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## NOTES.

"Who can wonder at O'Brien's popularity in England and Ireland?" writes Mr. Labouchere, M. P., in the N. Y. Woorld:-"Weak in health and only just out of prison, Where cruelly severe regulations almost killed him, he is again in the breach, ready to dare all and suffer all rather than allow men of the Ponsonby stamp to ruin their tenants without a protest. There is no man living for whom I have more sincere admiration."
-"If all that Wilfrid Blunt says of Mr. Balfour is trueaido certainly the charges are made in plain enough EngJish," says the Chicago Times,-" then Mr. Balfour as Secretary for Ireland is the right man in the wrong place. He should seem to be better equipped and qualified for a managerial position in the infernal regions."

Mr. Blunt has written a sccond letter to the Tin:es res-首ecting the evasiveness of Mr. Balfour's references to his faterients, and respecting also the contemptuous letter of EiMt. Brett, which lately appeared on the subject. As pedants of society, writes Mr. Blunt, Mr. Balfour, and his Fppologist, Mr. Brett, doubtless share the common drawingroom view of the Irish leaders, that they are not genticmen, or persons to be treated as equals, or, indeed, for that wiatter, quite as human beings. "But to me," says Mr. Bliunt, "they are equals and friends. We live in an age anhen the sham battles of Tory and Whig gentlemen are fiving way to the realities of a fight for something more ithain office, and which will be fought without gloves." Mir. Biffour will, when that time comes, take his stand with the Loudon drawing-rooms, as against, Mr. Blunt says, the tupolished democracy, but the mass of the Engliuh voters "iill pay little heed to his social pleadings. "At the worst," © oncludes Mr. Blunt, "I shall bequiteready, if the present fondon world condemns me for my action in Ireland, to make a bundle of my social sins, and setting it, like Chris:
tian, on my back, fly from its drawing-rooms as from a city of destruction."

The project for the erection in Mount Royal Park, Mon. treal, of a colossal statue of the Blessed Virgin is well under way, and a petition on the subject has been presented to the Montreal City Council. The petition bears the sig. natures of Archbishop Fabre, J. J. Curran, \& C., M.P., Judges Gill, Globensky, Jette, Matthiea and Lorenger, of the Supreme Court ; Recorder de Montigny, Sheriff Chauvean, ilessrs. A. A. Thibaudean, J. B. Rolland, Owen McGarvey, J. H. Vilson, Louis Perrault, Alfred Masson, Edward Murphy, J. 13. Durocher, D: and J. Sadlier, and aboutsix hundred nanes of other leading French Canadian citizens. The grand monument, which will be of bronze of about 200 feet high, and which will cost, it is estimated, bet ween $\$ 75,000$ and $\$ 100,000$, will become not only one of the most remarkable sights of the city, but a most precious historical souvenir, serving to recall to future genera. tions the first name given to Montreal, Ville Marie, in honour of the first patroness of the city.

The Orange press of this province needless to say are opposed to the project, but its Orange following have nothing to do with the matter. Therr veneration, of course, is confined to King William.

The death of the Rev. Father Drumgoole, of New York, the founder of the immense Missions for homeless child ren, in New York, who died from pneumonia, in that city, on Wednesday of Holy week, is deplored as a national loss. He was the Don Bosco of America. Statistics compiled up to March, 1885 , showed that 15,730 children had been cared for by the Mission, 6,264 poor persons had received clothing, and over 7,680 pairs of shoes had been distributed. The Mission in Lafayette St. is a great tenstory building. An army of clerks are employed in the counting room and more than 1300 children are sheltered there and at Mt. Loretto. The work of the charity has grown to such proportions that Father Drumgoole's last scheme was to provide for a labour exchange to enable him to get places for the boys from the Mission.
"Credulous, yet shrewd," says a New York paper, "easily imposed upon, but prudent; strong, yet gentle; homely in manners, yet the truest gentleman at heart, Father Drumgoole was a living evidence of that Omnipotence which uses the pure in heart to accomplish his best designs.
"Father Drumgoole's name is famous. His death will be felt as a loss to the whole country. He was a henefactor to all the land. For through this great heart of the country-the city of New York-flows blood which tinges the national life. Father Drumgoole purified this blood. He changed the vicious child of the street into the self-respecting and neighbour-respecting Christian. He was a national benefactor."

## - The Church ia Cumada.

Under this heading will be cullected and preserved all obtainable data bearing upon the history and growth of the Church in Canada. Contributions are invited from those having in their possession any material that might properly come for puldication in this deplartment

## Father louis della vagna, Capuchin.

Pastur Ul: St. Marv's chlekeh, toronto, $1 S_{56} 1857$. (Condensed from a paper tead before the American Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia, February, 1SSS.)
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Conclusion.
The Stations of the Cross used in the church for many years afier Father Lous' death were made by him, so that it is evdent he must have pussessed sume skill as a handicraftsman. From bis vuw of huly poverty nuthing could induce him to swerve. Su firmly did he adhere to that he would only receive contrbutions in muney from his peuple when commanded to do so, and when speaking to the congregation concerning the customary dues, he would point to the unadorned malls of the church, and, telling them that his vor of poverty prevented him from possessing more than was sufficient fur the necessartes of life, would add. "But all that you can spare is required for beautifying the House of the Lord." "The virtue of humilty," it is recorded, "he pracused in the highest degree of peifection." IVe have already seen how, when, years betore, Bishop de Charbonnel first urged upon him to come to Canada, he disclaimed the possession of any talents likely to be of great service to this country.E His whole career was, in fact, one of continuous self-denial. In conversation he never presumed to press bis opmons upon others, and he always preferred to defer to the will of another rather than have his ofn way. "His garments, his plain and simple demeanour, the subdued tone of his actions, the love which he entertaned for the company of the poor and simple, were all so many evidences of a humility which was deeply seated within his breast." Nor was the virtue of obedience less firmly "engrafted in his soul. In all his actions he bowed to the slightest will of his superions. I have been informed by a worthy prest who had many opportunties of observing him, that to such an extent did he carry this virtue, that the winter was far advanced before he permitted himself the comfurt of a fire in his house, simply because he had not asked or recerved pernussion to do so. It was the month of February before he went to Father Soulerin, C.S.B., superior of St. Michael's College and, in the absence of the Bishop, administ:ator of the diocese, to ask if he might have a fire in his house. Father Soulerin, of course, at once commanded him, under obedience, to do so. But this was not all. All the winter through he went about the streets clothed in his coarse habit, and with nothing on his feet but sandals. It does not reyure a very protracted experience of a Canadian winter to appreciate the heroic selfabnegation of the man who cuuld submit himstlf to an ordeal of so trying a nature.

As a preacher, though not what might be called eloquent, he was wonderfully persuasive, and his words went to the hearts of his heare:s. The wonderful saintliness of the man became evident as the roords flowed from his lips. When speaking of our Lord, or of the Blessed Virgin, or of heaven, the angels, or the saints, he would seem to be consumed with the fire of divine love; his whule body would become animated, and his face become as if in an ecstacy. He was gifted also with a spirit of deep contemplation, and at all times and in all places he wore an abstracted countenance, as if continually wrapt in medita tion. He cherishod a partucular devotion to St. Francis, and, on the occasion of his Feast, which falls in October, he had a grand celebration. He had also a great love for St. Anthony of Padua. But his special characteristic, and that which he possessed in common with the greatest of saints, was love for the Holy Mother of Ged. In her he had the greatest confdence, and he was accustomed to say that he had never asked anything of her in vain.

From Father Louis' c nnversation, I am informed by a wellknown religious who knew him intimately, it was easy to gather that he bad been in close fellowship with very holy persons. There was that about him which betokened a deep insight to the spiritual life; and to his profound human learning headded
that which is of a far higher order, a mind well disciplined in the "Science of the Saints."

In this manner was spent the short year of Father Louis' pastorate of St. Mary's Church. His life was a continual round of labours, often of the most exacting character, and of severe acts ot selfmortification. He was never idle, and he was heard once to remark that if he lost a moment of time he would consider himself a thief. His time, he said, was God's, and as such he had no right to squander it. Thoroughly and well did he carry out this, the guiding rule of his life, and when death came to bim it found him literally in harness.

On Friday, March 13th, 1857, he celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, but, feeling unwell from the effects of the dampness of a newly plastered wall in the room in which be rested, he mas forced to retire for the day. On the day following (Saturday) he grew worse and towards evening it became evident that his condition was crutical. The physician who was called in pronounced his illness to be a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs, brou ${ }_{0}$ ht on, no doubt, by ea posure to the severe weather of a Canadian winter. He was imnnediately removed to St. Michacl's Palace, where every possible care and attention was bestowed upon him by the good Sisters of St. Joseph. Notriibstanding their exertions, however, he gradually sank, and on the evening of the 17 ih of March, the Feast of St. Patrick, the glorious Apostle of Ireland, he calmly resigned his soul into the hands of his Creator. The last rites of the Church had been adminustered to him by Rev. Father Mulligan, who was the only person present when he expired. He seems to nave had a presentiment of bis death, and was heard several times to predict it. Shortly before this, a well known physician, a Catholic, had died, and at the requiem mass said for the repose of his soul, a sermon was preached by Rev. Father Lawrence. When Furher Lawrence was about to go into the pulpit for this purpose he was accosted by Father Louis, who had been assisting at the service, with these words: "You are going to preach this man's panegeric now. You will preach my funeral ser mon shorty, and it will be the next one that you uill preach."

On Wednesday his body was laid out and exposed in the cathedral, where his parishioners, and the people at large, were permitted to cast a last look upon him, and to pay that tribute of respect which Catholics never fail to render to the remanns of therr clergy. St. Michael's Cathedral has been the scene of many remarkable events, but it is quite safe to say the spectacle presented during the two days the body of Father Lours remained within its wails was quite unique in its history. Throughout the whole of Vednesday and Thursday the church mas crowided by persons of both sexes and of all ages, who pressed iorward with the greatest eagerness that they might touch if only the hem of the holy friar's garment or the bier on which he lay. And so great was the destre of the people to have some memento of one whom they so dearly luveci, that, as I am assured by cye-witnesses, the coarse, rough gar ment in which he was clothed was literally torn from him. Mang had the pieces of his habit thus secured made untu scapulars with which they were afterward.; invested, and, it seems natural to infer, which they cheristed for many years

Though Father Louis, when not engaged in the active duties of his pastoral office, lived like a recluse, yet his people had seen enough of him to know that he was an unusually holy man. Notwithstanding all his efforts to conceal from them the rigid austerities which he practiced, they had more than a suspicion of them. But it was not until after his death that thep came fully to know and to realize the extent of his mortifications When preparing his body for burial it was found that he had worn a hair shirt, and in addition to this, there was found about his waist, next to the skin, a girdle made of twisted wire, the wire, every here and there, being bent inwards and cut off as if with a pair of plyers, and the barbs thus formed protruded into his flesh. Of these barbs there were thirty seven in all, and this instrument of torture must have been his constant and loving companion formany years, as the skin about the holes thus formed had grown quite hard. A lady, to whom I am indebted for many interesting details concerning Father Louis, had this wire girdle in her possession for many years, and prized nt bighly as a relic, but it was unfortunately lost on occasion of her house being burned down.

After the body bad been exposed to the veneration of the people for two days it was temporarily placed in one of the
cropts of the Cathedral. Here it remained for only a month, when on Thursday, the 23rd of April, it was transferred to St. Mary's Church and placed in the spot where it was found thirty years afterwards. The funeral cortege left the Cathedral at balf-past nine o'clock, and passing at slow and solemn pace through Church and Queen Sts., arrived at St Mary's at cleven o'clock. The Rev. J. M. Bruyère (afterwards Monsignore, and who at upwards of 80 years age died only a short time ago, in the city of London, of which diocese he was Vicar-General) celebrated solemn Mass for the Dead, Rev. Father Lee, of Brock, being deacon and Ker. Father Mulligan of the Cathedral, sub-deacon. The sermon was preached by Rev. Father Walsh (now Bishop of London), and his concluding words are worthy of reproduction here. "You have this day," he said, "given splendid proof of the chain of affections and sympathies that links the priest and people in the Catholic Church. You have demonstrated that the genius of Christianity reigns amongst you and guides your actions, for Christianity has torn down the wall of separation which formerly divided nations and peoples, making of them but one nation and one people. Your late pastor was a Genoese, he was reared beneath the bright skies of Italy; but he was a Christian priest, and as such you have honoured him, thus showing that in uur Church there is neither Jew nor Gentile, Greek nor Barbarian, thus proving that we are all brothers. as being the children of the holy Church whose spouse is Christ. We may conclude its the words of the prayer recited in the mass of this day: ' $O$ God, who hast united various nations in the confession of Thy name, grant that they who are born again by the waters of baptism may have the same faith in their hearts and the same piety in therr actons.' "
I might fittingly conclude with these beautiful and appropriate words of the Bishop of London, but it still remains for me to add a few words about Father Louis' personal appearance. He is described as being rather below the medium height, and of slight, almost attenuated frame. He was never of robust build, but his constant mortufications doubtless made great inroads upon his constitution and hastened bis death. But though small of body, he had a clear eye, and a quick penetrating glance which, it is said, seemed almost to read one's thoughts. His complexion was dark, and he wore his beard long, after the manner of the Capuchin.. He was always conspicuously neat and tidy. I have said nothing about the miracles which he is said to have wrought, and which can, I heleve, be well authenticated, as it is not my province to deal with such matters. Further it would not be proper to antucipate the judgment of the ecclesiastical authorities, who will, no doubt, take such steps as are necessry to preserve what evidence exists on this point.
Thus lived Father I,ouis Della Vagna. and thus he died, literally "a stranger un a strange land." Yet not a stranger, because, bearing in mind the words yuoted above, as a memtor of the great Catholic fanuly he was at home amongst his spintual children of St. Mary's Parish. If he was taken away at the very time when the people of St. Mary's were becoming alive to the possession of the jewel, "set in ats rich casing of ascetic brilliants," which Providence had placed in their midst, yet, to quote once more the words of the Bishop of London, "His memory has remaned amongst them like a sweet fragrance, 'like the good odour of Christ unto God.'"
H. F. Mclntosh.

Toronto, Feby, 16th, 1858.

## MONTREAL GOSSIP.

Even Eaater Sunday can hava its trials. Imagine kneel. ing daring a solemn Benediction Sorvice, just behind a small boy, who would sit well back in his pew aud whose haur was shining and odorous from a generous a! phacation of Castor oil. Such was the fate of your correspondent. And the pretty girl in the pew to my right, with all the bravery of a nem spring costume, the draperios of whech were adjusted with suoh care and skill, suroly her joy was not unmixed, When at the Laudate the fat old woman knoeling beside hor took a firme grip of thoso said draperies, and leauing her wholo weight apon them, slowly and painfally raised hersolf to the perpendicular! That was a ponderfnl old woman. It was Fell for her that ghe was not near any musicians of the intense order. After Mr. Johin-Prumo had been playing for some twenty minutes, with all the fervure of his artust's
soul, and all the skill of his artist's touoh, she gontly raised her timo-worn visage, and whispered to the young lady, whom a cruel fate had placed beeide her, "I think that's the fiddle ?" And sho, besido hor, with all the irony of a stadent of Chopin, softly replied, "I think it is."

The afternoon $t_{\rho}$, given by the ladies of the congregation of the Gesu, was a perfoot buccess. The weather was fine, the attendance large, the musio expuisite and the tea and coffee, and home-made candies apprecisted acoording to their uxoellonoe. This 18 a new feature in ontortainments for rais. ing money for obaritable parposes, and it is a most happy doparture from the wearisome routine of bazaars and ama. teur concorts. "From four o'clook until seven," said the cards of admission, and as the hour of four approachod flocks of handeomely dressed people might be observed wending their way to Hall and Soott's rooms. Almost every one of the leading Catholic families of the city were represonted, with a goodly sprinkling of non.Catholice as well. Charming bovies of littie bolles revelled an the esoiety of their youthfal beanx, who were the generous patrons of the floral bargains, so temptingly offernd in the shape of boltonmeres, while the elder eisters of these incipient connattes managed therr more serious man-slaughter with consummated skill. Here and there might be seen the sprinkling of youthful soions of French nobility, so oommon now in the Oathohe society of Montreal and Quebeo. with their patent leather shoes, and bows expressive of "distingurshed consideration." I must confess, however, that there were amoug the seleot gathering those whose manners
-" Had not that repose,
Which stamps the casie of Vere de Vere."
and those latter were very much disappointed at the style of tea of which they wore invited to partake. A tiny cup of Peloo and a morsel of "Angels' Food," or a mouthful of fragrant soffee beneath a cloud of whipped cream did not satisfy one old deme, who evidently had counted on nothing less than roast goose. However, such as she were ferr, and nearly everybody looked plessed and was pleased. The "homemade candies" sold as if by magio, and no wonder, for they were most danty specimens of fancy confectionery, while as to tho "lome-made cake," it was solight that I think the ladies of the congregation of the Gesu must all use that particular baking porder, lately recommended in the Review. The music furniehed by Miss Sym, Mr. Jehin-Prume and Mr. Wiallard, was simply enchanting, aud was listened to with rapt attention. In fact, nice as overything else was, it is probably owing to the high claes music generously provided by our lead. ing artists, that the afternoon tea was so completo a suocess.

The weather has been, and is, so desporately cold that the Lisater festivitues appear to have boeu ohilled in a measure, yet the photure gallery 18 open, the Academy advertises a most tempting play. Mr. Prume's concert is to come of at the Vindsor, the boys of the Jesuit's Colloge are rehearsing a spirted drama, and a fashonable marriage is announced for the near future, of all of which, more anon.

Old Mortality.
GRECIAN FICTION.
V.

The inhabitants of Asia Minor, and especially the sea-faring Phouncians, or Milesians, had a considerable commercial intercourse with the peninsula of Greece. In another paper, an effort was made to show how those mutual dealings influenced the manners and culture of different nations. Individuals are amenable to almost the same influences as nations. Man is not only social in his natural tendencies, but also directly and peculiarly distingurshed from every other created being in the world, by the possession of a mind susceptible of improvement. But E'rovidence has so moulded him that he cannot stand alone. Men join together in societies from a sense of their own individual incompleteness and insufficiency; for one man is the direct complement of another, and all are units, or elements, of the civil body.

Knowledge is progressive and not conservative. We must constantly forget; we must emancipate ourselves from know.
ledge acquired ; we must cast out old notions, and erobrace fresh ones. Like the sandbar washed by a flowing tide, there is a perpetual increasement and diminution taking place in the memory and in the mind. There is action and reaction, a sort of polarity, or compensation, in this as in other matters; and facts, to be renewed, must be forgotten. Then, in our search for knowledge, we take whatever suits our purpose wherever we can find it, and we stamp it with our own individuality. It is individuality and not originality, in the more elevated meaning of the word, that lends a charm to modern literature. As we prey, so we are preyed upon, if we can boast a single toothsome morsel. All considerations of kindred, friends, and countrymen drop from the mind in the struggle it makes to grasp the collective knowledge of the species. This intellectual reciprocity is the essence of civilization-the golden band that binds the whole human family together. "Knowledge is power," said Lord Bacon, echoing the Bible. For every fact acquired and duly digested, no matter how minute or unimportant it may seem, the individual is lord and master of the hu. man race, to the value of that fact.

But if ever there were an exception to the principle of the dependence of man upon man, and of nation upon nation, it was made by the independent national spirit of Greece. Says Frederick Schlegel, speaking of the Greeks, "I may notice that they are the unly people who can be said to have, in almost every respect, created their own literature; and the exccllence of whose atlainments stand almost entirely unconnected with the previous cultivation of any other nation." Furthermore, whatever was borrowed by the Greeks was improved by their skill; so that, however heterogeneous, or base, the component materials might be, they were smelted in the fire of theirgenius and came forth as pure as bell-metal. Beauty was the idol of the Grecian mind-beauty, that undefined relation between the eye and the object-but this bias made itself most perceptible in the national art only after the State had passed through its period of maturity and was already on the decline.

When we turn from the general civilization of the Greeks to that special division of therr literature which we are endeavouring to discuss, we find they cannot claim the amazing originality which must be granted to them in other branches of this, and in almost all the other arts. There is undoubted evidence that they received their first vague hints of story-telling, if not of story-writing, from their Milesian visitors. The Greeks were delighted with the Eastern tales; they listened to them with avidity; they praised the recounter in unmeasured terms. Withal, the independent characteristics of that democratic nation cropped out in this as in all other matters in connection with the fine arts, albeit at an unusually late stage. Instead of adopting the ingenious stories to which they listened with such delight, or changing them to suit their purposes, they forthwith proceeded to compose free imitations for themselves.
'Iwo of the very carliest Greek stories of which we have any record are "The Hunt of the Calydonian Boar" and "The War of the Seven Chieftains against Thebes." These pioneers must have been followed by many others "of various degrees of excellence," to borrow a phrase of the reviewers. The clash of thought must have educed new thought, while emulation nust have been followed by brisk competion, until the Hellenic soil became fruitful of national fiction. At dength it came to pass that the blind Homer lived and sang, from which fateful moment the fictitious literature of Greece dates its immortality. The " Iliad" and the "Odessy" are the two greatest stories that ever fell from the hands of man; the one drawn from the depths of ancient Indian mythology, and coloured but enriched by the artistic addition of human circumstances; the other calm and peaceful, welling from the tancies and traditions of Phoenician and Greek sea-lore.

Whether considered as a spumous ocean of pure poetry, or as a metrical history, and it is hoth, the ".liad "marks an important epoch in the annals of Western story-telling. Its magnificent allegories also remind us of a bent of the Grecian mind which manifested itself in the production of those delicate inventions. They descrve more attention than can be lent them here; in fact, they merit and would require an entire treatuse to themselves. Let us take a single example, from which we must, perforce, form an opirion of the class. When Achulles pursues Hector around the walls of Troy, while the gods above and the great Father of gods and men are looking anxiously on, the prize for which the race is run is the life of the great

Hector, and with bis death is linked the ruin of a mighty cm pire, the death of many valiant men, and the slavery of innu. merable mothers, maidens, and little children. The Fathe, holds the balance in an imperial hand, with the fate of ethe hero in a separate scale, and, beneath the pressure of inexorabls destiny, the fate of Hector sinks down, to the sorrow of the common Father.

There is a breadth of charity in this splendid allegory which cannot fail to exert a beneficial influence on the heart and mind. Almost all the allegories in Homer are both delightful and instructive; the fable is perfect, the incidents are raised above commonplace, and a useful moral couches under many of them. Success in this species of composition is, perhaps, one of the severest tests to which genius can be subjected, and it was in this department that Homer displayed some of his most dazzling qualities. Well might the laws of Athens prescribe that every fifth year, at the Panathenic festival, the poems of Homer, and of none but Homer, should be publicly recited. For two thousand years Homer was sole emperor of Storyland, his tributary prizices being Eschylus, Euripides, and the Roman, Virgil.
M. W. Casey.

## ENGLISH LETTER.

NOTES ON CORNWALL.
A strange old country is Cornwall, with its moors and mines, and hedgy hills that overlook the sea; pietty and picturesque, with wooded vales twisting away to the shore, which here and there is castle-crowned. Strange too were its ancient people, for they were a different race from the rest of England: they were Celts of the same stock as the Irish and the Welsh; and the reader will find it marked in maps of Saxon times as West Wales. The tin mines of Cornwall were celebrated amongst the Phenicians. But it is not with its subterranean treasures, nor with its scenery, nor yet with the legends of its castles that these notes are concerned, but rather with the remains of our holy religion which are found in the names of places, in church architecture and the memory of the people.

Lonking at a map of Comwall one cannot but be struck with the large number of places called after saints. We have St . German's, St. Austell, St. Ives, St. Blazey, St. Columb and many others, nearly thirty being marked upon some maps.

In the earliest ages there'was considerable intercourse between the faithful of Ireland and those of Cornwall, and St. Patrick himself is said to have visited its shores. Some of those to whom churches were dedicated, although baving the title of Cornish saints, were Irish. St. Breaca, who came over with St. Sennon, an Irish Bishop or, according to others, an abbot who was with St. Patrick in Rome. St. Ives or Hia was an Irisin virgin of the 6th century. The full list of such Cornish saints, of whom no life is published, amounts to over one hundred. Then we have St. Pitan or Kieran, "a member of one of the princely houses of Ireland who quitted his country to spend his day's in solitude in a strange land." He came to Cornwall and established himself as a hermit. He is the patron of those who work in mines and several churches are dedicated to his honour. St. Neot, a monk of Glastonbury Abbey, is another Cornish saint. Aspiring for complete solitude, be left the abbey and withdrew to a hermitage in Cornwall, which had long before been sanctified as the abode of St. Guser, an ancient British saint. Neot was closely related to the royal house of Wesser, and is said by some to have been a brother of Alfred the Great. This is not exact, but he was frequently consulted by the king, whom he urged to establish public schools, "which hai earned for him the tutle of founder of the Universities." St. German, the great French bishop, has given his name to a village of Cornwall.

Launceston, a town in the north of this county, derives its name from Lann or Llann, a church, and means the church of St. Stephen. It is an historic spot. Here was one of the "Castle Terribles" of the father of King Arthur, the brave Gothlois. It was afterwards the residence of the Earl of Morton, the Norman conqueror's half-brother, and "became one of the chief centres of religion and learmong in those Catholic days." It was not an episcopal see, but there was a large priory church dedicated to St. Stephen, which, after Rourishing for some hundreds of years, was seized and broken up by Henry VIII., in 1575 . Queen Elizabeth speculated in
$h$ is and the neigbbouring priory, selling them to Sir Gawin Carew for 60 years and before the lease expired selling the reversion. Several remains of the old priory were unearthed when the North Cornwall railway was built, human bones and, strange enough, leaden pipes for conveying water. Here, in the reign of Elizabeth, was executed the Blessed Cuthbert Mayne, Nov. 29th, 1574, for having said Mass and affirm ing that the Pope, and not the Queen, was the bead of the Church. He was hanged, drawn, and quartered in the market-place. The blessed martyr was a convert and graduate of Oxford. And, strange coincidence, the Rev. Father Langdon, a graduate of Oxford, and convert, opened last Nov. 2gth a chapel which was dedicated to the Blessed Cuthbert Mayne.

But let us take leave of launceston and visit Bodwin, now the county town. That which is now the English parish church was once of course Catholtc, and was in the charge of the Canons Regular of Lateran. In making some changes there lately, they came upon the body of the last proor before the so-called reformation. This was given over to the present prior, for the same order has a house there, established some six years ago. Thus, after three bundred years, the prior had the happiness of restoring the sacred remains of his predecessior to consecrated ground.
Truro, the site of the only English Cathedral built since the reformation (?), is a city of three streets. There was, in the time of England's honour, a church and Dominican convent here. A portion of the church, which was dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, is embodied in the new English Cathedral, which is built upon the same plan and keeps up the name of St. Mary's. It is not yet complete, and though it does not compare with the cathedrals which were built in the days of faith and church art, still it is a very fine specimen of modern architecture. The walls and windows of the old building are still to be seen in the Lady's Chapel. Strange people-the English Church authorities. They open that chapel with a ceremony performed by the Prince of Wales, the head of the Freemasons, and after that they have what they call mass, and what would be mass if their orders were valid. They publish Lenten pastorals, urging the faithful to abstain at least on Wednesdays and Fridays, to be more regular in the extra church services, and more generous in alms.giving. These pastorals are not issued by bishops, but by the clergymen for their own flocks.
I am digressing. A run down to Falmouth, which is a few miles from Truro, and there a walk around the coast will repay any travelier who loves the beautiful. Here is now a rery fine Catholic Church with school and presbytery-all nearing that neatness and taste of which the Catholic churches in England may well be prouci. In the church are two paintings with a history-one a very good one of the Holy Family; the other, the Crucifixion. During the Peninsular war a ship brought the former to Falmouth. The crew beilug hard up sold this picture-it was again sold to a Protestant gentleman, who very kindly gave it to the Catholic Church, deeming that the fit and proper place for such a work of art. The otber, not a good one, bears the marks of war, being riddled with bullets. It once belonged to a Spanish convent, which was plundered, and it still bears evidence of the fight that took place-or it might be the bigotry of some private soldier. Both, strange to say, have found their true resting place, a Catholic Chapel.
I must now stop. When at leisure we shall vist Cornwall again-for there are other spots that bear the footsteps of saints-and then there is Penzance, the home of the Pirates. Vale.

England, March 1888.

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My meditations on the royal largesse of the old seigneurs of Montreal were broken in upon by the porter, who conduoted me into anothor little glass apartment behind the one in which Mr. Giband was distributing alms, and with a beam. ing smile announced "Monseigneur va venir." In a fow moments the bishop of Isle Boarbon stood before me. Monseigneur Soule is a man of probsbly sixty years of age; he is of medinm height and robust build, though by no mesns stont. His grave nad gracious face is shaded by hair of iron greg. Though not procisely what would bo termod a hand-
some man, he has, 80 it seoms to mo, a countenance of ex. ceeding beanty of expression. Ilis cyes are of that bowildoring shade of hazel, not brown, nor blue, vor grey, yet partaking of each of those colours; oyes that merariably donote a sympathotic temperamout and $\delta$ kind heart ; that can tlash with mirth and gliston with tears, or grow shadowy with compasaion whon thoir owuor is called upon to laten to a tale of sorrow. The face of this missionary bishop strikes one ra that of a man formod by nature to soothe, direct and counsel bis loss gifted follow mortals. His voice, which is low, and esceedingly rich, is tingod with the somowhat plaintive oadenco peouliar to natives of the region of the Basses Pyrences. I did not ask Monseigueur Soule his " mpressione of Canads," having a suspicion, amounting to a certainty, that to be "interviewed" openly aud unceservedly wonld not be in accordance with nis Lordshipis adens of the respect due to his episcopal dignity, but he happly rolunteored the remark that be was anchauted with all that he had seen of our country.
In speaking of the churches, I asked him if our Notre Dame, with its capacity for bolding fourtecn thousand porsons, would not compare favourably in point of size with the ohurohes of Paris. I was told that the great churches of Paris, Notre Dame, St. Denis and others, could contain as many and even nore than our Notre Dame, and that rithout he aid of gallories, those blemishes in so many of our Canatdian sanctuaries. The services of Monseignear Soule in Notre Dame are attended by vast crowds. It is quite impossible for a atranger to oltain a seat; indoed, the oure of the church says that if they had twice as many pews they could rent them easily.

On the Friday afternoon ou whet I found myself ascending the steps leading to Notre Dame, I was lucky in meeting a friend, who gave me a seat in his pow. Such a crowd as was gathered together! (lld mou and old women, young men and maidens-and bosides these a goodly number of comely matrons that would not come under cithor heading.
Do you know the church of Notre Dame with its rich oarving, massive atatuary and gay colouring, happily sub. dued by the

Storied windows richly dight
Casting a dim religious light?
It is very grand and solemn, and to a certain extent beautifal, especially when filled to overllowing with devout worshippers. On the occasion of the simple devotional exercises of a Lenten afternoon sorvice, however, the usual pomp and panoply wero wating. As the clock struck three, the cure, Mev. Mr. Sentonue, came out of the sacristy, and walking down the church, asconded the winding staircase of the grand now pulpit, passing by the carven etatues of propisots, apostles and augels, until be tools his stand under the noble figure of leeligoon bearing Christianity to the world. It takes Mr. Sentenue some time to make this little journoy, durng whicha young priest, supported by a youthful cross-bearer aud acolytes, comes out from the sanctuary, and kneels bofore the first station of the aross. Thon the cure reads the meditations in order, and the placid-faced young priest passes on from station to station until the last Ave is said, and the last Amen is sung, when the little procession returns as it came, Mr. Sentenne comes down from tho pulpit, and overy eye is strained to watch the strange bishop ascending the staircase. Un he goos, slowly and gracefully, in rochet and mantelet, the shaen of his purple silk adding to tho already brilliaut display of coloar around him. Ho gains the pulpit and stands a moment in recollection. Then clear and areet and soft fall on our ears the words of his (subject, "La priere do Jesus a Getheemane." Such a voice has seldom been heard in Montreal, rich, low, penetrating, trainanto. Every syllable penctrated to the farthest corners of the charch ; every word of his sermon was listened to with rapt attention by the vast audience. It was solitary. he said, that prayor of Jesus; it was pious, it was humble, it was disoreet, and was, above all, persevering. And as the prescher pleaded for his Mastor, and portrayed Hıs safferings, the most heediess listenor must have felt an mpalse of piety apake in his heart $i$. response to the touching words of the gifted orstor. The hour passed as if by magio. The preacher descended and disappeared behnd the bronzo St. Peter, another priest camo ont in a golden cape and opened the doors of the tabernacle, the choir began tho Salutaris Hostia and wo knelt for salut of the Blessed Sacramont.-" Lorrainc," in the Empire.

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TORONTO, SATURDAY, APRII. I4, 1888.

This week we follow Brownson's advice and carry the war, in a mild way, into Africa.

Parents of late years, says the New York Freeman's fournal, are forgetting a grave duty, that is their duty to God and their children, when there is shown in those chuldren a tendency towards a religious "ocation. "God forbid that vocations should be forced, but the good of souls and the needs of the Church require that they should be encouraged."

Even at the holiest of the Christian seasons the professors of Protestantism seem unable to invest their system: with anything of swectness or winningness. The explanations of the great Christian festival of Easter, from the standpoints respectively of the Catholics, the Presbyterians, and the Anglicans, were a striking feature, says the Pilot, in the Boston Globe of Easter Sunday. The first article was contributed by Cardinal Gibbons. He dwelt on the joy with which the Christian commemorates the resurrection of our Divine Redeemer; and set forth the doctrine of the resurrection of the body.
"Almighty Good," said the Cardinal, "has been mercifully bieased to lay before us thas great truth for two reasons; to inspure the wicked with a salutary fear and recall them from therr sus, and to console the good amd the affictions of this life.

The great want of our generation is to take to heart the lessons which flow from this truth-the lesson of our immortality and of the passing nature of the things of this world.:

In contrast with the Christian charits, and tanguality of the Cardmal's article were the two which followed. A Dr.

John Hall, after telling why the Presbyterians have no special Easter observances, declared has conviction of the inutility of the Catholic observance, a conviction "gained by residence," says the Pilot, " in some unlocated region where there are "Roman Catholic people with no Bibles.", For the Anglican denomination, a Rev. Mr. Coxe, whom that body designates as "Bishop of Western New York," devoted his article to a disproof of the promacy of the ?ishop of Rome in the promitive church. He claimed that nowhere is Easter so fitly kept as among the Anglicans, and l:ad a bitter fling at the manner of its celebration in those Catholic countries where there prevailed, what he charitably called, only " a nominal Christendom."

We have never been able to quite understand why one of our New York contemporaries, a very able Catholic paper, should devore so many and lengthy artucles to the consideration of the situation in France. The politics of France are forever in ferment. What matter if to-morrow Bouanger be on top? It was an Euglish statesman, we think, who satd of the first Napoleor: at the height of his success : "It is unjust: "t cannot last." The actors in the first Irrench Revolution massacred the priests, stamped out religion, scoffed at God. There never was so horrible a profanation of liberty. And in the hastory of nations, as of individuals, there is an eternal law of Retributive Justice. A national wrong will invoke a proportionate penalty. "The highest of all ideas," a great writer says "is the Divine," and that idea French statesmen have endeavoured to eliminate from the public hife of the nation. All that was great in the middle ages sprang from therr faith. Two centuries ago France was " the eldest daughter of the Church." How is it with her to-day? Let Mr. Lilly answer in a page from his "Chapter in European History." "Turn your eyes on France, which a century ago solemnly installed concupiscence-aptly typuried by the Goddess of Reasonin the place of conscience, and elevated the dumb buzzard idol, Man in the abstract, and his fictitous rights, in the place of the hving God, and the duties bindang upon us because He is what He is ; look at France, I say, if you would see an example of the hell which a people prepares for itself when it maketh and loveth a lic. I know the country well, and every tume I visit it I discern terrible evidence of ever increasing degeneracy. The man seems to be disappearing. There is a return to the simious type. The eye speals of nothing but dull esuriency. The whole face is prurient. The vore has lost the virile ring, and has become shrill, gibberish, and baboon-like. Go into the Chamber of Deputies, the chosen and too true representatwes of the people. The looks, the gestures, the cries, remind you irresistibly of the monkey-house in Regent's l'ark. The nation-for it must be judged by its public acts-has for a hundred years been trying to rid itself of the perception which is the proper attrib.te of man; to cast ont the idea of God, which Michelet has well called the progressive and conservative principle of civilization; to heve on a philosophy of animalism ; and it is rapidly losing all that is distinctly human, and is sinking below the level of the animals." A passage like that throws more light upun the situation in France, than any number of news. paper comments.

The Church News of Washington, commenting upon the Review s recent article on the need of Catholics assuming a more aggressice attitude than they do towards Protes tantism, adds approvingly :
" We have never had much sympathy with that disposition so often shown by Catholics to repeat with so much apparent gratification the patronizing words whech some Protestant preachers condescend to utter regarding the Church or Catholics. The Church of God does not require patronage, nor does she need any apologists. Of course, charity for those in ignorance renders it our duty to correct false accusations, and sometimes we may be said to be on the defensive when we seek to neutrabze the poison administered by some ministerial crank, who neither knows or cares to know what the Church teaches, so long as he can fill some meeting house by a crowd willing to remunerate him financially for his performances. But Protestantism, as the Review states, cannot withstand attack. There is no more strength in it than there is in any other rebellion foumded upon error."
It is time that this idea took hold of us. Whatever historical Christianity be, let us recollect, it is not I'rotestantism. And Protestantism has ever felt it. It can make no appeal to the reason. As between it and Atheism, Atheism is legically a thousand times more consistent. It is a question if, as between the two, and granting to each the same measure of moral principte, . Itheism, in the abstract, be not the more reverent and religious. To suppose that Protestantism comes from God were profane. It would be to deny Him the attribute of infinite wisdom. Could Protestantism be thought a Divine creation, the best excuse for such a creation would be that the Creator did not know what he was doing.
Who ever heard Protestantism's prolessors, its preach-ers-whom Brownson described as the " North American Indian of controversy "-announce the true doctrines of the Church, and then attempt to refute them by logical argument? That they well know would be animprofitable method of warfare, and therefore they deal in false charges and calumnies, ignoring their refutation, being driven by the weakness of their position to screen themselves behind the prejudices of their own making. To keep their votaries in ignorance of the fundamental truths taught by Christ, maintaned by the Church, and adhered to by Catholics, in proportion as they are kept in ignorance of which, as they rightly judge, depends their attachment to Protestantism, they bring the threadbare charges against Catholics of superstition and idolatry. When they hurl their charges of immorality agamst our religious they resort for proof to the testimony of some apostate-pricst, or ex-criminal, all that is acces. try being, of course, that they turn up with some outcast who has illustrated in his own life their wicked suggestions. That is the only side of Protestantism that we see in this city. And Protestantism professes to be of Christ, and assumes the name of religion! It is not even respectable.

It is a settled conviction with the apostate priests and reformed criminals whe, by impugning the morality of Catholics. immediately establish themselves in the most perfect state of grace demarded by Protestantism, that monks may fall, and that nuns may break their vows. Their lives are the corroboration of their leading idea. A paragraph in the Mail of Wednesday, says that "the London (Eng.) papers of March 28, contain an account of the arrest of Rev. Francis George Widdows, described as an ex monk, now of the Martin Luther Church, Seldhurst Road," for an offence which cannot be intimated. This reverend ex-convict is well known in Ontario. He was an esteemed anti-Popery orator in his day, and served a term, we understand, in the Central Prison, Toronto.
They are an interesting gang, these "unmaskers of Romanism." With the career of Achilli, as it was traced up
by Cardinal Newman, the world is tolerably familiar: from some old English papers we have come across some information concerning another worthy, the notorious Edith or Brisget O'Gorman, whose lies are being quoted against Catholics by a uffian now in this city. This woman, finding it inconves ent to play the part of a fabricator of moral horrors in her native country, Amerira-her antecedents being too generally known, and the real facts too easily got at-went to England to open out against Romanism. The following extract from a letter received by the Rev. J. Foy, of St. Leonard'son-Sea, from an American ecclesiastic, gives her earlier history:
" This poor woman, whose real name is I3ridget O'Gorman, was originally a factory girl in Rhode Island. During a mission she was ' converted,' and after some entreaty was, mifortunately, received without letters into the community of the Sisters of Charity, established at Madison, N. J., where she was teaching in the parochial schools. She left the mission of her own accord, without the knowledge of her superior. Afterwards she begged piteously to be re-admitted into the community, as is proved by her letters, which I myself have seen at Madison, where they are still preserved."

These letters were published in full in the London Unirerse, and bicame public property. We make a short extract from each. In the first letter to the Lady Superior she says:--
"Oh, I hope and pray you will take me again into my only home, wherein I can be saved. Please write to me, dear mother, by Tuesday, and let me know my fate before my money is all gone. This I know you will do for Christ's sake, if not for mine."

## In the second letter she writes:

" Now, dear mother, whilst I am writing this to you, I see you in the dear holy chapel (from which 1 am excluded for punishment of my sins) in your charity praying the holy Christ to direct you what to do with the unfortunate prodigal who, in a moment of madness and despair, abandoned your kind care, and the holy peaceful retreat of ny Heavenly Father's House, out of which I have never had a happy, peaceful moment. Yet, 'He that willeth not the death of a sinner, but that he be converted and live' has, in His infinite mercy, inspired me to return again, and, like the prodigal, beg to be received as one of His hired servants, because 1 am no longer worthy to be called His child, much less His spouse. Yes, dear mother, I an ready to undergo any humiliation or mortification that it may please Almighty God to influct upon me, and will deem them all too light to atone for my ternble sins."
In the third letter she writes:
"Dear Mother,-l left Philadelphia on Wednesday. I felt very uncasy and worried about my parents, so I thought I would see them and thus relieve their minds of any uneasiness they might have on my account. I am thankful 1 did, for their hearts were broken with doubt in regard to my fate. I told them I was not in my right mind. I told the lady with whom I boarded that if any letter should come there for me to burn it.
"Another reason why I could not remain there was, my money was nearly gone; I did not have enough to pay another week's board. Will you please write to me, dear mother, and let me know what conclusion you have come to in regard to taking me back? I assure you, dear mother, I can never be happy unless in religion. Try, dear mother, and do all you can for me, for my salvation depends uponit. You know I was not in my right mind when I left my happy home. I will devote my wiole life to penance and humility. I cannot think of going to another community, because I feel I can only be unhappy there. If you receive me I will, dear mother, with God's holy grace, strive to atone by an lumble life for the scandal I have given."

The woman who wrote these piteous appeals for re-admission disported herself before the public as an "escaped nun."

Now for some specimens of her truthfulness. Speaking at Derby, she was reported in the Daily Telegraph to have said that Archbishop McCloskey had offered her a large sum of money " to keep quet," but she had refused it. The present Archbishop of New York (then Archbishop of Petra) wrote from New York to the editor of the Unierese as follows :
" His Eminence, Cardinal McCloskey, requests me to say, in reply to your note, received this morning, that he never offered any money to Edith O'Gorman, never saw her, and never heard of her except through the great scandal which she caused. Her recent lecture at Derby, of which you send an account, is a tissue of falsehnoi..."

At Paddington, on another occasion, she spoke as follows:-
"One of the most celebrated lawsuits of the time was Edith O'Gorman's great case in the courts of San Francisco, in June,. 1872, when she brought suit against the Jesuits for Libel. Judge Londebach was the judge of the court ; her counsel, Judge Tyler; counsel for the Jesuits, Cols. Dudley and Barnes, well known lawyers throughout the United States. The Jesuits, knowing Edith O'Gorman to be 4,000 miles from New Jersey, where she lived a nun, bribed sisteen men to perjure themselves by swearing her to be a woman named lanny Woodward, and not Edith O'Gorman at all. Godraised up friends for her in a strange city, in the person of four ladies from Providence, R. I., who knew her and her family intimately. The testimony of these ladies bruught confusion on the Jesuits, who were fined 7,000 dollars for libel and 15,000 dollars for perjury, \&c."

The Rev. Lord Archibald Douglas, hearing the above, at once sent the following telegram:
"From Rev. Lord Archibald Douglas, Harrow Road, London, To Chief Police, San Francisco,
" Did Edith O'Gorman, ten years since, bring and gain libel action against Jesuits ? '"
"From P. Crosby, Chief Police, San Francisco,
To Rev. Lord Douglas, Harrow Road, London.
" Neither action nor judgment against Jesuits."
The American press made it a little unconfortable for her. Said the Philadelphia Ledger: "The assumed rôle of 'escaped nun' is manifestly a cheat. In this Democratic country of ours, where personal freedom and liberty of conscience are guaranteed to the humblest citizen, there is no necessity for a nun-who may cesire to renounce her vows, voluntarily assumed, and re-enter the world-to resort to any method which can be properly nominated an 'escape.' All she has to do is to walk forth, close the portals of the convent behind her, and go her way unmolested. No one dare hinder or pursue her, even did the disposition to do so exist. We regard ber simply as a business woman, on the make, who has prepared or procured a sensational lecture, designed to appeal to anti-Catholic prejudices, with the single purpose of making money."
Not long after this, the woman was announced to speak publicly in Toronto on "Life in the Convent," and a number of Protestant clergymen gave notice, in their zeal, of the fact from their pulpits. She appeared on the platform, on the authority of the Globe in this city, under shameful circumstances, and her lecture, very objectionable, it is
said, so far as it went, both in manner ud matter, collapsed after twenty minutes' contest with what the reporter described as "superinduced mental asphyxia." This undouitedly meant that she was drunk.

Then there is the case of another unfortunate, Maria Monk. In a book called "Maria Monk's Daughters; an autobingraphs, by Mrs. St. John Eckel," (Burns \& Oates, London, 1880), occur the following sad words to be written by a daughter. "Duty and religion alike compel me to expose the injustice and calumny that my mother heaped upon the Roman Catholic Church and her religious orders." "I know that the 'awful disclosures' are all hes; she herself toll mo so. She wrote in order to make moneysome men put her up to it-but she never reccived one cent of the proceeds of the book, for these men kept all for themselves' (p. i38).

The writer adds that her mother died a raving maniac, having brought herself to an untimely end by her unfortunate habits.

Such have been our accusers.

## "THE CATHOLIC PRESS AND THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC." <br> A SECOND LETTER FROM REV. FATHER FOLEY.

You deem it proper to comment advere sly upon my article published in your issue of the 3rd inst., entitled "The Catholic Press and the Liquor Traffic." Be kind enough to let me reply to your strictures:
In the first place, you say that the conclusion that liquor advertisements "contribute directly or indirectly to increase the evils of drink is an utterly erroneous one." This is, I presume, by way of rejoinder to my assertion that "Catholic journalists who open their aldertising columns to the sellers of intoxicants directly promote the liquor traffic, and, at least, indirectly encourage drunkenness." This statement I repeat and emphasize: Why does the dealer or any other trader advertise? To promote his trade. Now, liquor advertising in the Mirror either promotes the liquor trade or it does not. If you believe it does not, you have no right to take the advertiser's mone: without rendering an equivalent; if liquor advertising in The Mirror does promote the liquor trade, then you must plead guilty to the first count in the indict. ment.

Can you deny that the liquor traffic is a most potent fostecer of intemperance? Can you deny the truth of these words of the Bishop of St . Paul: "I do not say", principles of right reason and of revealed religion do not permut me tu say, that liquor selling st in itself wrong. - . What I do say is that the liquor trafic, in its present expansion, with the methods and devices which it to-day recognizes, with the power which it to-day yields for the defence of its interests, is a serious danger to the commonwealth, and a systenatic and fruitful producer of intemperance." The Bishops of the Third Plenary Council call upon pastors "to induce all of their flocks that may be engaged in the sale of liquor to abandon as soon as they can the dangerous traffic, and to embrace a more becoming way of making a living."
Again the bishops say: "We warn C..tholicsengaged in the sale of intoxicating drinks to consider seriously by how many and how great dangers, by how many and how great occasions of sin their business, though in itself not unlawful, is surrounded. Let them, if they can, choose a more becoming way of making a living." The liquor traffic, in itself not unlawful, is yet stigmatized as 'dangerous," " unbecoming," "surrounisd by many and great danyers, by many and great occasions of sin," and so tranded by whom? Not by an enthusiastic episcopal, sacerdotal, or lay total abstinence advocate, but by the assembled wisdom and authority of the Catholic Church of the United States and with the approval of che Holy See. Allow me, therefore, o repeat one of my questions left unanswered by you:

Since, then, our bishops thus discountenance the liquor traffic, is he obeying the spirit of their instructions who encourages this "unbecoming and dangerous "traffic by advertising it? Our priests are commanded by the counci! "never to cease to cry out boldly against drunkenness and whatsnever leads to it." The liquor traffic encourages drunkenness; can you then be right in promoting that traffic ? The Catholic newspaper is, in its own sphere, a teacher of the people ; should not the spirit of its teachings conform to the spirt of the teachings of our bishops?

Again I quote your words: "The Catholte press is conducted with the view of aiding the progress and development of religion and the Church. money-making enterprise." Is it not fair to judge you by your own dehberate utterances? Please, then, answer these questions, before asked, but passed by unnoticed : "Are you, in aiding the liquor traffic, 'alding the progress and development of religion and the Church?"" "Do you not know the harm done to the Church by this disgusting mingling of rum and religion-the scandal it gives, the contempt it brings upon us?" Scandal / Mark well the word! "From all appearance of evil refrain yourselves," says St. Paul ; and again the same Apostle tells us: "Let every man please his neighbour for his good unto edifcation." Our bishops, following the teachings of the great Apostle, say: "i Christian should carefully avoid not only what is positively evel, but what has the appearance of evil." Have these "injunctions no binding force for the Catholic editor? A clergyman, known and loved throughout the land, writing a few days since of your reply to my article, thus admirably summarizes your arguments. "I ame not bound to edify. 'Is it so nominated in the bund ?' But," continues this gentleman, "a religious journal is bound to edify. A Catholic journal is 'Ceisar's wife.' "
"The opinions of a journal are not to be found in its advertising columns." This assertion is very true indeed of The Mirror, whose editurial columns approve the action of our bishops in discountenancing the liquor traffic, but whose advertising culumns promote that traffic. The deeds of the advertising columns, alas ! speak far louder than the "opinions" of the editoral. The parties chiefly responsible to God and man for the conduct of a paper are its publishers, its owners. When the publishers of a Catholic journal put into their coffers the price of liquor advertisements and for the profit which it brings them thus do all they can to promote a traffic which our ecclesiastical superiors are striving to check and curb, the process of reasoning by which they wash their hands of all, or nearly all, the moral responsibility for the clearly foreseen consequences of their action seems to me too "occult" for the ordinary mind. Whiskey barrels in the advertising columns of a Catholic journal do not necessarily proclaim its editor personally a friend of the liquor traffic, but they do proclaim the publishers of that journal friends and promoters of the liquor traffic. The weight of influential Catholic public opinion is yet, I am sorry and ashamed to say, with those religious journals which pub. lish liquor advertisements. As long as this is the case, so long will many Catholic newspapers continue such advertising. When the day comes, that is now hastening on, when public opinion and private interests warn the owners of Catholic journals that whiskey advertisements must go, go they surely will. A gentlemar writing to me on this question says: "It can in no sonse ve wrong to advertise liquors, unless the purchase and use of them are wrong; but no one asserts, at least no Catholic, that there is sin in the purchase and use of liquor." Here is the old, old cry, "My God, I will do for Thee what I must do, only this'and nothing more "-the cry of men who eek to learn the lowest price at which heaven can be bought, and grudge to pay even that. I speak not of strict obligation when I ask, Ought not those of your readers whose position causes them to be looked up to by others, to forget self and for their weaker brothar's sake and for the com. mon good choose "the better" part and use no liquors? Ought not then you, too, guide and teacher, choose the better part, and advertise no hquors?

You say: "If it was apparent that the cause of temperance would be subserved in the slightest measure by the
exclusion of the advertisements against which our correspondent protests from the columns of The Mirror, we would not hesitate 2 moment about the course to be pursucd." If it was apparent! Why if? Has The Mirror no influence? Suppose the good news went forth that henceforward the editorial and advertising columns of Tho dirrur would alike in ver", deed discountenance the "dangerous and unbecoming" hquor trafic, and that The Mirror, in order to consistently urge those of its readers engaged in the liquor traffic to heed their bishops and leave it, had itself ceased to promote that husiness, would not the cause of temperance, of total abstinence, of morality, and of God be served, and well? If it was apparent! Why, sir, it ought to be as clear to you as the brightness of the sun's noonday shining. Some are blind because they will not see. Such I do not believe to be your case. Let your prayer be: Lord, that I may see. Thanking you for your expressions of personal regard, and assuring you of my esteem and regard, let me bring this already too long communication to a close by submitting for the earnest, prayerful consideration of yourself and your readers these strong and approprite words of the Bishop of Richmond:
"When we look around and consider how widespread, how destructive, and how scandalous is the evil of intemperance, and when we call to mind our duty to God, to the Church, to ourselves and to our neighbour, then it becomes self-evident that it is every one's duty to do what God's providence makes it possible for him to do towards arresting such an evil, and removing such a scandal. How any Catholic could feel indifferent to this desolating and soul-destroying evil I cannot understand. How any Catholic could fail to use any opportunity that God gave him to check this flood of destruction, I can still less comprehend. And the greater the influence any one may possess towards hindering the evil, the more do I wonder by what logic he can possibly excuse himself from exert-
it. But that any Cathulic should, in any way, help on the evil ; that he could be bribed at any price to harness himself to this demon-engine of desolation, and help it onward in its horrid course, is to me a mystery beyond all solution."-Rev. M. F. Foley in Balimuro Mirror.

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| Dr. Price's |  | 12.66 | " |
| Forest City |  | 24.04 | " |
| Silver Star |  | 31.88 | " |
| De Land's |  | 32.51 | " |
| Horsford's |  | 36.49 | " |

The question naturally arises in the minds of thoughtful consumers, Of what does this impurity or residuum consist ? In the case of the first named powder there has recently been given the result of an analysis made by Prof. C. F. Chandler, of Columbia College, N. Y., late member of the New York State Board of Health, which partually supplies the missing information, and as the manufacturers of this particular powder are continually calling for the publication of all the ingredients used in baking powders, there can be no objection to its statement here. Among the impurities Prof. Chandler found Cleveland's powder to contain a large amount of Rochelle Salts, 5.56 per cent. of lime, with alumina, starch and water, in quantities not
not stated. Alum is a substance declared by the highest authorities to be hurtful. If the balance of this residuum in all the powders made is made up largely of alum, as it is known to be in some, the public would like to know it. Another official test that shall go yuite to the bottom of the matter seems to be demanded.

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