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## Friends at Court

### CLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

- January 31, Sunday.—Septuagesima Sunday.  
 February 1, Monday.—St. Ignatius, Bishop and Martyr.  
 „ 2, Tuesday.—Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
 „ 3, Wednesday.—St. Blase, Martyr.  
 „ 4, Thursday.—St. Andrew Corsini, Bishop and Confessor.  
 „ 5, Friday.—St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr.  
 „ 6, Saturday.—St. Titus, Bishop and Confessor.

#### The Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

It was ordained in the Old Law that a mother should present her first-born son in the temple, as an acknowledgment of the Divine Sovereignty, and in commemoration of the mercy of God, when, having in a single night destroyed the first-born of the Egyptians, He spared those of the Israelites. Moreover, to remind the Jews that, in consequence of Adam's fall, man is conceived in sin, a mother, after child-birth, was regarded as legally unclean for a certain period, during which she was forbidden to enter the temple, or to touch anything consecrated to God. Though the Blessed Virgin was, for various reasons, exempt from this law, she submitted to it in all humility. After the days of her purification, according to the law of Moses, were accomplished, they carried Him to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord, and to offer a sacrifice, according as it was written in the law of the Lord, a pair of turtle doves, or two young pigeons (Gospel of St. Luke).

#### St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr.

St. Agatha belonged to a rich and illustrious Sicilian family. During the persecution of Decius she displayed great constancy in suffering the bitter and protracted tortures which were inflicted on her by the orders of a pagan judge, and which eventually caused her death in 251. The city of Catania, situated at the foot of Mount Etna, honors her as patron, and attributes to her protection its safety on the occasions of many violent volcanic eruptions.

### GRAINS OF GOLD.

#### ONE LOOK AT THE SACRED HEART.

There it hung on the cottage wall,  
 Mately watching the deeds of all;  
 Even its presence seemed to impart  
 Light and grace from the Sacred Heart.

Those pleading eyes were ever bent  
 On every face that came and went,  
 As, pointing to the open side,  
 He showed His love all crucified.

That sight sufficed to quell the fear,  
 And dry the sorrow-laden tear,  
 The wearing grief, the fretting care,  
 All— all found balm and solace there.

Many a hasty word was stayed,  
 Many a touch of grace obeyed,  
 Many a prayer to heaven would dart,  
 By only a look at the Sacred Heart.

We'll listen, then, to Jesus' Prayer,  
 Then His Heart's promise we may share:  
 'There where My Heart they shall expose,  
 My benediction shall repose.'

Peace is rarely denied to the peaceful.  
 Pride is quite liable to lead to other sins.  
 Don't climb the hill before you cross the valley.  
 Without prayer man is certain to go to perdition.  
 He who can have patience can have what he will.

## The Storyteller

### MOTHER

Mrs. Heriot was sitting in the little back parlor darning stockings. She looked down now and again at the overflowing work-basket in a despairing sort of way that was not usual to her. She felt a strange weariness and lassitude—it had been creeping over her for some weeks now. She felt that she was on the verge of a breakdown. The busy housewife who rose early and went to bed last had reached the end of her tether. Without a change of some kind she would not be able to continue her duties.

She had reached that period that often, alas! comes to a tender, unselfish mother. The children she had slaved for and seen grown away from her; they did not consider her a necessary element in their lives. They had other varied interests and friends. Mother was always there, of course, when they wanted her, but she did not enter into their schemes of amusements. She was just mother—indispensable at times, but just a little different from the fashionable mothers of their friends.

Her husband, absorbed in his business, had grown indifferent to the claims of his wife for companionship and love. He would have been indignant had it been suggested that he was a careless husband. He would have repudiated it warmly. Even her youngest born, Tommy, thought the dignity of thirteen years was disturbed by such things as kisses and caresses from his mother.

Her eldest girl, a pretty, rather vain young creature of twenty, was engaged to be married to a young bank clerk, and the opinions and doings of her future relatives had more weight with her than those at home.

And yet Mrs. Heriot had been a beauty in her girlhood. She had been the idolised darling of an aristocratic home, but she had thrown aside everything at the bidding of love—given up riches and ease for a struggling existence of trying to make two ends meet, and she had never regretted it. But now she longed for some of the love she had given so lavishly, and she found herself put on one side as old-fashioned.

She raised her eyes to the little mirror over the mantelpiece. Her cheeks were delicately hollowed; there were lines of care on her brow. She was only forty-five. Many a woman was quite youthful at that age, with all the advantages of dress to help her. But her old brown gown, though it fitted her slender figure with a certain grace of its own, was unbecoming to her. She looked almost an old woman. It was true what Mary had said to her yesterday morning, though at that time it had cut her like a knife.

Her cousin, Mrs. Graham, wife of one of New York's foremost bankers, was the only one of her relatives who had kept up any connection with her.

The tired woman, sitting there with busy fingers, was formulating something in her brain that had been suggested to her a few days before by her cousin.

'Come and stay with me for a month, Barbara. You look as though you wanted a little patting and coddling. Come and let me dress you as you ought to be dressed: show people that you are as beautiful at forty-five as when you were eighteen. Your husband and children want you. Let them! They will value you all the more when you return.'

She had refused then, but the words had lingered in her mind, and that afternoon, as the mirror reflected her tired face where all its beauty seemed to be wiped out, the words had made her come to a sudden decision.

A holiday in the real sense of the word had never been hers since her marriage. The holidays of the family had meant increased work for her. But now she would take one. For one month she would return to the life that had been hers when she was a girl.

There was a little astonished silence when she mentioned her plans the next morning at breakfast. There was an outcry of protest that made her hesitate for an instant and look from one face to the other. Then she went on quietly:

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'I am badly in need of a rest—away from the cares of housekeeping. I shall be away a month.'

'A rest? My dear Barbara,' said her husband irritably, 'what have you but rest in this quiet, comfortable house all day long? You experience none of the wear and tear and rush that I have to endure from morning till night. But do you ever hear me calling out for a rest? Wait till August, and then we can take the children to the country.'

'That wouldn't give me the rest I require. Of course, I shall go with the children as usual, but I want the next month all to myself.'

'Upon my word, I thought it was a woman's greatest happiness to be with her children.'

Her eyes met his tranquilly.

'I have always thought so, David.'

'And now—he was gradually working himself up into a bad temper, never very difficult to do at any time—the fact is that cousin of yours has been coming and putting silly notions into your head. Rest and change, indeed! Right-thinking wives and mothers don't need rest and change!'

'Then you forbid me to accept my cousin's invitation?'

'No, I don't. Do anything you like. Take this holiday if you wish, but it will fill your head with fancies that you will find it hard to get rid of.'

'Mrs. Graham has never asked me to go and stay with her,' said Mary, resentfully. 'The Pearsons think it so strange. I believe they think sometimes she can hardly be a relative. But Mrs. Pearson says those kind of people—'

'I don't want to hear Mrs. Pearson's opinion, Mary. Those sort of people are my people, and I have a very warm affection for my cousin.'

Mary, silenced, sat with her pretty cheeks flushed and her slipper tapping the floor petulantly. Her gentle mother, in the old dowdy brown dress, seemed somehow to have taken on a dignity and aloofness that appeared to set her suddenly apart from them.

'And who is to see that I have my breakfast in proper time in the morning?'

'Mary will attend to that,' said the mother, smiling. 'In a few months she will have a house of her own and a husband's breakfast to see after. This will be a breaking-in for her.'

'Humph!' was Mr. Heriot's comment on his daughter's housekeeping capabilities.

But Mary protested.

'Oh, mother, you know how frightfully full my hands always are with my Browning Society and the tennis club, and piles of other things. I simply never have a minute to spare! And Hubert always expecting to have my evenings.'

'How are you going to manage when you are married, Mary, if housekeeping is impossible now? But you will do your best, I'm sure. And Susan is a good, willing girl, and will help you all she can; but you must not leave too much to her.'

Mary sat staring at her mother in round-eyed astonishment and vexation. She felt as though the world had suddenly turned upside down. Hitherto her gentle mother had cheerfully taken every duty upon her shoulders to leave her daughter free.

'It will be fierce if you go away!' said Tommy, disgustedly. 'Susan doesn't know how to clean my football togs.'

Mrs. Heriot looked wistfully round the table at the displeased faces of her selfish family. Then she said hurriedly:

'Everything—everybody must wait. Can't you see—can't you understand that a rest, a change is necessary for me?'

And before anything more could be said she had risen and left the room.

The next evening Mrs. Graham drove round in her luxurious carriage and bore her off in huge delight at getting her own way at last. And the family, standing a little forlornly at the gate, had brought away with them the remembrance of a white face silhouetted against the rich mauve of Mrs. Graham's Parisian cos-

tume, and eyes that had looked at them with a strange, yearning wistfulness, and the emphatic way in which Mrs. Graham had come out with her parting words.

'You won't know your mother when you see her again. You have all been working her to death. Now she is going to be petted and cared for.'

'You would really think,' said Mary irritably, 'that we had all been ill-using mother.'

Mr. Heriot said nothing. He had lost a little of his ostentatious self-complacency. There was a little shadow on his florid face. The carriage and liveried servants brought back the days when he had met his wife. She had come to him from luxuries such as these—come to him a slender, graceful, glad-eyed girl, willingly renouncing all the surroundings of the wealthy, braving the displeasure of her friends, to become the wife of a poor and obscure man. They had been very happy. She had never once complained. Of course, the cares of a large family and a limited income had had a few draw-backs naturally. He sat down in his chair and tried to bury himself in the evening paper, as usual, but somehow his thoughts wandered.

'Pet her and take care of her!' Did women want that sort of thing? The idea was ridiculous. She had a good home and a husband and children who loved her, of course. He crossed and uncrossed his legs rather uneasily. How pale she had looked in the carriage—such tired shadows under her eyes! What had her eyes meant to say as they met his? That her present life had wearied her; that she had all along been hankering to return to the 'fleshpots of Egypt?' The thought was disquieting.

Supper was rather a boisterous meal. Everybody talked a great deal of nonsense. The boys had come in, and young Pearson had joined them, as usual. Mary, very pretty and flushed, was occupying her mother's place at the table, and not displeased that her lover should see how efficiently she could fill it. And things went all right until Tommy put down his cup and stared at her.

'It's rotten to see you sitting there,' he said suddenly, 'just as if mother was dead.'

Mary retorted warmly, and at last Mr. Heriot looked up angrily.

'Mary, can't you keep your brothers in decent order? You have no more influence than a kitten.'

It was hard on Mary to be censured before her lover.

And breakfast the next morning was a regular fiasco. It was later than usual, and the bacon was burnt. Mary laid all the blame of the burnt bacon on Susan.

'The bacon was never burnt when mother was here. There's not a thing fit to eat. Mother always cooked the bacon herself.'

'Then why didn't you cook it if the girl can't?' demanded her father angrily.

'I was rather late rising,' said Mary, despairingly. 'I haven't had time to do my hair properly.'

'Mother did her hair properly,' observed Tommy, reflectively. 'I say, won't mother be having a jolly time? No burnt bacon there. Servants to wait on her, silver plates, and all sorts of swell doings.'

'I hope the—er—complete change will benefit her,' said Mr. Heriot, rather pompously, but he pushed his plate from him as though he found Susan's cooking particularly distasteful. 'Your mother did not look well. I'm afraid we have not been as careful of her as we might have been.'

He went out into the hall and left a rather silent table behind him.

'I saw your mother driving in the park this afternoon,' said young Pearson to Mary the following evening. 'She bowed and smiled like a queen—indeed she looked just like a queen.'

'A queen!' echoed Mary, rather derisively. 'Mother isn't a bit like a queen.'

'Looked just like one—a regular beauty she looked. Made me feel no end of a swell when she bowed.'

Mary was inclined to laugh at the young man's enthusiasm, but, for all that, his words had deeply impressed her.

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A week or so after this her husband saw her by chance coming away from a great military bazaar. She was walking down the carpeted steps with a splendid-looking military man whose breast was covered with decorations. His white head was uncovered and inclined to hear her slow, gentle voice. Respect and admiration were blended in his rugged features; he was unwilling to lose one word of what she was saying.

The little business man standing there witnessed it all. That beautiful, graceful woman was in her rightful place—the place that she had been born to. How easily and unconsciously she moved: with what perfect self-possession she talked to her companion. And yet this was his wife! For years she had been at his beck and call. She had toiled for them early and late, and waited on them with that patience and tenderness that is the outcome of perfect love. And they had neglected her, ignored her, often slighted her, and thought lightly of her words. Not from want of love—oh, no no! But from carelessness. She had given up all for them; denied herself often the simplest pleasures that theirs might be increased. He longed for her return: he waited for the coming of his wife with all the ardor of a young lover.

And one evening while they were sitting at supper, very quiet and a little doleful, the door opened softly and she came into the room.

'Cinderella has returned,' she said, smiling a little and looking up at them. She wore her old brown dress. All the trappings of wealth that her cousin had showered upon her so generously had been put aside. She had come back to her home. She stood looking at them. Rest and change had taken the hard, guard lines from her face. Her soft eyes questioned them, and then filled with happy tears as she read what she had longed for.

They rose like one and threw themselves upon her: they laughed and cried like crazy children. They showered kisses on her face, her hands, her very dress. And presently she found herself sitting in her chair with Tommy, big boy and all that he was, sitting in her lap, and the whole family grouped round as closely as they could get.

'Oh, mother, we have been going all to pieces without you! It's been perfectly awful! And how jolly pretty you are, mother! There's none of the fellows got such a pretty mother.'

'We've been regular selfish brutes,' said Mary, 'and I've been the worst. I've been a heartless little pig, and I thought that I knew everything, and I know nothing. Mother, we never knew that we loved you so much till you went away. Quer, isn't it?'

Tommy said nothing, but he sighed contentedly and pressed his cheek against his mother's neck with a tenderness that made her thrill with happiness.

'My dear,' said Mr. Heron, finding his voice at last and tightening his hold on the slender fingers that seemed to him to be the chain that linked him to all that was good—'my dear, I'm afraid that we have been very remiss. We have not considered your welfare as we ought to have done, but, please God, we'll make amends. You—you are very precious, my wife.'

She looked up at him with eyes that shone and cheeks that rivalled Mary's in their soft coloring.

'Give me love,' she said brokenly. 'Love me. Let me feel that I am necessary to you all, and there is no woman in the world who will be so happy as mother.'

—*Brooklyn Tablet.*

## ADJOINING ROOMS

The faint but unmistakable odor of iodoform and carbolic that drifted through the long corridors and over the latticed swinging doors that afforded privacy to the long line of rooms flanking the hall had but one meaning—a hospital. A blindfolded visitor would have understood it.

But the patient in room 20, corridor E, did not need any reminder. He understood perfectly where he was and why he had come there. Young, well set up, with curly hair and smiling eyes, he sat in an easy chair and looked out of the window where twilight was blotting away the jagged lines of tall buildings and smoothing out the rough edges of the river front in the further distance.

A doctor was standing near the young man, while a linen-clad nurse busied herself straightening out the small room: back of them was Sister Alberta, head of the hospital. The quieting influence of the early evening had settled over the group, but Sister Alberta's calm grey eyes were fixed appraisingly on the young patient. Her examination must have been satisfactory, for her expression softened, and she made a slight motion to the nurse, who stopped her perfunctory dusting of a room already immaculate, took up her pad and pencil, and stepped forward toward the patient to make the first entries in what was to be the opening page of a surgical chart, the patient's 'history,' taken the night before the operation.

'Name?' began the nurse.

'Thomas McAvoy.'

'Age?'

'Twenty-two.'

'Religion?'

'Catholic, of course.'

'Married or single?'

'Not even engaged.'

'You must take good care of Mr. McAvoy,' put in Sister Alberta. 'His sister was a favorite pupil of mine at our academy.'

The Sister and the nurse slipped quietly out through the swinging door, leaving McAvoy alone with the doctor.

'Honest, has it got to be done?' he asked.

'There couldn't be a better time,' the doctor explained. 'You are in good condition. If you have your appendix out now there will be no further trouble—no more of these recurring attacks that give you so much pain and are so dangerous. Wouldn't it be better to have a couple of weeks' rest in the hospital with the Sister and—here the doctor smiled—the good-looking nurses than to get more attacks, perhaps one when you were away from home?'

A sharp-toned bell somewhere in the courtyard of the hospital broke petulantly into their conversation.

'What's that?'

'An ambulance case,' the doctor replied. 'They ring that bell so as to have the internes ready to meet the sick person at the door. Everybody does not come to the hospital in a taxicab, as you did, and feel as well as a fish. Most patients are pretty sick before they reach here.'

'I wonder if it's anybody I know?'

'In all this big hospital there must be somebody you know or ought to know.'

'What will I do after the operation? May I smoke?'

'For a day or two you will be glad to do nothing. After that you can find something in the hospital to interest you. What you are to do now is to go to bed and have a good night's rest.' The doctor looked at his watch. 'I shall be here to help you get ready in the morning.'

There was a little group in the hall as the doctor passed. An interne and two orderlies were carrying a young girl on a stretcher. Despite the look of pain

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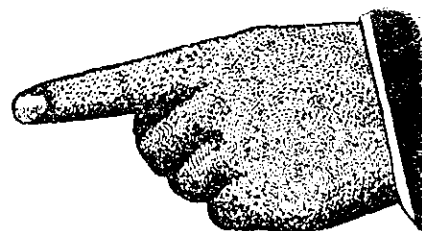
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on her face, she was pretty. The doctor who had just left young McAvoy watched until they had carried her to a room. It was 21, adjoining Tom's. The doctor waited for a few minutes until Sister Alberta, always there to supervise the reception of a new patient, had come out.

'Who is she?' he asked.

'That is Amy McClure, daughter of the contractor. You know who he is—he built this hospital. I used to teach her when she was a little girl. An appendicitis case. Nothing very serious as yet, but the surgeon thought she had better be operated on as soon as convenient.'

'When is her time?'

'The same as Mr. McAvoy's, only in operating room B.'

'Do they know each other, she and Tom?'

'I hardly think so. Tom has been away at college and she has just finished at Trinity, in Washington. They ought to, though.'

Sister Alberta went on her way through the long hall and to the floor superintendent's desk, making sure that everything was ready for the night. Sister Alberta always stopped at each corridor before she sought her own room in the part of the building reserved for the Sisters. The doctor took the elevator down to the main floor and went home, leaving the wheels of the great hospital to grind on in their daily routine.

Those wheels moved noiselessly while McAvoy slept the quiet sleep of the young and healthy, little disturbed by fears of the operation which was to be performed on the next day. They revolved during the painful hours that Amy McClure tossed on her cot, counting the minutes until an anesthetic should give her relief. They worked through internes, cleaners, and nurses, flushing and scrubbing two operating rooms, preparing sterilized bandages and laying out the white garments for the surgeons.

At 8 o'clock the next morning the telephone at the floor nurse's desk in corridor B tinkled ever so faintly. The chief of the surgical staff was calling.

'Operating room ready for Mr. McAvoy.'

A few minutes after the young man, accompanied by an orderly, had made his way to the white tiled room under the big skylight, the bell sounded again. This time for Miss McClure.

An hour passed and the cogs of the hospital routine rolled on, darkening the rooms that had just been vacated and arranging two beds for their unconscious occupants. In the operating rooms nurses handed shining knives to the surgeons, and the pungent odor of ether filled the air; life paused for two young souls while the daily-recurring miracle of modern science was accomplished. There were no complications, none of those unforeseen troubles which test the skill of a surgical staff and prove the worth of the expert operator. The operations were finished simultaneously. The ascending elevator carried two-wheeled stretchers. On each of them lay an unconscious figure. Their faces, placed in the peaceful sleep of the anesthetic, were turned toward each other. Only the faces were visible, peering out from the folds of voluminous blankets. Sister Alberta rode up with the patients.

'Will you see that our boy and girl are tucked in bed?' the Sister suggested to the nurses with a smile.

Sister Alberta was smiling when she left the nurses and started on her morning hospital rounds, and she was smiling again when, a few hours later, she saw two of the nurses in whispered conversation near the doors of the patients' rooms. If she knew or guessed what the nurses were saying, she gave no intimation. Apparently she never heard when the phrase 'boy and girl' drifted out from the undertones of the speakers.

Sister Alberta had the faculty of inspiring rather than directing. The other Sisters in their community life and the nurses and employees of the hospital were never sure whether their purposes had been merely re-expressed by Sister Alberta or whether they had been orders or suggestions from her.

Both Amy McClure and Tom McAvoy passed through the normal stages of recovery from an operation. There was a day or two when the whole world for them

comprised but one great desire—a longing for water, for any liquid that would dampen parched lips. Then came a period of general weakness and pain. But life beats strongly in young pulses, and many days before the physicians gave them permission to leave their beds both patients took a lively interest in all that was going on.

'There must be lots of sick people here,' Tom ventured one morning. 'Have any of them been cut up for their appendixes?'

'Yes,' the nurse said, 'and your neighbor in the adjoining room is a little girl who was operated upon the same morning you were.'

'A little girl! And is she tired of staying in bed? Honest, nurse, this room seems awfully small to me. I suppose she is just as tired of hers.'

'Yes, it is hard for the little girl, too. She has dark eyes and such soft hair,' mused the nurse, looking away from Tom and out of the window.

'What's her name?'

'Amy.'

'Any last name?'

'Yes, Amy McClure.'

'Is she getting well?'

'As fast as you are.'

'Poor little girl, I'm so sorry for her.'

Separated by a sound-proof partition, Amy McClure sat propped up by pillows, nibbling a piece of candy. Even the brightest of morning sunshine could reveal no flaw in Amy's dark Irish type of beauty. The regular features, the soft brown eyes, the sensitive mouth that appeared to be always on the verge of a smile—the warm morning's light brought each out in its perfection.

'Only two pieces, the doctor said,' reproved the nurse.

'And all this lovely candy to go to waste! Isn't there anybody else like me in the hospital—just crazy about candy and only permitted to eat two pieces? Surely, somebody beside me has had their horrid appendix cut out and is getting better after it.'

'Well, there's a little boy in the next room.'

'Who is he?'

'His name is Tom, Tom McAvoy, and he is a nice boy.'

'Appendicitis?'

'Yes; his operation was the same day as yours.'

'Do you think he would like it if I sent him some candy?'

'You might try.'

Next morning the nurse brought in the present—a box half-filled with candy. It was from the little girl next door, she explained. The candy had been sent to her, the nurse went on, but the house physician thought she had better not eat it all, and she wanted some of it to go to the patient who was next to her.

'Wasn't that a thoughtful thing for the little girl to do?' said Tom. 'And did she mean that I was to have it all?'

'Every bit, if the doctor will let you eat it.'

'I won't give him a chance to say anything about it. Tom had finished the last piece.

His glance roamed about the room. It lighted on piles of daily papers and a few novels, but stopped at a vase of splendid big roses that his sister had sent in. How would a rose do as a return present, Tom suggested, and would it be all right to include a note with it—not a long letter, but just a few lines to let the little girl know that he appreciated her gift? The nurse brought a pencil and a pad of paper, while Tom, resting the paper on a book and that on a pillow, wrote in a shaky boyish hand:

'Dear Miss Amy,—Thank you so much for the candy.—Tom McAvoy.'

Both the patients passed through the regular phases of convalescence, were allowed to have solid food, could sit up for a part of every day, and then all day, and every morning they exchanged greetings. Amy sent her companion a tiny basket of fruit. He returned the basket filled with carnations.

'Dear Tom,' wrote the girl, 'can't you get the nurse to let you come over, just once, before they take you home, to visit me?'

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Girls had never figured much in Tom's life. College had been filled with athletics and his studies. Since his graduation it had taken every minute and every ounce of energy to shoulder his way through the competition of the business world to a position where ultimate success appeared within reach. Now, in the quiet of the hospital, during the intervals between Tom's occasional visitors, he thought of the occupant of the adjoining room. Girls, whether little or big, were made for men to protect, and here was an opportunity for Tom to use his man's prerogative.

'Do you know, I would have been very lonely if that little girl hadn't thought so much of me! Tom confided to his night nurse. It's hard enough to be grown up and sit here, day after day, with only four walls to look at, but it must have been harder for her away from her playmates, and her mother not being able to be with her all the time.'

'Yes,' said the nurse. 'It has been hard for her, but she is glad to hear from you, and I'm sure it keeps her from being lonely.'

'Tell her that I will come on the first morning that I get a chance.'

'I'll tell her now,' and the nurse started for the door.

It was only a few steps to the next room, and she was there in less than a minute.

'Did he say he would come?' Amy queried.

'He was so pleased he could scarcely wait.'

'I love little boys. Tell me, what would he like when he gets here? I think children are so fascinating—don't you? And Tom has such a mature mind! I can tell it from his notes to me, so remarkable in a child. I know what I'll do. I will buy him a little engine with a track—some of these toys you wind up and it runs itself. Or would it be better to get a miniature electric railway that goes by batteries? What would you advise?'

But Amy was talking to an empty room. The nurse had found a sudden visitor in the bath. She was gone. Meanwhile Tom was writing a note, this time to the biggest department store in the city. It ordered the finest doll in stock to be sent to his room at the hospital.

'I can see her black eyes snap when I give it to her,' thought Tom. 'I wonder if she has an older sister?'

Never was a morning prettier than the one when the nurse decreed that Tom could see his friend next door. Spring was in the air, even in the city. It had crept in from the soft new grass in open fields miles away, and the pink faces of the wild flowers in the distant woods smiled brightly enough to throw their little beams over the brick skyscrapers and into the big city hospital. Spring was in Tom's eyes and in his heart. He would have to make the trip in a rolling chair: although he was fully dressed, the nurse said he could walk only a little.

'Children like bright colors best, don't they, nurse?' Amy argued, uncertain whether she should put on a boudoir gown of pale yellow or one of soft red silk with gilt chrysanthemums. 'Anyway, I look better in red.'

Her dark hair caught back in a loose knot, her fine

complexion rendered even more brilliant by a trace of hospital pallor and backed by a bowl of superb flowers, she might have been the spirit of spring blown in by a vagrant breeze. Her face was turned a little away from the light, and so she could not catch a full view of the swinging door that screened her from the main hall. A small mechanical engine, on its track, had been placed on the table near the bed.

The door swung open with a thud as the rubber-tired wheels of the rolling chair pushed against it. Tom, holding out the blondest and waxiest doll in the children's department of the city's best department store, was in the chair.

'See, Amy, what your neighbor has brought you,' his voice boomed out.

Amy turned. The wheeled chair was directly in front of her. The nurse had fled. Amy and Tom looked in each other's eyes with growing wonder.

'I beg pardon,' he stammered, 'but I wanted Amy McClure. Has she gone?' Tom was still holding out the absurd doll. Amy's finger pointed toward the table and the train of toy cars.

'I am Amy McClure,' she got out. 'Are you Tom McAvoy?'

'Yes, but—'

'I expected a little boy,' she said in.

'I—I thought you were a little girl, and that was why I brought this.' Tom's glance fell shamedly on the wax doll.

'I don't know what you will ever think,' said the girl, 'but they told me you were a lonely little boy, and that is why I wrote you to come.'

Tom's glance brightened as he watched the girl. He began to smile an infectious smile which turned into a laugh and drew responsive laughter from the girl.

'But now that I'm here, can't I stay?'

He read the answer in her eyes.

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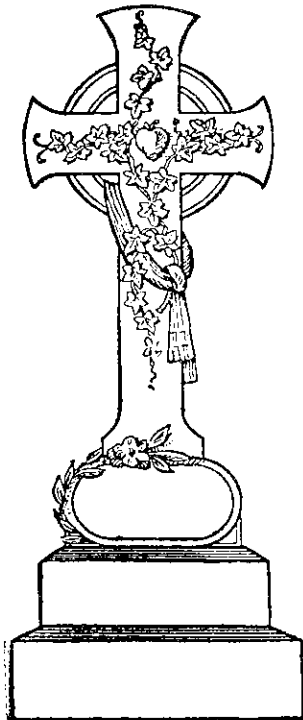
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## SIDELIGHTS ON THE WAR

### THE MUNSTER FUSILIERS.

One of the bravest deeds of the war was the heroic action of the Royal Munster Fusiliers, who, mustering only two companies, dragged a number of horseless guns to safety, whilst under a murderous fire from 3000 entrenched Germans. This is not the first occasion on which the battlefields of France have seen valiant work by the Munsters (says an English magazine). As far back as the days of the Stuarts the regiment fought many good fights on the fair fields of the Continent, when for sheer love of fighting they joined the troops of the King of France. This action has never been forgotten by the French, and to-day the Irish soldier is always sure of a popular welcome amongst our Allies.

With other Irish units the regiment was first founded for the purpose of guarding the ordnance of the Army at the time of James II., for artillery rapidly followed the invention of gunpowder. Being armed with a weapon known as the 'fusil,' the regiment were given the name of Fusiliers.

The Indian Mutiny is the most important milestone in the history of the Munsters. At that time they underwent a series of gruelling experiences which would have broken the spirit of any but born fighters. On the scorching plains of India they had to march for days, harassed by 'snipers' and with their ranks rapidly thinning through disease. It was the efforts of the regiment which largely accounted for the Relief of Lucknow. Their forced march under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Neill, to revenge the massacre of the whites by the treacherous Nana Sahib at Cawnpore, was another memorable page in the history of the Royal Munsters. On that occasion the natives had good reason to remember the retribution brought by the grim young Irishmen with the 'Shamrock and Tiger' badge on their caps.

In the South African War the fearless dashes of the Munsters resulted in the regiment getting into several tight corners and having to fight their way out. This occurred at the taking of Bethlehem from the Boers when the regiment sustained, according to despatches, 'the heavier loss and the greater honor.'

### GREAT GUNS.

Most wars produce an armament surprise of one kind or another. In the present case it is the colossal siege guns of the Germans. Never before has there been known a movable arm so immense (says *Science Siftings*). One report states that the German guns are of a type of 17in howitzer, weighing about 50 or 60 tons. Another authority states that they are only 11in howitzers, but even these fire a shell of 700lb weight containing high explosive. Such a shell will pierce 8in steel. Imagine, then, the devastation that could be wrought with the shells of 17in weapons. What wonder that four discharges only are said to have annihilated one of the great forts at Namur. The Germans are said to have, or to have had, fifty of these 17in siege guns. Their range is about six miles, but it is stated that they can fire only twenty times each.

In our Navy we have now 15in guns which weigh 96 tons and fire a shell of 1950lb weight. A broadside of the Royal Sovereign weighs no less than 17,200lb—about eight tons. Other war vessels are armed with 14in guns, which weigh 63.3 tons; and a battery of these can do enough damage in all conscience, for even six tons or so of shrieking metal finding its mark on the iron sides of even a super-Dreadnought can tell a fatal tale—and our seamen do find their mark nowadays, as the recent battle of Heligoland told us in practical form. The cost of such projectiles is enormous, and the facts about it show the taxpayers of the world where go the millions of pounds that are at the present time being spent daily on war. Take, for instance, the 14in gun. The weight of the projectile is 1400lb, the weight of the powder charge is about 450lb. The muzzle-energy of the weapon is 65,600 foot-tons.

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### GERMANY'S BIG CANAL.

Up to the present the Kiel Canal has proved a much more profitable investment for the German people than the vast fleet which it is at present hiding.

For many years Prince Bismarck had cherished the idea of connecting Emden with Kiel Harbor by means of a great waterway, which would enable squadrons of warships to traverse the whole coast-line free from external interference. The construction of the canal was begun in 1887, and after eight years' work—in 1895—it was formally opened to commerce in the presence of a large international fleet.

The length was 60 miles, and it then had a normal width of 72ft at the bottom and 220ft at the water-level, with a depth of 29½ft. Although it is a sea-level canal, twin locks were built at each end, those at the western entrance to rectify the large tide variations, and those at the eastern end to rectify variations of water-level due to gales in the practically tideless Baltic. These locks were 492ft long, 82ft wide, and 32ft deep. Those at Kiel remained open most of the time, while those at the mouth of the Elbe did not need to be used at certain tides.

By saving a dangerous voyage round the stormy coasts of Denmark the canal proved of great value to trading vessels, but, as recent events have demonstrated, its strategic value is even greater.

With the coming of the Dreadnought type of battleship it was found necessary, however, to reconstruct the canal, in order that it might accommodate these huge vessels.

The normal width of the canal is now 335ft at the surface and 144ft at the bottom, with a depth of 36ft. New twin locks have been built alongside the old ones at each end. They have an available length of 1082.6ft, and width of 147.6ft. Intermediate gates may be used to cut off a chamber 328ft long.

The work of reconstructing the canal cost about £11,000,000. The new locks were formally opened by the Kaiser last June by the Emperor's yacht Hohenzollern breaking a ribbon of black, white, and red stretched across one of the new locks.

### IF KRUPPS WERE CRIPPLED.

Were Krupp's works to be crippled more than half the battle would be won (says the *Dundee Advertiser*). That the Allies are quite alive to the importance of this fact is revealed in the report that the dauntless British aviator who flew over Dusseldorf was very near the works.

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### A FIGHT TO A FINISH.

Rev. B. Vaughan, S.J., lectured in St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow, recently on 'Heroic Belgium.' The lecture, which was in aid of the Belgian relief fund, was under the auspices of the Glasgow Catholic Institute,

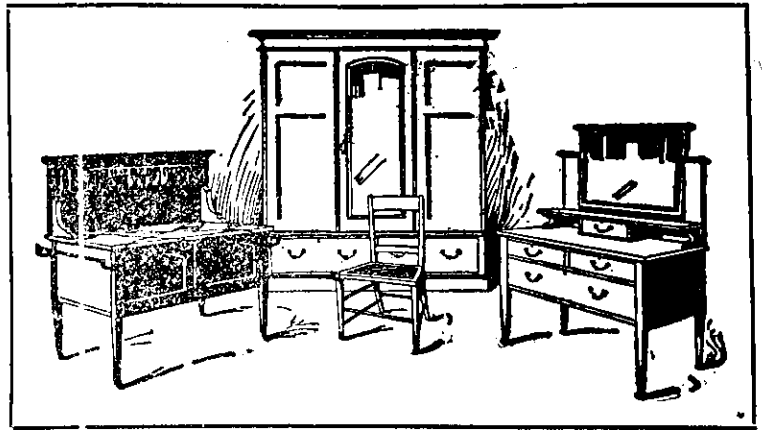
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and under the patronage of the Glasgow Corporation. Bailie Mason presided, and the platform party included the Glasgow consuls of the allied countries, several members of the Corporation, and a number of priests.

Father Vaughan, who got a very enthusiastic reception, said that the peace-loving British Empire had unsheathed the war-sword. She had gone to war for what Germany had termed 'a scrap of paper.' The contract which guaranteed the integrity and autonomy of Belgium had the signature of Germany to it, yet Germany had asserted that her plighted word, her pledge to maintain the independence of Belgium, was only fit for the waste-paper basket. But the British Empire had told the world that she meant to fight to the death for her plighted word, and in a material age such as this it was noble and inspiring to realise that our Empire had not forgotten the lesson taught in the days of Catholic chivalry.

They had two schools of thought before them at present, with regard to war and warfare. There was the school of thought expressed by such men as Nietzsche and Bernhardt, and there was the school of Tolstoi and Ramsay MacDonald. For the former school warfare was the supreme good—a biological necessity, a great test of moral excellence, the main factor in social evolution. Tolstoi and Ramsay MacDonald thought there was nothing so horrible as war. For them it was the supreme evil: nothing could justify it. But while war was to be avoided, if possible, if the doctrines of the latter school were to be adopted, there would be an end to truth and freedom and justice. They were fighting to-day for their national word of honor, pledged to Belgium.

Belgium with its noble king, Albert the Great, would go down to history as the saviours of European civilisation. They had lost everything that the world called the prizes of life, they had sacrificed all material goods for a high ideal, they had shown a materialistic age how to live and die like Christian heroes and heroines.

#### FRENCH SOLDIERS' BRAVE SPIRIT.

Our wounded soldiers are the heroes of the hour, and it may be added, with truth, that as a rule, they fully justify the affectionate regard in which they are held (writes the Paris correspondent of the *Catholic Times*). Over and over again I have noticed, with wonder and admiration, how uninteresting, ordinary characters are modified by the war and all that it entails. These peasants and workmen, severely wounded, sometimes even maimed for life, do not complain; they do not express fine sentiments in florid language, but they show a simple, steady, silent courage that is all the more touching because it is real. 'It had to be, it was our duty,' others are worse off than we are. These plain words, given the circumstances in which they are said, often have a touch of heroism. Sometimes we come upon something higher still and a strain of spirituality glorifies the soldier's sacrifice. Two days ago there came to a hospital, served by nuns, in a quiet part of Paris, a young adjutant, grievously wounded in Flanders, whose wounds had not been touched since they were dressed when he was first removed from the battlefield ten days before he was brought to the hospital. The second dressing of the boy's wounds, he was barely twenty-three, was a painful process, as they had terribly suffered from the long waiting and the weary journey. When I saw him the dressing was over; he lay in a large room, ever-looking a garden; soft-voiced Sisters flitted about with noiseless steps. 'How lucky I am to be here,' said the young adjutant: 'It is surely God Who led me to a place where I am so kindly treated!' His first thought, after expressing his gratitude, was to take two francs from his purse and give them to the chaplain. 'Will you say Mass for my sergeant, who was killed in the trenches close to me?' he asked. Then, turning to the delegate of the Red Cross Society, attached to the hospital, he added: 'I have my sergeant's pocket-book: it ought to be sent to his mother; will you see to it?' And from the pocket of his tattered and blood-stained uniform was extracted a small account-book.

Sergeant's diary—It is before me as I write these lines, and as I open the crumpled leaves, my thoughts go out to the dead soldier, whose last thoughts are here expressed. At the first pages, neatly written in ink, are the different stages of the young sergeant's short campaign. From Tourcoing, his home, he went to Lille, to Charleville, to Longuyon, to Hirson, to Toul, then back to Lille, nearer to the Flemish country, where death awaited him. He must have had a strong feeling that he would not return alive, for on another page, in pencil, I read the following lines, dated August 15: 'My dear mother,—I have just received my baptism of fire. May God's will be done! If I am to die, I offer Him the sacrifice of my life; I shall die a Christian and a soldier, and my last thoughts will go out to you and to my brothers and sisters. I beg your forgiveness if I have ever given you pain, and I beg you to believe in all my gratitude. In expectation of the day when we shall meet in heaven I embrace you very lovingly, also Martha, Andrea, Francois, Marie, and Mark, my beloved brothers and sisters.'

Then are written some devout ejaculations: 'Merciful Heart of Jesus, I trust in Thee. Mary, conceived without sin, help me, I beg of thee! Feast of the Assumption. Adieu!' After that comes a request, written in German and in French, begging the person who should find the book to send it to 'my dearest mother,' whose address is carefully given, together with the dead man's thanks to the messenger. A pathetic circumstance connected with the note-book is that, while respectful but unknown hands open its pages, the woman to whom it is to be sent is out of reach, shut up in one of the towns of Northern France, that is now occupied by the Germans. Communications with the inhabitants of these towns are more difficult even than with the prisoners of war in Germany, and months must elapse before the dead sergeant's message reaches his home! Meantime, a mother, probably a widow, no mention being made of a father, and her five children are praying for their absent one. The sergeant belongs to a country where there is much solid faith, and it was certainly in his home that he learnt how to live and also how to die.

From a religious point of view, the attitude of our officers is excellent. A young lieutenant writes from near Verdun: 'On October 7, four thousand of us were camped in a village, where fifteen of our soldier priests said Mass in the village church from early dawn. The confessional was full all the morning. I had the happiness of going to Holy Communion. My men did the same. I wanted to serve Mass, but all the places were bespoken beforehand. When, at the 5 o'clock Mass, I saw officers, non-commissioned officers, and men in sacred ranks go up to the altar I own that tears came into my eyes.' I may here remind my readers that all soldiers engaged in the present war are considered as being in danger of death. Pope Pius X. authorised them, in consequence, to receive Holy Communion 'in Viaticum' without fasting. It is thus that on the evening of August 14, in Belgium, some French Cuirassiers who had been to confession, intending to communicate the next morning, were suddenly told that at midnight they were to move on. Great was the disappointment of officers and men; but a Redemptorist Father who had been busy hearing their confessions solved the difficulty. It was impossible, he said, for the men to hear Mass, but it was possible to make use of the Pope's permission to communicate without fasting. At eight o'clock that evening the church bells rang and officers and men received Holy Communion as a Viaticum. To many among them it proved to be, in reality, their last Communion.

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## BISHOP CLEARY ON VISITATION

### AN ADVENTUROUS MOTOR TRIP.

(From an occasional correspondent.)

Awanui, January 14.

His Lordship Bishop Cleary reached Awanui yesterday on the first Catholic episcopal visitation to the far north of his diocese. He left Auckland on January 8, and on his way north, he called for a brief space at Whangarei, and proceeded thence, in his 40-50 horsepower Cadillac motor to Hikurangi, Kawakawa, and Kaeo, where he stayed for an hour or two as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Swan. He proceeded thence to Waitaruke, the open country home of Rev. Father Bruning, who has the spiritual charge of the vast area which extends from Maungakahia to Cape Maria van Diemen, and in which there are a few intensely Catholic Native villages, and a small flock of white Catholics scattered widely in little groups among the little townships and in the camps of Austrian and other diggers of the now heavily 'slumped' article of commerce, kauri gum.

At Waitaruke.

The Bishop describes the motor trip of nearly 100 miles from Whangarei to Waitaruke as being, in the main 'a humpy, lumpy, bumpy' one, the best running being on some of the clay hills that in wet and winter weather are impassable to motors. At Waitaruke the Bishop was warmly welcomed by Father Bruning and the Catholic Maoris of the district. On the following morning (Sunday, January 10) all the local Catholic Natives, and all the white Catholics for many miles around, assembled in the Native church of Waitaruke, where, at the close of the second Mass, the Sacrament of Confirmation was administered to a number of children and adults of both races, and the ceremonies of episcopal visitation were carried out. As is usual in the Catholic Native centres of the Auckland diocese, a delightful feature of the church ceremonies was the beautiful four-part singing and prayer-chanting of the whole Maori congregation.

At the close of the ceremonies the white visitors were entertained with generous hospitality, and, as a *bonne bouche*, many of them also 'sampled' the pipis and other food cooked to a turn in the Native *hongi* or oven, on heated stones, 'drowned' in steam and then filled up rapidly with various eatables, covered with damp bags and earth. Food thus treated in the Native manner is the perfection of cookery, and is esteemed as a great delicacy by the whites. During the afternoon an address of welcome was read to the Bishop by the white Catholics of the Whangaroa and Mangonui districts, and a presentation of a splendid mass of kauri gum was made by Mr. Swan. His Lordship suitably replied to the white Catholics, and in Maori to the speeches of the Natives.

An Adventurous Trip.

Saturday night's and Sunday morning's rain left the roads only in good motoring condition (owing to the action of wind and sun), when, on Monday, January 11, the Bishop, accompanied by Father Bruning, set out for the Catholic Native village of Taemaro, over the hills and far away, on the coast. There is only a wild and narrow track to Taemaro, branching off about four miles south of Mangonui. The opinion generally expressed was that this steep, narrow, and storm-torn track was quite impassable to motors. The Bishop, however, declared that he had passed over quite a number of roads and tracks that had been voted impassable, and that he meant to try that of Taemaro. So, adding a pick to his spades, axes, ropes, and other bad-road gear, he and Father Bruning headed for Taemaro. A side-slip down a slope into a drain, over some fair-looking but 'rotten' ground was the first indication of the quality of the Taemaro track, the car canting over at a sharp angle. Two spades, two short trenches, and a bag—then the engine was started up, and the big

car simply waltzed up the incline and on to solid earth. Time, less than fifteen minutes.

From this point onwards the chief troubles were the too great narrowness of the track, its dangerously high 'banking-up' here and there along the edges of steep and precipitous slopes—the 'banks' being generally scored by ruts running down-hill,—and the ruin and partial demolition of the track in many places by rushing winter torrents. On the return trip, on the following day (January 12), the travellers and the Natives who accompanied them noticed one place where, owing to the down-thrust of the ruddy 'bank,' the outside wheels of the car had run for fully 20 feet right along the sharp outer edge or angle of a precipitous slope. At another point, it was found that the wheels had passed over a piece of 'rotten' ground, undermined by the action of water. Steps (as described hereunder) were, as may well be imagined, taken to counteract such close contact on the return trip. As his Lordship remarked, it takes a motorist at least two trips to learn the wiles and ways of the 'way' to Taemaro.

Reorganising the Track.

To all appearance the narrow, deeply sloping track was, though fiercely rough, quite firm and dependable; but, at one point, the car (to use the Bishop's expression) suddenly 'wagged her tail'—the back wheels side-slipped, though only very slightly, over some fine, dry, powdered clay, on one of the heavily sloping and rugged surfaces. Where inches counted for so much, a prompt investigation was necessary. It disclosed a back (or driving) wheel partly gripping, and partly over, the sharp outer edge of a long, steep slope. Prompt action was taken. Under his Lordship's direction, and with his active aid, two holes were dug slightly to the 'in' or hill side of the back tyres, and partly under them; the wheels were then easily pushed or 'coaxed' sideways into the holes; and the wheel on the outer edge was thus comfortably drawn in a few inches from the steep declivity and 'anchored' in perfect safety. Trenches were then dug from the back wheels to and under the front wheels, and for thirty or forty feet to a point where the precipitous slope was shouldered off by a narrow ridge which afforded perfect safety for the wheels. At this point, and further on, some of the Taemaro villagers gave valuable assistance in reorganising the track and rendering it fairly safe for careful motor driving.

At several other points in the track it was found necessary to proceed in a similar way to that described above. The last and worst was on a steep, down-hill and winding grade around a bluff a little over a mile from Taemaro. There the slope had been badly torn, both cross-wise and length-wise, by winter torrents by the edge of an extremely rapid slope. It took two hours of pick and spade work to make this a fairly safe, though a very rough and bumpy, footing for a motor vehicle.

A Manila Rope.

The safety of the trip depended in good part on a long, stout Manila rope. The Bishop, by a happy inspiration, hitched it to the back-frame of the motor car when the first slip on the steep, banked-up slope left one back tyre partly over the edge, as described above. When he started the car from its dangerous position, Father Bruning and two or more of the Natives hung on fiercely to this rope, up the hill at one side of the car; and their long, strong pull followed the car as its wheels were slowly and cautiously advanced along the trenches prepared for them. This pull corrected any tendency of the wheels to 'climb' the trenches towards the downward or valley side. The manoeuvre was completely successful, and was freely utilised on the return trip, when a number of the sturdy villagers accompanied the car for some eight miles or thereabouts.

Taemaro.

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A short welcome was accorded to the visitors by all the villagers standing in the usual Native fashion of a crescent row. The formal welcome took place in the evening in the *whare-puna* or big meeting house, when close on a hundred visitors from the Catholic Native village of Waimahana swelled the total population of Taemaro to about 200. After the four-part chanting of night prayers, the Bishop and Father Bruning catechised the nineteen candidates for Confirmation, in Maori, for a considerable time and in close detail. The answering was excellent. The speeches of welcome were then spoken; Father Bruning also addressed the gathering; and the Bishop replied at some length in the Native tongue. The next morning (January 12) the whole population marched in procession to the church, singing hymns, the Bishop, in cope and mitre, attended by acolytes, bringing up the rear. During the first Mass, the whole congregation chanted a *Dies Irae* to a quaint and plaintive Native air, which fitted in with no known European scale. The chant was for the anniversary of one of their dead. During the second Mass the congregation let their voices go in a great out-pouring of their beautiful four-part hymns. After Confirmation a new catechist was appointed and blessed by his Lordship.

#### The Return.

The return trip had to be taken to suit the crossing of a tidal creek. Half the population followed the car for several miles. Close on twenty people were at various times on the car or on its foot-boards, and they—but especially the children—were delighted with the manner in which the big machine tore up the steep and narrow slopes or down the hills. At the bad places his Lordship gave the word: '*Heke atu katoa*' ('All get down'), when the car was emptied in a moment; then, at the more dangerous points: '*Kumea atu*,' '*kia kaha te kukume atu*' ('Pull away,' 'a strong pull-away'), and a number of pairs of stout arms manned the Manila rope and held the car to the treacherous slope.

#### Mangonui and Further.

Mangonui was reached about midday in a broiling heat. The following morning Mass and Confirmation were celebrated at Mr. O'Connor's to a little flock of six or seven Catholics, and Holy Communion administered. On the same day (January 13), the Bishop and Father Bruning were 'seen off' by a good part of the population of Mangonui, and proceeded to Awanui by the valleys, along which the remains of many old fortified Maori villages may be seen on the hill-tops. Kaitaia and Awanui were reached shortly before and after 1 o'clock respectively. At Awanui the Bishop and Father Bruning are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fleming. Masses and Confirmation were celebrated this morning (January 14). The two visitors leave this forenoon for Waipapakauri; and thence to visit the gum camps at Waihara and Hohoura, before proceeding by Ahipara and the Ninety Mile Beach to Te Pahi, Hapua, and other places in the extreme North of New Zealand.

## GERMAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES

The Italian journal, *L'Industria*, gives publicity to an article by Professor Otto N. Witt, on the situation of the German chemical industries created by the war. The first effects of the war were to remove the technical and managing staffs from the various factories and to prevent exports. Passing in review the various branches of the chemical industries, Professor Witt states that the makers of sulphuric acid will not be able to procure pyrites from Spain and Portugal when existing stocks are exhausted; he calls attention to Norwegian pyrites, and adds that it may be possible to revert to the utilisation of Italian sulphur. Grave pre-occupation rule in regard to the preparation of nitric acid, which plays an important part in the manufacture of modern explosives, and for which Peruvian nitrates are required; this latter mineral cannot now be imported through German ports. For this reason the existing stocks of nitrates in Germany, which were destined to be used for manure, are to be kept for use by the chemical factories, and to be replaced for agricultural purposes by ammonium sulphate, the production of which is abundant. There is in Germany a lack of mercury, copper, chromium, and nickel. With regard to this latter metal, since it is not possible to obtain it at the present time from New Caledonia, nor from Canada and the United States, it is proposed to take in hand afresh the treatment of the poor deposits of Hungary and Upper Italy. The aluminium industry will now be compelled to work another clay found in Dalmatia; this, however, is of a somewhat different composition, and will require a different treatment. There is a superabundance of alcohol; the decrease in consumption for industrial purposes renders available for food purposes the grain and potatoes which otherwise would be taken up by the distilleries. The residues of sugar beets form an abundant source for the production of alcohol, and this can be increased by the utilisation of sawdust. The distillation of lignites, which for many years suffered a heavy competition, will now increase in activity, owing to the prevention of imports of benzine, petroleum, lubricants, and paraffin into Germany. In regard to benzol, phenol, naphthalene, and anthracene, the situation is different now from what it was in 1870, when Germany imported these products from Great Britain. The German industry of artificial dyes is now so strongly established that it need fear no competition: the output may be reduced by half, owing to the cancelling of exports to the belligerent nations, but the chief sufferers will be the dyeing works of those nations who have no other source of supply apart from Germany. On the other hand, Germany will suffer through lack of textile goods, cotton, wool, and jute. The soap works will have a lack of cocoa-nut and palm oil and tallow, and the chief anxiety under this head will be the decrease in the output of glycerine required for dynamite manufacture. Great stress is laid by Professor Witt on the prevention of exports from Germany to the South African gold mines of the cyanides required for gold extraction.

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## Current Topics

### German Losses

Many statements have from time to time appeared in our cables as to the German losses in the present struggle, the messages being frequently contradictory and in some cases obviously absurd. All such arm-chair estimates are to a very large extent mere guess-work, and even the views of sane, sensible, and skilled experts can only be taken as giving us a very rough approximation to the truth. In this category must certainly be placed Mr. Hilaire Belloc, who, in an article in *Land and Water* discusses the whole question of German losses. He finally concludes that Germany's wastage in lost, wounded, and missing must be put at over a million and three-quarters up to the beginning of November, losses which until that date had 'fallen in the main upon the trained troops of the enemy, and with especial severity upon his body of officers.' This, Mr. Belloc states, 'is the chief military feature of the struggle at the present moment, that, in a service peculiarly dependent upon cadres, certainly a third of the officers have by this time disappeared.'

### The Zeppelin Raid

In one sense the raid of German airships on Yarmouth and on sundry undefended English villages is one of the best things that could have happened England at the present juncture. There is a certain section of English young manhood, engrossed in athletic and sports competitions, who cannot be brought to realise the seriousness of the present emergency and the urgency of the obligation which rests upon them except by some such plain and pointed reminder. So long as their own hearths and homes are not in danger, and the soil of England is not immediately threatened, the most eloquent appeals fall unheeded. On a recent Saturday, according to the *Pall Mall*, at London's principal football match, attended by 15,000 people, not a single man responded to the appeal for recruits. Colonel Burn, who has lost a son at the front, applied in vain to the multitude of adolescent Englishmen for a volunteer to fill his place. And in other parts of the country the same stolid refusal greeted the efforts of speakers, bands, and recruiting officers. At Nottingham, Colonel Burn addressed the crowd in these terms: 'As a soldier I ask you. I am not saying "Go"; I say "Come; your country needs you." One man to-day is worth ten in a month's time. I have been at the front since the war began. I leave for the front again to-morrow—for the scene where my elder boy has already died a glorious death for his country.' But the Nottingham gathering of 7,000, equally with the London crowd, was unanimous in its indifference and contemptuous disregard of patriotism. The cable intimation that 'the airship raid has resulted in large recruiting in London,' is, therefore, as welcome as it is natural. The one need of the Allies now is men, and ever more men; and these occasional visitations—which will, of course, be from time to time repeated—furnish just the fillip needed to maintain the stream of recruits required to fill up the gaps. As is obvious to the meanest intelligence they achieve not one iota of real military advantage to Germany; but they may serve as an effective substitute for the threatened introduction of conscription into England. The fact that Berlin has thought it necessary to publish an elaborate defence of this attack on English villages would seem to indicate that at last Germany is beginning to be just the least bit sensitive to international public opinion regarding the fairness and morality of her methods of warfare.

### The Pope and the War

It seems tolerably clear that there is one Sovereign, at least, who will figure on the world stage with enhanced dignity and prestige when the end of the war is in sight—and that is his Holiness the Pope. Straws show how the wind blows; and the succession of ap-

parently trifling and seemingly disconnected cables referring to the Vatican during the past week or two furnishes interesting evidence of the growing respect inspired by and displayed towards the occupant of the Holy See. 'A White Paper,' says a London cable in our dailies of January 4, 'shows that the British Envoy, in congratulating the Pope on his accession, said he had been instructed to explain the motives on which Britain had acted since the beginning of the trouble, the efforts used to maintain peace, and her reasons for going to war'—a delicate recognition of the status of the Papacy and of the importance of gaining a favorable opinion with the Holy Father. A week later, another London cable informs us that 'the Rev. R. J. Campbell, the noted London preacher, suggests, with the view of ending the war, that a general council of the world's Churches should be summoned. He adds that the Pope is the one person with any chance of success in calling such a conference'—surely a very notable acknowledgment from a Protestant minister. Even the Kaiser has not been above giving evidence of a desire to stand well with his Holiness. When the Holy Father suggested, about Christmas time, that Germany should agree to an exchange of prisoners who were incapacitated from fighting, the Kaiser was pleased to acquiesce in the proposal; and 'as a result of the Pope's intervention,' says a cablegram dated January 8, 'it is expected that 150,000 civilians and invalided prisoners will be exchanged.' It is true that since then the Germans have arrested a distinguished Prince of the Church, but this matter is still the subject of Papal protest, and his Holiness is reported as having stated that he is very far from regarding the incident as closed. If the time should ever come when the question of peace and the terms of settlement are to be submitted to arbitration—and we frankly confess we see little prospect of such a consummation—it seems safe to predict that it will be the Holy Father, and not America's inept and spineless President, who will be called upon to mediate.

### Irishmen and the War

It is easy to understand the view expressed by a recent contributor to our columns that, with Home Rule a thing of the future and with a past that is one long tale of suffering and oppression, it is natural that Ireland should be dubious and should hesitate about throwing herself whole-heartedly into the present struggle. We thoroughly realise and sympathise with that point of view; but we think, none the less, that on a careful consideration of the question Ireland will realise that the overwhelming weight of argument is in favor of the decision and attitude taken by Mr. John Redmond and the other responsible leaders of the Nationalist movement. Home Rule, though it is still to come, is pledged and promised and on the Statute Book; and the majority of the British people by twice in succession electing a Home Rule Government have shown a willingness to do justice to Ireland which, though undoubtedly long in coming, would render the display of anything like a vindictive spirit inopportune and untimely. Whether England wins or is defeated in the present contest, Ireland stands to lose heavily if she holds aloof. If England wins, Ireland's refusal to support her cause would have furnished the Unionist with a formidable argument. The fact—if it were a fact—that Nationalist Ireland had refused to lift a finger to help the Empire in the hour of its greatest crisis would be advanced as the crowning evidence of Irish disloyalty and secret seditious designs. Apart from the mere partisan and extravagant use that would be made of such an argument, it is incontestable that the working classes of the United Kingdom would look coldly on the claims of a people that had—as they would feel—abandoned their friends of the British democracy in their extremity and left them to take their chance of losing their freedom and of coming under the heel of Germany. In a word, both opponents and friends would be alienated, and Home Rule would be killed—stone dead. On the other hand, if England goes under, Ireland goes under too; and exchanges for the prospect of Home Rule and the realisation of her

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national aspirations and ideals the position and status of a German province, governed with the heavy hand and ruled with the iron rule with which we have been made familiar in the case of Schleswig-Holstein, Alsace-Lorraine, and German Poland. It is in this sense that, as the *Dublin Freeman* has pointed out and as we have ourselves emphasised, the present war is Ireland's war and New Zealand's war, and Australia's war just as much as it is England's war. It is now for all parties—Ireland included—a war of national self-preservation; and this is the fact which critics of the Nationalist leaders' attitude are apt to overlook or forget.

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In addition to these more or less interested and selfish considerations there is the question of principle involved. It is in our judgment impossible for any British subject reasonably to deny that, after the neutrality of Belgium had been violated, there was any other honorable course open to Britain but to stand firmly to her pledged word and treaty obligations; and whatever may be said of past wars, on this occasion Britain is engaged in an absolutely and unquestionably just war. It is this point of view which appears to have weighed with that brilliant Nationalist, Mr. T. M. Kettle. At the inaugural meeting—held in the first week of November—of the Session of the Solicitors' Apprentices' Debating Society, in Dublin, at which an address on the neutrality of Belgium was delivered, Professor T. M. Kettle thus defined his attitude: "He was in Belgium before the ultimatum was presented, and had some idea of what had happened. Yet it remained for him to come back to Ireland, and to be asked: 'Why didn't Belgium sell the pass; why didn't she get out of the way; has she not brought it on herself?'" Having had personal conversation with the King of Belgium and the Prime Minister he was able to say that they knew what honor was, and that Belgium was going to see the fight out to the bitter end. Belgium had been deliberately created by Europe as a buffer State, and as such she became perhaps the most enterprising community in the whole of Europe: and had, in fact, become the social laboratory of Europe. And in this trial Belgium had put honor first. It was their duty to rally to Belgium. The British were engaged in an effort to defeat Prussian Imperialism, and if justice and England came to be synonymous terms, he was not going to drop justice in order to annoy England."

### The Reckoning for the War

Mr. H. G. Wells, whose patriotism is of a particularly fervid and demonstrative kind, cannot keep his mind from running on the subject of the penalties to be exacted from Germany when the hour of reckoning comes. It is still a long way to Berlin: but already in his mind's eye he sees the Kaiser brought to his knees, and the victorious Allies relentlessly dictating terms. In an article entitled 'The Reckoning for the War,' in the *London Magazine* for December, he discusses at length the probable nature and scope of those terms; or rather, he expounds with characteristic vigor his own ideas as to the character and extent of the reparation which should be exacted for Germany's 'stupendous crime against civilisation.' As to the political penalties, he cynically remarks that in exacting these the European Powers will need no other guide but the German writers upon world politics. 'We have Bernhardi as our text-book; he tells us what Germans think becoming in warfare, and he must be our guide too to what will impress them. . . . With what measure they proposed to mete, the same should be meted to them in the final reckoning. They were resolved to strike France to the earth so that she would never rise again, and they have already annexed Belgium. These things set the key of the settlement. What Russia and France and Serbia desire, they must have; if Belgium chooses to demand Aix-la-Chapelle and a large protective slip of German soil, it is not for England to stand in her way: never again must Belgium run the risk of a surprise invasion. And since the

German Fleet aimed at Great Britain, and Great Britain alone, it will be the uttermost folly to leave Germany in possession of a single warship great or small; or of the Frisian Islands, Heligoland, or a single colony, or at liberty ever to launch a warship on the seas again after this war is over. And then indemnities, and the garrisoning of large parts of the beaten country until the indemnity is paid—these are German devices that we are bound to adopt. Then to France, then to Russia, then to Serbia, then to Japan she must pay off the gigantic costs of this insane, outrageous, insanely premeditated war.'

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But these political penalties, drastic as they are, by no means complete Mr. Wells's bill of reckoning for the Kaiser. They do not, he considers, touch the profounder evil, the peculiar criminality which has made this war exceptional, the systematic offences against private life, against the lives of simple people, against beautiful things and spiritual things, of which these Prussian-led Germans have been guilty. 'What are we to do about these desecrated homes, the brutalities, the filthy insults to all that is good and gracious in life? Consider only Rheims, that supremely beautiful shrine of French history and the French spirit. There was the ancient crowning place of the French kings, there the heroic career of Joan of Arc triumphed in the consolidation of France. What indemnity, what loss of territory, can pay for the smashing of Rheims?' He points out that Signor Triana, the representative of Columbia at the Hague Conference, made the important suggestion that quite apart from what one might call the State and political consequences of a war, there should be a Bill and a Settlement for all the personal offences and needless outrages committed upon non-belligerents. His point was that it should be impossible to plead 'benefit of soldiery' for what the conscience of civilisation recognises as crimes. Applying this 'finely simple idea,' Mr. Wells holds that it would be perfectly easy to begin even now documenting the outrages of the German Army, and noting the names of the officers responsible for them. Still following Signor Triana's principle, he would have the Allies make a Bill of private indemnities—a long, carefully-itemed Bill. 'We should put down: To the rebuilding of the farm of Monsieur So-and-so, so much; to the life pension of the widow So-and-so, so much; to the life pension of Monsieur So-and-so, maimed, so much,' etc. Such a Bill, he points out, could be secured upon the German customs, post office, State railway, income and port dues. The Germans, according to Mr. Wells, are accustomed to a system of taxation by means of endorsement upon railway tickets; and he would take advantage of the system by assigning each of the German railways to some section or sub-section of the Bill for damages, so that the travelling German would read on his ticket, fare so-many marks, and then an endorsement in red: 'Extra for Belgian (or Polish or French) Outrages, committed under your Emperor's order, Two Marks,' or simply 'Louvain—Two Marks.' As further reparation for the wanton destruction of art treasures, he suggests that the vast wealth of paintings, sculpture, artistic treasure of every sort, done by English, French, Dutch, and Italian artists, and now to be found in the royal and imperial palaces and collections of Germany, should 'be collected together and distributed between the cities of Rheims and Louvain, so that the intelligent student of art, instead of having to hunt through Dresden, Munich, Berlin, and half a dozen other cities, may be able to go to these two more accessible and congenial centres. Then Louvain and Rheims may not only rise from their ashes, materially restored, but rise like the stars they were.' This is a really happy and valuable idea, and one which would meet with universal approval from sympathisers with the two countries that have been so ruthlessly despoiled. For the rest, as a whole Mr. Wells's article is interesting, as all honest comment on the war is interesting; but it is far-fetched and fanciful, and it is safe to predict that the settlement, when it comes, will not be on all fours with the lines laid down by this brilliant but academic writer.

# CATHOLIC FEDERATION

## CHRISTCHURCH DIOCESAN COUNCIL

(From our own correspondent.)

The third half-yearly meeting of the Christchurch Diocesan Council of the Catholic Federation, was opened on Monday afternoon, January 18, in the Sacred Heart Hall, Craigie avenue, Timaru. The following represented the diocesan clergy, and incidentally their own parochial districts:—Very Rev. Dean Tubman, S.M. (Timaru), Very Rev. Dean Hyland (Rangiora), Rev. Dr. Kennedy (Methven-Rakaia), Rev. Father Aubry, S.M. (Waimate), Rev. Father Fanning, M.S.H. (Darfield), Rev. Father Cooney (Lyttelton). The executive officers present were, Messrs. J. R. Hayward (vice-president), and J. J. Wilson (diocesan secretary). Mr. G. Girling-Butcher, general secretary and organiser, also was in attendance. Branch delegates were present as follows:—Christchurch (Cathedral), Messrs. J. R. Hayward, J. J. Wilson, (St. Mary's) Miss Guiney; Lincoln, Mr. M. Corrigan; Methven, Messrs. T. Twomey and D. McKendry, jun.; Rakaia, Messrs. P. Tully and F. Stanton; Geraldine, Messrs. J. Lysaght and J. Coughlan; Temuka, Mr. J. J. Nolan; Fairlie, Messrs. W. Barry and G. O'Dowd; Timaru, Messrs. W. Angland and J. P. Leigh; Morven, Messrs. J. Tangney and D. Costello; St. Andrews, Messrs. R. T. Batchelor and M. Sullivan. As proxies representing districts were Rev. Father Murphy, S.M., Messrs. J. Hyland, M. Roche, W. Gillespie, and M. O'Meehan.

A telegram of sympathy was despatched to his Lordship Bishop Grimes on his illness.

On the motion of Mr. W. Angland, Mr. J. R. Hayward (vice-president) was unanimously elected chairman of the conference. Apologies for absence were received from Mr. W. Hayward, jun. (president), Mr. M. Garty (treasurer), and Mr. J. Griffin (St. Mary's, Christchurch). The Rev. Father Cooney (Lyttelton) telegraphed an apology for unavoidable absence from the opening session, but was present at the second. Mr. S. Ryan also telegraphed an apology for absence, greetings from the Rangiora branch, and best wishes for a successful meeting. After the roll-call of delegates, the chairman welcomed the general secretary and organiser, Mr. G. Girling-Butcher, to the meeting. Mr. Girling-Butcher suitably replied, and explained that his chief object in coming at the request of his executive, was to meet and become acquainted with the delegates, so that when he commenced his organising tour he would know someone in each of the various districts he had to visit, who would be helpful to him, and he would thus not be a total stranger. Another reason why he had come south just then was to meet the Westland clergy when coming out of retreat.

The Very Rev. Dean Tubman, S.M., tendered a hearty welcome to the clergy and delegates. They were honored that Timaru had been selected for the first meeting of the Diocesan Council, held outside the chief city, and all would be delighted to make the visitors' stay pleasant and agreeable. His best wishes were that the meeting would be prolific of the greatest good to the Catholics of the Dominion.

The half-yearly report and statement of accounts were adopted. The secretary read and moved the adoption of the report of the Catholic Immigration Committee. This was seconded by Miss Guiney, who spoke of the need of girls' clubs, making special reference to the practical move in that direction in Christchurch. Mr. J. P. Leigh congratulated Miss Guiney on her work, which should receive the assistance of the Federation. The Very Rev. Dean Tubman said he was greatly pleased at the movement, and gave instances of how the interests of Catholic girls were safeguarded by similar institutions in other large cities known to him. The work of Miss Guiney and her lady associates had formed a basis of operation upon which an enduring structure would eventually arise. Mr. Girling-Butcher also congratulated the ladies of Christchurch on the in-

auguration of that which would have far-reaching effects.

Reports from branches were read and received.

Mr. W. Angland (Timaru) moved—'That this meeting of the Christchurch Diocesan Council tenders its sincerest thanks to his Lordship Bishop Cleary for his splendid efforts in safe-guarding Catholic interests, in opposing the methods of the Bible-in-Schools League, and his valiant defence of the rights of conscience; and that our hearty congratulations be conveyed to his Lordship on his success.'

This was seconded by Mr. M. Corrigan and supported by the chairman and Very Rev. Dean Tubman, and carried unanimously.

The Very Rev. Dean Tubman moved—'That this meeting congratulates the Catholic Federation of the Dominion, with his Lordship Bishop Cleary as leader, in connection with the foregoing resolution.' This was seconded by the secretary and carried.

Mr. J. Tangney (Morven) moved and Mr. R. T. Batchelor (St. Andrews) seconded—'That this meeting recognises, and desires to most heartily thank the hierarchy and clergy of the Dominion for their great assistance during the contest on the Bible-in-schools question.' Mr. W. Angland supported the resolution, and, with the mover's and seconder's consent, made the following addition—'And to assure them that the Federation is at their back on all questions they give the lead in.'

On the motion of the chairman, seconded by the Very Rev. Dean Tubman, it was decided unanimously to tender the sincere thanks of the conference to the Rev. Father O'Donnell (Ashburton), and express the admiration of all present at the exceedingly able and effective manner in which he met and dealt with a recent outburst of bigotry on the part of a local politician.

A discussion of the various subjects contained in the agenda paper was then proceeded with.

The secretary moved that congregations attending a church in any parochial district other than the centre be privileged to form a separate branch of the Federation, instead of a sub-committee attached to a parish committee, and report direct to the Diocesan Council. The mover pointed out that the object of the motion was intended to define the position of existing branches formed under the conditions referred to in the motion and leave no doubt as to the proper course of action to be adopted in the future. The Dominion Executive already sanctioned the procedure indicated, providing Diocesan Councils exercised discretionary powers. The motion was seconded by Mr. W. Barry (Fairlie), and carried.

The chairman moved that the question of public libraries be thoroughly discussed in so far as anti-Catholic literature is catalogued, permitted on the shelves, and thence distributed, having special reference to the local and general government subsidies. An interesting discussion ensued. Mr. Hayward spoke of recent activity on the part of the Diocesan Council executive. Mr. M. Corrigan followed. Mr. W. Angland laid stress on the advisability of having a representative selection committee on libraries. Mr. J. P. Leigh pointed out the futility of spasmodic action, and spoke of the laxity observable in a large centre he had visited where a certain book, so much condemned, was displayed for sale in the shop windows. Mr. Angland desired to add that the forthcoming local elections would present a favorable opportunity for the Catholic voice being heard on this subject. The secretary stated that the worst offending publishing firm had a depot in Melbourne. All the most offensive anti-Catholic literature was catalogued by this firm, and it should be a recommendation to the Dominion Executive to ask the Victorian Catholic Federation to bring pressure to bear upon it. The Very Rev. Dean Tubman urged all branches to take practical steps to minimise, if not entirely suppress, this class of literature by reporting to the diocesan secretary any such coming under notice. An index of bad books could then be compiled, and lists furnished to every branch. It was decided to adopt this course.

The Very Rev. Dean Tubman moved, and Mr. T. Twomey (Methven) seconded a resolution that steps be



taken so that in every district a copy of the *Tablet* shall be placed in the local library. Mr. J. P. Leigh and Miss Guiney also spoke to the motion, which was carried, the delegates being asked to convey the same to their various branches, the diocesan secretary to do likewise to the branches not represented at the meeting. It was also resolved that it be a recommendation to all parish committees to take the necessary steps and do their utmost to have removed from the shelves of local public libraries all objectionable literature.

Mr. J. P. Leigh moved that the remit having reference to the establishment of a Catholic labor bureau be deferred, as there was not any real need of present action. After several speakers had expressed themselves in a similar strain this course was agreed to.

On the motion of the Very Rev. Dean Hyland, seconded by Mr. J. P. Leigh, it was agreed that the need existed of measures being taken, so that the best results could be obtained in regard to social service in the interests of Catholics, and that the ecclesiastical authorities be approached on the subject. The Very Rev. Dean Tubman also spoke to the motion.

Miss Guiney advanced the question of establishing a girls' hostel, and as to how far and in what manner the Diocesan Council would feel justified in assisting. Miss Guiney also spoke of girls' clubs, and what had been so far done in this connection in Christchurch. The Very Rev. Dean Tubman, Mr. W. Barry, Mr. M. Roche, and the chairman spoke on the subject. Mr. J. P. Leigh supported the proposition with the addition that the executive be invested with the power to act. Mr. W. Angland was of opinion that branches should be directly appealed to. The entire proposition was affirmed.

Consideration of the best means to be adopted in ensuring uniformity of action by the Federation on matters of general importance resulted in a resolution being carried, on the motion of the chairman, to the effect that a lead should be given by the Dominion Executive.

The next remit calling for an expression of opinion on the refusal of the Education Department to concede the same privileges to Catholic primary and secondary schools as are granted to State schools, and the necessity of framing a strong protest from the Diocesan Council, to be submitted to the Dominion Council for immediate action, occasioned an animated discussion. After Mr. Girling-Butcher had explained the concessions granted after recent agitation, and the refusals to grant just treatment in other matters, the Rev. Dr. Kennedy moved—'That strenuous and urgent steps be taken by the Dominion Executive to have existing disabilities of Catholics in matters of education removed.' This was seconded by Mr. M. Corrigan.

The conference then adjourned at half-past six o'clock till 9 a.m. next day (Tuesday).

On resuming, Mr. W. Angland continued the discussion of educational matters on the resolution moved the previous evening. He quoted from the new Education Act to prove that ample provision was therein contained for the rights of Catholics if action is properly exercised. The motion was carried.

Mr. J. P. Leigh moved, and Mr. J. Lysaght seconded—'That it is not desirable for any member of a parish committee to be on the committee of any political candidate, until such candidate has given his views, and defined his platform on questions affecting the civil rights and liberties of Catholics; and that the foregoing be embodied in the constitution of the Federation.' The motion was spoken to by Mr. W. Angland, Mr. T. Twomey, Mr. W. Barry, Mr. J. Tagny, and Mr. J. J. Nolan, Miss Guiney, Mr. R. T. Bachelor, and other delegates. The motion was carried by 16 votes to 5.

Mr. J. P. Leigh moved, and Mr. M. Roche seconded—'That the delegates present appeal to their respective branches to raise funds for the purchase of a marquee for military camps, thus providing facilities for the celebration of Mass, and for the purposes of a Catholic institute.' Mr. G. O'Dowd seconded the motion, which was spoken to by Mr. J. Hyland and Mr. M. Roche, and carried.

The Very Rev. Dean Tubman spoke of the spirited protest by the *N.Z. Tablet* against the adoption of Guy Fawkes Day for the collection of funds for Belgian relief, and moved that this conference, through the *N.Z. Tablet*, enters a public protest against this particular day being utilised, because of its name, for any public purpose. This was seconded by the Rev. Dr. Kennedy, and carried.

Mr. J. P. Leigh moved a protest against the Education Department issuing cards, such as the John Wickliffe card, with the *School Journal*. Mr. M. Corrigan seconded the motion, and it was decided to send a remit on the subject to the Dominion Executive.

#### New Business.

Mr. W. Angland moved, and Mr. W. Barry seconded—'That this meeting considers it advisable that the Dominion Council shall hold a special meeting of the council in Wellington before each general election, or an election on account of a dissolution of Parliament, to consider reports in connection with each Parliamentary candidate, discuss such reports, and define a line of action to be taken in connection with each electoral district, if required.—Carried.

The Rev. Dr. Kennedy moved—'That this Diocesan Council meeting of the Catholic Federation desires to define it as a general principle that no Catholic, holding a public position, identify himself with any movement or function organised and controlled by an anti-Catholic society, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each of the other Diocesan Councils for endorsement.' The motion was seconded by Mr. G. O'Dowd, and carried.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. J. P. Leigh, it was resolved that the hierarchy be approached re the publication of a Catholic school reader.

Miss Guiney moved a recommendation from St. Mary's branch regarding the necessity of strict age statistics of minors enrolling in the Federation, with a view of rendering it possible at any time of arriving at any estimate of those entitled to vote, and thus securing for such their electoral rights. This was seconded by Mr. J. P. Leigh, and carried.

On the motion of the secretary, a cordial vote of thanks and appreciation was passed by acclamation to the Very Rev. Dean Tubman for the use of the fine hall in which the meeting was held, and to the Sacred Heart Sisters for the trouble they had put themselves to for the comfort and convenience of the delegates, nothing possible being overlooked by them and the executive of the Timaru branch. The chairman sincerely thanked the delegates for attending and devoting much time and thought to the work of the conference, and Catholic Federation generally.

The diocesan secretary expressed his deep appreciation of the splendid assistance he had received from the branch secretaries, their keen sense of duty to the Federation, and their promptitude and courtesy on all occasions, all of which tended to make his own work the more pleasant.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Kennedy a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Timaru branch for the kind welcome and most hospitable treatment extended to the delegates.

The Very Rev. Dean Tubman proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman for the able manner in which he had conducted the business. Mr. Hayward replied.

The Rev. Father Cooney expressed his regret at being unavoidably absent from the first day's session, and voiced his appreciation of the good work done.

Mr. W. Barry (Fairlie) moved, and it was carried with acclamation—'That this conference places on record its appreciation of the magnificent work done, and being done, by the *N.Z. Tablet* in the interests of the Catholic body in this Dominion, and expresses the hope that it will be so generously and consistently supported in the future that it will be enabled to continue and increase its usefulness, and ever occupy that proud position among its contemporaries it has so well earned by brilliant editorial ability and effort.'

Before concluding the business the chairman asked



the Very Rev. Dean Tubman to present Miss Guiney, on behalf of the delegates, with a handsome silver-backed hand-mirror, as a memento of the occasion, and in appreciation of the able manner in which she had represented her branch, being the only lady delegate present. The meeting was terminated shortly before noon.

## DUNEDIN DIOCESAN COUNCIL

The half-yearly meeting of the Dunedin Diocesan Council was held on Friday evening at the Bishop's House, Very Rev. Father Coffey (president) being in the chair, and the following delegates were present:— Very Rev. Mgr. O'Leary (Lawrence), Very Rev. Dean Burke, V.F. (Invercargill), Very Rev. Father Hunt (Cromwell), Rev. Father O'Dea (Ophir), Rev. Father Lynch (Palmerston), Rev. Father P. O'Neill (Riversdale), Mr. Poppelwell (Gore), Mr. J. B. Callan, jun. (Dunedin), Messrs. J. J. Marlow and Miscall (South Dunedin), Mr. T. J. Hussey (treasurer, proxy for Oamaru), and Mr. J. A. Hally (secretary). Apologies were received from several delegates, including one from Mr. Kelleher (vice-president), who sent a telegraphic message regretting his unavoidable absence.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, the secretary read the report for the half-year, which stated that it covered the slack period of the year, as far as the roll of membership was concerned. Thirteen branches had forwarded complete returns with remittances, three had made partial settlements, and three others, although urgently requested to do so, had made no move. The executive regretted very much the resignations of branch secretaries, Messrs. A. Quelch (Mosgiel) and F. J. Pender (Alexandra South). The latter had joined the Expeditionary Force, now serving in Egypt. The executive are satisfied he will do his duty, and wish him every success and a safe return. In noting the measure of success achieved by the Federation in the Bible-in-Schools Referendum campaign, the executive feel that this occasion should not be allowed to pass without recording their heartfelt gratitude to the Right Rev. Dr. Cleary for the magnificent work he had performed on behalf of the Catholic people in that lengthy and strenuous struggle. The exposing of anti-Catholic slanders and the promotion of Catholic interests are still receiving attention from our ably-conducted Catholic paper, the *N.Z. Tablet*, and your executive warmly commend all Federationists to assist that journal in every possible way, bearing in mind the words of the late Pope, Pius X.: "In vain you will build churches, give missions, found schools—all your works, all your efforts will be destroyed if you are not able to wield the defensive and offensive weapon of a loyal and sincere Catholic press." The Dominion Executive urged this Council (but gave too short notice) to take action with regard to Catholics attending the annual meetings of school committees. The matter is now placed before you, so that if anything is to be done this year, there will be ample time for preparation. The question of orphan and indigent children was brought under the notice of your executive by the Dominion secretary, and referred to all the branches. In Dunedin the question is dealt with successfully by the Sisters of Mercy and the ladies of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, but as our responsibilities cannot be placed on other shoulders, it is hoped that something will be done in this matter during the current year. Your executive desire to record their sincere thanks to the members of branch committees for their work during the past year, and especially the officers and secretaries, and trust their efforts to spread our useful organisation throughout the diocese will be continued until every Catholic will be enrolled.

Very Rev. Father Coffey, in proposing the adoption of the report, expressed regret that there was not a better attendance of delegates. The principal matter in connection with the work of the Federation during the period under review was the part which they took in the Bible-in-schools campaign, which had been fought

most successfully. With regard to Catholic orphan children, the position in Dunedin was that the girls, when committed, were sent to the St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage, and Catholic boys were handed over to the legal manager of the St. Vincent de Paul Industrial School, who has undertaken to board them out in Catholic homes. The assistance of the Federation, in providing good homes, would be welcomed.

Mr. Poppelwell (vice-president), in seconding the motion for the adoption of the report, said that information should be sent to the secretaries of the various branches as to when the financial year begins, and when reports should be sent in. There was evidently some misunderstanding with regard to remittances and returns. Most of the branches were not founded until the end of 1913, and accordingly contributions for that year should be credited to 1914.

Very Rev. Mgr. O'Leary said that if they wanted the Federation to succeed they must put more vim into it. He hoped the organisation would progress and continue to do good work.

Very Rev. Dean Burke said there was no reason to be pessimistic about the progress of the Federation. The people in the local districts were doing their work well, and, as there was no burning question to be dealt with at the council, they did not feel called upon to attend the meeting. They felt they could very well leave the work in the hands of the Dunedin executive.

Mr. Poppelwell pointed out that by the parish committees sending delegates to the Diocesan Council, and the councils in turn sending representatives to the Dominion Council, the Catholics of New Zealand were kept in touch with one another.

The motion for the adoption of the report was agreed to.

Mr. T. J. Hussey (treasurer) presented the balance sheet for the half-year, which was also adopted.

A discussion then took place as to the necessity of a half-yearly meeting, some being of opinion that if the half-yearly meeting was done away with, a meeting of the council could be called at any time that questions of importance were to be dealt with. Eventually, it was decided, on the motion of Mr. J. B. Callan, jun., that the delegates to the meeting of the Dominion Council move in the direction indicated.

The secretary read correspondence which he had received from the Dominion secretary, who forwarded copies of the following notices of motion which were to come up for discussion at the meeting of the Dominion Council:— 1. That Rule 4 be amended by altering the due date subscription to "1st July" and making such subscription cover the period until the 30th day of June in each year. 2. That Rule 8 be amended by adding to paragraph (a) the following words: "And five other members resident in Wellington to be elected by such council at its annual meeting." 3. That Rule 9 be amended by repealing all the words in paragraph (a) and substituting the following in lieu thereof: "The president and the archbishops and bishops of the Dominion, and the Dominion Council representatives of the Wellington Diocesan Council, and the members of the Dominion Council resident in Wellington shall be an executive body to be called the Dominion Executive. In the absence of the president, the Dominion Executive shall elect one of its members to be its chairman. The secretary and treasurer of the Dominion Council shall be secretary and treasurer of the Dominion Executive."

On the motion of Mr. Poppelwell, it was decided to instruct the delegates to the meeting of the Dominion Council to support the foregoing remits.

Mr. Hally handed in his resignation as hon. secretary of the council. He found, he said, that the work required more of his time than he could possibly devote to it.

Very Rev. Father Coffey and Messrs. Hussey and Poppelwell expressed their regret at Mr. Hally's resignation, and paid a well-deserved tribute to the zealous and able manner in which he had carried out his duties during the time he filled the office. At the earnest request of the council Mr. Hally consented to retain the

secretaryship until arrangements could be made to get a successor.

Mr. T. J. Hussey was appointed a delegate to the meeting of the Dominion Council in place of Mr. Hally, who cannot attend.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

## WELLINGTON DIOCESAN COUNCIL

(From a correspondent.)

The fourth half-yearly meeting of the Wellington Diocesan Council of the Catholic Federation was held in St. Patrick's Hall, Boulcott street, on Thursday, January 21. The Very Rev. Dean McKenna, V.G., presided, and his Grace Archbishop O'Shea was present during a part of the proceedings. The following delegates were present:—Blenheim, Rev. Father Fay and Miss Keating; Dannevirke, Messrs. T. Hurley and J. Cullinane; Kaikoura, Miss Girling-Butcher; Masterton, Very Rev. Dean McKenna and Mr. M. C. O'Connell; New Plymouth, Very Rev. Dean James McKenna; Napier, Major Halpin; Otaki, Rev. Father Maillard; Petone, Rev. Father Quealy; Pahiatua, Mr. P. D. Hoskins; Taihape, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Doherty; Wanganui, Very Rev. Dean Holley and Messrs. Carmody and Redwood; Wellington South, Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, Rev. Father Herring, and Mr. T. J. McCosker; St. Mary's (Te Aro), Very Rev. Father O'Connell, Mr. F. O'Driscoll, and Mr. F. J. Dalton; St. Joseph's (Te Aro), Rev. Father Barra and Messrs. Cassie and Parsonage; Thorndon, Rev. Father Tymons, Mr. R. P. Smyth, and Mr. M. Walsh; Woodville, Mr. W. F. Johnson; Waipawa, Mr. Duggan; Wairoa, Mr. Broad.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, the Very Rev. chairman invited Archbishop O'Shea to address the council, and expressed the gratitude the council felt to his Grace for his presence, in view of the fact that he had only arrived that morning from a visit to the West Coast of the South Island.

### The Archbishop's Address.

His Grace congratulated the council upon the success of its work during the past term, and made special reference to the efforts of the Federation in contributing to the defeat of the Bible-in-Schools Referendum Bill. He was pleased to see that in the new Parliament a substantial majority of the members were opposed to the proposals contained in that Bill, but he warned the council that the Federation must still be vigilant, and that it must make use of every means to perfect its organisation. He sincerely hoped that when the delegates returned to their respective parishes they would do everything possible to increase the membership of the local branch of the Federation, and exhorted all present, both priests and laity, to take an earnest and an active interest in its welfare. His Grace referred to the question of boarded-out children, and trusted that the council would do everything it possibly could to place these children beyond the possibility of danger to their faith. His Grace also referred to the fact that the Education Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, provided that holders of scholarships at our primary schools may pursue their studies at Catholic secondary schools, and expressed the hope that in time, the same right would be granted to the holders of free-place scholarships. The Archbishop expressed his great regret that he would be unable to remain with the council during the sitting, owing to the large amount of business requiring his attention, and trusted that its deliberations would result in binding the members of the Federation more closely in defence of Catholic interests. His Grace then left, and it was resolved, on the motion of the Very Rev. chairman—'That the best thanks of the council be tendered to Archbishop O'Shea for his address, and that the same be recorded on the minutes.'

The report of the executive, which was taken as read, was in part as follows:—The most important work of the half-year has been in connection with the Bible-in-schools movement. During the last session of Par-

liament, a Bill was introduced by the Minister of Education, authorising the taking of a referendum on the question of making Bible lessons compulsory in the State schools of the Dominion. This proposal was considered by the Federation to inflict a grave injustice upon those who could not conscientiously approve of such religious instruction, and a petition was presented to Parliament by members of the Federation in every electorate in the Dominion. Much evidence was taken by the Education Committee of the House of Representatives, and the case for the Catholic community was most ably stated by his Lordship Bishop Cleary on behalf of the Federation. The best thanks of the council are due to Bishop Cleary for his able presentation of the Catholic position, and the same should be accorded the general secretary, Mr. Girling-Butcher, for his untiring energy in connection with the matter. The question of holding a gathering of Catholics from all parts of the archdiocese on the lines of the successful gathering in Southland in February last, was referred to your executive committee by the last half-yearly meeting. As the archdiocese covers such a wide area, the proposal was considered impracticable. The committee is of opinion that a number of local gatherings—say each Deanery holding a picnic or sports meeting on a holiday most suitable to the district—would more likely meet with success. The question of preventing the sale and distribution of objectionable literature has received much attention during the period. It was found that booksellers were in all cases quite willing to withdraw from circulation any works which Catholics might deem offensive, and in many cases asked to be informed from time to time of the names of such books. A case occurred recently at Petone, where a person was found distributing a pamphlet of a highly indecent nature to children leaving the Catholic school-grounds. The matter was instantly reported to your executive by the secretary of the Petone committee. The case was referred to the head office, with a recommendation that it be placed in the hands of the police. This was done, and the offender was convicted in the Magistrate's Court, the total amount of the fines and costs being over seventeen pounds. The executive commends the action of the Petone committee to the notice of all parish committees. The matter of children committed to receiving-homes, and afterwards boarded-out at the cost of the State, has also received much attention by your executive committee during the period. The Education Department was approached by the Dominion Executive, and it agreed to send Catholic children to homes approved by the Federation. At the last half-yearly meeting, the question of providing a marquee for the use of the Catholic members of the military forces was referred to the executive committee. The executive has to report that a suitable marquee has been purchased at the cost of £15, and that it was sent to the camp of the Expeditionary Force at Awapuni, where it was much appreciated both by the priests and by the men. Your executive committee has taken an active interest in the welfare of the Catholic members of the Expeditionary Forces. A contribution was made to the cost of the outfits of the chaplains with the Forces. A supply of C.T.S. pamphlets was placed on board the troopships, and Rosary beads and other devotional articles were distributed. It is to be regretted that in many cases the business of the Federation does not receive the attention that might reasonably be expected. In some cases, no account has been rendered by the parish committee of the moneys received on account of the Federation. This is a most serious matter, and one that requires urgent attention on the part of the committees concerned. The executive earnestly begs the laity to take the interest they should in the work of the Federation for the defence of our common interests, and trusts that the present year will witness a great advance in the membership, and earnest attention on the part of the parish committees.

The balance sheet showed that the total receipts, including a balance of £80 5s 10d brought forward, were £165 5s 5d, and the expenditure £103 5s 2d, leaving a credit balance of £62 0s 3d.

Speaking to the report, the secretary said that the

greater part of the expenditure, apart from dues to the Dominion Council, were of an extraordinary nature, and that the finances of the council were in a sound position.

Mr. Cullinane said that the executive was to be congratulated upon the manner in which the business had been conducted during the past term. The most pressing need at the present time, was that the organiser should pay a visit to the outlying districts.

Mr. Girling-Butcher said that some difficulty had been met in making arrangements to visit all the parishes in a given area during the same tour, but he had endeavored to do so as far as possible. There were insistent demands for his services from portions of the Dominion not yet visited.

Mr. Walsh also congratulated the executive upon its report, but regretted the conclusion arrived at with reference to the proposed Pan-Wellington gathering.

The report and balance sheet were adopted.

The secretary read the report of the C.I.C., which showed that much good work had been done during the past half-year. Eleven oversea vessels had been met, bringing altogether 120 Catholic immigrants. Those going to other parts of the Dominion had been given letters of introduction to the parish priest and the Federation secretary, and lodgings found for those remaining in Wellington. The committee was in communication with the London Catholic Women's League, and the general secretary of the Hibernian Society in Belfast. The need of a hostel for Catholic girls awaiting employment was very urgent, as it was difficult to get suitable lodgings for girls amid Catholic surroundings. In consequence of this, girls had been sent to hostels conducted by other religious organisations, and the committee requested the Diocesan Council to do its best to provide the equipment for such an institution. The secretary stated that he considered the report a very fine one. It was a modest record of good work well done, and he moved that it be adopted, which was agreed to.

The delegates reported upon the condition of their several branches. The reports as a whole showed that satisfactory increase in the membership had taken place in many cases.

Mr. Broad said that before the council proceeded further with the business, he felt it his duty to call attention to the magnificent fight on behalf of the Catholic community which Bishop Cleary had conducted, and he moved—'That this council desires to place on record its sincere appreciation of the invaluable services rendered by Bishop Cleary in the interests of Catholic education, and especially thanks his Lordship for his successful defence of the Catholic position before the Education Committee of the House of Representatives, upon the question of the Bible-in-Schools Referen-

dum Bill, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Bishop Cleary forthwith.'

Mr. Cassin, in seconding the motion, said that everyone appreciated to the fullest extent the self-sacrificing labors of the Bishop of Auckland.

Very Rev. Father O'Connell, speaking on behalf of the clergy, said that it was impossible to over-estimate the services that Bishop Cleary had rendered to the Catholics of this Dominion. Speaking with an intimate knowledge of the facts, he said that while the Bill was before the committee, his Lordship had often labored far into the night, in spite of severe disabilities in the way of ill-health.

The motion was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Walsh, on behalf of the Thorndon parish committee moved—'That an auxiliary organiser should be appointed, and that such officer should be a priest.'

Mr. Cullinane seconded the motion on the ground that it was impossible for one organiser to attend to all the requirements of the Dominion.

Very Rev. Dean McKenna, speaking as Vicar-General, pointed out that it was impossible to spare a priest at present for such a purpose, and, moreover, he was of opinion that it would be entirely out of place to expect a priest to be assistant organiser.

Mr. Duggan said that this was essentially an organisation of laymen, and that instead of looking to the clergy for help, the laity should offer help to the clergy.

On behalf of St. Joseph's parish committee, Mr. Cassin moved—'That financial members, who remove from one parish to another, inform the parish secretary of their new address, and the secretary will, on receipt of such information, notify the secretary of the committee in that parish.'

Mr. Parsonage, in seconding the motion, pointed out that some such rule was necessary in the larger centres where there was a shifting population.

Very Rev. Father O'Connell and Very Rev. Dean Holley supported the resolution, stating that it would be of great assistance to the parish priests.—The motion was agreed to.

The amendment to the rules submitted by the Dominion Executive was then considered. An amendment to rule 4, altering the date of the ending of the financial year to June 30 was approved without discussion.

At this stage the Very Rev. Dean McKenna retired, having to return to Masterton, and the Rev. Father Daly (vice-president) assumed the chair.

The proposed amendment to rule 8, paragraph (a), which provided that five residents of Wellington be elected to the Dominion Council, evoked some discussion.

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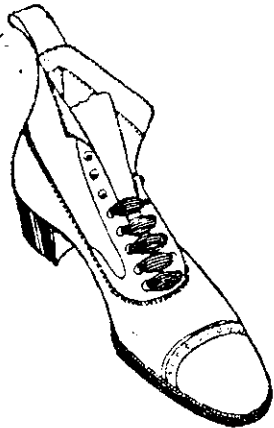
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Mr. Hoskins, in moving that the proposed amendment be agreed to, said that the principal reason for the proposal was, that the members of the Dominion Executive, who performed all the functions of the Dominion Council when the latter body was not in session, found themselves without a voice in the proceedings at the meetings of the council.

Very Rev. Father O'Connell seconded the motion on the ground that the executive was certainly entitled to its full share in the deliberations of the council.

Mr. Johnson moved as an amendment—That the proposed amendment be struck out, and the following be inserted in lieu thereof—“That five members of the Federation Council in Wellington be elected to the Dominion Council annually at a general meeting of the parish committees of the city convened for that purpose by the secretary of the Diocesan Council.” The amendment went on to prescribe the rules to be applied to the election of the members of the council and Mr. Johnson in moving it, said that his only object was to make the field of selection of the members to be elected from the city as wide as possible, so that the best men available could be elected to the highest office within the gift of members of the Federation.

Mr. Duggan, in seconding the amendment proposed by Mr. Johnson, expressed himself as strongly in favor of the principle of election by the committee.

Very Rev. Father O'Connell said he was in favor of the principle of the amendment, but suggested that a better way would be for each parish committee to nominate two members, from whom the council could elect the five members required.

Rev. Father Daly maintained that the constitution of the Dominion Executive was defective, and that it was quite possible the executive may not be representative of the general body of the Federation.

The amendment, proposed by Mr. Johnson, was carried by 15 votes to 5.

The proposed amendment to rule 9 was agreed to without discussion.

A notice of motion from Dannevirke, that if a sum of £25 be granted towards the expenses of celebrating the council, the parish committees providing the other half, was referred to the executive committee, with authority to act.

Rev. Father Daly stated that at the camp at Trentham was situated within his parish the body of attending to the spiritual needs of the members of the forces there devolved upon him, there being no regular chaplain in the camp. The authorities had permitted the use of the hall for Mass on Sundays, and it was suitable for the purpose, but the great need was a room to hear confessions, and that might be used as a waiting room, etc., for the men. A site for a building would be granted, and a suitable one could be erected at the cost of about £125.

It was moved that the matter be referred to the Dominion Executive with a recommendation that each parish committee in the Dominion be asked to contribute £1.

Rev. Father Daly said that it was a matter of urgency, that something should be done by the council at that meeting.

Mr. Duggan moved as an amendment—That the sum of £25 be granted towards the cost of the building required. The motion was withdrawn in favor of the amendment, which was agreed to. It was finally resolved that the administration of the fund be placed in the hands of the Rev. Father Daly, and that the council's contribution be sent to him.

A vote of thanks to the secretary for his services during the past term was carried, and a similar vote to Rev. Father Daly concluded the business.

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### MRS. BURKE, GREYMOUTH.

(By telegraph, from our own correspondent.)

January 25.

I regret to record the death of a very prominent Catholic in the person of Mrs. Burke, wife of Mr. E. A. Burke, Alexander street, Greymouth. The late Mrs. Burke was a native of County Cavan, and had resided in Greymouth for many years. She was prominent in all good works, and for years took a great interest in all Church affairs. She was of a kindly disposition, and endeared herself to all she came in contact with. She leaves a husband, Mr. E. A. Burke, of M. O'Brien and Co., Christchurch, and a prominent Hibernian; one son (Mr. J. J. L. Burke, of the Deeds Office, Wellington, and P.P. of St. Patrick's branch of the Hibernian Society, Wellington); and five daughters, two being married (Mrs. M. J. Phillips, Greymouth, and Mrs. Gallaway, Tarakohe, Nelson). The funeral takes place on Wednesday. A Requiem Mass will be celebrated, and the Hibernian Society will take part in the funeral procession. The deepest sympathy of a large circle of friends throughout the Dominion will be extended to the relatives on the loss of a true and devoted wife and mother.—R.I.P.

### St. Mary's Sewing Guild, Wellington

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Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co., Ltd., report for week ended Tuesday, 26th inst., as follows:—Rabbitskins.—Our next sale will be held on February 8. Sheepskins.—We offered a medium catalogue at to-day's sale, when prices were fully up to those ruling at last sale. Best halfbreeds realised 9½d to 10d; medium do., 8½d to 9½d; best fine crossbred, 9d to 9½d; medium do., 8½d to 9d; best crossbreeds, 9d to 9½d; medium do., 8d to 9d; merinos, 6½d to 7½d; pelts, 4½d to 6½d; lambskins, to 9d per lb. Hides.—Our next sale will be held on Thursday, 28th inst. Tallow and Fat.—We did not hold any sale last Saturday, but will resume these on the 30th inst. Oats.—There has been a good demand for these lately, and supplies have not been numerous. We sold a small line this week at 3s 6d per bushel ex store, but prime milling may be quoted at 3s 3d to 3s 4½d; good to best feed, 3s 2d to 3s 3d per bushel (sacks extra). Wheat.—There is none offering at present, and no business has been done during the past week. Barley.—The same remarks apply to this cereal. Chaff.—The extreme prices ruling brought forward a larger supply and prices have receded to £6 per ton for best black oaten sheaf. Best white, £5 10s to £5 15s; medium to good, £5 to £5 10s per ton (sacks extra). Potatoes.—Supplies have been larger, and in consequence prices have eased somewhat. Best are worth up to £9 10s; good, £8 15s to £9 5s per ton (sacks in).

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co., Ltd., report:—We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday, when values ruled as under:—Oats.—The market is moderately supplied with oats of medium to good feed quality. There is good inquiry for prime A grade Gartons and other milling sorts, but the quantity on offer is light, and on this account little business is passing. Local feed orders absorb most of the medium lines ex store. Prime milling, 3s 3d to 3s 4d; good to best feed, 3s 2d to 3s 3d; inferior to medium, 2s 10d to 3s 1d per bushel (sacks extra). Wheat and Barley.—The market is bare, and in the absence of stocks quotations are nominal. Potatoes.—Heavier supplies are now coming on the market, and values have a slackening tendency. Best potatoes, £9 7s 6d to £9 10s; good, £9 to £9 5s per ton (sacks included). Chaff.—This has been coming forward very freely, and in view of the quantity offering on the spot it has been impossible to maintain prices at the level of late quotations. Best oaten sheaf, £5 10s to £5 15s; choice black oat, to £6; medium to good, £5 to £5 7s 6d per ton (bags extra).

## Temuka

(From our own correspondent.)

The opening of the new Catholic school will take place on Sunday week.

The members of St. Joseph's Church Choir assembled at the presbytery after the 10.30 Mass on Sunday for the purpose of making a presentation to Miss Beri, one of their leading members, on the occasion of her approaching marriage. On behalf of the choir, and in the absence of the Rev. Father Kerley, the Rev. Father Tymons spoke a few words of appreciation of Miss Beri's devoted services in the choir and wished her every happiness. The Rev. Father Kimbell also spoke in the same complimentary strain. Miss L. Gaffaney was called upon to present Miss Beri with an inscribed silver salver and a set of fish carvers. Miss Beri briefly thanked the speakers for their kind remarks and good wishes, and the members of the choir for the present, and said what she had done to help the choir had been done willingly, and hoped to be able to assist in the future for some time.

## Wanganui

(From our own correspondent.)

January 20.

A very pleasant evening was spent in the Convent School at Aramoho on the 7th inst., by the members of St. Joseph's Choir and a few of their friends, the occasion being for the purpose of bidding farewell to Miss Eda Morgan, who is about to leave with her parents for the south. Miss Morgan had, with exceptional ability, filled the post of organist for over two years, and during that time had endeared herself to both the choir and members of the Church. During the evening, musical items were contributed by the Rev. Father Mahony, Mrs. Ahern, Misses Morgan, Forster, Dowling (2), and Bree, and Messrs. Lebeir and Provost. Prior to partaking of a well-prepared repast, advantage was taken by the choirmaster (Mr. W. Luxford) to present Miss Morgan, as a small recognition of her many excellent qualities, with a gold brooch, suitably inscribed, the gift of the members of the choir. Miss Morgan was agreeably surprised, and returned grateful thanks for the gift.

It is with sincere regret that I have to record the death of one of our most respected young men, in the person of Mr. Lionel Curran, at the early age of 17 years. In the societies connected with the church he was always to the fore, being secretary to the junior branch of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He always took an active part in athletics, and was a sergeant in the Senior Cadet Corps, and it was an impressive sight to see his comrades attending the funeral. At the church and graveside the Rev. Father Moloney, S.M., spoke in eulogistic terms of the deceased. To his bereaved relatives and friends is extended the sincerest sympathy in their sad bereavement.—R.I.P.

The fortnightly meeting of St. Mary's branch of the Hibernian Society was held on Tuesday evening, January 12, when there was a large attendance of members. Bro. D. Dwyer (president) occupied the chair. Bro. A. J. Fitzgerald, P.P., Bro. A. McWilliams, P.P., and Bro. D. Dwyer were elected representatives on the Friendly Societies' Dispensary Board of Management. For the year just closed, Bro. C. M. Morgan, V.P., heads the list for proposing the most members—12 out of a total of 22. He therefore wins the Very Rev. Dean Hooley's medal. After the business of the meeting had been dealt with, the members adjourned to Dustin's, Limited, for a smoke concert, when there was a record attendance. Bro. D. Dwyer presided, and the following toast list was honored:—The 'Pope and the King,' H.A.C.B. Society, proposed by Bro. Flyger (Oddfellows), responded to by the president and secretary; 'Newly-elected Officers,' proposed by Bro. A. McWilliams, responded to by the officers; 'Friendly Societies' Council,' proposed by Bro. D. Dwyer, responded to by the president of the Council and Bro. Flyger; 'The Clergy,' proposed by Bro. Redwood, responded to by Rev. Fathers Mahony and Moloney; 'Kindred Societies,' proposed by Bro. A. J. Fitzgerald, responded to by the representatives of other societies; 'Absent Members,' proposed by Bro. H. J. McGonigle; 'The Ladies,' proposed by Bro. F. X. Jans, responded to by Bro. D. Dwyer. Musical items were contributed by Rev. Father Moloney, Bros. Morgan, Daly, Haggie, Fitzgerald, Turner, McGonigle. Mr. W. Kenny presided at the piano. The singing of 'God Save the King' and 'Auld lang syne' brought this successful function to a close.

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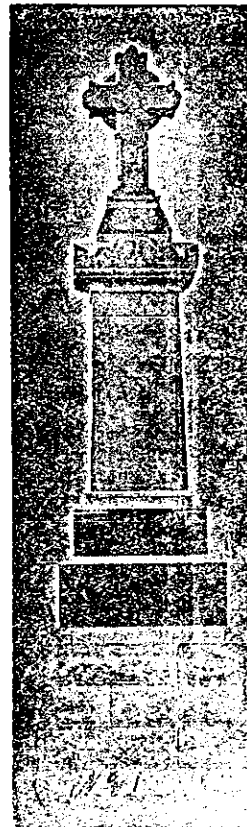
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Private Hospital, Carlton street, Merivale, Christ-  
church, to Dr. and Mrs Ardagh—a daughter.

**MARRIAGES**

BRADY—HIGGINS.—On January 11, 1915, at Reef-  
ton, by Rev. Father Galerne, Terence Brady, of  
Auckland, to Julia, third daughter of Mrs. Higgins,  
Reefton.

SWANSON—TONNER.—On December 29, 1914, at  
St. Patrick's Basilica, South Dunedin, by the Rev.  
Father Delany, Joseph Swanson, Dunedin, to  
Elizabeth Tonner, South Dunedin.

**DEATHS**

BURKE.—At Greymouth, on Saturday, January 23,  
1915, Judith Hugo, beloved wife of Edward Al-  
phonse Burke, in her 68th year. On her soul,  
sweet Jesus, have mercy.

COLEMAN.—On January 9, 1915, at his residence,  
'Brooklands,' Takemairiro, Edward, dearly be-  
loved husband of Johanna Hogan, aged 76 years.  
R.I.P.

HEALY.—On January 11, 1915, at Tua Marina,  
Marlborough, John Healy, in his 83rd year.  
R.I.P.

MISCALL.—On January 22, 1915, at the Dominican  
Convent, Dongarra, Western Australia, Mother  
Mary Di Pazzi, the youngest and dearly beloved  
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**MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIII. TO THE N.Z. TABLET.**

*Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet,  
Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitiae  
causam promovere per vias Veritatis et Pacis.*

*Die 4 Aprilis, 1900.*

LEO XIII., P.M.

TRANSLATION.—Fortified by the Apostolic Blessing let  
the Directors and Writers of the *New Zealand Tablet* con-  
tinue to promote the cause of Religion and Justice by the  
ways of Truth and Peace.

*April 4, 1900.*

LEO XIII., Pope.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1915.

**A PITIFUL PRESIDENT**

NE hardly knows which to be most sorry for  
at the present juncture—the President or  
the people of the United States. The Pre-  
sident is to be sympathised with on having  
had the bad luck during his Presidency to  
strike troubled times both at home and  
abroad—but for which he might have  
achieved a quite respectable if not particu-  
larly memorable record. The people are  
certainly to be commiserated upon having at their head,  
in these days of storm and stress, a political Hamlet,  
who in no way represents the vigor and virility of the  
nation, and who, while abominations against life, pro-  
perty, decency, and religion are being committed almost  
under his very eyes, can rise to nothing higher than  
that coward's refuge—a policy of 'watchful waiting.'

President Wilson's vilest failure—we use the ad-  
jective advisedly—has been in connection with Mexico.  
It makes the blood run cold to read of the orgy of  
crime which has been and still is going on in that un-  
happy country. We gather from *America*, and from  
other American exchanges that the doings of the rebels  
include, amongst other things, the following abomina-  
tions—(1) Outraging nuns. (2) Forcing nuns to live  
a life of shame in camps. (3) Compelling nuns to  
accompany soldiers on forced marches. (4) Torturing  
priests in a fashion worthy of savage Iroquois. (5)  
Murdering priests and Brothers. (6) Desecrating  
churches. (7) Defiling altars as only a brute or a  
Mexican rebel could do. (8) Putting chalices to pur-  
poses which even brutes scorn. (9) Dressing prostitutes  
in sacred vestments. (10) Throwing the Blessed Sacra-  
ment on the floor in one instance and mixing it with the  
horses' food in another. On all these points, ample,  
detailed, and sworn evidence is available. Here are  
some sample declarations, made under oath. First  
affidavit: 'She (the witness) declares that when passing  
through Traperato she asked to receive Holy Com-  
munion, but was refused because the priest was threat-  
ened with death if he should administer the Sacraments.  
She affirms that she saw in S. Juan del Rio how they

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made a crucifix fall to the ground by shooting at it; they also took a statue of St. Joseph and feigned they shot it dead. Moreover, she saw the tabernacle of their convent shot at till it was torn to pieces, and the men then took out the ciborium, casting the Hosts on the floor. In a place called Santa Rosa, where there was exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the soldiers shot at the Blessed Sacrament and gave the Sacred Hosts to the horses to eat. . . . Second affidavit: 'She declares that she has seen with her own eyes over 20 Sisters kept in some hospitals, as for instance, . . . who had been violated. . . . Third affidavit: 'Lastly, on my way from Aguascalientes to Mexico City, I met seven Sisters, who asked me for a maternity house, and although they tried to conceal the fact of their being religious, I knew them from their manner of speaking. They told me how they escaped from the . . . where the Zapatistas had held them. I made every effort to console them, but they were inconsolable, saying that they were already damned and abandoned by God. . . . Other affidavits describe the infliction of diabolical tortures—such as the cutting out of tongues, the gouging out of eyes, and the subsequent burning of the victims after their persons had been saturated with oil.

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These horrors, it must be remembered—too awful, as they are, to dwell upon,—are directly traceable to the pitiful, pusillanimous policy of America's President. So much is frankly admitted in the dispassionate and moderately worded statement published on November 28 by ex-President Taft. 'It is difficult,' he says, 'to deny the fairness of the conclusion that in announcing to the world that we never would recognise Huerta either as Provisional President or as permanent President, in lifting the embargo on the importation of arms to enable the forces of Carranza and Villa to arm themselves, and in the seizure and occupation of his chief revenue-producing port of Vera Cruz, we deliberately drove Huerta out of Mexico, and with equal deliberation brought in Carranza and Villa, in the expectation that they would compose the troubles of unfortunate Mexico. Our policy, therefore, has been that, while defining our status as merely that of watchful waiting, we have neither watched nor waited, but have in fact most hastily intervened and thus find the present anarchy charged as the logical consequence of our policy.' The *New York Sun* and *New York Times* endorse this verdict. Writing in the latter, Mr. Roosevelt points out that, though President Wilson did not officially intervene in Mexican affairs, he meddled with them in such a manner 'as to produce much evil and no good and to make us responsible for the actions of a peculiarly lawless, ignorant, and bloodthirsty faction.' Under the circumstances, it would naturally be expected that a recital of the outrages referred to above would have been received by President Wilson with a blaze of righteous wrath, mingled with shame at the thought of America's unfortunate complicity in bringing about such an inferno. One can only say that if President Wilson really feels any such burning indignation at the wrongs of helpless priests and nuns he has been very successful in concealing it. We have no desire to exaggerate or to state the position in any way unfairly, and we therefore print in full the Department of State's reply to Catholic representations on the subject. Many Catholic organisations have submitted to the American Government long authenticated lists of Mexican atrocities, and these have been accompanied by a letter from Father R. H. Tierney, Chairman of Committee of the Federation of Catholic Societies. Here is the official reply to Father Tierney: 'Sir,—The Department acknowledges the receipt of your letter of October 17, 1914, with which you enclose a statement outlining conditions in Mexico. You ask this Government to rescue the priests and nuns who took refuge at Vera Cruz, and also that this Government withhold its recognition of any government in Mexico which does not grant real freedom of worship. In reply you are informed that the Department has carefully considered your letter and its enclosures. With reference to the priests and nuns

who had taken refuge at Vera Cruz, the Department would advise you that orders have been issued by the Secretary of War to General Funston to convey all priests and nuns who desire to leave, to the United States, and it is the understanding of the Department that this order has been complied with. Regarding your request that this Government withhold its recognition of any Government in Mexico that does not grant real freedom of worship, the Department informs you that it will defer final decision as to whether or not to accord recognition to a Government in Mexico until the time shall have arrived for making such a decision. When that time arrives, the Department assures you that the question of religious freedom in Mexico will receive due consideration. The Department has shown your letter with accompanying enclosures to the President, and it has received from him a written reply in which he says: "I am distressed that our Catholic fellow-countrymen do not more fully realise how frequent and serious our attempts have been to act in the interest of their people in Mexico."—I am, sir, your obedient servant, W. J. BRYAN.'

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'When that time arrives!' In the meantime, this watchful-waiting President will stand by and see priests tortured, churches desecrated, and innocent nuns insulted and violated, and will doubtless continue to be 'distressed' that Catholics are not sufficiently impressed by all he has done—and not done—in the interest of their people in Mexico.' By his miserable policy of muddle and shilly-shally in Mexico, as also by his hitherto pitiable weakness in regard to the general international situation, President Wilson is dragging the fair name of America in the mud, and is going the sure way to rob her of her rightful place among the nations. He is at the same time rapidly divesting himself of the last shred of personal reputation which remains to him. Of America, or at least of its official head, it will soon be written: 'But yesterday, the word of Caesar might have stood against the world; now . . . none so poor to do him reverence.'

## Notes

### Held Over

Owing to extreme pressure on our space, arising from accumulated Federation reports, a quantity of late matter, including report of a Federation social function at Timaru, has been unavoidably held over.

### Wexford to the Fore

Rear-Admiral Beatty, who led the British Squadron in the two naval victories in the North Sea, was born in Wexford, and is the youngest Admiral in the British Navy. We learn from the cables that Mr. John Redmond, on behalf of Wexfordians, has congratulated Admiral Beatty on his victory.

### The Censor's (Long) Way

'Mr. Punch' thus aptly hits off the devious and tedious ways of the press censor:

'A censored letter from a correspondent at the front tells us that the most popular song with our troops is the following:

'It's a long way to —,  
It's a long way to go;  
It's a long way to —,  
To the sweetest — I know,  
Goodbye —, farewell —;  
It's a long, long way to —,  
But my heart's right —.'

It will be interesting to hear further details as soon as they can be divulged without giving the position away to the enemy.'

### Irishmen and the War

It would seem fairly clear that the recruiting movement is gathering strength amongst Irishmen, both in Ireland and out of it. According to a recent cable, 'Viscount MacDonnell states that 115,000 Irishmen have enlisted in the past few months in the United Kingdom' and the message adds: 'Earl Crewe states that recruiting is proceeding in Ireland to the satisfaction of the War Office.'

The statement is confirmed by the remarks made by the Very Rev. Dean Holley, S.M., at a social tendered to him the other evening on the occasion of his return from Europe. 'You hear all kinds of rumors about treason on the part of Ireland and Irishmen,' says the Press Association report of Dean Holley's speech. 'But while there are some black sheep and demented individuals in every community—and there are some in Ireland—I can say that an overwhelming majority of the people in Ireland are cordially in sympathy with the Allies, and are giving practical expression to that sympathy.' The Dean further remarked that although during the last century Ireland's population has been reduced by one-half—from 8,000,000 to 4,000,000—it had sent a larger number of soldiers, in proportion, than any other part of the Empire. Referring to the Irish-American hostility to Great Britain, he said that a few misled people who, before they left Ireland, belonged to the 'physical force men,' were preaching an alliance with Germany. Their meetings were sparsely attended and largely reported. Speaking of America's attitude, he said that the tone of all the newspapers he had read were—with a few exceptions—in accord with the aspirations of the allies.

### DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN

The retreat of the clergy of the diocese, which was held at Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, was brought to a close on Friday morning.

Rev. Dr. Kavanagh, who had been for some years professor at Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, has returned to his own diocese of Maitland, and is at present stationed in Newcastle.

His Lordship the Bishop entertained the children of the St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage, South Dunedin, to the number of about 80, at a picnic at Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, on Tuesday.

Arrangements have been made for a collection throughout the diocese for the relief of the distressed Belgians. The collection will be taken up at St. Joseph's Cathedral on next Sunday.

The A.M.D.G. Guild held a very successful exhibition and sale of Church work at Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, last week. The guild was represented by Mesdames Kennedy, Herbert, Callan, and Cornish, and Miss Emery.

The Right Rev. Dr. Carroll, Bishop of Lismore, New South Wales, arrived in Dunedin on Thursday of last week, and left the same afternoon for Queenstown. His Lordship is expected back in Dunedin in about a fortnight.

The annual picnic of the pupils of the Catholic schools in Dunedin and suburbs, which had been arranged for February 3, has, on account of that being the date of the Parliamentary election in Dunedin Central, been postponed to Tuesday, February 9, and will be held, as originally arranged, at Evansdale.

The retreat of the Dominican Nuns, which was conducted by the Rev. Father Tighe, S.J., Sydney, concluded on Wednesday. Father Tighe preached a masterly discourse at Vespers in St. Joseph's Cathedral on Sunday, taking as his subject 'The war, and lessons to be learned from it.' The discourse was followed with rapt attention throughout.

The following changes have been made in the diocesan clergy:—Rev. Father D. O'Neill has been transferred from South Dunedin to Invercargill, Rev. Father

E. Lynch from Oamaru to Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, Rev. Father D. O'Connell takes Father Lynch's place in Oamaru, Rev. Father Falconer, recently ordained, has been appointed curate in South Dunedin, and Rev. Father J. P. Tobin has been transferred from Invercargill to South Dunedin.

Inspector O'Donovan, before leaving Napier for Dunedin, was presented with an illuminated address from the citizens of Napier, while Mrs. O'Donovan was the recipient of a purse of sovereigns from the citizens and a pearl and diamond pendant and chain from members of the Hawke's Bay Police Force. The reporters of the local newspapers also presented Inspector O'Donovan with a fountain pen as a token of their esteem.

At last week's meeting of the Dunedin City Council ex-Councillor Sullivan was presented with a beautifully-framed and engrossed copy of the resolution passed by the council expressing its appreciation of the work performed by him during the time he held office in the council as a representative of South Ward. The Mayor (Mr. J. B. Shacklock), in making the presentation, said Mr. Sullivan's late colleagues could not allow him to leave without giving him a reminder of the happy times he had spent at the council table. It was a busy time, as well as a happy time, and those councillors who served on the Water Committee knew the amount of time Mr. Sullivan had devoted to the interests of that department in the capacity of chairman of the committee. They trusted Mr. Sullivan would live long to look on this memento of the time he had spent in the council. His Worship's remarks were supported by Crs. Clark, Marlow, Green, and Wilson. Mr. Sullivan, in reply, expressed his gratitude to the council for the handsome address presented to him, and said he appreciated very sincerely the kindly sentiments that accompanied it.

### HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, MOSGIEL.

The following students of Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, were successful in the University December examinations:—

Michael J. Daly passed Matriculation, Solicitors' General Knowledge, and Medical Preliminary.

Stanislaus C. G. Marlow passed Matriculation and Medical Preliminary.

Alfred Neill and Francis J. Skinner passed Matriculation and Solicitors' General Knowledge.

Hugh J. O'Neill gained a partial pass.

### ST. DOMINIC'S COLLEGE, DUNEDIN.

The following are the results obtained by students of St. Dominic's College at the public examinations held in November and December of last year:—

University Entrance Examinations.—Matriculation, Solicitors' General Knowledge, and Medical Preliminary—Margaret M. Dennehy.

Matriculation—Kathleen Todd.

Public Service—Senior Free Places and Intermediate (non-competitive)—Elizabeth Bunbury, Mary Dunne, Molly Gallagher, Bessie Miller, Rosella Quinn, Anna Thomas, Moyra Todd.

Studies will be resumed at St. Dominic's College on Monday, February 8. Boarders are requested to be in residence on Saturday, February 6.

### ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

January 23.

His Grace Archbishop O'Shea returned from the West Coast on Wednesday evening.

The retreat of the clergy of the archdiocese commences at St. Patrick's College on Monday.

The many friends of Mr. J. J. L. Burke will regret to hear of the death of his mother, which occurred at Greymouth.—R.I.P.

The Ven. Archdeacon Devoy is organising a bazaar

for the purpose of defraying the cost of the building erected at Kilbirnie some time ago for the accommodation of the Sisters of Mercy.

The first meeting of the St. Patrick's Day celebration committee took place at St. Patrick's Hall last Friday evening, Mr. J. P. McGowan presiding. The following officers were appointed:—Patron, his Grace Archbishop Redwood; president, his Grace Archbishop O'Shea; chairman, Rev. Father Hickson; vice-chairmen, Messrs. J. P. McGowan and J. O'Brien; treasurer, Mr. J. J. L. Burke; general and concert secretary, Mr. P. D. Hoskins, sports secretary, Mr. H. McKeown.

The Wellington Catholic Education Board met last Wednesday evening in the Catholic Federation rooms under the presidency of the Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, S.M. The Very Rev. Father O'Connell, S.M., and the Rev. Father Tymons, S.M., Adm., were also present. Accounts totalling £150 were passed for payment. Correspondence was read from the Public Trustee, as administrator in the estate of the late Mr. T. G. Macarthy, intimating that the Board of Trustees was unable to entertain the application made by the board for a grant out of the estate. A sub-committee, consisting of the Very Rev. Father O'Connell and Messrs. Doherty and Hoskins, was set up to go into the question of deficiencies in school fees and other matters, and submit a report to the next meeting of the board.

At the half-yearly meeting of the St. Aloysius' branch of the Hibernian Society, the following officers were elected:—President, Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, S.M.; vice-president, Bro. T. Murphy; secretary, Bro. W. H. Giles; treasurer, Bro. J. Stratford; warden, Bro. J. Redican; guardian, Bro. Dibley; sick visitors, Bros. Fagan and Pender; auditors, Bros. J. L. Murphy and Redican; delegate to Friendly Societies' Dispensary, Bro. T. Pender. The annual report disclosed a very satisfactory state of affairs. The report stated that eight members were absent on active service with the Expeditionary Forces. It regretted the departure from Wellington of a very active member, in the person of Bro. C. J. McErlain, who had been transferred to Christchurch. Occasion had been taken of his recent visit to Wellington to present him with a past president's collar in recognition of the many services he had rendered the branch, which now ranks the sixth in the Dominion in point of membership. After the installation, which was carried out by Bro. T. Gill, P.P., assisted by Bro. J. L. Murphy, P.P., an enjoyable social evening was spent.

St. Joseph's Boys' Choir, which was inaugurated at the beginning of last year, is composed of the pupils of the Marist Brothers' School, under the able conductorship of the Rev. Brother Fidelis, who has done good work in training the boys for various concerts, especially the St. Patrick's Day concerts. During the past year the devotional singing of the boys' choir at St. Joseph's Church has been greatly admired. As a mark of appreciation the clergy of the parish (Rev. Fathers Hurley, S.M., Adm., and Barra, S.M.) entertained the boys at the Tasman Street School. The Rev. Fathers Hurley and Barra and the Brothers complimented the boys, and presented the following prizes: General merit (gold medal, presented by the priests of the parish), Frank Griffen. Good conduct (medal, presented by past pupils), Joseph Pope. Singing (Signor Gaetano Fama's medals)—James Ryan, Frank Griffen: (medal, presented by Mr. F. A. Henry), Leo O'Brien. Singing class (medals, awarded by Mr. F. J. Oakes)—James Ryan 1, John McLean 2. Punctuality—J. Reid 1, R. Harrison 2, W. Gavin 3. Attendance—F. J. Gamble (prize, presented by Mr. B. Whitaker), R. Dennis, W. B. Gamble, J. Ward, T. Dunn, F. B. Gamble, E. Quill, F. Ledger, E. Warren, J. Sandbrook, C. Kershaw, R. Grant, J. Barnes, J. Cavanagh, Geo. Bezar, L. Gamble, C. Nash, E. McParland, V. Ward. Readiness to oblige—K. Harrison, W. Corby, Oscar Johnson. Special prizes for singing—Ben O'Brien, F. McParland, H. Trehey, T. O'Brien, E. Gornuley, Gregory Barrett, J. Dennis. A very pleasant evening was concluded with an excellent musical programme.

There are 400 Catholic men in training at the military camp at Trentham. Their spiritual needs are looked after by the Rev. Father Daly, parish priest of the Upper Hutt. He has to work under very trying conditions, as he has no place in which to hear confessions, or celebrate the week-day Mass, which is attended by approximately 100 of the men. This matter was the subject of discussion at the meeting of the Diocesan Council of the Catholic Federation. It was pointed out that Catholics had no provision for their spiritual or social needs. All the other denominations had the necessary accommodation erected, in which their services are held, and when the buildings are not in use for that purpose they are set aside for the recreation of the men, many of the Catholics availing themselves of the facilities so afforded. Provision is made for the Sunday Mass in the lecture hall at which 400 attend, but this does not give our men the same opportunities as the other denominations. The delegates assembled voted the sum of £25, and passed a resolution to the effect that as the camp is to last until the war is over, the Dominion Executive be requested to suggest to the Diocesan Councils of Christchurch, Dunedin, and Auckland, that each parish committee donate the sum of £1 for the purpose of erecting a building suitable for the need of our men. Such a building could be erected for £150, the site, of course, being given by the military authorities. As there are 122 parish committees in the Dominion, a donation from each of £1, together with the £25 donated by the Diocesan Council, should cover the expenditure.

### Christchurch North

January 25.

St. Mary's Collegiate High School re-opened to-day (Monday) after the holidays. Owing to alterations being unfinished, the primary school will not re-open until Monday, February 1.

The Very Rev. Dean Carew, S.M., Very Rev. Dean Holley, S.M., Rev. Father Chaney, S.M., Rev. Dr. Geaney, S.M., and Rev. Father Kimbell, S.M., were visitors at St. Mary's Presbytery during last week.

On Friday morning at 9 o'clock a Requiem Mass was celebrated at St. Mary's Church, for the fallen soldiers in the war. The Very Rev. Dean Hills, S.M., V.G., was celebrant. In addressing the very large congregation, Dean Hills referred to the awful conditions brought about by the war, and to the sufferings of the soldiers on the field of battle. He spoke of the hardships inflicted on the people of Belgium, and expressed his gratification at the temporal assistance given to them.

On Sunday evening, the 17th inst., after Devotions, the Children of Mary assembled in Ozanam Lodge to bid farewell to Miss Imelda Young and Miss Hannah Ryan, who are about to enter the Order of the Sisters of Mercy. The Rev. Father Hoare, S.M. (spiritual director), in presenting them on behalf of the members with suitable books, spoke of the good example the young ladies had always given as members of the sodality, and said the gifts would serve as a memento of their many friends among the Children of Mary.

A very enjoyable musical evening was given by the committee of the Catholic Girls' Club, at the clubrooms, to the members and their friends on Saturday evening. It proved most successful in the object sought after—the bringing of Catholic young people together in social intercourse. During the evening the president (Mrs. Harper) explained the object of the club, and asked all present to popularise it as far as possible, and make known the benefits derived from becoming a member. Eight new members were then enrolled. The following programme was gone through:—Trio (violin, mandolin, and piano), Misses M. Cassin, Latapie, and Hayward; piano solo, Mr. Auguarde; duet, Miss F. Gardiner and Mr. Rennel; songs, Misses Gavan and Grundy. Miss Hayward acted as accompanist. After supper, the proceedings terminated by all singing 'Hail, Holy Queen.'

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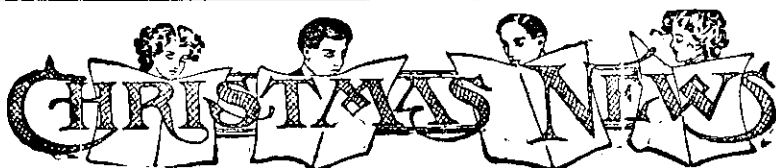
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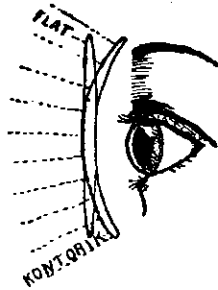
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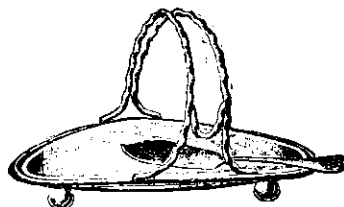
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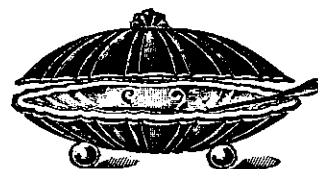
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## Irish News

### GENERAL.

At the opening of the Munster Winter Assizes at Cork the Lord Chief Justice, reviewing the list of criminal business, said throughout the whole province there was an indication of peace and orderliness amongst the people. At Connaught Winter Assizes Mr. Justice Moloney said he saw no reason why he should not congratulate the Grand Jury on the general state of the whole province.

The different denominations of Ireland, by recent statistics, show that Leinster has 990,045 Catholics, 140,182 Episcopalians, 12,866 Presbyterians; other denominations, 10,883. Munster has 973,805 Catholics, 50,646 Episcopalians, 4280 Presbyterians, 4175 Methodists; all other denominations, 2689. Ulster has 690,816 Catholics, 366,773 Episcopalians, 421,410 Presbyterians, 48,816 Methodists; all other denominations, 53,881. Connaught has 588,004 Catholics, 19,010 Episcopalians, 2069 Presbyterians, 1323 Methodists; all other denominations, 578.

### LIMERICK GENERAL PROMOTED.

A Glin (County Limerick) correspondent writes: Major-General Launcelot E. Kiggell, whom the King has promoted for distinguished conduct in the field, is probably the youngest general in the army, and comes of a family of soldiers. He is the only son of the late Major Kiggell, Caharaglin. The General's second son, Lieut. John Kiggell, of the Royal Engineers, has had a narrow escape, his horse having been shot under him in a recent engagement. Lieut. King-King, a nephew, is in the South Irish Horse. Lieut.-Colonel King-King, who is a brother-in-law, is on the staff at Dublin. His other brother-in-law, Captain W. H. Harkness, of Caharaglin, formerly of the King's Dragoon Guards, served with distinction in the first Boer war. He has identified himself with the Glin National volunteers.

### A HISTORIC FAMILY.

Sir John French pays many tributes to the generals and the troops under his command. Sir Douglas Haig, whose name has been prominent in these despatches all along, is again the subject of repeated commendation; and particularly emphatic is the reference made to the splendid services rendered by Brigadier-General Charles McMurrough Kavanagh, who is the younger brother of Mr. Walter McMurrough Kavanagh, formerly the Nationalist member for Carlow County, and still an honored friend and adviser of the Irish Party and its Leader, and a prominent supporter of the Irish National Volunteer movement in the county and district with which the historic family of McMurrough Kavanagh has been associated for a number of centuries.

General Kavanagh's father was at one time the real leader and brains-carrier of the Irish landlord party, and was in many respects one of the most remarkable men of the nineteenth century. The McMurrough Kavanaghs retain the ownership of portion of their ancestral kingdom; they are of the race of Dairmuid McMurrough, the Leinster King whose exact character has become a subject of dispute amongst historians to some extent, but who is remembered, to his disadvantage, in Ireland as having 'first brought the Norman o'er.' The reputation of the leading Leinster clan was, however, retrieved towards the end of the fourteenth century by Art McMurrough Kavanagh, a chieftain whose wonderful military capacity is evidently inherited by the descendant who has so gloriously distinguished himself in the battlefields of Flanders.

### NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS IN CORK.

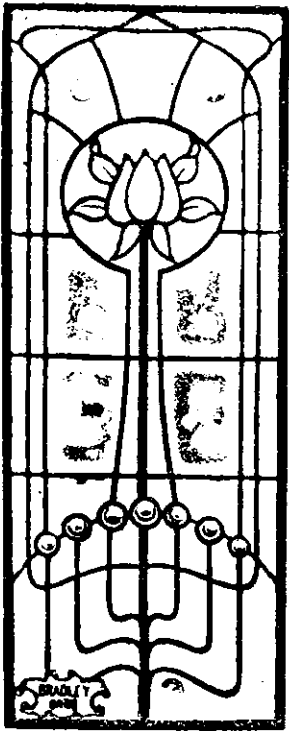
In Cork, on Sunday, November 22, Colonel Maurice Moore, Inspector-General of the Irish National Volunteers, who was accompanied by Mr. William Redmond,

M.P., reviewed the city and county Volunteers, who mustered over 1000 strong. Previous to the review colors were presented by Mr. Redmond after they had been blessed by the Catholic chaplain. Mr. Redmond, who appeared in Volunteer uniform, congratulated the Volunteers on their splendid display. He was proud, too, that Colonel Moore had received such a fine reception. However, he expected no less of Cork, because his knowledge of the people of Cork extended over 25 long years, and whatever people might do or say he had always pinned his faith to the sterling nationality and noble qualities of the people of Cork. If, he said, Ireland had remained unarmed at a time when the whole civilised world was in arms she would be discredited and disgraced. They were not joining the Volunteers as a menace to anyone. He prayed God that the end of their movement might see the Volunteers of the North and South united hand in hand for old Ireland. They were not joining the Volunteers as a threat or menace to the people of Great Britain. The masses of the British people were their true and good friends to-day (cheers), and no Englishman need think that their marching thousands were arrayed against them. They joined the Volunteers to guard the new liberties of Ireland. No man amongst them was required or compelled to join any other force. They were told day by day that it was the duty of Ireland to be in the fighting line. That might be so, but no Irish Volunteer could be compelled against his will to join any force but the Irish National Volunteers. He was himself a Volunteer from the beginning. And if the honor of Ireland required her sons to go abroad he would not beat about the bush. He would say to his countrymen who were willing, 'Follow me, I will go with you.' He appealed for strength for the Volunteers from every interest in Ireland that could be, Protestant, high and low, depended upon, keeping up a strong Volunteer force of God-fearing, sober, steady men. He believed himself that Ireland might be called on to bear a great part of the world-wide war. Already Irishmen had fought and died, and, no matter what their individual opinions were, they should be proud of the Irish blood that had been shed on the battlefield. As far as he was concerned, whether it was on the soil of Ireland or on another soil, he would fight and ask his countrymen to fight to the death to defend the shores of Ireland from the invasion of the power that destroyed civilisation and religion in Belgium and in France (cheers). In Wexford in '98 the worst oppressors—the inventors of the pitchcap and the torture and the flogging triangle—were the German Hessians, and the name of a Hessian in Wexford to-day was a name of terror to the people. They wanted the new invasion of Ireland, and in the name of God let them stand by the altar of their God and the religion that was taught them and the races who had the same blood as them in their veins.

### OBITUARY

#### MR. THOMAS MCGAHAN, TUAKAU.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Thomas McGahan, of Tuakau, who passed away after a brief illness on January 8, at the early age of 61 years. He was a native of Ireland, and came to the Auckland province when he was quite a boy. He joined the New Zealand Railways about forty years ago, and was superannuated about four years ago. The deceased was a resident of Tuakau nearly all that time, and was well known throughout the district. He was a very earnest Catholic, and died fortified by all the rites of the Church. The funeral, which took place on January 9, was the largest ever witnessed in the district, the attendance of mourners being evidence of the respect and esteem in which he was held by all who knew him. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Father O'Hara, who spoke very feelingly at the graveside of the many good qualities of the deceased. Mr. McGahan leaves a widow, five sons, and four daughters to mourn their loss.—R.I.P.



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## People We Hear About

Sir Valentine Chirol, of the *London Times*, whose articles on the origins of the present war are attracting much attention in Europe and the United States, is a Catholic.

The Holy Father's mother, the Countess Della Chiesa, is living, and is beloved of the poor in Pegli. When her son's elevation was made known to the august lady, she immediately went to the Cathedral and spent a long time in prayer, and on returning home distributed lavish alms to the poor.

Cardinal Di Pietro, dean of the Sacred College, who died on December 5, had held many offices of distinction in the Church. In 1879 he was Nuncio to Brazil, in 1882 to Munich, and in 1887 to Madrid, succeeding Rampolla, who was then created Cardinal. He was highly regarded in Spain by the court as well as the Government. In 1893 he was created and proclaimed Cardinal. At the time of his death he held the office of Datarium.

King Albert of Belgium, who is the tallest monarch in Europe—he is 6ft 3in in height—is thirty-nine years of age, and succeeded to the throne five years ago, on the death of his uncle, King Leopold. His Majesty is the second son of the Count of Flanders. His marriage in 1900 to the daughter of Duke Carl Theodore of Bavaria, who was one of the most skilful oculists in Europe, and who performed more than 5000 free operations for cataract among the poor at his private hospital in Munich, was purely a love affair. Queen Elizabeth is a serious, practical-minded woman, having much in common with her husband, and is equally popular with the Belgians.

The King has been pleased to confer the honor of knighthood on Mr. D. V. Hennessy, Lord Mayor of Melbourne (says the *Advocate*). None of his predecessors had better earned the distinction than he has. During his Mayoralty he has been energetic, and since the war commenced he has worked with assiduity in organising and regulating the various patriotic funds which have been started in this State to mitigate the horrors of the war. He has filled the office of Lord Mayor with credit to himself and to the citizens of Melbourne, whom he worthily represents. His helpmate, Lady Hennessy, has been *par excellence* a Lady Mayoress. She has been called on to do arduous work, and she has not shrunk from the ordeal. She has thrown all her energies into the task, and it is universally acknowledged that she has done credit to the Town Hall during her husband's Mayoralty. The distinction conferred on Sir David Hennessy is popular, showing that he himself and Lady Hennessy have won the golden opinions of the citizens of Melbourne.

### THE REDEMPTORISTS IN BALLARAT

In the presence of a large and representative gathering, his Lordship Dr. Higgins, Bishop of Ballarat, blessed the foundation stone of the new church at New Monastery for the Redemptorist Fathers at Wendouree, Victoria, recently. After the Bishop had performed the religious ceremonies, he delivered a short address, in which his Lordship said: 'It is now some years since a similar function was witnessed on this spot, and perhaps by many now present. When these good Fathers came to Ballarat some 20 years ago, and elected to make their home amongst you, their first important undertaking was the laying of the first stone of their present Monastery. It was an historic celebration, which was graced by the presence of a Cardinal-Archbishop, three Archbishops, several Bishops, and a large number of priests and lay friends. The proceedings of the afternoon mean much then that is worth our consideration and sympathy. It means the continuance of the Redemptorist Fathers amongst us in undiminished strength and numbers; it means the further expansion of those missionary labors which have con-

tributed so much to the promotion of the glory of God and the salvation of souls; it means the spread of Christian enlightenment, and the propagation of those principles of virtue, morality, and Christian rectitude that make for the spiritual and temporal well-being of every Christian people.' The erection of this new church, which will be an attractive addition to the many ecclesiastical buildings in this diocese, should awaken our interest and call forth our approving recognition, and if that recognition is extended in a practical way by those who are in a position to do so, it will be much appreciated by the good Fathers, to whom I wish every success in the prosecution of their important undertaking.

Very Rev. Father Hunt, C.S.S.R., said that they had called for tenders some 18 months ago. The lowest tender received was £15,284, and the highest £23,197. They could not face this expenditure, so they made reductions in the specifications, and called for another lot of tenders. This time the lowest was £14,357, and the highest over £17,000. These figures were also out of the question. Subsequently he heard of the firm of Lusk and Moriarty, who gave him their assurance that they would carry out the work as originally designed for about £11,000. The Fathers thought the matter over carefully, and decided to hand the work of building the church to the firm named. The first design projected by the Order would be carried out, but changes had been made, not in the direction of economy, but in the way of beautifying the edifice. To disabuse their minds of any idea they might have had, he would tell them that their assistance would be gladly welcomed. All they had in the bank to their credit was £61, yet they were not afraid of the success of their undertaking, as they relied on the goodness of God and the kindness of the people. The Bishop had set a good example by giving them £50. He might tell them that he had seen his Lordship's pass-book, and it showed an overdraft of £4000. Other welcome contributions were Count T. O'Loughlin £100, anonymous donors £100 and £500, Redemptorist Fathers (Waratah) £20, the Order in Western Australia £10, Father Kennelly £5 5s. The contributions given and promised by those present reached a total of £900.

### WEDDING BELLS

#### SWANSON—TONNER.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated at St. Patrick's Basilica, South Dunedin, on Tuesday, December 29, when Mr. Joseph Swanson, youngest son of Mrs. Swanson, Dunedin, was married to Miss Elizabeth Tonner, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tonner, South Dunedin. Rev. Father Delany officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, was prettily attired in a dress of white mousseline over white silk, and trimmed with dainty lace flounces. She also wore the customary veil and wreath of orange blossoms, and carried a white prayer book. The two bridesmaids, Miss Lucie Tonner (sister of the bride) and Miss Tilly Swanson (sister of the bridegroom) were attired in white embroidered voile dresses and white lace hats, their only ornaments being a string of pearls, the gift of the bridegroom. Mr. Oliver Swanson attended his brother as best man and Mr. William Tonner acted as groomsmen. As the happy couple left the church the 'Wedding March' was played by Miss Hannon, organist of the basilica. After the ceremony a breakfast was held in the Bungalow Tea Rooms, St. Kilda, and later on in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Swanson left by motor for the south. The bride's travelling costume was fawn cloth, relieved with white crepe-de-chine and white hat. The presents were both costly and numerous, including several cheques.

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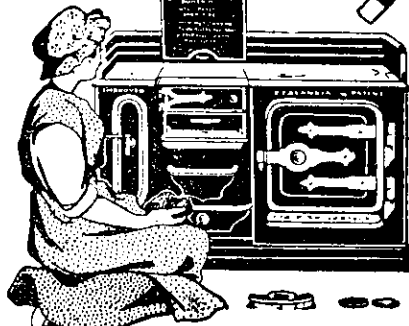
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## DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

January 25.

The delegates to the half-yearly meeting of the Christchurch Diocesan Council of the Catholic Federation express deep appreciation of the generous hospitality extended to them by the people of Timaru, and the complete and admirable arrangements made by the executive of the local branch, thus making the conference the most successful yet held.

His Lordship Bishop Grimes recently received the following cablegram from his Holiness Pope Benedict XV., through Cardinal Gasparri, Secretary of State:— 'His Holiness gratefully accepts the homage of your filial piety, and cordially imparts his blessing to your Lordship, the priests, religious, and faithful of your diocese. At the same time he blesses abundantly the Rev. Mother Clare and Sisters of Mercy on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of their coming to New Zealand.'

Under arrangement with the Darfield committee for the relief of the poor of Great Britain, Ireland, and Belgium, Mr. Frank McDonald, with a concert party from Christchurch, gave a very successful entertainment on last Thursday evening in the Darfield Convent Schoolroom. The various items of the programme were, without exception, well received. The contributors were Mesdames Tippler and Cocher, Miss J. Morrison, Messrs F. McDonald, A. Weir, C. Tidy, J. Mercer, and P. Brett. The proceeds amounted to about £27.

A pleasant treat was afforded the children of the Sacred Heart Orphanage, Mount Magdala, last week, when sixty of their number spent an enjoyable afternoon as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Nottingham at their residence, Halswell. Tea was served on the lawn, after which the children competed in races and games, conducted by Misses H. and D. Nottingham, also Mr. Arthur Nottingham, jun. Motor cars, kindly lent and driven by Messrs Hill, Davies, and Barnett, and Mrs. Eaglesome, conveyed the children back to Mount Magdala in the evening, all very happy, as each child received a prize. The guests included Mesdames Hill, Eaglesome, Lawrence, Lee, Barnett, and Davies, Misses Meran, McChure, and Eileen Pender, Messrs Hill, Davies, P. Barnett, and G. Hill.

Complimentary remarks are so frequently made regarding the varied and exhaustive articles on gardening contributed by Mr. J. Joyce to the columns of the *Tablet*, that it seems but just and fair that some slight acknowledgment of the same should be made. So comprehensive are Mr. Joyce's contributions, that many are greatly surprised at the extensive scope of the subject. The educational value of these gardening notes cannot be over estimated, and your readers as a whole are very deeply indebted to your contributor for gratuitously imparting from his store of knowledge the results of long years of practical study and research. The articles recently appearing relative to native trees and plant life were read with much pleasure by all lovers of nature, and the hope is expressed that Mr. Joyce will enlarge on the subject by dealing with the flowers, ferns, and mosses of New Zealand.

Bro. J. Griffin (president) occupied the chair at the usual fortnightly meeting of the H.A.C.B. Society, which was held in the Hibernian Hall, Barbadoes street, on Monday evening. Rev. Father Long (chaplain) was in attendance. Sick pay (£12 3s 4d) and other accounts (£50 16s 3d) were passed for payment. One candidate was initiated. The quarterly balance sheet and auditors' report were read and adopted. The meeting dealt with the balance sheet of the hall committee for the half-year ended December 31, which was presented by Bro. Flannelley. It was decided that the management committee be requested to draw up a programme for the social entertainment of the members during the winter months. A request from the United Friendly Societies' Board that the society co-operate with other friendly societies in making a presentation to the president of that body, in recognition of his services in bringing the hospital scheme into operation, was referred to the management committee for con-

sideration. Arrangements in connection with the forthcoming bazaar, which is being promoted for the purpose of reducing a long outstanding debt on the hall, are being rapidly pushed forward, and a large number of art union tickets are now in circulation. With a view to furnishing the various stalls, a progressive euchre party and social will be held in the Oddfellows' Hall, St. Asaph street, on February 10, and on the Saturday previous to this date a jumble sale will be held, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the same object.

## Ashburton

(From our own correspondent.)

The half-yearly meeting of the local branch of the Hibernian Society was held on Monday, January 4, when there was a large attendance of members. The president (Bro. T. Purcell) presided. The balance sheet showed the branch to be in a very satisfactory position, numerically and financially. The election of officers for the ensuing term resulted as follows:— President, Bro. Jas. Lennon; vice-president, Bro. P. Brosnan; treasurer, Rev. Father O'Donnell (re-elected); secretary, Bro. E. Brophy (re-elected); warden, Bro. E. Devlin; guardian, Bro. V. Madden; sick visitors, Bros. Lennon and V. Madden. The new officers were installed by Past President Bro. Purcell. The half-yearly Communion of the members was held on Sunday, January 10, when a large number approached the Holy Table in a body.

## DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

(By telegraph, from our own correspondent.)

January 25.

His Lordship the Bishop is due home during next week.

Rev. Father O'Sullivan, C.S.S.R., preached at St. Benedict's last evening, and Rev. Father Connell, S.J., preached at the Cathedral.

The Marist Brothers' retreat concluded yesterday. There are no changes of note in the location of the Brothers throughout the various dioceses. Most of the Brothers from the south left to-night by the express.

The half-yearly meeting of the Auckland Diocesan Council of the Catholic Federation will be held on the 27th inst. at Hamilton. Monsignor Brodie, several officers, and delegates from the city and country will attend.

The St. Patrick's Day celebration committee met in St. Benedict's Clubroom on Sunday afternoon, Mr. Gilfedder presiding over a good muster of delegates. Details of the celebration were fully discussed, and the keenest interest was shown by those present. All are intent on making this year's celebration eminently successful.

The Catholic schools reopen next Monday, February 1. In making the announcement yesterday, Monsignor Brodie made an earnest and stirring appeal to parents and guardians to send their children to their own schools. He instanced the phenomenal success achieved by teachers and pupils during past years; in one instance, nearly 100 per cent. passed the sixth standard. In view of this fact, there should be no more complaining of want of success in our schools. The secular training was equal, if not superior, to that elsewhere, besides, to this was to be added the inestimable blessings of religious training and practices.

Rev. Father Forrestal at the last meeting of the Holy Family Confraternity delivered his concluding discourse on 'Primary education in Ireland.' He dealt with the long and severe struggles of Irish priests and people to secure control of schools which, strange to relate, was achieved through the notorious Dr. Whalley overstepping the mark in his proselytising efforts. This finally proved the downfall of the old pernicious system, which aimed at undermining the ancient faith in Ireland. The lecturer trusted that Catholics in this country would profit by the lesson to be learned from the Irish struggle, and thus secure that equity and justice which was their inalienable birthright.

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## OBITUARY

## MR. JOHN HEALY, TUA MARINA.

A settler of that sturdy type that is so much admired by the present generation passed away on January 14 in the person of Mr. John Healy (says the *Marlborough Express*). He died at his residence, Tua Marina, at the ripe old age of 83 years. Born at Tralee, County Kerry, Mr. Healy came to New Zealand in 1855, journeying in the ship *Sir Allan McNab*, and landed at Nelson. He immediately engaged with the late Mr. Henry Redwood in farming pursuits in the Waimea and afterwards in the Tua Marina district, where he remained to the time of his death. The deceased had the distinction of being in charge of the first steam threshing plant south of the line, the machine

having been manufactured in England, and conveyed to the colony under order of Mr. Redwood in the ship in which Mr. Healy travelled. He also worked with varying success on the Collingwood goldfields. The deceased was married at Nelson in the year 1860 to Miss Balck, of Hope, who survives him. His children are Mr. Charles Healy, North Island; Mr. John Healy, of Marlborough; Mr. Edward Healy, Pelorus; Mr. W. Healy, New Plymouth; Mr. M. Healy, Marlborough; Mr. Arthur Healy, Palmerston North; and Mrs. Griffiths, Manawatu. One of the reminiscences of the late Mr. Healy, who retained his clearness of memory to the last, was the frequent sight of Earl Kitchener's father, near whose property his boyhood home was situated.—R.I.P.

## MR. JOHN CROWE, SOUTH HILLEND.

With the death of Mr. John Crowe, of South Hillend, on December 9, an old pioneer of 52 years' standing passed away at the advanced age of 80 years. Mr. Crowe was born in Ballindooly, near the city of Galway, on September 8, 1834. He came out in the *Storm Cloud*, and landed at the Bluff on December 8, 1862. For some time he worked in the construction of the main road from Invercargill to Winton, shortly after the Lake diggings started. He then got a team of horses and began carting goods from Invercargill to the Lakes, the cost of cartage being at that time £100 per ton. Shortly after that he travelled to Christchurch, whence he went in charge of a gang of men making the road through from Christchurch to the West Coast. After spending two years there he took a farm in Temuka, where he resided for 14 years. About that time the Government was opening up large blocks of land in Southland and Mr. Crowe took up property in the South Hillend district, where he resided until his death. A very large number of people attended the funeral, and Rev. Father O'Connell, of Winton, officiated at the graveside. The late Mr. Crowe had always been an enthusiastic supporter of the *N.Z. Tablet*, and was one of its original shareholders. He is survived by his widow, one daughter (Mrs. Gouley, of Otautau), and six sons (Messrs. Patrick, Michael, Martin, William, and Joseph Crowe, all of the district, and Mr. John Crowe, of Auckland).—R.I.P.



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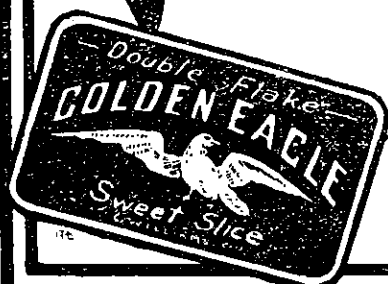
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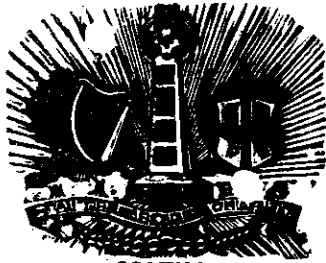
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## THE CAUSES OF EARTHQUAKES

### RESULTS OF RECENT INVESTIGATIONS.

The disastrous earthquake in Italy, which occasioned such a fearful loss of life, has again drawn attention to the causes that govern such dreadful visitations. In the olden days, among semi-civilised and barbarous people, very crude, not to say grotesque, views were held as to the origin of such upheavals. In Japan (writes the Rev. F. A. Tondori, S.J., of Georgetown Observatory, in *America*) it was supposed that a restless, monstrous spider made the earth's bowels its haunt. In Mongolia the earth shaker was conceived as a subterranean hog; in India, it is a mole. The Mussulman pictured it as an elephant, while in North America the tortoise rocked the crust. In spite of these wild attempts to explain earth-shakings, we note classic writers touching the scientific reasons. So Pythagoras and Seneca ascribe quakes to the presence of masses of fire at the earth's centre, Aristotle to pent-up gases. Lucretius fancied them the consequence of the underminings of rock-strata due to water agents, while Democritus recognises them as the consequence of upheavals and subsidences of the earth's crust. Cardano, an Italian mathematician and philosopher, popular about the middle of the sixteenth century, figures that all seismic energy is the resultant expression of the chemical action between the saltpetrous, bituminous, and sulphurous accumulations in the earth.

Poey and Kluge first connected earthquakes with sun spots, Perrey and Falb with lunar attraction. Buch and Humboldt stoutly advocated the volcanic theory even in case of those quakes whose focal point is far removed from the seat of volcanic activity. Volga and Mohr have suggested that some of the small earthquakes felt in Germany may be referred to the falling in of the roof of enormous subterranean cavities, formed by the long continued solvent action of water on deposits of rock-salt, limestone, and gypsum. Nauman, writing in 1850, classified earthquakes as volcanic and tectonic; the former being due to volcanic explosions, the latter to movements in the rock-masses. The importance of this latter class has grown with time, and it is now most generally accepted that all the really heavy quakes are to be included under this type and that those of volcanic origin are of slight importance. In this connection we quote from an article entitled 'The Relation of Seismic Disturbances in the Philippines to the Geologic Structure,' by Father Miguel Saderra Masó, Director of the Philippine Seismological Observatories:

'Beyond a doubt, many seismic disturbances are due to causes other than volcanism. Many of the worst disasters we have experienced have nothing to do with volcanoes, and that volcanoes are near by is only a coincidence, or may be explained by the fact that the place where great disturbances in the earth's crust occur is naturally a zone of weakness and where molten material would be expected to seek an outlet. At the time of the Messina earthquake Mount Etna, which can be seen from Messina, was comparatively quiet. The great disturbance at Messina, as is generally known, was due to an adjustment along the line of a great fault or fracture in the earth's crust which is marked by the Straits of Messina.'

The great California earthquake of April, 1906, is another striking instance of a disturbance due to dislocation. The shifting was along the San Andreas fault, the slip measuring a distance of 270 miles, in which the two sides of the fracture had been displaced relatively to each other by an amount varying from a maximum of 21-feet to an uncertain minimum, but which must have disappeared entirely at the ends of the fault. As a striking example of an earthquake due primarily to volcanism we might cite the recent cataclysm of Taal, Philippine Islands. Yet it should be added that the volcano is located along a line of crustal weakness, and at the time of the quake a very appreciable displacement occurred along one or more lines passing through the Taal volcano. 'One of these lines,' writes Father Mazó,

'ran from the volcano to the coast through the town of Lemery, and the other from the Taal volcano to the barrio of Sinisian, making with the sea a triangular strip of several square kilometres in area. This whole block dropped a metre or more, so that the sea washed inland for a distance of a kilometre over the main highway along this coast.'

The practical certainty of the dislocation theory calls for a more thorough study of geological formations, so that the more unstable areas may be indicated on the map. This accomplished, a more exact interpretation of the warnings given by lesser shocks would be useful in places situated along a serious fault line. Had this been done in the past, Messina and San Francisco would have been better prepared to meet the shocks that were so disastrous for them.

Repeated attempts have been made to establish some connection between magnetic and seismic disturbances with a view to predicting the latter. Yamasaki reports that for three days prior to the great Japanese quake of August 31, 1896, in North Honshu, the magnetographs at Sendai, Tokio, and Nagoya were violently agitated. Nakamura chronicles like magnetic phenomena preceding the great Japanese sea quake of June 15 of the same year. Professor Milne, the noted English seismologist, writes: 'These magnetic disturbances may of course be regarded as mere coincidences, but when we consider volcanic and seismic activities as evidences of physical and chemical changes, together with mechanical displacements of a magnetic magma (molten mass), it is reasonable to suppose that they should have at least a local influence upon magnetic needles.' Quite a few seismic observatories, favorably located, have, within recent years, added magnetographs to their equipment with a view to settling this question. In case a correlation is established it is just possible that a rule for earthquake forecasting will be at hand.

## WEDDING BELLS

BRADY HIGGINS.

A very pretty wedding was solemnised at Reefton on Monday, January 11, when Miss Julia Higgins, third daughter of Mrs. Higgins, of Reefton, was united in the bonds of Matrimony to Mr. Terence Brady, of Auckland. The Nuptial Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Galerne. The bride, who was given away by her brother, wore a very pretty dress of ecru lace and the customary wreath and veil. She was attended by her niece, Miss Alice Rivers, who was attired in a pale blue satin dress and dainty little hat to match. The bridegroom was attended by his brother, Mr. Philip Brady, as best man. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a Nellie Stewart bangle, and to the bridesmaid a gold brooch. The bride's present to the bridegroom was a beautiful dressing case. After the ceremony the party motored to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Rivers, where the wedding breakfast was partaken of and the usual toasts duly honored. The presents were numerous and costly, and included many cheques. The happy couple left by the evening train *en route* for Auckland, their future home. The bride's travelling costume was saxe blue with hat to match.

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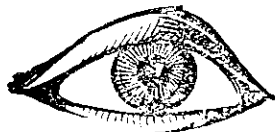
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## Intercolonial

The Rev. John Corcoran, S.J., who left Sydney for Europe over a year ago, has returned, and resumed his former duties as vice-president of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview.

Dr. O'Donnell, of Melbourne, has cabled the following to Mr. John Redmond: 'Victorian Home Rulers consider that the Parliamentary settlement should be loyally accepted by all Irishmen, and heartily endorse your attitude regarding the war.'

The Rev. Mother-Vicar of the Sacred Heart Convent, Rose Bay, Sydney, has left for Rome to attend the election, to be held in March, of the new Mother-General of the Order (says the *Catholic Press*). She is expected to return to Sydney in May.

The funeral of the late Mr. Edward Francis George Jolly, M.A., T.L.M., M.H.R., who died early this month at Maryborough, Victoria, took place on the Sunday following his death, and was largely attended. The prayers at the graveside were recited by the Very Rev. Archpriest Marshall, V.G.

The distinction conferred on Sir D. V. Hennessy has given general pleasure throughout Victoria. At the speech-day of the Parade College, Sir David expressed himself as proud of the fact that he was educated at the Christian Brothers' School. His Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne on the same occasion paid a tribute to the Lord Mayor.

The news of Mr. Trefle's death (says the *Freeman's Journal*) must have come in the nature of a shock to the many friends of that gentleman. Though it was known that he had undergone an operation for a serious malady, there was little reason to suppose that the natural strength of his constitution would not help him to a speedy recovery. He was only in his forty-fifth year, and therefore a comparatively young man. Many years of future usefulness might, in the ordinary course, have been augured for him. By his death New South Wales loses a citizen who was a credit to it, whether he was regarded as a public man or in his private capacity.

A Catholic journal, in paying a last tribute to Mr. Trefle, must not forget that he was foremost among the representative Catholic laymen of New South Wales.

At the St. Patrick's Day celebrations meeting in Sydney, his Grace the Archbishop remarked that he had received a communication from Rome, stating that the Apostolic Delegate, his Excellency Monsignor Cerretti, had left for Australia, via America, on November 18, and would most likely be in Australia for St. Patrick's Day. He had planned an extensive reception at Sydney by all the Archbishops and Bishops, and by the members of the various societies and children, who would proceed down the harbor in small steamers, to meet the steamer in which the Apostolic Delegate was to arrive. Addresses from the Hierarchy and the clergy and laity would be presented. It is understood that until other arrangements are made for his accommodation, Monsignor Cerretti will be the guest of the Archbishop at the Palace, Manly.

The claims of Nudgee College to general recognition have been further emphasised by the brilliant achievements of its students at the recent senior University examinations (writes the Brisbane correspondent of the *Catholic Press*). Last year the results achieved were satisfactory, for Nudgee obtained 15 passes in the senior against eight of its great rival—heavily subsidised by the State—the Brisbane Grammar School. However, in that year they obtained only three of the 20 University scholarships; this year's performance is much more meritorious. It is true that the number of senior passes was not so great—nine; though even in this respect the record equalled that of Brisbane Grammar School. The excellence of Nudgee's record this year lies in the quality of the passes. Francis L. Breslin, a Nudgee College student, headed the list of scholarship winners; Mitwen (Brisbane Grammar School) came second; while next in order came Ernest J. Burton, Thomas A. Emriken, and Vincent D. McCarthy (all of Nudgee College); while another Nudgee student, Timothy D. Sullivan, came 13th. Thus this one Catholic college has succeeded in annexing one-fourth of the 20 scholarships, one-third of those gained by males, and four out of the first five positions—an intensely gratifying performance.

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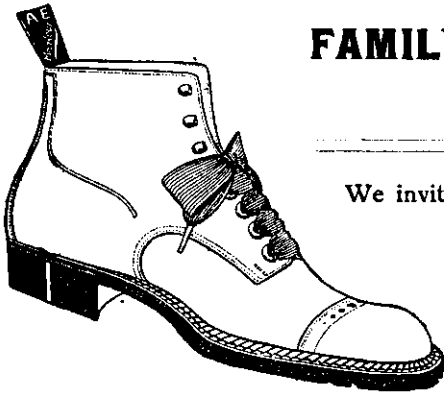
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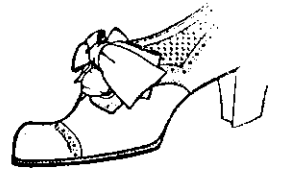


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## Science Siftings

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### New Cinema Apparatus.

A cinematograph apparatus entirely free from the scintillations which are so irritating to the eyes of spectators, has been devised by the French scientist, M. Edouard Belin, well known for his discoveries in connection with tele-photography, after long research. His apparatus, which is of a highly complex nature, reproduces life exactly and continuously. The film does not appear as a series of separate pictures rapidly succeeding each other. Thus, marching troops and ceremonial processions do not have the spasmodic, jerky action inevitable with present cinematographs, because, if turned slowly, the scintillation would become unbearable. M. Belin has demonstrated the qualities of his apparatus to a company of French scientists with great success.

### Wireless Telephony.

An interesting reference to the time, not far ahead, when wireless telephony for commercial purposes will be possible, is made in the report of the directors of the Marconi Company. Rapid progress, says the board, has been made in the development of wireless telephone apparatus, and the company has recently introduced a practical and commercial set for moderate distances. Further important developments are proceeding, and it is contemplated that apparatus will shortly be available for the transmission of speech over considerable distances. The development of this new means of communication

should, it is declared, add considerably to the earning powers of the company.

### Monster Fog Horn.

Many lighthouses possess fog signals for warning the mariner of the presence of rocks and other dangers in foggy weather. The larger ones are so powerful that their blasts can be heard 25 to 30 miles out at sea. Most of them are worked by compressed air, a gas engine of perhaps 20 to 25 horse-power being brought into requisition for this purpose. The siren is blown periodically, every 70, 80, or 90 seconds or so, the actual blast lasting perhaps about two to three seconds. It means that while the siren is running, in the case of the larger apparatus, something like 500 horse-power is being expended in the production of sound!

### What 'S.O.S.' Means.

In talking with the wireless operator, many ship passengers ask the meaning of the three letters used in the distress signal, 'S.O.S.' There seems to be a general opinion that the letters are the abbreviation for three separate words with a definite meaning. Persons of an imaginative trend will tell you that the letters stand for 'Save our ship,' 'Send out succor,' 'Sink or swim,' or some such meaning. The letters signify nothing but that a ship is in distress and in need of assistance. The call is used by all nations as a universal code, so that any wireless operator, regardless of the language he speaks, can immediately intercept the call of distress. Inasmuch as the call is in use by all countries, it can be seen that the signal can have no meaning in any language. The character of the code makes it a call that can be picked out easily from other signals, being composed of three dots, three dashes, three dots.

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## ROME LETTER

(From our own correspondent.)

November 16.

### THE POPE AND PEACE.

When one has perused even a summary of the first Encyclical of Pope Benedict XV., he feels struck at the masterly fashion in which the document embraces the evils of the day. His Holiness attributes the war to (a) Want of mutual sympathy between nations, (b) contempt of authority, (c) injustice practised between the classes, (d) the idea that the sole object of human activity is material goods. The vigorous manner in which the Holy Father conjures rulers and nations to cease drenching Europe with blood is characteristic of the Fifteenth Benedict. Changed though the attitude of several European nations is since they recognised the Pope in the light of a Universal Peacemaker, it is evident Christ's Vicar alone can claim to be hearkened to amid the clang of warfare. While condemning the evils of Socialism and Modernism, the Pontiff, as I anticipated, avoids entering into the Roman question. This can be taken up in its own good time; a formal protest against the conditions under which the Pope is compelled to live in his own city suffices for the present.

As religious functions have been held in the Cathedrals of Milan and Pisa, praying for peace, over which the Cardinal-Archbishop of each place presided, it would not be surprising if his Holiness ordered a similar service in St. Peter's.

### AUDIENCES OF INTEREST.

These days have brought audiences of special interest to readers of these columns. Ordinarily no mention is made here of the long list of private, special, and collective audiences given each morning and evening by the Holy Father. One of these was to the Right Rev. Dr. Phelan, Bishop of Sale, who is on his return journey from Ireland to Australia. Bishop Phelan was not a week last summer in Rome when he took to task a Roman daily for attempting to fish from the Irish credit of building up the Church in Australia and New Zealand. Another visitor to the Pope was Cardinal Falconio, who presented the Chapter and clergy of his diocese of Velletri for the first time since diocesan cares were added to the many duties of his Eminence. Five years of life as a Cardinal in Curia—and it is an exacting life—have left Cardinal Falconio as straight and young looking as he was the day he sailed from the United States. On the same occasion the Pope received the Very Rev. Dr. Hagan, Vice-Rector of the Irish College, and Monsignor De Angelis, parish priest of the Vatican. It may seem novel to some that the Vatican itself has a pastor, just as any of the parishes

of Rome. And then there was the venerable figure of Cardinal Di Pietro, Datary of his Holiness, who, in his eighty-seventh year, came to give an account of his department.

As is the case with every young and energetic Pope, the present Pontiff is prodigal in the number of audiences he gives to the general public. So was Pius X. in the early years of his reign. Only the year before his death, and then only at the instance of his physicians, had he to retrench the number of his receptions.

### THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE VATICAN.

On account of the war clerical readers will receive their copies of the *Acta Apostolicae Sedis* either not at all or very belated, and therefore it is well to give here a list of the chief items therein contained. Naturally the place of honor is given to the Pope's *Motu Proprio* conferring favors and privileges on the conclavists present at the recent Papal election. Then follow letters from his Holiness to Cardinal Cassetta on the Biblical Society of St. Jerome, with which readers are already acquainted; to the Archbishop of Ravenna, concerning the spiritual retreat of his clergy; to Cardinal Lucon, Archbishop of Reims, deploring the scourge of war in his diocese; to Cardinal Hartmann, Archbishop of Cologne, in favor of priest-soldiers taken prisoners of war; to the Archbishop of Mexico, on the grave condition of the Church in that Republic; to Viscount De Mendecourt, President-General of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, in praise of the work accomplished by this body; and to the Archbishop of Antivari, in favor of prisoners of war and the wounded. As the notices given by the Sacred Congregations are of a technical character, special mention need be made only of the rules published by the S. Consistorial Congregation regulating the College for priests intended to serve Italian emigrants to America and elsewhere. Later on these shall be dealt with here.

A popular appointment in the fullest sense of the word has been that of Cardinal Giustini as Protector of the Order of Friars Minor, as was shown by the grand demonstration of the Franciscans of Rome on Monday, when his Eminence took formal possession of the protectorate at the Church of St. Anthony in Via Merulana. The address read to Cardinal Giustini by the Very Rev. Father Monza, General of the Friars Minor, hailed his Eminence as a worthy successor to other illustrious friends of the Order, such as Cardinal Ugolino, afterwards Pope Gregory IX., Cardinal Orsini, Cardinal Della Rovere, Cardinal Corsini—all Popes afterwards; Cardinal Bessarion, St. Charles Borromeo, and the two late Pontiffs. Both he and his family, said Cardinal Giustini in his reply, had ever been enthusiastic friends and admirers of the Seraphic Order: for the bonds between them were close ones. During his protectorate he promised to assist, defend, and sustain the great Order so that it should spread more and more every year.

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## ENGLAND

### AN ACT OF COURTESY.

An unusual incident was witnessed at the Town Hall, Camberwell, England, on the occasion of the election of a new mayor of the borough for the ensuing twelve months. The retiring mayor, Councillor Newton Knight, who has been instrumental in securing accommodation in the municipal buildings of the borough for a large number of Belgian refugee families, mentioned that Father Inez, a Redemptorist who had spent many days in the trenches with the brave Belgian soldiers in the defence of their country, was in the precincts of the Town Hall. By a unanimous vote the council invited Father Inez to occupy the seat of honor on the mayor's dais, and as his tall, commanding figure entered the chamber he was greeted with resounding cheers. Father Inez, who was apparently deeply moved by the heartiness of the reception, thanked the councillors in French for the generous way in which they had treated his fellow-countrymen and women, who had been forced to leave their homes and their beloved country owing to the cruelty of the enemy. The kindness of the English people in the hour of need would never be forgotten by his fellow-countrymen.

### A MAYORAL VISIT.

The unusual occurrence of a state visit being paid to a Catholic church by a newly elected Protestant mayor was witnessed at St. Patrick's, Olfham, Lancashire, recently. The Town Council does not possess a single Catholic, nevertheless Councillor William Lees and Mrs. Lees (mayor and mayoress) were accompanied by several members. Great interest centred in the visit, and the route to the church was thronged with people, whilst the church was crowded. The congregation included a number of wounded Belgian and British soldiers from the Royal Infirmary. Canon O'Callaghan, the pastor, welcomed the visitors.

## UNITED STATES

### THE HIERARCHY.

After Italy, the United States has now the largest hierarchy in the Catholic world, with 101 archdioceses and dioceses. The pontificate of Pius X. will be remembered for the increase in the hierarchy. In eleven years he added to the Church 20 archiepiscopal sees, 55 episcopal sees, six abbeys and prelatures, and over four vicariates apostolic, which implies an increase of nearly 10 per cent. (says the *New York Catholic News*). In Italy alone a few dioceses have been united with others, but in Italy there are 271 bishops for a Catholic population of 34,000,000, and a great many of their dioceses are not only hopelessly poor, but have no chance of development. There is an extraordinary variation between the limits of diocesan population: at the one extreme you have half a dozen dioceses, each with a Catholic population of between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000; at the other you have more than a score of dioceses containing each only from 5000 to 10,000 Catholics. Perhaps the least populous is the archdiocese of Naxos, where Monsignor Brindisi rules over 350 Catholics all told. The same disparity exists between the hierarchies of different countries. Italy, for 34,000,000 has 274 dioceses; Spain, for 20,000,000 has only 57 sees; Germany, for 22,000,000 has only 57 sees; and Belgium, for 8,000,000 has only six sees. It is interesting to note that after Italy the United States has now the largest hierarchy in the Catholic world, with 101 archdioceses and dioceses.

### A GENEROUS BENEFACTOR.

By his will Mr. Denis Hession, who died recently at Humboldt, Ia., bequeathed \$45,000 for a memorial

church at Humboldt, \$20,000 for a parochial school, \$6500 for a pastoral residence, and \$35,000 for the maintenance of the school—a total of \$106,500 for religious and educational purposes in his home community. In addition to this, he left a number of other bequests for worthy purposes. There are very few Catholics in the locality. Mr. Hession was the last of his family, his wife and daughter, who were converts to the faith, dying several years ago.

## GENERAL

### THE CHURCH IN NORWAY.

The attitude of Norway toward the Catholic Church has undergone a marked change within recent years. A century ago no Catholic priest was permitted to remain in the country. Now, Catholics are allowed full liberty of conscience, and many Catholic schools have been founded by Bishop Fallize. These schools are entirely under his control, no government inspector having any authority over them. Catholic parents are exempt from the public school tax, and are expected to support their own schools only.

### STUDENTS IN ECCLESIASTICAL COLLEGES.

The sad conditions created at some of the ecclesiastical colleges of Rome, and which are undoubtedly calculated to grieve the heart of the Sovereign Pontiff, were forcibly suggested on the resumption of studies by the empty benches in these colleges. In the German-Hungarian College the number of students attending the classes was 135; the present number is 105. About 70 were called home, but 15 others were sent to take their places in Rome. The usual number attending the French College before the war was 120; the present number is 12. Some of these have been killed at the front. In the Belgian College the usual number in attendance was 20 students; the present number is three. It is thought that these are not actually engaged in warfare, but that they cannot return to Rome. Their Rector is a prisoner in the hands of the Germans.

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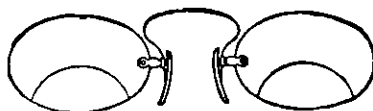
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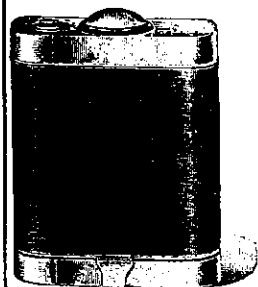
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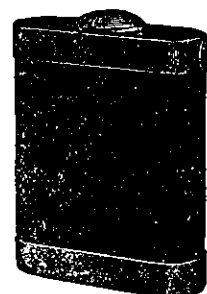
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### Fruit Rhubarb Pie.

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### Potato Cakes.

Mix together 6oz cold mashed potatoes, quite free from lumps, 6oz flour, 2oz sugar, half a teaspoonful of baking powder, and rub into them 2oz of clarified dripping, using the tips of the fingers and rubbing lightly until the whole mass resembles fine flour. Then mix with a little milk until of a nice consistency for rolling out. Roll out, then cut into rounds with pastry cutter, and bake in a hot oven until nicely colored and crisp.

### Cakes Made from Dripping.

Certainly good dripping may be used for some afternoon tea cakes; but it must first be very carefully clarified. To achieve this, take whatever dripping there is, cut it into small pieces; put these into a deep bowl, pour boiling water over them, and set aside in the larder. When cold, the cake of dripping will be found floating on the top. If it is not yet quite clear, repeat the process as many times as may be necessary. If, when wanted for use, any specks or impurities remain on the bottom of the cake of fat they may be scraped off with a knife.

### Use for Lemons.

No family should be without lemons; their uses are almost too many for enumeration. The juice of a lemon in hot water, on awakening in the morning, is an excellent liver corrective, and for stout people is better than any anti-fat medicine ever invented. Glycerine and lemon-juice, half and half on a bit of absorbent cotton, is the best thing in the world wherewith to moisten the lips and tongue of a fever-parched patient. A dash of lemon-juice in plain water is an excellent tooth wash. It not only removes tartar, but sweetens the breath. A teaspoonful of the juice in a small cup of coffee will almost certainly relieve a bilious headache. The finest of manicure acids is made by putting a teaspoonful of lemon-juice in a cupful of warm water. This removes most stains from the fingers and nails, and loosens the cuticle more satisfactorily than can be done by the use of a sharp instrument. Lemon-juice and salt will remove rust stains from linen without injury to the fabric. Wet the stains with the mixture and put the articles in the sun. Two or three applications may be necessary if the stain is of long standing. Lemon juice (outward application) will allay the irritation caused by the bites of gnats or flies.

### Household Hints.

Clothes lines will wear much longer if they are boiled ten minutes before being put up.

In roasting meat turn out with a spoon instead of a fork, as the latter pierces the meat and lets the juice out.

To make baked potatoes dry and mealy, just when the potatoes are tender put a fork at least twice into each potato to let the steam escape.

To render boots and shoes waterproof in damp weather rub a little mutton suet round the edges of the soles. Beeswax is just as efficacious.

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## On the Land

### GENERAL.

Farmers have made splendid progress with their farm work since New Year (says the *Southland Daily News*), and the turnip crop, which at Christmas time promised to be a failure, is right now, and all over Southland looking well.

Mr. Thomas Dowling, of Springfield, Methven, has established a record with a paddock of lambs this season that will be hard to beat (says the *Ashburton Guardian*). The lambs, which were by Southdown rams out of Romney ewes, were dropped in the first week of September, and on January 4 (four months after birth) were railed to Islington. They were killed on the 11th, and the total (429) gave 1681lb of fat, or an average of 3.95lb. The net average of 69 of them was 54.15lb; another lot of 137 averaged 46.27lb, and another of 114 went 39.64lb.

The number of horses at the front with the British Force is about 120,000. These figures are startling, considering that the total horse population in agricultural England and Wales, taken at the last census in June, 1914, was 1,399,540, of which 791,320 were horses exclusively used for agricultural purposes, including mares for breeding. To have raised 120,000 head of horses usable in every branch of the service, reflects the greatest credit upon the horse-breeding industry of the country. As yet very few of the foreign and colonial-bought horses can be in the firing line, but as the wastage of war carries off with it enormous losses and demands the immediate filling of the ranks with substitutes, their chance will not be long in coming.

There were small to medium yardings in all departments at Burnside last week, consequently prices of fat sheep and fat cattle showed an improvement on last sale, whilst lambs brought late rates, and pigs were easier. The following are the quotations:—**Fat Cattle.**—There was a medium yarding of 154 head. Prices on account of exporters were much firmer, ox beef selling as high as 4s per 100lb. Best bullocks, £15 to £17; extra, to £21; medium, £13 to £14 10s; inferior, £11 to £12; best cows and heifers, £11 to £12; extra, £18; medium, £8 10s to £9 10s; inferior, £7 to £8. **Fat Sheep.**—A medium yarding of 1755, consisting of fair quality. Prices were firmer than those of previous week by about 1s per head. Best wethers, 26s to 27s; extra, to 32s 6d; medium, 21s to 22s; inferior, 19s to 20s; best ewes, 22s to 24s; extra, to 27s 6d; medium, 17s to 18s; inferior, 14s to 16s. **Fat Lambs.**—There was a small yarding of fair quality. Best lambs, 18s to 19s; extra, to 22s 3d; medium, 16s to 17s; inferior, 13s to 15s. **Pigs.**—There was a small yarding. Prices for porkers and baconers were easier. Suckers, 5s to 10s; slips, 12s to 17s; stores, 19s to 24s; porkers, 35s to 46s; baconers, 52s to 69s; choppers, to 85s.

At Addington last week there were again fairly large entries of stock and a good attendance. **Fat cattle** sold at about late rates. Store sheep were in keen demand, and fat lambs and fat ewes were firmer. **Fat Lambs.**—Extra prime heavy lambs, to 25s 1d; legs, 20s 6d to 23s 6d; average weights, 17s to 20s; light and unfinished, 15s to 16s 6d; prime wethers, 22s 6d to 26s 1d; others, 17s 6d to 22s. **Fat Sheep.**—Merino wethers, 17s 3d to 18s; prime ewes, 20s to 24s 10d; others, 15s to 19s 6d; merino ewes, 14s 11d; hoggets, 17s 3d to 21s 9d. **Fat Cattle.**—Ordinary steers, £8 to £12; extra good steers, to £21 5s; ordinary heifers, £7 10s to £9 10s; extra heifers, to £12 5s; ordinary cows, £5 17s 6d to £7; extra good cows, to £14 5s. Price of beef per 100lb, 32s 6d to 42s 6d; extra, to 45s. **Pigs.**—Choppers, 50s to 80s; light baconers, 46s to 52s; heavy baconers, 54s to 65s; extra heavy baconers, to 72s (price per lb, 5½d); light porkers, 28s to 33s; heavy porkers, 34s to 40s (price per lb, 5½d to 5¾d).

### LIME WATER FOR CALVES.

Calves which are being fed from the bucket often benefit considerably by being given some lime water, a useful form of treatment for troubles like diarrhoea and indigestion. The proportions may be of some such ratio as a quarter or one-third of lime water to the ration of milk. This prevents acidity and also the formation of the milk into unduly large and indigestible curds. Lime water is made by adding two ounces of slaked lime to, say, half a dozen pints of water. The mixture should be stirred briskly and then allowed to settle. The undissolved matter will go to the bottom of the vessel, and the lime water can then be poured off. The solution is then ready for use.

### COLOR OF HORSES.

*Inheritance of Color in Horses* is the title of a pamphlet received from the Kentucky Experiment Station by Mr. W. S. Anderson, who says:—“This study gives the laws by which colors in horses are inherited. Grey color is dominant to bay, black, and chestnut; bay has the next greatest strength to that of grey, while chestnut is the weakest of all, or is recessive to all colors. Black behaves as a recessive to bay and grey just as bay behaves as a recessive to grey. Except in exceptional cases horse colors do not blend, but behave as unit characters. The recessive colors like chestnut and black may be submerged for generations, and then reappear. When a strong dominant like grey disappears it cannot again be obtained without going back to it. Sex has nothing to do with the transmission of color. That sex controls the color which in the particular mating possesses the dominant color. A well-bred sire cannot control the color of his offspring if he is bred to mares whose color is dominant to his. We consider the solution of color inheritance merely as the entering wedge in the scientific discovery of horse breeding. It will at least indicate the means and methods by which the laws governing the inheritance of more valuable qualities can be discovered.”

### DUNEDIN WOOL SALES.

The second wool sale of the season was held in the Art Gallery Hall, Dunedin, on Tuesday of last week, 23,533 bales being offered, as compared with 15,869 at the first sale. The Dunedin Woolbrokers' Association reports as follows: The same buyers were operating who were in evidence at the December series, and competition throughout the day was fully maintained—the buying power remaining unsatisfied at the finish. The sharp rise which took place for crossbreds in the south at the recent sale came as a pleasant surprise to wool growers, and it was still more gratifying to find a further improvement in the market yesterday on that advance in values of strong wools of quite ½d per lb. **Crossbred.**—Market very strong, showing an increase of 1d to 2½d on December sale, though the selection of crossbred clips generally showed much better condition. Demand was brisk throughout. **Halfbreds.**—Best wools unchanged, but shabbier sorts were weaker by ½d per lb, with a reduced demand. Merino showed an improvement on December rates of ½d to 1d per lb, but heavy conditioned lines were still neglected, and generally prices for these were not acceptable to growers. Pieces, necks, and super pieces showed an improvement of ½d to 1d, but ordinary bellies and pieces did not, owing to heavier condition, meet with the keen competition experienced for the higher grades, values of which remain at about December parity. **Locks.**—Good demand, best lines showing an improvement of up to ½d per lb; but heavy sorts were rather weaker.

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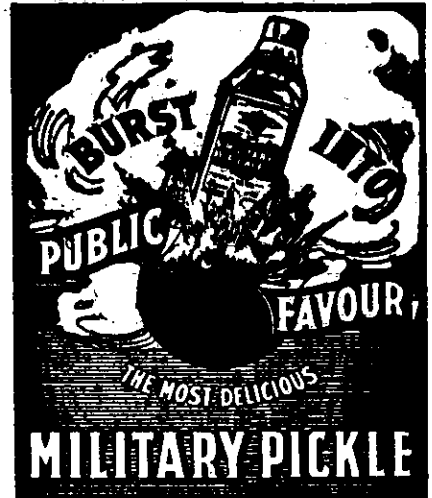
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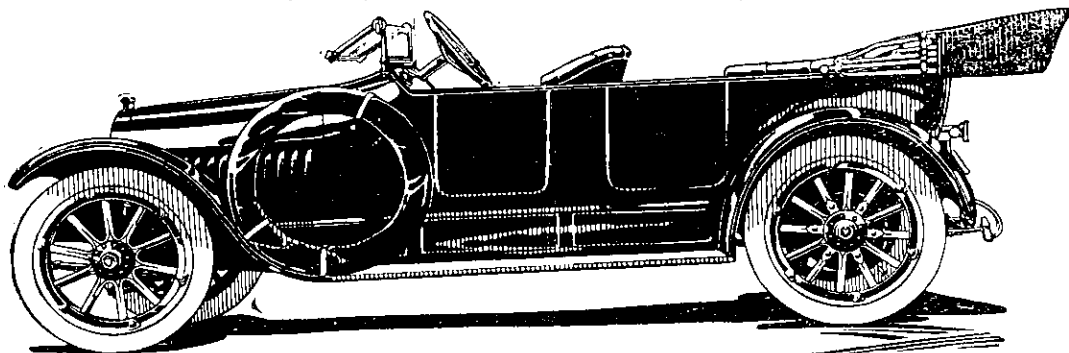
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Author of 'Within the Soul,' and 'The Story of Burke and Wills.'

'Unless you be converted and become as little children, you shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.'—*St. Matt. xviii. 3.*

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### THE STORY OF A BOY MISSIONARY.

'Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of God.'—*St. Mark, x. 14.*

A missionary leads people to the knowledge and love of our Lord Jesus Christ, and makes them members of the true Church. There is a college in Paris where boys are trained to work as missionaries in China and other pagan lands. When those boys become young men, they are ordained priests. On the day they are to leave home and native land to preach the Gospel in foreign countries, there is Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and after it the young priests sit in the sanctuary of the college chapel, while their relatives and friends kiss their feet, and the choir sings 'How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, of them that bring glad tidings of good things!' Then the young missionaries leave France, never to see it again, and many of them shed their blood for Christ and become glorious martyrs. In their old college the portraits of those brave young men are preserved, with their clothes and the instruments of the torture which they endured and by which they won their crown. And if you ever happen to go to Paris and visit that college, the students will show you the martyrs' pictures and relics, and when they take leave of you, they will ask you to pray that they, too, may obtain from God the grace to shed their blood for the Lord Jesus and so die for Him Who died for them.

But now I must tell you the story of a little American boy, who, while yet a child, did a missionary's work. The facts which I relate were printed in the *San Francisco Monitor* in the middle of the year 1914. The boy's name was Harold, and he was not quite three years old. Like the dawn of a summer day, when the air is fresh and pure and the sun rises amidst the joyous songs of birds, the first years of this baby's life were bright and sweet and full of gladness. Though his parents were not Catholics, he was sent with his brothers and sisters to the Catholic parish school, St. Peter's. While there Harold saw one day a catechism with holy pictures, which were explained to him. With these illustrations he was greatly delighted. When he returned home, he went to his father to show him the picture of our Divine Saviour. The other children crowded round and wanted to join in the explanation; but Harold would not allow them: he alone was to show the picture. He turned the leaves till he found our Blessed Lord, and pointing to it, he said: 'That is my dear Lord, papa!' Then he searched till he came to where our Redeemer was nailed through the feet and hands to the Cross, and he exclaimed, 'There is my poor Lord, papa!' He then showed his great love and sorrow by clasping the picture to his breast. Some time afterwards he fell ill; and a Catholic lady, visiting Harold's mother, inquired if the child had been baptised. The mother said 'No,' and when the lady asked to be allowed to call a priest, she consented. As Harold's illness became rapidly worse, the clergyman was summoned hastily. When giving the Sacrament, the priest christened the child Francis Harold. The following night the little lad died and was carried Heavenwards by his Guardian Angel to the dear Lord Whom he loved so well. The tiny coffin was taken to the Catholic Church, and it was accompanied by the whole family

who were Protestants. The priest blessed the little body, which was then borne to the Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, where the parents had bought a plot of ground in which their baby was laid to rest.

Now, what happened as the result of little Harold's brief life, Baptism, and happy death? His sisters and brothers—five of them—insisted on being baptised as Harold was; and the intentions of the sorrowing parents were expressed by the mother, when she said: 'We want to go the way our darling baby has gone.'

Young as Harold was, his love of our Divine Lord made him a good little missionary.

Prayer to be Said Often.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, may all on earth love Thee, as Thou art loved in Heaven.—Amen.

The Guardian Angel's Song as He Bears the Soul

To Heaven.

My work is done,

My task is o'er

And now I come,

Bearing it home,

For the crown is won,

Alleluia!

For evermore.

My Father gave

In charge to me

This child of earth

E'en from its birth

To serve and save,

Alleluia!

And saved is he.

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## THE FAMILY CIRCLE

### A BOY'S MORNING RESOLVE.

Everything happy and everything gay—

These are the things I will talk of to-day.

Everything sorrowful, dreadful, and wrong—

These are the things I will keep from my tongue.

Everything gentle and everything kind—

These are the things I will hold in my mind.

Everything hateful and everything low—

These are the things I'm resolved not to know.

Everything helpful and everything fine—

These are the things for these small hands of mine.

Everything lazy and everything mean—

These I will leave, and, in God's sight, be clean.

### THE JUSTICE OF DUKE RO.

In the Island of Guernsey there reigned in the days of Alfred the Great a certain Duke Rollo, or Ro, who was so impatient of 'the law's delay' and so eager to see prompt justice to all that he established a custom of public clamor of unredressed wrongs. Thus a citizen, oppressed and unable to get relief at court, might publicly call upon Rollo, or Ro, and have his case instantly attended to.

When the funeral of William the Conqueror occurred (says a writer in *Harper's Magazine*), and service was being held in the great church at Caen which he had built, a man entered, and, falling upon his knees, cried in French:

'Ha! Ro! Ha! Ro! To my aid, my prince. One has wronged me!'

At once the services stopped, and the burial of the king could not proceed until the man's plea had been heard and his wrong righted. In this case William himself was the doer of the wrong, having taken the man's land and not having paid for it.

Even to modern times the cry of 'Ha! Ro!' persists in Guernsey, with speedy justice for him who uses it. It is a revered privilege, and one which no man in Guernsey would use except as a last resort. But when

a man in desperate straits does use it, it never goes unheeded. There is no man who dares disregard it.

Only a few months ago an unhappy citizen applied it to one of the rulers of the island, who was tearing down a building the ownership of which was in dispute between them. He knelt upon the steps of the courthouse, and his voice went quavering as he began the ancient cry, and then shrilled high and loud; and people stood about in silent awe until the formula was complete. The man rose all trembling and looked about him uncertain and in fear.

The court heard his case forthwith, and decided for him. But the rich man had already ceased the work before the court hearing, as soon as the poor man had cried 'Ha! Ro!'

An American, to whom the practice was new, questioned both men.

'He had to stop; he had no choice,' said the poor man. And the rich man said the same. 'I had to stop when he cried "Ha! Ro!" I had no choice.'

The old custom is written indelibly in the law-books of Guernsey, an age-old tribute to the love of justice of the ancient Duke Ro.'

#### AN EXCESSIVE BILL.

When the waiter brought the bill the farmer said: 'This bill is more than I expected.'

The waiter replied: 'You will find the things you ate all marked--ham, eggs, beans, potatoes, coffee, etcetera.'

'Thar, I knowed you was trying to beat me; I never ate any etcetera.'

#### IMPROVING THE RHYME.

A school teacher was trying to impress upon a scholar's mind that Columbus discovered America in 1492.

'Now, John,' he said, 'I will tell you the date in rhyme so that you won't forget it.'

'In fourteen hundred and ninety-two  
Columbus sailed the ocean blue.'

Now, can you remember that, John?

'Yes, sir,' replied John.

Next day the teacher said: 'John, when did Columbus discover America?'

'In fourteen hundred and ninety-three  
Columbus sailed the dark blue sea!'

#### A PUZZLED WITNESS.

His Worship: 'What we want you to tell us is the exact words used by the prisoner when he spoke to you.'

Witness: 'He said, your Worship, that he stole the pig.'

His Worship: 'No, no; he would not have used the third person.'

Witness: 'But, your Worship, there was no third person.'

His Worship: 'Then he must have said "I stole the pig."'

Witness: 'Well, maybe you did, your Worship, but he did not tell on you.'

#### THE CAUSE OF HIS DEATH.

Reader: 'I want a good novel to read in the train--something pathetic.'

News-stand Attendant: 'Let me see. How would *The Last Days of Pompeii* do?'

'Pompeii? I never heard of him. What did he die of?'

'I'm not quite sure, ma'am; some kind of eruption, I've heard.'

#### A LONG WAIT.

Little Tommy is very talkative, and on going out to tea with his father and mother the other night he was told that he mustn't speak until some one asked him

a question. After he had sat silent for half an hour, he could not stand it any longer, and he said:

'I say, papa, when are they going to begin asking me questions?'

## FAMILY FUN

### TRICKS, ILLUSIONS, AND INDOOR AMUSEMENTS.

(Special to the N.Z. TABLET by MAHATMA.)

**A Pretty Experiment.**--Hold half a dozen darning needles in a bunch by the point ends, and draw the north pole of a permanent magnet along them from the points towards the eyes, taking care to bring the magnet back to the points through the air. The magnet must *not* be rubbed backwards and forwards but move in contact toward the eyes only. The needles are pushed through the centres of discs 3-16's of an inch in thickness. These discs may be made from wine bottle corks. Treat an equal number of needles in the same way with the south end of the magnet, and thrust them through colored discs of cork (red ink is a convenient dye) for distinction. All the needles and discs may now be waterproofed by heating and dipping in varnish. Fill a basin with water and, when the surface is quite still, drop in all the discs, holding the north pole needles eyes upward. They will repel one another, and separate until the distances between them are all approximately equal. Now put in the red disc needles, also eyes upward. They will at once seek partners with the north pole needles, and arrange themselves in clusters. This is a pretty proof of the fact that like poles repel and unlike poles attract one another.

**Weight-Guessing.** Get a number of small bags and tie up in them shot or other small articles to make the weights of 4, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ , 5, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ , and 6 ounces respectively. Shuffle them up, and ask your friends to place them in a row in the order of their weight. The weights should be written on the bottom of the bags. The test is rather an exacting one, requiring considerable delicacy of judgment. An amusing experiment is to hand an object of known weight about among the company, asking each person to write down his guess on a piece of paper. The estimates will be found to vary widely.

**Egg and Card Trick.** Half fill a wineglass with water, lay a visiting card over it, and on this a wedding or other plain ring, by means of which you balance an egg, small end up, upon the card. A sharp flick of the finger will remove the card, ring and egg falling into the wine-glass.

**The Clock Dial.** Draw circles on a number of cards, and distribute these among the company with a request that each person fill in the Roman figures exactly as they appear on the face of the clock. Common mistakes are to put IV. instead of IIII. and to make VI. and the subsequent figures point to the outside.

**The Magnetic Match.**--Take two safety matches and arrange them crosswise at right angles to each other, about their mid points, the upper being balanced on the lower. A third match is then taken and, after having been subjected to some 'mystic passes' by which the demonstrator pretends that the match will acquire magnetic properties, one end is held about half an inch away from one end of the upper or balanced match. After one or two unsuccessful attempts the balanced match is seen to begin turning round and follow the match held in the fingers, very much as a compass needle follows a bar magnet. The solution is that whilst you are pretending to draw one match with the other, you are in reality very quietly blowing against the other end of the balanced match.

A few slices off **GOLDEN EAGLE PLUG!** Rub them!—notice the rich promising aroma! Light up!—How the blue smoke twists and twirls—sniff its sweetness—enjoy its goodness. No other for me! How about YOU? Also in tins.