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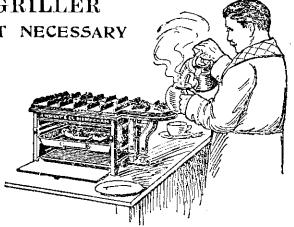
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,, 12, Friday.—The Holy Name of Mary.
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O sweet Mother, ask our Jesus That thy birthday gift this year May be peace for thy poor children, Trembling 'neath this scourge in fear. -Anna Mary Bornman, in the Catholic Columbian.

#### REFLECTIONS.

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The chief thing for us to remember, as the sure basis of our devotion, is that Mary's power with Our Lord is still the same as it was during His life upon earth, for natural feelings are not destroyed in glory, but are exalted and perfected. Therefore, the Most Blessed Virgin need never fear a refusal. Christ's own love pleads on the side of Mary's prayers.—Bossuet.

### The Storyteller

### WILLY REILLY

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By WILLIAM CARLETON.

CHAPTER I .- (Continued.)

The hour was now a little past twilight, and the western sky presented an unusual, if not an ominous appearance. A sharp and melancholy breeze was abroad, and the sun, which had set among a mass of red clouds, half placid and half angry in appearance, had for some brief space gone down. Over from the north, however, glided by imperceptible degrees a long black bar, right across the place of his disappearance, and nothing could be more striking than the wild and unnatural contrast between the dying crimson of the west and this fearful mass of impenetrable darkness that came over it. As yet there was no moon, and the portion of light, or rather, "darkness visible," that feebly appeared on the sky and the landscape, was singularly sombre and impressive, if not actually appalling. The scene about them was wild and desolate in the extreme; and as the faint outlines of the bleak and barren moors appeared in the dim and melancholy distance, the feelings they inspired were those of discomfort and depression. On each side of them were a variety of lonely lakes, abrupt precipices, and extensive marshes; and as our travellers went along, the hum of the snipe, the feeble but mournful cry of the plover, and the wilder and more piercing whistle of the curlew still deepened the melancholy dreariness of their situation, and added to their anxiety to press on towards the place of their destination.
"This is a very lonely spot, your honor," said his

servant, whose name was Andrew, or, as he was more

familiarly called, Andy Cummiskey.

"Yes, but it's the safer, Andy," replied his mas-"There is not a human habitation within miles of us."

"It doesn't follow, sir, that this place, above all others in the neighborhood, is not, especially at this hour, without some persons about it. You know I'm no coward, sir.'

"What, you scoundrel, and do you mean to hint that I'm one?"
"Not at all, sir; but you see the truth is, that this being the very hour for duck and wildfowl shootin', it's hard to say where or when a fellow might start up, and mistake me for a wild duck, and your honor for a curlew or a bittern."

He had no sooner spoken than the breeze started, as it were, into more vigorous life, and ere the space of many minutes a dark, impenetrable mist or fog was borne over from the solitary hills, across the dreary level of country through which they passed, and they felt themselves suddenly chilled, whilst a darkness almost palpable nearly concealed them from each other. Now, the roads which we have described, being almost without exception in remote and unfrequented parts of the country, are for the most part covered over with a thick sole of close grass, unless where a narrow strip in the centre shows that a pathway is kept worn and distinctly marked by the tread of foot passengers. Under all these circumstances, then, our readers need not feel surprised that, owing at once to the impene-trable obscurity around them, and the noiseless nature of the antique and grass-covered pavement over which they went, scarcely a distance of two hundred yards had been gained when they found, to their dismay, that they had lost their path, and were in one of the wild and heathy stretches of unbounded moor by which

they were surrounded.
"We have lost our way, Andrew," observed his master. "We've got off that damned old path; what's



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to be done? Where are you?"
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"D-n you, sirrah," replied his master, angrily, "is this either a time or place to jest in? A man that would make a jest in such a situation as this would

dance on his father's tombstone."

"By my soul, sir, and I'd give a five-pound note, if I had it, that you and I were dancing 'Jig Polthogue' on it this minute. But in the manetime, the

divil a one o' me sees the joke your honor spakes of."
"Why, then, do you ask me where I am, when you know I'm astray, that we're both astray, you snivelling old whelp? By the great and good King William, I'll be lost, Andrew!"

"Well, and if you are, sir," replied Andrew, who, guided by his voice, had now approached and joined him—"even if you are, sir, I trust you'll bear it like a Christian and a Trojan."

"Get out, you old sniveller—what do you mean by a Trojan?"

"A Trojan, sir, I was tould, is a man that lives by sellin' wild fowl. They take an oath, sir, before they begin the trade, never to die until they can't help it.

"You mean to say, or to hint, at least, that in addition to our other dangers, we run the risk of

coming in contact with poachers?"

"Well, then, sir, if I don't mistake, they're out However, don't let us alarm one another. God forbid that I'd say a single word to frighten you; but still, you know yourself that there's many a man not a hundred miles from us that 'ud be glad to mistake you for a target, a mallard, or any other wild fowl of that description."

"In the meantime, we are both well armed," re-

plied his master; "but what I fear most is the risk we run of falling down precipices, or walking into lakes or quagmires. What is to be done? The fog is so cursedly cold that it has chilled my very blood into

ice.''

"Our best plan, sir, is to dismount, and keep ourselves warm by taking a pleasant stroll across the coun-The horses will take care of themselves. In the manetime, keeping up your spirits-we'll both want something to console us; but this I can tell you, that devil a bit of tombstone ever will go over either of us, barrin' the sky in heaven: and for our coffins, let us pray to the coffinmaker, because you see it's the maddhu ruah (the foxes), and ravens, and other civilised animals that will coffin us both by instalments in their hungry guts, until our bones will be beautiful to look at—afther about six months' bleaching, and a sharp eye 'twould be that 'ud know the difference between masther and man then, I think."

We omitted to say that a piercing and most severe hoar-frost had set in with the fog, and that Cummiskey's master felt the immediate necessity of dismounting and walking about, in order to preserve some degree

of animal heat in his body.

"I cannot bear this, Andrew," said he, "and these two gallant animals will never recover it after the severe day's hunting they've had. Poor Fiddler and Piper," he exclaimed, "this has proved a melancholy day to you both. What is to be done, Andrew? I am scarcely able to stand, and feel as if my strength had utterly left me."

"What, sir," replied his servant, who certainly loved his master, "is it so bad with you as all that comes to? Sure I only thought to amuse you, sir. Come, take courage: I'll whistle, and maybe some-

body will come to our relief."

He accordingly put his two fingers into his mouth, and uttered a loud and piercing whistle, after which

both stood still for a time, but no reply was given.

"Stop, sir," proceeded Andrew; "I'll give them another touch that'll make them spake, if there's anyone near enough to hear us."

He once more repeated the whistle, but with two or three peculiar shakes or variations, when almost in-

stantly one of a similar character was given in reply. "Thank God," he exclaimed, "be they friends or foes, we have human creatures not far from us. Take

courage, sir. How do you feel?"
"Frozen and almost chilled to death," replied his master; "I'll give fifty pounds to any man or party

of men that will conduct us safely home."

-"I hope in the Almighty," said Andrew to himself, in an anxious and apprehensive tone of voice, "that it's not Paira Ruah (Red Patrick), the Red Rapparee, that's in it, and I'm afeerd it is, for I think I know his whistle. There's not a man in the three baronies. could give such a whistle as that, barring himself. If it is, the masther's a gone man, and I'll not be left behind to tell his story. God protect us!"
"What are you saying, Andrew?" asked his mas-

ter. "What were you muttering just now?"
"Nothing, sir, nothing, but there can be no harm, at all events, to look to our pistols. If there should

be danger, let us sell our lives like men."

"And so we will, Andrew. The country, I know, is in a disturbed and lawless state, and ever since that unfortunate affair of the priest, I know I am not popular with a great many. I hope we won't come across his Rapparee nephew.

"Whether we do or not, sir, let us look to our rms. Show me yours till I settle the powdher in them. Why, God bless me, how you are tremblin'!"

"It is not from fear, sir," replied the intrepid old man, but from cold. If anything should happen me, Andrew, let my daughter know that my will is in the oaken cabinet; that is to say, the last I made. She is my heiress-but that she is by the laws of the land. However, as I disposed of some personal property to other persons, which disposition I have revoked in the will I speak of-my last, as I said-I wish you to let her know where she may find it. Her mother's jewels are also in the same place-but they, too, are hers by right of law—-her mother bequeathed them to her.

"Ah, sir, you are right to remember and think well of that daughter. She has been a guardian angel to you these five years. But why, sir, do you give me this message? Do you think I won't sell my life in defence of yours? If you do, you're mistaken."

"I believe it, Andrew, I believe it, Andy," said he, familiarising the word; "but if this Red Rapparee should murder me, I don't wish you to sacrifice your life on my account. Make your escape, if he should be the person who is approaching us, and convey to my daughter the message I have given you."

At this moment another whistle proceeded from a quarter of the moor much nearer them, and Andy having handed back the pistols to his master, asked

him should he return it. "Certainly," replied the other, who during all this time was pacing to and fro to keep himself from sinking; "certainly, let us see whether these persons are friends or enemies."

His servant then replied to the whistle, and in a few minutes it was answered again, whilst at the same time a strong but bitter wind arose which cleared away the mist, and showed them with considerable distinctness the position which they occupied.

Within about ten yards of them, to the left, the very direction in which they had been proceeding, was a small, deep lake, or tarn, utterly shoreless, and into which they unquestionably would have walked and perished, as neither of them knew how to swim. clearing away of the mist, and the light of the stars (for the moon had not yet risen), enabled the parties to see each other, and in a few minutes Andrew and his master were joined by four men, the principal person among them being the identical individual whom they both had dreaded—the Red Rapparee.

"Master," said Cummiskey, in a whisper, on seeing them approach, "we must fight for it, I'm afeered, but let us not be rash; there may be a friend or two among them, and it is better to come off peaceably if we can.

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"I agree with you," replied his master. "There is no use in shedding unnecessary blood; but in any event, let us not permit them to disarm us, should they insist on doing so. They know I never go three yards from my hall door without arms, and it is not improbable they may make a point of taking them from us. I, however, for one, will not trust to their promises. promises, for I know their treachery, as I do their cowardice, when their numbers are but few, and an armed opponent or two before them, determined to give Stand, therefore, by me, Andrew, and, by King William, should they have recourse to violence, we shall let them see and feel too that we are not unprepared."

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"I have but one life, sir," replied his faithful fol-lower; "it was spent—at least, its best days were—in your service, and sooner than any danger should come to you it will be lost in your defence. If it was only for the sake of her that is not here, the Coleen Bawn, I would do it."

"Who goes there?" asked a deep and powerful voice, when the parties had come within about twenty yards of each other.

"By the powers!" exclaimed Andrew, in a whis-

per, "it's himself—the Red Rapparee!"
"We are friends," he replied, "and have lost our

way."
The other party approached, and on joining our travellers the Rapparee started, exclaiming: "What! noble squire, is it possible that this is you? Hut! it can't be-let me look at you closer, till I make sure of you."

"Keep your distance, sir," replied the old man, with courage and dignity; "keep your distance; you see that I and my servant are both well armed, determined to defend ourselves against violence.

An ominous and ferocious glance passed from the Rapparee to his comrades, who, however, said nothing, but seemed to be resolved to guide themselves altogether by his conduct. The Red Rapparee was a huge man of about 40, and the epithet "Red" had been given to him in consequence of the color of his hair. In expression his countenance was by no means un-handsome, being florid and symmetrical, but hard, and with scarcely any trace of feeling. His brows were far asunder, arguing ingenuity and invention, but his eyes, which were small and treacherous, glared—whenever he became excited-with the ferocity of an enraged tiger. His shoulders were broad, his chest deep and square, his arms long and powerful, but his lower limbs were somewhat light, in proportion to the great size of his upper figure. This, however, is generally the case when a man combines in his own person the united qualities of activity and strength. this period we are describing, when this once celebrated character was 40 years of age, it was well known that in fleetness of foot there was no man in the province able to compete with him. In athletic exercises that required strength and skill, he never had a rival, but one-with whom the reader will soon be made acquainted. He was wrapped closely in a grey frieze big-coat or cothamore, as it is called in Irish, wore a hat of two colors, and so pliant in texture that he could at any time turn it inside out. His coat wasas, indeed, were all his clothes-made upon the same principle, so that when hard pressed by the authorities, he could in a minute or two transmute himself into the appearance of a man very different from the individual described to them. Indeed, he was such a perfect Proteus, that no vigilance of the Executive was ever a match for his versatility of appearance, swiftness of foot, and caution. These frequent defeats of the authorities of that day made him extremely popular with the people, who were always ready to afford him shelter and means of concealment, in return for which he assisted them with food, money, and the spoils of his predatory life. This, indeed, was the sagacious principle of the Irish Robbers and Rapparees from the beginning-to rob from the rich and give to the poor being their motto.

(To be continued.)

### THE STORY OF IRELAND

(By A. M. SULLIVAN.)

CHAPTER XXXII.—(Continued.)

The gallant but hapless Geraldine was now fully launched on his wild and desperate enterprise. There is no doubt that, had it partaken less of a hasty burst of passionate impetuosity, had it been more deliberately planned and organised, the revolt of Silken Thomas might have wrested the Anglo-Irish colony from Henry's authority. As it was, it shook the Anglo-Irish power to its base, and at one time seemed irresistible in its progress to success. But, however the ties of blood, kindred, and clanship might draw men to the side of Lord Thomas, most persons outside the Geraldine party soon saw the fate that surely awaited such a desperate venture, and saw too that it had all been the result of a subtle plot of the Ormond faction to ruin their powerful rivals. Moreover, in due time the truth leaked out that the old Earl had not been beheaded at all, but was alive a prisoner in London. Lord Thomas now saw the gulf of ruin into which he had been precipitated, and knew now that his acts would only seal the doom or else break the heart of that father, the news of whose murder had driven him into this desperate course. But it was all too late to turn back. He would see the hopeless struggle through to the bitter end.

One of his first acts was to besiege Dublin city, while another wing of his army devastated the possessions and reduced the castles of Ormond. Alan, the Alan, the Archbishop of Dublin, a prominent enemy of the Geraldines, fled from the city by ship. The vessel, however, was driven ashore on Clontarf, and the Archbishop sought refuge in the village of Artane. News of this fact was quickly carried into the Geraldine camp at Dublin; and before day's dawn Lord Thomas and his uncles, John and Oliver, with an armed party, reached Artane, and dragged the Archbishop from his bed. The unhappy prelate pleaded hard for his life; but the elder Geraldines, who were men of savage passion, barbar-ously murdered him as he knelt at their feet. This foul deed ruined any prospect of success which their cause might have had. It excited universal horror, and drew down upon its perpetrators and all who should aid or shelter them the terrible sentence of excommunication. This sentence was exhibited to the hapless Earl of Kildare in his dungeon in London Tower, and, it is said, so affected him that he never rallied more. He sank under the great load of his afflictions, and died of a broken heart.

Meanwhile, Lord Thomas was pushing the rebellion with all his energies, and for a time with wondrous success. He dispatched ambassadors to the Emperor Charles V., and to the Pope, demanding aid in this war against Henry as the foe of God and man. But it is clear that neither the Pope nor the Emperor augured well of Silken Thomas's ill-devised endeavors. cor reached him. His fortunes eventually began to Powerful levies were brought against him; and finally he sought a parley with the English Commanderin Chief, Lord Leonard Gray, who granted him terms of life for himself and uncles. Henry was wroth that any terms should have been promised to such daring foes; but as terms had been pledged, there was nothing for it, according to Henry's code of morality, but to break the promise. Accordingly, the five uncles of break the promise. Silken Thomas, and the unfortunate young nobleman himself, were treacherously seized—the uncles at a ban-quet to which they were invited, and which was, indeed, given in their honor, by the Lord Deputy Grayand brought to London, where, in violation of plighted troth, they were all six beheaded at Tyburn, on January 3, 1537.

This terrible blow was designed to cut off the Geraldine family for ever; and to all appearance it seemed, and Henry fondly believed, that this wholesale execution had accomplished that design, and left neither root nor seed behind. Yet once again that mysterious

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protection, which had so often preserved the Geraldine line in like terrible times, saved it from the decreed "The imprisoned Earl (Lord Thomas's destruction. father) having died in the Tower on December 12, 1534, the sole survivor of this historic house was now a child of 12 years of age, whose life was sought with an avidity equal to Herod's, but who was protected with a fidelity which defeated every attempt to capture him. Alternately the guest of his aunts, married to the chiefs of Offaly and Donegal, the sympathy everywhere felt for him led to a confederacy between the northern and southern chiefs, which had long been wanting. A loose league was formed, including the O'Neils of both branches, O'Donnell, O'Brien, the Earl of Desmond, and the chiefs of Moylurg and Breffni. The lad, the object of so much natural and chivalrous affection, was harbored for a time in Munster, thence transported through Connaught into Donegal, and finally, after four years, in which he engaged more of the minds of statesmen than any other individual under the rank of royalty, was safely landed in France."

The Geraldine line was preserved once more! From this child Gerald it was to branch out as of yore, in

stately strength and princely power.

(To be continued.)

#### MR. ASQUITH AND IRELAND.

Speaking at Edinburgh towards the end of June, Mr. Asquith said :- "Until the matter of Ireland were grappled with, he would never cease to call attention to its supreme urgency and the paramount importance of stopping the policy of drift once and for all. He was absolutely amazed at the indifference, levity, and, he might almost say, frivolity with which the question was now handled. Remember, it was now nearly five years since one of the greatest struggles in our Parliamentary history, which involved the clipping of the wings of the House of Lords. The Liberal Government of that day placed on the Statute Book-where it still remained—an Act giving self-government to Ireland. The operation of that Act was suspended, but it remained there—a solid declaration by the Legislature of the United Kingdom that the time had come when, in whatever particular form or with whatever modifications, the Irish people must in Irish affairs be allowed to govern themselves. Without prejudice to other obligations of the principle of Devolution, Scottish Home Rule should be advanced to the forefront of the political arena."

Addressing the British Liberal Party at Leeds on June 19, Mr. Asquith said :- "In regard to Ireland, he put on one side the ill-sifted stories of deliberate outrages, which were without solid foundation: but, quite apart from that, the situation was of the gravest. The fatal blunder was made, he proceeded, upon the morrow of the Convention report in pressing compulsory service on Ireland. It never could have been enforced, but had the effect of introducing into an atmosphere which at that moment was one of conciliation and hope, discord and rancor, which the enemies of reconciliation between the two countries took full advantage of, and which paralysed the efforts of the Nationalists and of the most intelligent and enlight-ened Unionists of the country. 'The result is that, whilst the great Parliament of free nations in Paris has been laying the foundations of free communities throughout the world, here in the country which has been the mother and pattern of free institutions for the whole world, we have close to our own doors the reproach that we are doing nothing to satisfy the legitimate aspirations of our own fellow-countrymen in Ireland. That is a reproach and a scandal to British statesmanship, and is a source of permanent danger in the internation sphere. Do not let this matter be dropped, but insist upon a full, prompt, and adequate settlement of this, the thorniest of all our political troubles and the most fruitful source both of domestic and international peril in the future.'

### COLONIAL HOME RULE

(By Michael O'Flanaghan, in the Catholic Bulletin.)

If a man goes to a fair to buy a horse, his first anxiety will be to get the kind of horse he needs, and the second to get him at a reasonable price. He knows that the seller will try to get as high a price as possible. In doing this he will dilate upon his good points and conceal his defects. The buyer may deal with a friend with whom he has had many satisfactory dealings already, or he may deal with an enemy who has often cheated him in the past, or he may deal with a stranger. If he is dealing with a friend of proven honesty and integrity, even then he will keep his eyes open, because he knows that a man is naturally prejudiced where his own interests are at stake. He will submit the horse to the ordinary examination and tests. But he will not consider it necessary to take any undue or exceptional precautions against deceit.

If he is dealing with a stranger he will be more careful. He knows that he has no guarantee against deceit except that afforded by his own judgment, and by the advice of independent and unprejudiced experts. Hence he will put the horse to every test that the law and custom allow. With an enemy who has cheated him already he will not deal at all if he can possibly help it, and if he is compelled to deal with one he will leave no stone unturned to make sure that he is not cheated again. Here he can go on the candid assumption that the seller will strive to cheat him if he can, and hence he will not feel limited by any considerations of mere custom, or by any consideration for the feelings of the other party, from putting the animal to every test that promises to reveal a concealed defect.

This is like the position of Ireland at the present moment. We are looking for liberty. England has been compelled by the circumstances of the time to make us an offer. We are dealing with an old enemy that has cheated us time and time again. Not merely did English Ministers cheat us in the past, but the actual English Ministers with whom we have to deal at the present moment, have tried in several different ways to cheat us, and have to a large extent succeeded in cheating us on the very question of Self-Government which is now under discussion. Hence our attitude towards them must be quite evidently that of a man who considers the question of buying a horse from a well-known sharper, who has fooled him many times before. The presumption is against the bona fides of England. We may take it for granted that we shall be offered something that looks like liberty on the surface but, within, will contain the smallest possible amount of liberty that is consistent with a presentable appearance upon the surface.

There is a great deal of talk of Ireland getting an offer of Colonial Home Rule. Colonial Home Rule was devised to meet the circumstances of Australia, Canada, and South Africa. It has suited these places fairly well, because they are to a large extent genuine Colonies of England. I say to a large extent, because there are considerable elements in the populations of those countries that are not derived from England, and hence have not got the spirit or the sentiments of English Colonists. The principal of these elements are the French in Canada, the Dutch in South Africa, and the Irish in all three, but especially in Australasia. In Canada the French-Canadian province of Quebec is in revolt against compulsory military service. Australia the Irish vote defeated conscription. South Africa one portion of the Dutch population broke out into open rebellion, and the leader of the other portion who played the principal part in putting down the rebellion, has given clear voice to the claim that Colonial Home Rule must give place to an arrangement that will place South Africa in a position of complete equality with England herself. The system of Colonial Home Rule is thus getting worn out in the colonies themselves. This is surely no time to lower the flag of Ireland, and to accept as the fulfilment of the claims of a nation, older than England

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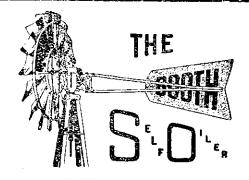
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herself, a system of government that the colonies themselves are about to cast off. In fact, there is nothing that would bring out in clearer light the absurdity of England's claims in regard to Ireland than an offer of Colonial Home Rule. Imagine the citizens of a nation that taught Christianity to the English when they were but raw colonists from the Continent of Europe, imagine them accepting the fiction that they were an English colony, in order to save John Bull's face before the world, and prevent him from being exposed as the arrant hypocrite that he is.

A short time ago Mr. Lloyd George poured scorn upon the German peace proposals, which he described as a sham independence for Belgium, a sham constitution for Germany, and a sham peace for Europe. And he spoke of the security of Germany as an accursed phrase that will have to be blotted from the map of Europe. Now Mr. Lloyd George may be able to convince Englishmen that Colonial Home Rule applied to Ireland is the essence of Freedom, whereas a much bigger measure of freedom applied to Belgium is a sham; he may be able to convince Englishmen that the security of England is an expression of blessed and holy sound, whereas the security of Germany is execrable, but he will scarcely be able to get outsiders to look at things in the same convenient light. England's only claim to retain Ireland is geographical. "Ireland lies across the heart and vitals of Great Britain. Look at the danger Ireland would be to England in time of war. Submarines could lurk in Irish harbors and come out and destroy English commerce." Germany has a far stronger geographical claim to Belgium than England has to Ireland. For the matter of that, Germany has a stronger claim to England than England has to Ireland. As soon as the war commenced England completely stopped all German commerce. All that Ireland would be able to do to England would be to make English commerce a little more difficult. So there is to be one rule for Germany and another for England. In the case of Germany, Nationality is a complete argument for independence. But in the case of England, Nationality is to be an argument in favor of Colonial Home Rule. No, Mr. Lloyd George, even you can't fool all the world all the time.

But suppose that we in Ireland were so zealous to save the face of English Ministers as to engage in a game of make-believe and to pretend that we were an English colony, what sort of a government would we get? Let us suppose that we got full Colonial Home Rule upon paper. Let us grant that the English Continue in the continue of the contin stitution is all that is claimed for it, that England itself is a free country, and that the colonies share to the full in the freedom of England. A Constitution similar to that which has brought freedom to Canada would not bring freedom to Ireland, because the basis upon which the Canadian Constitution is built is essentially different from that of Ireland. Sir John Macdonald, who may be regarded as the father of the Canadian Confederation, speaking in defence of the scheme in Quebec in 1865, two years before the Federal Union of British North America was established, said: "I believe that while England has no desire to lose her colonies, but wishes to retain them, while I am satisfied that the public mind of England would deeply regret the loss of these provinces—yet if the people of British North America after full deliberation had stated that they considered it was for their interest, for the advantage of the future of British North America to sever the tie, such is the generosity of the people of England that, whatever their desire to keep these colonies, they would not seek to compel us to remain unwilling subjects of the British Crown. If, therefore, at the conference we had arrived at the conclusion that it was for the interest of these provinces that a severance should take place, I am sure that her Majesty and the Imperial Parliament would have sanc-tioned that severance." If the people of England exhibited towards Ireland that generosity which Attorney-General Macdonald with such excellent diplomatic courtesy attributed to them in regard to Canada, I am sure of one thing anyway—that it would not be a difficult matter to make satisfactory arrangements for the future government of Ireland.

The provinces of Quebec and Ontario, then known as Lower and Upper Canada, and at the time united as one province, formed the nucleus of the Dominion. In 1864 a Coalition Government was formed with the object of bringing the Confederation into existence. After the formation of the Coalition there were 25 by-elections, 14 in the English portion of the province and II in the French portion. In the English portion there was no opposition to the Government scheme. In the French portion there was opposition in only four out of the 11 seats, and in only two was the opposition successful. It is clear, therefore, that the conference that formulated Colonial Home Rule for Canada really represented the wishes of the people, and enjoyed their confidence. The Canadian Conference thus fulfilled the two conditions that were laid down as essential by the Sinn Fein Executive for a successful Irish Conference—namely, that it should be elected by the Irish people, and that it should be free, if it wished, to declare in favor of complete independence for Ireland.

The fundamental condition, that they can declare for complete separation whenever they like, is what makes Colonial Home Rule a success in all the Do-The Colonial Home Rule Parliaments are subordinate to the English Parliament. But the subordination is merely nominal, because if the English Parliament attempted to exercise its powers against the wishes of the Dominions it would merely lead to separation. That condition was present at the establishment of the Dominion Parliaments. It remains present during their continuance. It is an absolutely essential condition. It is absent in the present discussions of Colonial Home Rule for Ireland. It would be absent during the continuation of the life of a Colonial Parliament in Ireland. The difference between a servant and a slave is that one can leave the service of his master whenever he likes, and the other cannot. Colonial Home Rule in Canada is a condition of service. In Ireland it would be slavery.

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The same soft rain washed clean the hills and skies.

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Och, sure, what ailed it though the wind blew strong?
Crying down the valley from the Eagle's Nest
I wouldn't mind the wind—it's long and long
I'm crying for Leenane and the wet West.

Who'd mind the rain? When all the purple hills Ran down in beauty to the water's edge, And all the air was loud with singing rills With pools o' rain under the fuchsia hedge.

There's some that do be dying of the heat;
The children here are faint as withered flowers.
I'd like to see them paddling with bare feet
In the wet grass when Leenane's drenched in showers.

Leenane, I'll not forget you night or day.
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[This poem, from the pen of that noble and gifted Irishwoman, Dora Sigerson Shorter, was discovered amongst her papers after her death.]

Somehow I never liked you, John, your ways were crude;

Your smile was pharisaical, your manners rude; Although you prospered well in worldly things—Ay, were on nodding terms with Czars and Kings— I seem to see the counter and the store, And all the shopman's manners learnt before You donned the regal robes of finer folk, And in your brain the strong desire awoke To play the master where you were the man; Plain Hodge, make blue the plebeian blood that ran To warm the grocer of those early days, Who sanded sugar and who mixed his tea Before he bowed in Sunday sanctity, With that lank Scotsman who your partner was. Ah, no, I never liked you, John, because You were a braggart and a pharisee, Held many slaves, yet prated "Liberty." Your sweated people toiled to make you great, Swept out your store and labored long and late. Their pay was poor, their faces lined with care, Of all good things you took the lion's share. In foreign lands, half-naked, they slaved on To gather gold to heap your plate upon; You'd swagger past, proud of their dull amaze, In Royal purple, eager for all praise.

Oh, long ago, when you were yet a boy, You always took the other children's toy And you were best at playing games of bluff, And no one liked you, John; your ways were rough. I well remember Kate, who lived next door, Her pretty eyes and snowy pinafore, Which oft you would mud-spatter and then call: "Oh, see the dirty girl," to one and all.

A jealous and a greedy boy you were, And loved to make a spectacle of her, Because she never liked you, John, since you To her sweet garden forced your rough way through. She heard you beg: Oh, Father, let Mr go; I'll teach her how to make the white flowers grow." And always since I hear the same old cry: "There's none so good, so fine, so brave as I."  ${f Ay}$ , even when  ${f I}$  roam to some far spot 'Neath Eastern skies, by world and time forgot, I see the dusky people creeping by, Alarmed to hear your shout of "I, I, I." "I'll show them how, I'll tell them what, and why: I'll bid them how to live, and how to die. And when I, yawning, seek some further shore, Some Indian strand, I hear your voice once more: I'll teach them how to work, and how to pray. Oh, John, you never think before your day Rome was, Greece was—can one believe it true?— Great Egypt died, and never heard of you!

How all the small folk hated you, big John! As you grew fat their little pastures on; And yet they quailed before you, or your state. And walked behind you—all save little Kate! She could not tame you with her gentle ways, Yet her right anger filled you with amaze. When she would face you, giving jeer for jeer, You struck her down, and laughed to see her tear. With her great heart for pity not too strong, Yet not too weak for anger at the wrong You loved to plague her with, as when a child You gave her grief if e'er you thought she smiled. You snatched her flag, her gun, her little ships—The very bread that touched her parted lips! Her pretty chainey and her shining glass, And all that took your greedy eyes, alas! Then with rough promise sought to still her cry, And named her "Vixen" to the passer-by.

Ah, with what care a seething pot you'd brew A bitter draught none mixed so well as you; You'd force her take, so, weakened, you might cry: "She's ne'er contented, yet how good am I."

The little church wherein she loved to tell Her pretty beads, I do remember well, How you would push her out, and there would stay, With eyes uplifted, as you seemed to pray-Ah! when, indeed, I most mistrusted you Was when you prayed, whose Trinity I knew The scrubbing brush, the belly, and the purse All badly served. Your cleanliness a curse Of little minds, that have no thoughts to fill The chambers of their brain, and have no will But service to the petty things of life, Destroy sweet Calm with their incessant strife, Cleaning, yet never clean, they ever seek To whiten sepulchres. Your table rude With all its ill-prepared and heavy food To feed your dull yet eager appetite. Your purse well filled can shrink or can expand To thirty silver pieces to your hand.

Yet, John, I must admit in many ways You have your virtues not devoid of praise. Could I forget sweet Kate who lived next door, With sweetest eyes and snowy pinafore. She was of finer clay—a child of dreams, Who knew the secret songs of hills and streams, Made from the passions of the four great seas, Lithe as the swaying of the storm-swept trees, Sweet as the heather-bell on moorland height, Blue were her eyes, her hair a clouding night. What knew you, Hodge, of such a one as this, Whose lips were lewd and had a ploughman's kiss? She'll never love you. John, howe'er you smile-A sour grimace that hides the deeper guile. Too often you her tender heart betrayed For her at last to listen unafraid Of some new plan to strike her down again, To break her heart in plotting for your gain, Yes, as I love her, John, 1 you despise And loathe you for the sorrow in her eyes. Ah, no, we'll never like you, Hodge, your ways are crude, Your smile is pharisaical, your manners rude.

#### THE "LITTLE FLOWER" IN ALASKA.

The extensive diocese of Alaska, the "Wonderland of America," has been placed under the special care of the "Little Flower." If there is any arduous mission, devoid of human comfort, and filled with hardships that might well daunt the bravest apostle, it is the Alaskan territory. Yet such a mission particularly appeals to her who, when broken in health, offered each painful step for "some missionary" laboring in a distant land that it might serve to lessen his fatigue. Looking about for help, Bishop Crimont, S.J., was therefore well advised in founding his Guild of the Little Flower to aid in the support of the great work so dear to her:—

"The 'Little Flower' in a touching manner pleads with her friends to come to her aid by joining the Guild of the Little Flower, the object of which is to build churches, hospitals, and convents in that far-off land, and to support the missionaries who have left all they hold dear, that the children of the Far North may not remain in darkness."

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### **Current Topics**

Doing Their Bit

That successful adventurer, Harmsworth, king-maker-in-chief to Britain, spent many thousands of pounds of English money on the Lloyd George lie factory, to which we owe stifling stories of corpse-factories and Sinn Fein plots and other things that have further helped to make the name of John Bull even more of a worldwide subject for laughter than heretofore. Much of the money was spent in America, with the result that from some American correspondents we get now and then, via our own benighted and hyper-patriotic press, some painfully side-splitting lies. For one of the latest we thank the Timaru Herald, which no doubt felt bound to "do its bit" against a small nation according to the glorious traditions of British fair play. Herald quotes the New York correspondent of the Daily News as reporting that de Valera's visit to America meant the end of Sinn Fein influence there. To which we are to add the further news that he was forced to confess that he was an American citizen, and that Cardinal O'Connell refused to shake hands with him, and that it was only by a trick that he got hold of the venerable hand of Cardinal Gibbons. Is it worth while noticing such arrant nonsense? Are there really readers in Timaru who are prepared to swallow such drivel? The exchanges to hand by the last mail contain evidence of a very different kind with regard to de Valera's triumphal procession across the United States and the eager and astonishing response to his appeal for the War Fund. As Cardinal O'Connell was in Chicago when de Valera arrived in Boston, he was prevented by the fact that their combined arms were not a couple of hundred miles long from shaking hands with the Irish President, for this is the title given de Valera everywhere in America now. But, not being able to do so, he did the next best thing: he deputed one of his priests to represent him and to give his blessing to de Valera and his work. At the mass meeting in Fenwick Park, Father O'Donnell told the people that the Cardinal who was absent wished him to "convey to the President of the Irish Republic his Eminence's kindest wishes and blessing." It may also interest the Herald to know that Archbishop Hayes selected the most popular man in America to-day—the heroic Chaplain of the Old Sixty-ninth—to speak for him at another meeting and that the Archbishop of Chicago welcomed de Valera to his home and gave him \$1000 as his personal subscription to the cause. Another Bishop issued a circular to his clergy exhorting them to encourage their flocks to attend de Valera's meetings. And everywhere subscriptions poured in freely for the cause for which de Valera and with him the Americans who fought for the sacredness of pledges and the destruction of Hunnishness stand.

### An Old Offender

The Timaru Herald is a first offender, but we have a word to say about the efforts of a very old sinner to do his dirty little bit. Having previously quoted one of those anonymous letters to himself, mainly in praise of his extraordinary erudition, "Civis," who protests when cornered that he knows nothing of statistics and nothing of history, who complains that it is unfair to take him seriously, and who resorts to forgery and similar contemptible tricks in his anti-Irish and No-Popery zeal, discusses fatuously the pros and cons of the disloyalty of wearing Irish badges and carrying Irish banners, and then goes on to glorify Orange Ulster in approved fashion. It does not matter to us "a tuppeny damn" whether "Civis" thinks us seditious or no. A Sinn Fein badge stands for the same thing as is advocated in the English press by men like Erskine Childers; it stands for our determination to make the spouters keep their promises; it stands for Ireland a nation, delivered for ever from Brithunnism; it stands for

everything hateful to a low bigot and a forger. And, let us add, that we hope our people will begin to wear the tricolor badge regularly to show their fidelity to the cause for which every true Irishman all over the world must stand to-day. "Civis" said about Ulster exactly the sort of thing people like him always say. He did not say that when he spoke of Ulster he did not mean Ulster. He knows very little, but he might be expected to know that to give Ulster a voice in the selection of its government would be the last thing that Carson or Mr. George would desire, for Ulster is for self-determination as it was for Home Rule. By Ulster 'Civis' and his friends mean the little corner of Ulster in which the foreign planters are located; and he and his friends want to persuade themselves that the foreigners in that corner ought to have the right to call in British armies to protect them in their ascendancy over the rest of Ulster and the rest of Ireland. When he spoke of the greatness of his "Ulster" he repeated the usual clap-trap of his kind about wealthy, prosperous, loyal "Ulster." But he did not say a word of the unenviable reputation of his "Ulster" for immorality and for bigotry and ignorance. To do that would have been in the nature of fairness, and "Civis" could no more be fair than he could be accurate. Moreover, taking the 39 counties and boroughs of Ireland in order of rateable valuation per head, Belfast is only twelfth. In Leinster Province the rateable valuation before the war was £4 8s 9d per head, while in Ulster it was only £3 9s 8d. Belfast owes what prosperity it has to the fact that a Protestant Government protected it while suppressing Catholic industries; and it may be added that the head of its chief industry is a Home Ruler. Before the war the County of Antrim and the City of Belfast had higher proportions of indictable offences than any other counties and cities in Ireland except Dublin, the seat of British government. In the statistics showing the percentage of persons over five years old who could read and write, Ulster was behind Leinster and Munster. Ulster had 3.7 per cent. of illegitimate births to 2.8 in Leinster, 2.5 in Munster, and 0.7 in Connacht. Much might be said here concerning the bigotry and unfairness of Belfast to Catholics in contrast with the fairness towards Protestants in Catholic centres, but where is the use wasting more time on one who professes that it is unfair to take him seriously and who, when all is said and done, is only a dirty forger? Whatever else "Civis" is he is a fine argument for driving out of Ireland the sort of people who must find support in despicable drivellers like himself. He is a fine type of the sort of person who expects to be upheld in bigotry and tyranny by the rifles of the English army of occupation in Ireland. To such England owes it that now her name is dragged in the mire as it is at the end of a war which she professed to wage for the rights of peoples to choose their own form of government. "Civis" is no doubt happy in the faith that he is "doing his bit" according to his smoky lights; he is doing it for Ireland too as truly as Piggot did before him. Let us forget "Civis," but don't forget Ireland. We stand for the land that was driven to rebellion; "Civis" stands for those whose "sexual filth" drove her to fight.

#### An Irish Night on the Coast

Long before we knew the West Coast as we do now we noticed how in other parts of New Zealand the Coasters clung together as if they had a common brotherhood or a common tie of nationality which the rest of us had not. And it was borne in on us the first time we crossed the Otira that the brotherhood is a very real thing to them, and that there is a spirit among them that the rest of us are not blessed with. The hardy pioneers who blazed the trail from Glenhope to Ross in the old days were men of a stamp that one does not find elsewhere. They left their mark not only on the rock-hewn roads and the bridges that spanned the rivers over there, but also on the generation that came after them in our day when the sturdy miners are for the most part sleeping in their lonely graves in the

The breed of the wowser is not there to-day. To the other side of the Alps belong the women of white-feather notoriety and the P.P.A. spies and informers. "Civis" and Elliot find a hearing among their own sort; the rivers on the Coast are rapid, and the men over there are quick to act when the faith of their fathers or the land they love are attacked by the sort of people tolerated here—and wise enough to stay Time and again we have wondered why there was not universal among our people in New Zealand the same spirit as is to-day manifested by the Americans and the Australians who are taking up the cause of our own small nation in a manner that silences every seonin and puts courage and heart into the timid. After the experience of the past three years we have nevertheless reason to feel pleased that Sinn Fein is coming into its own amongst us and that the lies of the paid press are no longer listened to by those to whom right and justice are more than mere names. But among the people on the Coast we felt the atmosphere vibrant with the real spirit that animates the Irish at liome and in New York and in Sydney and Melbourne to-day. The faith of Patrick is strong and steadfast from Westport to the Franz Josef; the love of liberty is as sturdy as the giant hills that guard that lovely country of virgin bush and foaming torrent. The men and women of the west are Sinn Fein to the core, and to be among them is like a tonic and an inspiration. The concert at Greymouth last week was charged with Every singer and every player wore Irish emotion. the Orange, White, and Green badge; the walls were hung with Sinn Fein banners: the last line of "The Wearin' o' the Green" got a Sinn Fein rendering-

"And till that day, please God, I'll stick To the Orange, White, and Green,"—

which made the roof ring with applause. From Reefton, from Brunner, from Hokitika came the singers and the speakers to throng the hall and to make the gathering a real expression of their love for the old faith and the old land. And short though the notice was when the worthy and Very Rev. Chairman stood up to open the proceedings he saw the hall in front of him thronged to its utmost capacity with old and young whose hearts were aflame with enthusiasm for that same dear land the wrongs of which are setting the United States ablaze to-day. If we may be permitted to strike a personal note we would say that the welcome we received was the most consoling thing that befel us since the day upon which we were given an opportunity of advocating in the Tablet the cause of Sinn Fein which has now behind it the solid support of the millions of the Irish race, at home and abroad, and which is being to-day blessed and supported by Cardinals and Bishops in America. For all our uphill work, for all our trials and contradictions, for all the coldness of the seonini and the vituperation of the friends of the Huns in Ireland, that warm burst of approbation from the true hearts of the West Coasters was reward heaped up and flowing over, and for it-not for ourselves alone but for Ireland—we once more thank the men and women of the true, loyal, warm west.

### The Irish-American Envoys and MacPherson

We have already given some details of the charges which the Envoys made against the British Government in Ireland. The entire document which they published on their return to America runs into many thousand words and may be summarised as follows:—

The killing of citizens by soldiers and constables without any justification; confinement of hundreds of men and women in vile prisons, without any charges having been preferred against them; inhuman treatment of prisoners: unspeakably loathsome surroundings; abominable food; cruel punishment of prisoners by policemen and by gaolers; solitary confinement that in a number of cases has produced insanity. The right of the home is no longer respected in Ireland; children kidnapped because their parents are republicans, who in turn are kept in ignorance of their whereabouts; summary arrests without warrant of women and chil-

dren who are railroaded to other parts of Ireland and confined with women of loose character; right of private property violated; heads of families unjustly deported, their families as a consequence left in want.

Other general charges are that the educational system in Ireland has proved a failure; that destitution is common in Dublin, and that burdened with taxation and robbed of the opportunity to develop her commerce, Ireland is being bled white.

At first the censor banned the publication of the document in Ireland, and it was not until some English papers had published it that it was allowed to appear among the people to whom the facts were known first-hand. As might be expected the British press shrieked angry denials and as is its way accused the Americans of being liars. The London Daily Herald, however, took a sane view of it and did not accept the ridiculous suggestion that men of the standing of Messrs. Walsh, Dunne, and Ryan were likely to stultify themselves as British Ministers might have done by publishing a tissue of falsehoods. After long delay MacPherson concocted a reply which was composed of denials of the crimes attributed to him. The Americans countered by offering to produce evidence for what they alleged and challenged the Government to grant an impartial inquiry into the whole matter. As it is now, the Government has been put in the wrong and only an impartial inquiry can satisfy the American people, who know Messrs. Walsh, Dunne, and Ryan too well to take as satisfactory a simple denial from the sort of men Already convicted of pledge-breaking and of "faking" plots to discredit Ireland. In the following words the Herald discussed the question under the headline "Our Shame In Ireland":-

The report should be read carefully by every Englishman who still wishes to make his country worthy of the men who died to make it safe for democracy. The Irish-American delegates had no cause to exaggerate and, still less, to lie deliberately, as the Times yesterday accused them of doing. The Irish-American verdict is as impartial as it is damning. Briefly, the report exhibits a condition of things as bad as anything we had been accustomed to cry out against in prison camps where militarist Germany tortured our soldiers during the war. Here are men of the most sincere convictions and of the highest culture, men of fine nerve, accustomed to decent living. They are denied the right to a trial, imprisoned without even hearing the charges made against them, subjected, in many cases, to the horror of solitary confinement, kept in underground cells in filth, damp, and cold, and worried with daily humiliations and bullying until brought to the verge of madness. These are not criminals. They are simply Irishmen who believe in Ireland's rights to independ-

The following is the text of the reply of the envoys to MacPherson's denial of the charges (we quote from

America): -We might refrain from making a reply to the answer of Mr. MacPherson, Chief Secretary of Ireland, for these reasons: (1) That our charges were not directed against subordinate officials of the English Government in Ireland, but against the Government of his Majesty King George V. (2) That the reply of Mr. MacPherson completely dodges the demand for an impartial commission of investigation, and is plainly an undignified effort upon the part of the English Government to try the Irish atrocity charges in friendly newspapers, instead of before an impartial tribunal. (3) That it took nearly two weeks to frame a reply, when any first-class Government, with orderly department records, could have submitted an honest and truthful one within two hours. (4) That the reply, as characterised by the London Times, is halting, stammering, and evasive. On account of the damaging and shameful admissions of misgovernment and violation of human rights contained in the reply itself. (6) That the reply seeks to avoid impartial investigation by the substitution of a campaign of slander and abuse against an investigator who preferred charges. And to the points specifically denied in Mr. MacPherson's reply, to illustrate, we BY CHOICE—
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The Democrats of the United States Senate, friends of the Administration, led by Senator Walsh (Mass.), have demanded that the Peace Conference hear the Irish-American delegates, and the delegates themselves have addressed these five questions, which are as yet unanswered, to the American commissioners:—

. (1) Has the American commission, or any individual member thereof, made a request of the Peace Con-

ference for a hearing of President de Valera, Count Plunkett, and Mr. Griffith? (2) Has your honorable body, or any individual member of it, made a request of the Peace Conference for international recognition of the Irish Republic? (3) Has your honorable body, or any individual member of it, made a request of the Conference for any person or persons to present the case of Ireland for its right of self-determination to the Peace Conference? (4) If all or any such requests have been made have the same been considered by the Conference, and if so, has an answer been received from the Conference or any official representative of it? (5) If such requests have not been made, will your honorable body be good enough, in the cause of humanity and justice, to make such requests, or any thereof which you may deem proper? If so, please promptly advise us as to the result, or make the same public so that all your petitioners may be advised.

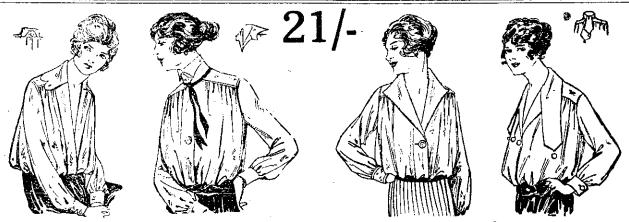
Meantime, President de Valera is "enjoying a triumph." Crowds attend him on all occasions; he has been granted the freedom of the City of New York; he has been invited to address the Lower House of Massachusetts; at Boston, June 28, 30,000 people gathered in and about the depot to greet him, and 40,000 heard his Boston address on June 29; the alumni of the great New England college, Holy Cross, 2,000 in number, passed resolutions of sympathy for his suffering land. The Hierarchy of Ireland met June 24 and adopted a

resolution which reads in part as follows:-

We have the rule of the sword, which is utterly unsuited to a civilised nation and supremely provocative of disorder and chronic rebellion. There have been acts of violence which we have deplored, and they have sprung from this cause alone. For trifles, which in any other country would be within the rights of all men, Irish people have been sent to gaol under savage sentences. Enormous sums are raised annually by overtaxation, without any attempt beyond empty promises to promote a suitable scheme of reconstruction and development. In the interests of peace, order, and morality this aggressive domination should stop, once and for all.

Remember that exterior devotedness, though very necessary, does not suffice: it must be accompanied by a spirit of confident humble prayer, in union with the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.—Mother M. of the Sacred Heart.

The bishop of an eastern diocese in America has given instructions in accordance with which each year one young student for the priesthood in the seminary will take a course in journalism, and after ordination will be assigned, in addition to his priestly duties, to supplying the official and general Catholic news on important occasions to the Catholic press and the daily press.



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### A PIONEER RELIGIOUS HONORED.

On Sunday, August 17, the 50th anniversary of the profession of Sister M. Justina McGee took place at St. Mary's Convent, Ponsonby, Auckland (writes an esteemed correspondent). As a fitting commemoration of the event, Solemn High Mass was sung at 9 a.m. by Father Bradley, the Very Rev. Father Buckley being deacon, and Father Murphy (lately from Ireland) subdeacon. The Mass was sung effectively by the Convent Choir, which also rendered the "Jubilate in Aeternum," during the singing of which the customary wreath was placed on the jubilarian. Pontifical Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given at 5 p.m. Very Rev. Chancellor Holbrook delivered an eloquent sermon on the occasion. "The golden jubilee of a Sister of Mercy—the completion of the fiftieth year of the profession of Sister Justina-how can I better express the humble Sister's feelings and those of the Rev. Mother, the community, and all their friends, than in the inspired words of Our Lady, when on her visit of mercy to her cousin St. Elizabeth: 'Magnificat Anima mea'? Surely He that is mighty hath done great things for Sister Justina. Favored by a special grace, called apart in her earliest years to-the quiet retreat of the convent life, placed under the personal care of the holy foundress in New Zealand, Mother M. Cecilia Maher, of Carlow, the jubilarian of to-day shares, in part, the glory of St. Mary's described by the illustrious Cardinal Moran in his monumental History of the Church (page 906): 'They, the Sisters of Mercy, proved themselves true apostles to both the Europeans and the Maoris in Auekland and throughout the whole diocese. Amid all the vicissitudes of that diocese when missions were forsaken, and when difficulties arose such as seldom have befallen a colonial diocese, for that suffering church was for years encompassed on every side with the terrors and ravages of savage warfare, and with its direful consequences, dissensions, desolation, ruin, and a crushing burden of debt, nevertheless, throughout that trying period St. Mary's Convent of Mercy in Auckland was a true fortress of the faith and preserved and handed on to the faithful of the diocese the traditions of piety, and the blessings of religion.' If I mistake not. Sister Mary Justina is the first New Zealand-born Sister to celebrate the golden jubilee of religious profession, and almost the only living link of the past with the present. What has passed since that memorable year 1869, the year of the Vatican Council—the year of the Sister's profession? Fifty years a Sister of Mercy! Only the recording angel can tell—work for God, for neighbor, and for personal sanctification. The true value may be assessed by the judgment standard—the works of mercy. During the week we read in the papers of the passing away of two of the world's greatest—the Philosopher of Zeno, whose life work was to rob man of destiny, negation of the existence of God, and that man is not, in the words of the psalmist, 'little less than the angels,' but only a little more than the ape: the other the multimillionaire who from the workers amassed millions and erected some monuments to perpetuate his name and memory-Andrew Carnegie. Compare, if you can, the half-century of life of these two worldlings and the Sister of Judge not by the world's standards, but by the Cross and Last Judgment: 'What doth it profit a man to gain the whole world?' In the ordinary course of life Sister Justina may not have many more years to endure the exile from her Father's Home. To our well-beloved Sister we say: May all your remaining years be happy and peaceful, in closer union with Jesus and Mary. It is fifty years since God's anointed minister addressed to you the invitation in the profession, 'Redde vota Altissimo, Veni Sponsa Christi.' When death arrives, not the messenger, but the Master Himself will say to you, 'Veni Sponsa—Accipe Coronam.' Dear Sister, on this auspicious day accept our sincerest and heartiest congratulations. May God and His Blessed Mother be praised for all their goodness to Sister Justina and the community of St. Mary's. May the religious spirit of your holy foundress still flourish within these hallowed walls of your sacred convent home. May the lives, dedicated and consecrated by the triple bonds of voluntary poverty, perpetual chastity, and willing obedience, knit all still more closely together for the greater honor and glory of God. May the works of mercy, spiritual and corporal, characteristic of the Order be your passports to the arms of Jesus and Mary. Our hymn to-day, 'Jubilate in Aeternum,' may it be ours always. As the years pass and time is no more may we realise more fully the meaning and message of to-day's jubilee celebrations. 'Magnificat Anima Mea Dominum.''

### TRIFLING WITH THE TRUTH.

It is now pretty commonly held that if a Minister of State has made an assertion there is some reason to doubt its accuracy (says the London Catholic Times of recent date). But, bad as is the tradition established by the Government, one of its members surely has not quite so much reason to feel ashamed of deliberately departing from the truth as an organ of the Church of England. The Anglican Church, which is a State institution, may reasonably be expected to set the State a good example—not a bad one. Yet we find the Church Times, which speaks for it, declaring the other week that the history of the Church of England—the Protestant Church as by law established—'extends back for fourteen centuries.' This trifling with the truth may seem a small matter to the author of the statement, which even school children must know is false, but as an instance of disregard for truth it is a pitiable exhibition. It is not a case of ignorance. The writer knew-must have known-that the Protestant Church of England did not exist 14 centuries ago and that it differs so essentially from the Catholic Church which was then the Church of England, that when it came into existence the Catholic altars were smashed and Catholic priests banned and martyred. The readers of the Church Times might as well be assured that white and black are but one and the same color.

#### THE IRISH ISSUE.

The Irish people everywhere (says the New York Irish World) are now asserting themselves, Ireland's crisis is at hand. If the Great Powers intend to deny justice to Ireland, all are entitled to know the reason. The Big Four have preached Justice and taught the world to look for it. Let them now say whether it is to be made subject to Expediency. Millions have looked to Paris for some decision on the Irish issue. The powers there represented were familiar with all its They knew that volumes might be written cataloguing the debts of honor due to Iroland, especially by Great Britain, France, and the United States. Yet the veriest bankrupt could not have dodged a creditor with half the skill that the representatives of these countries have dodged the Irish issue. So much for debts of honor; so much for Liberty and Justice, when these are backed only by moral forces. The Big Three have run away from the Irish Issue at Paris, but it will be awaiting them "back home." The masses now are studying it, thanks to the attitude of Irishmen everywhere. Already the powerful labor organisations of England, the United States, and "Dominions beyond the seas" have expressed themselves favorable to Irish aspirations. The Empire will know no Peace while Irish discontent remains. The time is past for any tricky, makeshift settlement. No one wants to hear any more of the politicians' sham philosophy about how Ireland should be governed. Facts are becoming public showing how she is now ignored. These facts are almost as revolting as if borrowed from the era of Cromwell; they furnish, to say the least, sad reading in these enlightened times.

### CATHOLIC PRINCIPLES

Catholic principles (writes the Most Rev. Dr. Kelly, Archbishop of Sydney, in a recently published Pastoral Letter) upheld always unflinchingly by the Papacy, are applicable to our time, and supply the preventative of its evils.

1. Each individual is free and responsible in

thought and desire, word and deed.

2. Supernatural light and strength to be obtained by the proper use of prayer and the Sacraments is indispensable to each and to all, in the spiritual combat with the powers of sin, within and without our souls.

3. The bond of consummated wedlock may be sundered by death only. Husbands and wives who separate should become reconciled or remain without a partner; either will be an adulterer if joined to another

man or woman, civil divorce notwithstanding.

4. The system of public instruction which divorces religion from the primary school especially cannot be accepted as complete and salutary. Being neutral and atheistic, or mainly secular, its influence if not its teaching promotes religious indifferentism, which, in turn, even under the cloak of broad-mindedness, will lead to the decay of moral character by the broad avenues of self-love, avarice, greed of gain, contempt of authority, and enslaving habits of impurity, injustice, and impiety. Surely the work of the devil!

5. Both masters and servants, employers and the

employed, should regard one another mutually as members of one and the same body, affected by each other's prosperity and adversity, and bound together by the exercise of justice and fraternity, in the hope of the life that now is and of that which is to last without end.

6. Given reasonable sufficiency for family life, every Christian is to be content with his own lot and its opportunities for gradual permanent improvement of circumstances, the rich taking care of the needy and the poor and orphans, the strong assisting the weak and the afflicted, all in the name of the Man-God, not distinguishing between creeds or classes, between friends or enemies, and hoping for nothing thereby, as if we were useless servants (Luke 6 and 17). "As you would that men should do to you, do you also to them in like manner" (Matthew 7, Luke 10). "Your Father who is in heaven . . . maketh His sun to rise upon the good and the bad, and raineth upon the just and the unjust" (Luke 6).

7. All are to obey the rulers of Church and State, by the ordinance of God; and rulers are also to be subject to Him in the exercise of the authority with which He has invested them for the welfare of society, in their respective spheres. Church and State are as the two arms of Divine Providence in working out the happiness of mankind in time and for eternity. The Church has charge of our spiritual and eternal interests; the State is to safeguard and promote our material and earthly prosperity. They are both self-contained under God: each should respect and assist the other in its own domain, and for the common good. "There is no power but from God, and those that are are ordained of God"

(Rom. 13).

8. Subjects are free to work for all true reforms by every lawful and advisable means-i.e., in prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. Thus, the Machabees, in resisting impious laws, merited renown with men and crowns of martyrdom above. But no man hath license to do wickedly, nor (as we are slandered and as some affirm that we say) to do evil that there may come good (Rom. 3). The Commandments of God are paramount to all—rulers and ruled. Those whom God blesses will walk in the ways of holiness and peace (Prov. 33, Matthew 5). Patience hath a perfect work (James 1). "Shall there be evil in a city which the Lord hath not done?" (Amos 3). "The Lord He will strike us and He will cure us" (Osee 6).

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### THE SECRET TREATIES

HOW THEY TIED THE HANDS OF THE PEACE-MAKERS.

Late in 1917 the Russian Bolsheviki published the secret treaties and secret correspondence between the late Government of the Czar and the Allies. The authenticity of these was questioned at the time, and although they were published in many British journals, their reproduction here was rigorously prohibited. When the text of these reached Australia in May, 1918, it was immediately apparent that, compelled thereto by the fear of being defeated by Germany, Great Britain had been constrained to put her hand to agreements which ran quite counter to her constantly repeated assertions concerning what she was fighting for. It was then obvious that representatives, in the event of a victory, which, at times, seemed remote, would be placed in an exceedingly awkward position and would find it impossible to reconcile their public utterances with their private commitments. Something would have to be scrapped, and public utterances—though made to convince the people that we fought for the freedom of small States, desired neither territory nor indemnities, were engaged solely in defending democracy and destroying militarism—being far less binding than promises made with the object of inducing Italy and Roumania to enter the war to keep Russia and France in it, would necessarily have to go to the wall. With the object of showing people how difficult was the position, and in this way preparing them for what would inevitably happen should victory crown the efforts of the Allies, the following little comparison was prepared. It could not see the light at the time, but now that peace has been made it can be published, and serves to show how little reliance can be placed on public utterances whilst secret diplomacy exists. The comparison is of the briefest, and might be greatly elaborated by quotations from dozens of speeches and further extracts from the secret treaties. Enough is given, however, to explain why the Peace Treaty does not conform to President Wilson's fourteen points, or to the declared war aims of the Allies, whilst the struggle was in pro-

OPEN PROFESSION AND SECRET DIPLOMACY.

No Dismemberment of Germany,

Never did we desire that a bit of Germany should be cut off from the parent State and erected into some kind of independent republic or independent government of some sort on the left bank of the Rhine.-Mr. Balfour, House of Commons, December 19, 1917.

The rest of the territories situated on the left bank of the Rhine which now form part of the German Empire are to be entirely separated from Germany are to be constituted an autonomous and neutral State, and are to be occupied by French troops until . the enemy States have completely satisfied all the conditions and guarantees indicated in the Treaty of Peace. -Russo-French Agreement, February 14, 1917.

No Dismemberment of Austria.

We do not wish in any way to impair or to rearrange the Austrian Empire.-President Wilson, December 4, 1917.

Italy is to receive the Trentino; the entire Southern Tyrol . . . Trieste . . . Gorizia and Gradisca; the whole of Istria . . . the province of Dalmatia and the

islands.—Treaty of London, April 26, 1915.
Roumania is to have the Banat, Transylvania up to the Theis, and Bukovina up to the Pruth.—Treaty

with Roumania, August 18, 1916.

No Imperialist Schemes.

We entered upon this war with no scheme of Imperial conquest or aggrandisement.—Lord Robert Cecil, House of Commons, May 16, 1917.

The Allies are fighting for nothing but freedom -

Mr. Asquith, House of Commons, July 26, 1917.

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No Territorial Acquisitions.

We are not fighting for additional territory.—Mr. Bonar Law, House of Commons, February 20, 1917.

In the spring of 1916 the Allied British, French, and Russian Governments came to an agreement as regards the future delimitation of their respective spheres of influence and territorial acquisitions in Asiatic Turkey. . . . Great Britain obtains the southern part of Mesopotamia, with Bagdad, and stipulates for herself, in Syria, the ports of Haifa and Akka.—Russian Foreign Office Memo., March 6, 1917.

Freedom for Small States.

This is a war for the emancipation of the smaller States.—Mr. Asquith, Guildhall, November 9, 1916.

The sympathy with which his Majesty's Government regards the legitimate aspirations of the Albanian people.—Foreign Office Letter to Miss Durham, January 16, 1918.

The neutral zone in Persia is to be included in the English sphere of influence.—Russo-British Agree-

ment, March 20, 1916.

Having obtained . . . the Gulf of Valona, Italy undertakes . . . not to oppose the possible desire of France, Great Britain, and Russia to re-partition the northern and southern districts of Albania, between Montenegro, Serbia, and Greece.—Treaty of London, April 26, 1915.

The Principle of Nationality.

Let us fight for great and sound principles. . . . The first is the principle of nationality.—Winston

Churchill, London, September 11, 1914.

Roumania demanded as the price of her entry into the war, the cession to her of the Banat of Temesvar. Russia replied that this was a violation of the rights of non-Roumania nationalities, but Great Britain and France agreed. Russia asked "that the Serbs of the Banat must be guaranteed from Roumanisation." England and France did not support her, and the treaty of August 18, 1916, promised Roumania a free hand over the Serbs and Slovaks and Magyars of the Banat.—Russian Diplomatic Correspondence, published February, 1918.

Abolition of Balance of Power.

The first aim is . . . not the revival in some revised shape of what used to be called the balance of power, but the substitution for it of an international system in which there will be a place for great and for small States.—Mr. Asquith.

France, Great Britain, and Russia admit in principle that the fact of Italy's interest in the maintenance of the political balance of power in the Mediterranean, and her rights in case of a partition of Turkey to a share equal to theirs in the Basin of the Mediterranean.

—Treaty of London, April 26, 1915.

Destruction of Tyranny.

Mesopotamia will never be restored to the blasting tyranny of the Turk.—Mr. Lloyd George, Glasgow, June 29, 1917.

When this war began we made it clear to the Turkish Government that, if they remained neutral, their Empire should not suffer in integrity of authority.—Mr. Asquith, November 9, 1914.

—Stead's Review.

### ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

August 30.

The Catholic officers and men of the H.M.S. New Zealand, at present in Wellington, attended the Basilica of the Sacred Heart last Sunday headed by the ship's Drum and Fife Band.

There are no less than 14 Catholic members now touring New Zealand with the Australian League foot-

ball team. These attended Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on last Sunday.

Members of St. Joseph's branches of the Catholic Federation and St. Vincent de Paul Society, with Father Hurley, S.M., Adm, entertained the Catholic sailors of the H.M.S. New Zealand at the new schoolroom, Buckle street, last Friday evening. Forty of the sailors were permitted by the commander to accept the invitation, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The men are of a fine stamp, and thoroughly appreciated the efforts of their co-religionists to make their stay in Wellington a pleasant one. The following contributed to the programme:—Misses Corby, Hurley, Oliver, and St. John, Messrs. Albert Russell, Norman, Aitken, D. Kelly, and Hanlon. To-morrow (Sunday) the men will attend St. Joseph's Church, and arrangements have been made to hand each a small gift parcel. If possible, arrangements will be made to entertain the men when they again visit the port in about two weeks' time.

The many friends of Father Dalton Campbell, S.M., of St. Anne's, will regret to hear that he has been seriously ill. To-day there is a slight improvement in his condition, which has been causing anxiety.

The monster bazaar for the Thorndon and St. Joseph's parishes is being steadily worked up, and very good progress is reported. The tug-of-war is attracting entries and enquiries from all over the Dominion, and is going to be a big draw. The bazaar will open at the end of October at the Town Hall.

Owing to the restrictions placed upon travelling, the annual meeting of the Dominion Council of the Catholic Federation, which was to have been held on Wednesday, August 27, has been postponed until the present restrictions have been removed.

### CHURCH OE ST. ROCH, HANMER SPRINGS

This first response to my appeal is most encouraging. I am deeply grateful. I beg to acknowledge the following subscriptions received per Messrs. O'Reilly and Butler (Culverden):—£10, Mr. M. O'Reilly; £5 each, Mr. and Mrs. W. Berry, Mr. J. Hoban; £3 each, Mr. J. Butler, Mr. D. McGillicuddy; £1 10s, Mr. J. Moran; £1 each Mrs. J. Butler, Mrs. O'Reilly, Miss M. O'Reilly, Miss C. O'Sullivan, Mr. M. Flaherty, Mr. W. Maher, Mr. J. Monahan, Mr. J. Walsh, Mr. G. Poppeiwell; 12s 6d, Mr. Neil Campbell; 10s each, Mr. J. Gallagher, Mr. P. English, Mr. F. McNamara; 5s each, Mr. J. Butler, jun., Mr. L. Butler, Mr. Stewart, Mr. M. O'Loughlin; 2s 6d each, Mr. F. O'Neill, Mr. M. Rea, Mr. J. Hoare;—total; £40.

In the Gospel of last Sunday Our Divine Lord depicts his infinite love for mankind in the parable of the Samaritan. A certain man was wounded and robbed and left half-dead on the road. A priest saw him, and passed by. A Levite saw him, and passed by. A Samaritan saw him, bound his wounds, and brought him to an inn. He said to the host: "Take care of him, and I, on my return, will repay thee.' The human race is recognised in that unfortunate man who was wounded. The Good Samaritan was Jesus Christ, who, feeling compassion for us, sacrificed Himself to save us. He bound up our wounds with the bonds of His Charity. Our soldiers at Hanmer were wounded and robbed of their health. Write to me today, and say: "Take care of them, Father. Enclosed is a donation towards the Church of St. Roch." good Samaritan. To the Pharisee Our Lord said: ' thou and do likewise, do not heedlessly pass by."

I promise to offer up the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass during 1919 and 1920, with God's help, each time I stand at God's altar in the Church of St. Roch, for subscribers, their deceased relatives, the soldiers living

and dead, and also their dear parents.

Yours gratefully,

J. P. O'Connor.

### A DUBLIN PRIEST ON PEARSE: WHAT PADRAIC PEARSE DID FOR THE NATION.

"I wonder," Father Augustine remarked to an American interviewer, "I wonder do you in America realise what Padraic Pearse did for us? I think of what we owe him, of how much of the Ireland of today is his creation. But you could not really know unless you were living in the country. In Pearse's boyhood we were a dying nation. Yes, those of you who were in Ireland 10 years ago know how low our spirit was. Our schools, with a few brilliant exceptions, were de-nationalised, indeed it was the low national tone of the first schools he went to that aroused him to devote himself to education in Ireland, to do something to save the souls of the young men and women from the dry rot that was destroying them. We used to wear the symbols of our degradation without a murmur. He changed all that, with his pen, with his speeches, his work in the Gaelic League, and, above all, by the creation of St. Enda's School. He gave reality to the dreams of generations of Irish people. He left an inspired nation to the present leaders, worthy

followers of the brave men of 1916.
"Indeed," said Father Augustine, "we have now the ablest leaders a nation ever had, and the most representative- representative of every class and kind in the community. Many of them (leaders) are trustees of St. Enda's School, a special committee of men and women connected with education, will arrange for the academic and scholastic side of the school life, while Mrs. Pearse with her devoted daughter will take the place she occupied in her sons' lifetime—mothering the bare and looking after their physical welfare. The boys and looking after their physical welfare. trustees are amongst the most prominent of the Irish leaders to day. Many of them are but lately out of prison, and they will devote to St. Enda's all the time they can spare from the affairs of the nation. They are Arthur Griffith, Professor Eoin MacNeill, Laurence Ginnell, and other well-known and trusted men and women. Besides these there are many men, clergymen and laymen, whose names do not appear, but who are intensely interested in the welfare of the school. is to you, however, and not to them, will belong the chief honor of saving St. Enda's School, and presenting it to the Irish nation as a memorial to Padraic and Willie Pearse, and indeed to the other men of kindred ideals who fought and died that their native land might

### A CHAPLAIN'S EXPERIENCE.

An American Catholic army chaptain, Father G. Lacombe, writes thus of his experiences in Germany:—

Our men are far more at home in Germany than they were in France. The population declare openly that they look upon us as their deliverers. How explain this? There are those who claim that the German propaganda is still subsidised and still strongly organised, and that their avowed preference of the Americans to the English and French is another piece of clumsy propaganda. I personally think the answer is more fundamental. I think the answer is to be found in history.

"The Kulturkampf, of 1870, burned deeply into the lives of these people, to whom religion is dearer than life itself. They are organised along religious lines, and the simplicity and thoroughness of their religious life is an example to all of us. Every day the village assists at High Mass. They stay for my Mass and sing their sweet hymns. They are at Benediction at nightfall. They have the rosary at bedtime."

Joy is a precious possession, not given equally to all men: let those who have it in abundance share it with their neighbors. All good things should be communicated to others, and this one above all; and our joy is communicated to others by friendly laughter, by pleasant conversation, and by heartfelt affection; just in the same way the good things of fortune are communicated by presents and alms.

### DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

September 1.

Rugby enthusiasts throughout New Zealand, and particularly the Catholic portion, will read with pleasure the fine record put up by the local M.B.O.B. Association. Out of six competitions they have won four -senior, fourth, fifth, and sixth grades. The senior team in its final effort against Linwood, and whom it defeated by 14 points to 8, gave a really brilliant exhibition, the contest being witnessed by some 5000 spec-In the second half Marists simply ran their opponents right out, the passing bouts being exceptionally fine. In the primary schools' contest the Brothers' boys won the senior shield, playing nine games without a loss, though they had two draws. The points scored by them were 148, while only six were registered against them—both penalty goals. It is worthy of mention that for two seasons past the Marist boys' line has not been crossed. The light-weights were just beaten after having met the Sydenham School three times, two of the games resulting in draws. Sydenham won the third game by 8 points. In the schools' "seven-aside" the boys won the under 11 grade, and were in the finals for under 13, under 14, and open class contests. The fourth grade seven journeyed to Ashburton for the tournament there, and won the higher third grade championship.

At a recent meeting of the Cathedral Choir the following committee (with Father Long as spiritual director) was elected:—Deputy-chairman, Mr. J. R. Hayward; committee, Misses M. G. O'Connor, E. Rodgers, M. McAloon, Messrs. W. Dudderidge and W. Brittenden. Miss McAloon holds the positions of secretary and treasurer. Meetings are to be held after devotions on the second Sunday of each month. Mr. Alfred Bunz is taking over the choir as conductor and

organist.

After devotions on last Sunday evening the Cathedral Choir assembled to say farewell to Miss Mina Ward, who is taking up the position of organist at St. Mary's Church, Manchester Street. Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy and Mr. J. R. Hayward, on behalf of the choir members and parishioners, paid a tribute of praise to the excellent service given by Miss Ward during her term as organist, and wished her every success in the future. In reply, Miss Ward expressed her appreciation of the cordiality that had been extended to her, and said her connection with the Cathedral Choir would always be amongst her most pleasant recollections.

The dressing and mounting for the coronation ceremony in connection with the recent Victory Fair will be extensive and claborate. The amount realised as a result of the fair is the more surprising when it is remembered that it was not until May 11 that it was inaugurated. Owing to the short preparatory period, it was found necessary to appeal to the various convents throughout the diocese for assistance in securing artistic works. Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Adm., however, had no difficulty in getting this help, and he and his committee tender heartfelt gratitude to the good Sisters who so generously assisted. Beautiful works were received from the Convents of Mercy—Villa Maria (Riccarton), St. Mary's (Colombo Street), Lyttelton, Hokitika, Greymouth, Kumara, Methven, Rakaia, and Akaroa; from the Sisters of the Missions, Christchurch, Rangiora, Leeston, and Ashburton; from the Sisters of St. Joseph, Temuka and Waimate, the Little Company of Mary (Lewisham Hospital), the Sisters of the Good Shepherd (Mount Magdala), and Sisters of Naza-The school children at the Marist Brothers' School, St. Mary's Convent, and the Sisters of the Missions' Schools ably seconded the energetic efforts of their teachers in furthering the interests of the fair.

May our continual praises, our work, and our zeal console the Father of infinite mercy and the God of all holiness, whose preventing love is often met with criminal indifference, outrage, and inexplicable hatred.—

Mother M. of the Sacred Heart.

### VICTORY FAIR, CHRISTCHURCH

A MAGNIFICENT SUCCESS.

The Hibernian Hall, Christchurch, was crowded last Friday night, when the result of the queen contest in connection with the recent Victory Fair in aid of the Cathedral Catholic Girls' School Building Fund was announced. Some time elapsed before the officials had completed the count, and a keen sense of speculation prevailed. The time was, however, pleasantly passed away in listening to an impromptu musical propassed away in insening to an imprompta musical programme, contributed to by Miss M. Ward (pianoforte overture), Miss M. G. O'Connor, Master B. Upjohn, and Mr. P. Jones (songs), and Mr. P. Smyth (recitation). Miss K. O'Connor was accompanist.

Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Adm., announced the

results of the queen contest as follows:-

Hibernian Stall (queen, Miss Nancy McCullough), 482,608 votes, representing a money value of £2010 17s 4d, proclaimed "Queen of the Fair." The announcement was received with a great outburst of cheers by the supporters of the green colors.

St. Vincent de Paul Society's Stall (queen, Miss Daphne Holmes), 444,708 votes, representing £1852

19s.

Confraternity Stall (queen, Miss Kathleen Kelleher), 240,010 votes, representing £1000 0s 10d.

Hostel Stall (queen, Miss Dorothy Walsh), 218,-

679 votes representing £911 3s 6d. Children of Mary Stall (queen, Miss Elsie Ives),

126,956 votes, representing £528 19s 8d.

Sundry receipts amounted to £103 6s 7d, bringing the gross total for the fair up to £6406 6s 8d. This

announcement was received with prolonged cheering. Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy said he was too deeply moved at the magnificent result of the fair to fittingly express his thanks. They must first of all thank Providence for providing favorable circumstances throughout the forthight of the fair. He specially commended the principal workers in the executive, Messrs. T Cahill (secretary), J. R. Hayward (chairman of executive), and P. O'Connell (assistant secretary) for their valuable services, and specially thanked the lady workers, mentioning several for exceptionally good service. They also highly appreciated the generous help given by the parishioners of St. Mary's.

His Lordship Bishop Brodie said the ancial result of the fair was, he felt su a Dominion record, and it was certainly matter for intense gratification. Prior to sure. the fair he had told the Cathedral parishioners how close to his heart was the work of Catholic education. He then believed that if they made £2000 they would be well rewarded for their efforts, and on learning the result that night words failed him to express his thanks. It was a revelation of the enthusiasm, zeal, and generosity of the people. He impressed on the Catholics, glad in their triumph, to remember the generous help given them by their non-Catholic friends, who had given a measure of help for which they must ever be proud, and for which the Catholics of the parish must always be grateful. (Applause.) He was proud of his Catholics and their friends.

Miss Nancy McCullough, the queen-elect, was then carried shoulder-high through the hall, amidst cheers. The formal crowning ceremony will take place in the Coliseum on September 18.

### Oamaru

(From our own correspondent.).

August 31.

Father Gondringer, of the staff of St. Patrick's College, is at present on a visit here. On Sunday evening he gave a very eloquent sermon on "The Cathelia Charact" olie Church.''

Oamaru has decided to plant a memorial oak for each of her soldier sons who died during the war. Very fittingly the first of these caks to be dedicated

was the one in memory of a popular Catholic officer, the late Lieut. J. G. Cowan (a former master at the Middle School), who was not only one of the first to enlist but also to make the supreme sacrifice. ceremony was performed on Friday last, in the Middle School grounds, in the presence of a large number of pupils, parents, and friends.

When driving last week, Mrs. W. McCombie had a rather unenviable experience. As a result of the horse shying she was thrown from the trap and sustained a badly broken ankle.

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MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIII. TO THE N.Z. TABLET.

Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet,
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Die 4 Aprilis, 1900.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1919.

### THE IRISH QUESTION



EVEN HUNDRED years of tyranny, the rise and fall of dynasties of English rulers having in common little beyond the policy of exterminating Irish Catholics, have left the demand of the Irish people for freedom and self-government unappeased and unabated. Organised rebellions, shameful pledge-breaking, fomented famines, diabolical penal laws, and ruthless landlord-

ism, backed by the might of Britain, have not broken the spirit nor tamed the courage of the Irish, who, after all the years of oppression by a foreign Government, are still determined to have their own land and their own laws. The Irish question is not a complex one. Press and politicians in vain endeavor to obfuscate it and to throw the blame for all the confusion on the Irish themselves. What Ireland wants and will have at the very least is the repeal of the Act of Union which British statesmen have themselves condemned as a cruel and black fraud. They want the foreigners to leave them alone, and, having failed to rule Ireland, to betake themselves bag and baggage to their own country. They want an Irish Ireland for Irishmen; they want their own old Catholic nation which has been ground down and beaten for more years than Belgium could count weeks of agony under the Prussians.

What exasperates one is to read the mealymouthed drivel that we find in our press when patron-

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ising editors and other equally silly quill-drivers at-tempt to tackle the question with a pharasaical show of sympathy for Ireland. These people tell their readers-if they have readers left after four years of heapedup proof of their incapacity to deal sanely and squarely with any issue—that Irishmen could have self-government if they would only agree among themselves. Every schoolboy who has mastered the outlines of Irish history could tell that the one thing certain about Irishmen is that they do agree that they must determine their government for themselves, and that they want no outside interference from rulers who rule without a shadow of right and who stand for all that is blackest in the way of Prussian might and force. Lloyd George pretended to attempt a settlement when he wished to lead America into the war. But not only did he refuse to allow Irishmen to select their own delegates for the Convention, but he refused to guarantee to put the findings of his own packed gathering into force when it had arrived at a substantial agreement. real test of Irish opinion was the elections, when the issue was fought out fairly on the lines of Irish Ireland. Sinn Fein carried the country, and since then has gained new strength, so that any man who knows anything about Ireland to-day cannot deny that the one thing on which Irishmen agree is Sinn Fein. No country has unanimous agreement as to its government, and only fools and editors tied and bound to the chariot of the infamous Harmsworth could pretend-as our editors do-that because a few foreign bigots in one corner of Ireland are compelled by their Tory and Protestant overlords to oppose self-government, Mr. George is justified in holding up to Heaven hypocritical hands and wailing, "Those Irish will not agree." Once again let us repeat that Ulster is for Irish Ireland, and that Ulster is by no means the one little corner of Orangedom which demands and obtains the right to oppress the rest of Ireland. Moreover, the inhabitants of that particular corner are not Irishmen: they are planters put there by England in the past for the express purpose they still serve, a purpose in keeping with that of the dark days of Ninety-Eight when their sexual filth drove Wexford to rebellion; and it were as logical to say that the Chinamen and Jews in New Zealand must determine what sort the government must obtain in the Dominion as to pretend that the engineered opposition of the Orangemen and the placemen is an argument against the united desire of all the rest of Ireland for a government according to their wishes. Of the endless hypocrisy of the press and of the tire-some platitudes of the editors of our "Day Lies" we shall never be free; but in spite of all they do and say the whole world knows to-day that Ireland is in the same position as regards England as Belgium or Poland was to Prussia, and that England has belied her war aims and broken her pledges and still stands for Prussianism and injustice at the end of the war which was alleged to be waged for the destruction of such evils. The American Envoys who have startled the world by the recital of the atrocities of Englishmen in Ireland have testified to the splendid and determined unanimity of the Irish people, fair-minded Englishmen who have gone there could not close their eyes to it, our own soldiers have gone to Ireland and come back Sinn Feiners—and some of them have done their bit for Ireland while there by protecting the people against the brutal Tommies whom they handled in no gentle manner in Limerick and again in Dublin. No lies, no camouflage can obscure the fact that Ireland is Sinn Fein and that Sinn Fein no longer admits the right of the Government which de facto rules by force to legislate for Irishmen. To-day de Valera is recognised by America as by Ireland as the President of the Irish Republic which is oppressed by MacPherson, Lloyd George, and the other miscreants who are responsible for the kidnapping, the murders, and the atrocities to which the Envoys have borne witness.

The Irish Bishops, who are proverbially slow to move, have issued a joint protest against the tyranny of the English Government and rightly indicted it as

the cause of the present state of Ireland. The Irish people are determined that there can be no longer any question of good or bad government at the hands of England and that they will have nothing short of self-determination. De Valera is welcomed throughout the United States by Cardinals, Bishops, Senators, Congressmen, and people as the President of the Republic upon which the Irish people have agreed with marvellous unanimity. Distinguished English states-men of the standing of Erskine Childers have urged England to recognise, in justice to her own honor as well as to Ireland, the government which he and all men who do not blind their eyes to the truth know the Irish people have determined shall be theirs. Press and politicians and pledge-breakers notwithstanding, Ireland's day is coming as surely as England's credit is being destroyed by her perverse stand for might against right and for injustice against freedom. sovereign dwindles down in America until it is no longer worth more than seventeen shillings; and while it dwindles the funds are rolling in for the Irish Republic, and the Orange, White, and Green of the new Ireland is raised in triumph in every State. For America the Republic is now an accomplished fact. The sooner England recognises it the better for her-She has still a chance of securing a Republic within the Empire. A little more Prussianism and that chance will have gone.

### CHARACTERISTIC DRIVEL

In an editorial on the Irish-American Envoys, the Otago Daily Times remains true to its own old self. As a specimen of its up-to-date knowledge, we quote just one sentence: "Respecting their abuse of the privilege accorded them of visiting Ireland they have naturally been silent." America by now knows how silent they have been and how strongly they have condemned the pitiful subterfuge of Mr. George, who sent them to Ireland, and then used the silly excuse that they had said and seen too much to enable him to explain his bowing as he did to the whip of Carson, ex-German agitator and rebel. The Times quotes from the N.Y. Times, which is as valuable for information on Irish affairs as "Civis" is on Irish history, since it came under the influence of the nefarious British Propaganda which spread the lies regarding corpsefactories, nationalisation of women, and faked Sinn Fein plots. Good old Granny! And only one war honor for your staff! What an ungrateful Empire to b) sure!

### NOTES

### A Pearse Causerie

Three years and a half have gone by since the rifles of the butcher Maxwell slew Padraic Pearse. Maxwell is remembered with execrations and Pearse's name is associated with a prayer wherever an Irish heart beats to-day. Padraic Pearse has joined the noble company of Erin's dead with whom he will live heart beats to-day. for ever in the memory of the Gael, and the death which laid so low his mortal body has elevated his spirit to a height from which its sweetness and light radiate to the ends of the world. He was not long on earth; his genius had but begun to reveal itself and the greater part of his message is now unspoken. The marvel is that in the little he wrote and said this young Irish schoolmaster left us so much worth while remembering and treasuring for ever, for its own sake as well as for the blessed memory of his pure soul. When you hear men condemn his hasty rebellion be sure you know all the facts and all the causes of it. And if you are very sure, then you might well weigh the words in which Dr. Mannix spoke of it—or better still the words of the brave lion of Limerick who scourged the butcher Maxwell so deservedly and so ruthlessly. For our part we are content to remember just one thing and that is that Padraic Pearse died because he loved Ireland. We leave the rest to God, Who is more merciful than men.

### Irish Education

Pearse's school was a wonderful thing in this material age of ours: it was wonderful in its conception and still more wonderful in its success. He went back from the errors and the mistakes of fool-politicians and got his inspiration from the wise old teachers who instead of jumping from a lawyer's desk into a Ministerial billet—as a Hanan does nowadays—drew their experience and their learning from deep study of the accumulated wisdom of the past. And, to Pearse, there were no schools like the ancient Irish schools which gave professors in bygone years to the universities of Europe, at a time when no man could sit in a professor's chair without being a remarkably learned "All the problems with which we strive," he man. "All the problems with which we strive," he says, "were long ago solved by our ancestors, only their solutions have been forgotten. Take the problem of education, the problem, that is, of bringing up a child. We constantly speak and write as if a philosophy of education were first formulated in our own time. But all the wise people of old faced that prob-lem and solved it for themselves, but most of their solutions were better than ours. Professor Culverwell thinks the Jews gave the best solution. For my part I take off my hat to the old Irish. The philosophy of education is preached now but it was practised by the founders of the Gaelic system two thousand years ago. Their very names for 'education' and 'teacher' and 'pupil' show that they had gripped the heart of the problem. The word for 'education' among the old Gaels was the same word as for 'fostering'; the teacher was a 'fosterer' and the pupil was a 'fosterchild.' Now to 'foster' is exactly the function of a teacher: not primarily to lead up, 'to guide,' 'to conduct' through a course of studies, and still less' to indoctrinate,' to 'inform,' to 'prepare for exams,' but primarily 'to foster' the elements of character already present. I put this in another way in the first number of An Macaomh when I said that the true work of the teacher was to help the child to realise himself at his best and worthiest. One does not want to make each one of one's pupils a replica of himself (God forbid!), holding the self-same opinions, prejudices, likes and dislikes. Neither does one want to drill all one's pupils into so many regulation little soldiers or so many stodgy little citizens, though this is the aim of some of the most cried-up modern systems. The true teacher will recognise in each of his pupils an individual human soul, distinct and different from every other human soul that has ever been fashioned by God, miles and miles apart from the soul that is nearest and most akin to it, craving, indeed, comradeship and sympathy and pity, needing also, it may be, discipline and guidance and a restraining hand but imperiously demanding to be allowed to live its own life, to be allowed to bring itself up to its own perfection; because for every soul there is a perfection meant for it alone, and which it also is capable of attaining."

### The Irish Ideal

"In truth I think that the old Irish plan of education, as idealised for boys in the story of the Macraidh of Emhain and for girls in that of Grianan of Lusga, was the wisest and most generous that the world has ever known. The bringing together of children in some pleasant place under the fosterage of some man famous among his people for his greatness of heart, for his wisdom, for his skill in some gracious craft,—here we get the two things on which I lay most stress in education, the environment and the stimulus of a personality which can address itself to the child's worthiest self. . . . As the Boy-Corps of Emhain stands out as the idealisation of the system, Cuchulainn stands out as the idealisation of the child

fostered under the system. And thus Cuchulainn describes his fostering: 'Fionnchaomh nourished me at her breast; Fergus bore me on his knee; Conall was my companion in arms; Blai, the lord of lands, was my hospitaller; fair-speached Seancha trained me in just judgment; Cathbadh of the gentle face taught me druid lore; Conclubhar kindled my boyish ambitions. All the chariot chiefs and kings and poets of Ulster have taken part in my bringing up.' Such was the education of Cuchulainn, the most perfect hero of the Gael. Cuchulainn may never have lived, and there may never have been a Boy Corps at Emhain; but the picture endures as the Gael's idealisation of the kind of environment and the kind of fostering which go to make a perfect hero. The result of it all, the simplicity and strength of true heroism, is compressed into a single sentence put into the hero's mouth by the old shaper of the tale of Cuchulainn's Phantom Chariot: I was a child with children; I was a man with men.'

Contrast that ideal with his criticism of modern education:----

"Our Christianity becomes respectability. We are not content with teaching the Ten Commandments that God spake in thunder and Christ told us to keep if we would enter into life, and the precepts of the Church which He commanded us to hear; we add thereto the precepts or commandments of Respectable Society. And these are chiefly six: Thou shalf not be extreme in anything—in wrong-doing, lest thou be put in gaol, in right-doing lest thou be deemed a saint; Thou shalt not give away thy substance lest thou become a panper: Thou shalt not engage in trade or manufacture lest thy hands become grimy; Thou shalt not carry a brown paper parcel lest thou shock Rathgar; Thou shalt not have an enthusiasm lest solicitors and their clerks call thee a fool; Thou shalt not endanger thy job. One has heard this shocking morality preached from pulpits. Those things about the lilies of the field and the birds of the air, and that rebuke to Martha who was troubled about many things, are thought to have no relevancy to modern life, for these are the essence of Christ's teaching."

One must have known the Ireland that was trending towards West British ideals before Pearse and Connolly sharply pulled it up to appreciate the sarcasm of the last precepts. But one has only to have a knowledge of Christian ideals and of human nature to realise what a splendid dream Padraic Pearse dreamed and fulfilled at St. Enda's School.

### DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN

Captain J. B. Callan, of the firm of Callan and Galloway, barristers and solicitors, of this city, who recently returned after several years' active service at the Front, has now resumed his professional duties.

The Sisters of Mercy, South Dunedin, desire to thank the members of the Mataura Catholic Social Committee and the ladies of the congregation for the two boxes of cakes which they very kindly forwarded to St. Vincent de Paul's Orphanage.

Captain Plunkett, formerly of the New Zealand Shipping Company, and now Lloyd's Surveyor at Auckland, is at present a guest of the Otago Club, Dunedin. Captain Plunkett is supervising on behalf of the London Salvage Association the repairs to the s.s. Westmoreland at Port Chalmers.

A very successful and enjoyable euchre social was held on Wednesday evening week, in St. Joseph's Hall, the proceeds of which are intended to help in furnishing the stalls in connection with a sale of work now being promoted to clear off an existing debt on the Catholic church and school property at Kaikorai. There was a crowded attendance, and the object in view was, as a result, very materially benefited.

Results recently to hand of the examination in the Art of Teaching held under the auspices of Trinity

MARCH TO THE REST

College of Music, London, in April, show that two students of St. Philomena's College, South Dunedin—Misses Martha Noonan and Sylvia Inder—were successful. These young ladies, having passed the practical tests in November, are now Associates of Trinity College of Music, London.

At 11 o'clock Mass in St. Joseph's Cathedral last Sunday, Miss Carrie Lanceley, the talented soprano vocalist, now on a concert tour of the Dominion, sang as an Offertory the Bach-Gounod "Ave Maria," with violin obbligato by Miss Ava Symons (also a member of the company). At Vespers in the evening Mr. W. Brittenden (Christchurch) gave a fine rendering of a "Pater Noster."

### MORNINGTON CONVENT: BENEFIT CONCERT.

The energetic promoters of the concert which was given in His Majesty's Theatre on last Saturday night, in aid of the fund now being raised to furnish the new Convent of St. Michael, Mornington, for the Sisters of Mercy, who have charge of the local Catholic school, have every reason to be gratified at the success of their efforts. All parts of the theatre were crowded, and very pronounced appreciation was shown of the excel-lent programme presented. The Kaikorai Band (Mr. H. F. Davie, conductor) gave a selection at the opening of both parts, the performance being well in keeping with their reputation for high-class musical rendition so justly gained by this splendid combination of in-strumentalists. The vocal solos of Mrs. Fraher, Mrs. Astley Black, Mrs. Coventry, and Miss Marjory Lemon all met with well-merited acceptance, and each reponded to insistent recalls. Mr. P. Carolin was warmly greeted on his reappearance on the concert platform. In response to a recall, he introduced his young son, who gave a charming rendering of the encore number. Mr. J. McGrath, who is deservedly popular with Dunedin audiences, sang in his usual finished manner, his magnificent voice being heard to advantage in three finely-selected numbers; even then his delighted listeners were loth to part with him. Mr. W. Atwill and Mr. D. Fogarty, too, were pleasing in their respective numbers, and both received the compliment of a recall. A flute duet was artistically given by Messrs. W. A. Morrison and H. Campbell, and had to be repeated; and a cornet duet in the second band selection, by Messrs. C. Eades and E. Kerr, was beautifully performed. Misses K. Grave, J. Hunt, and M. Boyle were very successful in bracketed vocal trios. Two part songs were given by a large party of pupils of the Sisters of Mercy, South Dunedin, in a manner that reflected the utmost credit on their devoted teachers; the sweet young voices blended perfectly, not a flaw being perceptible. This was all the more praiseworthy in view of the fact that, apart from the pianoforte accompaniment of Miss C. K. Noonan, the children's effort (and there was over 100 of them) was practically selfconducted. The two part songs given by St. Joseph's Glee Club, conducted by Mr. T. Anthony, were very finely rendered, and once again the acquisition the club is to local musical circles was realised. Most fittingly, and as it should be at concerts given under Catholic auspices, the greater part of the programme consisted of Irish national items. During the interval several young ladies were busily engaged selling sweets amongst the audience, the financial results of the concert being thereby considerably augmented. Miss Clara Hughes, who, as accompaniste, had a heavy task, proved herself, as usual, most efficient. Mr. A. Vallis also assisted in this capacity. As musical director, Mr. D. Whelan carried out his onerous duties most capably, and the same may be said of the joint secretaries, Messrs. N. O'Neill and C. McKenzie.

It is in the Divine School of the Sacred Heart of Jesus that the privileged souls who consult Him and listen lovingly to His voice learn precious lessons of sweetness and humility.—Mother M. of the Sacred Heart.

### THE LATE FATHER TAYLOR, S.M.

SOLEMN REQUIEM AT ST. MARY'S, CHRISTCHURCH.

At St. Mary's Church, Manchester Street, Christchurch, on last Thursday morning, a Solemn Requiem Mass was offered for the repose of the soul of the late Father Taylor, Marist Missioner, who died at Townsville, Queensland, about a month ago. There was a large congregation, and his Lordship Bishop Brodie and 14 or 15 priests were present. The Mass was celebrated by Very Rev. Dean Regnault, with Father Ardagh as deacon and Father Roche subdeacon, Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy being master of ceremonies. Bishop Brodie, on the throne, was attended by Fathers Graham and Cooney. A choir of priests and laymen, under the baton of Mr. W. T. Ward, sang the Gregorian plain chant of the Mass. At the conclusion of the Mass, Mrs. Cronin, who presided at the organ, played the "Dead March" from "Saul," the congregation stand-

His Lordship Bishop Brodie preached an eloquent and impressive sermon on the powers and privileges of the priesthood, and referred to the manner in which those powers had been carried out by the late Father Taylor. The last time his Lordship heard Father Taylor preaching was at the close of a mission in St. Mary's Church, and he remembered how earnestly and eloquently that mission priest had entreated the congregation to be always ready to meet the call to the judgment seat of God. Father Taylor had led a model, saintly life, and there was no doubt that he had been ready when his call came. It was a credit to the Marist priests that they had been able to impress so many young men of New Zealand with such a deep sense of piety that they had received from heaven the vocation for priesthood. Father Taylor, preparatory to receive ing Holy Orders, had studied in New Zealand under the Marist Fathers, and then in Ireland, France, and the United States, and came back to his native country to begin his great work, which had won praise wherever he was known. He had labored in various parishes in New Zealand until he joined the staff of the Marist Missioners, and he was subsequently sent to Australia, where he continued his work as a mission priest until he fell a victim to the influenza then scourging the

The solemn observances concluded with the Absolution at the catafalque.

### TEMPORARY CONVERSION.

Father Francis A. Kelly, chaplain of the 108th U.S.A. Infantry, is the hero of one of the war stories told by the officers of the 27th Division. At one time General Headquarters sent out an order, it is related, calling for the religious registration of the men of the The men, fearing that Father Kelly would be taken away, decided on measures to adopt. The report showed that every man in the battalion in question had registered as a Catholic. Now, in that battalion, according to the story, there were several Jews and a number of Protestants. Father Kelly was provoked at what he believed to be a hoax, but the top sergeant calmed his fears. "Father," said the sergeant, himself a Protestant, "we felt that if there were not enough Catholics in the outfit you'd be taken away from us, so we all became converts for the duration of the war."

### VICTORY FAIR, CHRISTCHURCH

DRAWING OF ART UNION which took place in Hibernian Hall on Saturday evening, August 30, in the presence of the Executive Committee and Police officials:-

First Prize, 8004; Second, 6333; Third, 9677; Fourth, 6335; Fifth, 9679; Sixth, 8495; Seventh, 262; Eighth, 6234; Ninth, 6893; Tenth, 1679.

### A MISSIONARY DOCTOR AND HIS 1500 PATIENTS.

We should be somewhat surprised if we could read the returns from our missions during the influenza epidemic; it would reveal some startling details as regards our missionaries, turned physicians for the nonce. Father Biehler, S.J., of the Zambesi Mission (Rhodesia), tells us (says the Glasgow Observer) that he has had no less than 1500 patients among his scattered flock to look after in his four mission stations—mostly built with his own hands. "It was important," he says, "not to lose my presence of mind and do the work systematically. I started at one end of one village, attending to each patient individually. My first care was to get them out of their dirty huts and kraals, and fix them up separately under shady trees, as the weather in November is very hot. I doctored each one with drugs kindly given free by the Government; then I attended to their spiritual needs, baptising the younger and elderly, and hearing the confessions of all Christians. Then I passed on to the next kraal, and so on, until late at night, when in darkness my horse brought me safely home to rest, to refill my medicine bottle and go off again the following morning. It took me 10 days

to do my first round; at my second some had decidedly improved. For over a month I led this life, the possibility of which was due to my willing pony. Out of my 1500 patients I only lost 18—a very different story from other centres! Amongst our black population almost all went down with the exception of a few old grandmothers, and in some kraals whole families were sick together and there remained nobody to cook or fetch wood or water." No wonder that the Fathers of the Zambesi Mission are valued as priceless blessings—from Government officials to natives; they have never been better appreciated in South Africa than in this time of trial, and we trust it may mean a much wider knowledge of their noble work!

Speaking at a luncheon at the National Liberal Club, Mr. T. P. O'Connor said the state of affairs in Limerick was the direct antithesis of the reign of democracy, and was an absolute photograph of the conditions in Alsace-Lorrane under the Prussian militarists. For their repute in the world as a nation not of Pharasaic pretences, but of genuine, honest, and consistent political morality, the British people must promptly transform the whole situation in Ireland.

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### **COMMONWEALTH NOTES**

### NEW SOUTH WALES.

Unprecedented scenes of enthusiasm and rejoicing marked the visit of his Excellency the Most Rev. Bartholomew Cattaneo, Apostolic Delegate, to Lismore, recently, to consecrate the new and stately Cathedral of St. Carthage. His Excellency is charmed with Lismore, its surroundings, its people, and, above all, the splendid faith and religious zeal, of which he has witnessed so many practical manifestations. For many months the Catholic people of Lismore and the surrounding districts have been eagerly awaiting the coming of the distinguished and illustrious prelate, who is loved and revered by all true Australians, because of the exalted office he holds, and his own personal qualities of character, which have never failed to inspire the deepest sentiments of affection and admiration among the people of whatever parts of Australia he has visited since his arrival two years ago. Convincing evidence of the remarkable interest aroused by the visit of his Excellency to Lismore was supplied by the vast crowds which flocked to the town days before the momentous event of his Excellency's arrival. The accommodation in all the hotels and lodging-houses was soon completely taken up, and there were large numbers who, after travelling from distant centres, found upon their arrival in Lismore that accommodation of any kind was unprocurable.

The will of the late Mr. James Daltou, K.C.S.G., merchant, of "Duntryleague," near Orange, has, for probate purposes, been sworn at £73,153. Mr. Dalton, who died on March 27 last, bequeathed to his son, Patrick Joseph Dalton, at present in Ireland, qualifying for the priesthood in the Jesuit Order, his house, land, and premises at Orange, known as "Duntryleague." Mr. Dalton bequeathed to the Orange Hospital £250, and £250 to be paid and devoted by his trustees towards the erection of a new presbytery in connection with St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Orange; to his trustees, upon trust, £150 to be expended by them for repairs to the older portion of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Orange; £600 to the Patrician Brothers, Orange, towards the liquidation of the debt upon or the maintenance of the Croagh Patrick High School property, Orange; £600 to the Right Rev. Dr. Dunne, Catholic Bishop of Bathurst, towards the mission fund for the providing and obtaining of priests for the diocese of Bathurst; £400 to the Mother Superior of the Convent of Mercy, Bathurst, the sum of £200 to be applied towards the maintenance of the Catholic Orphanage, Bathurst; £50 each to the Mothers Superior in charge of the Convents of the Order of St. Joseph at Germans Hill, Borenore, and at Forest Reefs, all in the Orange district; £100 to the Mother Superior in charge of the Convent of Mercy, Orange; £100 to the Westmead Home for Boys.

### VICTORIA'.

Father McManus, C.SS.R., one of the party of six Redemptorist priests who arrived from Ireland, via America, recently, will be stationed at St. Mary's Monastery, Wendouree, Ballarat. Prior to proceeding there, Father McManus was assisting Father McDermott, C.SS.R., in giving a fortnight's mission at St. Paul's Church, Coburg.

His Excellency the Apostolic Delegate will pay a visit to Adelaide in October. He will be in Melbourne for the annual conference of the Archbishops of Australia early in that month, and will accompany his Grace Archbishop Spence to Adelaide at its close, and is expected there on Saturday, October 11.

### QUEENSLAND.

A week's mission was recently preached in Rail-day Estate and Ross Island by Father Herbert, S.M. (says the Catholic Press). These missions were well attended, and were from every point of view highly satisfactory. The late Father Taylor and Father Herring conducted the fortnight's mission in the Sacred Heart Church, just after the close of the children's mission at St. Joseph's, the Strand, where Fathers Her-

bert and Taylor did the goodly work. At West Townsville the two Marist Missioners, Fathers Herbert and Herring, held, in St. Mary's Church, a two weeks' mission—one for women and the other for men. Despite unfavorable conditions, consequent upon a visit of the much-dreaded 'flu, the work of the missionaries was attended with great success.

Further particulars are to hand of the death of the Very Rev. Father Taylor, S.M., who succumbed to a violent attack of influenza whilst preaching a short mission at Ravenswood. This zealous priest, leader of the band of three who were doing excellent mission work in the northern portion of Rockhampton, was subsequently brought to Townsville, where all that medical science and skilful nursing could do was ungrudgingly done in his favor. But all to no avail. The patient grew daily worse, and after a trying illness, lasting over a month, died at St. Joseph's Presbytery on August 28. A Solemn Requiem was sung for the repose of the late Father Taylor's soul on the following day at the Sacred Heart Church. The celebrant was Father Herbert, S.M., Father Bourke (Townsville) being deacon, and Father O'Keefe (Charters Towers) subdeacon, while Father Rowan, P.P. (West Townsville) was master of ceremonies. At the close of the Mass, and before the Absolution, Father Herbert feelingly addressed the congregation, which filled the church to overflowing. In the course of his brief sermon, which called forth many tears, he referred to the holy and zealous life of the deceased religious, to the pathetic circumstances of his early death, and to the splendid results of his short missionary career. He thanked the clergy and laity for much appreciated kindness and sympathy shown the departed priest during his term of suffering, and appealed for the pious suffrages of all the faithful. The funeral cortege was of imposing length, being one of the largest seen in Townsville. The boys from the Christian Brothers' College, Stanton Hill, and the girls from the convent schools, as well as the boarders from St. Patrick's College, numbering in all over 400, formed part of the funeral procession. About 100 members of the Hibernian Society also marched before the hearse. Father Herbert officiated at the graveside in the presence of an immense con-The following members of the clergy, in addition to those already mentioned, were in attendance: Fathers Hogan, Simington, and Grogan.

### TASMANIA.

IIIs Grace the Archbishop of Hobart (the Most Rev. Dr. Delany) recently forwarded a monetary contribution towards the fund raised for the relief of the women and children who suffered in consequence of the seamen's strike. In doing so he referred in the following terms to the strike, and made suggestions for the adoption of means which would prevent such occurrences: —"I do not believe that the men are having recourse to this extreme method of redress unless they are convinced that their case is pressing, and that the forms of law are too dilatory and too uncertain. But, of course, I am prepared to accept a different view if it is upheld by some independent tribunal. The modern wage system is vitiated by its application to human service of the mechanical principle of supply and de-You must not fix wages according to the conditions of competition, but according to the reasonable needs of the worker, and of his wife and children. In the case before us now, surely the seaman, as a man, has a right to such comfort while he is at work and off work at sea, as any passenger is prepared to pay a decent figure for. He is not inferior as a man to any passenger. And he has a right to such a wage for his work as shall enable him, if he does not waste it, to rear his wife and children decently. Furthermore, the wage ought to be such as shall enable him to retire from seafaring before the years have broken him down. Let Parliament make laws to secure this, and let it make provision for the administration of those laws in such wise that the poor man and his fellows shall not be dismayed by the law's delay or the law's expense. What is Parliament for unless for work of this nature? Representative institutions, law, order -all these things are precious; but if they fail to function, we need not wonder at what must happen."

### IRISH NEWS

#### GENERAL.

The death took place recently of Mgr. Fahey, D.D., V.G., P.P., of Gort, in his 76th year. He was ordained at Maynooth in 1867, and was appointed a domestic prelate in 1905. He was the author of A History of the Diocese of Kilmacdwagh, and of several articles in publications dealing with ecclesiastical and historical subjects. Monsignor Fahey had been lying seriously ill for some time in St. John of God's, Stillorgan, where he died.

\*On Pentecost Sunday, in St. Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny, his Lordship the Right Rev. George A. Burton, Bishop of Clifton, assisted by the Very Rev. William Canon Lee, Pro-Cathedral, Clifton, and the Very Rev. Cornelius McNamara, President St. Kieran's College, raised to the sacred dignity of the priesthood, a large number of students of St. Kieran's College, among whom were the following for various dioceses in New Zealand:—Rev. Thomas Staunton, Auckland: Rev. Austin Dogherty, Wellington: Rev. John Finerty, and Rev. Owen Gallagher, Christchurch.

### MESSAGE TO THE IRISH PEOPLE.

Most Rev. Dr. Hayes, the new Archbishop of New York, has sent the following message to the people of Ireland: - I hope and pray that the right of self-determination will be granted to Ireland. The English and the Irish people will never mix any more than oil and water. Sparta and Solon were sister cities of ancient Greece, but radically different in spirit. Lycurgus and Solon were ther respective lawgivers. The laws of military Sparta would have been entirely unsuited to caltured Athens. It has always been the fixed conviction of the Irish, and experience confirms it, that England has not, and cannot be expected to have, the genius, wisdom, or sympathy to frame just and equitable laws for Erin. Ireland has as just a claim to the right of self-determination as any other nation in the world. Whether that right will be recognised by immediate separation from England I do not know. What must be done, at least, is to give Ireland the freest and most complete Home Rule. England broke faith with Ireland, and I must say with the civilised world, in 1914, by failing to put into operation the Home Rule Bill passed by Parliament. The British Government might well ask itself if it prefers the bullying of Carson to the respect of millions of Americans who help to form public opinion in this country."

### MR DE VALERA IN AMERICA.

A Reuter's New York telegram to Home papers, dated Tuesday, June 24, says: -Mr. de Valera on his arrival here last evening had somewhat of an ovation on entering the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria. Inside the hotel many Irishmen and Irishwomen greeted him. He was conducted to the state apartment, where, accompanied by Messrs. D. Lynch, Mellowes, and McCarten, M.P.'s, he held a levee. De Valera read a statement outlining the aspirations of Ireland, and said he did not propose running a campaign in the United States in favor of the Irish cause, but he might go to Washington and other places. He acknowledged that Ireland sought the aid of America, saying: "It is to seek that aid that I am here, and I am confident that I shall not be disappointed. I come here entitled to speak for the Irish nation, with authority democratically as sound and well-based as that with which President Wilson speaks for the United States, Mr. Lloyd George for England, or M. Clemenceau for France." He further said he was convinced "the American people and the American Government would never consciously consent or allow itself to be made a party to the suppression of the natural God-given right of the Irish nation to liberty." De Valera made no reference to a bond issue in Ireland, which, it has been stated, was his chief purpose of coming to America.

### BOSTON'S WELCOME TO DE VALERA,

The reception accorded in Boston to President de Valera was of an unprecedented character (says the Irish World, New York, of July 5). Nothing like it ever took place before in the capital of Massachusetts. It was the first public address delivered by President de Valera since his coming to America. He had for an audience 70,000 enthusiastic admirers, who cheered to the echo his plea for Ireland. The meeting at which he spoke was held under the auspices of the Bench and Bar Association of Boston. In numbers and character it was all that the most ardent advocate of the Irish cause could desire. The next day the Boston Post devoted six pages to an account of the proceedings, an account that was profusely illustrated, and of what was unquestionably the greatest pro-Irish demonstration ever held on American soil. It is the inauguration of a movement which undoubtedly will sweep the country. Boston blazes the way for other American cities to follow, and follow they will. Never before have Irish-Americans had so splendid an opportunity for testifying their undying devotion to their Motherland. They should avail themselves of it to the utmost. Such manifestations as that which took place in Boston last Sunday will have an incalculable effect for good on the Irish cause. They will not only help to hearten Irish-Americans, but they will also strengthen the resolution of our brothers in Ireland to stand unflinchingly by Irish independence.

The English Government flung President de Valera into an English cell because it did not approve of his loyalty to Ireland. That loyalty has earned for him the profound respect and unbounded admiration of all Americans who believe in the principles enunciated in the Charter of our liberties, the American Declaration of Independence. It was quite fitting, then, that the Ma-sachusetts Legislaure, the day after Boston welcomed President de Valera as an honored guest, should assemble to listen to the President of the Irish Republic whilst he demonstrated the right of Ireland to have the shaping of her own destiny in her own hands. President de Valera has made a good beginning. All signs point to his mission being crowned with a success that will be of the greatest value to the Irish

Republic.

### THE IRISH QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mr. Hartshoru, a Labor member, in the House of Commons, on May 14, moved that the House viewed with regret and concern the present conditions prevailing in Ireland, which tended further to alienate the people of that country from the people of Great Britain and subject to international suspicion their earnest efforts to promote and safeguard the freedom of other small nations. If all the information he had received as to what was going on in Ireland was true and became known throughout England, it would arouse such a storm of indignation as would sweep away the Government. He was informed that a man was sent to prison for singing a song called "Felons of Our Land," which had been sung in a dining room in the House some years ago and applauded by the Prime Minister. The people were heartily sick of military rule in Ireland. The Irish question was becoming a Labor question. Organised workers were coming to the conclusion that Parliamentary government was a fraud and that the real power rested with a compact organised gang of aristocratic military men and reactionary political partisans by whom the Government were being swayed, and who thwarted the will of the people. If the Labor Party so decided after peace had been signed with Germany they could in a week's time organise such a campaign of public opinion as would make it impossible for the Government to live another day unless they yielded. (Labor cheers.)

Lord Henry Bentinck, supporting the resolution, said, as one who had been a Unionist all his life, he had entirely changed his views on the Irish question, and he had the consent of his constituents to speak his

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### GARDENING NOTES

(By MR. J. JOYCE, Landscape Gardener, Christchurch.)

### WORK FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.

The Vegetable Garden .-- Under favorable conditions—the weather and state of the soil being the main considerations-September is usually a busy month in the garden. Practically all vegetable seeds may be sown this month in ground previously well prepared for their reception. First place should be given to peas, beans, onions, carrots, and parsnips. Care must be taken to protect potatoes planted in exposed places, from frosts, as soon as the young shoots appear above the surface of the ground. Sow small quantities of turnip, lettuce, spinach, and radish: a sprinkling of bone-meal or other fertiliser, applied to and raked in the top soil, at time of sowing, will prove beneficial. As weeds will now be making rapid growth, the Dutch hoe should be plied frequently on fine days. Now is the time to plant an asparagus bed, and this, in my opinion, no garden should be without. Asparagus is a very nutritions vegetable, and one that provides a welcome dish through the early spring. In former notes on early spring sowing I have advocated the cultivation of asparagus, and given instructions how to plant it. Many people imagine that to establish an asparagus bed much work is entailed, but this is not so: all that is required is to deeply trench the selected plot, adding, at the same time, a pientiful supply of stable manure. Two-year-old plants are the most suitable to be used in establishing a bod, and these may be obtained at any nursery, and should be planted at from 18in to 24in apart: in two years these will be ready for cutting, and, with a dressing of well-rotted manure spread over the bed every autumn, it will last for many years. I venture to assert that anyone who follows the Gardening Notes in the Tublet and plants an asparagus bed will bless the day he did so.

The Flower Garden .- Daily attention is now required to the flower garden, preparatory to the sowing of all hardy outdoor seeds. Sweet peas being so much in definand for summer decorations should be sown at once in well-prepared soil, and when the plant emerges a close watch should be kept for wood-lice and slugs. insect pests which are very fond of the young sweet pea shoots and soon destroy them. Violas should be taken up and separated, and widely replanted as edging for beds and borders. Sow thinly the seeds of hardy annuals, and, as these give better results when given plenty of room to grow, thin out the seedlings if they come up too thick. The Shirley and Iceland poppy make beautiful table decorations, and consequently may be sown largely. Another very pretty new flower—yellow in color like a single marigold—named Dimorphotheca, is well worth cultivation; the most satisfactory plan, however, is for the grower to consult a seedsman's catalogue in which the habits, color, etc., of all varieties are set out in detail.

The Fruit Garden.—Further delay in pruning should now be avoided, and it is also time for the spraying to be completed; all fruit tree-planting should by now be also completed. Grafting can be performed towards the end of the mouth where old trees need renewing.

In this age of competition,
When men toil with hand and brain,
Spurred by soul-inspired ambition,
Or by sordid lust of gain,
We have need of health and vigor,
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### ELAINE.

Oh, come again to Astolat!
I will not ask you to be kind;
And you may go when you will go,
And I will stay behind!

I will not say how dear you are,
Or ask you if you hold me dear,
Or trouble you with things for you,
Tho way I did last year.

So still the orchard, Lancelot,
So very still the lake shall be,
You could not guess—though you should guess—
What is become of me.

So wide shall be the garden-walk,
The garden-seat so very wide,
You needs must think—if you should think—
The lily maid has died.

Save that a little way away
I'd watch you for a little while,
To see you speak, the way you speak,
And smile—if you should smile.

- Edna St. Vincent Millar, in Current Opinion.

#### THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

The Rev. C. L. Harford, a Protestant minister who became a Catholic, points out the following differences between the Catholic Church and Protestantism:

1. The Catholic Church has an unbroken history, back to the first century. There are 1500 years between the first century and the Protestant religion.

2. The history of the Catholic Church has been one of unity of faith and doctrine. The history of Protestantism has been one of division, strife, contention, and unrest.

3. There is not a single truth that is taught by any Protestant body that is not taught by the Catholic Church. The Catholic Church teaches many vital truths that are not taught by any Protestant body.

4. The great doctrines of the Catholic Church have ever been the same, while Protestantism is always changing

5. There is a spirit of reverence and devotion in the Catholic Church that is largely wanting in the Protestant world. Every Catholic has been taught to feel that the church is the house of God, and should be entered with holy reverence. While, be it said with shame, too often the Protestant churches are turned into play houses and club rooms.

Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston, U.S.A., fully appreciating that the work achieved by the nurses during the war has been on such an extensive scale and has been so advantageous to the world, has amounced that he will soon call a meeting of the Catholic nurses of the archdiocese for the purpose of organising a League of Catholic Nurses, the plans for which are now in the making.

A Daily News writer, discussing operatic stars, says that many of these who are Catholics received their first musical 'impressions' in Catholic church choirs, as Tom Burke, the new tenor, did. McCormack and Santley are instanced as cases in point. But Santley made his debut as a vocalist in 1857, and won his fame as an operatic star two years later. It was not till 1880 that he joined the Catholic Church.

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### SOCIAL FUNCTION AT GREYMOUTH

### A CHARACTERISTIC WEST COAST TRIBUTE.

The Hibernian Hall was crowded on last Monday night with a gathering held to extend to the Rev. Dr. Kelly (editor of the N.Z. Tablet) a welcome to Greymouth, and to the Rev. Father O'Boyle a farewell on the eve of his departure for Ireland (says the Grey River Argus of August 26). The proceedings opened with a concert, every contributor to which was heard to great advantage, the items being as follows: -Choruses, (a) "Hail, Glorious St. Patrick" (audience joining in) and "Hail, Glorious St. Patrick" (audience joining in) and (b) "Ireland a Nation," Marist Brothers' School boys; instrumental selection, "Erin's Wreath," Misses Inga Hannan, D. Lalor, M. Phelan, M. Fletcher; song, "Ireland is Ireland to Me," Mr. J. Malloy; song, "Aileen Alannah," Mrs. O'Hallahan (encored); song, "Mother Machree," Mr. P. Fitzgerald (encore, "Come Back to Erin"); song, Mr. A. Giffney (encored); part songs, (a) "Meeting of the Waters" and (b) "Oft in the Stilly Night," Misses Hopkins, O'Reilly, Fowler, Williams, Griffen; song, "Where the River Shannon Flows," Rev. Father O'Boyle (encored); song, "The Dear Little Shamrock," Mr. Tom Clarke (encored); song, "Believe Me, if all those Endearing Young Charms," Miss Connie Hopkins (encored): recitation, "Shamus O'Brien," Mr. Maurice Fitzgerald; song, "Ireland, Beautiful Ireland," Mr. Gus Breen; national anthem, "God Save land," Mr. Gus Breen; national anthem, "God Save Ireland," Mr. Tom Clarke, Miss Eileen O'Brien, and the audience.

Very Rev. Father Aubry, who presided, addressing the audience, said the guests of the evening were well worthy of the impressive tribute paid them by the big gathering. They regretted having to lose one, but were glad to retain the other. Father O'Boyle, who came here first on his arrival in New Zealand, was most favorably known among them, having been stationed both here and at Ahaura. The more his colleagues and the people knew of him the better they Niked him, and all would miss him. The banks of the Shannon might have a greater appeal for him than those of the Grey, but the hearts he left behind were as loyal to him as any he was going to. The speaker recalled the fact of his having—through the laws of his own country being then hostile to the taking of religious vows-had to go to Ireland for ordination as a priest, and said he had cherished memories of the kindly way He hoped Father he had been treated in Ireland. O'Boyle would remember him to any friends remaining in Dundalk and Armagh. They hoped Dr. Kelly would long be with them to maintain the good work done by the Tablet, which, through his sound doctrinal writings, his deep learning, and wide knowledge of literature, was an organ that fearlessly proclaimed the truth in the face of all opposition. He complimented Dr. Kelly on his right exposition of the Church's doctrine of freedom in regard to the liquor question, when he refused to allow the divine law could be amended or revised by person or persons. In truly stating the Catholic doctrine then, he had helped greatly to stave off a death blow to liberty of conscience in this country, and a big majority of West Coasters were with him. They cordially welcomed Dr. Kelly among them and wished him and his paper long life and continued success.

Rev. Father Eccleton, of Reefton, who was cheered on rising, said it was a proud privilege for him to be able to express the thanks of himself and of all lovers of liberty to Dr. Kelly for his advocacy of the cause of Ireland. Nowhere would he be welcomed more warmly than on the West Coast, where they were sons of pioneers who were men of spirit—believers in freedom. Many of those pioneers had come here from their own country with a sense of injustice that had driven them abroad, but they always had sentiments of justice towards others. The speaker pointed out that the expressions "self-determination" and "free for democracy" originated in Catholic theology, and after having been first given to the world by Pope Benedict XV. were taken up by the British Labor Party, and were only

used by President Wilson afterwards, not being his invention, as some supposed. Cardinals Bellarmine and Suarez had taught them when Tudor tyrants ruled England, showing that the so-called divine right of kings was a pagan doctrine, as rulers derived their powers only from the consent of the people they governed. When Dr. Kelly applied these principles to Ireland some people seemed to be astonished. The Irish question was not a religious but an economic one, and it was only under the guise of religious professions that Ireland's tyrannical rulers had bled her white. Erskine Childers, one of the greatest authorities on international policy, told them Ireland was to-day the only white country remaining under a conqueror's heel, and Korea was likewise situated under the ban of Japanese imperialism. Ireland's people had a right to their own country, just as every country had a right to rule itself, and this lesson was as plain to West Coasters as to Dr. Kelly, whom he as a Greymouth native and they were pleased to be able to acknowledge as one of Ireland's advocates. President Wilson had talked of making the world safe for democracy, but it had been well said by Dr. Kelly that he had only worked to make

it safe for hypocrisy. (Applause.)
Rev. Father T. Hanrahan (Ahaura) congratulated Father O'Boyle on being able to return to his native land, which he would find much altered. The people were united as never before, as the speaker saw when there a few years ago. The misgovernment generally and slaughter of the people in Dublin during Easter Week, 1916, had powerfully aided to unite the Irish people. He joined in welcoming Dr. Kelly as a fearless

exponent of truth and liberty. (Applause.)

Messrs. D. Shanahan (president of the Hibernian Society) and M. Daly (president of St. Columba Club) also spoke in eulogistic terms of the guests of the even-

Rev. Father O'Boyle, who got an ovation on rising, first addressed the audience in Gaelic, and said he made no apology for thus using the language destined to be that of the future Irish Republic. He referred to the failure of the English Government's attempts to stamp out the language and national spirit of Ireland, but showed how in the last quarter of a century a wonderful revival had resulted. He regretted leaving the banks of the Grey and the kindly West Coast people, who were in many ways like those of Ireland. He concluded by asking their prayers for a safe journey.

(Applause.) Dr. Kelly, who was also received with applause, said that speech-making did not come easy to him, and that he found himself much in the same position as a bridegroom was once, when being compelled to make a speech he stood up with his hand on the bride's shoulder and said, "Ladies and gentlemen, this thing has been forced on me." It seemed to him that some of the speakers there that night had kissed the Blarney Stone, which was an advantage he had never had. The only stone of note in the county from which he came was the rock of Vinegar Hill, which was a perpetual reminder of the fight made by his countymen when the sexual filth of the Orangemen drove them to rebellion in Ninety-Eight. Wexfordmen grew up under the shadow of that hill, and every summer that reddened the heather of it reminded them of the blood shed in the past for Ireland and of the price they might have to pay again for liberty. Kettle, in an article on John Redmond, once said that Wexford was a land of tillage and taciturnity. There was a good deal of truth in that. He thought, however, that when Wexfordmen did speak they learned from Vinegar Hill that the truth was bitter but they must have courage to utter it. For three years he had been trying to speak the truth, about Ireland and about the war generally, and he had discovered that the man who tells the truth and contradicts lies in this country is a seditious person, while to be a patriot it is necessary to ignore several of the Ten Commandments. By simply telling the truth he had made many enemies recently. Of course a round or two with the powers that be was a matter of course. He had lost a couple of old subscribers of the Duke of Norfolk type, that is, people who deem it part of their patriotism to get beside Carson on a platform and denounce Irish Catholics whenever they get a chance. He had exasperated certain seonini too, but as such persons never did any good yet for any cause or for anybody but themselves he did not regret that. Loyalty to Ireland and to Irish ideals such as he found in many places and, above all, on the West Coast, consoled him and re-warded him amply for such minor contradictions. Among the press lies, he thought the most idiotic was the lie that Ireland had no grievances. They told this to him, with the memory of Batchelor's Walk in 1914 fresh in his mind, the memory of the murders of Colthurst, of the English soldiers firing into the home of Mrs. Skeffington, of the shooting of his fellow-townsman, Michael O'Hanrahan, and of Tommy Wafer, who often served his Mass in Wexford. And beyond these were Lloyd George's pledge-breaking and his packed Convention to deceive the Americans, and lastly the terrible report of the Irish-American Envoys, which is now rousing the people of the States to a blaze of anger against the Huns in Ireland. Apart from such things, however, the question was not one of good or bad government at all. It was a question of selfgovernment and the Irish people would have nothing else. He was of opinion that the delay in winning freedom all these years was providential. Ireland could not before to-day have arisen to her full stature as a nation. It needed the work of the Gaelic League and of Sinn Fein for the last twenty-five years to root out the last relics of West British influence and contamination and to revive the old spirit which had been poisoned consistently since Sarsfield marched away from Limerick, leaving the faithless English to break the treaty ere the ink was dry on it. To-day Sinn Fein had saved the country, and Ireland would have no compromise and would accept nothing short of self-determination and full likerty. The haptism of blood in mination and full liberty. The baptism of blood in which Pearse, MacDonagh, and Connolly were sacrificed was the final regeneration. It opened the people's eyes, and now behind de Valera, Arthur Griffiths, and Eoin MacNeill a united people was determined to be free. Through all the years of waiting and watching in the lonely western ocean Ireland had never lost hope. She knew that Liberty was right, Liberty was just, Liberty was from God, and Liberty must come at last. She still waited for the dawn which was surely coming. He hoped it would come in their time and that they would see her arise and take her rightful place as a queen among the nations of the earth. Till that day he knew the people of the West Coast would be true as they always were, true to their faith and true to the country of their fathers. For Ireland's sake he thanked them and expressed his pleasure in knowing they would keep the Sinn Fein flag flying

Rev. Father Aubry then thanked all the performers, and specially mentioned the promoters, Messrs. M. and P. Fitzgerald, who deserved credit for the fine programme, and Mrs. Donovan and the lady helpers were to be complimented on the welcome supper they had provided.

The singing of "God Save Ireland" brought to a close a memorable gathering.

The occasions of self-immolation to the Divine love multiply each day, and form, for the generous and faithful soul, a life of habitual self-sacrifice, of which the Divine Love itself is the nourishment. - Mother M. of the Sacred Heart.

> Thoughts in absence ever wander Where fond recollections cling; Making loyal hearts grow fonder Of a person, place, or thing. Tender thoughts of dear ones vanished In our hearts for age endure-Gratitude for bad colds banished, And for Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.

### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

- C.McA.—Thanks for your interesting note on Dickens. As for the Nation—well, one does not like handling pitch.
- Consumption in Ireland.—Received unsigned, but not suitable.
- W.S.A.—Sorry you did not like our remarks, but to talk of drapers' profits in a literary column would not be quite apposite. We received from a London firm for 4s 9d a book sold here for 8s. Shares have been booming too in certain companies.
- R.A.L.—Many thanks for your communication, and assurance of the remembrance you desire.
- M.S.—Poem not suitable.
- K.McG.—Some of us enjoy—for reasons—the notice that hurts your sight. The present cover pays, and the directors are practical rather than aesthetic in their views. Only the editor is permitted
- INQUIRER.—We cannot reply very plainly. If you remember the order in which you asked our opinion the following will satisfy you: (1) No. (2) Yes, but not practical. (3) Ditto.
- EITHNE .- "God Save Ireland" is a fine old song, but the right song with which to wind up an Irish concert is "A Nation Once Again." Sinn Fein Sinn Fein Abu!
- GREEN ISLAND.—Thanks for article, which we hope to publish later on. Your old friends on the Coast were inquiring for you last week.

### DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

We are indebted to an esteemed correspondent for the following list of changes among the diocesan clergy of Auckland: -Father Duffy has been appointed rector of Taumarunui; Father Bleakly, assistant at St. Patrick's Cathedral; Father Brady, assistant to Father Lane at Gisborne; Father O'Byrne, assistant to the Right Rev. Mgr. Mahoney, Onehunga; Father J. Murphy (lately arrived in the diocese), assistant at the Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby; Fathers Doherty and Dore, assistants at St. Benedict's; and Father Taylor has been appointed to the charge of the parochial district of Coromandel.

Rev. P. O'Flynn, who has been on active service with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force, was expected to arrive back in Auckland on or about Friday,

There are hopes for a speedy recovery of the Right Rev. Mgr. Gillan, V.G., who, we regret to learn, has been in delicate health lately.

Rev. J. J. Bradley, diocesan inspector of religious instruction, will shortly commence the catechism examination of all the schools of the diocese.

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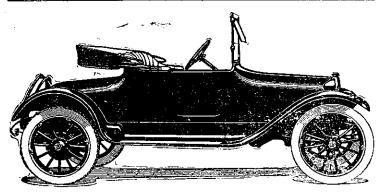
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#### DROPPING THE MOTLEY.

[The object of camouflage, to make ships invisible, succeeded marvellously at sea, but when these "dazzle-painted" craft are in harbor it is impossible to see anything else. Now that the meuace of mine and submarine is a thing of the past, many camouflaged ships are being repainted in their sedate coats of former years. From the Sydney (Australia) Bulletin (says the Literary Digest) we take the following farewell address of the ships to their vivid war attire, by E. J. Hill.]

Farewell, the fancy costumes that we've frolicked in so long':

The wardrobe-mistress clads us as befits our sober ways

On the well-tramped paths of ocean, where the cyclone's chorus-song

Goes roaring in the stays.

We have done some giddy pirouettes while clad in dazzling guise;

We cut the straight and narrow way and danced in maddening maze,

Whose courses showed like fever charts to our longtired eyes

Through sleepless nights and days.

We are glad to drop the tinsel and once more appear to view

In house-colors made for working—the rough work which is our share.

We are sick of turkey-trotting, doing tangoes on the blue,

Dodging U-boats here and there.

We're respectable old ladies, and can leave our callingcards

In raiment none can jeer at or refer to with a grin.

We can feel at home full-speed ahead, or grousing in
the yards

While taking cargo in.

The dance of death is ended. We have gladly flung

The motley of the past few years that clad us, shore to shore;

It's nightmare colors giddied us, but now on every tide We're sane once more.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

An important point has been raised by the French Conferences of St. Vincent de Paul which has presented itself in various departments of France, as legal guardian under the scheme for the pupils of the nation, which is to benefit the orphans of the war. Several Prefects have welcomed this proposal and acceded to it, while others have refused to recognise the great Catholic Society. In the latter case an appeal was made to the Council of State, and an important judgment has now been given which recognises the Conferences of St. Vincent de Paul as appropriate legal guardians for the children under the national scheme.

#### CHINESE NATIVE CUSTOMS.

To the gravity and dignity of his office the missionary in China must add not only a mastery of the Chinese language and literature, but also a thorough knowledge of the manners and customs of that people, one of the most peculiar on earth (writes Father Jose V. Blanco, O.P.). Let him not delude himself with the idea that as a foreigner he need not practise these customs, which he may find ridiculous and quite contrary to ours. If he does not adapt himself to them and follow the traditions of the most ceremonious nation on this planet, he will be irretrievably condemned as a barbarian, and even his spiritual labors will be all in vain. In the presence of a civilisation so different from ours, he must at all costs avoid giving any sign of impatience or dislike, and still more beware of anything like contempt or ridicule. The Chinese music will shock his ears; the etiquette of visits, with the inevitable tea, will bore him and irritate him; the Chinese wine and tobacco will be like strange chemicals to his unaccustomed taste; the obsequious attitude of the people will seem unworthy; but that makes no difference-none of that should disturb him. He must overcome the early impressions of the first few years. Let him meet everything with a smiling face, never doubting that the uphili work will come to an end; and on the summit he will discover, to his joy, new and wide horizons with golden harvests for the granary of our Heavenly Father. Whatever ideas or prejudices one may have about Chinese men and things, one's rule of conduct at the outset must be—to see, to hear, and to be silent. Living among the people in the interior will change our Western notions sooner than we expect. The day will come when things that startled the missionary on his arrival will seem altogether natural and commonplace. What is more, it is positively true that if foreigners do not love the Chinese and their ways, it is because they do not know them-or have a half knowledge, that is worse than none at all.

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#### OBITUARY

#### MISS CECILIA O'CONOR, NELSON.

The death occurred on Monday, August 11, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Ellen O'Beirne, Nelson, of Miss Cecilia Margaret, O'Conor, in her 92nd year (writes our own correspondent). The deceased lady (writes our own correspondent). The deceased lady was a daughter of Mr. Roderick O'Conor, of Dublin, in which city she was born on July 12, 1828, a year before Catholic emancipation was won by Daniel O'Connell. She was a descendant of Roderic O'Conor, the last monarch of Ireland, "as brave a man, perhaps, as ever drew a sword for God and for fatherland; as unfortunate a man as ever was doomed to preserve his dignity and to go down to his grave in the midst of misfortunes, but without a taint of dishonor." Love of faith and fatherland were with this descendant of a sainted king a real passion, and her life of unaffected piety was an edification to all. Miss O'Conor was one of the first members of the Sodality of the Children of Mary, this sodality being approved by Pope Pius IX. when she was in her 19th year. To the end she remained affectionately devoted to it, and wearing her ribbon and medal she breathed her last. Throughout her long illness she was attended by Father McGrath, S.M. The deceased was a sister of the late Mr. Eugene O'Conor, well remembered throughout New Zealand as "the Buller Lion." He was a prominent figure in the old provincial days, and for many years represented the Buller electorate in Parliament. The late Mr. O'Conor was the founder of the O'Conor Home. Westport. Like her brother, Miss O'Conor was devoted to the cause of charity, and will be remembered by many beneficiaries.— R.I.P.

#### MRS. ELLEN HAYWARD, CHRISTCHURCH.

One of the most devoted and highly-respected Catholic residents of Christchurch, in the person of Mrs. Ellen Hayward, relict of William Hayward, passed away recently at her residence, "Mount Loreto," Cashmere Hills. Solemn Requiem Mass was offered at the Cathedral for the repose of her soul, Father Cooney (Lyttelton) being celebrant, Very Rev. Dean Hyland (Rangiora) deacon, and Father Silk (Holy Cross College, Mosgiel) subdeacon. The Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Adm., was master of ceremonies, the Very Rev. Dean Regnault, S.M., and Father Seymour, S.M., being also present in the sanctuary. A full choir, composed of members of the Cathedral and of St. Mary's Church Choirs, conducted by Mr. W. T. Ward, sang the incidental music. The surviving members of the family, who mourn their loss, are Messrs. J. R. and G. C. Hayward, the well-known Christchurch merchants and manufacturers; Mr. W. Hayward, Rink Motor Taxi and Garage proprietary; Madame Nance Mead, the talented soprano vocalist; and Miss E. Hayward, teacher of singing and music.—R.I.P.

#### An Appreciation. (Contributed.)

This last few years has seen the passing away of many of the Catholic pioneers of New Zealand. I feel justified in mentioning the late Mrs. Ellen Hayward amongst these good souls, who fought so hard against such odds for their faith, and who succeeded, by the help of their devoted, holy, unselfish priests, to make the Catholic Church in New Zealand the stronghold of faith that it is to-day. Ellen Hayward was born in Fermoy, Co. Cork, Ireland, in 1843, of good Irish parents, who had suffered many trials for their faith. At the age of 18 years, having lost her parents, she came to New Zealand to join a married sister who had been here some years. She had little of this world's goods, but was rich in the jewels of simplicity, purity, and honesty. Her good name was her treasure, and she guarded it jealously. In 1864 she married a staunch Protestant, William Hayward, and both were so certain of their own faith being right, and not wishing to incur God's anger; were married in both Churches, but to the wife her Church came first, and so she felt the second ceremony was only a form. For 17 years she fought the fight that mothers of mixed marriages know so well, always having her children baptised the instant she was able. At the end of those weary years of prayer and fighting she was rewarded by God for her perseverance by her husband becoming as staunch in her faith as herself. The rest of her married life was spent in thanking her Maker for His great graces. In her death she showed the reward given to a very chosen soul, as Our Lord poured graces upon her which enabled her to thank Him for her sufferings. Her last three days were spent in her agony, during which time she was unable to swallow, but each day begged for Holy Communion, which, by some special grace from God, she was enabled to swallow, her last being seven hours before she passed away. For three months she had suffered untold pain, but the more she suffered the more she kissed her crucifix, and thanked God for His goodness to her. Her picture of the Sacred Heart she conversed with, as if His Divine Presence was truly at the foot of her bed. Thus she taught us, her children, how to die, and while she still had breath exhorted us to live good lives that we might die holy deaths. We miss her dear face, and sweet reprimands, which still came even when we were grown up, and which, I am grateful to say, we still heeded. Our loss is her gain. May the Sacred Heart, that she loved so fervently and so often told that she put all her trust in, crown her as one of His chosen servants.

#### CONVENT OF MERCY, WESTPORT.

Included in the results of the midwinter commercial examinations in connection with the National Business College, Sydney, N.S.W., are the following successes gained by pupils of the Convent of Mercy, Westport :

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#### ASHBURTON CONVENT.

At the "breaking up" of the local Technical School prior to the recent vacation, a very interesting feature of the afternoon's performance, which marked the close of the second term's work, was a game of basket ball, in which the Convent School A team defeated the Technical A team by 7 points.

In the Teachers' Diploma examination held in the

Borough School last April in connection with Trinity College, London, the three candidates presented by the Sisters of Notre Dame des Missions were successful in the Art of Teaching and Rudiments, thus qualifying one pupil for Licentiate and one for Associate.

A very fine three-year-old chestnut filly, Demosthenes—Te Houhou, about to be broken in, has been donated by Mr. H. McManaway to Thorndon parish, Wellington, for the forthcoming bazaar. This gift is to be disposed of by surprise packets, particulars of which are advertised in this issue.

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#### Lemon Dumplings.

Chop very fine all of suet and mix it with all of grated bread, 4oz of sugar, and the peel of one lemon, grated. Mix these ingredients well together with two well-beaten eggs, and make up the mixture into small balls to be boiled, or boil the whole in a basin

#### Raisin Pudding.

Chop all of suct fine, and mix it with all of flour: stone 100% of raisins and stir them into the flour and suct with 20% of brown sugar. Mix all well together, and pour in sufficient milk to make the mixture into a stiff paste, the it in a floured cloth, and put it into a saucepan of boiling water, and boil it. When done, serve it with white sugar sifted over the top.

#### Macaroons.

Beat one egg with a fork until light and fluffy, add half a cupful of sugar, one small tablespoonful of butter (melted), one cupful of cocoanut, one cupful of oatmeal, and a little salt; flavor with vanilla. Mix thoroughly, drop a teaspoonful at a time on to a buttered slide, and place a blanched almond on each one. Bake in a very slow oven for 20 minutes.

#### Rhubarb Ple.

Pour hoiling water over two large cupfuls of chopped rhubarb, and let boil four or five minutes, then drain off the water. Mix with the rhubarb one cup of sugar, the yolk of on egg, and a piece of butter

and a tablespoonful of flour, moistening the whole with three tablespoonfuls of water. Bake with the lower crust only, beat the white of an egg with three tablespoonfuls of sugar, and spread over top of the pie, and return it to oven to brown.

#### Cauliflower Soup.

Wash a small cauliflower well and remove the green leaves. Put it in a basin and cover it with boiling water, adding a small piece of washing soda if the water is hard. After it has stood for five minutes take it out and put it in a pan to boil, with a quart of milk and water, or milk without water, until quite tender. Pass all through a sieve and season with one teaspoonful of salt and a little white pepper. Melt loz of butter in the saucepan, and add to it a dessert-spoonful of cornflour, mixing till perfectly smooth. Add the soup gradually and stir till it boils. Let it boil for three minutes, then draw it aside and stir in two or three tablespoonfuls of cream. Do not allow it to boil again after adding the cream.

#### Household Hints.

If you want to bake potatoes and your time is short, try boiling them until nearly done and finish them in the oven.

For mashed potatoes, slice them thin, as for French fried, instead of leaving them whole or cut in half, and you will be surprised at the saving in time and fuel.

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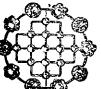
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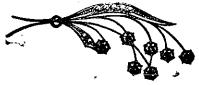
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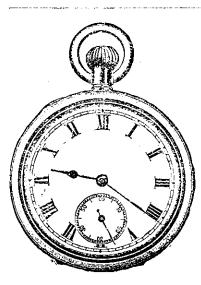
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#### ON THE LAND

#### MARKET REPORTS.

At Burnside last week there was a medium yarding of 160 head of fat cattle, included in which were several lots of prime cattle, but the bulk of the entry was composed of medium sorts. Competition was keen throughout, and towards the end of the sale prices were 20s per head in advance of the previous week's rates. Prime bullocks £24 to £29, medium £19 to £23, lighter sorts £16 to £18, prime heifers £17 to £19 7s 6d, medium £15 to £16, light and aged £12 upwards. Fat sheep: 1331 yarded. The yarding consisted of more wethers than has been the case of late, and the bulk of these were very good quality. Prices opened on a par with last sale's high rates, and firmed considerably as the sale went on, prime sheep advancing fully 5s per head, while lighter sorts advanced about 3s per head. Extra prime heavy wethers to 84s, prime heavy wethers 58s to 67s 6d, medium 48s to 56s, light and unfinished from 38s, extra prime heavy ewes 66s 3d, prime heavy ewes 45s to 49s 6d, medium ewes 39s to 44s, light and unfinished 24s to 35s.

At Addington last week the yardings were smaller all round in the beef and mutton sections, and there is little change to report in values. Butchers took most of the fat sheep offering, prices being a little easier. Beef was a trifle firmer. The fat cattle yarded totalled 325, the quality being mixed, and ranging from prime to indifferent. Competition for good stuff was keen, and prices showed some advance. Extra prime steers to £38 10s, prime £20 to £25, ordinary £28 17s 6d to £29 15s, extra prime heifers to £23, prime £15 to £19 10s, ordinary £8 to £13, extra prime cows to £25, prime £12 10s to £18 10s, ordinary £9 10s to £12. Of fat sheep there was a smaller yarding than in the previous week, and the quality ranged from prime, well-finished ewes and wethers to indifferent. The sale opened well, and remained steady, but prices showed a slightly easier tendency. Extra prime wethers to 62s 6d, prime 45s to 56s 3d, medium 39s to 42s, lighter and unfinished 35s to 38s, extra prime ewes 60s, prime 43s to 52s 6d, medium 36s to 40s 6d, lighter 31s 1d to 34s 6d, hoggets 28s 6d to 34s 6d. A fair entry of fat pigs met with reasonably good competition. Extra heavy baconers to £9, heavy £7 to £8 5s, medium £5 10s to £6 10s (equal to 10d to 10d d per lb), heavy porkers £4 10s to £5, medium from £3 5s to £4 5s (equal to 1s per lb), choppers £6 to £14. There was a big entry of store pigs, and these met with a very fair demand.

Donald Reid and Co., Ltd., report having held their fortnightly rabbitskin sale on Monday, August 25. The following were prices realised:—Super winter does 193d, first winter does 176d to 184d, second winter does 150d to 170d, outgoing does 97d to 110d, prime winter bucks 110d to 129d, second winter bucks 96d to 110d, outgoing bucks 86d to 107d, springs 58d to 68½d, incoming winters 98d to 103d, autumns 70d to 80d, racks 28d to 32d, first winter black 180d to 190d, second winter black 140d to 150d, autumn black 80d to 100d, first winter fawn 90d to 99½d, small 12d to 16¼d, hareskins 35d to 42½d, horsehair 15d to 17¾d, catskins 6d to 1s 3¾d.

Trees of the peach, nectarine, apricot, fig. etc., should be firmly planted in good, loamy soil (if possible), without any manure, at the foot of a sunny wall.

THE USE OF SALT ON THE FARM.

Very rarely is anything written concerning salt and its use on the farm, although it is used as a stimulant to plant life, for checking disease and insect pests, and is also partaken of by cattle in much the same way as we ourselves relish a little salt with our food There is a lower (says Farm, Field, and Fireside). quality of salt, often described in very similar terms, that may be had at a somewhat lower price than the clean "broad" salt, which at best is of second quality and the dearer article as regards profit to the farmer and gardener. Lump rock salt is a specially selected article for the use of cattle, the importance of a constant supply of salt for cattle being often overlooked. To have it in some form is regarded as necessary to health, and it is generally better to allow stock free access to it rather than to mix it with their food, and so force them to take it whether they wish or not. Freedom from "rot" in large flocks of sheep has in some cases been traced to a regular supply of salt. Salt is also believed by many to supply an effective remedy for the disease. Rock salt is used for application to the ground in ground form, and is sometimes slightly lower in price than the white. The ground rock salt does not contain, as a rule, more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. moisture and the 3 to 6 per cent. impurities that give it the reddish color are the reverse of objectionable for agricultural and horticultural purposes, as shown by the following analysis:--Chloride of sodium 96.86 per cent., chloride of calcium .49 per cent., sulphate of line .74 per cent., insoluble matter 1.58 per cent., water .33 per cent. The ground rock salt is, all points considered, the best for application to land, though some may prefer the clean white or "broad" salt. The use of salt is generally to prevent an excessive smooth use of salt is generally to prevent an excessive growth of stem and leafage. In the case of grain crops, especially on wheat, to brighten and toughen the straw, and to prevent "rust." The action of salt upon soils, especially those very rich in nitrogen, has not until very recently been clearly understood. Now, it is known that in many soils potash, lime, and magnesia can be made available for plants by an appliction of common salt. Its action is to decompose the double hydrous silicates of calcium, potassium, and magnesium, and thus serve indirectly a very useful purpose. Salt displaces first lime, then magnesia and potash, and some phosphoric acid. It is thought by some that the physiological action of salt in checking the growth of straw and stalks on land highly charged with nitrogenous manures may be due to the chlorine in the salt, which acts in restraining the growth, rather than the sodium. Others contend that the salt may kill or hinder the development of the nitric ferment, or some other organism that makes the soil nitrogen active, or that perhaps the effect of the salt may be due to a general weakening of the plant. Up to the time of blossoming plants may grow well without chlorides, but then in their absence starch is formed in the leaves, and the transference of the starch from the foliage to the flower and fruit is rendered impossible; in other words, chlorine (in combination with potassium or calcium) is necessary to—in fact, it is the agent of—this transfer. We may therefore conclude that when salt is used upon cereals to stiffen the straw, usually at the rate of 21 to 5cwt per acre, it acts in the transference of the starch from the blades or leaves to the fructifying organs, and in consequence furthers the boldness and maturity of the grain, while from the bleaching property takes away or transfers the nitrogenous matter to the fruit or grain.

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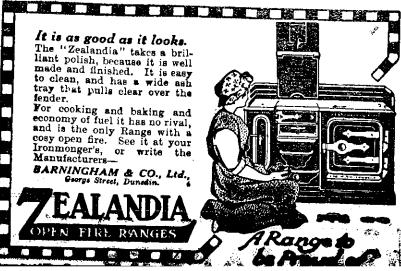
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They do me wrong who say I come no more, When once I knock and fail to find you in; For every day I stand outside your door And bid you wake and rise to fight and win.

Wail not for precious chances passed away; Weep not for golden ages on the wane; Each night I burn the records of the day, At sunrise every soul is born again.

Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped; To banished joys be blind and deaf and dumb; My judgments seal the dead past with its dead, But never bind a moment yet to come.

Though deep in mire, wring not your hands and weep;
I lend my arm to all who say "I can." No shame-faced outcast ever sank so deep, But yet might rise and be again a man.

Dost thou behold thy lost youth, all aghast? Dost reel from righteous retribution's blow? Then turn from blotted archives of the past And find the future's pages white as snow.

Art thou a mourner? Rouse thee from thy spell; Art thou a sinner? Sins may be forgiven; Each morning gives thee wings to flee from hell, Each night a star to guide thy feet to heaven.

#### "GOD BLESS YOU!"

People who are polite will at least say "Thank you" when a service is done them or a favor granted or obtained for them; there are different forms of expressing thanks or gratitude, but most of them have not so sweet a sound as the "God bless you" falling from the lips of Irish people from Ireland, usually old people, who learned to say those three words in the Old Country. We do not often hear them in this country-now.

To say "God bless you, my child," was a habit with, for example, the late Most Rev. P. J. Ryan, Archbishop of Philadelphia. If you remember reading about his last hours (says a writer to an American exchange) you know they were his parting words to the persons who were present when he died. But he was simply practising his customary way of saying good-bye. In the Missionary recently there appeared an article entitled "A Convert of Many Years," written by Countess Spottiswood Mackin, president of the Alumnae of Nazareth Academy, Kentucky. The first

paragraph is this:-When a child I lived in St. Louis, in the neighborhood of the Catholic church of which the late Mgr. Ryan, Archbishop of Philadelphia, then a simple priest, was the pastor. Every afternoon Father Ryan was in the habit of taking a constitutional. When he passed my home, impelled by a certain sympathy, which I now ascribe to the grace of God, I ran out of the grounds in disobedience to my nurse, and caught his hand, and would run along by his side for a little way. Upon leaving him, he would say, 'God bless you, my child,' and perhaps he said a little prayer for my conversion.'

It is a prayer to say "God bless you, my child." Anyhow, the child in the case was converted, and says she is happier every year since she became a Catholic. There must be many people who could tell a similar story about that "God bless you, my child," of Archbishop Ryan, and of so many other priests who learned the little prayer from the old people they knew when children themselves in Catholic Ireland. The name of God is not so frequently heard, reverently spoken in the everyday lives of people generally, not even in the homes of Catholics. If one should often say, "God bless you, my child," he or she would probably be considered "queer' in this smart land and day.

A SONG OF SPRING.

Come, let us sing Of bonnie Spring, Of bees and butterflies; Of laughing rills, And daffodils; Of tender, brooding skies.

The violet, All dewy wet, Hides shyly by the wall; And in the trees, Rocked by the breeze, The wee brown mothers call.

From hill and plain, From wood and lane, Come tender whisperings; Oh, we will sing Of bonnie Spring, And of the Hope she brings! MARY M. REDMOND.

#### A WORTHY EXAMPLE.

A Catholic schoolboy is now Governor of New York, and he is one of the best beloved citizens of the State. His example and career are worthy of imitation on the part of every boy. Being a Catholic showed that he has overcome more obstacles in the way of his success than if he had not been one. He didn't have to hide his religion, either, but gloried in it. "Thank God," said Judge Dodd recently, "we have a Governor who is not afraid to bless himself in public.'

#### BEAUTIFUL SPRING.

Oh, dear to our hearts are the sad days of springtime, when the annual house-cleaning recurs to our view; when we sleep on the sofa and eat off the mantel, in an atmosphere strongly suggestive of glue; we think of the stove-pipe, the soot that came with it, and the sweet expression so fluent and fine. But the saddest and most bitter of all recollections is the dusty old carpet that hung on the line.

#### SAFETY FIRST.

Our little boy was sent to the store by his mother for half a dozen eggs and some sugar. When he returned his mother discovered he had brought the sugar, but instead of the eggs he had brought lemons. She asked, "Didn't I tell you to bring eggs and sugar?" "Yes, you did, mother," answered the little fellow, "but I was afraid the eggs would break, so I got lemons."

lemons."

#### MORE THAN ONE BARGAINED FOR.

Here is an amusing example of the ambiguities that lie hidden in our English tongue. A lady wrote to an army officer as follows: "Mrs. Smythe requests the pleasure of Captain Bunker's company at dinner."
The next day she received this note: "With the

exception of three men who have the measles and one who is confined to barracks, Captain Bunker's company accepts Mrs. Smythe's kind invitation with pleasure!"

#### THEY MIGHT MOVE.

Being economical is an excellent virtue, but old Skinflint had practised this quality to such an extent that with him it had become almost a vice. His wife was sometimes driven to the verge of distraction by his meanness. The climax came when they moved into a new house. When old Skinflint was out, his wife thought she would re-paper the walls of the drawing room so as to make it look attractive and pretty. But when Skinflint saw it he nearly had a fit.

"I don't dislike the pattern or the color," he gasped, purple in the face with rage, "but I do object to the way you have put it on. You extravagant to the way you have put it on. You extrave woman!" he cried. "How dare you paste it on?"

"Why, how else could I have done it?" meekly answered his wife.

"How else!" he retorted. "You should have tacked it on. You don't suppose we shall always live in this house, do you?"

#### IN THEIR MOTHERS' FOOTSTEPS.

There are numerous instances in history in which parents possessing uncommon gifts are supposed to have passed them on to their children. This is especially the case in regard to musical talents.

The mother of Schumann, for instance, had great Chopin received his wonderful giftmusical ability. and also his delicate constitution-from the maternal side; Gounod's mother was exceedingly fond of music, while the mother of Spohr, the German composer, was an excellent judge of music and a fine critic, without being herself a musician.

Sir Walter Raleigh declared that he inherited from his mother the politeness of deportment which ever distinguished him. Goethe pays frequent tribute in his writings to the character and culture of his mother, as does also the poet Wordsworth.

Sidney Smith believed that he inherited from his mother his rare conversational powers and quickness of repartee. It is well known that the mother of Edward Gibbon, the historian, was a great reader, and cultivated the same taste and habit as her son.

The mother of Charles Darwin made herself acquainted with all the branches of natural history, and entertained a great foundess for animals. This record seems to show that maternal talents and tastes are frequently transmitted to sons: it is also claimed that the gifts of the fathers usually descend to the daughters.

#### SMILE RAISERS.

"Please, mum, there ain't no coal left in the

cellar."
"Why on earth didn't you tell me before?"

Teacher: "Now, Johnny, can you tell me what became of Noah and the ark?"

Johnny: "The baby sucked all the paint off'n Noah, and Pa stepped on the ark and smashed it.'

Jester (in street car): "Has anyone here dropped

a roll of bills, with a rubber elastic around them?"
"Yes, I have!" cried a dozen at once.

Jester (calmly): "Well, I've just picked up the elastic."

Schoolmaster: "I have an impression in my head. Now, can any boy tell me the meaning of impression?" Small Boy: "Yes, please, sir. An impression is a dent in a soft place."

Little Jane had been sewing for her dolly for about

an hour. Finally she looked up and said: -"Mamma, don't you know, I started to make dolly a pair of slippers, and they turned out to be a hat!

After a strenuous day's shooting Giles returned to the house alone.

Now, Giles was only an amateur at the game, and

this fact was well known to the anxious host.
"Have you shot anything?" he demanded of Giles,

expecting to hear the worst.
"Don't know," replied Giles. "We'll have to wait until the rest of the party come in, and then we can call the roll!"

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#### SCIENCE SIFTINGS

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Ship Raising by Gasbags.

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#### Novel Submarine Indicator.

One of the many inventions used in the war against submarines was of a grimly humorous nature. was the indicator net. In its early form it was a fabric of fine wire, which, when run into by a submarine travelling below the surface, was dragged from its moorings and remained attached to the enemy, accompanying him wherever he went, not impeding his progress, and possibly unnoticed by him, but dooming him to destruction. For attached to this net by a long line was a buoy containing a torch which was ignited automatically when the strain of the tow came on the So the unconscious enemy travelled on underneath announcing his presence by the flaming torch which accompanied him overhead. In practice the operation was by no means always so simple or so successful. But that early type of indicator net has been superseded by a much more deadly invention.

The Garden a Medicine Chest.

Every man who has a kitchen garden has a medicine chest in his back yard, although he probably has not seriously looked upon it as such. In the onion, for example, he has a sulphur oil which gives the onion its reputation as a remedy for insomnia and which some physicians hold is a valuable anodyne for "rheu-There are certain oils in turnips and pains. parsnips that have aperient and diuretic properties. There is solanum in the potato, and spinach contains iron. Cabbage is highly regarded as a preventive and corrective of scurvy and scrofula. The composition of the tomato is chemically so subtle that it is not yet fully understood, although several active principles have been isolated and names have been given to them. Thus the man who eats freely of vegetables is taking medicine without paying for a prescription and without being bothered by the high cost of drugs. In the normal individual the instinctive appetite automatically regulates the size of the "dose.

#### Misleading Names.

There are many mistaken notions that can be accounted for by the misleading names given to various things. Nothing is more natural than to assume that India ink comes from India, but it does not, any more than did indiarubber. The first originated in, and comes from, China, and should be called Chinese ink, as it is in France; and the latter comes from Central and South America. Camel-hair brushes are not made from the hair of camels, but from the tails of Russian and Siberian squirrels; and "genuine" French briarroot pipes are not made from the roots of briar, but from the root of a white heath, which reaches a considerable size, and is cultivated in the South of France for pipe-making purposes. Silkworms are not worms, but caterpillars; sealing-wax contains no wax; heartburn has nothing to do with the heart; and sweet spirits of nitre do not contain any nitre. Finally, if you think a centipede has a hundred feet, count them and see. You will not find more than 30 feet on the largest size.

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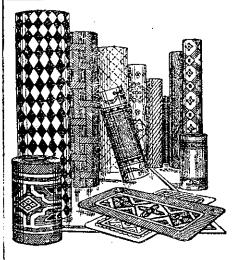
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