

INTERCOLONIAL

The Rev. Father A. Guillemin, S.M., who has been an inmate of Lewisham Hospital for the past six months, is in a very low condition.

Mr. Victor Daley, the Irish-Australian poet, is reported to be in a dangerously critical condition at his home at Waitara. He has been prostrated by hemorrhage of the lungs for some months.

Mrs. John Dynon died on October 24 at her residence, William street, Melbourne. The deceased lady was a colonist of 50 years' standing, and was highly esteemed by a large circle of friends. Mrs. P. Mc. Glynn, of North Adelaide, is a daughter of the deceased lady.

The Rev. Mother Mary Alacoque Robinson, of the Presentation Convent, Hobart, died on October 28. Deceased was a native of Hobart, and a daughter of Captain Henry Robinson. She was accepted as a postulant in 1877, and in 1895 was elected Mother Superior of the convent.

The proprietors of the Perth (W.A.) 'Morning Herald,' who some time ago resolved to eliminate racing and other matter from the columns of the journal, have now decided on a change of policy. Sporting of all kinds will be made a feature of the paper, and it is understood that one of the objects of the proprietors is to, if possible, elevate the sport.

His Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne has been pleased to make the following changes in the location of priests in the archdiocese:—Rev. Timothy F. O'Sullivan, from Bacchus Marsh to Kyneton; Rev. T. J. O'Sullivan, from Kyneton to Clifton Hill; Rev. M. Dolan, from Clifton Hill to Bacchus Marsh; Rev. John O'Grady (lately arrived from Ireland), to St Francis', to relieve Rev. J. P. Carney, who goes on vacation for the benefit of his health. Rev. M. Finan (lately arrived from Ireland), to Woodend, as assistant to the Rev. M. Quinn; Rev. John O'Brien (lately arrived from Ireland), to Gisborne, as assistant to the Rev. J. J. Gallivan.

The R.M.S. 'Omrah,' which arrived in Sydney on November 4, brought a number of priests from Ireland for Australian dioceses. Those for the archdiocese of Melbourne were:—Rev. Father John O'Grady, Rev. Father M. Finan, Rev. Father John O'Brien. For the diocese of Ballarat: The Rev. Father James Lyons. For the diocese of Sandhurst: The Rev. Father William. For the diocese of Goulburn: Rev. Thomas Lynch. For the diocese of Rockhampton (Q.): Rev. Bernard McGrillan and the Rev. Joseph Rowan. For the archdiocese of Hobart (Tasmania): The Rev. Thomas Minogue. For the archdiocese of Sydney: Rev. Fathers T. Vaughan and Patrick Walsh. All are from the missionary college of All Hallows, Drumcondra, with the exception of the Rev. Father John O'Brien and the Rev. Father McKeown, who are from St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

The official opening of St. Vincent's new Hospital, Melbourne, took place on Sunday afternoon, November 5, in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering. The ceremony was performed by his Excellency Sir Reginald Talbot (State Governor). Amongst those present were his Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne, his Lordship Bishop Higgins, Lady Talbot, the Governor of Tasmania and Lady Strickland; the Premier (Mr. Bent), the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Sydney (Mr. and Mrs. Allen Taylor), the Federal Treasurer (Sir John Forrest) and Lady Forrest; the Attorney General (Mr. Davies), the Chief Secretary (Sir Samuel Griffith) and Lady Gillott. His Excellency in the course of his speech said they had before them a magnificent building—magnificent because it was built on a sufficient scale and replete with every convenience and appliance which the cleverness and skill of the doctors could devise. He hoped that institution would be a model which would be copied as time went on, for he felt sure it would be a long time before they saw anything better. The community owed a deep debt of thanks to those who had assisted in erecting the hospital, and particularly to that great Order of working Sisters who managed it—an Order whose name was known throughout the British Empire. Speeches were also delivered by the Premier of Victoria, and others. The collection totalled £2000, the principal donations being: Victorian railway employees, £300; H.A.C.B.S., £150; Archbishop Carr, £100; Mr. John Wren, £100; Mc. D. Slattery, £100. The new hospital is a magnificent building, four storeys in height, and as an hospital it is thoroughly modern, the latest equipments having been installed throughout. The total cost of the present erection is £36,000, and over £13,000 is still due, and the furnishing is estimated to cost £3900.

Friends at Court

GLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

- November 26, Sunday.—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost. St. Sylvester, Abbot.
- „ 27, Monday.—St. Virgil, Bishop and Confessor.
- „ 28, Tuesday.—St. Gregory III., Pope and Confessor.
- „ 29, Wednesday.—St. Gelasius, Pope and Confessor.
- „ 30, Thursday.—St. Andrew, Apostle.
- December 1, Friday.—St. Didacus, Confessor.
- „ 2, Saturday.—St. Bibiana, Virgin and Martyr.

St. Sylvester, Abbot.

St. Sylvester was born near Loreto, in Italy, in 1177. At the age of 40 he retired into a desert in order that, free from worldly cares he might be able to devote more time to prayer and contemplation. Having been followed by a number of disciples he founded several monasteries to which he gave the strict rule of St. Benedict. St. Sylvester died in 1267.

St. Virgil, Bishop and Confessor.

St. Virgil (or Fearghil), a native of Ireland, was consecrated Bishop of Salzburg, in Germany, in 766. During the period of 18 years which he ruled this See he not only advanced the interests of religion in his own diocese, but also labored most successfully for the propagation of the faith in the neighboring provinces of Austria. St. Virgil died in 784.

St. Gregory III., Pope and Confessor.

St. Gregory III. was Pope from 731 to 741. During his reign he, like his predecessor, Gregory II., defended the faith and boldly resisted the efforts of the Emperor Leo the Isaurian to propagate the heresy of the Iconoclasts, or Image-breakers. He eloquently explained and defended the Catholic teaching regarding the respect to be shown to images of Christ and the saints, and condemned the Iconoclasts in a Roman Council held in the year 732. Under his pontificate, and in the same year, occurred the great victory of Charles Martel over the Saracens near Poitiers in France.

St. Gelasius, Pope and Confessor.

Of this holy Pontiff a contemporary states: 'He was famous through the whole world for his learning and the sanctity of his life.' In 494 he published for the information of the faithful an authentic list of the divinely inspired books of the Old and New Testament. He died in 496.

St. Andrew, Apostle.

St. Andrew was brother to St. Peter, and, like him, a fisherman. He was the first of the Apostles to follow Christ. His career after the death of Christ is unknown, but it is said that after the Ascension he preached the Gospel in Scythia, and afterwards in Greece, where he was crucified for the faith. He is honored as the patron saint of Scotland. He is also held in great veneration in Russia.

Mr. Norbert Keenan, who has been elected Parliamentary representative for Kalgoorlie, is the eldest son of Sir Patrick Keenan, K.C.M.G., and was educated at Downside and Trinity College, Dublin. He read law and was duly called to the Bar, and is a member of King's Inn, Ireland, and the Middle Temple. He arrived in Western Australia in April, 1895, and was admitted to the local Bar in the same year. He subsequently established himself in his profession at Kalgoorlie. In June, 1901, Mr. Keenan was elected Mayor of Kalgoorlie.

'It takes the palm.' It can be safely said that this applies to the famous McCormick Reaper and Binder, which has for the fourth time gained the coveted prize at the Canterbury A. and P. Association Show at Christchurch, a 'Silver Medal,' the highest award given this year. This prize is open to all imported agricultural machinery and is really the Blue Riband of the Show in the implement section for the machine which in the opinion of the judges is calculated to give the farmer new and improved machinery. At previous shows the McCormick gained two gold medals and a silver one (also highest award). The McCormick Binder has won every field trial of importance in Europe during the last six years, a record which speaks well for this truly medal-crowned king of harvesters....