



Our Weekly Sermon

THE DUTY OF THE GAEL.

By Father Kane, Glasgow.

At the recent opening and golden jubilee of the cathedral in Glasgow Rev. Father Kane preached the following glowing sermon...

THE DUTY OF THE GAEL.

Have you ever stood by the shore of the sea to watch the breaking waves of the morning tide? Slowly, yet surely, they came. Slowly they rose, and burst with thundering shock or gentle splash, then sank down away with a roar round the rocks...

CALLS ITS SINS BY PRETTY NAMES.

It lads its cynicism in pretty phrases. It is, to the core, bad, without virtue, without honor, without law, without God. Yet it speaks as if the refinement, the beauty, the gentleness, and the kindness of Christianity were creations of its own...

The Gaelic Tongue

The Revival and Cultivation of the Gaelic Language.

All true friends of Ireland will rejoice at the effort that is being made, to revive and cultivate the Gaelic tongue not only in Ireland itself, but in Canada and the United States...

LOVE OF THE NATIVE LAND.

The assurance of their faithfulness to it, the subdued and gentle assertion of indomitable courage; 'I may need to be told to stand, but if I do, Craig Eilachie does.' You could not but have felt had you passed beneath it at the time when so many of England's dearest children were being defended by the strength of heart of men born at its foot...

ORANGE LOYALTY

How the Brethren stood at the Queen's Coronation. It may surprise some people to-day to be told that once Queen Victoria was the object of a plot to deprive her of the throne. Curiously enough, the arch conspirator was the Duke of Cumberland. He was the fifth son of George III, a man so despised by the bulk of the nation that there was great rejoicing when he left England to rule over Hanover...

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mentary debate, and it must have shocked the ears of the Speaker to hear himself addressed in a practically unknown tongue, and he seemed to have no alternative but to suppress the hardihood of the bold member who introduced it. But all the same, the incident will let the world see that there is yet extant a genuine Irish language, and genuine Irish members of Parliament who can speak it fluently and are rather proud of the venerable and expressive form of speech which flourished in Ireland before the footsteps of the foreign invader had desecrated the cherished soil of Erin...

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THE PREMIER'S OBJECTS.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that frequent attempts had been made to have the present divorce law changed, but they had not been pushed with any great vigor. Evidently public opinion was not in favor of having Divorce Courts in Canada. It might be that the facility with which divorces were granted in the United States had produced a contrary sentiment in Canada. The number of divorces in this country had been few. Even in New Brunswick, which had a Divorce Court of its own, the number was less than one a year. He would not see that it would be advisable to depart from the policy of the past. The present system might be embarrassing and difficult, but it had the advantage of not favoring divorce. He preferred to belong to a country where divorces were few and difficult to obtain rather than to a country where they were many and made easy by law...

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THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1901.

THE ENGLISH CHURCH.

The President of Wycliffe College in this city, Dr. Sheraton, is giving a series of lectures upon various subjects. The theme for last week was "The True Position of the English Church."

source of authority in the Church. To minimize his power, to try and make Christ's Church episcopal in opposition to papal, and still more to secularize the Church is to undermine its Catholicity and destroy its unity.

THE DOUKHOBORS

The Doukhobors whom Canada imported from Southern Russia a couple of years ago are not proving to be desirable citizens. They raised the cry of Russian tyranny and religious intolerance; they stirred up the feelings of the Canadian people with their appeals against the religious persecutions that they were undergoing in the land of the Czar.

objection was to the marriage law. O! this point they say: We cannot accept such a law for we believe that it also breaks the law of God. We cannot believe that a marriage can become legal because it is recorded in a police register and a fee of two dollars paid for it; on the contrary, we believe that such recording and payment annuls marriage and breaks up its real legality.

in with regard to them, their success was unparalleled. We have not seen a single report of rowdiness of any kind in any place. The Catholics of Irish descent in Canada are to be congratulated upon the truly Catholic spirit in which they celebrated the day. It is a pleasure to note that this great Saint is honored as he should be—as a Saint of our Holy Church—and not as the leader of a faction in political affairs.

mystical, unreal and fatalistic. His system paved the way for Hegel, Strauss and Schopenhauer. It would be an evil day for our country if the formation of a University were to fall into the hands of a Canadian Fichte. There is little fear; for whilst the trend of German philosophy is ultra spiritualistic, that of English philosophy is ultra materialistic.

THE UNIVERSITY DEPUTATION. A deputation consisting of graduates of the University of Toronto met Premier Ross and the other members of the government on Wednesday, the 13th inst. The University's case was very well presented by Dr. Reeve, President of the Alumni Association. After pointing out that the material progress depended upon the character and efficiency of education in the Province, and that this efficiency largely hinged upon the University, he laid bare the unsatisfactory state of the University's finances—So unsatisfactory are they, he said, that deficits are rolled up every year, and the University itself is hampered in its work, especially as regards the scientific departments.





The Revolt of Mary Hennessey.

"Mary," said Mrs. Bolton, as she came into the kitchen where Mary Hennessey was ironing, "have you heard of the new book that everyone is talking about, 'In His Steps'?"

They were wrinkled and gray with experience and had made their own custom by humoring their wealthy patrons. They had to dress extravagantly too, and Mary wondered if after all they could save anything for the lonely old age that was hurrying on so fast.

Mary tried to be hopeful and she was always cheerful, but she found herself wondering wearily if her life was to go on forever in the same way, no seclusion, no peace, no comfort.

Mary finished her work, and hurrying to her room burst into tears. "Isn't that too bad," she sobbed, "to have to go with hard feelings after all these years? She has always been so kind, too, and maybe I said too much, but good heavens, how could I stand it?"

pleasent. There is surely something radically wrong with our lives. Only yesterday we pledged ourselves to do as Christ would do if he were on earth, and to-day we all come here to do our utmost toward the enactment of a measure anything but Christ-like.



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CANON WELCH ON DIVORCE

The Anglican Divine Opposes Dissolution of Marriage.

The subject of divorce, which is becoming more and more important in the light of modern social conditions, was dealt with by Canon Welch at the Lenten noonday service in St. James Cathedral.

All this had occurred, however, eight years before the day of Mary's conversation with her mistress concerning "In His Steps."

General News.

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

ST. MICHAEL'S.

Synopsis of the Archbishop's Panegyric on St. Patrick.

Very large congregations attended the several masses at the Cathedral on St. Patrick's Day. At 10:30 a solemn High Mass was sung...

ST. MARY'S.

LITERARY AND ATHLETIC.

Another evidence of the progress of this society was given on the afternoon of last Sunday at their regular meeting. The executive committee's report furnished those present with every opportunity for debate on matters of interest to the association.

ST. BASIL'S.

The Forty Hours Devotion was begun in St. Basil's Church on Sunday with a solemn High Mass of Exposition and finished in Tuesday evening.

ST. HELEN'S.

On Saturday last an estimable young lady of this parish passed away at her home on Dufferin street, Miss Rebecca Henderson.

SIS PETER AND PAUL.

The Syrian Society formed last January has been meeting with much success in their efforts toward educating their members.

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE.

The boys of St. Michael's College celebrated St. Patrick's Day with their annual play in the College Hall on Wednesday evening.

The Judge—Mr. Patrick O'Hoolahan. Prosecuting Attorney—Mr. Cornelius Coker. Edward Kelley Prisoner's Counsel—Mr. Benjamin Butler Flynn.

ST. PAUL'S.

At St. Paul's Church the Ancient Order of Hibernians observed St. Patrick's Day by attending the half-past nine o'clock service in a body...

TORONTO'S CONCERTS

Fels Croil—Old Irish Singing Feast.

The Fels Croil of St. Patrick's Eve in Massey Hall was a welcome departure from the usual St. Patrick's concert, and was attended by a thoroughly representative Toronto audience.

THE HIBERNIANS.

On Monday evening Massey Hall again held a large and enthusiastic audience of Irishmen who evidently appreciated good music.

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