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NOTES.

lede," in the "Ephemerides" column of the Monentizette, says of the controversy between "Bishop"
of Buffalo, and Mgr. Chatard, of Indiana, on that
mal saying imputed to the Jesuits, "The end jusfine means:"—"Of course the old chestnut of old Bumis again set forth: Finis determinat probitatum
which whoso translateth into the saw aforesaid,
that he doth not understand the meaning of Latin
the great Daniel Webster was less squeamish and
carned when he graved upon his seal the last two
the distich: Exitus acta probat." The President of
the College in Buffalo drew the attention of the Rev.
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If Ce, when that gentleman began to calumniate the
forder, to the standing offer of the Faculty of the
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to of one or two thousand dollars. "Bishop" Coxe
and of ward with the sentence above quoted. Evidently
is defective in honesty or in learning. In either case
is claimed to the control of the control of

Address delive ed by Mr. John Morley, at the Oxlinion debate, on the 29th ultimo. The debate was
the previous week, it will be remembered, by Lord
liph Churchill, who opposed the motion "That to
the just aspirations of the Irish people it is neceshat a statutory Parliament be established in Dublin."
llogical nature of the position Lord Randolph
shill had taken in the debate did not take Mr. Morley
long to expose. Lord Randolph had defined the
question as arising from the fact that there could not
ained from Ireland the same reverence for the law, the
material prosperity, nor the same contentment and
uility there was obtained in England and Scotland, and
lorley accepted this at once as a fair statement of
uestion. What did Lord Churchill suggest in the
f improving so, in every way, unsatisfactory a conSince on his own admission only so discreditable
leplorable a result has been the reward of their prerelations, did it not occur to them, Mr. Morley
that a statesman who made such an admission

should say, "Since the result has been such we must change the system which has produced that result?" That would have been a fair way of answering the question as the noble lord had defined it. But did he so answer it? On the contrary, what he said was, "Since the result has been so discreditable, so deplorable, and so unsatisfactory, therefore I urge you, gentlemen of the Oxford Union, to maintain every jot and tittle of that system exactly as it now stands." "I do not know," said Mr. Morley, "how the school of logic goes in Jasoad since my day, but I think if theoretic logic had I an dealt with on the same principle as the noble lord deal with questions of practical logic he would have come. Ay from the schools without a testamur."

What was the goal of the cheerful policy Churchill ! ld out as the right one to follow towards Ireland, the ... tre-The odius process of driving discontent under the surface, of showing the majority of the people of Ireland that they have nothing to hope for from the equity and common sense of Great Britain, of shattering their belief in the efficacy of parliamentary methods, and of reviving the old party of violence, conspiracy and treason, a prospect and policy that must fill all well-considering men with repugnance and horror. It was important that they should try and realize what coercion meant in actual practice. Morley went into, in detail, two or three cases, showing the manner in which law was administered in Ireland. Having dealt with the case of Mr. Blunt, he cited the circumstances of the conviction of an Irish member, Mr. Sheehy. Mr. Sheehy was brought up for words spoken at a meeting, and it was vitally important to know what were the words spoken for which he was to receive severe punishment. Mr. Morley read a passage from the cross examination of the government reporter, an ignorant constable: "Did you ever study shorthand?" "I did not. (Laughter,) There was no constable in Trench Port, or the day of the pressing who know aborthand not. (Laughter,) There was no constable in Trench Park on the day of the meeting who knew shorthand. The meeting lasted from 3 o'clock to 5, and Mr. Sheehy was speaking most of the time. (Laughter) When Mr. Sheehy spoke a sentence or a sentence and a half, I took down all I could remember at the time, (Laughter.) I took no note of what he would be saying while I was taking down the two sentences I remembered at the time." (More Laughter.) "How many sentences would he get ahead of you?" "Well, he might get two or three." "Then would you skip over and catch him again?" "Yes I would try and remember what he would say in the meantime." "What do you mean?" "I mean that when I heard a content or two I would take that down and I heard a sentence or two I would take that down; and pay no attention to what he would say in the meantime." (Laughter.) Mr. Sheehy was convicted. "When you hear such evidence as that, do you not think," said Mr. Morley, "that you are listening to the proceeding of a court in a comic opera." The case was brought up in the House of Commons and no answer attempted by the Government. The case of the printer of the Cork Examiner, who was sentenced to two months imprisonment was a your more tenced to two months imprisonment, was even more scandalous, and this Mr. Morely also went into. "Imagine," he said, how the existence of such a state of things might affect you who are Englishmen. What wonder that with such circumstances, Irishmen don't respect the law and do not revere the tribunals where law is administered?"

The Church in Canada.

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

LIST OF THE HIERARCHY OF CANADA.

(Continued.)

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DIOCESE OF MONTRFAL-FOUNDED IN 1836.

Rt. Rev. Jean Jacques Lartigue, Auxiliary Bishop, 1821-1836 1s: Titular Bishop, 1836-1840 Ignace Bourget, and " 1840-1876 Edouard Charles Fabre 3rd " "
v. " "1st Archbishop, 1876-1886 1886. Most Rev.

DIOCESE OF THREE RIVERS—FOUNDED IN 1852.

1852-1870 Rt. Rev. Thomas Cooke, 1st Bishop. Louis Francois Lasteche, and 1870

DIOCESE OF ST. HYACINTHE-TOUNDLD IN 1852.

Rt Rev. Jean Charles Prince, 1852-1860 1st Bishop, 1860-1866 Joseph Larocque, 2nd 1866-1875 Charles Larocque, 3rd Louis Zephirin Moreau, 4th 1875

DIOCESE OF RIMOUSKI-FOUNDED IN 1867.

Rt. Rev. Jean Pierre Francois Laforce Langevin, 1st Bishop, 1867 DIOCESE OF SHERBROOKE-SOUNDED IN 1874.

Rt. Rev. Antoine Racine. 1st Bishop. DICCESE OF CHICOUTIMI - FOUNDED IN 1878.

Rt. Rev. Dominique Racine, 1st Bishop, Died 27 January, 1888, aged

60 years. DIOCESE OF NICOLET -FOUNDED IN 1885.

1st Bishop. 1885 Rt. Rev. Elphège Gravel,

PREFECTURE APOSTOLIC OF THE GULF OF ST. LAWRENCE-FOUNDED IN 1882.

Mgr. Francois Navier Bossé .1st Prefect. 1882 DIOCESE OF OFFAWA-FOUNDED IN 1847.

Rt. Rev. Joseph Eugene Bruno

1st Bishop, 1848 1874 Guigues, Rt. Rev. Joseph Thomas Duhamel, 2nd 1874-1886 ist Archbishop, 1886

VICARIATE APOSTOLIC OF PONTIAL -FOUNDED IN 1882.

Rt. Rev. Narcisse Zephirin Lorrain,

Bishop of Cythera and 1st Vicar Apostolic, 1882

Notes.—The Hôtel Dieu, of Montreal, was founded in 1642 by Mademoiselle Mance. The first Sulpician fathers—de Queylus, Souart, Galimer and Dallet—were established in Montreal in 1657. The Ven. Margaret Bourgeoys founded the Convent of the Congregation of Notre Dame in 1659. This admirable order, which now possesses more than 60 branches in the Province of Quebec alone, and educates at least 15,000 young girls, had a stable for its first habitation. least 15,000 young girls, had a stable for its first nabitation. The General Hospital of Montreal was founded in 1747 by Madame d'Youville. The College of St. Hyacinthe was founded in 1811 by Father Girouard; the College of Ste. Thereso in 1824 by Father Ducharme, and the College of Chambly in 1824 by Father Mignault. The Oblate Fathers of Mary Immaculate were established in Montreal in 1841, and the Jesuit Fathers returned to Canada in the following year.

In 1640 several persons of influence and well-known piety in France formed themselves into an association called "The Society of Notre Dame of Montreal," for the purpose of founding on the Island of Montreal a colony consecrated to the Blessed Virgin. The following summer 45 recruits arrived at Quebec, and it was considered advisable to spend the winter

there. When spring arrived the little colony resumed an journey and landed on the 17th May, 1642, at a placeien called Pointe a Callières. Mass was celebrated by the Sujan of the Jesuits, the island placed under the protection ogu Blessed Vrgin, and the new settlement called Ville Mon which was afterwards changed to Montreal. The follogic graphic description of the arrival of the colonists is the from an article published by Francis Parkman, the historial

in the Atlantic Monthly, June, 1867.

"On the 17th of May, 1642, Maisonneuve's little flow a pinnace, a flat-bottomed craft moved by sails, and two boats-approached Montreal; and all on board raised in th son a hymn of praise. Montmagny was with them to de in the island, on behalf of the Company of the Hundred Asre ates, to Maisonneuve, representative of the Associates of Norreal. And here, too, was Father Vimont, Superior of Missions; for the Jesuits had been prudently invited to acou the spiritual charge of the young colony. On the following day, they glided along the green and solitary shores: see thronged with the life of a busy city, and landed on the iffic which Champlain, thirty-one years before, had chosen a get fit site of a settlement. It was a tongue or triangle of kortended by the invention of a rejust to the St. I have the St. formed by the junction of a rivulet with the St. Lawrence. known afterwards as Point Callière. The rivulet was bord at by a meadow, and beyond rose the forest with its vanguarot scattered trees. Early spring flowers were blooming in pr young grass, and birds of varied plumage flitted amorgia boughs.

"Maisonneuve sprang ashore, and fell on his knees. at followers imitated his example; and all joined their voice pr enthusiastic songs of thanksgiving. Tents, baggage, arms stores were landed. An altar was raised on a pleasant near at hand, and Mademoiselle Mance, with Madame of Peltrie, aided by her servant, Charlotte Barré, decorate ne with a taste which was the admiration of the beholders. Val all the company gathered before the shrine. Here stood:sa mont, in the rich vestments of his office. Here were the ladies with their servant; Montmagny, no very willing spe st tor; and Maisonneuve, a warlike figure, erect and talk re men clustering around him—soldiers, sailors, artisans, and bourers—all alike soldiers at need. They kneeled in rever silence as the Host was raised aloft, and when the rite wasc, the priest turned and addressed them:—

the priest turned and addressed them:—

"You are a grain of mustard seed that shall rise and a low you are few but;" till its branches overshadow the earth. You are few, but work is the work of God. His smile is on you, and your chil

shall fill the land.

"The afternoon waned; the sun sank below the west beforest, and twilight came on. Fire-slies were twinking the darkened meadow They caught them, tied them threads into shining festoons, and hung them before the where the Host remained exposed. Then they pitched: tents, lighted their bivouac fires, stationed their guards, and the high right of Mostral." down to rest. Such was the birth-night of Montreal.

"Is this true history, or a romance of Christian chiva It is both.

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MONTREAL GOSSIP.

That no two persons ever view anything in precisely same light is, I believe, an admitted truism. It is adably illustrated here by the different construction which householders put upon the by-law regarding the removing the re snow from our sidewalks. Rare indeed is the street on w. you find the sidewalk a monotonous and dead level; nursery babies in the immortal journey to "Banbury Co"

"Here you go up, up, up, And here you go down, down, down."

And you are pretty lucky if, in addition, you don't suddly go "round, round," as well, where a sudden description of the suddly of a temperament prone to worry, have had the proment in front of their doors scraped to its normal balds. Others, again, have contented themselves with removing the suddly of the su snow and leaving a sub stratum of ice, upon which, if the good Christians,—they sprinkle ashes, or sawdust, and they be not you run a risk of concussion of the brothers of our householders have only coquetted with

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snow drifts by using a broom which has taken off simply enough snow to form a pathway; while again there are those, and their name is legion, who have shovelled off irregular equatities, so that between different houses steps have been cut up which you climb, and down which you scramble and slip and slitter the best way you can. Woo be to the luckless wight who, late for dinner, tries in the winter twilight, what is called in railway parlance, "cooking time," over our streets. Verily for him "the way of the transgressor is hard."

Will Lady Stephen forgive a crusty old bachelor, who, by the very fact of his being such, could not have expected an invitation to her recent luncheon, if he tries to give the readers of the Review some idea of that unique and dainty entirtainment? The guests, of whom there twenty-one, were divided into two bands, one formed of married, the other of immarried ladies. The matrons, presided over by the ignoious hostess, were seated at a table which had an entire service of yellow. In the centre was a large basket of yellow flowers, hyaciatha, jonquils, narcissus, tulips, and other golden blossoms. Flowers of the same tint were scattered in the table cloth, while at the place of each guest was laid a posy of three Marcchal Niel roses. The yellow tinted china and amber glass, yellow fruits, and yellow hom, carried in the quaint conceit perfectly. On the table of the maidens, presided over by the most popular unmarried lady in Montreal, everything was punk—pink flowers in the basket and on the cloth, pink rose buds, pink china, pink glass, pink fruits and hon-hons, formed a charming tout ensemble. That the party was enjoyable goes without saying.

The unexpected news of Lord Dufferin's resignation of his position as Viceroy of India is the subject of much comment there. Whatever may be His Excellency's reason for the state he has taken, the decision was a sudden one, for I lately saw a letter from Lady Dufferin to a friend of hers in Montreal, wherein she speaks as if they had still some time to spead in India, and alludes to Lady Helen Blackwood's recent arrival from England, where she had spent last season with relatives.

"Lord Stanley, of Preston, is of course the man of the hour. When I saw him in England many years ago, he was a fine looking man, with a long, rich brown beard; there is nothing whatever of the petit maitre about him. He is popular among the townspeople of Liverpool, much more so than his phlegmatic and somewhat eccentric elder-brother, the Earl of Derby. His wife, the beautiful lady Constance Villiers, of bygone days, can scarcely fail to win golden opinions in Ottawa. Let us hope that the good feeling with which the incoming Governor-General is regarded may be like the family motto of the Stauleys, sans changer.

There is something incongruous to the mind of the average English speaking Canadian in the idea of a Vicomte peddling paring stones, yet in a recent number of the Sar, he who runs may read that the Vicomte de la Barthe waited upon the officials of the Road Department, one day lately, and placed before that august body samples of grit stone paving blocks from Bologue. These stones are pronounced to be very beautifully cut, and to quite eclipse those hitherto provided for the city. The Vicomte suggests that they should be cut and shaped in France and sent out here as ballast. Surely such a proceeding would be at variance with the spirit of the N. P., with though it does facilitate the tramping underfoot of a commodity.

Lent is not so far advanced but that the following delicious Ash Wednesday story may be considered seasonable. A lady friend of mine had ongaged a French Canadian charwoman come on the day sacred to sack-cloth and ashes for the ausing of some mysterious kitchen cupboards. The pointed time came, but the appointed woman did not. On the following Friday sho made her appearance. My friend's ughter questioned her as to the cause of her absence, and adame gave for excuse that she had been at the christening a baby grandson. "What did you call him?" Where on came the answer, which I regret is not translateable. On etait pour lappeler Edouard, c'est un si bean nomme, Made-ciselle, mais suffit qu'il est né le jour des Cendres, on l'appelé

Alexandre!" I trust that the readers of the Review will be able to supply the emphasis required for the pun.

The Empire, in its recent complimentary notice of the successful law examination passed by Mr. Frank Auglin, makes a slight mistake as to the fountain from which Mr. Auglin imbibed his knowledge. It is quite true that he took his degree from the Ottawa college, but he had previously made his course of studies at St. Mary's College, Montreal. St. Mary's College is, unfortunately, not licensed to give degrees, but it was the diploma awarded to him at St. Mary's which obtained for Mr. Auglin his degrees in Ottawa.

OLD MORTALITY.

FICTION OF THE GODS.

III.

In considering the first rude essays in fiction made by the nations of old, I am tempted to draw a partial parallel between this favourite branch of their literature on the one hand, and their national architecture on the other. The two are sister arts, and the comparison naturally suggests itself from this affinity; while it will serve the important purpose of stating succintly what would otherwise require several pages to explain. In architecture, then, the Egyptians had a column and simple chapter supporting masses of horizontal stone, and the effect produced is the impression of solemnity and strength. By the Greeks the column was thinned, and the chapter varied; and solemnity was replaced by lightness, and strength by grace. The Romans borrowed somewhat unskilfully and inharmoniously from their more tasteful subjects and instructors, but furnished their own quota of the floral scroll.

As it was with the architecture of those celebrated nations, so also was it with their literature. In all probability the first effort in literary composition was made in the depth of some Asiatic forest, by a wandering savage, who, scated in the shadow of the green fans and sword blades of the lofty palms, etched with a thorn on a leaf rough images of the heasts he hunted or the birds he shot with his feathered arrows. But leaves were too perishable to long preserve the records of a tribe. Altars, cairns, knotted cords, strings of different colours, were each used by different nations, occupying widely separated localities, to record some great event in their history or the careers of their chiefs or kings. The superior intellect of man soon perfected more convenient means of preserving the materials of their history. The primitive hak of lush leaves was soon exchanged for a volume of touch bark, which, in time. was replaced by tablets of thin wood, and those, in turn, by engraved slabs of rock, or plates of metal or ivory. The most famous recording material of all was brought into use when the inhabitants of a town in Asia Minor, deprived of their supply of papyrus by the jealousy of the Egyptians, tanned the skins of their sheep into parchment, and the skins of various animals into smooth leather, thus affording a durable substance for their documents and books. The papyrus plant flourished on the muddy banks of the Nile, and out of it the Egyptians manufactured the first paper. Such were the principal materials out of which ancient books and manuscripts were made; and the means of symbolizing ideas on the sheets of vellum or papyrus or tablets of stone was produced by as strange an evolution. Drawing and painting were the earliest methods of conveying ideas on paper or The figures on the first material were carefully outhned and then filled in with the primary colours-red, yellow, and blue. The hieroglyphics of Egpyt furnish the link between those picture-writings and the modern alphabetic lettering. On walls of palaces and of pyramids, on shafts and massive pillars, on the faces of noble monuments and the limbs of huge images, the Egyptians, by their hieroglyphics, recorded many tales of love and woe, of triumph and defeat, of national vigour and national decadence. More important still, they confided to those strange characters the biographies of their kings, and breathed through them fervent adoration for their multitudinous deities. Just as the Greeks had beautified and chastened the Egyptian piliar, so they built up from those snatches of stonechiseller devotion the germs out of which their genius warmed into life and growth that mighty tree of mythology, whose branches, heavy with rich poetic fruit, spread themselves over the Grecian States, and thence from end to end of the Roman Empire.

The study of the fabulous accounts which the pagans have given of their gods is called Mythology, which title is derived from a word signifying a fictitious tale. The most ancient stories that have come down to us in their entireness are those myths. The ancient pagans never thought of worshipping a supreme Creator at all, but they deified every part of the universe that appealed to their awe or their admiration. It was for this reason that the apostle Paul, in the Epistle to the Romans, said they worshipped the creature instead of the creator.

Very beautiful are those ancient myths, when considered as the expressions of ideas so poetically graceful or sublime, that all modern nations have contributed to their boundless fame. Nor are they undeserving of this general favour. imaginative thinkers and writers who wove gutlands of immortelles around the br ws of the gods were the greatest geniuses the world has ever seen. Their literary work is commensurate with their surpassing endowments, and for originality, colour, subdued passion, and pantheistic devotion, these fables defy the blighting disapproval of frigid criticism. Like the fabled fountain of the Azores, but with a more various power, the magic of their art, by interpreting to us the lessons and the mysteries of nature, leads us in higher and healthrer ways than those of the world. Although mythology apparently dealt with deified personages, in reality it was only a system of Pantheism. But no sooner was the darkness of paganism dispelled by the light of Christianity, than those ingenious "hymns to the gods" lost all claim on human reverence except what they still re-tained as glowing descriptions of the earth and the heavens, or as unintentional tributes to the one true God.

The many attributes and properties of the sun and moon as, might be expected, gave rise to various and special divinities. The heavens, that is, the atmosphere, the sky, were worshipped under the title of Zeus, or Jupiter, sometimes called Jove. They worshipped the earth under the title of Demeter, or Cybele, and the sea under the title of Neptune. The sun was worshipped by many different nations under half a hundred names, with none of which shall I cumber the text. The moon was worshipped as Diana, Juno, Athene, Luna, Io, Venus, Astarte, and various other titles. This kind of religious homage reached its climax in ancient Egypt, where almost everything was worshipped, from the bountiful Nilus to the meanest of quadrupeds. Man is a being born to believe. Voltaire, for once, spoke a profound truth when, in a burst of inspiration, he said that if we had no God we should have to invent one.

If ancient mythologies were thoroughly examined, they would, for the most part, resolve themselves into a simple, beautiful and elevating adoration of the great powers of nature; which is an indirect adoration of Almighty God. Next to Christianity, those old religious romances contain more devotional poetry than any other system of faith, to which great multitudes have rendered themselves amenable. But, as the allegory is not always perceptible to the casual glance, it may a use no leisure if we briefly dwell upon one or two of the most remarkable myths with a view of demonstrating the intellectual quality and tenor of the whole.

The spread of corn, its mysterious growth, the constantly recurring deaths and resurrections of the flowers and foliage, a e described with exquisite grace and sweetness in the tales of Ceres, Proserpine and Pluto. The amours of Jupiter and the Mountain Nymphs express, in playful and elegant terms, the condensation of vapour on the tops of hills, and the swelling of waters in the mountain streams. The fairies are striking emblems of conscience, or remorse, and very edilying figures they are. The twins that live and die by turns are only stars that rise and set altern tely. The bow shape of the wandering moon made of Diana a huntress, and the cold purity of the planet connected the idea of chastity with the goddess. Apollo slaying the great serpent emblematizes the purifying powers of sunlight. The twelve labours of Hercules figure the sun passing through the twelve signs of the Zodiac, by which journey he produces the fruits of the earth. Jupiter descending in a shower of gold perfectly symbolizes the showers of sunlight falling on the willing soil. Danae is but an epithet of the earth. The Isis, whose veil may never be uplifted, and the shifting Proteus on the brown sea sand, are the figures of Nature, whose secret no wisdom or curiosity will ever resolve, and whose swift subtlety no ken of human intelligence will ever fy ow. All this, as we have said, is the worship of the Creator 11 His works, and a 1 iting saure on our age, wherein the greater

number of fictions that daily issue from our press are soil from expressing devotion to the Almighty that they red materialism, sensuality and infidelity.

M. W. CASEL'

LENT AND PASSION TIDE.

It is now more than four weeks since we entered on penitential season of Lent, and as that holy season p gresses and we approach nearer and nearer to the gut feast for which we are preparing, the scenes of our Louis l'assion and Death are represented to us more vivel until we arrive at the great week (Holy Week) when et day is, so to speak, taken up with the last and mil touching scenes of the great drama of Calvary.

Before Lent began, during the preparatory season!
Septuagesima as well as during the Lenten season! Church set before our minds the various stages of e Saviour's sufferings by commemorating one of the weekly. Commencing on the Tuesday (or Friday) at! Septuagesima we have the "Prayer of our Lord" (in! garden of Gethsemane) The Tuesday (or Friday) at Sexagesima, the "Sufferings of our Lord;" on the test hve Fridays in Lent, respectively: the Coronation of a Lord; the "Piercing of our Lord" (with the spear a nails); the "Enshroudment of our Lord" (in His most holy winding sheet); the "Wounds of our Lord," a "Compassion of our Lady." The sixth Friday of Lag. is Good Friday, and of this we will speak when treats! of Holy Week.

Similar to the other penitential seasons of the ve there is a great divergence in the customs observant the various parts of the world concerning the fasting de Our modern ideas and sensitiveness wouldi ing Lent. shocked if anything approaching to the fasting and abstrence formerly practised were even suggested. For marcenturies the use of flesh-meat, even on Sundays, wi wholly forbidden, while eggs and milk, as well as fis. were most sparingly used, on some days not at all. use of wine was also forbidden for many centuries.

In primitive times, the sole meal was taken at sun dor and even Mass was not celebrated till after the canonic hour of None (3 o'clock p.m. of our time). Gradual however, this rigour was relaxed and in the present di Mass is said at the customary hour and the one full much may be taken at midday or even a little earlier. day the regulations as to the quality of the food diffi in different countries and dioceses, but are so much mod fied that any one in ordinarily good health can easi comply with them. For the sick, weak, and hardworking dispensations can be obtained, for the Church is a mothe and not a tyrant, and while all are called on to do penane for their soul's sake, none are called on to injure the health and disable themselves from performing the dutie of their state of life.

The number of fasting days in Lent is forty, in imit is tion of our Lord's forty days fast. This number has been arrived at in different ways at different periods and different countries, but the present universal custom is to take the forty week days immediately preceding Easte is Sunday, commencing on the Wednesday of the sevent week before Easter. This Wednesday is no wuniversally known as Ash Wednesday on account of the ceremon on that day, when all the faithful approach the altar to have the sign of salvation marked on their foreheads with ashes by the priest, who bids them remember that they are but dust and unto dust shall return. On the Thursday after the Third Sunday, the twentieth fast day in Lent, is the quasi feast of micareme, a break in Lenten ansterities. ob rved in many Cetholic countries, but not recognized in by the Church, which postpones till the following Sun day that moneyary mass in the countries of the day that momentary pause in the penitential career which is intended to give a fresh impulse to the piety and is intended to give a fresh impulse to the piety and devotion of the faithful, but in no way to invite them to includence in worldly amusements and dissipation.

The name applied to this Fourth Sunday in Lent by (1) This is very seldom done now, in this country I never saw it due. This Sunday is a sort of departure for greater strictness and recollection, for we are approaching the awful days of Calvary.

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so the Church, is that of Latare, the first word of the Introited On this Sunday the organ may be played, the richer vestments may be worn by the deacon and sub-deacon, the stiviolet colour of the chasuble, &c., may be replaced by rose color, (1) and all the offices are more joyous than on the other Sundays in Lent. This Sunday hears many names. In England, especially in the north, it is called not Mothering Sunday, but I have, as yet, failed to discover the theorigin of the name. In many places it is called Rose of Sunday, on account of the Pope solemnly blessing a soleden rose on that day. In some ancient documents it was a failed Five Loaves Sunday, in allusion to the Gospel er of the day, wherein the miracle of the Loaves and Fishes is mediated.

Passion tide commences on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, on and, together with Holy Week, is specially devoted to the contemplation of our Saviour's sufferings. Formerly, all servile work had to be laid aside during this season and hall litigation was suspended. In these days such out at ward demonstrations of penance cann at be shown, but reach one in the privacy of his own home can call to mind a that but twelve days will elapse before we shall be called a upon to meditate how sacrilegious hands were lifted against our Saviour, and how bad men are already seeking an occasion of putting Him to death. The Church, on the eve of Passion Sunday, covers all the pictures and religious emblems with violet veils. The crucifixes, too, are similarly hidden from our view, in memory of our to dear Lord having been obliged to flee and hide Himself to escape being stoned as a blasphemer! For so the Gospel tells us. Later on He advanced to meet His is enough to the comment of the comme

It is during this week that the Church celebrates the Feast of the Compassion of Mary. Wherever Jesus is, Mary cannot be far off, and, as on the next Friday, Good Friday, our whole thoughts will be absorbed in the sufferings of the great Victim, the Church, on this sixth Friday in Lient, celebrates the Compassion of the Manaer.

By the Cross her station keeping Stood the mournful Mother weeping.

If has pleased God, in His sovereign wisdom, to associate Mary in every way with the work of our salvation. On three occasions, principally, she was called to unite her actions with those of God Himself. The first was it the incarnation of the Word; the second was on Calvary; the third was on the Day of Pentecost. Of the first and third we will speak in their time and place, we have now to do with the second.

Yes, she stood at the foot of the cross to receive her Son's last words, for so the Bible tells us (St. John 19: 25). Amidst the clamours and insults addressed to the dying Saviour, she listens to Him when, in the person of St. John, He confides to her the whole human race. She weeps, for is she not His mother? and what mother could behold her son dying without weeping? The sword of grief is piercing her heart, and opening us a way into it. Thenceforth, unto all ages, will she be "The Mother of the Living."

In time and in eternity Mary will extend to us the love which she bore her Son, for has He not given us to her? and since she so nobly co-operated in our redemption, shall she not, by His express command, be forever Our Lady, our co-redemptress and our dear Mother?

G. M. WARD.

"Johnny, I find three mistakes on the first page of your letter," said a mother to her nine-year old son one day. You have spelled 'until' with two l's, 'very' with two let, and left out the word 'brother' in the last line." "I con't call that three mistakes, mamma," replied the boy, alluly; "I call it two mistakes and one forget."

Clergyman, examining a Sunday school class—"Now, an any of you tell me what are 'sins of omission?'" mall scholar—"Please, sir, they're sins you ought to have mmitted and haven't."

Current Catholic Thought.

THE JEWELS OF THE MASS.

We are now arrived at a grave and truly important passage of the Mass, wherein vast interests are involved. This is the recollection and commemoration of the dead and of our departed friends. It is a solenin, serious moment indeed, there is a stillness, with a concentration of faculties; for here, in proportion to this earnestness, we may really do much to help the dear loved ones who have travelled away from us, far out of this earth. Perhaps not very many think how irresistible, prayer or pleading becomes at such a moment, when he can join with the priest, his head bent down reverently to the living Body of our Lord; or who then feel how irresistible is any request made in obedience to the direction, "If you ask the Father anything in My name, He will give it you." It seems unkind, crael, unteching even, to neglect such an opportunity, or to be careless at such a moment. One might recall the image of those poor far-off, imprisoned souls who left us years and years ago, and who ever since have been working out their weary servitude. Their wistful eyes are turned eagerly to earth, longing, praying that those who loved them should, at so slight an expense of trouble, or

even of recollection, use this precious opportunity.

Our own great poet, who has touched all things, and the Catholic mysteries above all, with an unerring knowledge that is almost inspired, has left the best and most piteous image of the poor purgatorial soul and its sufferings.

ings. Says the Ghost of Hamlet's father:

"My hour is almost come,
When I to sulphurous and tormenting flames
Must render up myself.
I am thy fither's spirit,

Doomed for a certain term to walk the night; And, for the day, confined to fast in fires, Till the foul crimes done in my days of nature Are burnt and purged away.

Cut off even in the blossom of my sin,
Unhousel'd, disappointed, unaneal'd;
No reckoning made, but sent to my account
With all my imperfections on my head.
O horrible 1 O horrible 1 " myst horrible 1"

With all my imperfections on my head.
O horrible! O horrible! must horrible!"
"Unhouseled" means without having received the Holy Eucharist, husel being the Anglo-Saxon substitute for the Eucharist, "disappointed," that is, unappointed, not fitted out for the last journey; while "unanealed" was "unoiled," or unanointed. "No reckoning made," that is, unconfessed: sent to his account unabsolved, with all his imperfections on his head." What a pregnant phrase! No wonder Hamlet bewails this state as "horrible!, most horrible!"

The first duty, then, is the generous and unselfish one of turning the great act just accomplished to the profit of those who need aid more than ourselves; for we can help ourselves, the dead cannot. With eyes bent down and fixed on the Host, the priest repeats this touching prayer: "Remember also, O Lord! Thy servants, male and female, who have gone before us, with the sign of faith, and sleep in the sleep of peace." Then he thinks of and names those to be prayed for. "To, these," he goes on, "and to all who rest in Christ, we beseech Thee to grant a place of refreshment, light, and peace, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen."

This, then, is a serious and vital moment in the Mass, most precious and capable of being turned to infinite profit,—a moment that all who have lost those dear to them should watch and wait for. For is not a prayer at such a moment irresistible, and one to which all in the congregation should join their hearts? It is enough to fancy the poor souls in the desolation of their prison, racked with sufferings, and, like the rich man, longing for that drop of cold water for their tongues. Indeed, one of the Doctors of the Church has the pious theory that during a Mass for the Dead those for whom it is offered find their torments suspended. With an agonized wistfulness they feel the approach of this moment; there are their friends or relations in the church kneeling—a fervent aspiration, a heart-felt prayer joined to this memonto, will bring them "refreshment, "—" The Jevels of the Mass," by Percy Fitzgerald

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GENTLEMEN.

GENTLEMEN,—
I have singular pleasure indeed in saying God-speed to your intended journal, The Catholio Weekly Review. The Church, contradicted on all show as her liking bounder was, halls with peculiar pleasure the assistance of her lay children in depoling fenorance and prejudice. They can do this nobly by public journaism, and as the press now appears to be an universal instructor for either evil or good, and since it is frequently used for cell in dissemi-acting false doctrines and attributing them to the Catholic Church your journal will do a very great service to. Truth and Roligion by its publication. Wishing you all success and many blossings on your enterprise.

I am, faithfully yours,

John Joseph Lanch, Archbishop of Toronto.

FROM THE LATE BISHOP OF HAMILTON.

HAMILTON, Merch 17, 1887

My DMAR MR. FITZGERALD.—
You have well kept your word as to the metter style, form and quality of the REVIEW, and I do hope it will become a splendid success.

Heliove me, yours faith ully,
Hishop of Hamilton.

TORONTO, SATURDAY, MAR. 17, 1888.

The reverend editor of a Buffalo Catholic paper, who certainly has a habit of dropping at times into oriental methods of expression, and who last week, for example, exuberantly said of the writings of a friend that they were "as refreshing as baths of golden wine," has involved him self in an altercation, over the orthodoxy of a recent work on theology, with the lay editor of a New York Catholic journal. The latter gentleman, a rather rasping writer, advises the priest to steer clear of theology. In his last issue he says: "If Father -- is wise, he will let the theo. logians settle this matter. His true place is in the realms of poesy. In those realms, where the acanthus and the shamrock and the anemone entwine themselves with the ever-blooming bays, he is at home-where Hylos disports and Daphne dwells-where Dante's Beatrice and Petrarch's Laura converse-there he should rest-where the wild thyme blows, in fact. Let him draw his crown of bays over his eyes, swing into the blank verse of his editorials, and say: 'J'y suis, j'y reste.'" But does this scornful writer himself concoct more or less poetry?

We publish elsewhere in this number an article by a Baltimore priest, which goes to the very heart of a certain matter in connection with Catholics and the temperance movement, namely, the coqueting of certain Catholic journals with the business in whiskey. "What," he asks. is in this country to day the greatest obstacle to 'the progress and development of religion and the Church?' What debases the Church in the eyes of so many non-Catholics, and keeps thousands of them out of her fold? What causes the Church to mourn over the loss of tens

of thousands of the children whom God gave to be What is dragging so many of our people down lower a sa lower, corrupting and degrading them, ostracising the quarter from all that is good and great?" And he answe are Drunkenness! drunkenness! Perhaps the most pane w side of the question is the apathy displayed towards ti-ca great curse on society, the appalling apathy that tolera: will drunken influences instead of destroying them.

"Can any Catholic" he continues, "be said to be in lover of the Church and of his brethren who looks on hi silent and practically indifferent spectator of the great and growing evils brought upon the Church and bim children by drunkenness? Surely he cannot."

The main purpose of the article, which we commend in the thoughtful consideration of our readers, is to experien the inconsistency of those Catholic newspapers whatti profess to deplore the human wretchedness, and cila scandals which result from intemperance, and yet public his glaring whiskey advertisements in their advertise m columns, lending themselves thus, indirectly, to the & w tension of the traffic. The reverend writer points to test case of two particularly pretentious papers, one of whi in raised a great fuss a few months ago, over the drunk ta occurrences by which Catholic burials in New York c are occasionally disgraced. The conduct of this journ if was sharply criticised at the time in aggravatu is these grave scandals, by giving them unnecessa P publicity, and treating them in a somewhat sensation manner. It was charged with not adequately unde 1 standing the responsibilities which attach in such car go to a Catholic journal. And yet this Catholic paper, it P New York Freeman's Journal, was, at the same time, Father Foley's word, "a promoter of the liquor trafficthat low traffic which is sapping the very foundation honour and manliness among us." The other journ referred to is the Catholic Mirror of Baltimore. In its k issue it replies to Father Foley as follows: "We fail see how such advertisements can in any way exert dangerous influence upon those who read then. It the abuse of a thing not in itself bad that calls for co demnation." Of the force of the argument our reade will judge for themselves. As for the Freeman's Journal, resorts to a wretched tu quoque. "We beg," it says, afte railing for a time at fanaticism, "to make a suggestion: it Father Foley. Let him strike hard at that form of fanz cism which drinks claret and champagneat its own tabbut raises its voice and wails over the unhappy mine or labourer, or drudge who uses coarser stimulants.) a man has a right to preach total abstinence who is a himself a total abstainer." Such a rejoinder is unworth a of the Freeman's Journal, and begs every point of the question. The position of Father Foley is income vertible.

IRELAND'S CAUSE IN ENGLAND'S PARLIA MENT.

We are-indebted to the publishers, Messrs. Ticknor ... Co., of Boston, for a copy of "Ireland's Cause in Eng land's Parliament," a new volume from the pen of M Justin McCarthy, M.P., the accomplished vice-chairme of the Irish party in Parliament. The scope of the wo is explained by its title. It is written in Mr. McCarthy? best style, and comes as a distinct addition to that class of the political literature of the day, which has been apta? termed educating.

Eight years ago, Mr. McCarthy tells us, he ventured to a say to the House of Com rons, that before very long the a question of Home Rule would make and unmake ministries, e and that when it came to that, the cause of Home Rule a would be virtually won. It has come to that now. The *-cause of Home Rule makes and unmakes ministries, and wwill make and unmake them until Home Rule is won. "To win with a minority," John Boyle O'Really observes e in the preface he writes to the volume, "is surely the highest achievement of a Parliamentary party. It means tian appeal to the nobler elements of the opposition. It is smore than victory, it is conversion." And that being so, the progress of the Irish Parliamentary party in the English House of Commons, as he adds, is a study for all minorities, and a story of profound interest to more than one people, in that it promises to be the first radical national reform in the history of Euorope, effected by legis-lation, without revolution. Mr. McCarthy tells us that his desire has been to make clear to Americans, in this book, what is the distinct national cause which the Irish Parliamentary party represent in the English Parliament, and why Ireland should have a national cause to plead there; to describe the methods her representatives have adopted inorder to accomplish that success which is now already, to quote Mr. Gladstone's expression, within measurable distance, and to describe the forces opposed to that cause as as well as the forces that are friendly to it. first chapter is devoted to explaining what Ireland's cause is In this chapter Mr. McCarthy shows that the Irish propose no innovation, that the Act of Umon is, in the historical sense, a thing of the day before yesterday, that in to that time, and almost since the beginning of England's connection with Ireland, Ireland had always her own Parliament sitting in Dublin, how gradually its independence was undermined, a second chapter showing how eventually that Parliament was taken from her-ground tolerably familiar to all students of Irish history. "It may be asked," Mr. McCarthy anticipates, "Why tell us all this? Is it not written down in history? Yes, it is written down in history; but we do not all of us read and semember everything that is written down in history, especially in the history of Ireland," and lest his readers should think he unreasonably disparages their degree of familiarity with all the facts of Irish history, he tells them of something that happened during a recent debate on the Irish question in the House of Commons. "Mr. Gladstone was making a speech, and in its course he referred to something done by the Irish Parhament before 1782,-the year when Poynings' Act was repealed, and the independence of the Irish Parliament was restored. A law official of the present government, a man of eloquence and capacity, interrupted Gladstone with the words, 'There was no Trish Parliament before 1782. Mr. Gladstone paused like one thunder-stricken. Does the honourable and learned gentleman,' he asked in amazement, 'really mean to deny that there was an Irish Parliament before placent answer I believe the honourable and learned gentleman was speaking in full sincerity. I believe he honestly did not know that there ever was an Irish Parliament before the days of Grattan and the volunteers. Why should he know? How should he know? Of course he was not likely to read Irish history or Irish newspapers. His predecessor in the same office, actually, under a liberal government, once declared in the House of Commons, with look of lordly contempt, that he never read Irish

with look of lordly contempt, that he never read Irish newspapers. "The man," says Mr. McCarthy, "who does not want to be a Home Ruler must not read Irish history. That may be taken as an axiom."

The demand for Home Rule then is not a novelty: an Irish Parliament, whatever it might mean, would not be in innovation—these two facts being beyond dispute Ir. McCarthy comes to another consideration. Is there in in the interest in

colonies govern themselves, the South Mrican Colonies have their representative systems. These Colonies, it may be said, are too far away from England to be any danger to her should a turbulent spirit ever arise. "I should say," observes Mr. McCarthy, "that in the case of Canada at least, the distance from England greatly increases the danger, as was felt pretty keenly in English political circles during the progress of the dispute about the "Alabama claims," But let of that pass there are instances of home-ruled commun. 10 not far away from England, the Channel Islands, peopled by a French popul lation, and within gun-shot almost of the English shore, and the little Isle of Man, which is also allowed to manage its affairs in accordance with its own traditions. Nothing is ever heard of them in the Imperial Parliament. If, then, there are so many home ruled communities aiready ander the English Crown what reason is there why one other Home Rule community should not be added to the number, since in every one of these self governed communities, Home Rule has either kept up, or created for the first time, prosperity, peace and content? Mr. McCarthy, in this connection, has something to say about Canada when Home Rule was demanded for Canada. It was undoubtedly an innovation, he says, an experiment. What was the condition of Canada? The same antagonisms of race and of creed were found in Canada that people bewail and lament in Ireland. Canada, like Ireland, was governed virtually from Westminster. The Governor-General's offices were for Canada what Dublin Castle is for Ireland. And what was the consequence? "The French-Canadian detested the English, and the Scotch Canadian; the Catholic hated the Protestant, and the Protestant hated the Catholic. All were agreed on one point and one point only-detestation of the centralized system of government. Lower Canada went into rebellion; Upper Canada went into rebellion. The English Government struck a rare stroke of good luck. They sent out as commissioner to restore Canada to order, a statesman and a man of genius, Lord Durham. Lord Durham's name has been curiously forgotten in our time. His work survives him, and the prosperity of the Dominion of Canada is his monument. I can hardly forgive the people of Quebec for having changed the name of "Durham Terrace" to "Dufferin Terrace." Lord Dufferin is a Lord Dufferm is a man of great ability, varied accomplishments, and charming manners, and he did a great deal for Quebec. say he would be a much more agreable man to dine with than the hot-tempered and overbearing Lord Durham. But Lord Durham was a man of genius, and the Dominion of Canada is a trophy of his genius. Lord Durham saw that there was but one remedy for the ills of Canada, and that remedy was Home Rule. He saw that the only possible way of governing a country in which there are different races, different religions, different habits, and different traditions is on the principle of what we may call, for lack of any better expression, the federal system of govern-ment. He laid the foundation of that system in the Canada of his time, and his scheme provided for the expansion of the system into the Canada of our time. He found Canada distracted by intestine dissensions and hatreds, unprosperous, retrograding, in bitter enmity with the parent country, a source of weakness, and even of shame, to England. What is Canada now? A peaceful and prosperous country, growing and expanding in resources and in strength every day, a country which never gives England a moment's trouble. If England could only, at any time within the last ten or a dozen years, have sent us in Ireland a Lord Durham! If only she had the Lord Durham to send! "Lord Caernarvon, the author thinks, might have been a Lord Durham -only he was not. He believes that he had all the goodwill, all the warm wish, but that even if he wanted nothing else, he wanted "the imperial imperious mind of Lord Durham.

Mr. McCarthy mentions, as a curious circumstance in connection with the events which transpired in Canada, that the debates in Parliament on Lord Durham's proposals, and the objections that were made to his plans by opponents, might be quoted, word for word, as speeches made by Conservatives, or secessionist Liberals, against

Mr. Gladstone's Home Rule proposals. "If we adopt Lord Durham's plans, we shall leave the loyal minority at the mercy of the disloyal majority; we shall have our Protestant co-religionists at the mercy of Catholic bigotry. It will mean, it is meant to mean, the separation of Canada from England. The really respectable and intelligent people of Canada are all against it; only the sedition-mongers are in favour of it. It is not really a Canadian movement at all; it is a movement fostered and kept up altogether by supplies of money from the United States. The enemies of England are doing it all, and Lord Durham is only the tool of the enemies of England. Lord Durham's official title was Lord High Commissioner. The Times of that day—very like in fairness and intelligence to the Times of this day—used to make it a practice to call him 'the Lord High Seditioner.' Glancing at some of those old leading articles lately, I thought how wonderfully like they are to the attach...nich the Times makes every day on Mr. Gladstone."

From the Times denouncing Lord Durham to the Times denouncing Mr. Gladstone would seem to a political Rip Van Winkle but the transit of a moment. Having fallen asleep while the Times was cursing the pacificator of Canada, he might well believe, were he to wake up at the present moment and hear the Times droning over Mr. Gladstone, that it was the same old jade of an hour ago gon σ on

We have not been able to do more than introduce our readers to Mr. McCarthy's excellent and very instructive volume, and must defer a further review of it until later. One chapter on Ulster and the Protestant minority is of especial importance. As John Boyle O'Reiny has said in his preface to the book, "the story of this movement and party is told by the proper hand when Justin McCarthy is the historian. He is part of it and a large part, and he has the trained quality of the objective seer; so that his word, always dispassionate and considerate, has double and lasting value."

THE CATHOLIC PRESS AND THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

"The Catholic press is conducted with the view of aiding the progress of religion and the Church. It is not a mere increey making enterprise, as some persons seem to imagine." Thus speaks 2 cading Catholic newspaper in a recent issue. We are told what the Catholic press is, or ought to be—the handmaid of religion and the Church. It is clear that the Catholic press should ever have in view the highest, best interests of our people; should be, in its proper sphere, their guide and teacher, should aim to make them nobler men and women, better citizens, better Christians; should propose as the gol oaf their ambition no low or even mediocre plane in the social intellectual, or moral order, but, with Sursimic orda as its motto, should help them ever onward and upward, should help them to be all that makes a people truly great.

Now, what is in this country to day the greatest obstacle to "the progress and development of religion and the Church?" What debases the Church in the eyes of so many non Catholics, and keeps thousands of them out of her fold? What causes the hurch to mourn over the loss of tens of thousands of the children whom God gave unto her? What is dragging so many of our people down lower and lower, corrupting and degrading them, ostracizing them from all that it good and great? Drunkenness! Drunkenness!

Can, then, the Catholic whose vocation or profession has made him a leader of his brethren have a nobler aim, a sub-limer mission than the removal far from them of this scandal, this shame, this curse? Can any Catholic be said to be a lover of his Church and of his brethren who looks on a silent and practically indifferent spectactor of the great and growing evils brought upon the Church and her children by drunkenness? Surely he cannot. What, then, must be said of the Catholic teacher who does worse than sit a silent and indifferent spectator of these evils—who does all in his power to increase them? What must be said of Catholics journalists who, by opening their adv. rtising columns to the sellers of intoxicants, directly promote the liquor trade and, at least

indirectly, encourage drunkenness? Are they, in aiding liquor traffic, "aiding the progress and development of goin and the Church?" They are not! Are they faith! their mission as guides and teachers of our people? They not! Does their course help to make those over whom influence is so powerful nobler men and women, better cuts better Christians? No! Does the presence of promision displayed cuts of whiskey barrels in widely circulated Caure newspapers help their readers, young or old, to be what Catholics of this country ought tobe, a sober, intelligent, the minded people, a credit to the nation and the glory of Church? No! a thousand times no!

It will be said that the sale of intoxicating liquors has a been condemned by the Church, and that hence it care be wrong for a Catholic newspaper to advertise a busine the itself not unlawful. But the Catholic journalist knows the that the business of liquor-selling, while in itself not unlar has been, for most excellent reasons, pronounced by the Fathers of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore a darking the standard council of Baltimore and that Catholics engages and that Catholics engages and that Catholics engages are standard to the council of Baltimore and that Catholics engages are standard to the council of Baltimore and the catholics engages are standard to the catholic engages ous and unbecoming business, and that Catholics engaged it are exhorted to seek some other means of making a hold hood. Since, then, our bishops thus discountenance liquor traffic is he showing the liquor traffic, is he obeying the spirit of their instructions encourages this unbecoming and dangerous traffic by adv tising it? Does not the intelligent, thinking Catholic ed: know the harm done the Church by this disgusting mingt of rum and religion—the scandal it gives, the contempTo brings upon us? Does he not know that the logical, in it table outcome of such base commingling is the social, intelipoi tual, and moral debasement of our people? When or warn was the saloon or the liquor store the nursery of noble thought of glorious deeds? The reading of a recent number of certain well-brown Catholic newspaper furnishes much blac for thought. In one place the editor quotes approvingly in eff. a contemporary these strong, honest words: "There is early a thing as Catholic public opinion, whose interest must the brought into play in advancing the social, moral, and religion condition of the Catholic community. Unless Catholic or are ion is courageous enough to perceive and admit evils or. I which it has control and responsibility, no progress will erow be made. We shall go on electing saloon-keepers to offic app filling the prisons and almshouses with an undue proport and of our race and creed; tolerating scandals which write sur down among our fellow citizens, and submitting to me apporting other evils. The Caholic newspaper must take the property place in the van of Catholic public opinion," etc. In another column we read an account taken from the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the Catholic public opinion of the New York Mere University of the New York M of a disgraceful occurence which took place very recently bot New York. Four men, returning in a cab from a funeral the Calvary Cemetry, patronized saloons often enough en routet yo become very drunk. Soon a free fight, damaging the coofriago and its occupants, set in. The frightened cabman la so sufficient presence of mind to drive the party to a police station, where four policemen were needed to haul out at separate the drunken brutes. "This," adds our editor by wi mit of comment, "is not unusual—but it does not often get r Me our papers." Throughout the same journal the question. dee Catholic education is constantly coming up in one form and other, and always is the highest Catholic ground taken, as of the in particular is great stress laid udon the necessity of place the before our children school books distinctively and unmistal ably Catholic. Yet, strauge as it may seem, this lander high-toned Catnohe journalism, this dent user of abus. Regrowing out of the overuse of flowers or of whiskey is funerals, this champion of truly Catholic education is at the Catholic educati same time a promoter of the liquor traffic—that low traff. which is sapping the very foundation of honour and manlines among us; which is the parent of most of the scand s ac abuses that we so bitterly deplore, and which is responsible in for the dense ignorance of so many children born to Catholic international control of the contro parents. For among the most important advertisements a this paper is the card of a firm of wholesale liquor merchand embellished with the emblematic "barrol." This card, after calling attention to a certain brand of whiskey, winds up will charming simplicity in this unique fashion: We have many testimonials from the clergy and leading physicians as to the fineness of this whiskey." 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aiding prituality! What a spectacle to angels and to men! faith! What a reading lesson for the Catholic child!

Another of our most prominent Catholic newspapers which The. Another of our most prominent Catholic newspapers which nom also displays "illustrated" whiskey advertisements, was sever control and justly taken to task not long since by a sectarian omnetourial for the inconsistency of its course as a professedly Caureligious publication in fostering the liquot traffic. In still what another Catholic journal, the only one published in a large ent, ind important diocese of this country, we find side by side the ry of advertisement of a new prayer-book and the advertisements of whiskies, brandies, otc. What a mingling of the spiritual has a mind spirituous, of riety and punch! Is it surprising that such nas and spirituous, of riety and punch! Is it surprising that such it careligious papers scaudalize many, even among Catholics, and sime they are ashamed to put them in the hands of non-ows Catholic friends? We have been told that the Catholic press in in the many of the catholic press of the catholic friends? Why do they not dead the spirit of the instruction of our bishops? Why do they not, for the sake of a line feet our teachers live up to their teachings. Let our leaders one march in the vauguard.—Rev. M. F. Foley in Bultimure Mirror.

CORRESPONDENCE.

cmu To the Editor of the Catholic Weekly Review. ntel pointing out the need of more systematic exertion for the warpromotion of temperance. I hope most fervently, now that oughttention has been called to it, that Catholics will unite and er do something in a practical way to remove the imputation of the flack of interest in the cause, to which their want of organized y facility in its promotion has heretofore exposed them.

The Catholics of the United States form the vanguard of ust the temperance army, their "Total Abstinence Union" being ligican association numbering hundreds of thousands, among whom or are many of the foremost Catholics, both clerical and lay. s or I find in their circular the following approbation from our ll er own Archbishop. "His Grace desires to express his high offic appreciation of your noble efforts in the cause of temperance, orthind to wish you every success." It would surely be no prete sumption to say that an equally encouraging measure of ms approbation would be extended to any Canadian organization rop which would enter the field, in the right spirit, with the deoth termination to do for Canada what the American C. T. A. Rec. Union has done, and is doing, for the Catholics in the neightly boaring Republic. It remains, therefore, for the people al . themselves to take action; but especially is it the duty of the thet young men to take the initiative in a cause, with the success oc of which their own future, both materially and spiritually, is in so intimately connected. Let them, therefore, take action, dia and they will not want the support of those who in former an years laboured zealously in the same cause, and who still, if I wi mistake not, hold a charter by the name of the "Father tr Mathew Temperance Society," under which, if it were not demed necessary a new organization could be formed. Fail-1 cing in this, the hearty co-operation of many of the members at of the old organization could doubtless be relied upon under cin: the organization of the well known, and in Britain, deservitatedly popular "League of the Cross," which, under the fostering of H. E. Cardinal Manning, and the British and Irish use Episcopato, has accomplished an incalculable measure of This latter society has already been introduced into the Cosada; among other places at Guelph, by the Rev. Jesuit

ola inary meeting in St. Basil's Parish. But this small beginning in will, I hope, at no distant day develop into a widely extended nt. organization, throughout the whole city, to be followed in the by its introduction into every parish in the Archdiocese in the province.

Yours,

J. C.

Rev. Father Filiatre, D.D., of the College of Ottawa, in Thursday, 15th inst., his subject being The Beauty of Literature,

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Is there a land in all the great round earth In which thy name's unknown, O Gracious Saint? Thy people praise thee; wild, strong March winds faint Beneath the burden of a pious mirth, In memory of thee. Where the sad complaint Of yesterday? To-day our preachers paint Thy glory, truth-bearer. Hope takes new birth; Old tales of Ireland light the dullest hearth. Greater than Israel have thy people been; Greater than Moses, gracious Patrick, thou; For greater sorrows have no people seen, And so resigned did no people bow Unto God's will, which, changing all Springs green, Leads them to Spring through Fall and Winter now.

Maurice F. Egan, in Donahoe's Magazine.

CANADIAN CHURCH NEWS.

Bishop Dowling, of Peterboro, has sent a letter to Archbishop Lynch, endorsing the action taken by him on the School Trustee Ballot question.

Grand Vicar Langevin, of Quebec, has received an official communication from Rom, of his elevation to the dignity of an apostolic prothonotary.

The Abbe Tanguay will return from Rome with the well-deserved title of Monsignor. He has been appointed an Honorary Private Chamberlain to His Holiness the

The Rev. Father McVey, late of Fenelon Falls, has been appointed by his Lordship Bishop Dowling rector of St. Peter's cathedral and chancellor of the diocese of Peterborough.

It is stated that the Rev. L. W. Begin, principal of the Laval Normal School, Quebec, will be appointed to the bishopric of Chicontimi, Que., left vacant by the death of Bishop Dominique Racine, and that he will be replaced in the Normal School by the Rev. J. O. K. Laslamme.

Bisnop Cleary, of Kingston, in a letter, severely denounces the blackguardly conduct of the Italian soldiers during the progress of the Pope's jubilee festivities. The prelate states that they shamefully neglected the com-monest precautions, and took advantage of their position to insult every grade of ecclesiastics while the extraordinary crowds were waiting in front of St. Peter's and the

The second volume of the Mandements of the Bishops of Quebec has appeared. It contains the pastorals and other Episcopal orders of Bishops Pontbriand, Briand, D'Esglis, Hubert, and Denant (1741 to 1886). The Courier of St. Hyacinthe says that these le ters are, apart from their religious character, of great historical interest—showing how the clergy has identified itself with the national progress and development. The third volume will be published during the coarse of the year, and will contain the letters of the great Bishop Plessis.

On Sunday last at St. Michael's Cathedral the Rev. Fathers Kenny and Jones, S.J., of Montreal, began a mission which will be continued for two weeks, and which will close on Palm Sunday. The sermons on Sunday in the morning were preached by Father Kenny, and in the evening by Father Jones, to very large congregations. Next week the sermon will be preached by Father Kenny each evening. The attendance during the first week, despite the cold weather, has been very large, and as the Fathers have said, truly edifying. The Rev. Father Kenny, whose great gifts as an orator are well-known, is a son of Sir Edward Kenny of Halifax, and Father Jones a cousin of Professor Jones of Trinity College Toronto.

CATHOLIC AND LITERARY NOTES.

Cardinal Czacki died at Rome on Sunday last, of M'Evilly,

nonneed for the 19th inst.

Dr. Giles, the vice-rector of the English College at The Abbe is maki Rome, has been appointed rector in succession to Dr. interesting subject. O'Callaghan.

By a special decree, the Pope has granted a plenary it. indulgence once a month to those who recite each day the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin.

Hebrew scholar, and takes the text of St. Matthew from Freeman's Journal.

that ancient language. Sir Oliver dedicates his exha tive work to His Grace of Tuam, the Most Rev.1

The Abbe H. R. Casgrain has gone to London fort A consistory to nominate a number of bishops is an purpose of completing in the British Museum, the history cal researches which he has been making in the Archiof the Minister of Marine in Paris on the Acadians. T. The Abbe is making a collection of documents on a

The rumour that the Most Rev. Archbishop Willia: would be created a Cardinal has a great deal of truth The Holy Father, as we learn from very reliat authority, under date of January 26th, was much a pressed by the Archbishop's wisdom and modesty, and expressed himself, after the visit of Archbishop William Sir Oliver Burke is engaged in a work, "Parallelism in the most complimentary terms. It is confidential of the Four Evangelists." Sir Oliver is said to be a good predicted that Boston will receive the next red hat



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