

OUR CURBSTONE OBSERVER

"PREJUDICES" AND THE "DAILY WITNESS"

I have always observed that, like bad weeds, long standing prejudices are most difficult to eradicate.

As though he was settled there as a permanent institution, he does not seem to have any definite status.

This incident came back to my mind on reading a small editorial that appeared in a recent issue of the "Daily Witness."

If he were at Ottawa in the interests of the Papal Government, that government would surely supply his needs.

This speaks the Solon of the "Daily Witness"—I mean the Solomon.

He would seem to be in some sense a representative or tribune of the Roman Catholics of Canada.

It is a pity that the English in this choice piece of composition is so clumsy, and that the contradictions are so numerous.

I now come to a very characteristic passage, and one, the seriousness of which will immediately impress itself upon every reader of these observations.

cles, would be called a "corker;" not that it stops up the outpourings of the "Witness," but because it is astounding in its wisdom and grammar.

national character. We may all remember the disgusting wake-scene in the play of the Shaughraun.

I can now see through the whole affair; this last sentence casts a flood of light upon the situation.

Just here we may remark that there is too much encouragement given to such presentations in our own halls, for instance on St. Patrick's night.

CATHOLIC EDITORS ON MANY THEMES.

KEYHOLE CATHOLICS.—"The same Catholics," says the "S. H. Review," "who fight for front seats at some theatrical show are quite content to just barely enter within the doors of the church to hear Mass.

AGAIN ORANGEMEN.—The gentle Orangemen of Belfast, Ire., says the "Boston Pilot," objected to the Mid-night Mass with which the Catholics opened the new century.

ABOUT TENORS.—One of the strangest things about our English musical circles is the marked scarcity of real tenor voices.

The other day in a street car we overheard a few sentences of a discussion on this matter between two men, manifestly Catholics.

STRONG CATHOLIC PAPER.—"The way to have a strong Catholic paper," declares the Pittsburgh "Observer," in its New Year's greeting to its readers, "is for every family to take a copy of it and to pay for it, and for every parish, society and merchant to advertise in it.

INTERESTING PARAGRAPHS.—According to Bartholomew, the population of the world at present is about 1,440,650,000.

SYSTEMS OF NURSING.—There is a suspicion that the training and the inspection and the discipline, etc., of the nurses in hospitals, says the "Sacred Heart Review," do not always instill into their hearts that spirit of kindness, and that sense of the gravity of human life.

THE BARBER'S REVENGE.—An Irishman arrived one evening in Glasgow and was obliged to put up there for the night.

PRIESTLY VOCATIONS.—"The matter of the priestly vocation is always an important one," says the Pittsburgh "Catholic."

THE MISSIIONARY AND HIS WORK.—Under the caption "The Cleveland Apostolate," the January number of "The Missionary," gives the following account of the experiences of a missionary priest.

THE STAGE BLACKGUARD.—Under this very appropriate title "The Catholic Universe," of Cleveland, makes the following timely observations:

According to the Catholic Directory for 1901, there are in the United Kingdom and its colonies and dependencies, 28 Archbishops and 105 Bishops.

The number of archbishops and bishops now holding office in the British Empire is 168.

The same authority estimates the Catholic population of the United Kingdom at nearly five millions and a half.

During the 19th century there have been six Popes, Pius VII. was Pope from 1800 to 1823; Leo XII. from 1823 to 1829; Pius VIII. from 1829 to 1830; Gregory XVI. from 1831 to 1846; Pius IX. from 1846 to 1878 (the longest Papal reign on record); Leo XIII., still gloriously reigning in the 90th year of his age, was elected Pope—the 257th in succession from St. Peter—on February 20th, 1878.

It costs, says the New York "Herald," \$618,000 a year to maintain the parochial schools of Manhattan, and the hospital and orphanage work, absorb the gifts of Catholic communicants, during the ten years from 1890 to 1900 they had completed 264 edifices devoted to religious uses in the archdiocese of New York, or more than two a month.

Mrs. John W. Mackay has contributed about \$4,000 to prevent the sale of St. Joseph's Church for English and American Catholics in the Avenue Hoche, Paris, which had been seized by the French Government for unpaid taxes.

CATHOLIC JOURNALISM.

Rev. James H. O'Donnell, of Watertown, Ct., makes a convincing plea for Catholic journalism in the Catholic "Transcript," of Hartford. He writes:

THE THORN COMES FORTH WITH POINT FORWARD. The thorn point of disease is an ache or pain. But the blood is the feeder of the whole body. Purify it with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla

EARTH AND

Early in 1899 burning question cremationists are in a hurry to get out of a certain class of the cremationists.

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EARTH BURIAL And CREMATION.

Early in 1898 Wellington had its burning question, when the local crematoriumists agitated for the erection of a crematorium by the rate-payers of the Empire City.

The subject has been debated in all the moods and tenors from the days of Julian the Apostate down to Sir Henry Thompson and Ericsson.

The legal objections to cremation have never been satisfactorily answered. Briefly, it would put a premium on crime by destroying evidence such as has, over and over again, brought to justice poisoners like Mrs. Webster, Mary Anne Cotton, and others such.

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FATHER FARRELL DEAD. Rev. Patrick Farrell, of Peterborough, Ontario, died at the Mater Misericordiae Home on Sydney street, last week, after a comparatively brief illness.

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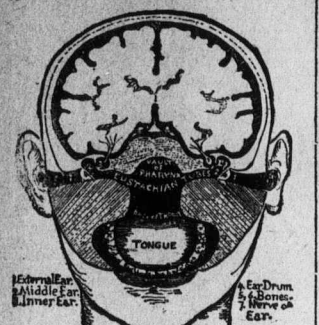
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THE NEW BISHOP OF PORTLAND. At the last meeting of the Congregation of the Propaganda, the Rev. Father M. C. O'Brien was appointed Bishop of Portland, Me.

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NOTICE.

The testamentary executors, administrators, fiduciary legatees, under the testament of the late Charles Theodore Viau, in his lifetime manufacturer of Montreal, will apply to the Legislature of Quebec, at its next session, for an act authorizing them, in so far as may be necessary, to effect a loan, the proceeds of which shall be used, amongst other purposes, towards facilitating the establishment of purchasers on the property belonging to estate Viau at Maisonneuve and Longue Pointe.

NOTICE.

The testamentary executors of the F. X. BEAUDRY estate will petition the Quebec Legislature, at its next session, to be authorized to mortgage certain immovable property.

NOTICE.

It is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at next session thereof, for an Act to incorporate 'THE LAURENTIAN ASSURANCE CORPORATION' for the purpose of carrying on the business of Fire and Marine Assurance, and having its chief office in the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec.

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QUEEN VICTORIA IS DEAD.

On Tuesday last the general public hourly expected the news that England's great sovereign—the universally lamented Queen Victoria—was dead. Thousands, however, proceeded with their accustomed avocations, simply giving an occasional thought to the important events just then transpiring at Osborne. When the news of the not wholly unexpected event reached Montreal, the Archbishop gave orders that, from four until five in the afternoon, the bells of all the Catholic churches would toll a solemn knell. Exactly at four o'clock the first strike of the great "Bourdon" went forth upon the winter air to summon all the other bells to join in this universal tribute. As the thunder knell rolled its mighty waves of sound abroad, like the booming of a "minute-gun" at sea, the attention of even the most busy was arrested, and with electric rapidity all eyes turned towards the picture that imagination traced of the dead Queen. It was the voice of the bell that stirred into activity the thousands heretofore oblivious of all that was taking place. Its brazen tongue proclaimed, in a language understood by the children of every race, the sad news: "The Queen is dead."

son, and other near relatives, but she was also terribly anxious over the condition of the Empress Frederick, who was ill with a painful cancer. The Queen has taken almost a morbid interest in the medical details of this case, and had insisted upon having constant reports of it.

King Edward VII.—The new Sovereign arrived in London on Wednesday, and met the members of his Privy Council. Before taking the oath, he addressed the assembled councillors in a brief speech. His Majesty spoke as follows:—"Your royal highnesses, my lords, and gentlemen—

FROM THE BENCH.—Another sympathetic and beautiful tribute was that of our esteemed fellow-countrymen, Hon. Mr. Justice Curran. He said:—

It seems rash and presumptuous, to pronounce hurriedly, upon the life and influence of a Sovereign, whose reign has extended over so long a period of time, and has compassed so many events of first importance to mankind. All historians will attest how admirably she has acted as a constitutional ruler, but her place will be perpetuated in the affections of the people by her qualities as a good and noble woman, a model mother. To us in Canada, her name will ever be connected with the transition from a state of armed rebellion in the early days of her reign, to one of devoted loyalty through the concession of Home Rule. Richly endowed with generous impulses, she instinctively found her way to the hearts of her people. When the Canadian Prime Minister, Sir John Thompson, lay dead at Windsor Castle, her tribute to his virtues, by placing with her own hand a wreath upon his coffin, was a public recognition of great services faithfully done; but her kiss upon the tear-stained cheek of his little orphan daughter won every heart.

ARCHBISHOP OF QUEBEC.—On learning of the death of the Queen, Mgr. Begin, Archbishop of Quebec, sent the following despatch to the Governor-General—

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Naturally Victoria imbibed in her youthful days some of the prejudices of her time. To her credit these did not increase or harden with advancing years. They softened and almost disappeared. Her visit a short time ago to a certain young woman...

STANLEY CUP.—The president of the S.A.A.A., Mr. Harry McLaughlin, and his fellow directors, gave the directors of the Arena a little lesson in a business way which will do them considerable good. It appears the high and mighty gentlemen who compose the Arena management wanted to dole out to the two clubs, the Shamrocks and Winnipeg, who are to compete for the Stanley Cup, the usual "small end," as the boys call it in sporting parlance.

OBITUARY.—MICHAEL CULLINAN—This week we have to record the death of an old resident of Montreal in the person of Mr. Michael Cullinan, brother of Mr. Andrew Cullinan and uncle of Rev. Father Cullinan, of Lachine Church. Deceased was well known in the circles of our fellow-countrymen, and was esteemed for his kind, warm, and cheerful nature. He mourns his loss. To the family the "True Witness" tenders its most respectful condolences.—R.I.P.

LAI TO REST.—The remains of Ontario's foremost Catholic layman were laid to rest on Saturday last in the Queen City in the presence of hundreds of men prominent in all classes and creeds.

BRANCH NO. 10.—In spite of the inclemency of the weather, a large number of the members of the Branch and visiting brothers assembled at the regular meeting of Branch No. 10, C.M.B.A. (Quebec Grand Council), to assist at the installation of officers, and do honor to that staunch C.M.B.A. officer, Bro. Flannery, Supreme Deputy. It is evident that our Supreme President is up-to-date in appointing Bro. Flannery to the important position he now occupies, as it would be hard to find a more earnest worker in the ranks of the C.M.B.A. Branch No. 10.

BRANCH NO. 252.—The opening progressive euchre party and social of the 20th night, under the auspices of Branch 252, Grand Council of Canada, will be held in Drummond Hall on Friday evening, February 2, 1901.

THE MERCHANTS' GRATITUDE.—The following story is taken from the "Catholic Columbian"—

NOTES ABOUT ATHLETICS.—SHAMROCKS LOSE.—The boys have lost another match, this time to the Vics. It seems a very serious outlook for the coming struggle for the Stanley Cup.

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