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COLUMBIA'S FLOWER.

MARY BRADLEY.

Upon a day in merry May, Among the buds of spring, My bonny lass Columbia, Went lightly wandering...

AN IRISH SAINT

SAID TO BE THE FIRST DISCOVERER OF AMERICA.

Lines Drawn From History and Historical Documents.

In the Colorado Catholic we find the following admirable sketch of St. Brendan.

Although by common consent the credit of having discovered this western continent is given to the great Catholic navigator of the fourth century of whose life and exploits it is so widely celebrated...

The earliest European discoverer of the western world appears to have been St. Brendan, who first sailed in the fifth century, and after leaving a monastery in a number of years, became Bishop of Clonfert, in the present county of Kerry...

It happened that St. Brendan obtained his first voyage, not as was generally supposed, as a recluse, but through his being one of the hardy fishermen of South-western Ireland, had once to board the fish he sought to capture...

Coming back to Kerry, the saint procured him a stout vessel, provisioned it for a cruise that might last for a year, and taking with him a number of monks, set sail, of course, to man the boat, he sailed away according to Colgan's date in the year 515...

The place where St. Brendan and his companions landed is generally believed to have been the Virginian shore; and after remaining by the sea for some time, the little band began its march inland...

ed in England by Capgrave in 1516, we are told that "St. Brendan, with his followers, abode there seven weeks, until Trinity Sunday was passed, though it is not plain whether reference is here made to the whole time of their stay in the newly found land, or only to the days that they spent on the sea shore, before beginning their march inland.

The fact that considerable legendary uncertainty attaches to St. Brendan's voyages is not surprising when one takes into account the age in which the Saint lived. It is certain that there was a St. Brendan, whose name may be found in any good "Life of the Saints."

The Saint, after his return to Kerry, was not unambitious of the promise he had made to return to the new world which he had discovered, and tradition relates that he fitted out a second expedition and started anew across the ocean, but was so baffled by wind and tide that he was obliged to abandon his voyage and seek shelter by returning.

THE UPAS TREE.

Its Poisonous Quality Really Exists. The upas, or Antidris toxicaria of Java, has been long known as the deadly tree to many of the popular writers, which is, unfortunately, not a grave mistake, as credited by some.

SHAKESPEARE'S FAITH.

AN ABUNDANCE OF PROOF THAT HE WAS A CATHOLIC.

He Came from a Devout Catholic Stock, and in His Writings Great Respect is Shown for the True Religion.

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In dealing with the sentiments in Shakespeare's works, Mr. Hand said there were innumerable passages throughout the works bearing on Catholic observances which only a writer imbued with the spirit of Catholic teaching could ever have penned.

My heart is almost gone When I to suspicious and tormenting flames Must render up myself.

Whether, who edited the edition of Shakespeare which was published about 1820, said this was a Roman Purgatory, and was rank Papistry.

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an indifferent Catholic as indeed he likely was, but a Catholic they had every reason to believe he was, imbued with a true Catholic spirit and containing in his heart the Puritanism then rampant.

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WHEN NATURE SMILES AGAIN. When nature smiles again in the mild spring days, mankind often groans from the effects of bad blood and kindred troubles.

The Other Way. Hojeck—Are you going to make any good resolutions this year? Tomdick—No. I always break them.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

THE ANNUAL PROCESSION.

Arrangements Completed—Meeting of delegates of the Irish Catholic Societies.

On Monday evening a meeting of delegates representing the Irish Catholic societies of the city was held in the hall of St. Patrick's C. Y. M. S., St. Alexander street.

The Rev. Father Quinnlan, S.S., presided, and amongst those present were the Rev. Fathers Kennedy, J. J. Costigan, J. Murphy, J. Shaugnessy, M. Sharkey, J. J. Gethings, J. McGuire, P. McDermott, J. Phelan, J. Colfer, J. Power, D. O'Neil, J. J. Ryan, A. C. Coleman, W. J. Egan, E. Hunt, R. Warren, the last named gentleman acting as secretary.

Father Quinnlan delivered a short address after the meeting had been opened by prayer. That annual gathering, he said, of the representatives of the Irish Catholic societies of Montreal was one in which his predecessor, the late Father Dowd, had always taken a keen interest, one to which, in fact, he had always looked forward with pleasurable satisfaction.

After the transaction of routine business, a discussion took place with regard to the route of the procession, the result being that the following resolution proposed by Mr. J. J. Gethings, and seconded by Mr. M. Sharkey, was agreed to:

The societies are to form as usual, on Craig street, and proceed by way of St. Alexander street to St. Patrick's Church. After Grand Mass the societies are to reform on St. Alexander and Larache street, and proceed by way of Larache, Craig, Fairmount square and Notre Dame to St. Patrick's Hall, McGill street, where speeches are to be made.

Mr. J. J. Gethings, seconded by Mr. J. J. Gethings, a resolution expressing deep regret at the death of the late Father Dowd.

Brief addresses were made by Mr. P. McDermott, Mr. J. Power, Mr. J. Colfer, Mr. M. Sharkey, Mr. P. McDermott and others, on the general subject of the procession and all of them agreed that no pains should be spared to make this year's St. Patrick's Day procession a great pageant worthy of the glorious event which it will commemorate.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The columns of the TRUE WITNESS are open to correspondents writing on subjects of interest. But it must be understood that no letter inserted is to be regarded as representing the opinions of the paper. Anonymous letters will not be received, but the names of writers will be held strictly confidential.

Is This a Christian Spirit? To the Editor of THE TRUE WITNESS:

Protestants plunge themselves on the right of private interpretation, freedom of thought and complete civil and religious liberty. When the exercise of these rights leads you into the bosom of the Catholic Church then you realize that the liberty they accord you is restricted to the liberty to think as they think. Then the quiet, systematic, cruel, persecution of the breakfast table, of the fire-side, and the daily life begins. Here is a unique specimen of Protestant enlightenment and tolerance. From a clergyman who has evidently breathed the spirit of liberty and of Christ. The letter is addressed to the Secretary of a non-sectarian society, having many eminent Catholic priests, and Protestant ministers on the Committee.

Montreal, Sir—Desiring as I am that the cause of temperance should be promoted in our city, even in this good work for it in any work, moral or religious I cannot conscientiously associate with Popish priests, etc. Such association, I believe, would tend to compromise the honor of our sovereign, Jesus Christ.

I am, Sir, Yours respectfully, A. B. Truly a noble ambassador!

A READER.

EQUALITY IN THE FRENCH ARMY.

The Officers and soldiers have the same fare.

Having accompanied German forces as well as French, during the war of 1870," writes Sir Charles Dilke in the Contemporary Review, "I know that, as a rule, Prussian officers of distinction keep up a sort of comfort. Food is sometimes short, as it must be with all ranks in war, but the forms of military civilization are observed. The French Generals of armies, Generals of special arms attached to the Generals of armies, and Generals of army corps, with their staffs, do not attempt to live in even that semi-luxury which is possible by the expenditure of much trouble on the part of the younger staff officers on such occasions. The hospitality with which I met was great, because, where there is courtesy and kindness and forthright, it is impossible not to see the fullest hospitality, though the fare be rough.

In peace maneuvers, even under difficult circumstances, English officers expect their comforts, and would be somewhat disconcerted if quartered in peasants' houses where vermin was not unknown, and where the floors were often

composed of mud, and mud plentifully larded with the fat and ointments of the advanced troops or of the enemy of the previous night. English officers in peace would be somewhat inclined, many of them, to expect at the general's dinner or at the mess the presence of many servants and of good wine and food, whereas the French Generals of armies, with their brilliant staffs, take nothing with them, and drink the roughest country wine and the commonest brandy made by the peasants from the skins and stalks of the grapes in places where, as in Champagne, water is scarce and bad, and content themselves with mutton of the previous week and the beams of the previous year.

The example for the private soldier is perhaps the better, and there is much democratic wisdom in the attitude of the French Generals towards their men. A commander of armies, when a private soldier with a letter from an army corps commander comes to him during dinner, pours out wine for him with his own hand, and sometimes, I have heard in his own glass; and the reservist from the towns (perhaps a hotel keeper, a lawyer or a journalist), who is serving in the ranks, and who, while retaining the gold-rimmed eyeglass of civil life, is paddling about with bare feet and bare back in a court yard full of filth, feels less aggrieved if he knows that the brilliant General is not much better off.

ST. ANN'S YOUNG MEN

To Celebrate The National Festival in Their Usual Patriotic Manner.

The St. Ann's Young Men's society have in active preparation a grand and attractive programme for St. Patrick's Day. It will be as usual thoroughly patriotic. The Irish National songs and the music of the country, and entertainments, and the dramatic section of the society will present a stirring Irish drama. Further particulars in our next issue.

ELECTORAL CORRUPTION.

Archbishop Fabre's Organ Again Refers to the Subject.

In its last issue the Semaine Religieuse again refers to the subject of corruption in elections. After quoting from enactments of provincial councils of bishops, it says that, considering the fact that corruption has been practised on a larger scale than ever during general elections, for the past few years, it is quite natural that the bishops should feel the necessity to once more raise their voice in a significant manner. It is a matter of the liberty of the electors and a real danger for the whole province. The article then goes on to speak of the means which are practised in four principal ways: by the school, by violence, by intimidation, and by the purchase of votes. Living is resorted to in private conversations, and in the streets, and in the press, and for this reason, the electors should take their information concerning political matters from the most honest, most enlightened and most disinterested of sources. It includes a summary of a Christian, being a direct violation of liberty by placing a man between the elector and the ballot, and the elector's own free will.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE.

Grand Dramatic and Musical Entertainment.

On Monday evening, at half-past seven, the doors of the fine hall under the Gesù were thrown open, and fully twelve hundred people flocked in to enjoy the rich treat which the students of St. Mary's College had prepared for them. The celebration of Mardi Gras is as old as the idea of a carnival; and what was once called Blue Monday, or Lundi Gras, used to be included in the present festivities. This year the students of the Jesuit College presented a rare programme, consisting of choice musical selections, and of the famous drama, by Beaumarchais, known as "The Barber of Seville."

THE EARLY BRITISH CHURCH AND ROMAN OBEEDIENCE.

A Learned and Historical Treatise upon the Subject of the Conversion of Britain and Catholic Obedience.

The Carmarthen District Rantourer writes:—"The newly and vainly inventor of the Church Defence Lecturers, that there was once a time an old British Church independent of Rome, and that it is now represented by the Established Church of the Reformation, amuses Welsh Dissenters hugely, for it convinces them that what they call 'alien Church' must be in sore straits when its defenders are driven to revert to little fibs so weak and transparent.

"The Dissenters are not the only people whom these hard working lecturers have failed to impose upon. Among Welshmen who are attached to the Anglican Communion there are many whose honesty and knowledge of ecclesiastical history will not let them believe, or pretend to believe, in 'Defence' rubbish. That some of these truthful men are to be found among Anglican clerics is shown by the Rev. Robert Owen, B.D., a noted Oxford man, and sometime Fellow of his college, in his new book, 'The Kymry: Their Origin, History, and International Relations' (Saur and Son, Carmarthen). Mr. Owen has no sympathy, I believe, with what he would call Roman Catholicism, for in the extracts following I have been obliged to omit a few sentences which seem to be needlessly offensive to Catholics. In several cases his conclusions are different from what any Catholic author would draw, and when he does arrive at the right conclusion he sometimes reasons from Protestant and not Catholic premises.

"The following passages from his new work will be unpalatable to those who have been nurtured on 'Church Defence' literature. Under the heading, 'The Early British Church,' p. 103, he says:—

"The first notice we have of the early Christian missionaries to the Kymry related that Ild, Kynday, and Arwystion (or Aristobolus, the elder priest?) came over about A.D. 70, with the Blessed Bran, the father of Caratacus, who had become a Christian at Rome. Ild is said to have been an Israelite; that is the St. Lide of the Seilly Isles. If St. Paul himself did not visit Britain, these Romans must have known the great Apostle; and Ild, as a Jew, would belong to the mission of St. Peter. A century later Leirwig, known as King Lucius, a Prince of the Silures, is said to have sought help from Eleutherius, Bishop of Rome (V. Pub. Eliber), who sent Damianus and Paganus (Dylan or Phagan), Meduinus, and Albanus (Medwy or Elvan), who taught the Faith in Siberia and the Isle of Avallen (The Tribes). It was maintained in later times that the foundation of the See of Llandav was the first of their mission. There is no trace in Welsh tradition of the connection of St. Joseph of Arimathea with Glastonbury. We have no detail of the Government and discipline of the Church in Britain in the Roman period; but may safely infer that it was in harmony with the rest of the Catholic Church, save that the personal discipline was more stringent, the government less developed, and the endowment precarious or entirely wanting."

A Catholic Journalist Murdred.

On Saturday morning at the Church of St. Louis de France, Roy street, the marriage was solemnized of Mr. Charles Marell, city editor of the Montreal Star, and Marie Louise Pearson, daughter of Mr. James Pearson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. Menner in presence of a large congregation. The bride was given away by her father, the bridegroom being attended by Mr. Michel Laroche, president of the Club National. The presents included gifts and congratulations from Hon. E. Lacombe, Hon. J. A. Duimet, Hon. H. Mercier, Hon. L. Turville, Hon. H. Archambault, C. Beaumont, M.P., J. Scrivner, M.P., C. G. Gauthier, M.P., J. P. M. Gauthier, ex-M.P., C. A. Geoffrion, Michel Laroche, A. A. Cassar, ex-M.P., and Mr. Marell's cousins of the press, who wish him many years of wedded happiness.

James Whitcomb Riley's income from his readings and recitations equals a bank president's salary, while Bill Yare in 1891 cleared \$40,000 from his appearances on the rostrum. Max O'Rell and Will Carleton get \$200 a night from their managers. George W. Cable receives \$100 every time he reads.

FOR THE TRUE WITNESS.

THE AURORA BOREALIS.

As the twilight gray was swallowed' And the depths of night that follow'd, And the hand of darkness hollow'd Furrows deep along the land, Instant bells in silver folds tinkled, Million stars in azure twinkled, And the southern sky was wrinkled, Over mountain peaks that stand, Like giants' wrath and grand.

In the north, behind a flushing; Then a deep and crimson blushing, Follow'd by an airy rushing Of the purple waves that rise; As when armed host advances, See, a silver banner dances, And a thousand golden lances Shimmer in the boreal skies! The picture slowly dies!

Now, in bright prismatic splendor, Comes a vision still more tender, As a curtain white and slender Falls across the space afar; Where its lacy folds are ending, With the black of distance blending, Are its miles of fringe of gold, Hanging from a golden bar— Planned to heaven by a star!

Like a monster ro'd from a sleeping, First to westward slowly creeping, Then, in headlong fury, sweeping, Rush'd a rampant cloud of fire, Rolling upward, plunging, lashing, Through the airy curtain dashing, With a thousand beauties flashing, Over its phosphorescent gleam, Endless streamers in its track!

Visions of Arabian story; Crimson fields of battle glory; In kaleidoscope glory, Shifting, fading, restless tents; Fairy armies wild in motion; Jewell'd shirms of strange devotion; And a greenish, timeless ocean, Bound by ice-land mountains and dents, Saw through the curtain tents!

Transformations still behold, Up the well its wifely holding, And fantastic shapes are moulding On the back-ground of the sky; Dimmer armies are parading— Fairy armies wild in motion; While the splendours all are fading Into one deep purple dye, Disappearing from the eye!

In the wondrous loom of heaven, With the shuttle of the even, Wool and warp of colors seven An Aurora borealis weave;— The Aurora Borealis Hides the glories of that palace, Where ere one might be glad to smile, Makes the heart and soul to gaze— "Think, oh, man! and then believe!

What a mighty revelation! In the wonders of creation! Joy and grief and expectation; Dance through nature's scenes at night! Life is dark, and death is bright, Pleasant zephyrs round it blowing, Brilliant epherals round it flitting, Fading all to nothing bright! Such is life—a Northern Light!

Montreal, 1st March, 1892. —J. K. FORAN.

PROTESTANT TESTIMONY.

THE EARLY BRITISH CHURCH AND ROMAN OBEEDIENCE.

A Learned and Historical Treatise upon the Subject of the Conversion of Britain and Catholic Obedience.

The Carmarthen District Rantourer writes:—"The newly and vainly inventor of the Church Defence Lecturers, that there was once a time an old British Church independent of Rome, and that it is now represented by the Established Church of the Reformation, amuses Welsh Dissenters hugely, for it convinces them that what they call 'alien Church' must be in sore straits when its defenders are driven to revert to little fibs so weak and transparent. The Dissenters are not the only people whom these hard working lecturers have failed to impose upon. Among Welshmen who are attached to the Anglican Communion there are many whose honesty and knowledge of ecclesiastical history will not let them believe, or pretend to believe, in 'Defence' rubbish. That some of these truthful men are to be found among Anglican clerics is shown by the Rev. Robert Owen, B.D., a noted Oxford man, and sometime Fellow of his college, in his new book, 'The Kymry: Their Origin, History, and International Relations' (Saur and Son, Carmarthen). Mr. Owen has no sympathy, I believe, with what he would call Roman Catholicism, for in the extracts following I have been obliged to omit a few sentences which seem to be needlessly offensive to Catholics. In several cases his conclusions are different from what any Catholic author would draw, and when he does arrive at the right conclusion he sometimes reasons from Protestant and not Catholic premises. The following passages from his new work will be unpalatable to those who have been nurtured on 'Church Defence' literature. Under the heading, 'The Early British Church,' p. 103, he says:—

"The first notice we have of the early Christian missionaries to the Kymry related that Ild, Kynday, and Arwystion (or Aristobolus, the elder priest?) came over about A.D. 70, with the Blessed Bran, the father of Caratacus, who had become a Christian at Rome. Ild is said to have been an Israelite; that is the St. Lide of the Seilly Isles. If St. Paul himself did not visit Britain, these Romans must have known the great Apostle; and Ild, as a Jew, would belong to the mission of St. Peter. A century later Leirwig, known as King Lucius, a Prince of the Silures, is said to have sought help from Eleutherius, Bishop of Rome (V. Pub. Eliber), who sent Damianus and Paganus (Dylan or Phagan), Meduinus, and Albanus (Medwy or Elvan), who taught the Faith in Siberia and the Isle of Avallen (The Tribes). It was maintained in later times that the foundation of the See of Llandav was the first of their mission. There is no trace in Welsh tradition of the connection of St. Joseph of Arimathea with Glastonbury. We have no detail of the Government and discipline of the Church in Britain in the Roman period; but may safely infer that it was in harmony with the rest of the Catholic Church, save that the personal discipline was more stringent, the government less developed, and the endowment precarious or entirely wanting."

With regard to the Pope's power over this Church (p. 103), he says:—"It has been too much the fashion to assume the absolute independence of the British Church in respect to the See Apostolic (as all antiquity styles Rome), because Augustine found it varied in a few trifling particulars from the Western Church on the Continent. These related to mere discipline. If we accept the

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common view, we are forced to condemn the great and holy Pope Gregory as arrogating usurped rights, when he expressly leaves the British Bishops to the correction of his emissary. But Gregory's disclaimer of universal dominion, as well as his known moderation forbid the assumption. The Welsh bishops may have forgotten it, but the decree of the Emperors subjected the West to the supervision of the Bishop of the Eternal City; and the nature and extent of that supervision is marked by Gregory's own words, where, while assuming the parity of all Bishops in general, he declares, that when the decrees of the Councils were violated he knew not what Bishop was not amenable to his supervision. But the British Bishops would have risen above human nature had they readily admitted the claims of a stranger, who came under the patronage of their country's bitterest foes.

THE WEEK'S DOINGS.

Manitoba Legislature will meet March 10. King Humbert of Italy will visit England in July. Mr. Alonzo M. Strong, ex-mayor of Seaforth, is dead.

Mr. P. V. Savard, M.P. for Chiboutimi, has been unseated. There will be no parade in Kingston on St. Patrick's day.

Mr. John Webb, a well-known Hamilton contractor, is dead.

Mr. Harty's majority in the local election at Kingston was 753.

Polling in the bye-election in Bromo will be held on March 12.

The writ for the West Northumberland election names March 15 as polling day.

Louis Anastazy, who murdered Baroness Delamare in Paris, has been condemned to death.

French Anarchists have begun extensive preparations for May Day demonstrations.

Prince Bismark will attend the coming session of the Upper House of the Prussian Diet.

Mr. Grenard, Conservative, was elected to the Commons in Two Mountains, Que., on Saturday night.

Hon. J. C. Patterson defeated Mr. M. C. Cameron by twenty majority in West Huron last week.

John Gilmary Shea, Catholic scholar and historian, died at Elizabeth, N. J., last week aged 69 years.

Three new cases of typhus fever have been discovered among Russian Hebrew immigrants in New York.

The British Government has adopted a proposal that schools may be used for holding political meetings.

Messrs. Therien and Dugas, both Conservatives, have been nominated in Montcalm County for the Commons.

It is said Premier Greenway of Manitoba will appeal to the country at once on the separate school question.

The traffic on the C.P.R. for the week ending February 21 amounted to \$351,000; some week last year, 340,000.

The Premier of New South Wales announced in the Assembly that a federation bill will be introduced at the next session.

Mr. Thomas Dahn, night manager of the Western Union Telegraph office in New York city, fell dead in the street from apoplexy.

It is said Prince Bismark will soon be at the head of a strong party to oppose the German Government's Secular Education Bill.

The steamship Advance, from Brazil, is detained at quarantine in New York, three deaths from yellow fever having occurred on board.

The local election in North Renfrew last week resulted in the return of Mr. Barr by a majority of 421 over Mr. Findlay. Both are Liberals.

John D. Rockefeller, the Standard Oil King, has given \$1,000,000 to the Chicago University as "a special thank offering to Almighty God for returning health."

Emperor William of Germany is said to have expressed the opinion at a banquet recently that all who criticize his Government are enemies of the state.

The United States Senate has asked the President for information about the recent reciprocity conference with the members of the Canadian Government.

The Pope has ordered that his recent encyclical be translated into Latin and sent to Catholic bishops throughout the world as a general guide to political policy.

As the result of an accident on Monday Conductor Robert Duffy died yesterday at West Superior, Wis. The conductor's father dropped dead on hearing of Robert's death.

Within the city of Buenos Ayres it is said there are 16 men for every woman, and that any decent-looking good-looking woman that goes there can have her pick out of 50 eager suitors.

Tennyson is a great reader of novels, and so absorbed does he become in such literature at night, sometimes, that it is hard to persuade him to go to bed. Like many less distinguished people who indulge in this practice, he rises late,

condemn the great and holy Pope Gregory as arrogating usurped rights, when he expressly leaves the British Bishops to the correction of his emissary. But Gregory's disclaimer of universal dominion, as well as his known moderation forbid the assumption. The Welsh bishops may have forgotten it, but the decree of the Emperors subjected the West to the supervision of the Bishop of the Eternal City; and the nature and extent of that supervision is marked by Gregory's own words, where, while assuming the parity of all Bishops in general, he declares, that when the decrees of the Councils were violated he knew not what Bishop was not amenable to his supervision. But the British Bishops would have risen above human nature had they readily admitted the claims of a stranger, who came under the patronage of their country's bitterest foes. The Welsh custom of consecrating bishops on the festival of St. Peter's Church (February 22nd) seems to imply a recognition of the Roman Primacy, at least in its moderate form. If the Bishop of Carleton-on-Lake was obeyed as Metropolitan, he does not appear to have left a successor. The honorary title of Archbishop is a precarious circumstance. For we find Elyod of Bangor, who was instrumental in procuring conformity with Rome, A.D. 588, styled 'Archbishop of Gwynedd'; and Asser, Bishop of Sherborne, A.D. 903, 'Archbishop of the Isle of Britain.' Barty Tieson (sic) When Howell the Good went to Rome, A.D. 926, he was accompanied by the Bishops of Minevia, Bangor and Landav. 'The Bishop of St. David's,' says Henry of Huntingdon (*Lib. I.*) 'received the pallium from the Pope in our time as it had been at Kairlegim; but he instantly lost it. We have on record a few consecrations (of Bishops) performed abroad either by the Pope or by his subaltern,' says the author later on, when speaking of how the strong-willed Normans over-ruled Welsh ecclesiastical customs, and were in their turn over-ruled by the Pope. Speaking of the 'Cultus Sacerdotum,' our author says: 'There is not the slightest indication that the Catholics of Wales ever opposed the tendency, not merely to honour religiously, but to develop largely and exaggerate the place and office of the Mother of God and of His Saints in the communion of Heaven and Earth. The Pseudo-Anacrin proclaims Mary as 'The Royal maiden, born to lead us out of our hard captivity.' A popular poem assigns Mary the role of Purgatory. The Blessed Mother (*Marionna*) was known as 'Yr Arglydws Fawr, the Lady Mary; a proof, I take it, of great antiquity of style, seeing the most ancient Church calendars never omit the title of 'Saint' or Blessed. With the Kymry, nuns were 'Morwynion quynion Mary,' Mary's fair maidens (*Pseudo-Taliesin*). The pure fountain that burst from the hillside was 'Ffynnon Fair,' 'Mary's Well.' Even the immaculate Conception seems to have been admitted in the words of Wordsworth's 'Our tainted mothers solitary boast' when it was said, 'Ni chavad Arwydd pechawd na'i arlywyr arni,' 'There was not found the mark of sin nor its trace on her.' (*Owen Pughe, Diet. sub verbo Arlywyr*.) Next to Mary they venerated the Archangel Michael and the Apostle St. Peter. Their churches (Llanfair, Llanllwngel, Llanbebydd, Llanbeirion, Llanbeunos, Llanbeue, Llanbeue, Llanbeue) abound in Wales; but we never find those of St. Paul or St. John; a fact deserving notice, as I think it tells against the notion of either the former's preaching in Britain or of a supposed connection of the British Church with that of Ephesus. Of the indigenous Saints, David and Winifred were the most popular as Dewi and Gwenvyd, most popular as Dewi and Gwenvyd. Mr. Owen goes on to speak of the great veneration paid by the ancient Welsh to holy relics, and of their frequent pilgrimages to Rome, to St. James of Compostella, in Spain, to the Menavia, and other sacred places. He admits that not only on religious orders but on the secular clergy celibacy was enjoined, but he says this rule was less strictly enforced in Wales and Brittany than in other places. He praises very highly the ardent patriotism of the Welsh monks, and gives many striking examples of it. In speaking of the numerous religious houses he remarks: "A composition made on July 11, 1252, between the Abbot and Convent of Eall on the one part, and the secular Canons of Aberdaron on the other, throws light on the ritual carried out in remote Wales in the old times. For it appears that the former had given 'sacred vestments, a silver chalice, and a missal' to the church of Aberdaron, and engaged to give a pound of incense yearly on St. John Baptist's day' (*Ms. Harl. 696*). Later on our author admits that the Kymry did not take kindly to the innovations of the Reformation. Welsh, when not 'Popish recusants,' went for the party of 'root-and-branch' Reform. The bishops of the 'Via Media or Anglican Church' were not liked, and 'no enthusiasm could be evoked by the cruel end of a Protestant bishop such as Ferrar of St. David's who sacrilegiously

REV. FATHER ELLIOTT. The eminent and eloquent Father Elliott of New York, assisted by other members of the Paulist Order, will conduct the grand Mission about to commence on the 20th March, in St. Patrick's Church. The learned preacher is well known in Montreal and throughout Canada. His name alone should suffice to draw every English-speaking Catholic to the aisles of St. Patrick's during the four weeks of the mission.

At Grosse Tote the other night a number of boys found a keg of dynamite frozen in the ice and proceeded to make a bonfire of it. One boy kicked the keg and an explosion followed, which blew the kicker ten feet in the air and knocked down the rest of the party. The boy who kicked the keg may die.

Mr. Landry of Quebec has been called to the Senate.

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On the farm the children know, when the nuts are ripe to fall, where the apple, large or small, that is mellow, tart or sweet...

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SHILOH.

NINETY DAYS IN THE HOLY LAND. Following in the Footsteps of the Lord—An Interesting Narrative.

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Our sleep was disturbed at intervals by prowling jackals and other beasts that came from their dens to stalk their thirst and search for food.

Next day we entered the plain of Shiloh, surrounded by hills of great variety, olive gardens and vineyards, with flocks of goats and sheep feeding among the rocks.

Higher up in this beautiful valley, surrounded by undulating hills, we saw the ruins which mark the site of an ancient fountain gushing from the rocks.

It was in the time Shiloh was in the zenith of its prosperity when the custom prevailed for all the maidens of the city to hold an annual feast in the meadow, dance and sing and enjoy themselves in every amusement becoming their sex.

We rested at Jacob's well and approached this hallowed spot with profound reverence. The scenes which were associated with this well and fountain came to my mind with affecting impressions.

COMMERCIAL.

FLOUR, GRAIN, &c. Flour.—There have been some large sales of American straight rollers for shipment from this port to Newfoundland at the opening of navigation, the prices being equal to \$1.55 to \$1.60 here.

Wheat.—The market is quiet and prices are steady. The demand is not large, and the supply is ample.

Provisions.—Pork, lard, etc.—Canada pork still has to compete heavily with Chicago, and prices are consequently prevented from advancing.

Butter.—Prices are about the same as last week, creamery being 25c to 27c; dairy, Eastern Townships, 25c to 27c; round lots, Western, 25c to 27c.

COUNTRY PRODUCE. Eggs.—Montreal lined are worth 14c to 15c, as was quoted last week.

Apples.—There is quite a scarcity of red and stock in the market, and what there is sells easily at \$2.15 to \$2.25 in car lots.

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PETROLEUM.

Prices are unchanged. We quote—refined, 11c f.o.b. Petrolia, 12c in Montreal in carloads and in small lots; crude, \$1.20 to \$1.30 per barrel.

LIVE STOCK.

The receipts of live stock by the Montreal Stock Yards Company, Point St. Charles, for the week ending February 27, 1892, were as follows:

Table with columns: Cattle, Sheep, Lambs, Hogs. Rows: Left over from previous week, Total for week.

THE HORSE MARKET.

The receipts of horses at the Montreal Horse Exchange stables, Point St. Charles, for week ending February 27th, were:

FARMERS' COLUMN.

Deep Plowing. "Plow deep and you shall have corn to sell and to keep." But Benny Franklin thought he knew almost everything, didn't know how deep that was, or he wouldn't have told us so.

Seven Years' Experience with Shiloh. John Gould, a progressive farmer, who is making his shiloh for the seventh winter, was asked to give an account of his experience.

Poultry Breeding and Eggs. Professor James Long, author of "Poultry for Profit and Pleasure," speaks of the best laying breeds of fowls.

Gas Line. An English agriculturist writes thus about gas line: The best way of applying gas line is from one to six carloads per acre before plowing.

Langshans and Cochins. The Langshan and the Cochin are distinctly types of fowls and are said to be in no ways related.

Farm Notes. The way to have healthy cows is to feed and care for their right from calftood up to maturity.

Fish and Oils. Oils.—We quote—Newfoundland cod oil, 37c to 40c as to quantity; steam refined, 40c to 47c.

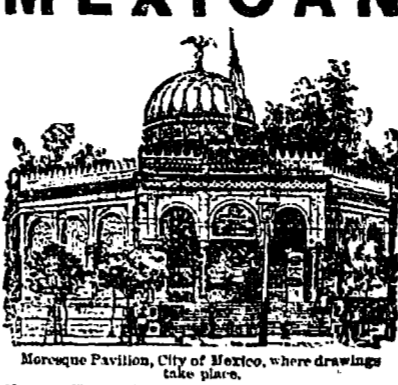
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