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## Friends at Court

### CLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

February 14, Sunday.	—Quinquagesima Sunday.
„ 15, Monday.	—SS. Faustinus and Jovita, Martyrs.
„ 16, Tuesday.	—Of the Feria.
„ 17, Wednesday.	—Ash Wednesday.
„ 18, Thursday.	—Of the Feria.
„ 19, Friday.	—Of the Feria.
„ 20, Saturday.	—Of the Feria.

#### Quinquagesima Sunday.

Our Blessed Saviour, far from declining the sufferings that He knew awaited Him in Jerusalem, went of His own accord to meet them. How far are we from imitating His example! 'Jesus,' says the author of the *Imitation of Christ*, 'has now many lovers of His heavenly kingdom, but few are willing to bear His cross. He has many that are desirous of comfort, but few of tribulation. He finds many companions of His table, but few of His abstinence. All desire to rejoice with Him, but few are willing to suffer with Him. Many follow Jesus to the breaking of bread, but few to the drinking of the chalice of His Passion. Many reverence His miracles, but few follow the ignominy of His cross.'

### GRAINS OF GOLD.

#### HYMN TO THE SACRED HEART.

'Oh! Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
I place my trust in Thee!  
Whatever may befall me, Lord,  
Though dark the hour may be,  
In all my joys, in all my woes,  
Though naught but grief I see,  
'Oh! Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
I place my trust in Thee!'

When those I love have passed away,  
And I am sore distressed,  
Oh, Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
I fly to Thee for rest!  
In all my trials, great or small,  
My confidence shall be  
Unshaken, as I cry, dear Lord,  
'I place my trust in Thee!'

This is my one, sweet prayer, dear Lord!  
My faith, my trust, my love,  
But most of all in that last hour,  
When death points up Above,  
Ah! then, sweet Saviour, may Thy face  
Smile on my soul set free,  
Oh! may I cry with rapturous love—  
'I've placed my trust in Thee!'

*The Missionary.*

The aim of all intellectual training for the mass of the people should be to cultivate common sense.

Vices, like weeds, sprout up at short notice, and beget a huge crop from very little nourishment.

The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts: therefore guard accordingly.

When I think of the happiness that is in store for me, every sorrow, every pain becomes dear to me.—St. Francis.

Let us never forget that an act of goodness is of itself an act of happiness. No reward coming after the event can compare with the sweet reward that went with it.

The finer the brain, the finer should be its culture. The higher the daily plane upon which the soul lives, the higher still must be its climb each succeeding day.

## The Storyteller

### THE LIGHTNING ARTIST

The crowd before the Rembrandt Art Store on lower Broadway stood gazing open-mouthed. There, in the window, the Lightning Artist, whom boastful placards proclaimed as second only to Rubens in technique and vastly his superior in rapidity, was filling canvas after canvas with the most wonderful pictures. About him, within easy reach of his hand, was a gaudy array of variegated paint pots, blues of the deepest and reds of the most flaring hue, saffrons and scarlets, dark browns and pale pinks. The large, dirty brush handles, however, that protruded from each, suggested freshly-painted barns rather than canvases that were to put to blush the works of the masters.

But where speed is aimed at, the implement must be large and the materials ample. And speed was surely the conspicuous talent of the Lightning Artist. He had been working but an hour, yet, despite liberal intermissions between pictures, the man nearest the window declared to a neighbor who had just elbowed his way up, that he had seen ten masterpieces begun and finished. The newcomer sniffed incredulously, when the artist put a fresh canvas on the easel, seized brush number one and began his work.

'Just you watch him,' said the man nearest the window, piqued at the stranger's unbelief. 'I guess I've had enough experience with painters to know a swift one when I see him.'

The brush which the artist drew from the paint pot dropped in its trail drops of a blue more cerulean than Italian skies or Neapolitan waters or Brazilian sapphires. One quick gesture, and he had drenched the upper part of the canvas with such a mass of blue that the hand of man might well despair of ever restoring its virgin whiteness. Next came the saffron, a great splash of it. Quite naturally, the jaundice grew worse as it neared the blue above.

'I saw another picture like this,' volunteered the man of one hour's experience. 'I bet it's a sunrise.'

Another magical sweep of the Lightning Artist's hand, and the lower portion of the picture was flooded with livid green. Blue, saffron, and green had Titian any combination of colors to surpass this in daring?

'Now, wait,' said the amateur lecturer, though his acquaintance plainly had no intention of leaving, 'he's going to make the sun.'

Out of the pail of crimson rose the blood-red brush. Almost dramatically, the artist drew back his arm, measured the distance with his eye, and flung the brush, paint and all, at the striped canvas. As the brush dropped to the floor, the crowd gave a little gasp of wonder; in the centre of the picture, just where the green entered into the chromatic conflict with the saffron, was a huge blotch of sanguinary red, while the upper half of the picture was bespotted with tiny flaming dots.

'That don't look like a sun,' growled the newcomer, determined not to be convinced.

But lo! The tiny dots were being connected with a skilful hand into long blazing rays, while about the sun, suddenly called forth by a series of rapid strokes, rose a host of round clouds, pink, vermilion, yellow, from behind which the sun shone forth with diminished splendor, but with a contour more true to astronomical laws.

'This is where he does his fancy work,' cried the original spectator.

Three wriggles of a small brush bathed in brown, and a clump of trees was skeletoned against the dawn. Both hands waved the golden tipped wands that called into being in the vast green of the meadow, a bevy of daffodils, as large as full-grown sunflowers. Then, while his left hand gave to the world a lavender shepherd, his right hand called into being three beautiful purple cows. With the corner of his apron he now smudged together the more solid hues of the sky, smear-

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It was a signal for the crowd to shuffle nervously, as if to assure the proprietors that they really must be going. At the movement, the tired lips of the Lightning Artist curled in scorn. Now that he faced about, you could see that he was a man of advanced middle age, tall but stooped, whose sallow, unhealthy skin was drawn tight over his sharp nose and prominent jaw bones, but gathered in slight bluish bags under his lustreless eyes. His lips were large, and in repose hung loosely open above a jaw that trembled with the visible weakness that physically records the unseen weakness of soul. A man of blighted career, you might have thought him, and the sensuous mouth and burnt-out eyes left no doubt where the fault lay.

But now his lips were scornful, and his eyes half closed in a sneer at the crowd that would look though it would not buy. In one glance of contempt, he swept from the first row to the outskirts of the crowd, where his eye paused and the sneer faded. Then half furtively he rubbed his paint-spotted hand on his rough artist's apron, and with a startled yet eagerly expectant gesture, lifted the small black skull-cap that covered his thin hair.

It was a priest whose presence on the outskirts of the crowd evoked the gesture, a man whose years were not far different from those of the Lightning Artist, but whose clear eyes and firm lips and jaw were the manifestations of a soul wholly unlike the other's. In the short moment when priest and painter gazed into each other's eyes, a look of mutual acknowledgment passed between them, brief but conclusive, for the priest smiled a happy welcoming smile, and slowly lifted his hat as he passed on.

The new church of the Dominicans was to be, as far as loving devotion could make it, a work of perfect art. The traditions of an Order whose convent walls still bore the records of Fra Angelico, and whose churches had been an ornament to the Old World, were to be sustained in this land of fresh Catholic promise. To insure this, the work of designing the new edifice had been entrusted to Father Benedict, whose pictures and frescoes had won him the admiration of critics. You may be sure that this devoted artist threw into the plans of the church his whole soul's effort. It was his master work, the crowning achievement of a life dedicated to ecclesiastical art. Every line of nave and transept, every color of window and fresco, every detail great or small, he had planned in long hours of loving study, until he felt that from the cross on the lofty campanile to the carvings on the confessionals, the church was one artistic unit, a symmetrical blending of color and line.

But every thought of his church was driven from his mind when his eyes met those of the Lightning Artist. The feeling of utter contempt that had shocked his artistic soul at first sight of the hideous paintings gave way first to surprise, then to joyous recognition, and then to a sense of deepest pity.

The memories of youth lie closest to the surface. A forgotten letter, a crushed flower, a passage in a book, is enough to send them rioting through the mind. And the brain of Father Benedict, like an album thrown open, was filled with a thousand pictures, none the less vague for that they were registered in youth. The bright May day, when he and his boyhood friend, lying in the cool grass of the meadow, planned their future—the life they would lead in the studios of the great city, and the fame they would win in the world's salons: the work at the two canvases set side by side with the kindly master bending lovingly over the friend's, so fraught with the promise of genius: the parting, dimmed by a foreboding fear, when his friend, buoyant and trustful, left him for the art schools of

Paris—he lived them all again. And, now that he had looked into the eyes of the Lightning Artist, the neglected letters, the long silence, the vain queries were all explained. Something like a sob rose in the Dominican's throat. The fair lad whose hand had the skill of Del Sarto and whose mind could read beneath flesh and blood the intangible soul was now the Lightning Artist! Yet his heart sang at the thought that his friend had returned. In that one glance, the priest had said, 'I was waiting for you,' and the artist had answered, 'I shall come.'

It was perilous for one as abstracted as was Father Benedict that day, to walk about on the rickety scaffolding, high up among the frescoes. Even his assistants noticed how spasmodic were his movements, and how pointless his usually incisive comments. And when his favorite assistant, a young man of remarkable gifts, asked for the hundredth anxious time if he might begin the Madonna which was to fill a large oval above the altar of our Lady, the Father's answer was so vaguely indefinite, that the artist turned on his heel in disappointment and disgust.

Presently a workman scrambled up the ladder, and stumbled over loose scaffolding, amidst stools and palettes and brushes to where the Father stood gazing with unseeing eye at the blank oval destined for the Madonna.

'There's a guy downstairs,' said the workman, 'that wants to see you. He's a rum looker, and I tried to show him off; but there was nothin' stirrin'. He says he wants to see you.'

But the workman never finished, for Father Benedict was hurrying toward the ladder at a pace that threatened a fall or certain destruction.

A dozen faces looked over the scaffolding, staring in utter amazement at the priest, whose arms, as tender as those of the Prætor's father, encircled a miserable tramp. There was little said between them; men do not talk to one another like that. The priest led the Lightning Artist to a rough bench, and sat beside him, still holding the weak, pulseless hand in his own firm grasp.

So much like the confessional did that first interview seem that when hands are both to tear aside the veil from life's that misspent life with its squandered talents and opportunities. He had been weak, the temptations strong, and he had fallen again and again, until with broken health and shattered gifts, he fled from the scene of his disgrace, to the city which had known him in his boyhood. There is a dread monotony in the paths of all prodigals, and when Father Benedict met the gaunt cheeks and hollow cough of his friend, he thanked God that the feet which had wandered into a far distant land had not faltered on the path home.

'God be praised!' said the priest, affectionately, 'that you did not die among strangers. You are home now and.'

The eyes of the Lightning Artist were lifted quickly to his friend's.

'I can die in peace,' he finished in a flash. 'You noticed it then?'

Father Benedict flushed, for he had not meant to betray the fact that he had marked his friend's illness.

'Yes,' continued the other, almost bitterly, 'it's consumption, quick consumption. I haven't long to live. The work at the Benbrandt is terrible on a weak man, but it's all I could get. Men won't take an artist that looks as I do. But sometimes I think that I may live just long enough to do something for God, just one work, done before I surrender the shattered remains of my talents. I think,' and his voice grew wistful, 'I should like to paint a Madonna before I die—something pure and holy to make up for the rottenness of my life. Can't you help me to it?'

Father Benedict's favorite assistant looked very glum when he heard that the oval over our Lady's altar was to be filled by another. He would have protested had not the priest's few words changed his protest into generous enthusiasm. The scaffolding was reared into place, and the wondering artists saw Father Benedict's

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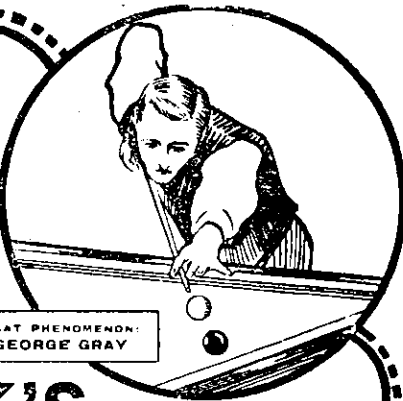
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seedy friend mounting to it with steps unsteady from mingled weakness and joy.

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As the artist worked away at his picture with passionate intensity little knots gathered to watch him, grouping themselves about the indignant figure of Father Benedict's favorite assistant.

Their tones grew more angry day by day, until at last they went in a body to the priest, their indignant leader at their head.

'Father Benedict,' he began, 'we know this new artist is your friend, so we have hesitated to speak out our minds. But we love this church; it's ours as well as yours; we've given it our best thought and efforts, and we can't bear to see it spoiled by one man. Great heavens, Father,' his indignation waxing strong, 'how can you stand by and let that picture disgrace your church? It's a crime against our sweet Lady. Why, Father, you wanted a Madonna, and this fellow has given you ---'

He stopped abruptly, for the priest's head had bent wearily forward. They did not know how much he had longed to stop the wretched work, save for the love of his friend. He had felt that the life of his prodigal was dependent on that picture. To stop the work would be to snuff the feeble flame of life that found its fuel in the intensity of a last enthusiasm. When at length Father Benedict raised his eyes, his look rested not upon the half repentant group before him, but on a poor, broken figure that stood trembling not a dozen feet away. It was his friend, and he had heard it all. Now, too, the artists saw him, and a shamed confusion held them speechless.

It was the Lightning Artist who spoke first.

'Is it true?' he whispered feverishly. 'Is all they say of my picture true?'

Though the priest turned his head away, his heart leaped with a great throb of joy. At least the intention of his friend had been pure.

'I should have known,' muttered the artist, brokenly. 'How could a man such as I catch anything of the beauty of soul. I painted the only beauty I've known, the beauty of sense, and it was wrong. How could a vile thing like myself hope to paint a pure Madonna? I'm all wrong, all wrong.'

His step was weak and hesitant as he passed down the long nave toward his despised Madonna.

All that night the priest watched by the wretched cot of his friend, there beneath the unfinished picture. The man's fever was high, and in his delirium he spoke only of that picture, now in wild hopefulness, now in the anguish of conscious failure. With the return of day, came consciousness. His first glance was toward his Madonna, his second toward his friend. For a moment he studied the countenance of the priest in silence, and then a bright light came over his wan face.

'Could you,' he whispered, pointing to the Madonna, 'make right what is wrong? I failed because I've not known purity; you have, I can see it in your face. Will you finish the picture? I should like to see it perfect before I die.'

For a moment the priest hesitated. Not since work on the church had engrossed his whole attention,

had he touched a canvas. But the imploring face of his friend was turned anxiously toward his, and without a word, he pressed his hand and mounted the ladder.

Never had he felt so strongly the spell of inspiration. He knew what was wrong; long hours of disappointed study of his friend's picture had told him that. He felt that every stroke he would make would be watched with feverish interest by his friend, and he prayed as he gathered the neglected materials, that he might succeed.

Eagerly, intensely, he worked, for time was short. Beneath his brush, the hard, cold mouth was softened, until it smiled, tenderly sweet. The brow, fixed as marble, took on a soft blush that rose gently from the rounded cheek over the temple, so delicately veined with purple. One touch of light gave love to the eyes; one line tenderness to the lids. The chin, which was so cruelly beautiful, needed but a shadow, and it seemed ready to quiver with maternal love. The supreme achievement of a painter had been accomplished. He had breathed into lifeless canvas a soul of exquisite purity.

The last stroke was given, and the Lightning Artist sank back on his pillow, a look of wondrous satisfaction on his face. Never for a moment did he take his eyes from the transformed Madonna, not even when he felt once more the clasp of his friend's strong hand.

'I should like,' he whispered, as if he were speaking to the picture, high above him, 'to have painted such a picture. It might have redeemed my life.'

'You tried,' answered the priest, softly. 'God and our Lady ask no more.'

'Do you think so?' he asked, with his eyes still on the Madonna. 'Then I'm not a total failure, am I?' He raised himself slowly on his arm. 'Why, I believe you're right. Isn't it I she's smiling on? Look, she's holding out her arms to me, to me, the Lightning Artist. Mother!' he cried, as if the picture and reality were blending into one. 'I'm so tired; take me home!'

## THE TWO ACTRESSES

The other evening, a priest of my acquaintance called for a social visit, and as he was obliged to leave early, I took my hat and went a short distance with him. The night was fine and beautiful.

Our conversation turned on the conversion of the famous theatrical manager, Henry E. Abbey, who was attracted to the Church first by noticing the clear, business-like methods of her beliefs, especially by the system and order evidenced in her mission work: 'No faltering, no doubting; she speaks with authority, and no unbiassed mind can fail to be convinced of her truth.'

'Speaking of the stage,' said my companion, 'let me tell you a story of another member of the stage fraternity, who was convinced of the truths of religion by watching the results of believing them in others.'

'By all means,' I replied, 'go ahead with it.'

'Well, it came about this way. One of our Fathers gave a mission to a certain city about five years ago. As he is one of the ablest and most powerful preachers we have, the church was overcrowded every night. The end of the mission came, and the final sermon was on the Sacrifice of Christ on Calvary and the all-powerful efficacy of the Mass. It was a masterpiece, and the people, deeply impressed with the magnificent explanation and appeal to their souls, filed slowly out of the church, while the priest remained a few moments in the sacristy.

As he stood there, a young lady of great beauty and distinguished appearance presented herself at the door. She advanced at once to the missionary, and said: 'Father, I would like you to say a Mass for me, but,' she added doubtfully, 'I am not even a Catholic, and I am an actress; will that make any difference?'

'Certainly not, my child,' said the priest, moving toward a chair, 'of course I will say a Mass for you.'

He turned, but the lady had gone—with a scarcely audible, 'Oh, thank you!'

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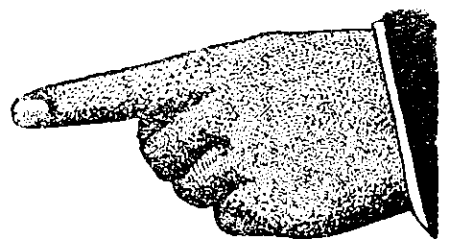
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for the mysterious lady, thought of the matter a good deal, and then, because other important things claimed his attention, forgot all about it.

"Four years passed. This good Father had given many missions, and travelled many hundreds of miles. At a long distance from the city where he met this lady, he arrived late one evening at another city where he was to give a retreat. With the usual crowd he passed out of the railroad station, and made his way to the church where he was due that night. He was a complete stranger in the city. He delivered his opening sermon, and then retired.

"The next morning after his Mass at 7.30, the porter informed him that a lady was waiting in the parlor, most anxious to see him.

"It must be a mistake," he said, "I have no acquaintances here."

"But being assured that there was no mistake, he hurried to the parlor, for he had no time to lose. The moment he opened the door he recognised the lady whom he had met four years before in the city of X—, hundreds of miles away, and who had asked him to say a Mass for her. He was amazed, remembering that she was an actress, and a non-Catholic.

"I ask your pardon, Father, for troubling you so very early," she said; "I saw you and recognised you in the train last evening, and heard that you came here to this church. Fearing I would miss you, I made an early start. Can you spare me a few moments, Father? I have something to tell you that I can tell no one else."

"For anything connected with his priestly duty a priest simply has to have time," said the Father, motioning her to a chair, while he seated himself.

"I thank you, Father," said the lady. "I have been an actress for a number of years, and I have made a splendid success in my part. I was a member of the opera in the city where you preached that mission four years ago, and I am the star of the principal theatre in this city. I need not tell you my name, nor that no one knows or believes that I would ever come to see a priest. I have everything a human heart can long for: youth, wealth, praise, love. Yet I am not happy. I have felt a longing for something, I know not what, for a long time past. I have no religion, and I have been looking among my companions of the stage, curious to learn their inward thoughts. They live like I do, enjoying travel, change, excitement, and the too-free-and-easy life of the stage fraternity. But in all these past years I have found but one who told me she was happy. This is a young girl beginning her actress career at the foot of the ladder, so to speak. One day I talked to her quite a while, and I asked her if she really had a happy heart. Her smile was so sincere that I could not doubt her words. But I watched her, pried into her conduct day and night, and soon learned that she lived a retired life, compared with ours. She did not attend our frequent and sometimes unseemly and wild orgies after a season of success, although she was a lovely, kind-hearted, beautiful girl. I also found out that although she had many male admirers, she kept them at a distance. Then little by little I became aware that her life was one of absolute purity in word and deed, and I felt that I could bear no comparison with her. I learned that she was religious, and I determined to find out what was the religion that kept her like a lily in the midst of dissipation. When I next saw her, after many hours of thought about it, I said to her:

"You are very correct and reserved. Is it because of your religion? What is it?"

"I am a Catholic, madam," was her reply; "I attend to the duties of my Church, and this is my salvation and my happiness."

"I thought over her answer, and determined I would find out something about this Catholic religion. Your mission was going on at the time, and I knew the Catholic church where you preached, Father, so I slipped away one night from my noisy friends who had a supper, and went right over to the church where you preached. Unfortunately, it was the conclusion of the mission, so I had no chance to profit by it. But

I listened breathlessly to all you said about the great Sacrifice of the Altar, and the thought entered my mind that perhaps you could say a Mass for me—the great effects of which you so masterfully explained and so warmly recommended to the Catholic people. Frightened at my boldness, I went to the sacristy, where I was directed to find you, and asked you to say a Mass. Do you remember?"

"I had listened without a word to this outpouring from a soul whose sincerity I felt, and who was drawn to God by all the magnetism of His Divine Heart. I looked at the speaker. She was a noble-looking woman, still young and attractive, and of those easy distinguished manners that are given to all whose stage career is successful.

"Do I remember, my child?" I said heartily. "I remember distinctly. And I said the Mass for you next day. For a long time I remembered you, and then—"

"And then," she interrupted, "you naturally forgot all about it. Well, that is not all. The good God did not forget. Not a day has passed in all these years that something did not impel me to pray in my own way that I might see you again. My prayer has been heard, and here I am. I ask you to give me instruction and receive me into that Church which is so Godlike in its pure and holy doctrines."

"My heart overflowed with joy, and at once I began to instruct and prepare this chosen soul for reception into the Catholic Church. Although she had never received religious instruction, the task was not hard. Her native intelligence, her quick apprehension, and above all her intense desire, made the work easy. Before I left the place I had the happiness of baptising her, of giving her the Sacraments, and of placing her on the road to a holy Catholic life. She continued in her profession, and has continued to be successful in it. But with success generally comes a sacrifice; and God required it, not from her, apparently but from another.

"A year later I was in another city, giving a mission in a certain parish. The pastor, during conversation, spoke of his visits to a hospital nearby, and of a young woman who had been crippled by an unfortunate fall.

"She is a marvel of patience and intelligence," he said, "and although she can move only on crutches, she is the life of the place. Sometimes when the convalescents are moody or discouraged, she gets up a little 'Punch and Judy' show, or helps the Sisters with music and song. I wish you could meet her."

"My curiosity was aroused, and I went to the hospital. I asked the good Sisters about this patient. At once they beamed with pleasure, and launched forth into eulogies of praise. They led me to the convalescent ward, and I saw in the distance a young woman seated in the midst of a little crowd, which parted as I approached. She smiled without the least embarrassment, and pointed to her crutches:

"These wooden friends of mine, Father, must be my apology for not rising," she said with a charming grace; "but I know you are Father So-and-so. I have seen you often, and have heard much of you, too."

"She had the face of an angel, with fair hair, and eyes like the blue heavens. I stared at her for a moment, I was so amazed. The other patients had slipped away, and the Sister who was with me had given me a chair. I found that we were alone.

"You have seen and heard of me before?" I said, in surprise. "Where, my child? And you know my name? How is this?"

"She folded her hands, which were very white and shapely, and with a beautiful smile on her face, she was silent for a moment. The act and the silence suggested something I could not grasp at once, and then like a flash it occurred to me—

"Have you ever been on the stage?"

"Yes, Father."

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"You are sorry for me, Father. Well, do not pity me. I am very happy now. Being poor, I had no place to go, until these dear Sisters offered me a home in this hospital. And once, some years ago, I offered myself to God if He would bring to the faith a noble woman, also an actress, who is now, thanks be to His mercy, a fervent Catholic. But I did not think then it would be this kind of an offering—a cripple for life! But I am satisfied and happy, for she can do much good in her art, much better than I could with my poor talents."

"A light broke upon me: "It is Madam X---!" I said. "I baptised her, and received her into the Church!"

"Yes, Father. She told me all about it," said the cripple fervently.

"And you are the girl whose life behind the scenes won her to the faith! And I find you here, in this condition!"

"Yes, Father. I am the poor girl she condescended to say was the first cause of her conversion. I shall never forget her kindness and graciousness."

"But how is it you are here? Why has she not helped you?"

"She has helped me, Father. She does not know how my accident happened. She was far away in a distant city. She only knows I have retired from the stage, and am ill. She would do anything for me, she said."

"How did the accident happen?" I continued.

"A trap-door was open behind the scenes, and I knew others would be going that way. I undertook to close it, and lost my balance. It was a dreadful fall, but another girl, who heard me cry out, was close behind, and if I had not fallen, my fate would have been hers. At first I had hopes of recovery, and it was a bitter blow when they broke it gently that I would never be well—that I must give up all my aspirations. But, Father, is it not better to suffer and pray that one gifted soul may become perfect and closer to God than to lead an indifferent life in perfect health?"

"What could I say? Here was the greater love of which Christ gave the example. I arose, deeply touched. I laid my hands on the actress's head, and prayed God to bless her, and to bless that other actress who had been led by her to the kingdom of the faith. I have never seen either of them since.—*The Missionary*.

## Hokitika

(From our own correspondent.)

January 29.

The annual meeting of the local branch of the Hibernian Society was held in St. Mary's Clubrooms last Thursday evening, the whole of the members being present. Bro. Dwan presided, and installed the officers for the ensuing year as follow:—President, Bro. J. Pickering; vice-president, Bro. Callan, treasurer, Bro. W. Jones; assistant-secretary, Bro. T. Stopforth; guardian, Bro. L. Kirwan; sick visitors, Bros. Horan and Kane. Accounts, amounting to £26 5s, were passed for payment. Arrangements were made for holding the usual national concert on St. Patrick's Day, and a committee was set up to make the necessary arrangements. The quarterly Communion day was fixed for March 14.

A pleasant ceremony took place at St. Mary's School, Rimu, on Wednesday afternoon, when a presentation was made to the Rev. Father Hanrahan, who has been transferred to Canterbury. The school children were gathered in force when Father Hanrahan arrived by motor car with only a few minutes to spare to say good-bye, before leaving by the evening train. A nicely illuminated address (the work of the Sisters of St. Columbkille's Convent) was read and presented by Maurice O'Neill. It expressed the regret felt by the school children and members of the congregation at the severance of the very pleasant relations that had always existed between Father Hanrahan and his people, and good wishes for the future. Miss Nellie Boyd then asked Father Hanrahan's acceptance of a handsome entree dish and set of silver table spoons, as a slight token of the affection of the community, and as a reminder of his many friends in the Rimu district. Rev. Father Hanrahan expressed his sincere appreciation of such valuable tokens of the esteem of those under his charge, and said that his stay in the district had been a very happy one.

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**THE OBLIGATION OF HEARING MASS ON SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS.**

(Continued.)

The law of the Church binding the faithful to assist at Mass on Sundays and Holy days of Obligation is based both on divine and natural law. Christ when ordaining the first priests, laid on them the command to offer the Sacrifice of the Mass in remembrance of His holy Passion and Death. Even the natural law tells us that we must in some fashion or other acknowledge the supreme Majesty of the Creator. The Church merely determines what the natural and divine laws leave thus undefined—saying what are the times and the ways of fulfilling these duties. Needless to say, the Church has power to lay down such duties, and to enforce them under grave penalties, for she speaks with the power of her Divine Founder. Two considerations will show why the Church has selected the Mass as the most suitable act of worship by which we creatures can pay God the homage we owe Him.

(1) Bossuet, the most famous of French preachers, writes: 'There is nothing greater in the universe than Christ; there is nothing greater in Christ than His Sacrifice; there is nothing greater in that Sacrifice than His death, than the moment in which His soul was separated from His body.' This is equally true of the Sacrifice at which the Church asks us to assist, for the Mass is the ever-living renewal of Calvary's sacrificial act. 'It is an enduring and universal Sacrifice. It belongs to all ages, to all nations. It has at all times and in all places the same virtue, the same Victim, the same High Priest. The same Blood flows from the same Wounds not only for all of us in general, but for each of us in particular. Holy Mass is the basis of our salvation, the foundation of all our devotions towards the Holy Eucharist. It is "Emmanuel"—God with us—God poured out on us, for what is the Church but Christ poured out on us and communicated to her and her members? Once more Christ is all and in all. He is all and in all through Holy Mass.'

(2) According to St. Thomas Aquinas, 'man is bound to render homage to God for these four reasons: Because of God's supreme Majesty, of blessings received, of sins committed, of benefits hoped for.' But how can man, imperfect, nay, sinful as he is, give God what is His due? His only hope of offering an acceptable homage is by uniting it with that homage of the Cross, which was at once human and divine, because offered by God-made-man. Christ and His Church always act together. Whatever is done by the Church, it is Christ Who does it; whatever Christ does in the faithful, He does through the instrumentality of His Church. Christ is one with the Church by bearing her sins; the Church is one with Christ by bearing His Cross. Everything in the Church points to the Altar, to the Sacrifice of the Mass. Holy Mass is the great action of the Church, and through Holy Mass, man is able to pay his fourfold duty to God, to pay full homage to God. These duties, defined by St. Thomas, are summed up in these four words: Adoration, Thanksgiving, Propitiation, Supplication. These are also the four ends as well as 'the four fruits of Mass.'

There is an additional reason why attendance at Holy Mass should be considered the great act of the week. Jesus Christ is 'King of kings, Lord of lords Who only has immortality, to Whom be honor and empire everlasting' (Ep. to Timothy vi. 16). In the vast kingdom over which He holds sway the Mass is not only the expression of the subjects' humble devotion, but also the instrument of regeneration for a society that is sick unto death. 'Let the modern legislator and economist,' writes Abbot Gendens, 'study the his-

tory of Christianity, the annals of sociology. What will he see? He will see that Holy Mass has been the truest, strongest element of civilisation, the real means of its triumphs. He will see that it civilised our ancestors, disciplined their fierce passions, brought despots to a sense of justice, made the people obedient to the laws, broke the barriers between the rich and the poor. Holy Mass was the symbol and bond of charity and union. God's temple was open to all. Holy Mass brought together the lord and the peasant, the master and the servant. All conditions of men met before God's altar. The same Bread of Life was given to all. Admission to Holy Mass was considered the greatest honor: excommunication from Mass the most dreaded moral punishment. The most glorious epochs of European history are those when people publicly acknowledged the sovereignty of Christ and . . . went to Mass. Let sick society return to Christ and to Christ on His throne on the altar.'

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Rev. R. Hall, Methodist chaplain with the British Expeditionary Force in France, states that he was allotted a tent at the base camp at Havre with Father Bradley, the Catholic chaplain, and that 'this was the commencement of a friendship that I am sure will be lifelong.' 'I never,' says Mr. Hall, 'met a more gentle and refined Christian character. His one thought was to serve others, and he cared nothing for his own discomfort as long as he was helping someone else. It was a grief to both of us when a little over a month ago I stood, in the middle of the night, at a railway station, to wish him good-bye. He was ordered to join a field ambulance in the fighting line. His last words were: "Hall, don't forget to pray for me; underneath and round about both of us are the Everlasting Arms."'

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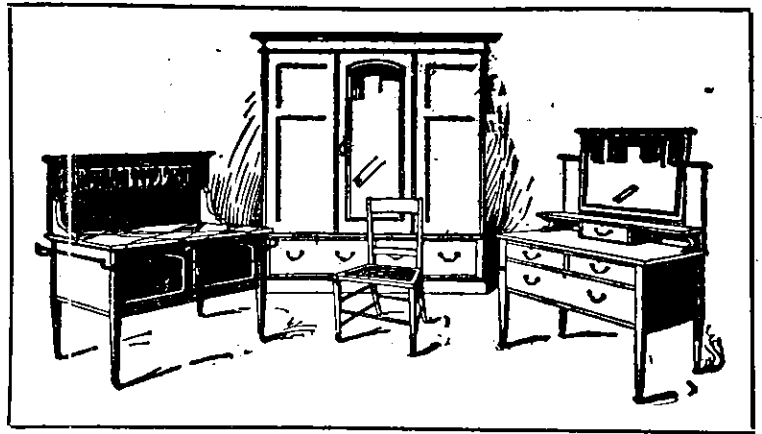
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(From our Wellington correspondent.)

St. Patrick's Hall proved inadequate for the accommodation of all the members of the Hibernian Society who assembled on the evening of January 25 to accord a hearty welcome to the Very Rev. Dean Regnault, S.M., who has just returned from a visit to France, whither he went as one of the New Zealand delegates to the General Chapter of the Marist Order.

Bro. J. P. McGowan, B.P., presided. On behalf of the Wellington Hibernians, he welcomed Dean Regnault back to Wellington. They desired, he said, to show the Dean their appreciation of the splendid work he had done for the cause of Hibernianism.

Bro. J. O'Brien, P.P., supported the remarks of Bro. McGowan.

Bro. P. D. Hoskins, District Deputy, on behalf of the chief officers of the society in New Zealand, expressed sorrow that what might have otherwise proved a pleasant trip had been marred by the breaking out of the present war. The Dean had looked forward to meeting, after his sojourn in New Zealand of over twenty years, many old friends, both clerical and lay, in his native France, but he had been disappointed, for the majority were away in the fighting line.

Dean Regnault, on rising to respond, was received most enthusiastically. He said he was overwhelmed with pleasure at the hearty reception extended to him that evening. He assured the meeting that he was very pleased to find himself once more in the atmosphere in which he always found himself at home since he came to New Zealand, and that was the Hibernian atmosphere, and he congratulated the society upon its progress during the term of office of Bro. O'Brien. He was glad to have had the opportunity of seeing his old home, which he had not seen for close on twenty years. At all events, if he was glad to go, he was more pleased when he set foot on the Niagara at Vancouver, and he said to himself, 'this is the last stage to New Zealand.' When he reached the Dominion, there were few happier men than he under the Southern Cross, for, after having travelled through the United States, Canada, Ireland, England, and France, he thought there was no country like New Zealand.

In Ireland.

During his stay in the Old Country, when speaking about Ireland, he did not know why, but Englishmen would not trust him. They would not allow him to pass through a certain town to go to Cork to see the Blarney Stone. He was told that the shortest way to get to Cork was to go through Fishguard. To do that it was necessary to obtain a permit from the Secretary of War. Trying to obtain a permit, he spent three days going from office to office, and after all, he was told by one of the officials that 'as he looked fairly respectable' he supposed he could go through Fishguard to Cork. The Dean related his experiences in the large offices. Each time his business took him to the same place he met a different clerk. 'What is your business in Ireland?' asked one. 'I am half an Irishman and I want to see my country again,' replied the Dean. 'I will see,' was the clerk's retort. In 'seeing,' the clerk, by the way, took an hour and a half. However, when the clerk returned he told the Dean that he could not pass through Fishguard because he was not a British subject. That was how he missed seeing Cork. He then started for Dublin. Here again he had considerable trouble in obtaining a permit to travel. He had to show a passport he had obtained in France. He had to get his photograph taken inside of an hour, so that it could be affixed to the passport, and had to get measured. Eventually, however, he reached Dublin. He was pleased, indeed, to reach the Irish metropolis, because, although a Frenchman, he felt at home amongst the Irish people. From Dublin he went to Killarney, and he was delighted to see the prosperous state of the country. He could see at a glance that the people in Ireland are now doing well; that everything

is going well with them; and that there is an atmosphere of prosperity in that country. In this belief he was confirmed by interviews with the people themselves, who, stated that Ireland was now in a much more prosperous condition than it had been for many years past. From Dublin he went to Tralee, to Limerick, to Ellistown, to Lisdoonvarna (the latter place being something like the Hammer Springs in New Zealand, a place where people go for health purposes). Speaking of the health resorts in Ireland, as compared with those in New Zealand, the Dean said that it seemed to him there was a great difference. In Ireland such places are made not only as places for the comfort of the body, but also for the comfort and benefit of the soul. The Catholic church at Lisdoonvarna was filled twice every morning of the week, and on a Sunday morning it took him twenty minutes to give Holy Communion to the people. This was seen in pretty well every church in Ireland, especially in Dublin. Ireland was the land of education and art. In all his travels he had not seen another institution such as Maynooth College, which had accommodation for 600 students. Nearly all the teachers of the primary schools are religious—that is, either Sisters or Brothers. He visited a Catholic primary school in Dublin at which there was an attendance of 800 pupils. The Sisters of Mercy had several hundred teachers, each of whom had to undergo a two years' course of training in a college conducted by the Order. The Sisters themselves teach a great many subjects, and then they get the assistance of university professors. The Church in Ireland is to-day what it was before the so-called Reformation—it spreads education and learning among the people, and the Irish people are not behind the other people of the world.

The Home Rule Bill was passed a few days before he reached Ireland. Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy and Very Rev. Dean Holley were in the House of Commons the night the Bill was passed. At the time, Dean Regnault was passing by the Isle of Wight to Southampton. Considerable delay was experienced on this trip on account of the presence of German submarines in the neighborhood, which were scouting for the Canadian transports then about due at Southampton. The transports, however, were directed to Plymouth instead of Southampton, and the submarines failed to achieve their object.

Representing the Hibernians.

He was, he said, in Ireland representing the Hibernians of New Zealand. He thought the Hibernians of New Zealand would expect him to convey their congratulations to Mr. John Redmond upon the passing of the Home Rule Bill. He arranged to see Mr. Redmond, and with Dr. Kennedy and Dean Holley they had an interview. Mr. Redmond said he was very grateful to accept the congratulations, and he wished Dean Regnault to tender his thanks to the Hibernians of New Zealand. Unfortunately on the following day, Mr. Redmond was going south, whilst Dean Regnault and his friends were obliged to go north. At all events there was a message that he (the Dean) was very happy to convey to the meeting, and that message was Mr. Redmond's grateful thanks for the great assistance given by the Hibernians of New Zealand to the Nationalist Party in helping them to attain the end which they had been seeking for the last forty years. Congratulations were also conveyed to Mr. Donovan, who expressed thanks for the same. Mr. Donovan brought with him to see Dean Regnault, Mr. Nugent, secretary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Ireland. The Dean asked Mr. Nugent to write down and deliver a message to the Hibernians of Ireland on behalf of the Hibernians of New Zealand, to the effect that they sought his assistance on behalf of the Catholic Federation as regards immigration to this Dominion. Mr. Nugent explained that if great interest was not taken in that movement by the Catholics of Ireland, it was because they did not want to encourage their people to leave the country. The country is at the present time a sufficiently fertile country—in fact there is no more fertile country under the sun—to provide a living for a much larger population than it has at present.

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Dean Regnault, however, drew Mr. Nugent's attention to the fact that some of the people will leave Ireland whether he liked it or not—people who think they can better their positions in another part of the Empire—and the object of the Hibernians in New Zealand was to keep in touch with these people and their movements, so that they may be met on their arrival in New Zealand, and placed in a Catholic atmosphere at once. Mr. Nugent assured Dean Regnault that the Hibernians of Ireland would take that matter into serious consideration, and would never lose sight of the object in view. The Dean ascertained later that Mr. Nugent had made arrangements to ensure that as many as possible of those Catholics, who leave Ireland to come to New Zealand, are not likely to come here as strangers.

Dean Regnault suggested to Mr. Nugent that there should be some kind of unity between the Hibernians of Ireland, those of the United States, and those of New Zealand. Mr. Nugent said that it was the intention of the executive in Ireland to invite deputations from the Hibernians of the United States, New Zealand, and Ireland, to meet in conference on the opening of the Irish Parliament in Dublin, and this invitation would give some of those present at the meeting an opportunity of witnessing a very historic event.

#### Experiences in France.

The first thing the delegates did when they arrived in France was to attend the Eucharistic Congress at Lourdes. He did not wish to say very much about this because his Grace Archbishop Redwood had already written a very beautiful description of it. He wished to say, however, that this congress was a most beautiful manifestation of Catholic faith—the most beautiful he had ever seen. He saw 100,000 people kneel down and pray with extended arms. Surely, when such a beautiful manifestation of Catholic faith takes place in any country in the world, we must not say that the Catholic faith and the Catholic Church are dead in that country.

There was, the Dean added, an erroneous statement published, and which he wished to rectify. High Mass was not celebrated in the trenches because this would be absurd, though it had frequently happened that within a mile or two of the firing line the French soldiers had gone, either in the open air or in some church partly destroyed, to assist at Mass, the celebrant being a soldier, the congregation soldiers, the choir soldiers, and soldiers serving on the altar, and when we hear of priests hearing confessions and giving absolution to the soldiers in the trenches it was surely a sign of great piety and great faith on the part of the soldiers.

Dean Regnault was in Paris when war broke out. He was told that at 6 o'clock on that day all the trains would pass from the control of the civil authorities into the hands of the military, and no civilian would be allowed to travel. He could not get away from Paris for ten days. At last, however, he managed to get to Lyons, and while on his way met trainloads of soldiers, and was very much impressed with the equanimity and grim determination which seemed to inspire them. They went with a determination to conquer, or to die if necessary. Not only the soldiers showed this determination, but others, who could not go to the front, encouraged their relatives to go. Men's places on the trains were filled by women. On the threshing mills, men's places were taken by women, who did not complain but sang the whole time, as if they were in Ireland. It was a wonderful sight to see the many trainloads of soldiers passing to and fro the whole day long; some trains were conveying soldiers to the firing line; others bringing back the wounded; and each time a trainload of wounded soldiers passed, the people by the wayside would provide them with all kinds of refreshment. Some of the British soldiers in the hospitals in France assured him that though they had never been on the Continent before, there was one thing they would never forget, and that was the kindness of the French people.

'Whether in Wellington or far away from Wellington,' said Dean Regnault, 'there is one thing I shall always try to do, and that is always to promote the

interests of Hibernianism in New Zealand. I cannot express my gratefulness for the very kind reception given me this evening. I thank the branch exceedingly, and wish the cause every success. If there is anything more desired of me, you have only to say the word. I am your servant.

At the conclusion of the address, the Dean was heartily applauded.

Advantage was taken of the occasion to present Past President Bro. Jeremiah O'Brien with a Past President's collar and framed certificate. Bro. McGowan, in making the presentation, referred in eulogistic terms to the good work of Bro. O'Brien, during his membership, and especially during his term as president. He asked him to accept as a slight appreciation of his services the certificate and collar, and trusted that he would still continue the good work with which he had so long been associated. Bro. O'Brien suitably responded.

During the evening an excellent musical programme was contributed to by the following:—Misses Doyle, Walsh, Butler, M. Griffin, Outrim, and Clisby, Messrs. C. J. Houston, A. Craig, W. B. Keanev, W. B. Scrimgeour, F. Whitaker, Butler, and Leydon.

## THE PRIESTS' EUCHARISTIC LEAGUE

The writer ventures to bring under the notice of his fellow-priests, secular and religious, throughout New Zealand, the association known as the Eucharistic League of Priest-Adorers.

The league owes its origin to a French priest, Pierre Julien Eymard. Five years after his ordination in 1834, this saintly man joined the Congregation of the Marists, and became their Provincial in 1845. But God had special work for him to do, and in obedience to a heavenly inspiration he founded in 1856 the Congregation of the Most Holy Sacrament. The objects of the new society were to promote worship of the Real Presence amongst the faithful, and to secure perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The work was warmly approved of by Pope Pius IX.

As his congregation grew, Father Eymard determined to increase the number of Priest-Adorers by asking the secular clergy to spend an hour weekly in adoration before the altar. 'These associates,' he wrote, 'will live the Eucharistic life of Jesus Christ. . . . They will remember that their first duty is one of personal adoration: *nos autem orationi instantes* (Acts vi. 41); so that they may ensure by prayer the success of their ministry. And they will come down from the Eucharist like Moses from Mount Sinai, like the Apostles from the Last Supper, full of fire to announce His word and His glory.' This association of Priest-Adorers, of which the Cure of Ars became a member, was approved and canonically erected in 1887 by the Cardinal Vicar of Rome, commended by Leo XIII., and enriched with many privileges by Pius X. Over 80,000 priests throughout the world belong to the Confraternity.

The purpose of the league is the sanctification of the priest through the weekly hour of adoration, and that sufficiently defines its object, which is the worship of the Blessed Sacrament by the chosen friends of the Great High-Priest. But here the writer would sooner use the words of another: 'God with us, under the thin veils of the Eucharist would have us near Him, that where He is, we also may be. Those whom He would receive first and oftenest are they whom He described as His friends. From Him in the life-giving Sacrament, the beginning, centre, and end of the Catholic priesthood, they will draw the heavenly waters: from Him they will receive a brighter illumination, and a more potent influence in carrying on His work. A closer intercourse with the source of holiness will lead to the higher sanctification of the clergy. They are all ministers of things most sacred; and their ministry is the more abundantly fertile according to the degree in which they are imbued with the spirit of Christ. Their noblest function is the Mass; their

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Obviously the primary task of the league is the hour's adoration each week, the hour spent before the Eucharistic God 'in adoration of His majesty, thanksgiving for His unbounded goodness, reparation for the perverse wilfulness of men, supplication for all human needs.' And those who are already members will readily endorse the words of Mgr. Parkinson: 'The regular and generous performance of this spiritual exercise almost forces upon the priest an intense realisation of his exalted powers, of the excellence of his ministerial office, of the sublimity of the daily Mass, and of his personal littleness and unworthiness.'

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The Eucharistic League is now canonically erected in Australasia, and enrolment can be made through the Right Rev. Dr. Dwyer, Bishop of Maitland, West Maitland, N.S.W.

## FIJI

## SERMONS ON THE WAR.

The Catholic Cathedral (says the *Fiji Times*) was nicely decorated on Sunday, January 10, when collections were made on behalf of the patriotic fund. At the 10 o'clock Mass the Rev. Father Fox spoke on 'Christian Ethics and the Present War.' He prefaced his remarks by explaining that he had no intention of preaching politics, but that the terrible war now being waged in Europe occupied the attention of the whole civilised world, and consequently as Christians and Catholics we should know what the Catholic Church thought about the war. Why were we at war? What were we fighting for? We were fighting for the sanctity of treaties, and in order to keep our word of honor which we had pledged to other nations. To commit perjury and to break one's word were crimes against every human and divine law. England had sworn to maintain the independence of Belgium. Could she therefore stand by, and allow a powerful but unscrupulous neighbor to crush that small but heroic kingdom? England had drawn her sword to protect an innocent nation against an unjust aggressor, and as Cardinal Mercier said: 'Never had a great nation drawn her sword for a more just or nobler cause.'

Father Fox went on to show the false principle which guided our enemies in their every action—'Might is right.' This was the anti-Christian doctrine which had been taught in Germany for many years. That principle would destroy the very foundations of civilisation. A nation which professed and followed that principle was a standing menace to the peace of the world.

At the end of the Mass the congregation stood up, and every man, woman, and child joined in the singing of the National Anthem.

In the evening Father Lejeune preached on 'War, the Hygiene of Nations.' He fully admitted the great sufferings which war necessarily entailed, but at the same time he pointed out some of the wholesome and beneficial effects of sufferings in general, and of war in particular. Face to face with suffering and with death man became more serious; he realised better his duties to God and to his fellow-men.

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## Current Topics

### Dunedin Central and Bible-in-Schools

Apart from the party issues involved, the feature of interest in the Dunedin Central election was the somewhat remarkable *volte face* of the Bible-in-Schools League. At the general election only two months ago, the League officially and strongly opposed the Government candidate, Mr. Statham, and an allegedly bitter pamphlet was distributed giving nine reasons why conscientious Leaguers should vote against that gentleman. On the eve of last week's by-election, however, the daily papers published the following announcement: "It is understood that the executive of the Dunedin branch of the Bible in State Schools League has decided to support Mr. Statham's candidature in the contest for the Dunedin Central seat." No reason was publicly given for this official change of attitude, but the presumption is that the Government, as a party, were regarded as being more friendly to the League's proposals than the Opposition. The effect on the voting of the League's official action was apparently quite negligible. Apart from those who voted on absent voters' and seamen's permits and who, presumably, would not be influenced by the League's eleventh hour intimation, Mr. Statham gained exactly 40 votes on his opponent as compared with the relative position of the candidates at the general election—a result which would seem to indicate that official League pronouncements, either one way or the other, did not count for much. Mr. Statham, it should be mentioned, made it perfectly clear that though the League had come to him, he had not gone over to the League. At his meeting in the Garrison Hall, as reported in the *Dunedin Evening Star* of February 2, he said: "My attitude on the Bible in schools question remains unchanged. The Bible-in-schools people have now met me in a friendly spirit, and have absolved all those persons who had signed pledges. I have made no concession. I have made no bargain with them; they did not seek a bargain. My attitude remains exactly as it was before. We have agreed to differ." There are still three or four seats in doubt, pending the results of election petitions; and there is still a by no means distant possibility of another general election in the near future.

### The Policy of Talk

Some people's piety or pietism seems to run all to tongue. In his proclamation designating Thursday, November 26, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, President Wilson mentions "a great moral stimulation" among the blessings and mercies vouchsafed to America during the year just drawing to a close; and refers to "the earnest pity and disinterested sympathy for those who are suffering, and the readiness to help and think of the needs of others, which have revealed our people to themselves and to the world." There may be, so far as the American people are concerned, some measure of truth in this piece of pious gab. But where does the American President himself come in in this high-flying panegyric? At the time this high-toned proclamation was issued wrongs were being inflicted upon unhappy nuns and priests in Mexico that cried to Heaven for vengeance. For the anarchy which made such atrocities possible and which has let hell loose in Mexico President Wilson was himself largely responsible. Yet neither up to the time of his call for thanksgiving and prayer nor since has he taken a single effective step to redress those wrongs or to prevent their continuance.

If President Wilson were a man of action instead of a man of talk he would long ere now have found the right course to bring peace to Mexico. The occasion calls for no great daring stroke or high heroic policy involving risk or sacrifice to the American people. The President's proper course is not difficult, and has been briefly and simply pointed out by, amongst many others,

a leading Mexican statesman quoted by Dr. Francis C. Kelley, the editor of *Extension*. In an article on the Mexican situation, contributed to *Our Sunday Visitor*, Dr. Kelley, who was at the time in Mexico, writes: "How do you think," I asked a prominent Mexican statesman, and a real statesman at that, one of the great leaders in Mexico, "how do you think peace could be brought to Mexico?" "Peace," he said, "could be assured if the President of the United States would refuse to recognise any Government that does not guarantee complete and absolute religious liberty as it exists in the United States, and bars, until peace is completely restored, all importation of arms and ammunition into the country." It is not much to ask, especially from a President who has been visited by 'a great moral stimulation' and who is so pathetically full of 'earnest pity and disinterested sympathy for those who are suffering.' But the appeal is made in vain—it is so much easier to talk than to act. President Wilson will continue to deliver himself of pious platitudes and showy oratory—and nuns and priests will continue to suffer.

### The Papacy and the War

A fortnight ago we published in this column various cable hints which seemed to us to indicate that the one Sovereign who would emerge from the hurly-burly of the present struggle with enhanced prestige would be his Holiness the Pope, and last week we suggested that the Holy Father would be an ideal arbitrator—if an arbitrator should be necessary—when the time came for threshing out the details of a settlement. A somewhat interesting confirmation of both these views is now to hand from a strictly independent and unbiassed English source. Mr. W. L. George, the well-known author, who acts as London correspondent of the *Dunedin Evening Star*, has the following weighty and significant paragraph in his latest communication which appears in Thursday's issue of that journal: "There are developments at Rome, for we have just appointed an Ambassador to the Holy See, which has not been done for the last 100 years. The Turkish Government are attempting also to appoint an Ambassador, the object probably being to take away from France her protectorate of the Christians in Turkey. Serbia and France are also negotiating to the same effect, and it is on the cards that in a few weeks a full diplomatic corps of Ministers to the Pope will be collected in Rome. Now, this is a curious thing; for many years the power of the Roman Catholic Church seems to have been waning. Italy and then France broke off all relations with the Pope. Recently even Spain seemed uncertain. And now suddenly times have changed: the Roman Catholics gain converts in England, and the French Government send army chaplains to the front. As a European war, then, necessary, to arouse to the full religious sentiment, or are those about to die anxious to make in time their peace with God? I suspect, in fact, that a more political idea is at the bottom of the movement, and that Europe, as she sees nation after nation go to war, and imagines that others, such as Italy and Rumania, may soon be involved, realises the need for a mediator. The United States (and even it may not remain at peace) is perhaps too interested, while the Pope, in spite of Austrian sympathies, might very soon provide at the Vatican an ideal meeting-ground where peace could be signed. It is a fascinating idea that the city whence came Gregory the ambitious and Julius the fighting Pope should have such a chance as may yet come to it of giving hospitality to almost forgotten peace."

Despite Mr. George's allusions to individual Popes, the Holy Father as peacemaker would be playing an entirely normal and accustomed *role*. For centuries the Holy See was regarded by all Christian princes and nations as the international arbiter, the highest tribunal for the decision of all national disputes and important political questions. For the purposes of international arbitration the position of the Roman Pontiff is unique. His

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uprightness and independence are unquestioned by the nations. To him rank or power is nothing. Seated on a throne from which no power can move him, he overlooks the kings and emperors who put their trust in quick-firers and 'Jack Johnsons.' He, of all others, can afford to take a comprehensive survey of any dispute between State and State and decide, without disturbance from any secondary cause, which is the course that makes for justice. He is still, though in somewhat different way from the olden time, the natural Grand Referee of the nations.

### The War

For the life of us we cannot follow the line of reasoning if it is reasoning of those who predict that the end of the war is well within sight. The editor of *Asahi Shinbun*, one of Japan's leading newspapers, tells us that the Japanese think the war will be over by July; amongst English journals when the last mail left Home April was the fashionable date. That is surely optimism run mad. No doubt a great deal will have happened by July; and if, as is anticipated, Italy and Roumania take a hand in the near future, there will probably be swift and far-reaching developments. But it has to be remembered that this war is not only the biggest war in history, but also that, big as it is, both sides have determined that it is to be a fight to a finish. No single victory, however great, on the one side or the other, is likely to bring the struggle to an immediate end. The Allies, for their part, have solemnly declared that they will not sheath the sword until Prussian militarism is crushed. In a word, until Germany is beaten and acknowledges herself to be beaten, and until the Allies are practically in a position to dictate the terms of settlement. That is a large contract; and one only needs to exercise his common sense to see that its execution will take time. Germany has, admittedly, immense resources both in men and material. No one can honestly question German courage. The Germans are struggling—or think that they are struggling—for their very existence as a nation; and it is no mere figure of speech but a simple statement of sober fact to say that they will fight to the last ditch. Under the circumstances it is at least premature, if not absolutely foolish, to be trying to worry out the exact month or day when the struggle will end. On this point the *Times* military correspondent, one of the ablest commentators on the war, puts the whole position in a nutshell. 'All of us are probably asked a dozen times a day how long the war will last,' he writes, 'and all of us give the best answer we can, endeavoring to preserve an appearance of solemnity, but knowing perfectly well in our hearts that our opinion on such a subject is not worth a rap.'

At the same time there is absolutely not the slightest room for pessimism, either as to the final outcome or as to the present position. It is true that Germany has overrun Belgium, but no one, of course, doubted her ability to do that, and it was no part of her real programme. It is true that she has obtained a substantial footing in France. It is true that the progress of Russia, fighting as she is under enormous handicaps, is undeniably slow. But there is another side to the picture, and surveying the situation from a different angle it is evident that Germany's failures are far more considerable than her successes. Her hold on France and Belgium has been slowly but surely weakened. Early in September Von Kluck was within striking distance of Paris; now Paris is absolutely safe. In the Kaiser's scheme, Paris, Calais, and Warsaw all in turn were to be taken 'at all costs'; not one of them has been taken or is in any immediate danger of being taken. Perhaps most significant and momentous of all has been the failure of the prolonged and desperate attempt on Warsaw. The German effort in that direction has extended over more than four months. On October 7 the Germans were in a position almost to train their guns on the Polish stronghold; to-day, in spite of the most violent efforts and of enormous and reckless sacrifice of life, Warsaw is still in Russian hands. The main object, presumably, of

these tremendous drives on the Polish capital is to relieve Cracow by compelling the Russian left wing to withdraw from Western Galicia in order to save Warsaw. So far this object has not been attained; and in spite of local victories—even on a large scale—until the Russians are definitely forced to retire from Cracow Germany cannot claim any real permanent success in the east. On a dispassionate survey of the situation it seems clear to us that it is the German and not the British commentator who has grounds for pessimism.

### Prohibition and the Mass

Rather more than three years ago, on the eve of the then pending general election, it became our duty to draw attention to the possibility of a dangerous development of the Prohibition movement in this country—a development which, if ever it eventuated, would place a legal ban upon the celebration of the great act of worship of the Catholic Church. We were informed, upon what appeared to be reliable authority, that one of the accredited lecturers of the Prohibition Party, the Rev. T. B. Hammond, had publicly stated that his party held alcohol to be an evil thing in itself, and that they looked forward to the time when, if Prohibition were brought into operation, its use for medicinal and sacramental purposes as well as its sale and consumption as a beverage, would be strictly forbidden. Under the existing law, if national Prohibition is carried the manufacture, importation, and sale of alcohol are forbidden, but subject to the proviso that its use for manufacturing, medicinal, and sacramental purposes would still be permitted. In about ten years, according to the reported statement of this reverend lecturer, the Prohibitionist leaders hoped to bring about the withdrawal of at least the last two of these exemptions. We immediately interviewed the reverend gentleman in person; and having ascertained that on these two heads at least the report supplied to us was substantially correct, we dealt with the matter in the editorial columns of the *Tablet*. His Grace Archbishop Redwood followed with a circular to his clergy and people, and in the subsequent vote the Prohibition issue was by a narrow margin defeated.

Although the action of the *Tablet* was the subject of general commendation, there were some who, while entirely approving of the course we had taken as a prudential measure, could hardly bring themselves to believe that the danger hinted at was a very real one. It is instructive and significant, however, to note that the danger we feared has actually materialised in the United States. In one State at least it is now 'a misdemeanor' to introduce wine even for sacramental purposes. At the general elections held in Arizona on November 3, 1914, a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arizona was submitted to the electors, and in the following December, by proclamation of the Governor of the State, was declared approved by the vote of the electors, and in full force and effect. According to the new law the 'manufacture in, or introduction into the State of Arizona, under any pretence' of wine, including, therefore, the altar wine needed for the daily celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, is declared to be 'a misdemeanor.' The Catholic priest or layman who manufactures or introduces wine for purely sacramental purposes, as required by the rites of his Church and in conformity with the divine institution and commandment of Christ is thus, according to the actual terms of the law, liable to imprisonment for no less than ten days, nor more than two years, and to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than three hundred dollars and costs for each offence. The Sacrifice of the Mass, as offered in the Church for nineteen centuries in answer to the divine injunction, 'This do for a commemoration of Me,' is now 'a misdemeanor' in the State of Arizona.

The validity of the law has been challenged in a claim for a bill for injunction submitted to the District Court of the United States for the District of

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Arizona by the Rev. Thomas M. Connolly, pastor of All Saints' Church, Tucson, as complainant in behalf of all other priests and of all Catholics of the State. The claim set forth that the law, taken in its literal sense, apart from all private interpretation, is a direct infringement of religious liberty and a violation of the Constitution of the United States, guaranteeing to every person the right of worshipping God according to the dictates of his conscience. It was shown further that it is in violation of the Enabling Act of the State of Arizona itself, providing that in the drafting of its Constitution perfect toleration of religious sentiment should be secured, and that no inhabitant of the proposed State should ever be molested in his mode of religion. The injunction was, however, refused, and appeal has now to be taken to the United States Supreme Court. Similar laws, it is said, have been passed in other States. Catholics, either in the United States or elsewhere, will not of course submit to such outrageous interference with their religious liberty: but this American legislation illustrates the very real necessity for keeping a watchful eye on Prohibition developments.

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### Oamaru

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(From our own correspondent.)

February 5.

As the result of the collection in this parish for the Belgian relief fund, Right Rev. Mgr. Mackay has been able to hand over to the fund, the substantial sum of £50 18s 3d.

Rev. Father Lynch left Oamaru on Tuesday to take up his duties on the professorial staff of Holy Cross College, Mœguel. The Rev. Father will be much missed locally, being very popular in the parish, and most attentive to the sick. The Society of the Sacred Heart, of which sodality he was spiritual director, greatly regret the Rev. Father's departure from Oamaru. Rev. Father O'Connell will arrive in town to-day to take up Father Lynch's duties.

Rev. Father O'Brien, from Australia, is expected to visit Oamaru shortly. Father O'Brien is a distinguished preacher, having studied with the Paulist Missioners at Washington, U.S.A.

St. Patrick's night concert promises this year to eclipse all previous efforts. The entertainment will be held on March 16, and an unusually fine programme is being arranged, among the contributors being six artists of exceptional talent.

It is with great pleasure that I am able to announce that Mr. J. B. Reid, of Elderslie, has presented the Catholics of the district with sufficient land to build a church on a site between Elderslie and Windsor. The steadily increasing number of Catholics in this part of the district has made almost imperative the need for a permanent place of Divine worship, and now that, through the generosity of Mr. Reid, who is not a Catholic, the site is provided, the work of proceeding with the erection of the church will be pushed on with all haste. Mr. Reid, by his handsome gift, has earned the deep gratitude of the Catholics of the Elderslie and Windsor districts, and of the clergy and parishioners of Oamaru.

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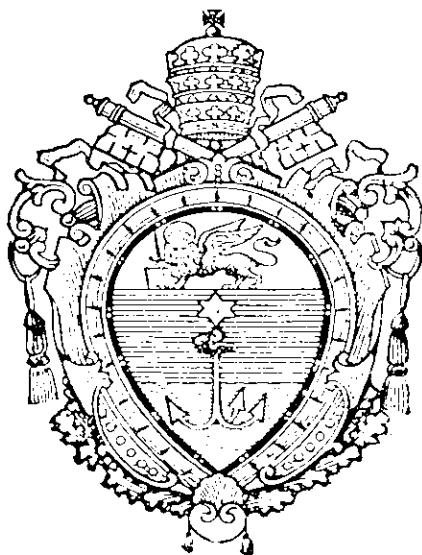
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## THE POPE'S ENCYCLICAL LETTER

(OFFICIAL TRANSLATION.)



(Concluded from last week.)

### THE WORK OF PIUS X.

Let us now turn our thoughts from human society to the immediate affairs of the Church, for it is necessary that Our soul, stricken with the evils of the times, should seek consolation in one direction at least. Over and above those luminous proofs of the divine power and indefectibility enjoyed by the Church, We find a source of no small consolation in the remarkable fruits of the active foresight of our Predecessor, Pope Pius X., who shed upon the Apostolic Chair the lustre of a most holy life. For We see as a result of his efforts a revival of religious spirit in the clergy throughout the whole world; the piety of the Christian people revived; activity and discipline stimulated in Catholic associations; the foundation and increase of episcopal sees; provision made for the education of ecclesiastical students in harmony with the canonical requirements and in so far as necessary with the needs of the times; the saving of the teaching of sacred science from the dangers of rash innovations; musical art brought to minister worthily to the dignity of sacred functions; the Faith spread far and wide by new missions of heralds of the Gospel.

Well, indeed, has Our Predecessor merited of the Church, and grateful posterity will preserve the memory of his deeds. As, however, by God's permission, the field of 'the good man of the house' is ever exposed to the evil practices of 'the enemy,' it will never come to pass that no work will be necessary to prevent the growth of 'the cockle' from damaging the good harvest; and applying to ourselves God's words to the prophet: 'Lo, I have set thee this day over the nations and over kingdoms, to root up and to pull down . . . to build and to plant' (Jerem. i. 10), it will be Our constant and strenuous endeavour, as far as it is in Our power, to prevent evil of every kind and to promote whatever is good, until it shall please the Prince of Pastors to demand an account of Our discharge of Our office.

### THE UNION OF CATHOLICS.

As We are now for the first time addressing you all, Venerable Brethren, it seems a fitting moment to mention certain important points to which We propose to give particular attention, so that by the prompt union of your efforts with Our own, the desired good results may be more quickly attained.

The success of every society of men, for whatever purpose it is formed, is bound up with the harmony of the members in the interests of the common cause. Hence We must devote Our earnest endeavors to appease

dissension and strife, of whatever character, amongst Catholics, and to prevent new dissensions arising, so that there may be unity of ideas and of action amongst all. The enemies of God and of the Church are perfectly well aware that any internal quarrel amongst Catholics is a real victory for them. Hence it is their usual practice when they see Catholics strongly united, to endeavor by cleverly sowing the seeds of discord, to break up that union. And would that the result had not frequently justified their hopes, to the great detriment of the interests of religion! Hence, therefore, whenever legitimate authority has once given a clear command, let no one transgress that command, because it does not happen to commend itself to him; but let each one subject his own opinion to the authority of him who is his superior, and obey him as a matter of conscience. Again, let no private individual, whether in books or in the press, or in public speeches, take upon himself the position of an authoritative teacher in the Church. All know to whom the teaching authority of the Church has been given by God: he, then, possesses a perfect right to speak as he wishes and when he thinks it opportune. The duty of others is to hearken to him reverently when he speaks and to carry out what he says.

As regards matters in which without harm to faith or discipline in the absence of any authoritative intervention of the Apostolic See there is room for divergent opinions, it is clearly the right of everyone to express and defend his own opinion. But in such discussions no expressions should be used which might constitute serious breaches of charity: let each one freely defend his own opinion, but let it be done with due moderation, so that no one should consider himself entitled to affix on those who merely do not agree with his ideas the stigma of disloyalty to faith or to discipline.

#### THE INTEGRITY OF FAITH.

It is, moreover, Our will that Catholics should abstain from certain appellations which have recently been brought into use to distinguish one group of Catholics from another. They are to be avoided not only as 'profane novelties of words,' out of harmony with both truth and justice, but also because they give rise to great trouble and confusion among Catholics. Such is the nature of Catholicism that it does not admit of more or less, but must be held as a whole or as a whole rejected: 'This is the Catholic faith, which unless a man believe faithfully and firmly, he cannot be saved' (Athanas. Creed). There is no need of adding any qualifying terms to the profession of Catholicism: it is quite enough for each one to proclaim 'Christian is my name and Catholic my surname,' only let him endeavor to be in reality what he calls himself.

Besides, the Church demands from those who have devoted themselves to furthering her interests, something very different from the dwelling upon profitless questions: she demands that they should devote the whole of their energy to preserve the faith intact and unsullied by any breath of error, and follow most closely him whom Christ has appointed to be the guardian and interpreter of the truth. There are to be found to-day, and in no small numbers, men, of whom the Apostle says that: 'having itching ears, they will not endure sound doctrine: but according to their own desires they will heap up to themselves teachers, and will indeed turn away their hearing from the truth, but will be turned unto fables' (II. Tim. iv. 3-4). Infatuated and carried away by a lofty idea of the human intellect, by which God's good gift has certainly made incredible progress in the study of nature, confident in their own judgment, and contemptuous of the authority of the Church, they have reached such a degree of rashness as not to hesitate to measure by the standard of their own mind even the hidden things of God and all that God has revealed to men. Hence arose the monstrous errors of 'Modernism,' which Our Predecessor rightly declared to be 'the synthesis of all heresies,' and solemnly condemned. We hereby renew that condemnation in all its fulness, Venerable Brethren, and as the plague is not yet entirely stamped out, but

lurks here and there in hidden places, We exhort all to be carefully on their guard against any contagion of the evil, to which we may apply the words Job used in other circumstances: 'It is a fire that devoureth even to destruction, and rooteth up all things that spring' (Job xxxi. 12). Nor do We merely desire that Catholics should shrink from the errors of Modernism, but also from the tendencies of what is called the spirit of Modernism. Those who are infected by that spirit develop a keen dislike for all that savors of antiquity, and become eager searchers after novelties in everything: in the way in which they carry out religious functions, in the ruling of Catholic institutions, and even in private exercises of piety. Therefore it is Our will that the law of our forefathers should still be held sacred: 'Let there be no innovation: keep to what has been handed down.' In matters of faith that must be inviolably adhered to as the law: it may, however, also serve as a guide even in matters subject to change, but even in such cases the rule would hold: 'Old things, but in a new way.'

As men are generally stimulated, Venerable Brethren, openly to profess their Catholic faith, and to harmonise their lives with its teaching, by brotherly exhortation and by the good example of their fellow men, we greatly rejoice as more and more Catholic associations are formed. Not only do We hope that they will increase, but it is Our wish that under Our patronage and encouragement they may ever flourish: and they certainly will flourish, if steadfastly and faithfully they abide by the directions which this Apostolic See has given or will give. Let all the members of societies which further the interests of God and His Church ever remember the words of Divine Wisdom: 'An obedient man shall speak of victory' (Prov. xxi. 8), for unless they obey God by showing deference to the Head of the Church, vainly will they look for divine assistance, vainly, too, will they labor.

#### LOYALTY TO THE BISHOPS.

Now, in order that all these recommendations should have the results We hope for, you know, Venerable Brethren, how necessary is the prudent and assiduous work of those whom Christ our Lord sends as 'laborers into His harvest,' that is to say the clergy. Remember, therefore, that your chief care must be to foster in the business which becomes them the clergy you already possess, and worthy to form your ecclesiastical students for so sacred an office by the very best available education and training. And although your carefulness in this respect calls for no stimulus, nevertheless We exhort and even implore you to give the matter your most careful attention. Nothing can be of greater importance for the good of the Church; but as Our Predecessors of happy memory, Leo XIII. and Pius X., have definitely written on this subject, there is no need of further counsels from Us. We only beg of you that the writings of those wise pontiffs, and especially Pius X.'s 'Exhortation to the Clergy,' should, thanks to your insistent admonitions, not be forgotten, but ever attended to carefully.

There remains one matter which must not be passed over in silence, and that is, to remind the priests of the whole world, as Our most dear sons, how absolutely necessary it is, for their own salvation, and for the fruitfulness of their sacred ministry, that they should be most closely united with their Bishop and most loyal to him. The spirit of insubordination and independence, so characteristic of our times, has, as We deplored above, not entirely spared the ministers of the Sanctuary. It is not rare for pastors of the Church to find sorrow and contradiction where they had a right to look for comfort and help. Let those who have so unfortunately failed in their duty, recall to their minds again and again, that the authority of those whom 'the Holy Spirit hath placed as Bishops to rule the Church of God' (Acts xx. 28) is a divine authority. Let them remember that if, as we have seen, those who resist any legitimate authority, resist God, much more impiously do they act who refuse to obey the Bishop, whom God has consecrated with a special character by the exercise of His



power. 'Since charity,' wrote St. Ignatius, Martyr, 'doth not suffer me to be silent concerning you, therefore was I forward to exhort you, that you run in harmony with the mind of God: for Jesus Christ also, our inseparable life, is the mind of the Father, even as the bishops that are settled in the farthest parts of the earth are in the mind of Jesus Christ. So then it becometh you to run in harmony with the mind of the bishop' (Ep. ad Ephes. iii.). These words of the illustrious Martyr are re-echoed throughout the ages by the Fathers and Doctors of the Church.

Moreover, bishops have a very heavy burden in consequence of the difficulties of the times; and heavier still is their anxiety for the salvation of the flock committed to their care: 'For they watch as being to render an account of your souls' (Heb. xiii. 17). Are not, then, they to be termed cruel who, by the refusal of the obedience which is due, increase that burden and its bitterness? 'For this is not expedient for you' (Heb. xiii. 17), the Apostle would say to them, and that, because 'the Church is a people united to its bishop, a flock which adheres to its pastor' (St. Cyprian: Ep. 66 [al. 69]), whence it follows that he is not with the Church who is not with the bishop.

And now, Venerable Brethren, at the end of this Letter, our mind turns spontaneously to the subject with which we began: and we implore with our most earnest prayers the end of this most disastrous war for the sake of human society and for the sake of the Church: for human society, so that when peace shall have been concluded, it may go forward in every form of true progress: for the Church of Jesus Christ, that freed at length from all impediments it may go forth and bring comfort and salvation even to the most remote parts of the earth.

#### THE FREEDOM OF THE CHURCH.

For a long time past the Church has not enjoyed that full freedom which it needs—never since the Sovereign Pontiff, its Head, was deprived of that protection which by divine Providence had in the course of ages been set up to defend that freedom. Once that safeguard was removed, there followed, as was inevitable, considerable trouble amongst Catholics: all, from far and near, who profess themselves sons of the Roman Pontiff, rightly demand a guarantee that the common Father of all should be, and should be seen to be, perfectly free from all human power in the administration of his apostolic office. And so while earnestly desiring that peace should soon be concluded amongst the nations, it is also our desire that there should be an end to the abnormal position of the Head of the Church, a position in many ways very harmful to the very peace of nations. We hereby renew, and for the same reasons, the many protests Our Predecessors have made against such a

state of things, moved thereto not by human interest, but by the sacredness of our office, in order to defend the rights and dignity of the Apostolic See.

It remains for Us, Venerable Brethren, since in God's hands are the wills of princes and of those who are able to put an end to the suffering and destruction of which We have spoken, to raise Our voice in supplication to God, and in the name of the whole human race, to cry out: 'Grant, O Lord, peace, in our day.' May He Who said of Himself: 'I am the Lord. . . . I make peace' (Isaiah xli. 6-7) appeased by our prayers, quickly still the storm in which civil society and religious society are being tossed: and may the Blessed Virgin, who brought forth 'the Prince of Peace,' be propitious towards us: and may she take under her maternal care and protection Our own humble person, Our Pontificate, the Church, and the souls of all men, redeemed by the divine blood of her Son.

We most lovingly grant to you, Venerable Brethren, to your clergy, and to your people, the Apostolic Benediction, as a harbinger of heavenly gifts and as a pledge of our affection.

*Given at St. Peter's, Rome, on the Feast of All Saints, the first day of November, our thousand nine hundred and fourteen, the first year of our Pontificate.*

BENEDICT XV., POPE.

## OBITUARY

### MR PATRICK GRIFFEN, MAKAURI.

On January 27 there passed away at his residence, Mākauri, another of our old and highly respected pioneers in the person of Mr Patrick Griffen (writes a correspondent). Although in failing health for some time he was only confined to his bed for about two weeks, and, despite the best medical attention, he gradually sank, heart failure being the cause of his death. Born at Larcy, County Antrim, in 1846, he came out to New Zealand 37 years ago. Five years later he returned to Ireland, and after a brief sojourn he came back to New Zealand. Engaged in farming, he has been a resident of the Poverty Bay district for the past 25 years. A fervent Catholic, he had the consolation of receiving the last rites of the Church before passing away. Throughout his illness he had the constant attendance of the Rev. Father Carran, who also celebrated a Requiem Mass and officiated at the graveside. Surrounded by a devoted family, he died a truly happy death. He leaves a widow, three sons, and three daughters to mourn their loss. R.I.P.

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## Diocesan News

### ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

February 6.

His Grace Archbishop O'Shea is at present on a visit to Christchurch.

The schools re-opened during the week, and St. Patrick's College commences work on Monday.

The Rev. Father O'Connor, of Napier, who succeeds Father Herring, has now taken up his duties at St. Anne's.

Mr. Geo. Girling-Butcher left to-day to take part in the great Pan-Southern gathering of the Catholic Federation at Riverton.

Messrs. Girling-Butcher and Hoskins addressed a meeting on behalf of the Catholic Federation, and at the invitation of the Rev. Father Quealy, at the Sacred Heart Church, Petone, last Sunday evening. There was a fair attendance.

The Rev. Father H. J. Herring, S.M., left for Blenheim to-day, where he has been transferred. Prior to his departure the members of St. Anne's Club and St. Anne's Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, of which he was spiritual director, presented him with tokens of the esteem in which he was held by them.

The Catholic Education Board met at the Catholic Federation rooms on Tuesday evening under the presidency of His Grace Archbishop O'Shea. The Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, Very Rev. Father O'Connell, and the Rev. Fathers Tyrone, S.M., and Hurley, S.M., were present. A considerable amount of business affecting the welfare of the schools under the jurisdiction of the board was dealt with.

The St. Patrick's Day celebration committee met at St. Patrick's Hall on Thursday evening under the presidency of Mr. J. P. McGowan. The Very Rev. Father O'Connell, S.M., and the Rev. Brothers Basil and Fidelis were present. It was decided to celebrate the day at Newtown Park, and hold a concert in the Town Hall in the evening. Messrs. W. F. Young (Christchurch), and Misses Wrighton (Christchurch), and McEneaney have already been engaged. Negotiations are in progress for the playing of a hurling match between the Wellington and Auckland clubs on the sports ground. The question of organising a procession was held over, pending the result of inquiries from the different bodies concerned.

St. Joseph's Church, Buckle Street, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Wednesday of last week, when, at a Nuptial Mass, celebrated by the Rev. Father Hurley, S.M., Adm., Mr. Michael McWilliams, son of Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams, of Webb street (and electrical engineer of Ross Goldmines), was married to Miss Honoria (Queenie) Doherty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Doherty, of Webb street. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a dress of ivory crepe-de-chine, and a veil of Limerick lace becomingly arranged and fastened with sprays of orange blossoms. She also carried a beautiful shower bouquet. She was attended by three bridesmaids, the Misses May and Ray Doherty, and Miss Dolly Rossbotham, of Gisborne. The chief bridesmaid was dressed in a delicate shade of rose silk taffeta, with a hat to match. The two younger maids wore pale blue sun toy frocks, with mob caps of muslin and lace. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. A. Kenney, of Invercargill, as best man. A breakfast was held at Godber's Rooms, Cuba street. Many presents were received from friends of the bride and bridegroom, including several cheques. The bridegroom's presents to the bridesmaids were a handsome chain bag and two gold bangles. After the breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams left by train for Wanganui, where they will spend their honeymoon. The bride's travelling dress was a saxe blue tweed, with a hat of tagel straw trimmed with pink roses.

### Napier

(From our own correspondent.)

Rev. Father Dore, chaplain to the Expeditionary Force in Egypt, writing to the parents of the late Mr. John Campbell who died of pneumonia shortly after arriving at Cairo, says:— I feel confident that the account of his holy death will be a great consolation to you. I was called to his bedside at the Egyptian Hospital for New Zealand military, and I found he was suffering from pneumonia. He was quite conscious and wished to receive the last Sacraments, which I administered. His preparation was exemplary, and he received the last rites of the Church in a manner which anyone might envy. But what impressed us most was the noble spirit of reconciliation which he showed. Both Father McMenamin and myself visited him frequently, and until his last moments he greeted us with a cheerful smile. He assured me that he felt that God had been very good to him, and he was quite prepared to die. He asked me to write to you and tell you not to fret over him. He was blessed with the full consolations of the Church and needed no more. His funeral, which was attended with full military honors, was very impressive. Both Father McMenamin and I were present as well as all the Napier men of his regiment. His body was laid to rest in the Catholic Cemetery near the Citadel, Cairo, on Wednesday, December 16.— R.I.P.

### Wanganui

(From our own correspondent.)

Rev. Father Eeekelen, S.M., of St. Patrick's College, preached in St. Mary's Church last Sunday evening.

The St. Patrick's Day concert committee is actively engaged in making arrangements for this annual event, and present indications are that it will be most successful. It is possible that in the near future a sports gathering will be held in connection with the celebration.

Messrs. J. Hill, F. Jago, and C. M. Morgan have been elected as the three vice-presidents of St. Mary's branch of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The fortnightly meeting of St. Mary's branch of the Hibernian Society was held on Wednesday evening, January 27, when there was a fair attendance. One candidate was proposed. Accounts in connection with the recent social were passed for payment. The quarter just closed has been one of marked progress for the branch, the funds having increased considerably, whilst there are no liabilities. Members are reminded that the meetings now take place on Wednesday evenings. The secretary in his report for the twelve months ended December 29, 1914, stated that the year closed with a membership roll of 73 full benefit and 11 honorary members.

### Temuka

(From our own correspondent.)

At St. Joseph's Church, Pleasant Point, on Septuagesima Sunday celebrations ordered by his Lordship the Bishop were carried out (1) for those who were killed in the war, (2) intercession for the cessation of hostilities, (3) reparation for the sacrileges committed to churches, etc. Solemn High Mass was celebrated at 10.30 o'clock, the celebrant being Rev. Father Kimbell, S.M.; deacon, Rev. Father Herring, S.M., and subdeacon, Rev. Father Geaney, S.M., D.D. At 3 o'clock Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament was held, followed by prayers for the dead. After a sermon on 'Faith' by the Rev. Father McCarthy, S.M., all took part in a procession through the church grounds (which were gay with flags and banners) to the Aitar of Repose, where prayers were offered for the cessation of hostilities. On the return to the church, where numbers were unable to gain admission, acts of reparation were offered up, and the ceremonies were brought to a close with

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Benediction. In addition to the clergy previously mentioned, Very Rev. Dean Tubman, S.M. (Timaru), and Rev. Father Tymons, S.M. (Temuka) were also present. A feature of the proceedings was the congregational singing, which was conducted by Rev. Father Kimbell, S.M. The Pleasant Point Choir was also very much strengthened for the occasion by the assistance of the members of the Temuka Choir, who journeyed out for the occasion.

Mr. Ryan, representative of the *Tablet*, is at present in Temuka. He expresses himself as highly pleased at the support given to this excellent Catholic paper by the Catholics of this district.

Rev. Father Tymons, S.M., leaves to-day to take up his new duties as parish priest of Nelson. His many Temuka friends join in wishing him a very successful future.

### Timaru

(From our own correspondent.)

February 8.

There was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday from the last Mass until the evening devotions, when the usual procession took place.

The schools of the parish resumed work on Monday last. The convent boarding school is to re-open on Wednesday next.

On Monday evening the Very Rev. Dean Regnault, S.M., is to give a lecture in the Choral Hall on his recent travels and experiences in Northern France and Belgium. The proceeds are to be devoted to the British and Belgian relief fund.

The ladies of the Catholic Patriotic Society have resumed their usual Thursday afternoon sewing meetings in the workroom of the convent technical school.

On Tuesday morning last, the Feast of the Purification of our Blessed Lady, there was a ceremony of reception and profession in the convent chapel. One Sister received the holy habit and two others received the black veil. The Very Rev. Dean Tubman presided, and preached a short sermon suitable to the occasion.

## OPENING OF A NEW SCHOOL AT TEMUKA

(From our own correspondent.)

The new Catholic school at Temuka was opened on Sunday afternoon by the Very Rev. Dean Smyth, S.M. (Provincial). There was a very large attendance, and amongst the clergy present were the Very Rev. Dean Tubman, S.M. (Timaru), Rev. Father Kerley, S.M. (Temuka), and Rev. Fathers Herring, Taylor, and Tymons. The members of the Hibernian Society were present, also the Temuka Brass Band, which supplied appropriate music.

The Rev. Father Kerley, rector of the Temuka parish, who originated the building scheme, thanked all who had assisted in any way towards the erection, and also the Very Rev. Dean Smyth, who had been kind enough to come all the way from Wellington to perform the opening ceremony. Continuing, the Rev. Father said it was originally intended that his Lordship Bishop Grimes should open the school, but illness prevented him doing so. He did not require to speak of the necessity for a new school, nor was it necessary for him to emphasise what was quite clear to all, that they had now an excellent building. Good as the school was it was not too good for the Sisters who had done and were still doing a work amongst the young which reflected the highest credit upon them. He spoke in praise of those who had assisted to provide funds for the school, making special reference to the late John McSheehy Gentleman who left them a bequest of £1000. This bequest, of which they only learned after the commencement of their efforts to raise the required amount, relieved them of all anxiety. He complimented the architect for his able supervision of the work, and the builder for the faithful and workmanlike manner in which he carried through the contract. He also referred in similar terms to the individual contractors. He concluded by stating that the furnishing of the

school would be as complete and as up to date as could be obtained.

The Very Rev. Dean Smyth, who was cordially received, expressed his pleasure, and said he considered it a privilege to be with them to share in their rejoicing and to witness such substantial results of their devotion. The zeal and worthiness of a people could very often be judged by the churches, schools, and other buildings in a parish. The beautiful and, he might say, stately building before which they stood had been erected through the generosity of the people, and especially the late Mr. McSheehy Gentleman, who was now enjoying the reward of his Christian faith. The Dean then referred to the absence of his Lordship, who, he said, had always taken a deep interest in the work of the Catholic Church in Temuka, as in the whole of the diocese, and who was very specially interested in the educational side of the Church's activities. He was sure that his Lordship deeply regretted his inability to be present, and they were all sorry to be deprived of the privilege of hearing from his own lips the words of wisdom, eloquence and just praise which the occasion called for. He trusted it would please God to restore his health, and that he would soon be able to visit Temuka and see for himself the evidences of their zeal and generosity. Continuing, he said that while he admired the school, and could praise the beneficence it represented, yet he was not surprised at its accomplishment. The erection of such buildings throughout New Zealand was of such common occurrence that they awakened no feelings of surprise in him (the speaker), though they might do so in others who had not the same opportunities of observing the progress of the Catholic Church. Dean Smyth referred to the readiness of Catholics to support educational institutions, and said they gave freely because it was the inevitable outcome of their faith in Christian principles. The religion which had been handed down to them by their forefathers they felt it a duty to preserve and pass on with all its advantages to rising generations. The Church's duty commenced with the child when in arms, and so that the children might grow up with a true conception of their duty it was necessary that they be properly instructed in youth. They had Catholic schools because they did not want to have religion subordinated to secular training. It was impossible to achieve their purposes without their own schools. A half hour in a Sunday school was insufficient: they wanted the children brought up in the atmosphere of religion. He concluded by speaking of the good work done by the Sisters, which he said had been recognised by the State inspectors. He then declared the school open.

An opportunity was given of inspecting the school and a large number did so. A collection was taken up and a substantial sum was realised. It was stated that the school would be opened free of debt.

## PRESENTATION TO FATHER O'CONNOR, NAPIER

(From our own correspondent.)

Napier, February 5.

As is very often the case after the annual retreat of the clergy, changes from one parish to another take place, and this time Napier was included in the list, Father O'Connor being transferred to St. Anne's parish, Wellington, Rev. Father Dignan from Waimate taking his place. A farewell gathering took place in the Theatre Royal last evening. The first part of the evening was devoted to musical items, the following contributing to the programme: Miss Strangeman (violin solo), Miss A. Noble-Campbell (recitation), Mr. Neel Allen (song, 'Mother Machree'), Mrs C. R. Allen (song, 'Emblem'), Mr. B. J. Dolan (recitation), Miss Madge Higgins (song, 'Un Petit Amour'). The items were all thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience. There were present on the stage, Rev. Fathers W. D. Goggan, Mahony, Casey, MacDonnell, and Collins, and Messrs. J. Higgins, P. Barry, W. C. Sproule, M. L. Gleeson, B. J. Dolan, W. McCarthy, J. P. Kenny, J. J. Keating, A. Ross, J. McDermott, H. Smith, and Dr. Leahy.

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Rev. Father O'Sullivan said that they had assembled to say good-bye to a priest who had labored amongst them for nine years, and had earned the love and goodwill of the people. Personally speaking, said Father O'Sullivan, he had worked with their guest for the last three years, but he had known him for over twenty years, since he entered the college as a student. He had learned to appreciate Father O'Connor's good qualities of mind and heart. If he (the speaker) were called upon to make an eulogy of the departing Father, he would say he had been a good priest and a model priest. (Applause.) Whilst they regretted Father O'Connor's departure they knew that he was but doing his duty in obeying the commands of his superiors. He was very proud of the grand demonstration in honor of Father O'Connor, who had been a devoted confere, and one whom it would be difficult to replace. Father O'Sullivan then asked Father O'Connor to accept, as an expression of good feeling from those present, a handsome roller top desk, chair to match, and a beautiful gold chalice, which is being procured from Sydney, and will be forwarded to him at Wellington.

Mr. Dolan then read the following address (which is to be illuminated and sent to Father O'Connor):

Dear Reverend Father O'Connor,—It is with feelings of the most sincere regret that we have learned of your transfer from our parish to a more arduous and responsible sphere of duties in Wellington. But the withdrawal of so many priests to accompany as chaplains our Catholic boys, who are assisting to wage the battles of the Empire, made important changes in this archdiocese inevitable. We have now had the great advantage of your zealous ministrations for nine years, and it is needless for us to say that during that period you have endeared yourself to every member of our community. We know, too, that your great, yet modestly performed work at the hospital, the prison, and amongst the poor and distressed, regardless of creed, has won the respect of many outside our fold. The children will in an especial manner note your earnest interest, and they and we will remember that your able co-operation in the work of the schools has been largely responsible for the praise which has been bestowed upon them by the Government inspectors. In conclusion, Rev. Father, we desire to say that you have been a model New Zealand Catholic priest, broadminded and tolerant in your outlook, still ever strenuous in your endeavor to guard and spread the faith of our fathers, yourself mindful and ever reminding us of the noble services rendered to the Church by the Irish nation. And now, with the recollection of your work before us, and praying that your health may be long spared to continue it, we say in all heartfelt sincerity, God be with you.

Presented and signed on behalf of the parishioners,

J. HIGGINS, J. P. KENNY.

Napier, February 3.

Mr. John Higgins, in adding his testimony of the good work done by Father O'Connor, said he had earned the golden opinions of the whole community, non-Catholics as well as Catholics, by his kindly actions to all, especially to those of any creed who might be in trouble. The Rev. Father's worldly possessions were not great, but he was always sharing his little with others.

Rev. Father O'Connor, on rising to reply, was greeted with loud applause. He said there were occasions when fulness of his heart would not permit words to flow, and he was utterly unable to express his feelings then—his heart was full, indeed. It was impossible for him to express his great gratitude to them all. The parting with friends and relations was one of the greatest trials of his life: there was nothing more distressing on the stage of life than the leaving of friends, as had been found by those whose relatives were going away, may be to the front to fight for their flag and country, or to other dangers. Time was said to be a great healer, but he was afraid his wound would ever remain open. He had ever endeavored to do his duty with a cheerful face and a light heart, but it was not so at that moment. He was delighted at Father O'Sullivan's kind words, but he was afraid they were

exaggerated. In concluding, he thanked all who assisted to make the gathering a success, although he would have preferred that it should not have been held, and added that a good priest was to take his place, a priest they would love and be satisfied with. He was sorry to leave such a pretty town and its lovely climate. (Applause.)

Three cheers were then called for Father O'Connor and responded to most enthusiastically, after which the proceedings were brought to a close.

## PRESENTATION TO FATHER FINN, HAMILTON

(From an occasional correspondent.)

When it became known that Rev. Father Finn, who had been assistant priest at Hamilton for some time past, had been transferred to the Te Kuiti parish his Hamilton friends decided that he should not be allowed to leave without a suitable recognition of his many sterling qualities. Whether in Church or in social circles, Father Finn had established himself as a universal favorite. The greatest regret was felt at his removal, and occasion was taken of a complimentary dinner tendered to their new pastor at the Grand Hotel, Te Kuiti, to make him a presentation from his Hamilton friends. There was a large and representative gathering, including many visitors from Hamilton. Mr. W. T. Jennings, M.P., for Taurarunui, presided.

After the usual loyal and patriotic toasts were duly honored, the chairman, on behalf of members of St. Mary's parish, Hamilton, presented the guest of the evening with a substantial purse of sovereigns, at the same time conveying the appreciation of the parishioners of his work while in Hamilton, and the hope that he would be long spared to carry on his good work in the King Country.

Father Finn in his reply referred to the happy time he had spent in Hamilton and the kindly feeling that had been always shown to him. He had not expected any such recognition of his work in various directions outside his clerical sphere, as he had done it for the love of it. He said he would always have pleasant recollections of Hamilton and the many loyal friends he had made there.

After an enjoyable hour the gathering passed on to the social, which was tendered to Mr. Jennings, and this made a suitable ending to a very happy gathering.

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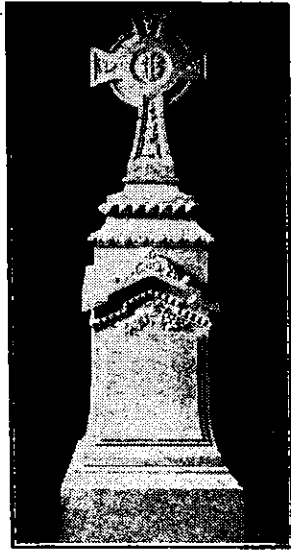
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## COMMERCIAL

Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co., Ltd., report for week ended Tuesday, February 9, 1915, as follows:—Rabbitskins.—At our sale on Monday, 8th inst., we offered a large catalogue to a full attendance of buyers. Competition was keen and prices were, if anything, a shade firmer. Quotations: Prime winter does, to 16½d; prime winter bucks, to 14d; good, 11½d to 12½d; second winter bucks, to 11d; autumn and incoming, to 10d; outgoing, to 9½d; racks, to 7d; light racks, to 5½d; hawk torn, to 7½; summers, to 6d; fist winter black, to 29½d; hareskins, to 6d; best horsehair, to 24½d; good, 21d to 23d per lb. Sheepskins.—At our sale on Tuesday, 9th inst., we offered a large catalogue to a full attendance of buyers. Competition for good crossbred and half-bred skins was very keen but merinos showed a decline of about ½d to ¾d per lb. Quotations: Best halfbred, 10½d to 11d; medium, 9½d to 9¾d; inferior, 8½d to 9d; best fine crossbred to 10½d; best coarse crossbred, to 10½d; medium to good, 8½d to 9½d; inferior, 7½d to 8½d; best merino, to 8½d; medium, 6d to 6¾d; inferior, from 3½d to 5d; lambskins, to 9½d. Hides.—Our next sale will be held on Thursday, 11th inst. Tallow and Fat.—We held our weekly sale on Saturday, 6th inst. There was a good attendance of buyers, and competition was keen. Best tallow in casks sold up to 23s 6d; in tins, to 22s 6d; medium to good, 18s to 19s 6d; inferior, 16s to 17s 6d; caul fat, to 18s 6d; rough fat, good, from 14s to 16s; inferior, 10s to 12s. Oats.—Only small consignments are coming forward. The demand is very keen with the result that prices are firm. Prime milling, 3s 7d to 3s 8d; good to best feed, 3s 6d to 3s 7d; inferior to medium, 3s 3d to 3s 4d per bushel (sacks extra). Wheat. No samples of new season's wheat have yet come to hand. There is strong enquiry for wheat of all descriptions, but very little offering. Prices for new season's wheat are on a basis of 6s 6d per bushel on trucks. Chaff.—Consignments for this week have not been very plentiful, but on account of heavy stocks being held over after the New Year prices are a shade easier. It is, however, anticipated that on account of the demand for oats that prices will rise. Quotations: Prime oaten sheaf, £5 10s to £5 15s; medium to good, £5 to £5 7s 6d per ton (sacks extra). Potatoes.—The market continues to be well supplied and values have risen to some extent. Freshly picked lots are worth from £7 10s to £8; medium, £6 10s to £7 per ton (sacks included).

## DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

February 8.

The many friends of the Rev. Father O'Boyle will be pleased to know that he is progressing satisfactorily after a serious operation, which he underwent in the Lewisham Hospital.

Rev. Mother Xavier, accompanied by two Nursing Sisters of the Little Company of Mary, arrived last week on business connected with the erection of the additions to their hospital on Bealey avenue.

On last Thursday afternoon a net-ball match was played on the grounds of the Sacred Heart College (Sisters of the Missions) between teams representing the boarders (captain, Miss Evelyn Mooney) and the day scholars (captain, Miss Madge Allen). The game resulted in a win for the day scholars by three goals to one.

The members of the local police force met at the Addington police station to make a presentation to Sergeant David Stewart, who has been stationed at the central station for two years, and who was recently transferred to the charge of the Addington district. Constable Edgar, on behalf of the men, made the presentation, which consisted of a travelling bag and a shaving set, and referred in eulogistic terms to the esteem in which the recipient was held.

An Irish entertainment will be given under the auspices of St. Patrick's branch of the H.A.C.B. So-

ciety in the Hibernian Hall, Barbadoes street, on Tuesday evening, February 16. Irish music, songs, and dances will be contributed by Mrs Commons, Messrs F. J. McDonald, P. McNamara, G. Fotherill, A. McDonald, J. Gilmour, and others. A special feature of the programme will be a tableau entitled 'Erin free.' Dr H. T. J. Thacker, M.P. for West Christchurch, will deliver an interesting lecture on places of scenic and historic note in Ireland, illustrating his remarks by means of lantern slides, which will give a good idea of the beauty spots of the land of the harp and shamrock, and will be the means of bringing back the memories of exiles of Erin to the familiar scenes of their childhood.

In celebration of the ninth anniversary of the dedication of the Cathedral there was Pontifical High Mass on Sunday last. The Most Rev. Dr O'Shea, S.M. (Coadjutor-Archbishop of Wellington), was celebrant; assistant priest, Very Rev. Father Roche, C.S.S.R.; deacons at the throne, Very Rev. Father Graham, S.M., M.A., and Rev. Father Quinn, S.M.; deacon and subdeacon respectively of the Mass, Rev. Father Murphy, B.A., and Rev. Father Burger, S.M.; master of ceremonies, Very Rev. Chancellor Price, Adm. The high altar and sanctuary were, as usual, most tastefully adorned. The music was Gounod's 'Messe Solemelle,' capably rendered by the choir, strengthened for the occasion, with Mr W. Handel Thorley at the organ. At Vespers the occasional sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Father Roche, C.S.S.R., who, in the course of a splendid discourse on the 'Progress of the Church in Modern Times,' made an eloquent appeal to the generosity of the faithful to free the magnificent cathedral from the debt remaining on it. There was Pontifical Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, at which the Archbishop officiated, attended by the Rev. Fathers Murphy and Long as deacon and subdeacon. Collections were taken up at all the Masses and at Vespers, the amount realised being considered very satisfactory.

## Christchurch North

February 8.

His Grace Archbishop O'Shea paid a visit to St. Mary's on Thursday last.

The members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society approached the Holy Table in a body at the 7 o'clock Mass on Sunday.

The picnic committee met on Sunday, January 31, to receive the balance sheet in connection with the Boxing Day outing. A very satisfactory surplus of £8 10s 4d has been deposited in the bank as a nucleus for similar gatherings.

The Rev. Father C. Delany, S.J., of Sydney, arrived on Tuesday from the West Coast on a special visit to Very Rev. Dean Hills, S.M., having studied under the Dean over 30 years ago. The Rev. Fathers Goudringer, Lacroix, and O'Leary were also visitors at St. Mary's presbytery during the week.

On Saturday afternoon, in the beautiful chapel of the Sisters of Mercy, Colymba street, the reception of the holy habit by Miss Healey (in religion, Sister Mary), of Brooklyn, Wellington, took place. The ceremony was presided over by the Vicar-General (Very Rev. Dean Hills, S.M.), assisted by the Rev. Fathers Hickson, S.M., and Hoare, S.M. At the conclusion of the ceremony Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given. Mrs Healey, mother of the newly-received Sister, and a few intimate friends were present. The Sisters afterwards entertained the guests at dinner.

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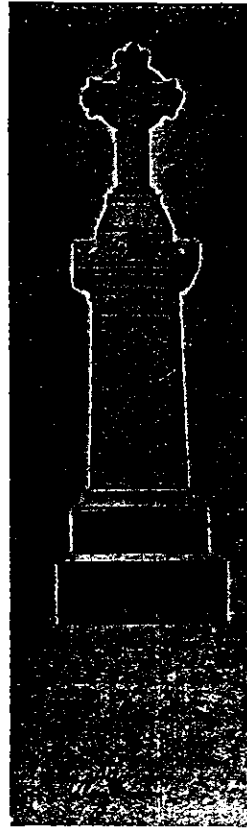
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**GRIFFEN.**—On January 27, 1915, at his residence, Makauri, Gisborne, Patrick, beloved husband of Mary Griffen; aged 69 years.—R.I.P.  
On whose soul, Sweet Jesus, have mercy.

**McENTYRE.**—On January 20, 1915, at Pleasant View Farm, Arrow, Thomas McEntyre; aged 83 years.—May his soul rest in peace.

**COFFEY.**—On February 9, 1915, at the Presentation Convent, Clonmel, in the 46th year of her age, and 20th year of her religious profession, Sister Mary Aloysius Coffey; sister of Very Rev. J. Coffey, Adm., Dunedin (by cable).—R.I.P.

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## GERMANY, ENGLAND, AND AMERICA

**I**T is not a little difficult to understand why all the pother should be made, or why, indeed, at least so far as England is concerned, there should be any commotion at all, in connection with the threatened 'blockade' of the English Channel. Germany, it appears, has warned neutral States that the English Channel and southern portion of the North Sea are to be regarded as a blockaded area, and that neutral ships found in the danger zone, equally with those of the enemy, will be attacked and destroyed by German craft. In other words, in order to prevent Britain from landing men and material in France, Germany is out to hit any hull that she sees in the portion of water-way which she has chosen to mark off. But that is precisely what she has been doing for weeks and months past, her latest exploits being the torpedoing of the Tokomaru and the attempt to sink the hospital ship Asturias. Already she has done her worst in the direction indicated. The public announcement that she intends to continue the policy she has been pursuing in the past is interesting, and in a sense satisfactory, as letting the world know exactly where she stands in relation to the rights of neutrals and to the principles of international law and usage. But there is nothing catastrophic or cataclysmic about it.

On present indications it would seem as if one of the principal effects of the German move—and certainly not the least desirable—will be to put a little stiffening into the attitude of the great exponent of watchful waiting, President Wilson. Representing as he does by far the greatest of the neutral Powers, President Wilson has so far proved himself a miserably poor custodian of neutral rights. A learned American professor now visiting this country has described the President's attitude as that of a man attempting to balance water on both shoulders; rather, we should say, President Wilson's attitude has been one of almost complete self-effacement, at a time when strength and dignified self-assertiveness were pre-eminently called for. No sane person suggests for a moment that the American President should have committed the folly and madness of embroiling his country in the war, or of assuming in any way the rôle of a partisan. But posing as he does as a preacher of national righteousness and high morality, it might fairly have been expected of him that he would make some stand, however mild, on behalf of the sanctity of treaties and of the solemnly pledged rights of neutral States as embodied in the Hague Conference conventions.

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The Hague Conference of 1907 gave a clear and definite guarantee of the rights of neutral States to an assured peace in the following distinct and emphatic articles:

'The territory of neutral Powers is inviolable.

'Belligerents are forbidden to move troops and convoys of either munitions of war or supplies across the territory of a neutral Power.

'The fact of a neutral Power resisting, even by force, attempts to violate its neutrality, cannot be regarded as a hostile act.'

Both Germany and America signed that Convention. The serious aim and high purpose of America in signing the Convention have been set forth by the then President in an article in the *New York Times*. After noting that the United States were parties to the international code created in the regulations annexed to the Hague Conventions of 1899 and 1907, Mr. Roosevelt says: 'As President, acting on behalf of this Government and in accordance with the unanimous wish of our people, I ordered the signature of the United States to these Conventions. Most emphatically I would not have permitted such a farce to have gone through if it had entered my head that this Government would not consider itself bound to do all it could to see that the regulations to which it made itself a party were actually observed when the necessity for their observance arose. I cannot imagine any sensible nation thinking it worth while to sign future Hague Conventions if even such a powerful neutral as the United States does not care enough about them to protest against their open breach. Of the present neutral Powers the United States of America is the most disinterested and the strongest, and should therefore bear the main burden of the responsibility in this matter.' At the time when Germany was tearing up the 'scrap of paper,' ruthlessly violating every one of the articles above cited, and 'hacking its way through' unhappy Belgium, America's moral influence counted for something in the councils of the nations; and a word from President Wilson would at least have served to affirm a sacred principle and might have exercised a restraining effect upon Germany throughout the whole term of the savage and sanguinary struggle. And at this supreme moment President Wilson was dumb. The great apostle of peace and national righteousness only found his voice when the interests of the dollar-chasing copper kings were threatened.

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It was unfortunate for America that coincident with the President's display of moral weakness there should have come the public disclosures of the present absolute inefficiency of the American Army and Navy. The

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practical result has been to reduce America, in the estimation of the nations at this particular juncture, to the status and level of a third-rate Power. Alike from the moral and the military point of view, both parties of belligerents now appear to regard her attitude with almost complete indifference. Britain has calmly announced that she will seize the Wilhelmina and the Dacia; and Germany has flatly defied America in the announcement that 'neutrals need not trouble to protest' at the new piece of tyranny. The American President has still an eleventh-hour opportunity to rehabilitate himself, and to make some attempt to play a part worthy of the great people of whom he is the official head. Germany's action in attempting to coerce neutral States by means of an ineffective paper blockade is a violation of international law, which should be not only protested against but defied. It is now or never for President Wilson to assert himself.

## Notes

### A Cardinal at the Front

The cables in Monday's papers record the successful execution of an exceedingly happy thought on the part of his Eminence Cardinal Bourne. 'Cardinal Bourne,' says the cable, 'visited the Catholic regiments in France and gave addresses at various points of the lines. He watched from an elevated position just out of shell range a British and German artillery duel. His address to 800 Irish Guards about to take their places in the firing line was rendered more realistic by the deafening noise of an aeroplane soaring overhead. Journeying about the front the Cardinal lived on bully beef and hard tack, the actual war-time food of the soldiers.'

### Irish Athletes and the Irish Brigade

We publish elsewhere, as illustrating the type of Irishmen who are volunteering in the Irish Brigade, an interesting account of Captain Laurence Roche, of the Irish Brigade. An esteemed correspondent sends us some personal reminiscences that will doubtless be read with interest by Limerick Irishmen in the Dominion. 'Bob Coll, Larry Roche, and I,' writes our correspondent, 'were born and brought up in the same little parish (Dromin), in the County Limerick, but Brucee is the nearest railway station to it; that is why the writer put Roche as living in Brucee. It is only one mile from Dromin. I saw Bob Coll competing at those sports (Kilfinane and Kilmallock) in '76 or '77, I believe. I have seen scores of athletes in Australia and New Zealand since, but have never seen an all-round athlete like him, and never expect to. Laurence Roche was of the next generation, consequently I never saw him compete. He was only about six years old when I left the Old Land. I have not met anybody in New Zealand who knew Coll, but there may be some of your readers who remember him. There were two more noted athletes in the seventies and early part of the eighties, all within a radius of two miles from Dromin. These were Dr James Daley and Flanigan, who were better known in America than in Ireland.'

### Roasted Turkey

The entrance of Turkey into the great European clash has given the American papers ample opportunity to make merry. Here are some of the most 'palpable hits':—

'The entrance of Turkey into the war presages a gobble of some sort.'—*Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

'The worst thing about the loss of a Turkish soldier is that it causes so many widows.'—*Washington Post*.

'Guns are booming around both Sinai and Ararat. It is an old world and still full of trouble.'—*Springfield Republican*.

'The Ottoman is beginning to look more like a door-mat.'—*Boston Transcript*.

'Turkey now has every opportunity to announce a going-out-of-business sale of rugs and cigarettes.'—*Cleveland Leader*.

'Onward, Christian-Mohammedan-Buddhist-Shinto-Brahmin soldiers!'—*Columbia State*.

'Give the Turk some credit. He hasn't announced that Allah is on his side.'—*Columbia State*.

## DIocese OF DUNEDIN

St. Dominic's College re-opened after the holidays on Monday.

Miss Maggie Walsh, pupil of St. Philomena's College, South Dunedin, was successful at the Public Service entrance examination, obtaining senior free place.

His Lordship Bishop Carroll, of Lismore, N.S.W., returned to Dunedin from Queenstown on Monday evening, and whilst here was the guest of his Lordship Bishop Verdon. Bishop Carroll, who is returning to his diocese after a visit to Europe, left for the north on Tuesday, and is expected to reach Lismore on February 24, when he will be fettered a public reception by the clergy and laity of his diocese.

On Wednesday morning Very Rev. Father Coffey, Adm., received a cable message, conveying the sad news of the death of his sister, Sister Mary Aloysius Coffey, who passed away at the Presentation Convent, Cloumel, on February 9, in the 46th year of her age, and the 26th of her religious profession. The deceased was sister of Sister Margaret Mary of the Dominican Convent, Invercargill, and of Sister Austin, of the Dominican Convent, North-East Valley. —R.I.P.

The annual picnic of the pupils of the Catholic schools of Dunedin and suburbs took place at Evansdale on Tuesday. The day proved most suitable for such an outing, the weather conditions being all that could be desired. The train left Dunedin shortly after 9 o'clock and arrived at its destination about 10.30 o'clock. His Lordship Bishop Verdon was present during the afternoon, and among the clergy who attended were Very Rev. Father Coffey, Adm., Rev. Fathers Delany, Buckley, Lynch (Palmerston), Corcoran, Kavanagh, Tobin, and Falconer. Mesdames Jackson and Stone assisted in entertaining and in distributing toys to the younger children. For the older ones there were games and sports, which were greatly enjoyed. Among those who assisted in carrying out the programme were Messrs. Cantwell and J. Fogarty (joint secretaries), and J. Salmon. The train, on the return journey, arrived in Dunedin shortly after 7 o'clock.

## CORRESPONDENCE

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

### CATHOLIC READERS.

#### TO THE EDITOR.

Dear Sir, In your issue of 28th ult. it was stated at the Catholic Federation meeting held in Christchurch that the ecclesiastical authorities were to be approached in the matter of having introduced into the Catholic schools a suitable Catholic reader. Possibly the Federation is not aware that the Educational Department of the Catholic University of Washington has published a series of Catholic readers for Catholic schools, approved of by the Cardinal Archbishop of Baltimore and adopted by most of the dioceses throughout the U.S.A. and Canada. These books have more than reached the most sanguine expectations of the authors Very Rev. Dr Shields, M.A., Professor of Education, and Very Rev. Dr Pace, Professor of Philosophy. The books are published by the Catholic Educational Press, 1026 Quincey street, Brooklands, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.—I am, etc.,

A. E. O'BRIEN.

Catholic Presbytery, Remuera.

## THE APOSTOLIC DELEGATE IN SYDNEY

### AN AUCKLAND PRIEST TO BE HIS SECRETARY.

A cable message received on Tuesday stated that Archbishop Cerretti, first Apostolic Delegate to Australasia, had arrived in Sydney by the Ventura on Monday, and was accorded an enthusiastic welcome by representatives of the Catholic hierarchy, clergy, and laity.

We have been definitely informed that the Rev. Father Ormond, of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Auckland, has been appointed secretary to Archbishop Cerretti, and will leave for Sydney on February 16 to take up his new duties. Father Ormond is to be congratulated on being selected to fill such an important and responsible position.

## CATHOLIC FEDERATION

### AUCKLAND DIOCESAN COUNCIL.

(From our Hamilton correspondent.)

The half yearly meeting of the Auckland Diocesan Council of the Catholic Federation was held in St. Mary's Clubrooms, Hamilton, on Wednesday afternoon, January 27. A brief address of welcome was delivered by the Very Rev. Dean Darby. A large number of delegates, both clerical and lay, from all parts of the diocese were present. The following is a list: St. Patrick's Cathedral parish, Right Rev. Mgr. Brodie, Messrs. J. Grace and H. Duffin; St. Benedict's, Rev. Father Forde, Mr. J. Tracey, and Mrs. Daley; Parnonby, Mr. J. P. M. Darby; Grey Lynn, Very Rev. Father Hubbard; Devonport, Mr. L. McKinn; Parnell, Messrs. Edwards and McSweeney; Ellerslie, Messrs. Drummond and McCarthy; Ochuanga, Mr. B. McLaughlin; Pukekohe, Mr. Hair; Ngaurawahia, Mr. M. M. Cahilly; Huntly, Mr. C. Lafferty (proxy); Dargaville, Mr. M. O'Leary; Hamilton, Very Rev. Dean Darby, Messrs. F. J. Pryor and E. D. McGarrigle; Remuera, Rev. Father Duffy; Paerua, Ven. Archbishop Hackett; Waikato, Mr. A. Lemun; Taumarunui, Rev. Father Finn; Te Kaiti, Mr. Meelin; Tauranga, Rev. Father Kreenburg and Mr. N. McQuirk; Matamata, Mr. T. Dillon; Thames, Mr. J. M. Murphy. Several parish committees sent letters of apology and reports, but were not represented. The following officers of the Diocesan Executive were present:—Messrs. B. McLaughlin (president), J. P. Nerheny (vice-president), and F. G. J. Tenn (secretary). Mr. E. D. McGarrigle was appointed recording secretary for the meeting. A comprehensive report was submitted by the executive committee, which dealt with various phases of the work of the Federation. The report, which was adopted, was in part as follows:

Since the last meeting, branches of the Federation have been formed in Manakau, Matamata, Whakatane, and Tauranga. Shortly after the first meeting of the committee, Mr. M. C. Tully resigned the office of assistant secretary. The vacancy has not yet been filled. Owing to this the Federation's office has not been open during the day except for a brief period during the lunch-hour, when the secretary attends to receive correspondence, etc. The committee hopes that in time the funds of the council will permit of the appointment of a paid official to attend the office during business hours, and so have it as a quarter to which Catholics may apply for any information on Catholic matters. The committee would again draw the council's attention to the generosity of Mr. Gleeson in giving the office to the Federation rent free. During the half-year the Federation has been successful in providing employment for some of our Catholic people. Through the keeping of an accommodation register, our office has provided accommodation for Catholics coming to the city to the number of 13 cases. The committee has pleasure in reporting that the Catholic Immigration Committee for the port of Auckland is still doing good work, and again wishes to record its sincere appreciation

of the enthusiasm, energy, and zeal displayed in this important matter by the Right Rev. Mgr. Gillan, of St. Benedict's, who presides over the Immigration Committee, and Miss A. Lorrigan (secretary), and the other lady members of the committee. Shortly after the last meeting of the council, a new field of activity for the Federation was found, in the various concentration camps throughout the Dominion. At the instance of the Dominion Executive the committee circularised all branches in the diocese for financial assistance which resulted in the Federation being able to erect a large marquee at the Epsom camp for the use of the Catholic troops. Here Mass was celebrated on Sundays, and during the week the tent was used for social amusement. Writing tables and material were also supplied to the men for their use. Through the courtesy of Mr. F. Moore, a piano was lent to the Federation for the use of our men. Prior to their departure from Auckland, the Federation, with the assistance of St. Benedict's Catholic Club, provided a social evening for the troops in the Federation's marquee, and this was much appreciated. The Federation had a large quantity of prayer-books, rosaries, and other aids to devotion placed at the disposal of the chaplain for distribution to the men before their departure for the front. Your committee also donated the sum of £20 towards the cost of equipping the chaplains and providing them with a portable altar for the troopship. Needless to say our Catholic men were very grateful to the Federation for what was done for them. There is now established in Auckland in connection with the Diocesan Council, a literature committee under the presidency of the Rev. Father Doyle, of Remuera; Miss M. C. Callan is secretary, and the other members are Right Rev. Mgr. Brodie, Miss V. A. Jacobsen, M.A., and Messrs. L. O'Malley and F. G. J. Tenn. This committee meets monthly, and will give the question of the dissemination of Catholic literature, and the suppression of objectionable literature, the correction of erroneous statements in regard to Catholic matters in the press, etc., its special attention. During the half year the Federation was responsible for having removed from the shelves of a public library, a most objectionable publication from a Catholic point of view. The committee would like this branch of the Federation to place on record its appreciation of the valiant fight fought by our esteemed Bishop, the Right Rev. Dr. Cleary, against the unjust proposals of the Bible-in-Schools League. The recent elections, in so far as this question is concerned, must be regarded as entirely satisfactory. We would here like to point out that while we have gained a victory over our opponents, we must not forget that the Federation has a lot to obtain yet before Catholics can be satisfied with the present educational system. The committee again draws the council's attention to the fact that it is absolutely necessary that all parish committees should put all their vigor into the matter of furthering the membership of the Federation. Generally speaking the Federation is steadily progressing, and it is hoped that with the new year just commenced it will enjoy a period of further prosperity.

The treasurer's financial statement for the half-year was presented and adopted.

A large quantity of correspondence was received and dealt with. The delegates' reports were read and discussed. Many were very encouraging; the general tenor of them was that good work had been done in the brief period of the Federation's existence. Especially was this so in regard to the Bible-in-Schools League proposals, which were so ably opposed by his Lordship Bishop Cleary on behalf of the Catholics of the Dominion.

The various remits were next dealt with: that from Hamilton was of general interest, and was as follows:—That a trust fund be created, to be known as the "Cleary Trust Fund," as outlined by the Very Rev. Dean Darby in his letter of November 8, 1914, and published in the *N.Z. Tablet* of December 17, 1914, and that a refund to the Right Rev. Dr. Cleary, Bishop of Auckland, of money out of pocket, expended by him in the Bible-in-schools campaign, be a first charge

against the capital funds of the "Cleary Trust Fund."

This was moved by the Very Rev. Dean Darby, and seconded by Mr. F. J. Pryor.

Dean Darby, in speaking to the motion, made a strong and convincing appeal for its adoption.

The object of the motion was to recoup Bishop Cleary for his outlay, and to provide a fund for paying the travelling expenses of delegates to the Diocesan Council, so that every parish might be represented.

The motion was agreed to unanimously.

Dean Darby then announced that Hamilton had given a lead to the fund by a substantial contribution of £66 10s 3d.

The Dominion Council remits were next dealt with and keenly discussed.

Anti-Catholic literature came in for a large share of discussion. The Ven. Archdeacon Hackett spoke vigorously on this subject, and certain action was outlined in connection with the matter. It was pointed out that here was a useful sphere of action for the parish committees to take up. In the general business section various suggestions were made to strengthen the hands of the Federation, extend its usefulness, and draw members together. Reasons were given for the necessity of such an organisation, especially in connection with the dissemination of Catholic literature as issued by the Catholic Truth Society.

The Council elected Very Rev. Dean Darby to represent the diocese on the Dominion Council at Wellington, and especially to explain his scheme in connection with the Cleary Fund.

On the Council rising the delegates were entertained at supper by the local committee. After votes of thanks to the Council chairman, a successful and important gathering terminated with similar votes to the Hamilton and visiting delegates: and all felt that the Federation had taken the right steps to pave the way to rapid progress and usefulness.

#### CHRISTCHURCH DIOCESAN COUNCIL.

(From our own correspondent.)

The executive committee of the Christchurch Diocesan Council met on last Wednesday evening in the Federation rooms, Wiltshire Buildings. The president (Mr W. Hayward, jun.) presided. A large amount of correspondence was read and reported on by the secretary as having been attended to.

The question of providing accommodation for the Catholic chaplain and Catholic men at the territorial camp at Orari received careful consideration, and measures were put in hand for the supply of all that may be necessary, an offer of generous co-operation being received from the Timaru branch, whilst local assistance was solicited from the Geraldine branch. Other matters of urgent importance to the Federation were fully discussed. It was reported that a full representation of the Diocesan Council would proceed to Wellington for the meeting of the Dominion Council on the 24th inst.

The general secretary and organiser (Mr G. Girling Butcher) arrived on Sunday on his way to the Pan-Catholic gathering at Riverton, and spent the afternoon with the local Diocesan Council secretary in the interests of the Federation.

#### AUCKLAND DIOCESAN COUNCIL LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

(From an occasional correspondent.)

A meeting of the literature committee of the Auckland Diocesan Council was held on Wednesday, February 3. The Rev. Father Doyle occupied the chair, and there were also present Right Rev. Mgr. Brodie, Misses Jacobsen and Callan, and Messrs. Temm and O'Malley. The sub-committee set up for the purpose reported finding nothing in the Auckland daily papers to which exception could reasonably be taken from a Catholic point of view. Arrangements were made, through the generosity of some of the clergy and laity, to have several Catholic periodicals offered to the

Public Library, in addition to those already on its tables. It was resolved that the secretary be instructed to issue a circular, asking for donations of books for the proposed Catholic reference library in the Federation office. It was also resolved that a complaint as to an objectionable book being on sale at the railway book-stall be investigated. The secretary was instructed to communicate with the English Catholic Truth Society, and ask that due notice should be given the committee of the publication of objectionable literature in England, in order that steps may be taken to have it refused admittance into libraries here. A sub-committee consisting of the president and secretary was set up to arrange for the insertion of suitable items of Catholic news in the daily papers from time to time.

#### DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

(By telegraph, from our own correspondent.)

February 8.

A new church school was opened yesterday afternoon at Mount Roskill.

Rev. Fathers McDonald and Stephenson, the latter from the Armidale diocese, arrived from Sydney yesterday. They will spend some time touring the Dominion.

There was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the Cathedral on Sunday from the last Mass until after Vespers. In the evening the usual procession, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, took place. Rev. Father Carran preached a practical and instructive sermon.

The St. Patrick's Day celebration committee met on Sunday afternoon at St. Benedict's Clubroom, when Mr. Gilfedder presided over a large attendance. A large amount of detail business, connected with the celebration, was dealt with. The next meeting is fixed for Sunday afternoon, February 14.

At the Holy Family Confraternity meeting on Tuesday evening, Rev. Father Ormond gave a most interesting address on the 'Feast of the Purification of our Blessed Lady.' He showed from the history of the Church the great respect in which this feast was held by the early Christians. The lecturer deduced many lessons from it, and urged upon members to practise constant devotion to the Blessed Virgin.

#### SACRED HEART COLLEGE.

(From our Auckland correspondent.)

All interested in the cause of the education of the Catholic youth of New Zealand will be pleased with the brilliant scholastic results achieved by the students of the Sacred Heart College, Ponsoby, in the recent public examinations. To better equip students for professional studies, the University authorities have gradually made the entrance within its walls more exacting, and notwithstanding this fact the students of the Sacred Heart College have, year by year, asserted in the examination lists their claim to be placed in the very first rank. Eight representatives from the college matriculated, qualifying at the same time for entrance into the law and medical schools within the University. This record speaks for itself, when we learn from the examiners' report that only 50 per cent. of those presented for examination were successful. Maurice Flynn, son of Mr. D. Flynn, of this city, has, although quite young, again merited distinction for his college by practically winning the Senior Board Scholarship, as he was next in merit, his chances being decided by but one mark. Mortimer Reddington, M. Rodgers, and P. O'Connor were also placed high in the same examination, a success greatly enhanced by the fact, that the much-coveted prize is keenly competed for by scholarship holders in all the secondary schools. In the Junior Public Service Examination list were the names of M. Flynn, S. Johnston, P. O'Connor, J. Boylan, M. Reddington, M. Rodgers, M. Franklin, R. Duggan, E. Parkinson—all students of the Sacred Heart College, who have given tangible proof of the work at the institution during the past year.

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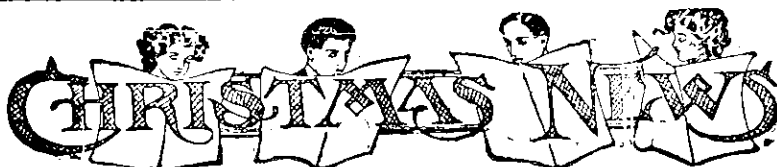
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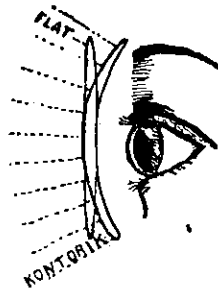
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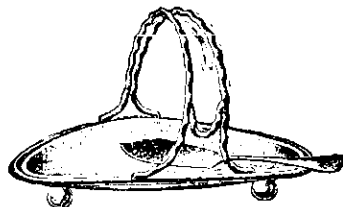
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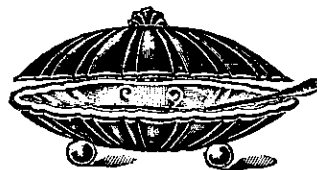
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## Irish News

### GENERAL.

The Auxiliary Bishop of Malines (Right Rev. Mgr. de Wachter) has written his Grace the Archbishop of Cashel and Emly warmly thanking him for the generous contributions of his diocese towards the relief of distress of Belgium, and promising to send the amount by a safe messenger to his Eminence Cardinal Mercier.

The Bishop of Cloyne, in a letter addressed to the promoters of a volunteering meeting in Limerick, says that Ireland has multiplied reasons to be grateful to Mr. Redmond and the Irish Party for their successful and faithful services of recent years. His Lordship adds that Mr. Redmond's action in organising and consolidating the Irish Volunteers on a safe and sound basis, is one of his most notable services to Ireland.

### NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS IN BELFAST.

Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P., addressed a public meeting recently in Belfast, in connection with the Irish National Volunteers (Belfast Regiment). The rally of the Belfast Volunteers to the standard of the Irish Brigade has considerably depleted the ranks of the organisation in the Northern capital, and the meeting was held for the purpose of hitting on a re-organisation scheme that would meet the wastage, and maintain the regiment as an efficient unit of the Irish National Volunteers. In the course of a rousing speech Mr. Devlin said what was urgently needed was sufficient funds for uniform and equipment, and he had no doubt that these would be forthcoming. It was their proud record that from Belfast had gone the largest number from any one centre in Ireland of Nationalist recruits for the Irish Brigade. These men were fighting not only for the sanctity of contracts, and 'scraps of paper,' as between Belgium and Germany, but as between Ireland and Great Britain, and when they returned victorious from the battlefields of Europe they would be no less loyal to Ireland than they had been to Belgium and the Empire.

### THE HOLY FATHER AND IRELAND.

Cardinal Logue has received from Cardinal Gasparri, Secretary of State to the Holy Father, a communication intimating that a letter which he forwarded to his Holiness in his own name and that of the bishops of Ireland assembled with him in general meeting has much gratified the august Pontiff. The Cardinal Secretary at the same time sent the following autograph letter from the Holy Father, taking occasion to assure his Eminence Cardinal Logue of his own feeling of the deepest veneration.

To Our beloved son Michael, Cardinal Logue, Archbishop of Armagh, health and Apostolic Benediction.

The joint letter of the Bishops of Ireland which We received from you some days ago delighted Us beyond measure. We rejoiced at the loyal greeting of most devoted brothers which it contained. We rejoiced at the prayer to God that Our career in the exalted dignity of the Apostolic See to which We have been raised might be a fruitful and blameless one. Such is the gravity of the times, and so great the consciousness of Our own shortcomings, the responsibilities of the high office entrusted to Our charge fill Us with the greatest anxiety. Still, We confidently put Our trust in Him Who has called Us in to foster and nourish the Church which He has purchased by His Blood, and Who, whether its course be in adversity or prosperity, never ceases to jealously defend and watch over it. We are grateful to you, our beloved son, and to you all, for those testimonies of your loyal affection, and while reciprocating your good wishes, as a pledge of Heavenly assistance and an evidence of Our goodwill, We lovingly impart to each of you the Apostolic Benediction.

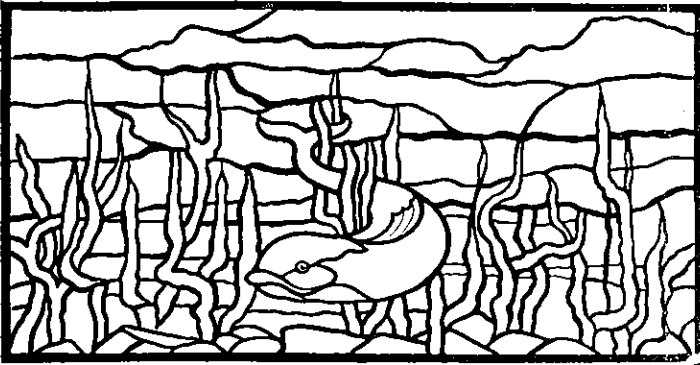
'Given at Rome, at St. Peter's, on the 20th day of November, 1914, in the first year of Our Pontificate.  
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### A NOTED ATHLETE FOR THE FRONT.

A correspondent of an Irish paper, in calling attention to the superior class of Irishmen who are volunteering for the front, proceeds to deal with the career of a distinguished athlete, who has just joined the Irish Brigade:—The announcement was made last week that one of our most prominent athletes for over twenty years, Laurence Roche, of Brucee, had joined the Irish Brigade and had been appointed captain in one of the regiments comprising it. I do not know even to the year how long ago it is since I first met Mr. Roche. It is, perhaps, twenty-two or twenty-three years ago. That would take us back to the early 'nineties. I was on my way to Limerick on the line from Charleville, and on looking out at Brucee I saw a tall strapping, well-built youngster walking the platform. He looked an athlete all over, and when he had reached the compartment I was travelling in he entered and took a seat opposite me. I kept staring in admiration at the well-built lad, for in form and feature, face and limb, he was one of the best-looking youngsters you could meet, and being then up to my neck in admiration for anything in the way of a promising athlete I was anxious to know who my companion was. He broke the ice himself: he knew me, and introduced himself by telling me he was a nephew of one of the greatest athletes that Ireland was ever proud of, Mr. Bob Coll, of Dromin. He could not have a better introduction to me, and I felt not a little proud of my judgment, even before young Roche told me he could do a bit at weights. I have written several times in these columns of Robert Coll as an athlete. I referred to him as late as last July in my notice of the athletic championships of the Gaelic Association. Here is what I said of Captain Roche's uncle: 'You sweep into Charleville only to knock up against the Leahy family, and down at Brucee you are reminded of Laurence Roche and of one of the best all-round men (his uncle, Bob Coll of Dromin) the world ever produced.' Bob Coll was my idol as an athlete. I remember as a little lad his great jumping feats at Kilmallock sports. I remember his running that year at Kilmallock; and so electrified was I with that wonderful man that it was to see him compete I made my first journey to Limerick city. Here he cleared out the programme with the exception of a couple of events, that were won by T. M. Malone, that all-round champion of the 'seventies and 'eighties. I have often stated that if there had been a governing body for athletics in Ireland then those world's records made by Bob Coll would be still standing to his credit.

Laurence Roche proved himself an athlete from his boyhood. Being of powerful build, as a boy he made a study of weights, and to keep himself fit he played football. At both he shone. He won the All-Ireland Championship of the 16lb shot in 1897, and the previous year he won the All-Ireland Championship of pushing the 56lb, both under Gaelic laws. In 1894 he won, under I.A.A.A. laws, the 56lb between the legs without follow or run championship, and many other events at various sports' meetings. I remember that famous dash of Laurence Roche. I could liken it to nothing better than to the dash in the old days of horses of the Dublin Fire Brigade before the introduction of motors, when every one cleared the way for the horses, and all stood in admiration at their splendid gallop. He was a member of the Limerick Commercial football team that won the All-Ireland Football Championship in February, 1898, from the Dublin Young Irelands at Jones's road, and when that match is spoken of by anyone they refer to the dash of young Roche at mid-field.

If the new captain of the Irish Brigade distinguishes himself at the front as he did on the athletic field he will be mentioned in the despatches of Sir John French. I have no doubt about his success in his new sphere, for he is possessed of all the boldness, all the courage, and all the ability that make a gallant officer.



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# ROME LETTER

(From our own correspondent.)

December 8.

## THE EUROPEAN WAR AND THE FINANCES OF THE VATICAN.

Considering that since the year 1870 the Vicar of Christ has had to depend on the generosity of his spiritual children throughout the world for the maintenance of his vast household and the officials of the Holy See, it is interesting to see how far the Titanic war raging in Europe affects the finances of the Vatican. As a matter of fact, the war has not yet had time to exercise its baneful effects upon the Peter's Pence collection, and only two countries, which have been great contributors, have had to limit the extent of their generous efforts for the temporal needs of the Sovereign Pontiff. The Peter's Pence have come from American, Irish, Australian, New Zealand, and French bishops as in former years. In the income of the Vatican, derived from investments, no change has taken place so far. But it is not to be understood that the Vatican is going scatheless out of the European struggle. There is not an individual from Dublin to Constantinople to be found wholly immune from loss caused by the war. Since an entrance fee was fixed some four years ago, for all the picture, sculpture, and Oriental galleries of the Vatican, after the custom in such resorts all over Europe, a steady source of income was assured to the Holy See by the thousands visiting them weekly. Now, however, this has ceased, as the influx of visitors to Rome may be said to be nil. Moreover, numerous Catholics of means showed their feelings for the dependent condition of the Pope, and this in a substantial fashion. With the cessation of the stream of foreigners, this generosity to the Holy Father has also ceased to come into play.

## THE SACRED COLLEGE OF CARDINALS.

When referring last week to the saying that 'Cardinals die in threes,' I did not think the dictum would be fulfilled so soon. By the death of Cardinal Dubillard, Archbishop of Chambéry, the Catholics of France have lost a champion they can ill afford to lose at present. They say 90 per cent. of the French troops now recite their prayers, but this does not prevent the atheists at home from bringing edumatory charges of traitorous conduct against the clergy. And whatever are your and my ideas about the war, we have to sympathise with the priests whom atheistical countrymen of their own maliciously charge with treason. And so it is not among the elderly cardinals 'the third' victim to the grim visitor is to be found. Francis Virgil Dubillard was only sixty-nine. Ordained priest in 1849, he held a chair of Dogmatic Theology in the Grand Séminaire of Besançon. In 1899 he became Bishop of Quimper, and eight years subsequently Archbishop of Chambéry. His elevation to the Sacred College took place in 1911, but the malady from which his Eminence had suffered for two years prior to his demise, prevented his taking part in the recent conclave.

But this letter can scarcely be well out of the sound of cannon until the Church may have lost a venerable servant, whose name has often appeared in this column. Cardinal Di Pietro, Datary of his Holiness, has received the last Sacraments and is sinking fast. His Eminence is in his eighty-sixth year, sixty of which he has spent in the service of the Church, most of them in Rome. By Pius X., Cardinal Di Pietro was, I believe, offered a position of far greater importance than that of Datary. But it is not at eighty one cares to change his whole trend of thought and action, so the offer was refused.

## LEO THE THIRTEENTH'S PRIVATE SECRETARY.

When Mgr. Angelini, of Rome, died the other day, not one but many volumes of ecclesiastical history died with him. For many years the aged prelate filled the delicate post of private secretary to Leo XIII.,

and consequently was *au courant* with every item filling that great Pontiff's reign.

## CHRISTMAS IN ROME.

Readers who passed a Christmas in Rome will readily recall the magnificence with which these festal days are celebrated in St. Peter's, St. John Lateran's (the Pope's Cathedral), St. Paul's, St. Mary Major's, and all the lesser basilicas and churches. And they can picture the bright, busy scenes on the narrow Corso—long, straight, and historic,—Rome's most important street. In other years every nation in Europe, the lands of the Southern Cross, and every State in America were represented in the well-dressed, laughing crowds that did their shopping in the gay resort. But this year the Romans have the Corso to themselves.

## NOTE.

In a test case brought by the parish priests of Milan against the anti-clerical municipality of the city, because of a regulation issued by it regarding the ringing of church bells, a decision has been given in favor of the pastors. 'The municipality,' decided the tribunal, 'may legislate on the *abuse*, but not on the *use* of the bells.'

## People We Hear About

A London correspondent informs us that the Rev. Father Tigar, O.P., well known in the Auckland diocese, where he labored for some time, has been appointed one of the chaplains to the Expeditionary Forces at the front.

Mr. John Swinerton Phillimore, M.A., Professor of Humanity in Glasgow University, is the fourth son of the late Admiral Phillimore, K.C.B., D.L., being born in 1873. He had a distinguished career as a student at Westminster School, and later at Christ Church, Oxford. He was received into the Church in 1905.

The London *Tablet* in its list of Catholic officers killed or wounded at the front, mentions the name of Lieutenant A. C. Montagu, R.N., who went down with the Bulwars. Midshipman Bartlett, who perished in the same catastrophe, was also a Catholic. Among Catholic officers lately killed at the front was Lieut. John Deak's Shine. Other Catholic names in recent casualty lists are those of Captain Callaghan, Commandant Rangers; Lieutenant Harter, Lieutenant Reynolds, Irish Guards; Lieutenant Grattan-Bellew, Royal Flying Corps, and Lieutenant Maunsell. Recent recipients of the D.S.O. include Lieutenant Vincent Fielding, Captain Charles Vincent Fox, and Lieutenant Kelvin Martin, Royal Engineers. In Sir John French's despatches, Major John Bulfin, a distinguished Catholic officer, receives repeated mention, Sir John French saying that until wounded 'his services continued to be of great value.'

The death is reported of Major-General Sir Luke O'Connor, V.C., C.B., who was born in Elphin in 1832, and at 16 years of age enlisted in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. He became a sergeant in 1850, ensign in 1854, and major-general in 1887. He served in the Crimea, Indian Mutiny (being present at the relief of Lucknow), and Ashantee. He was one of the centre sergeants at Alma, and advanced between officers carrying the colors. When near a redoubt, Lieutenant Anstruther, who was carrying a color, was mortally wounded and fell; O'Connor, though shot in the breast, snatched up the color and carried it to the end of the action, though urged to relinquish it and go to the rear on account of his wounds. For this he received his commission, and the thanks of Sir G. Brown and General Codrington on the field. It was in the Crimean war also that he received the V.C. He retired in 1887 with the rank of Major-General. He was among the first to receive the V.C., and was one of the few holders of this distinction who have risen from the rank of private to that of general officer.

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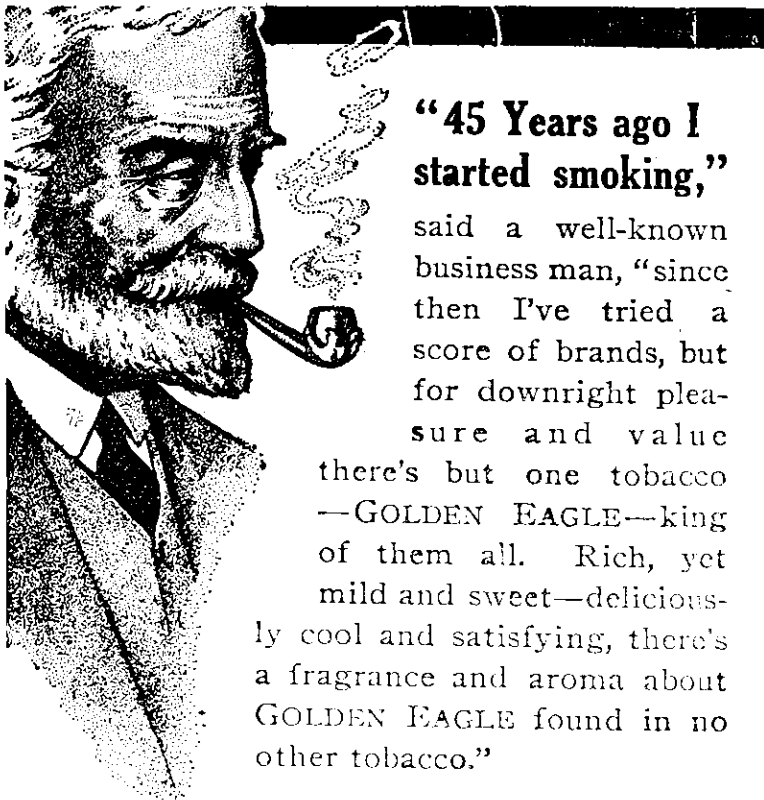
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(From the club correspondent.)

The annual meeting of St. Benedict's Club took place on Tuesday, February 2, in the clubrooms, when Mr. A. J. Fernandez (president) presided over a large attendance of members. The Rev. Fathers Forde (chaplain) and Kelly were also present. The secretary's report and the treasurer's balance sheet were read and adopted. The balance sheet showed the club to be in a good financial position. The election of officers for the ensuing term resulted as follows: President, Mr. L. O'Malley; vice-president, Mr. J. G. Foy; secretary, Mr. P. Treacy; assistant secretary, Mr. H. Ward; treasurer, Mr. R. H. Owens; librarian, Mr. F. R. Foreman; custodian, Mr. D. Slade; deputy custodian, Mr. N. Early.

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## BISHOP CLEARY ON VISITATION

GETTING FURTHER NORTH.

AN INTERESTING TRIP.

Awanui, January 27.

Last week his Lordship Bishop Cleary passed through Awanui after the first Catholic episcopal visitation of the Waiharara and Houhora gum-fields. An added interest was given to his visit to those remote parts of his diocese by the fact that it was the first occasion on which a motor car had ever reached those places, while a motor trip to Houhora was, on practically all hands, pronounced to be an utter impossibility.

The Waiharara Gum-fields.

The Bishop was again accompanied by Father Bruning, the pastor of this vast northern area. After two Masses at Awanui on January 14, his Lordship preached and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to several persons, and then set out by motor to Waipapakauri, where he visited some Catholics. Here the clay roads ended, and the region of shifting sands and rough and hilly sand-tracks began. To meet the new conditions, six heavy chains were attached to the driving wheels of the big Cadillac car, which then tore up the steep tracks at a fast pace. Tracts of deep, soft sand were encountered at short distances apart all the way from there to Houhora and back. In other places the middle of the track was deeply scored and cross-hatched by winter torrents, or cut away by the wind-driven sand acting as a sand-blast, which cut both soft sandstone rock and black earth into all sorts of fantastic shapes. Some of the roughest going was across the great Waiharara swamps, where the now dried ground was lumpy and bumpy to a degree, sometimes also peppered with stumps, while in some places the track was partly grown across by ti-tree. A good pace was, however, generally maintained, although it was far from being a pleasure jaunt.

On the way the Bishop and Father Bruning visited various Catholic families. They also crossed the swamp on foot, through rushes and ti-tree, and over water-logged ground all pock-marked with diggers' shallow excavations, to converse with diggers at work winning kauri gum from sinkings flooded knee-deep. On the Waiharara fields the Bishop was the guest of Mr and Mrs Pausina, and he made their home his headquarters for several trips around, as far north as Kaimaumu. The sight and sound of the car brought diggers out of their sinkings and their families out of their iron or twelve-sack huts to see the first motor that ever arrived on these northern fields. The huts, especially those of the Croatian and Dalmatian diggers, are pictures of neatness, and as clean as the homes of Holland, where the women are reputed to wash everything every day—except the water. In the case of the Austrian diggers' huts (two or three re-erected, according to the size of the family) there are a good stove, neat bits of furniture made by the proprietors, Catholic religious pictures and emblems are frequently seen on the walls, which are nicely papered, while the floors are covered with carpet and linoleum. The name 'Austrian' is, as a rule, resented by those sturdy and thrifty settlers: they maintain a fierce resentment against the Austrian Emperor and the Austrian Imperial Government; in this war their sympathies are strongly with the British-French-Russian allies; and they regard as a bitter trial the fate of their countrymen who, having returned home before this great struggle, were obliged to take up arms to fight for a cause which they loathe.

On January 15 the Bishop gave an instruction suited to the capacities of the children, catechised them, and also preached to a considerable adult congregation. Confirmation was administered at the close of the second Mass. A number of the children were, during the Bishop's stay, treated to a motor drive over the sandy, hilly roads.

To Houhora: An Ugly Trip.

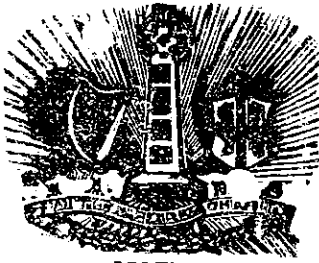
On January 16 the Bishop and Father Bruning left for Kaimaumu and Houhora. At Kaimaumu they were treated with great consideration and hospitality by Mr Hagger and his family. Mr Hagger, who is a well educated and highly interesting man, accompanied the visitors to guide them over the difficult two miles to the soft sand-banks on the long beach which is at present the only 'road' to Houhora. The way led down a steep sandy track to the short Kaimaumu beach, then along the beach through some deep mud, next through the trackless ti-tree which afforded the best means of crossing a stream with a deep muddy bed, then up some natural sandstone 'steps,' and through rushes, ti-tree, and dried swamp to the sand-banks on the second beach. A charge by the motor up the sand left the driving-wheels stuck fast in the soft sand. The car was backed down on its own power; some rough knobs of sand were levelled, two pieces of cocoa matting were stretched up the soft slope; the powerful car was rushed at it by the Bishop at great speed; it flew up in splendid style and down the rough, bumpy soft sand at the other side, and the wheels fast ploughed their way through the long slope right to the hard sand by the edge of the receding tide.

As the Bishop dashed up over the soft sand and down the other side, he received round after round of ringing cheers from a body of people who were on two large motor boats at anchor quite close to the beach where he crossed. One of the boats was from Houhora, the other from Kaimaumu; and the occupants were keenly interested in the locally much-debated issue as to whether it was possible to get a motor car over the soft sandy rise to the hard beach.

A very rapid run was made by the Bishop over the smooth, hard sand near the water for the 16 miles or so to the next great obstacle, the Motutangi River, with the steep sandy bluff beyond it. This was explored by his Lordship and Mr Pausina (who had gone on ahead during the morning to 'spy out the land' for the visitors); and the Bishop decided that, with a moderate amount of spade-work, this dangerous bluff could be surely surmounted. In the meantime, however, he decided to follow around the beach to the confluence of the Motutangi River with the sea at the Houhora Heads. Contrary to all descriptions and expectations, it was found quite feasible to cross the river there at low water. The car was accordingly driven over. In an instant a number of Maoris were all over it, in a state of great excitement at the first coming of a self-propelled land vehicle in the district. A way inland was soon made with spades, a bit of sea-bank being cut away, and two pieces of cocoa matting stretched up the steep ascent. With a great impetus gained on the firm, shelly beach below, the car stormed up the sharp slope between two lines of intensely interested whites and natives. Then, under the kindly guidance of Mr Smith, the Bishop drove over a steep slope, through some trackless ti tree, and so on to the sandy and rocky road to Houhora. The muddy bed of the Rib River was safely crossed, and, after calling on some Catholics on the way, the occupants of the car swung at a fine rate, through the soft sand, into Houhora. A cricket match between two district teams was in progress at the time, and the contestants and practically the entire local population were soon around the first motor car to arrive in that part of New Zealand.

On the Houhora Gum-fields.

During their stay at Houhora, the visitors were the guests of Mr Evans, a hotelkeeper and extensive and progressive local farmer. The morning after their arrival was Sunday, January 17. Masses were celebrated in the Houhora and Waihopo halls, the Bishop preaching in both places. On his way to Waihopo and back he loaded his car with all the children that could be packed into it, and drove them at as good a pace as the deep sand and the rugged slopes would permit, to the intense delight of the youngsters, none of whom had ever seen a motor car before. After the late Mass at Waihopo, the Bishop and Father Bruning were the



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guests of Dr and Mrs Power, of Waihopo. An address of welcome was read to the Bishop, after Mass, on behalf of the white residents—Irish, British, Croats, and Dalmatians. Further expeditions were made around the district on Sunday and Monday, and on the latter day Confirmation was administered both at Houhora and Waihopo, his Lordship preaching at both functions, both to the children and the adults.

On the following day (Tuesday) the Bishop and Father Bruning left on their return trip to Kaimaunau and Waiharara. They were delayed by the high tide at the Rio River, and from there to past the Motutangi River they were accompanied by Mr Northwood, who showed them much courtesy, fording both rivers at intervals to ascertain the best moment for crossing. Near the latter river, after the car had ploughed through a stretch of soft, wet sand, the inside wheels suddenly dropped almost to the axles in a quicksand, but a vigorous use of the engine, on low gear, extricated them in very quick time. After a rapid run over some 16 miles of hard beach, the sand bank crossing two miles north of Kaimaunau was again successfully negotiated with the aid of cocoa matting, although the ascent from the water was longer and more difficult than from the land side. Mr Pausina met the visitors at that point, and he and some of his children were brought in the motor to his home on the Waiharara fields. The next morning Masses were celebrated in the Waiharara hall (Mr Pausina's), and the Bishop preached both to the children and to a considerable congregation of adults, mostly Croats and Dalmatians, some of whom had walked a distance of seven miles in order to be present. The Bishop also administered the Sacrament of Confirmation and baptised a number of children, making them a profitable trip as far.

The return journey to Waihopo and Awanui was made without incident, a different and better road being taken by the eastern side of the big swamp. This again, by the courtesy of a Native, was done up, and the motor to pass through the hills, an exceedingly rough hill road was available. After a stay of a few hours in Awanui, the Bishop proceeded to Kaitiaki, Ahipara, and there began the day's episcopal visit to the extreme North, by the Ninety-mile Beach. The story of this adventurous and successful trip will be told in another communication.

## WEDDING BELLS

SHANLY DUGGAN.

(From a correspondent.)

A very pretty wedding was celebrated at St. John's Church, Parnell, on January 21, when Mr. Edwin J. Shanly (formerly of Christchurch) was married to Miss Mary E. Duggan, third daughter of the late Mr. Chas. Duggan, of Derry, Ireland. Rev. Father Patterson officiated. The bride, who was given away by her uncle (Mr. D. Murray), was prettily attired in embroidered crepe-de-chine, trimmed with gypure lace and orange blossoms. She also wore the customary wreath and veil and carried a lovely shower bouquet. Miss Annie Duggan (sister of the bride), who was chief bridesmaid, wore an embroidered voile costume, pale pink crepe-de-chine hat, and sash to match, and also carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Misses Phyllis and Mirriam Peterson (nieces of the bridegroom) were train-bearers, and wore pretty embroidered muslin dresses, white mob caps trimmed with pink, and sashes to match. Mr. Harris was best man. After the ceremony the wedding party left for the residence of the bride's mother, where the breakfast was laid. The usual toasts were duly honored. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a gold bangle, and that of the bride to the bridegroom a pair of gold sleeve links. The bridesmaids were also the recipients of gold brooches from the bridegroom. The wedding presents were numerous and costly. The happy couple left by the Whakatere for Thames *en route* to Te Aroha, where the honeymoon was to be spent. The bride's travelling dress was a navy blue costume and picture hat.

## Science Siftings

By 'VOLT.'

### French Artificial Wood.

Information has been made public in Lyons, France, concerning an artificial wood, which, it is stated, will be of great value as a substitute for natural wood. The new product has been found after years of study and practical experiments, the most recent of which have given eminently satisfactory results. The process consists of transforming straw into a solid material having the resistance of oak. The straw after being cut into small pieces is reduced to a paste by boiling, to which certain chemicals are added. When the paste has been reduced to a homogeneous mass it is put into presses, and planks, beams, laths, and mouldings of all sizes are readily made. The new material can be sawed like natural wood. As a fuel, it emits a bright flame and little smoke. It is further stated to be adaptable to the manufacture of match stems.

### Flameless Heat.

Professor William A. Bone, of the Imperial College of Science and Technology in London, has hit on a manner of gas heating that may greatly change our methods of using fuel. When a mixture of gas and air under high pressure is directed against a red-hot fire brick held a short distance away the mixture will burn at the surface of the brick. Now if such a mixture of gas and air is forced through the porous brick and lighted on the further side, it will burn like an ordinary gas flame; but if more air or less gas is used it ceases to burn, but the porous surface becomes white-hot. In this way it is possible, with great economy of fuel, to get a temperature far above the boiling point of platinum. This flameless heater is now used for heating boilers. It does away with grates, smoke stacks, and chimneys; it produces no smoke or objectionable odor, and it utilizes 90 per cent. of the heat value of the fuel.

### Wonderful Wireless.

Recent wireless telephone experiments in France have attained results that may have a far-reaching importance. With a transmitting station set up at Paris, long conversations are sent out and picked up at points over a hundred miles off. The electric arc system of the officers Colin and Jeandel is used, working a 150ft antenna. Ordinary wireless apparatus, such as even amateurs possess, will receive the spoken message. For instance, a small wireless station at Mettray, 120 miles from Paris, could receive long newspaper articles which were being read into the sending apparatus. More striking still was the use of a wireless telegraph motor car of usual make-up, with a 100ft portable antenna mast which could be erected on the ground in 20 minutes. Conversation could be heard from Paris at a distance of 60 miles by a reporter of the *Matin*, from which journal is taken the present account. Captain Colin speaks of the great military use of the method. For instance, the general can send out orders direct by telephone to the field or to battleships. Tuning can be carried, so as to prevent interference.

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## GARDENING NOTES

(By **MR. J. JOYCE**, Landscape Gardener, Christchurch.)  
**THE KITCHEN GARDEN.**

During the current month the following may be sown:—Peas, French beans, spinach, turnips, radishes, and lettuces. Plant cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, leeks, celery, savoy, and winter greens. Give plenty of water to growing crops, and keep the ground cultivated and free from weeds.

### FLOWER GARDEN.

Keep the grass mowed regularly once a week, give plenty of water to keep the lawns nice and green looking, and roll after watering. This keeps the ground nice and even, and also prevents the grub from getting about easily, as it usually finds out the soft places to burrow in. As the sprinkler leaves the lawn soft where it has been playing, if not rolled soon after, the grub finds that patch of ground a suitable place to burrow in and lay its eggs, the consequence of which will be seen later on. Cut away all dead flowers, which have done blooming, as this gives the second crop a better chance. The ripening of seeds, exhaust the plant to a certain extent to the detriment of fresh bloom. If seed is not wanted it is well to pick it off, as this will prolong the blooming season of the plant, whilst dead flowers on the plant do not add to its beauty. The seeds of hardy annuals and other plants for flowering in the spring, such as perennial stocks, Canterbury bells, gaillardias, antirrhinums, violas, pansies, etc., may be sown now. By looking ahead the benefit will be noticed next spring and summer, when they come into bloom.

### LAYERING PINKS AND CARNATIONS.

Now is a good time for propagating pinks and carnations by layers and cuttings, or pipings as they are usually called. To propagate by layering get a few spadefuls of nice fine mould, and bank it around your plant, having cleared away all weeds or any other rubbish, which may interfere with the operation. The way to proceed is by taking a nice strong shoot, one that has not flowered previously, in your left hand and clear away about a couple of inches of the leaves from the bottom. Then, with a nice sharp knife, cut a slit upwards, about half an inch, taking care not to sever the shoot from the parent plant. Then carefully insert the shoot in the soil, pegging it down to keep it in its place. A hairpin answers the purpose very nicely. When it is carefully pegged in its place, there will be a tongue about half an inch long, where the cut was made, which must be nicely covered up with the soil. On this tongue the roots will be formed. A little chip of wood inserted in the cut helps to keep the cut open, so that it may not heal up again before the heel takes root. Each shoot can be treated in this manner, and it will form a plant after it has taken root. At the proper time for planting they can be severed from the parent plants, and put out in their own permanent quarters.

Another method of propagating is by cuttings: by tearing a shoot from the plant with a heel, or part of the old wood attached. These heels are nicely pared with a sharp knife, and inserted in sandy soil in pots or boxes, and kept in the cool shade until rooted, being carefully watered when necessary. Carnations, pinks, and picotees are all one family, classed under the botanical name of dianthus. Some people are at a loss to know the difference between the species. An ordinary observer could not see any difference, as the flowers resemble one another very much. The difference is in the markings, not in the shape of the flowers. The carnation is defined by the markings running in flakes from the top to the bottom of the flower, or it may be a self—that is, all one color. The picotee has its markings running on the margin of the flower along the outer edge, and the edge is clean cut, not fringed, like the pink. The pink has a fringed or scalloped edge, and the markings run horizontally through the flower. It may be a self color, but it has always a serrated edge. This is as near as I can give a definition of the three species of the dianthus.

## BUDDING.

This is now a good time for budding roses or any other tree that can be propagated in this manner. The method of proceeding is by inserting a bud of one variety into a plant of the same species. The stock and bud must be of the same family. A bud will never take on a plant that is not naturally allied to it, for instance, a cherry will not take on an apple, nor an apple on a plum, but a plum and a cherry will unite; so will an apple and a pear. A plum and a peach will unite, but a peach will not unite to an apple or pear. So, to be successful in budding or grafting you must always work with the same species. One variety of plant will not unite with a plant of an opposite nature. The *modus operandi* of budding is: A stock to be budded must be of one or two years' growth, not more than the second, with a fair amount of sap, so that the bark will lift freely, with a sharp knife. Cut out a bud from the plant you intend to bud from. This bud is cut out in the form of a little shield about three-quarters of an inch long; remove the bit of hard wood from the heart of the shield, and be careful that the bud does not come away at the same time. If a little hole is left after the wood is removed, the eye is gone, and the bud or shield must be discarded for another. When the bud is ready, put a horizontal cut in the stock where you intend to insert the bud. Then draw an upward cut, commencing about an inch and a half below the cross cut, and draw the knife up to the cut. Then lift the bark on both sides, so as to insert the prepared bud under it, and be careful to have the bud pointing upwards when inserted. Now get a piece of soft worsted thread or bannet and neatly and firmly tie the shield, leaving the little bud free. A piece of damp moss tied around the bud will help to keep it cool. After a few weeks the bud will adhere to the stock, and the tying can be loosened to allow the stock to grow and expand. All shoots below the bud must be rubbed off, and none allowed to grow but the bud. In the spring time when pruning, the wood above the bud can be cut back. Apples, pears, plums, cherries, peaches, and a great many garden varieties of trees and shrubs are treated in this manner.

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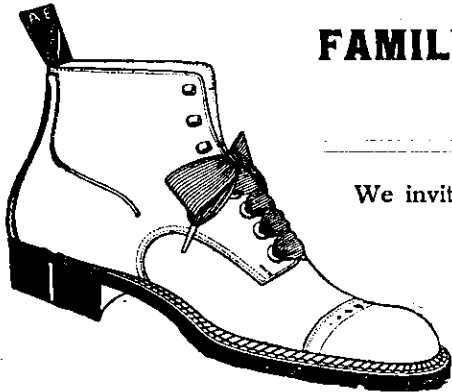
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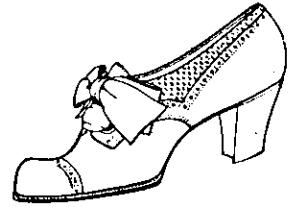
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# Intercolonial

Rev. Father W. Barry, speaking at the great meeting in Sydney for the purpose of bringing before the public the claims of Catholics for more just treatment in the matter of education, said that Catholic educational establishments in New South Wales had cost them, so far, £5,000,000, and, in addition, they paid one quarter of the cost of the State Education Department, which ran into £400,000 per annum. Putting the average cost of education at £6 10s per child, it would be seen that Catholics saved the Government annually, by teaching their children in their own schools, no less than £338,000. That, added to their proportion of the upkeep of the public schools, placed upon New South Wales Catholics the burden of £738,000 a year. This injustice had only to be pointed out, surely, to any fair mind to be acknowledged; yet the Government refused to recognise the Catholic schools, whilst it was quite prepared to help other minorities, and even individuals.

To bring under notice of the people of New South Wales the claims of Catholics for better treatment in the matter of education, especially in view of the fact that an Amending Education Bill is shortly to come before the House of Assembly, a great meeting was held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Monday night, January 25, under the auspices of the Catholic Federation. There were over 4000 people present, including several of the clergy, and leading Catholic laymen—a thoroughly representative gathering. His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney presided, having on his right the Right Rev. Dr. Dunne (Bishop of Wilcannia).

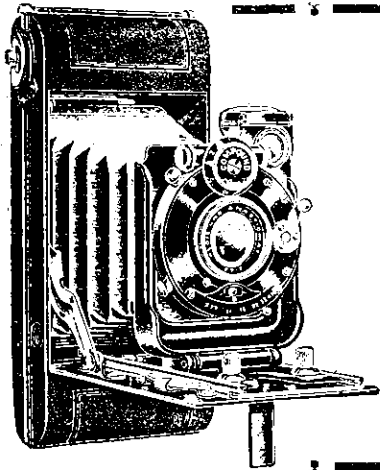
After a residence of about 22 years in Australia, the Very Rev. Father M. J. O'Reilly, C.M., will return to Ireland shortly. He leaves to take up the presidency of St. Vincent's College, Castleknock, Dublin, which has been the training ground of a large number

of Irish priests. Father O'Reilly has been over 12 years president of St. Stanislaus' College, Bathurst. His departure (says the *Catholic Press*) will be a great loss to Australia, for his influence has been felt throughout the whole Commonwealth.

Speaking at the opening of St. Mary's Cathedral fair on January 26, the Archbishop of Sydney dealt with the remarkable increase in the number of Catholic schools and scholars. His Grace directed their attention to the fact that in the year 1880 the Public Schools' Act became law. At that time there were 317 denominational schools in the colony of New South Wales, attended by 27,463 pupils. It was expected that the opening of the public schools under Government patronage and aid would be the signal for the closing up of the denominational schools, and in particular the Catholic schools. It was true that the Presbyterian and Wesleyan schools were almost shut down, and in a great part the Anglican schools, but the Catholic schools increased from that day in number and in attendance. 'Last year in New South Wales,' said his Grace, 'we had 424 Catholic primary schools, attended by 52,520 children. In Sydney alone last year we had 209 Catholic primary schools, attended by 28,145 children. The finger of God is on our work.'

The Rev. Brother Higgins, who has been stationed at the Christian Brothers' College, Adelaide, for the past seven years, was, prior to his departure for New Zealand, made the recipient of a handsome dressing-case from several of the old collegians and members of the Adelaide Handball Club (says the *Southern Cross*).

The Defence Department having requested his Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne to nominate three additional chaplains for the Expeditionary Forces, his Grace has appointed the Very Rev. William O'Dwyer, Administrator of St. Mary's, Star of the Sea, West Melbourne, and the Very Rev. M. Murphy, Yorktown, South Australia, and a third chaplain will be nominated in a few days. These will proceed as far as England only.



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**PRESENTATION TO FATHER HANRAHAN, ROSS**

(From an occasional correspondent.)

On Tuesday evening, January 26, in the Convent School, Ross, the Rev. Father Hanrahan was presented with an illuminated address and a purse of sovereigns by his parishioners and friends, on the eve of his departure for Lincoln. The Rev. Father Cronin, his successor, occupied the chair, supported by the Mayor and Mr. F. Houlahan. Mr. M. Moye, jun., made the presentation in a few well-chosen words, and read the following address: -

'Dear and Reverend Father, We, on behalf of the people of the parish of Ross, desire, on the eve of your departure from our midst, to tender you some slight recognition of your untiring efforts to promote our temporal and spiritual welfare. Coming amongst us some two years ago, when the care of the parish devolved upon you, your untiring zeal and ever-ready assistance in all matters concerning the church, convent, and school, and pertaining to the welfare of your people proved beyond doubt that your own good qualities were deserving of much love and esteem. You have been unsparing in your efforts to bring, at regular intervals, all the consolation of our holy religion to those of your parishioners in the outlying parts of your parish under circumstances that require courage, piety, and devotion to duty. Your zeal in fostering the social well-being of our community has endeared you not only to your own congregation, both young and old, but to many of other denominations. In admiring the modesty of your piety, your urbane manner, your bright disposition, and the greatness of your labors, we beg to ask you to accept the accompanying token of our esteem and respect for these and your other estimable qualities. Although grieved to part with you and to say farewell, we are pleased to know that your superiors have found you worthy of a more responsible position. We hope, dear Reverend Father, that though called from our midst, we will not be forgotten by you, and that occasionally we may have the pleasure of a visit from you, so that the bonds of friendship now forged may not be severed by the rust of time and absence. In conclusion, dear

Reverend Father, we one and all wish you God-speed, long life, and prosperity in God's vineyard.

'Signed on behalf of the Catholics of Ross—Michael Moye, John Minehan, Thomas Houlahan, A. P. Sharkey, F. P. Haddock, John Butler.'

Master Houlahan made a presentation and read the following address on behalf of the school children: -

'Rev. Dear Father,—We, the smaller portion of your large parish, wish to tell you of our sorrow at your departure from amongst us. We also desire to express our thanks for the great interest you have always taken in us, and for the help you have given us in everything relating to our spiritual well-being and our happiness. We trust you will be spared for many, many years to continue your noble work, and we beg that you will sometimes think of us in your prayers. We assure you, dear Rev. Father, that you will be long remembered with deepest respect and gratitude by your little children of St. Patrick's, Ross, and their devoted teachers, the Sisters of Mercy.'

Rev. Father Hanrahan, who, on rising to reply, was loudly and enthusiastically cheered, feelingly and sincerely thanked the kind donors for their tangible proof of esteem and good will. He had only been two years their pastor, yet he felt keenly leaving them, the Sisters, and his many sterling friends outside his own congregation.

Mr. Sharkey welcomed the Rev. Father Cronin, who cordially thanked him for his thoughtful words.

The Mayor (Mr. Grimmond) and the ex-Mayor (Mr. F. W. Bruce) spoke eulogistically of the Rev. Father Hanrahan, and expressed their regret at his departure.

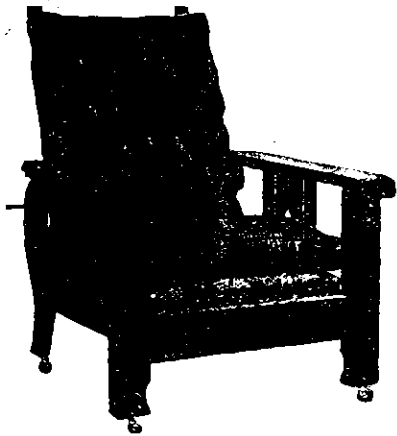
A musical programme was given by Mrs. Grimmond, Mrs. Doctor, Misses Moye and Evans, Mr. D. Roberts, and the school children. Rev. Father Hanrahan by special request sang 'Oft in the stilly night,' and in response to an emphatic encore gave 'Mother Machree.' The ladies of the congregation supplied dainty refreshments.

On Father Hanrahan leaving the schoolroom, the audience sang 'Auld lang syne.' Thus departed a popular priest and an amiable gentleman from our midst.

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# The Catholic World

## ENGLAND

### THE GOVERNMENT AND THE HOLY SEE.

A Rome correspondent, writing with regard to the appointment of Sir Henry Howard as British Envoy Extraordinary to the Holy See, says:—The action of the British Government has elicited many comments in the home and foreign Press, mostly all favorable. There were courtesy visits exchanged between London and Rome during the reigns of Queen Victoria and King Edward, while a special mission was entrusted to Sir Linton Simmonds for regulating certain questions of religious jurisdiction at Malta. There has also been a political mission, for Sir George Errington was commissioned to visit the Vatican for the purpose of informing Leo XIII. on the Nationalist movement in Ireland. These missions, however, were of an unofficial character. The present is the first time that diplomatic relations have been formally established between England and the Holy See since the Reformation. The French Catholic papers are asking urgently whether France intends to follow the example of Great Britain. There are rumors that negotiations are going on, but nothing definite is publicly known on the matter. The French anti-clericals, of course, feel greatly annoyed, and the *Daily News*, in a leading article, mildly rebukes their grumbling. It complains that the French Government was not consulted. England has done and is doing a great deal for France, but she does not intend to say 'By your leave' to the Free-thinkers who constitute the French Government before deciding on a policy which concerns her own interests.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

There has been a further marked decline in the number of voluntary elementary schools in England and Wales, but happily this statement does not apply to the Catholic voluntary schools, which have actually increased. During the year ended July, 1913, there were added to the recognised list eight Catholic schools, with 1715 places. On the other hand, there were removed from the recognised list 55 Church of England schools, with 9937 places, six Wesleyan, with 2161 places, and 14 undenominational, with 2873 places. There were also transferred to local education authorities 20 Church of England schools, with 1115 places, one Wesleyan, with 2438 places, and eight undenominational, with 1682 places. Penalised though they are, not a single Catholic school has been surrendered to the local authorities, while the total has been considerably enlarged, out of the money of the Catholic population.

## FRANCE

### A SIGN OF THE TIMES.

The correspondent of the *Times* at Nancy says the appointment of military chaplains in France is an outward and visible sign of the partial closing of the breach between Church and State. He mentions the act of President Poincaré in decorating Sœur Julie, of Gerbeviller, with the Cross of the Legion of Honor and a recent *Gazette* gives the name of Sœur Marie Rosnet, another hospital Superior, as worthy of special honor.

### PETTY TYRANNY OF THE CENSORS.

The marked advance made by the Church in France during the past four months has aroused the fears and the anger of the members of the Government who are most hostile to Christianity. They are alarmed for their power and their salaries, dreading the advent of the day when the Catholics will unitedly take the field as politicians and deprive them of their offices. Their mode of exercising the censorship (says the *Catholic Times*) illustrates their narrow and unpatriotic intolerance. Mostly all the members of the Censor's staff are, as M. Clemenceau, himself an anti-clerical, has declared, Jews and Freemasons. If any Catholic

sentiment appears in an article it is remorselessly scored out. M. Ernest Judet, the editor of the *Eclair*, a brilliant writer, has suffered thus on several occasions. In articles which, from the purely military point of view, did not afford the remotest excuse for suppression, he mentioned the Holy Father's Encyclical or made reference to some other topic of Catholic interest. That was enough for the Censor. The articles were ruthlessly excised. Not a single line of what M. Judet had written appeared. Naturally enough this petty tyranny has aroused the indignation of the editor of the *Eclair* and other Catholics, and has strengthened their resolve to replace the anti-Christian bigots of the Ministry by Christian statesmen as soon as possible after the termination of the war.

## ROME

### AN OLD ROMAN SOCIETY.

The members of the society entitled 'Il Circolo S. Pietro' have been received in audience by the Holy Father (says a Rome correspondent). This society is the oldest of the Roman societies of the kind, and embraces, in a manner, all that is best in the various societies of Rome. Its special care is religious work in Rome. It attends to the diffusion of the Gospel, to the instruction in the Sunday schools, to the care of the youth who have lately left school, and to the collecting of Peter's Pence in the Roman churches. It looks to the care of poor pilgrims to Rome, and provides cheap dinners and cheap lodgings for the pious poor; in fact, there is no limit to its active charity. When Benedict XV. was only a humble priest engaged in civil work he was an energetic member of 'Il Circolo di S. Pietro'. When he received the promotion his merits demanded, he still took part in the labors of this thoroughly charitable institution.

## SCOTLAND

### CATHOLICS AT THE FRONT.

As many as 125 members of St. Mirin's congregation, Paisley, have now joined the colors to fight for their country, civilisation, and liberty (says the *Catholic Herald*). A proportionately large number of St. Mary's congregation have enlisted, and these, together with about 63 from the parish of St. Charles', Paisley, make a total that equals, if it does not surpass, the number of non-Catholics who have rallied to the standard from the town of Paisley.

## UNITED STATES

### THE ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO.

The Most Reverend Patrick Riordan, Archbishop of San Francisco, died on December 27, after an illness of but five days. The Archbishop was born in New Brunswick, in 1841, and spent his boyhood in Chicago. After his college course at Notre Dame, the future Archbishop entered the American College, Rome, and completed his education at Louvain, where he won the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology in 1864. After his ordination in 1865, he returned to Chicago, taught theology in the old diocesan seminary, and for many years was engaged in pastoral work in the diocese. In 1883, he was consecrated Coadjutor to the see of San Francisco, to which he succeeded in the following year. His Grace was a true pastor of his flock. During the years of his administration, many new parishes were opened, educational institutes for young men and women were founded and promoted, and ample provision for the future priests of the diocese was made by the excellent diocesan seminary at Menlo Park. In 1902, the Archbishop appeared as plaintiff before the Hague International Arbitration Court, in a suit against the Mexican Government for the settlement of the Pious Fund. This case, one of the first, if not the first, reviewed by that tribunal was decided in favor of the Church in California.

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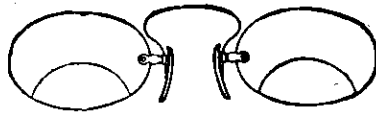
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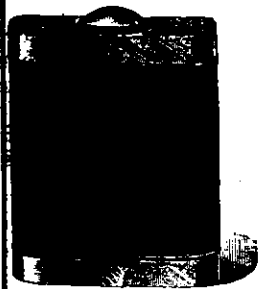
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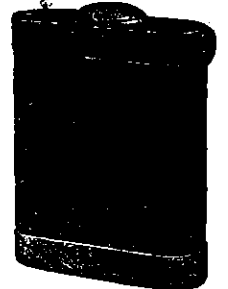
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Use one cupful of brown gravy, which can be saved when the veal is roasted: mix half of this with a teaspoonful each of powdered mace, chopped parsley and grated lemon peel. Add one cupful of dry grated breadcrumbs, a little cayenne pepper, a teaspoonful of lemon juice, salt and pepper to taste, and stir into the mixture two pounds of lean, cold veal and one of cold boiled ham, both chopped as fine as possible. Lastly, beat into all the yolks of two eggs. It should be just firm enough to mould nicely. Flour your hands and make into a long, slender loaf, flour the outside well and put into a greased pan: cover and set in the oven until it is smoking hot. Take off the cover and let the loaf brown, then draw to the oven door and brush over quickly with a beaten egg. Leave in the oven about three minutes, or until it is nicely browned. If the loaf is too soft to mould with, add breadcrumbs. Do not have too hot an oven, because the loaf will

crack. It can be served hot with the remaining half cupful of gravy, or is delicious cold with a salad.

### Testing the Oven.

A useful and simple test to try the heat of an oven is by means of a piece of white paper. If too hot the paper when placed in the oven will blaze up or blacken. When the paper becomes dark brown, the color of meat pie crust, then the oven is suitable for small pastry. When light brown, the color of real nice pastry, then the oven is ready for pies, etc. When the paper turns dark yellow you can bake bread, large meat pies or large pound cakes. If the paper is just tinged the oven is right for sponge cakes and meringues. The temperature of an oven may be easily reduced while cooking by placing a bowl of water in it.

### Chip Marmalade.

Cut three dozen oranges into quarters; take off the peel and boil it till quite soft. Scoop out the soft, pithy part with a silver spoon; cut the peel into chips. Remove the pulp of the oranges from the pips and hard, white skin, and pour three pints of water on the latter. When the chips are ready grate and squeeze 12 large lemons; add the pulp of the oranges to this, with sugar of equal weight to the original fruit. Add the peel chips and two quarts of the water from the pips and hard skin. Boil till done—about three quarters of an hour.

### About Glycerine.

For burns, glycerine and borax mixed freely with luscid oil is a never failing remedy. In cases of illness where sugar is forbidden, glycerine is an invaluable substitute, and is also an excellent means of sweetening stewed fruits and custards. In the laundry glycerine is useful for softening water in which flannels are to be washed; two teaspoonfuls to a small tub of water is the amount required.

*Maureen*

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## On the Land

### GENERAL.

It is now conservatively estimated that there are 1,000,000 horses engaged in the war.

An all-steel silo is being erected at the Moumahaki Experimental Farm.

A new variety of wheat from Italy being tested at the Ruakura Farm of Instruction gives evidence of great drought-resisting powers.

At the Ruakura Farm of Instruction a small area of chou moellier has stood the drought well and is nearly fit for cutting. Apart from this, lucerne is the only successful fodder crop this season. It has been used for soiling purposes for the past four months.

Hop-growing is developing in the Motueka district. Last year 1915 bales were exported, or 83 bushels more than in the previous year.

This season there have been supplied from the poultry section of the Ruakura Farm of Instruction 1255 dozen eggs for breeding purposes, an increase of 102 dozen on last season's record.

The progress of fruit-growing in the Motueka district—which for this purpose is taken to include the Moutere country—is indicated by the following figures (says the *Journal of Agriculture*). Despatched over the Motueka wharf for the year ended December 31, 1914, 227,360 bushels, against 143,229 bushels for the previous year, an increase of 84,131 bushels in the twelve months.

Forty varieties of potatoes are being tested at the Ruakura Farm of Instruction this season. Among them are the following varieties from the State farm of Deloraine, Tasmania:—Excelsior, American Bruce, White City, Harman Circular, Rector (Scotch seedling), Mac (Scotch seedling), Celt (Scotch seedling), and Pict (Scotch seedling).

A fine tally was put up by three shearers a few days ago (says the correspondent of the *Fielding Star*) at Waituna West. With machines they shorn 740 lambs in 8 hours 34 minutes, which is a record for the district. The individual tallies were: C. Mayhew 256, D. R. Davies 229, and O. L. Davies 225.

There was a large yarding of stock at Addington last week, and a good attendance. Fat cattle were firm, store sheep showed practically no change, good forward lambs were in keen demand, fat lambs were rather easier, the quality showing a falling off, and store sheep were in good demand. Two-tooth wethers, to 16s 3d; fairly good four and six-tooth wethers, 15s 6d to 18s 6d; very forward four and six-tooth wethers, 19s to 21s; very forward lambs, 15s 6d to 16s 1d; forward lambs, 13s 9d to 15s; good four and eight-tooth ewes, to 16s 3d; aged ewes, 10s; fat lambs, extra prime heavy-weights, to 24s 4d; tegs, 20s 6d to 23s; average weights, 17s 6d to 20s; light and unfinished, 15s to 17s. Fat Cattle.—Ordinary steers, £7 17s 6d to £12 10s; extra steers, to £22 2s 6d; ordinary heifers, £6 to £10; extra heifers, to £11 17s 6d; cows, £5 5s to £8 10s; extra cows, to £17; price of beef per 100lb, 34s to 42s 6d; extra, to 45s. Pigs.—Choppers, 50s to 87s; light baconers, 50s to 57s 6d; heavy baconers, 60s to 67s 6d; extra heavy baconers, to 74s (price per lb, 5½d to 5¼d); light porkers, 36s to 40s; heavy porkers, 42s to 48s 6d (price per lb, 5¼d to 6d), best stores, 32s to 35s; medium stores, 22s to 30s; small stores, 14s to 20s; weaners, 3s 6d to 8s.

At Burnside last week there was a big yarding (237) of fat cattle. The sale was a bit slow at the beginning, but export buyers were operating steadily, and kept prices firm at previous rates. Quotations: Prime heavy bullocks, £16 to £19; medium, £12 15s to £14; light and unfinished, £8 10s to £11 10s; prime cows and heifers, £12 to £13 10s; medium, £9 to £10 10s; light and inferior, £5 15s to £8 10s. Fat Sheep.—3077 were yarded. The major portion of the yarding was made up of medium quality wethers and ewes. Freezing buyers were operating keenly, and secured a large number of sheep. This had a steadying effect on the market, and kept prices firm at a shade better than at the previous sale. Prime wethers, 25s to 26s 6d; extra, to 29s; medium to good wethers, 23s to 24s

6d; light, 19s 6d to 21s 6d; prime ewes, to 25s; extra, to 29s; medium to good, 20s to 22s 6d; light and inferior, 17s to 19s. Lambs.—The largest yarding of the season—2661 penned. Competition amongst the freezing buyers was very keen, and prices were, if anything, firmer than at last sale. Prime lambs, 21s to 24s 3d; medium, 18s 6d to 20s; light and inferior, 16s 6d to 17s 6d. There was only a medium yarding of pigs, prices being on a par with those ruling lately.

### TREATMENT OF TEMPORARY PASTURE.

A temporary pasture is the only form of pasture which should be used on the light lands of New Zealand (says the *Journal of Agriculture*). Indeed, it will be found on arable land, in nine cases out of ten, that it will pay far better to sow a temporary pasture of from two to four years' lay, than to sow a permanent one. Many of the grasses selected for a permanent pasture are slow in maturing, some of the fine grasses taking three or four years, while in a temporary pasture fast growing grasses can form the basis of the mixture, bringing a quick return. The breaking-up of the land every few years for cropping and regrassing helps to sweeten the land, improves the drainage, and adds to the store of humus. Temporary grasses in rotation with crops necessitate the addition and use of artificial manures: the land is kept in good heart, and the pastures give a maximum yield: thus temporary pastures are the backbone of the small farmer, especially the milk producer.

As with a permanent pasture, the preparation of the land is of the greatest importance. The land must be properly drained and sweet, worked to a fine tilth, and rolled so that the seed-bed is firm. The selection of the seed depends on the length of the lay in addition to the climatic influences. Early maturing varieties should be selected as well as clovers. The chief object is to quickly produce heavy crops. The pastures require the use of the brush harrows to spread the manure. They should be rolled in the spring and carefully stocked, care being taken not to allow the grass to run to seed. Neither should they be overstocked, otherwise the grass will be pulled out by the roots or trodden out.

### MANURING PASTURES.

There is one phase of pastures manuring worthy of special note—namely, the beneficial influence which fertilisers exercise on the composition and value of the grass or fodder. In trials it has been found that grass hay grown on manured land contained 8.75 per cent. albuminoids, while that grown on unmanured contained 6.25 per cent. This is an increase of over 30 per cent. of the total albuminoid content of the crop, due to the use of manure. The fodder grown upon the manured land contained not only the maximum amount of albuminoid, but also showed a tendency to contain the minimum amount of fibre. Test experiments have shown that fodder which contains the least fibre is the most digestible: hence the gain in digestible albuminoid resulting from the use of manure is greater. The larger amount of plant food in the manured soil places at the disposal of the grass or fodder a larger amount of building material in the form of the essential elements, and as a result a crop of higher feeding value is secured. If the soil fails to contain the requisite amount of nourishment the results are inferior both in quantity and quality.

In feeding for milk, and beef production as well, the largest returns at minimum cost are secured from using the most valuable and nutritious fodder. The quality of the fodder is the deciding factor in determining economy of production. Increasing the fertility of soil through the use of manure results not only in larger yields, but also in better quality of crops. There is much loss of liquid manure from stock when fed in the sheds, and this valuable fertiliser is allowed to run to waste down drains and into ditches. It has been calculated that 1000 gallons of liquid manure, if applied to grass land, would have the same beneficial effect as would be obtained from the application of 2cwt. of the best Peruvian guano.

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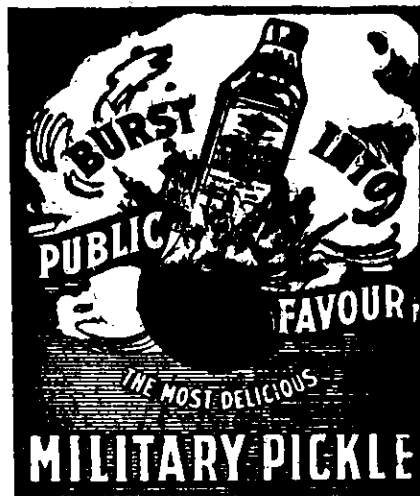
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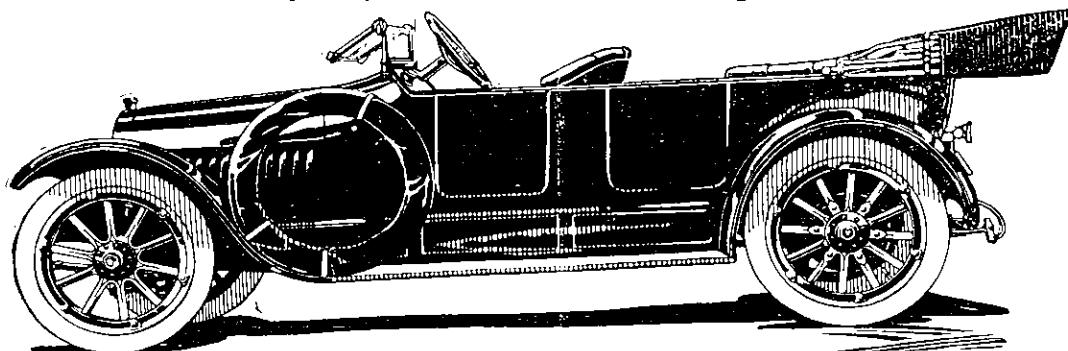
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## PEARLS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE FOR OUR LITTLE ONES

By THE REV. M. J. WATSON, S.J.,

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'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 Lord thy God shalt thou adore and Him only shalt thou serve.'—*St. Matt. iv. 10.*

It is interesting to know, my dearest, that there are salt mines in Europe so vast that they contain streets and villages, and that some people live there always. The mine at Wieliczka, Galicia, is the most celebrated in the world. It is estimated that the mass of salt in it is 500 miles long, 20 miles broad, and 1200 feet thick. This mine, in which about 1000 persons work, consists of four levels, and is nearly 300 yards deep and 1 mile 1279 yards long by 830 yards wide. All the galleries, taken together, are about 30 miles in extent, and the salt extracted from the mine every year weighs 55,067 tons. I once heard of a boy who was born in one of those salt mines and lived there till he was eight or nine years of age. The mine was the only place he knew, and he had no idea of the bright and beautiful world with which we are so well acquainted. At last, one day he reached the open air and the sunshine. What astonishment seized him when he saw the sun pouring out golden light over the sky and the earth, and when he beheld mountains, plains, and valleys, trees, and flowers, the flying and singing birds, and the quiet cattle grazing on the green grass! He was so overcome by the sights and sounds around him, that he fell upon the ground and adored the Lord God Who had made the world so great and so beautiful. Was he not right in making that heartfelt act of adoration?

We, like him, have been created and placed on this fair earth, to adore and serve God. 'The Lord thy God shalt thou adore, and Him only shalt thou serve.' The chief object, then, for which we are in this world is to love God with our whole heart, to prove our fidelity to Him by keeping His Commandments, and thus to gain the wondrous reward of joy and glory which He has in store for us in Heaven. To forget and neglect this great object of our existence would be very foolish, as well as very wrong, for by so acting we should expose ourselves to the danger of losing our soul for ever, and of this danger our Lord warns us when He says: 'What will it profit a man to gain the whole world, if he suffer the loss of his soul?'

A priest once met a man who was riding a fine horse. 'That is a good horse you are riding?' 'Yes, it is a splendid and valuable animal,' replied the man, who was pleased to hear his horse praised. 'I suppose you take great care of your horse?' said the priest. 'Take care of my horse! Why, I might say I do nothing else. I give him plenty to eat and drink; I rub him down carefully every day; I lead him out for exercise; and I am always thinking of him.' 'Well, my friend, if you take so much care of your horse, I suppose you take still greater care of your soul?' 'My soul!' said the man. 'Oh, I never think of my soul, I do not care about it!' 'Well, then,' said the priest, 'I would much sooner be your horse than your soul.' There is nothing so precious as the soul, and we should shrink from no sacrifice, no matter how painful, by which we can secure its salvation. When Father Piccolomini was dying, he suffered intense pain, and in order to bear it well, he requested those about him to open the window of his room that he might be able to look

up to Heaven. 'Oh, how easy it is,' he exclaimed, 'to endure those terrible pains, when I keep my eyes fixed on Heaven! O, Paradise! O, Paradise! Soon, yes, very soon, I hope to be there, to be there for ever!'

Eternity lasts for ever, this present life of ours soon passes away. Our life on earth compared with eternity is less than one hour compared with a thousand years, and what folly it would be to exchange one hour of amusement and pleasure for a thousand years (if one could live so long) of misery in a dungeon. Yet it is far greater folly to lose a happy eternity and to fall into never-ending misery by spending the years of this life in rebellion against God and in seeking worthless pleasure by breaking His Commandments. When Sir Thomas More, the celebrated Chancellor of England, was in prison condemned to death because he refused to acknowledge the wicked tyrant, Henry VIII., as head of the Church of God, he was visited by his wife, who besought him to comply with the King's wishes and thereby save his life. 'Well, then,' said Sir Thomas, 'suppose I do what you desire, how many years shall I live, for I am an old man?' 'Oh, I dare say you will live for twenty years.' 'And do you think, foolish woman, that twenty years of miserable life on earth are more to be desired than an eternity of happiness, that I ought to choose twenty years here and condemn myself to an eternity of torments?' Rather than make such a choice, he went forward with noble fortitude and laid down his life for the truth of the Church's doctrine, and now he is honored as Blessed Thomas More, Martyr.

O, my dearest, let us ever value the salvation of our soul as infinitely more precious than silver or gold or any earthly possession. As you grow up, you will be exposed to many temptations, but keep steadfastly faithful to the law of God and love and serve your Creator with your whole heart and soul and mind and strength. 'O youth,' says St. Augustine, 'beautiful flower of life and greatest danger of the soul!' Shun whatever may be an occasion of sin, and you will abide under the protection of the God of Heaven. For Holy Scripture says: 'There is none greater than he that feareth God'; 'It is great glory to follow the Lord, for length of days shall be received from Him'; and 'There is nothing sweeter than to have regard to the Commandments of the Lord' (Ecclesiasticus x. and xxiii.).

Prayer to be Said Often.

Father, I have sinned against Heaven and before Thee, and I am not worthy to be called Thy child.

Hymn.

Arm for deadly fight,  
Earth and hell unite,  
And swear in lasting bonds to bind us.  
Raise the Cross on high,  
Jesus, is our cry,  
With Jesus still the foe shall find us.

The devil, flesh, and world combining,  
Around our souls their snares are twining;  
With proffered joys they seek to lure us:  
O God! our only hope, secure us!

*Chorus:* Arm for deadly fight, etc.

Though crafty is the foe's contriving,  
And ruthless his relentless striving,  
On God, our hope, our strength, relying,  
We'll pledge to Heaven our faith undying.

*Chorus:* Arm for deadly fight, etc.

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## THE FAMILY CIRCLE

### SUPPOSE.

Suppose you keep a diary of the hurtful things you say  
And the heedless deeds you're doing in the turmoil  
of the day;

Suppose you keep a diary of the selfish things you do,  
Don't you think that it would help to made a kinder  
man of you?

Suppose some wintry evening when you're sitting all  
alone,

You could read your careless speeches, and recall the  
bitter tone

That had hurt a brother's feelings as the past came  
in review,

Don't you think that it would help to make a gentler  
man of you?

If you wrote down every meanness that in haste you're  
guilty of,

Every little selfish action, every thoughtless kick and  
shove

That you gave a slipping brother, as your tail you  
you hurried through.

Don't you think that it would help to make a better  
man of you?

### TEDDY AND HIS POSTMAN FRIEND.

One morning, a few days before Christmas, Teddy  
Andrews and Carroll Smith were playing in the street  
in front of Carroll's house. They each had a roller  
skate apiece, and by holding on to a broomstick each  
boy was trying to skate on one foot.

It was lots of fun, and they were clear around the  
block when Teddy saw some white papers in the grass  
close to the sidewalk.

'Two letters and a little package!' he cried, pick-  
ing them up. 'The postman must have dropped them  
for they've got stamps on them and haven't been  
opened.'

'Oh, that one's a Christmas gift! Quick, let's see  
what's in it!' said Carroll, trying to take it out of his  
hand.

'No, we daren't! 'Tisn't ours,' answered Teddy,  
pulling back.

'It is ours if we find it, isn't it?'

'Not when we know it's the postman's. Which  
way do you suppose he went?' Teddy ran down the  
street as fast as he could go.

Now he wanted to see what was in that package  
just as much as Carroll did, but he was an honest boy  
and he knew it would not be right to open it.

By and by he caught up with the mail carrier, and  
he cried, all out of breath, 'Wait, postman: you have  
dropped something!'

When the carrier heard that he stopped quickly  
and began looking at his bags running over with  
bundles. Sure enough! there was one with a loose  
string, and from it the letters were slipping out. He  
looked almost scared as he asked, 'Where did you find  
them?' Then he went back slowly over the block to  
see if he had dropped any more, and Teddy helped;  
but no more were found, and, thanking the boy, he  
hurried on his round.

When Christmas morning came, Teddy found a  
little box among the mail at his house with just his  
first name on it. Inside there was some nice candy  
and a little note which said, 'Merry Christmas to my  
honest little friend. I might have lost my job if it  
had not been for you.—Postman.'

### WHAT THEY ARE.

'What,' inquired the Sunday school teacher of her  
youthful pupils, 'what are divers diseases?'

Bashful or ignorant, the scholars clung tenaciously  
to the doctrine that little boys should be seen and not  
heard.

'Come,' pursued the teacher, 'can't any of you  
tell me?'

Then Johnnie's arm shot up.

'Well?' asked the teacher.

'Please, Miss,' answered Johnnie, 'water on the  
brain.'

## FAMILY FUN

### TRICKS, ILLUSIONS, AND INDOOR AMUSEMENTS.

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

A Balancing Feat.—A little juggling introduced  
among some sleight-of-hand tricks almost invariably has  
a good effect. Here is a little bit of pretended jugglery,  
which may be worked as a clever 'sell' simply to raise a  
laugh. The feat consists of balancing 'end on' a num-  
ber of match-boxes (full or empty), and 'topping-off'  
with some other article even more unmanageable, such  
as a billiard ball or an egg. To appreciate the diffi-  
culty of this just try it with eight empty match-boxes,  
and you will be surprised how very unlikely you are  
to succeed in it. The secret is, however, ludicrously  
simple. The boxes are really placed in such a manner  
that they cannot fall. In placing the first box in the  
right hand you stand with the right side of your body  
to the audience, so that the back of the hand masks the  
bottom of the box. The next box is now built on the  
first, end to end, and in seeming to adjust it carefully  
on the lower one, the middle finger of the left  
hand pushes the drawer down about one  
and a half inches. This necessarily pushes out the  
drawer in the bottom box to the same extent, but  
the back of the right hand prevents the spectators see-  
ing it. By the same ruse the rest of the boxes may be  
balanced, and if any heavier object is balanced on  
the top it rather makes the whole affair steadier than  
anything else. In unbuilding the boxes, the left  
hand should reach up to the topmost one—apparently  
the object being to steady them—and at the same time  
the right hand should exert pressure upon the drawer  
protruding from the lowest box, and shut up all the  
boxes in one motion, the left hand assisting in this by  
pressing down upon the top box by way of resistance.  
They may then be dropped all over the place to show  
they are separate and not faked in any way. If the  
sell is to be given away at the most critical moment  
of the supposed balance a slight shake is given to the  
whole erection, causing the affair to lean in a beautiful  
curve over the performer's shoulder, in which condition  
the structure may be carried from the platform.

The Spanish Prisoner.—The performer needs for  
this a small piece of paper and a box of matches. The  
paper he rolls into a small ball, telling the company  
that it represents a Spanish prisoner—a dangerous  
prisoner, so dangerous that the authorities found it  
necessary to enclose him in a cell with four strong walls.  
He illustrates this by making a square with four  
matches enclosing the pellet. Then he continues:  
The prisoner, however, was so dangerous that this was  
not sufficient, and it was necessary to have four warders  
—one at each corner of the cell—to see that their  
prisoner did not escape. The warders are then repre-  
sented by four more matches placed one at each corner,  
and the narrative continues: The four warders having  
been on guard all day, it was necessary for their wives  
to bring them food. The four wives are next repre-  
sented by another four matches, one being placed beside  
each warder. Once more the story goes on: The  
wives, however, could not carry all the food, so they  
had to bring four donkeys, laden with parcels. The  
matches are again added, but this time only three, and  
the performer pretends to continue, saying: Now we  
have the prisoner, the four walls, the four warders, the  
four wives, and the four donkeys. By this time one  
of the onlookers is sure to have pointed out that there  
are only three donkeys. The reply is 'The fourth place,  
sir, is reserved for you.'