa yesterday expressed the opinion by a majority of three to two that the Catholic minority of Manitoba has no right of appeal to the Governor-General-in-Council against the Manitoba school act of 1890.

1. Is an appeal to the Governor-General-in-Council admissible under the B. N. A. act or the Manitoba act of union?

2. Is it admissible under both or either of these acts.

3. Does the decision of the privy council conclude the application based on the contention that rights and privileges after the union had been interferred with?

4. Does the B. N. A. act apply to Manitoba?

5. Has the Governor-General-in-Council power to make remedial orders, or has he other jurisdiction?

6. Did the acts of the Manitoba legislature confer on the minority rights or privileges in relation to education, and the act of 1890 affect any right or privilege in such a manner that an appeal will be necessary?

Chief Justice Strong and Justices Taschereau and Wynne answered the questions in the negative.

Justice Fournier answered all the questions in the affirmative except the third, and Justice King answered all in the affirmative.

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II. DAYS OF FAST.

- 1. The forty days of Lent. 2. The Wednesdays and Fridays in Advent. 3. The Ember days, at the four Seasons being the Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays of the week in Advent. 4. The first week in Lent. 5. Whitsun Week. 6. The third week in September. 7. The third week in Advent. 8. The Vigils of a. Whitsunday. b. The Solemnity of St. Peter and St. Paul. c. The Solemnity of the Assumption. d. All Saints. e. Christmas.

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CITY AND ELSEWHERE.

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MR. T. KELLY is confined to his house with an attack of la grippe.

BISHOP PASCAL who has lately arrived from France is in Ottawa, where Rev. Father Lacombe is to meet him.

MR. J. D. LANDERS, C. P. R. conductor, returned last week with his family after visiting friends in Iowa and Wisconsin.

ABOUT 40 families, it is said, are now on their way from France, and will settle in the Dauphin district.

You can't turn without looking value full in the face at Bourbeau's shoe store.

REV. FATHER LACOMBE left yesterday for Ottawa accompanied by Rev. Father Gascon.

The wintry wind extends his blasts, and the cold cold storms do blow; Or the stor'ey north sends driving forth The binding sleet and snow.

It isn't always the struggle for daily bread that makes people feel the race with poverty. It is very often the struggle for terrapin and quail on toast.

By a request of His Grace, the Archbishop of St. Boniface, the collections at St. Mary's on Sunday next will be in aid of the hospitals.

ALL correspondence intended for publication should be sent to this office not later than Tuesday noon, to insure insertion.

TWENTY-SIX new flour mills were built in North Dakota last year, which speaks well for the prosperity of our neighbors across the line.

ALD. MULVHILL, of Chicago, who was shot and killed in that city a short time ago is said to be a brother of Rev. Bro. Mulvihill, of St. Laurent, Man.

The coalman's season may be the winter, and the summer the iceman's harvest, so that it's possible the milkman finds his greatest profit in the spring.

The owner of a nobby horse and cutter who was upset the other day said that he couldn't agree with the spectators who complimented him on his handsome turnout.

The champion pugilist, Jim Corbett, is said to have cleared \$20,000 with his theatrical company since he defeated Mitchell. If he takes care of his money he will soon be a rich man.

The collection at St. Mary's at vesper on Sunday evening last was to raise funds to procure surplices, for the choir boys. It is understood they will number about fifty.

MISS SARAH O'DONOHUE, of Stony Mountain, was in the city for a few days on a visit to her relative Mrs. W. H. Barry. Miss O'Donohue after spending a very pleasant time left for home yesterday.

An enthusiastic editor wrote: "The battle is now open." But, alas! the intelligent compositor spelt "battle" with an "o," and his readers said they expected it all along.

MR. ANTHONY EGAN and his son Michael have completed their railroad contract getting out railroad ties at Ignace, and have returned to the city. They have had thirty men working there for about nine months.

The daily average number of patients treated in the general hospital for last week was 121, of whom 79 were males and 42 females. Twenty-five out-patients were also treated during the week.

CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN, the notorious personator and perjurer, who was arrested in Toronto and brought back by Chief Clarke, was up for trial on Thursday last, and was sent up to appear at the spring assizes.

The Chinese on Race street, New York, are said to have celebrated their New Year by paying up all their debts. According to the above we have a good many on our list who wish were Chinamen.

The Roman correspondent has been very busy of late manufacturing news for the Associated Press. He has had the unfortunate faculty of writing news back-hand and we often receive it here upside down.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND refuses to appear on the same platform in St. Paul with Rev. Morrell, a creature of the Justin Fulton stripe, who had repeatedly abused the Catholic church in a disgusting and obscene way. Honor to the Archbishop of St. Paul.

It is all very well for the girl with her indulgent mother and no "help" to open her piano after tea and sing "When the Mists have Cleared Away" but it always sounds better if she refrains from doing so until the table is cleared away and to help wash up some of the dishes.

BISHOP-ELECT Tierney shows the American spirit that is in him by selecting as he did Washington's birthday as the date of his consecration. The A. P. A. however, will probably find in this another cause to charge Catholics with being untrue to American institutions.

THE death of Rev. Morgan Charles O'Brien, of Merrickville, Ont., is announced. Father O'Brien was a native of Douro, Diocese of Peterboro, and was educated in St. Michael's College, Toronto, and ordained by the late Archbishop Lynch.

MR. JOS. BRECKON and family, after many years of residence in Whitewood, N. W. T., arrived in the city last week. It is understood that "Joe" does not intend to return, and that many of his nearest bosom friends in the west now mourn his unexpected departure.

THE people of Grand Forks are shipping carload lots of mineral water into their city. The firms handling the same ask the consumers to beware of imitations and guarantee it absolutely pure. Whoever heard of imitation of water?

A SCIENTIST has discovered that people eat more in cold than in warm weather. He may also observe that they wear more clothing in winter than in summer, and that they maintain fires more constantly. Science is constantly making discoveries, but it sometimes overlooks very common phenomena.

THE California Midwinter Fair, at San Francisco, which has been in preparation since Aug. 24, 1893, opened Jan. 1, 1894. The fair is said to have cost about \$4,500,000. Sixty acres of Golden Gate Park have been devoted to it. There are five main buildings and a large number of smaller structures.

THE Huntsville Forester, gives the following brief but instructive chapter in the life of Rev. Madill. "Rev. J. C. Madill, at one time stage driver between Huntsville and Burk's Falls, Ont., has been elected Grand Master of the P. P. A. Grand Lodge. The position is said to be just about Jim's size.

"We have been asked by a correspondent: 'Can you please tell me where I can find a large medical library in your city?' Well, with all due respect for our city doctors, and in answer to the question asked, we would say, 'Underground, sir; there you will find the greatest works of physicians.'"

MR. D. LENNON, of the Merchants' Hotel, of this city, has sustained a family bereavement by the death of his father last week in New York. Mr. Lennon went over to see his father when he heard of his critical condition. Prayers were said for the repose of the soul of the deceased gentleman at St. Mary's church last Sunday.

It is to be hoped that the words of the Rev. Dr. Langevin at St. Mary's on Sunday last, with regard to amusements during the season of Lent, will be regarded by the young people who heard them with the attention they should be. Lent is a season of penance and mortification and every good Catholic will observe it with proper respect and reverence.

THE Catholic Times of Wellington, New Zealand, tells us that Archbishop Redwood has arrived home in excellent health and spirits. Archbishop Redwood was a guest of His Grace, Archbishop Tache, and the Rev. Fathers at St. Mary's presbytery last summer on his way south, and he will be remembered by many Catholics in Winnipeg for his tact, kindness and good humor.

It is to be hoped that those who delight to listen to the ravings of ex-priest lectures will profit from the fate of one of these individuals who has just been fined by a Western jury five hundred dollars, and imprisoned in the county jail for twelve months for slandering a clergyman. That men who would be ashamed to be seen in a reputable theatre will flock to hear the tirades of ex-priests and escaped nuns is simply unexplainable.

FOR some thirty days yet the faithful will observe the regulations of Lent, and during that time they will prepare for the glorious feast of the resurrection. It is not uncommon to hear non-Catholics ridicule those who practice penance and observe the fasts of the Church, and yet Our Saviour fasted for forty days and forty nights. This fact alone should silence the criticism against those who comply with the laws of the Church regarding the Lenten season.

A NEW organization to be known as St. Anthony's Relief Society is about to be organized in the United States, its object being to give assistance to Catholic hospitals. A fee of ten cents per month is charged, and besides paying this, the active members aim to collect the same amount from twelve others each month. This organization should be encouraged by all who have the opportunity, as its object is certainly a most worthy one. The example is a good one and might be imitated with good results in this part of the country.

IT is said that although the statue of Queen Isabella was not given a place within the grounds of the Columbian Exposition, it has found a hearty welcome in San Francisco, where it is on exhibition at the Midwinter Fair. This work of art was executed by Miss Harriet G. Hosmer for the Queen Isabella Association. Its final placing has not yet been determined. The association is still issuing certificates at \$5 each, the holders having the privilege of casting as many votes as they have certificates in the election which will decide where it will be permanently erected.

CLERGYMEN are supposed to have a peculiar talent for improving the occasion. How one of them did this in a witty and, let us hope, edifying manner is related as follows: In early life he met with an accident which left him with a broken nose, a deformity about which, in spite of his piety, he was known to be a little sensitive. One day a new inquirer propounded the old question: "How happened you to break your nose?" The minister answered solemnly: "To tell the truth, my friend, the accident was caused by my poking my nose into other people's business."

As "seeing is believe v. g." we invite you to come and see our assortment.—Bourbeau's shoe store.

GOVERNOR LAWLOR, of the provincial govt., is spending a few weeks in the west for the benefit of his health.

MR. D. SMITH, inspector of Dominion public works, is at present on an official tour through the territories, arranging for the re-commencement of work on various Dominion buildings as soon as the spring opens up.

MR. H. W. McNEIL, the Anthracite coal mine proprietor, left on Sunday morning for Arkansas springs, where he will remain a month for the benefit of his health. He has been in the city for several weeks looking after his agencies in the province and is well satisfied with the season's trade. About 3,000 tons were consumed by Winnipeggers last month, and a shipment of 1,000 tons arrived last week. It is the intention of Messrs. Paul, Knight & McKinnon, the city agents, to increase their yard capacity in Point Douglas, so that they may contain 15,000 tons, which will be brought in this summer.

Now that the Winnipeg Tribune has evidently concluded its series of religious communications on the subject: "Why am I a Presbyterian?" etc., etc., etc., would it not be interesting were it to commence anew by answering the question: "Why did we wrongfully accuse the Catholic hierarchy of this province of having a financial interest in the Free Press?" Not but that that assertion was clearly proven to be false some months ago, but the editor of the Tribune has not yet had the manhood to tender an apology. We think were they to raise a commotion of some kind through their columns, it would enable the news boys to sell more readily the surplus copies which of late have been a drag on their hands.

THE season of Lent should be a time for generous alms-giving. This admonition is given each succeeding Lent by those charged with the care of souls; but the present Lent it has more than usual force, from the fact that there is so much suffering among the poor. Since the winter set in work has not by any means been plentiful, and of late it has been almost entirely suspended. Many weeks must yet elapse before building operations and outdoor work generally will be resumed. In the meantime the unemployed must suffer for food and fuel, unless they are relieved by the charity of the more fortunate. And then again, let us hope that those whose lot fell among those to be aided by charity, this winter will profit by it, and that when the beautiful spring time comes again they will learn to "make hay while the sun shines."

The Considerate Girl.
"A kiss upon this Valentine I press," he wrote to her.
"I've placed it underneath this line: I hope you won't demur."
"I do not want the kiss you sent," she answered, "not at all!"
"But just because it was well meant I'll keep it till you call."

WORTH NOTING.
"We learn from an exchange that a Mr. McWilliams, the only Protestant in the parish of Father Point, Quebec, has been elected mayor for the fifth time by his French Canadian Catholic fellow-citizens. Thus does the influence of the P. P. A. spread, even in the farther point of the Dominion."—Free Press. That's all right. We don't suppose that the Catholics ever thought of his religion. His politics were what they wanted, and they voted for him. But wouldn't it be a cold day for the lone Catholic who ran in a thoroughly Protestant constituency? Liberal or Conservative wouldn't matter much so long as he belonged to the hated Church, which treats all men alike and knows no distinctions of race, rank, or color. He would be so thoroughly snowed under that it would be an open question whether he would ever see light again. Protestants, in Manitoba especially, where Catholics are treated as pariahs, if they have any sense of shame at all, will profit by this display of Catholic liberality to a Protestant. The P. P. A. might quote this at their secret conclaves to show what Protestants have to expect if Catholics get the upper hand.

CATHOLICS AND PROTESTANTS IN IRELAND.
According to the latest Government census the Catholics of Ireland constitute nearly 77 per cent. of the entire population of the island, their numbers being in round figures 4,000,000. Cork leads the 32 counties with a Catholic population of 448,650, and Carlow has the least Catholics, 41,169, though the Protestants in the county are only a little over 5,000. The biggest non-Catholic population is found in Antrim, 314,159, and the smallest in Clure, which except 2,861 souls, is entirely Catholic. The Presbyterians form about 9 per cent. of the entire population of the island; and the Methodists less than 1 per cent.

Rev. Father Thomas Sherman, S. J., lectured in the Central Music Hall, Chicago, Monday evening last, his subject being "The Ideal Jesuit; or, Fact v. Fiction." Owing to the popularity of General Sherman the public at large attach much importance to the utterances of his son, Father Thomas.

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