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GLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR.

September 10, Sunday .-- Fourteenth Sunday after Pente- cost .

- 11, Monday.-SS. Protus and Hyacinth, ,, Martyrs.
- 12, Tuesday .- Feast of the Holy Name of Mary. ,,
- 13, Wednesday .- Of the Feria. ,,
- 14, Thursday .- Exaltation of the Holy Cross. 3)
- 15, Friday .- Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin ,, Mary.
- 16, Saturday .--- SS. Cornelius and Cyprian, " Martyrs.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

On this day we commemorate the recovery of the True Cross, which was left at Jerusalem by St. Helena, and which, having been carried off by the invading Persians, was regained by the Emepror Heraclius in 628.

Feast of the Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On the third Sunday in September there is also a commemoration of the sorrows of the Mother of God. Today the Church singles out for our consideration one special dolor of Mary-her anguish while standing at the foot of the Cross.

SS. Cornelius and Cyprian, Martyrs.

These two saints were contemporaries and friends. St. Cornelius was elected to succeed Pope Fabian in 251. During his Pontificate, the Church had to contend not only with the persecution of the Emperor Decius, but also with the internal disturbances excited by the heretic No-In 252, St. Cornelius was banished to Civita vatian. Brought back to Rome in the same year, he Vecchia. there gained the crown of martyrdom. St. Cyprian was verging on old age when converted from paganism. He was consecrated Bishop of Carthage in 248. During 10 years he labored unceasingly to promote the spiritual interests of his flock. He was the author of several treatises on doctrinal and devotional subjects. He was martyred during the persecution of Valerian in 258.

***** Grains of Gold

AVE MARIA. "Ave Maria," Gabriel said, And Mary, wondering, bowed her head-"Ave Maria, full of grace." Lo! heaven's mystery lights her face !---Ave Maria, perfect thought Into a human being wrought, The treasures of divinity Are mirrored undefiled in thee!

Ave Maria, vase of gold, Who God selected to unfold The Promise of Divinity-The Passion Flower of Calvary-The bud that suffered mortal blight To radiate eternal light-The Lamb of God, whose sacrifice Unbarred the gates of paradise!

Ave Maria, Calvary Fulfilled each doleful prophecy, And through eternal years thy heart Shall keep its memory set apart-Forever on thy virgin breast The shadow of the Cross shall rest Where once reposed a thorn-crowned head-Love's sacrifice consumated !

-MARY BENEDICTA MARR.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION.

My Sweet Jesus, come into my poor heart and remain with me. Poor as it is, may it be to Thee a sanctuary from those who hate Thee, as Thy Heart is to me a refuge and a sanctuary from all my enemies. My heart is ready, O my Jesus, to receive Thee. Enter and stay with me, for the day is far spent. Tribulation draws nigh, and there is none to help, but if Thou art with me I shall not fear. O Jesus, Who immolatest Thyself at this mo-ment for the salvation of the whole world, inflame the whole world with the fire of Thy love.



Alice Riordan

(By MRS. J. SADLIER.)

CHAPTER VIL

It was about a week after Margaret's dismissal that Mrs. Dempsey one evening told Alice to get ready to go with her to Mr. Finlay's, as it was nearly dark, and she shrank from going alone, particularly as her way lay through a lonesome and deserted tract of ground which bordered on Sherbrooke Street, scarcely a street at all, having but very few houses on either side, and they fearfully "far between."

When they reached Mrs. Finlay's beautiful villa they were shown into a parlor, where they had to wait a full hour before the lady made her appearance; for it happened that she had some visitors in the drawing-room. Poor Mrs. Dempsey! how nervously anxious she began to feel as she thought how many things might go wrong at home. She whispered her fears to Alice, and then was silent, for it would have been high treason for a dressmaker en attendant to carry on a conversation in such a place. She looked wistfully at the glittering annuals on the table, but she would not have touched one of them for the world wide, lest some malicious sprite should carry the news of her audacity to the lady of the mansion.

"With what a leaden and retarding weight Does expectation load the wings of time."

So said or sung the elegant Mason long before Mrs. Dempsey's time; and though she had never heard of him or is aphorism, yet some such thought was just passing through her mind, when a light foot was heard on the stairs, and the parlor door was quickly opened by a small, youthful-looking woman, dressed with punctilious care, yet without a particle of ostentation. Neatness personi-fied was Mrs. Finlay, and Alice thought she had never seen anything so pretty as she was, with her fairy figure and girlish face and soft blue eyes.

"I'm sorry you've had to wait so long, Mrs. Dempsey; but I could not get away sooner, and even now I had to leave Mr. Finlay to entertain my company till I return.
Have you brought your bill, as I told you to do?"
"Yes, ma'am: here it is; and I've brought the pattern

of a new tippet, just to see whether you'll like it or not.'

A shade came over Mrs. Finlay's brow, and her cheek was slightly flushed as she replied: "I don't think I shall take time to look at it. There is your money, Mrs. Demp--fifteen shillings and sixpence." "Thank you, ma'am," said Mrs. Dempsey. as she put sev

the money in her empty purse. "When am I to send up for the things you were speaking of?" "You need not send, Mrs. Dempsey." She paused,

took up a volume off the table, opened it, and shut it again, without looking into it. "I don't think I shall have that dress made now." "Oh! very well, ma'am," said the dressmaker; "I'm

just as well pleased, for we're very much hurried just now." "Oh! yes, I know." said Mrs. Finlay, catching up the

word. not?" "You've turned off one of your girls, have you

"Well, I did, ma'am; but I didn't think you knew anything about it."

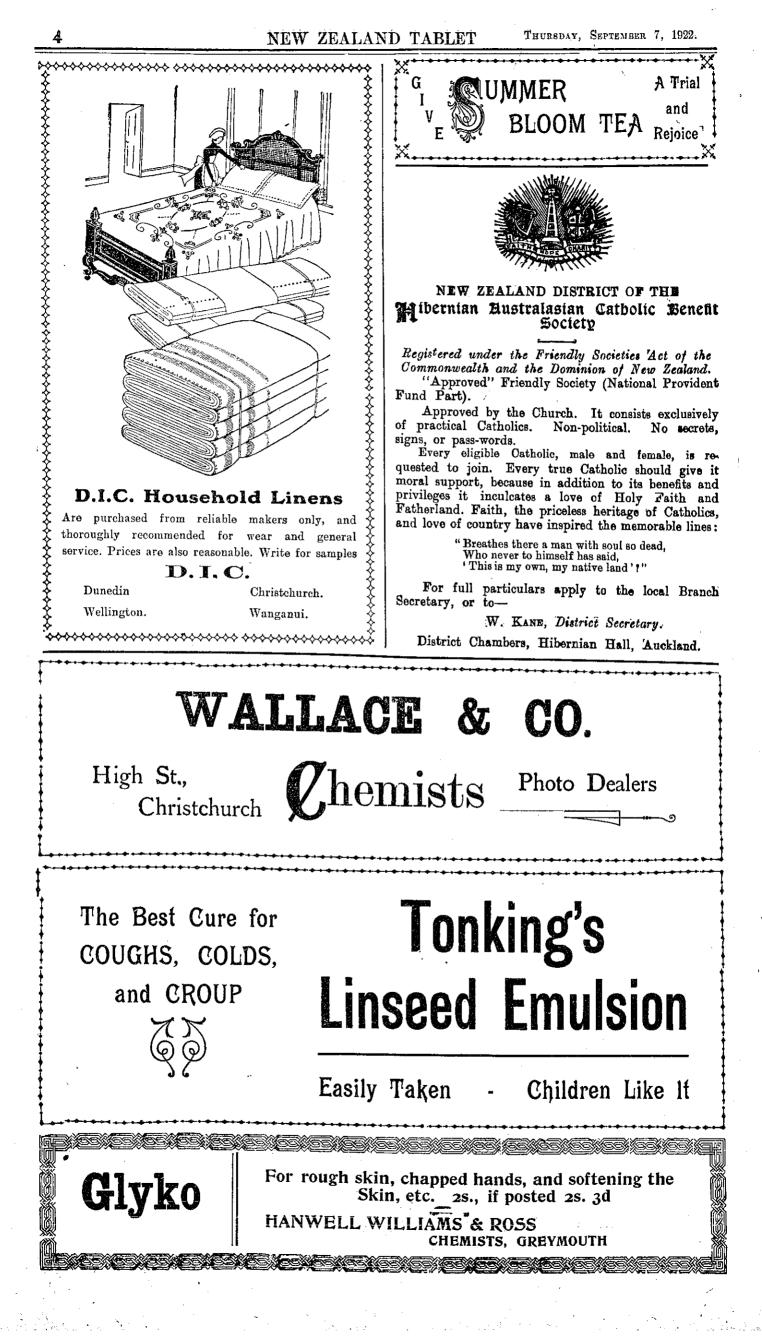
"Ah! I wish it was only I that knew of it." replied the lady, and the cloud gathered on her fair brow; "but Mr. Finlay has heard of it, too, Mrs. Dempsey."

"Well, ma'am, suppose he has, I hope neither he nor

blames me for it." "Certainly we do, Mrs. Dempsey. Even I have nothing to offer in your behalf, and as for Mr. Finlay, he thinks your conduct altogether unjustifiable, so much so that he has actually forbidden me to give you any more work."

"Why, God bless me, Mrs. Finlay!" exclaimed the dressmaker, with a look of blank dismay; "you surely are only jesting? Why, I couldn't have kept the girl any longer, unless I wanted to have my own doughter and my other girls completely spoiled. Surely, if you're in earnest, neither you nor Mr. Finlay can have heard the real cause of my sending her away." "Oh! we know it very well: you turned her off he-

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cause she had gone to our Methodist meeting one Sunday evening."

"Oh I now I know my way," cried Mrs. Dempsey. "I see what's at the bottom of all this. Might I make free to ask, ma'am, who it was that told you this story?"

"Of course you may: it was the girl herself."

"Well, Mrs. Finlay, I'll not undertake to tell my own story, but here's one that knows it as well as I do. Alice, stand up and tell this lady why it was that I turned Margaret off."

Alice blushed deeply, and she felt as though her tongue would scarcely utter a word in the presence of a "real lady"; but she stood up as she was bid, and after a preliminary stammer or two got fairly into her subject, and told how Margaret had continued to deceive Mrs. Dempsey, and to disobey both her and the priest, giving a detailed account of how Mrs. Dempsey had found her out in a barefaced lie, and finally turned her away, chiefly for fear of her contaminating the others.

"Now, ma'am," said Mrs. Dempsey, when she had concluded, "if you have still any doubts on your mind, you can drive down yourself to my little place and examine the girls, and they'll tell you just the same thing."

the girls, and they'll tell you just the same thing." "No, no, Mrs. Dempsey, not at all," replied Mrs. Finlay, slowly, and still looking at Alice. "I have never found you out in a falsehood, and I am altogether mistaken if your little girl there is not incapable of deceiving anyone. But, tell me, did you ever know this girl Margaret to go to our meeting?"

"Well, yes, ma'am; I must confess that she did-more than once, I believe."

"And you reproved her for it?"

"I certainly did, Mrs. Finlay, because we Catholics cannot join in worship with any other religious persuasion, and I felt it my duty to let her know that she had done wrong, and committed a great sin."

"A great sin, Mrs. Dempsey?"

"Certainly, ma'am, a great sin; because she knew very well she was forbidden to do it, and besides she was exposing herself to temptation. I did reprove her for it. Mrs. Finlay, and more shame for me if I didn't, as she was under my care, and her parents are both extremely ignorant, and give themselves little trouble about such things."

"Oh! they are ignorant, are they? Well, you can go now, Mrs. Dempsey, and I regret exceedingly that you should have committed yourself so far, you who had so many Protestant customers. I must try to soften Mr. Finlay somewhat in your behalf, though I dare not give you any great hope of my succeeding. For my part, I do not care much what anyone's religion is; I always rate people by their good or bad qualities, not by their religion; but it is not so with Mr. Finlay. He really cannot bear Papists about him, and it was a particular favor that he allowed me to employ you; but now he is so exasperated against you that he will scarcely suffer me to mention your name. But tell me, how long have you had this girl!--what is her name?"

"Alice Riordan, ma'am. I've only had her a few weeks."

"Has she any friends?"

"Yes, her father; but he is not able to do anything either for himself or her, for he is stone blind."

"And how does he manage to live?-has he any means?"

"Father Smith got him into the Gray Nunnery, ma'am."

"Oh, indeed! Is the little girl bound apprentice to you, Mrs. Dempsey?"

"Well, she's not regularly bound, ma'am, but it's all the same. She was at the business for a short time in Ireland, so that she has a good idea of it already; and, then, she's very anxious to learn her trade, so as to be able to do something for her father."

"Very well, Mrs. Dempsey, that will do now; I'll try what I can do with Mr. Finlay, for I don't like to break with you, if I can at all avoid it. I shall call some day when I'm in town, and let you know the result." She then put a quarter-dollar into Alice's hand, telling her to buy a little book for it;—"not a novel, though," she added with a smile that well became her—a smile as sweet as her own face.

Alice made a low curtsey, and murmured her thanks,

then hastened after Mrs. Dempsey, who was moving towards the door. When they had reached the street she showed Mrs. Finlay's gift, and repeated what she had said.

"God bless her," said Mrs. Dempsey, fervently. "God bless her every day she rises, for it's herself that has the good kind heart. It's a thousand pities that she's a Protestant; she only wants the true faith to be everything I could wish her."

"Well, please God, Mrs. Dempsey, she'll have it too, for we'll begin an' pray for her; an' God will be sure to hear our prayers when she's so good—an' don't you remember sho said sho wasn't very black again Catholics?"

"Oh, I knew that long ago," was the reply—"but indeed, child, you've put a good notion into my head. Let us hurry ourselves, Alice, for it's getting to be late, and we have a lonely road before us. Here, take hold of my arm, or you'll scarce be able to keep up with me."

The remainder of the way was passed in silence, for Mrs. Dempsey was thinking with a saddened heart of the good customer she had lost; then her thoughts naturally wandered to her who had so maliciously and so cunningly misrepresented her, and it was with some difficulty that she succeeded in forgiving her. At last she did, and according to a peculiar habit of her own, she said aloud: "I do forgive her, and may God forgive her, poor unfortunate creature that she is!"

"Ma'am," said Alice, thinking she had spoken to her, for she had not rightly heard the words; "were you speaking to me, Mrs. Dempsey?"

"No, Alice, no." They had reached their own domicile, and Mrs. Dempsey opening the door with a latch-key, they found Ellen dozing before the kitchen stove, pussy fast asleep on her lap, and the girls all gone.

Ellen started up as her mother laid her hand on her shoulder: "Dear me, mother, if you didn't frighten me! Why, how long you did stay! Did you meet Mrs. Harley's man on your way?"

"No;-was he here?"

"Yes, ho came for his mistress's dress. It seems she's very angry with you about something or another, and wants the dress to give it to another. She's taking a person into the house to sew."

Mrs. Dempsey sat down, pale as ashes, and for a moment she said not a word. At last she raised her head: "Alice, as sure as I'm a living woman, this is more of Margaret's work, for Mrs. Harley is a great Bible woman all out. When my lady tried her hand with Mrs. Finlay, or rather with Mr. Finlay, and found herself getting on so well, she thought she'd go farther still."

"Why, mother, what do you mean?" cried Ellen, in utter amazement; and having heard her mother's account of what had passed at Mrs. Finlay's: "Oh! I know it all now," said she, clapping her hands together.

"What do you know, Ellen?"

"Why, this long and many a day, since Margaret used to tell us in the workroom that she'd a great deal rather go to a Protestant church than to a Catholic one; for that all the people there were well dressed, and that Protestants hadn't to be going to confession, or fasting or any such nonsense. She said there was a lady who promised her every sort of fine dress if she'd go to her meeting, and that she would go, as soon as ever she'd leave here."

"My God, what an unhappy girl!" exclaimed Mrs. Dempsey, raising her tearful eyes to heaven. "So young, and yet so far gone in iniquity! How thankful I am that she's really gone from amongst us, though I now see plainly that she is determined to do me all the harm she can."

Alas! poor Mrs. Dempsey! Though Margaret was gone she had left her trail behind, and the expected loss of work was but the smallest and least important part of the mischief she had wrought, and was still working. She had obtained a powerful influence over the ductile mind of Ellen Dempsey-an influence of which she was fully aware, and well knew how to maintain it. She had long since discovered that Ellen was exceedingly fond of fine clothes, and she had herself inspired her with a love of novels and romances, both of which propensities had been daily and hourly acquiring strength, under the secret tuition of Margaret, until they had become real passions, the predominant passions of the soul.

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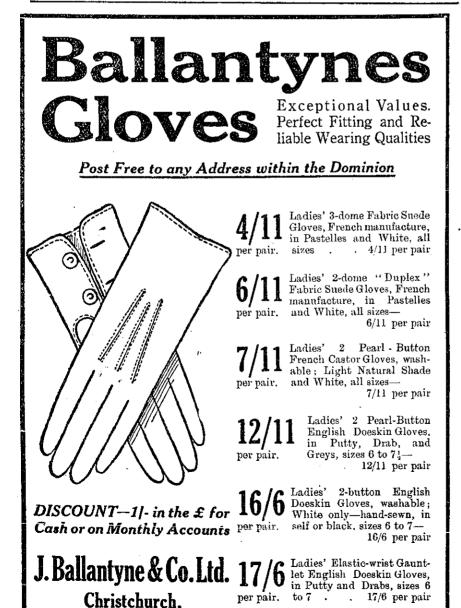
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Evening Memories

(By WILLIAM O'BRIEN.) CHAPTER XII.--(Continued.)

To turn from the Archbishop's bright fireside and bright personality to the cheerlessness of a night-long journey through the frozen air upon a perilous adventure gave one some inkling of what must have been Adam's first feelings on being driven out of Paradise by the sword of the law. But the best promise of our success was the unforeseenableness of Christmas night being chosen for our expedition. I had noticed that Kilmallock was the only station where no policeman watched the arrival of the down mail train. At Kilmallock accordingly we alighted unseen an hour or so after midnight and had first to beat up a sleeping hotel-keeper, who had next to beat up a still sleepier car-driver. But these were times when our names and our business had only to be whispered to inspire almost anybody to go anywhere or do anything. Before an hour we were perched on our outside jaunting car upon a road which was one almost unbroken sheet of ice. The unfortunate steed and the wheels of his vehicle literally skated over the flat miles of the road, and upon the mountain part of the journey we were glad to coax the cold out of our marrow by racing up the hills or shouldering horse and jaunting car in the ascent of some particularly unnegotiable "rise of ground." We arrived at our little hotel in Mitchelstown before daybreak without encountering one homeless human being except our own car-load.

The little council of war we had soon assembled in the cloud of turf smoke raised by "the girleen" in her honest efforts to light a fire in the icy coffee-room was to me chiefly memorable for my first meeting with the local chief of the claus, John Mandeville-a gentleman farmer of the herculean physique of the Galtee mountain country, with a heart as soft as wax and a spirit that would have felt at home in the Pass of Thermopylae-who was to be my faithful comrade in many a subsequent clash of arms in the field and in the prisons, and whose superb manhood, as not uncommonly happens, was destined to be beaten down into an untimely grave, while my own puny frame is spared to pay him a mournful tribute a quarter of a century afterwards. Our arrangements for the assembling of the tenantry by townlands after nightfall once completed, we slept all the hours of the day away with the deep contentment of men enjoying their first taste of warmth since our farewell glimpse of the Archbishop in the Christmas glow of his dining-room. The arrangements worked with the clockwork precision of a conspiracy where practically the entire community were the conspirators. When we drove off after dark with Mr. Arthur O'Connor, who had now joined us, we found the tenants almost to a man awaiting us in the different rendezvous. We held our meetings with none to bear evidence of our words except the friendly reporters (who throughout all these campaigns were more priceless to their people's liberties than an army of policemen and jailors were to our enemies), and far into the night by the tallow candles in half-adozen mountain cabins we sat at the receipt of the "Campaign Rents" until the collections over more than half the vast estate were safe in our wallets and by some fairy machinery transported beyond reach of the Queen's writ. The grimmest of the Coercionist satraps of that day-Captain Plunkett, a Divisonal Commissioner, half judge. half military executioner, whose own life eventually paid the penalty of his lawlessness-had been specially deputed to smother "the conspiracy" on the Mitchelstown estate at its birth, while the funds were still uncollected. When we got back to our Mitchelstown hotel, with our work more than half accomplished in a single night, our first sight of any of Captain Plunkett's police army was when a constable called to the hotel-keeper with the forlorn inquiry who were the strange gentlemen who were rumored to have arrived during the night? The upshot of the Vice-regal Proclamation of "The Plan" and of the State prosecutions for conspiracy was a demonstration that the conspirators could do their work with considerably greater efficiency when it was, by decree of the Coercionists, transferred from the public market-place and the hearing of the police notetaker to regions of mysterious invisibility, where the Ariels of Irish ingenuity were free to play their cruel tricks upon the bespotted Trinculos whom alone Dublin Castle could hire to do its bidding. Q.E.D.!

Every new blow from the Castle was now followed up from our side with the deliberate determination to force oppression to show its most hateful face and to hold up its instruments to contempt, defeat and popular diversion. When application was made to commit us for trial, the proceedings at the Police Court were turned into the laughing-stock of Dublin by our success in forcing the Chief Secretary, the Attorney-General, Sir Redvers Buller and Captain Plunkett by subpoend into the witness box, where they made a greatly more humiliating figure than the traversers at the bar. These great officers of State were made to stammer out the admission that United Ireland's discovery of the Attorney-General's confidential advice owning the legality of the Plan of Campaign was a perfectly genuine one, and that they had themselves conspired to put more extra-legal pressure than we upon the bankrupt rackrenters they were now pledging the power of England to abet in their barbarities. Our offence really was that we were succeeding where an alien government was bound to fail. One signal instance of our success while the Chief Secretary and his Chief Law Officer were still quaking in the witness box made a profound sensation. I took advantage of the adjournment of the Court from Saturday to Monday to go down to the estate of Viscount Dillon, who had served hundreds of eviction notices and appealed to the Castle for military help to effectuate his programme of extermination. When the Court reassembled it was to learn that the traverser, who was supposed to be trembling in the grip of English justice, had been down to Mayo and had come back with the signed capitulation of that powerful nobleman to the Plan of Campaign in his pocket.

His Lordship, on the sensible advice of his sub-agent (afterwards Sir Henry Doran of the Congested Districts Board) had agreed to drop his processes, to reinstate his evicted tenants; to wipe out all law costs, and in return to receive out of the Plan of Campaign war-chest the entire amount of his rental less the 20 per cent. abatement which he might have saved the Government and himself no end of anguish and humiliation by conceding before the spectre of the Plan of Campaign arose to affright his slumbering conscience. At a stroke, four thousand peasant families received the benefit of Parnell's rejected Bill without an angry blow and without losing a penny in law charges.

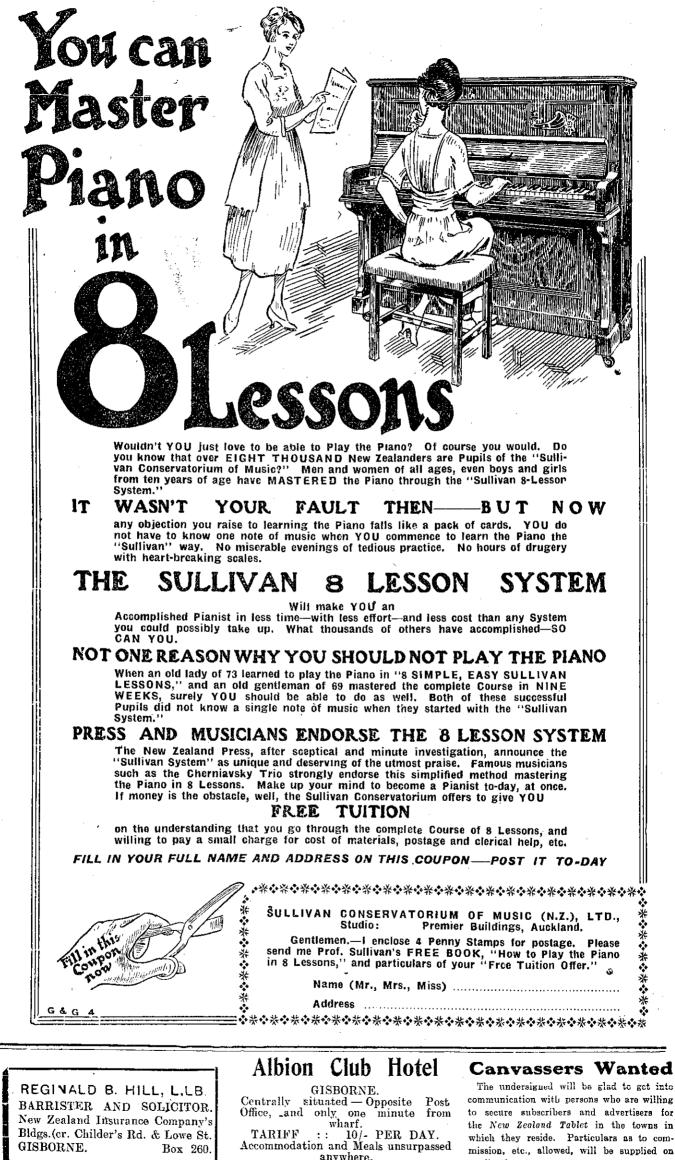
When the State Trials were removed into the exalted region of the High Court, the Crown Council could not well have exerted themselves more actively to render English law alike hateful and impotent had they been briefed by our own solicitors. Indeed, the full-dress Bar retained for our defence were more nervous about the foolhardiness of their clients than were their clients about the terrors of the law. One of them, "Dick" Adams, the famous judge and more famous wit, used to relate with a capital show of horror their "consultation" with the traversers in the back drawing-room of our devoted solicitor, Val Dillon. We were all, perhaps, a little intolerant of our eminent counsel's devices for staving off a conviction. Safety, as well as national policy, lay in giving no quarter and expecting none in dealing with the infamous imposture we knew alien "justice" to be. The one thing to be done with the jury packing, by which alone convictions could be contrived, was to denounce and defy it the more aggressively the better. Adams likened the attitude of our leading counsel, who had been Attorney-General under the Liberal Government and whom he called "poor Sammy Walker"a worthy lawyer, but feeble politician-as he listened with a meek horror to his lawless clients-to that of "a little rabbit putting up his two paws to beseech the boys not to heave a brick at him." Adams shrank from telling of himself, unless in safe company, a story which Mr. Healy, who was one of our junior counsel, told for him. As the traversers left the consultation room, Adams planted his

* It was in a speech near Ballaghaderin on this occasion that the writer conferred on Mr. Serjeant Peter O'Brien the title of "Pether the Packer," by which to his dying day he was better known than by the Lord Chief Justiceship or the Peerage bestowed on him by a grateful England for making her name destable. On this occasion also appeared the first English Member of Parliament (the late Mr. Conybeare) who threw in his fortunes with the Plan of Campaign. He was the first swallow of a propitious summer.

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back against the door, and as soon as he was quite sure his clients were not within earshot, cried out to his learned brethren: "Well, I declare to God, I would as soon be defending a menagerie!"

(To be continued.)

The Pope's Services to Irish Students

The debt owed by students of early Irish history to the new Pope is indicated in an interesting and scholarly study of Pius XI. which Bishop Shahan, Rector of the Catholic University of America, contributes as the leading article in the current issue of the Catholic Educational Review.

After reviewing the early years of Achille Ratti and the atmosphere in which his love for literature and philology was developed, the Bishop continues:

"One of the most honorable offices to which an Italian scholar can aspire is a place in the learned body known as the Doctors of the Ambrosian Library, founded at Milan some three centuries ago (1609), by Cardinal Federigo Borromeo and committed by him to the perpetual custody of nine scholars, whose sole occupation should be the administration of their researches. The great Cardinal also decreed that it should be a public library for the use of the citizens and of visiting scholars, the first of its kind in Europe, and strictly administered in that sense to the present day. Occasion offering, the young professor of ecclesiastical history and Hebrew in the Archiepiscopal Seminary was appointed (1888) one of the Doctors of the Ambrosiana, and entered upon his duties with the joy and zeal of one who had found his true calling.

"The saintly and enlightened archbishop, who in the early years of the 17th cenutry, before the white man had founded Boston or Baltimore, endowed richly this unique institution, not only gave it a great number of books and valuable manuscripts, Greek, Latin, and Oriental, but created large galleries of sculpture and paintings, also a museum of coins, engravings, prints, and other rare objects. At his behest it became at once and remained an active democratic centre of good studies, open to all Milan and to the learned men of Europe, who sought principally the great collection of manuscripts, some 15,000 of which Cardinal Federigo had gathered from all parts of Europe and the Orient, and which ranks after the Vatican Library in the number and importance of its treasures. Its printed books number at present about 500,000.

"Abbate Ratti was soon the right-hand and the confidant of Antonio Ceriani, the Prefect of the Library, a learned Orientalist, and one of the foremost scholars in the delicate arts of reading and interpreting ancient manuscripts, particularly scriptural and liturgical texts of an early date. In this field Ceriani remains to this day a conjure-name for all trained critical workers in the slow and difficult restoration of the original text of the Scrip-When this learned priest passed away in 1907 he tures.had endowed his young assistant not only with a large sharo of his vast scholarship, but also with his intellectual apparatus of acumen and cultivated industry, and with that rare sense of vision or savor which alone opens to the critical philologian or medievalist the world that lies behind the shadowy fragments of his classical or ecclesiastical page, stained or torn, faded or worm-eaten, ragged or incomplete.

"It was in these surroundings, amid the opportunities of a great intellectual and art centre, among like-minded men, in the heart of a community intensely Catholic and heir to a rich and varied culture no longer common that the young priest was destined to prepare himself, however unwittingly, for the Chair of Peter. For 20 years he was the humble and devoted servant of all the scholars of Europe and America, who had reason to seek his aid. Magliabecchi scarcely surpassed him in the extent of his literary good-will and fraternal service. During those years he devoted himself entirely to the service of a studious public, the study and elucidation of the manuscripts committed to his care and the better organisation of the library, art galleries, and the museum. "The Ambrosiana possesses several valuable old Irish manuscripts from the Monastery of Bobbio that nestles quasi-inaccessible in the Apennines between Piacenza and Genoa, and for centuries kept alive in Northern Italy the love of learning which characterised its sixth century Irish founder, St. Columbanus. Abbate Ratti cherished these rare survivals of ancient Irish culture and wrote with scholarly distinction about them, visited Bobbio itself with the hope of tracing the remnants of its library scattered during the French Revolution, and welcomed whatever scholar came to consult the Antiphonary of Bangor, the Bobbio Missal or any other of the old Irish manuscripts which Cardinal Federigo secured when the decay of Bobbio permitted these treasures to be carried off to Turin, Florence or Rome.

"In 1891 he visited Vienna, and in 1893 Paris, on both occasions an attache of a cardinalitial embassy. He was the guest of Oxford on the occasion of the Roger Bacon celebration, and was received with much distinction. At one time he thought of visiting the United States, but the death of a near relative removed all motive.

"However absorbed in historical, literary, artistic, or critical studies, he never lost touch with the religious life of Milan. He was a friend and confidant of the chimneysweeps, and prepared them regularly for their First Communion. To the Ladies of the Cenacle, the Children of Mary, and other religious associations he gave many years of service, counsel, and spiritual direction. He was always much in demand as a popular preacher of the 'Month of Mary,' and for many years was the helpful director of an association of Catholic female teachers. He was ever devoted to the ecclesiastical authority and the clergy of Milan, whose pride in him grew from year to year as various high diocesan offices were confided to him."

Admiral Benson

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STORY OF HIS CONVERSION.

Admiral William S. Benson, of the United States Navy, contributes the following beautiful and instructive account of his conversion to the Catholic faith to the last number of the Baltimore *Catholic Review*:—

I was born on a plantation in Georgia, about ten miles from Macon, in September, 1855. My parents were Methodists, and I was brought up in the Methodist faith after. the "strictest order of the Pharisee."

I naturally inhighted a strong religious feeling. In the autumn of 1869 or 1870, in attending what was called in that section of the country a "revival meeting," I joined the Methodist Church, and tried to live up to those teachings and requirements until I became convinced of the truth of the teachings of the Catholic Church, and was blessed with the gift of the true faith in the spring of 1880.

INFLUENCE OF GOOD CATHOLIC WIFE.

In 1876 I met my wife, who was a pious Catholic lady, and in 1879 we were married. While I had lived, or tried to live, strictly up to the requirements of the Methodist Church, I never felt quite satisfied, as my judgment always made me feel that a real religion must be of a more dogmatic character. I can recall, even now, the attraction that a Catholic Church and Catholic people had for me, as a boy. I remember with special interest the feeling I always had when a student at the Naval Academy at Annapolis whenever I heard the bells of St. Mary's Church ringing. They seemed in a way to appeal to me, and, while I was not so conscious of that appeal at the time, I have since realised I did feel there was something about it that was always drawing me in that direction.

After meeting Mrs. Benson, and becoming engaged to her, in the autumn of 1876, I naturally took up the study of the Catholic Church and its teachings, and read a great deal of Catholic literature, such as *The Invitation Heeded*, the works of Cardinals Newman and Manning, and many other Catholic works. Two years of this time I spent in South America, where the Catholic Church is practically the only existing Church. I labored under the discouraging influence of my mother, who was bitterly antagonistic to the Catholic Church and its teachings. My father died in October, 1877, and while he was a most pious

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member of the Methodist Church, he was always most liberal in his feelings toward Catholics.

HAD DEPENDENCE ON GOD.

After my marriage, of course, my interest in the Catholic Church and its teachings became more earnest, and I felt more strongly than ever my duty to study, I did this and, if possible, to understand its teachings. with an unbiassed mind, as nearly as was possible for me to do. I always had a most earnest feeling that there was and could be only one source of correct teaching, and I asked most earnestly that I might be guided to it. I soon reached a state of mind in which I fully realised that the Protestant faith and teaching were most illogical and untenable, and that no intelligent man could trust his soul's salvation to any such teaching. During the short interval when I realised that there was no hope in the past, it was a serious question with me as to whether there was any hope in the future; but the strong dependence on God and His Providence helped me to tide over this period, and to believe that there was.

AUTHORITY IN RELIGION.

My reasoning was something along this line: If such great wisdom has created not only me and the rest of mankind, but all the wonderful things of creation, it must have created each one of us for some special purpose; and if we, the creatures of this Creator, fully live up to and comply with all the demands made on us, in ordinary justice we should receive light and guidance in the way that would bring us to an eternal reward.

Of course, in studying the doctrines and teachings of the Catholic Church, at first there were a great many points it was very difficult to understand and accept; but one by one during my study and reading, by the Grace of God, these difficulties were overcome, and I could accept them with clear understanding and reasoning until they were finally narrowed down to the one of confession and forgiveness

This particular article of faith for a long time was impossible for me to accept, until one day, in discussing the subject with an old parish priest, who was rather blunt in expressing himself, stated to me in a somewhat curt manner that it was absurd for me to say that I could accept certain things, believe certain things, and not be-

lieve others. He said: "If you have any faith in God, and He has done any of these things you say He has, you cannot possibly fail to accept everything, because He is an Infinite God, infinitely just and infinitely wise, and you are imputing imperfections when you say you can accept certain things, but that He Who has established the Church and teaches articles of faith could err in this one thing. Consequently, you must either believe all the Church He has established teaches, or you cannot logically believe any of the teachings.'

These arguments were so convincing, and impressed me so strongly, it was impossible for me not to accept the logical situation as an earnest seeker for Divine light on the subject. While at sea on the old Constitution in the winter of 1879 and 1880, God was good enough to clear away all the doubts in my mind, and bless me with the light of the Catholic Faith, and from that day on I have never had any doubts on the subject.

"THE FAITH OF OUR FATHERS."

I will say, in this connection, the book that had the greatest influence in clearing up doubts I had in the teachings of the Catholic Faith and understanding its doctrines was The Faith of Our Fathers, by Cardinal Gibbons. That book has always impressed me as Divinely inspired, and as one that carries with it a special blessing.

I was baptised by Monsignor Preston, who was then the pastor of St. Ann's Church, on East Twelfth Street, New York, he himself being a convert. This was in the early summer of 1880. I was confirmed by his Eminence Cardinal McCloskey, I think, in June or July, 1880, at a church somewhere in New York City, and in the vicinity of Fourteenth Street and Sixth Avenue.

Since that time my principal reading and study has been Catholic literature, or works treating of the subject, and I am thankful to say that my travels throughout the world and my reading and study have only tended to strengthen my faith and to increase my zeal.

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HARNETT-SHELLEY.

HARNETT-SHELLEY. The wedding was solemnised at St. Mary's Church, Christchurch, on August 9, of Mr. John Joseph Harnett, second son of Mrs. and the late J. Harnett, Kaikoura, and Miss Mary Shelley, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Shelley, St. Albans, Christchurch. Rev. Father Roche officiated and celebrated Nuptial Mass. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a very pretty frock of white satin charmeuse, relieved with pearls; she wore a handsome hand-embroidered veil, and carried a shower bouquet. The bridesmaid, Miss Queenie Shelley (sister of the bride), wore a dainty frock of apricot shot taffeta with shoes and hat to match. The bridegroom was attended by his brother (Mr. W. Harnett) as best man. After the ceremony the guests adjourned to the Cadena tea rooms where the wedding breakfast was partaken of, and the usual toasts duly honored. The newly-wedded couple (who were the recipients of many useful presents, including cheques) left by the South express, the bride travelling in a smart navy blue tailored costume, and black hat. hat. ***

St. Gerard's Church, Wellington NEW ALTAR UNVEILED.

NEW ALTAR UNVEILED. On last Sunday (the 27th ult.) a beautiful altar of Our Lady, under the title Mother of Perpetual Succour, was unveiled at St. Gerard's Church. Wellington, by his Grace Archbishop Redwood. There was High Mass at 10 o'clock, Very Rev. Father Whelan, C.SS.R. (rector of St. Gerard's) being celebrant; assisted by Rev. Fathers Duffy, C.SS.R. and Walshe, C.SS.R., as deacon and sub-deacon respectively, and Rev. Father Mitchell, C.SS.R., master of ceremonies. The sermon was preached by Rev. Father Campbell, C.SS.R. His Grace the Archbishop pre-sided. The music was Gounod's "Messe de Paque No. 3 Solennelle," Rossi's "Magnificat," Tozer's "Proper of the Mass," Elgar's "Ave Maria," and the responses in har-monised plain chant all well rendered by the choir. At the evening devotions the sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Mitchell, C.SS.R., to a crowded congregation. The music included Neidermeyer's "Pie Jesu," in memory of the departed souls; Silver's "O Salutaris"; Lambillotte's "Magnificat" in C and "Tantum Ergo" in C minor; Oakes's setting of the "Divine Praises" No. 3, in D; and Giovanni Allegri's "Adoremus in aeternum." The rendering of the lengthy programme of music by the choir of St. Gerard's was most artistic and devotional in detail, and reflected the highest credit upon the conductor and singers alike. Mr. James Skeddan presided at the organ very ably, and played the extremely difficult accompaniments well. Mr. Frank J. Oakes, the conductor, was responsible for the highly artistic finish to the choir's fine effort. Mrs. Oakes was soloist. was soloist

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Why Differently Treated? That the men who shot Sir Henry Wilson (says the New Witness) would be found guilty was, of course, a foregone conclusion. They had no possible defence. We could have wished, however, that Mr. Justice Shearman should have allowed them liberty of speech on their last public appearance. The plea that the Court of Justice is not a place for propaganda suggests that the authorities were somewhat fearful as to the form that propaganda might take. As it was, one of the accused managed to get in a hit at the treatment of the assassin Colthurst, who, having murdered Mr. Sheehy-Skeffington, was sent to Broadmoor and subsequently released. The difference in the attitude of the authorities towards the man who shot a pacifist Irish leader and the men who shot a British general has been accepted without general protest. Never-theless, some fear may have been felt that were the accused permitted to speak at large they might have been able to quote other instances of an injustice more monstrous. In our opinion, whatever revelations Reginald Dunn or O'Sullivan had to make, their statement would have done less damage than their enforced silence. For the Judge's refusal to permit them to make a statement has created the impression that the authorities were afraid, and that a startling light might be thrown on certain passages of secret political history. The murderers of Sir Henry Wilson, by the law of the country, have to die, and no one can dispute the justice of the sentence, but that they should have been denied the right to put forward a plea-—even if that plea savored of propaganda—implies a dis-trust on the part of the Judge of the impartiality of the prosecution. prosecution.

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The Ulster Question Analysed

In the New York Herald for July 9, Shaw Desmond, a well known Irish journalist, handles the Ulster question in a masterly manner. Himself an Ulsterite, he writes with a fullness of knowledge of the subject he treats. We herewith give some extracts from his New York Herald article

with a fullness of knowledge of the subject he freats. We herewith give some extracts from his New York Herald article: Lloyd George's policy, up to the time of the Treaty, was, despite all "official" protection to keep Ireland divided and to retain Ulster in the Northeast corner as watch dog of the Empire. That was the object of the Partition Act. It was England's historic policy. During the negotiations it came to him for the first time that so long as Ulster stood outside Ireland the Empire would be satisfied with any settlement which did not apply to all Ireland. Only a united Ireland with a policy friendly to England could constitute a life, insurance policy for the British Empire. Sir James Craig and Lord Carson both knew of this change of policy, and as a matter of fact Lloyd George himself, with the hundred year policy of placating Ulster making powerful sub-conscious suggestion, had been forced to promise Lord Carson at one of those little Downing Street breakfasts some time earlier that under no circum-stances should Ulster be "let down," the Premier's feelings on that occasion probably being much the same as those of an honest householder upon being faced by a gentlemanly foreigner who has invited himself to breakfast although threatening both his happy home and his life. Now Ulster's nose for "rats" has become a hyper-sensitive organ, and Ulster, smelling the rat of a new policy, just "raised hell." Hence Sir James Craig's message to his Cabinet on November S that "he felt the situation was so grave that the responsibility should be shared by the whole Northern Cabinet," and his later passionate protest in the House of Commons: "We are betraved!" whilst his colleague, the Minister for Labor, stated: "A disgraceful betrayal of Ulster has been at-tempted by the Coalition Cabinet." The Pistol Pointed at the Heart of the British Empire.

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The Pistol Pointed at the Heart of the British Empire. Ulster, not the South, has always been the pistol pointed at the heart of the British Empire. It is true that it is a pistol unloaded, but no English statesman has yet learned this—only Ulster and Southern Ireland know it. But before a decade is out England will have dis-covered the fact that the Ulster pistol is a stage pistol, because having begun to discover that the Irish question will never be settled unless there is a united Ireland to settle it, she will have begun to bring gentle pressure to bear upon "the lady across the way." who, resenting as always the slightest compulsion, will do what even men so widely divorced as Griffith and de Valera have always believed she will do and as Irish leaders have more than once told the writer—throw herself con amore into the arms of Southern Ireland. How the Ulster Problem Originated.

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Put into a few words, the historical origin of the Ulster problem was that in the reign of Elizabeth six Irish counties were planted with settlers. These six counties did not include Antrim and Down, but included Donegal, Tyrone, Fermanagh, and Cavan, all of which during the recent war with England were Republican in

Donegal, Tyrone, Fermanagh, and Cavan, all of which during the recent war with England were Republican in majority. These settlements were accompanied by much crueity to the Catholic population supplanted, but the curious fact was that just as to-day's Ireland will in the future gradually absorb the present Ulster Protestants, who while retaining their faith will throw their lot in with a united Ireland, so the Catholics in the earlier days of planting gradually absorbed the settlers in four of the six counties. All this despite the fact that some of the Irish Republican leaders to-day have given up all hope of seeing to-day's Ulsterman part of a united island in our day. It was the Presbyterians of Antrim and Down who in the 1798 rebellion were the leading spirits in the at-tempt to establish an Irish Republic, but gradually receiving preferential treatment from the British Govern-ment of that day, and the flames of religious warfare heing fanned by interested parties, a wedge was driven into the ranks of the "United Irishmen," with the result that gradually Ulster became violently pro-Empire and anti-Home Rule. The recent riots in Belfast had their exact parallels when the Gladstone Home Rule bills of 1886 and 1893 were introduced synchronising in each case with desperate riots in Belfast, and having, as in the present instance, the object of preventing the break of any part of Ireland from the predominant partner in any way whatever. Not a Religious but an Economic Problem.

way whatever. Not a Religious but an Economic Problem, The astonishing thing about the whole Ulster problem is that it is not, in base, a religious but an economic sproblem, though to-day for the first time in Irish history, it is becoming one. The terrible Belfast pogroms, which began in July, 1920, up to the end of May. 1922, resulted in nearly 400 killed and 1483 wounded. There have been claims for property destroyed aggregating \$10,000,000. Ten thousand Catholic men and 1,000 Catholic women

have been driven from work, while 30,000 dependents of these people have been forced to apply to the Irish White Cross for relief.

Cross for relief. Southern Ireland from earliest times has been the safe refuge of Protestant Huguenois, and only recently there appeared a six-foot notice in the Rathmines Road, Dublin as follows: "Irishmeu: Remember that the men who have led Ireland in the past Wolfe Tone, Lord Edward Fitzgerald, the Grattans, Charles Stuart Parnell—all were Protestants. Remember that it has always been the boast of the Irish Catholic that the Protestant was safe in the Catholic heart. Don't disgrace the good name of Ireland by the murder of Protestants!"

The Part Organised Labor Will Enact.

The Part Organised Labor Will Enact. Something else that is going to profoundly modify the position of six-county Ulster with its population of 1,250,531 out of the four and a quarter millions in Ire-land, is the coming of Labor. Already in the recent general election of 1922 Labor in the South has been returned in force, while before the war the late Jim Con-nelly and the other Jim—Jim Larkin—had begun to unite both Catholic and Protestant workingman upon common platforms. Nor is it generally known that the avowed policy of the Independent Order of Orangemen was to bring Catholic and Protestant together in a common Ire-land. land

bring Catholic and Protestant together in a common Ire-land. The rising Catholic-Protestant Labor Party in Ulster was destroyed in the 1913 fight in which the Irish Trans-port Workers went down to defeat, but it is sure to come again. Every effort has been made by the big Belfast employers of labor to keep this party from forming, the first step in this prevention being the burning down of the Independent Labor Party Hall in Belfast before the war, but before fivo years are, out we shall see the Labor Party strongly united in both North and South, with a powerful phalanx in each section, the nucleus of which it already has in the Southern Parliament. This will be the chief bridge between North and South in the immediate future and the Northern employers know it. It is the belief, however, of these captains of industry that so long as they can keep Ulster out of a United Ireland, so long will they be able to prevent a Northern and Southern Labor combine. This was practically the view expressed to me, though not in so many words, by the distinguished Labor Minister in the Ulster Parlia-ment, J. M. Andrews, who is the trusted confidant of Lord Carson, chairman of the Ulster Liberal Unionist Association and one of the honorary secretaries of the Ulster Unionist Council.

Belfast Parliament and Proportional Representation

Belfast Parliament and Proportional Representation A bill has been introduced in the Belfast Parliament (says an exchange the object of which is to abolish Pro-portional Representation so far as it applies to the elec-tion of members of local council and to restore the old method of voting. The excuse given for this measure is that "in practice" the new system is not a success. Why was it not a success? At the local government elections nearly three years ago, the first held under the system of Proportional Representation, Catholics succeeded in Belfast and in the six counties in returning members almost pro-portionate to their numerical strength. In Derry City, where they are a majority, they elected more than half the corporation, with the result that for the first time in centuries a Catholic became mayor of the city. This change, although in accordance with justice and fair play, displaced an Orangeman. This is the reason why, in their eyes, the system of Proportional Representa-tion "was not a success."

tion "was not a success." The local elections are due to take place again early next year. Catholics are, if possible, to be debarred from returning any of their candidates or only a negligible

returning any of their candidates or only a negligible number. In Belfast Catholics had elected more members to the Cornoration than at any previous time. Not only is Pro-portional epresentation to be swept away there, but the electoral wards in the city are to be "re-arranged." In other words they are to be so gerrymanded as to reduce the chances of Catholic candidates to nil. With the same object the representation of rural areas is to be diminished by half.

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Who Shirked?

Brazen parsons, who must be deliberately telling falsehoods if they are not ignorant beyond conception, continue to tell brainless Protestants who enable such ranters to make an easy living that Catholics were shirkers during the war. The fact is that these very parsons were doing splendidly the work of the enemy in this country by stirring up strife, protected by Mr. Massey's police, at the time when our priests were with the men in the trenches and rendering such service as brought unstinted praise from Sir James Allen and General Godley. But as the calumny continues to be repeated by persons who seem to have lost all sense of moral responsibility and all respect for common decency it is well once more to publish the figures given by Sir James Allen to show in what numbers and in what proportion the churches of this Dominion sent volunteers to the war. Church of England, with a population of 411,671, sent 32,760, or 46.3 per cent. of the whole; Presbyterians had a population of 234,622 and sent 16,431, or 23.3 per cent. of the whole number; Catholics, with a population of 140,523, sent 8,711, or 12.2 per cent. of the whole body; Baptists, with a population of 20,042, sent only 882, or only 1.2 per cent. of the whole. If we look at it in another way, the shirkers will be better exposed. When 70,445 men had gone under the voluntary system, 7 per cent. of the entire population had gone to the war. Then, each Church ought to have sent 7 per cent. of its numbers. Let us see what happened :

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Thus we see that Catholics who were denounced by Baptist parsons as disloyal and as shirkers sent 6.2 % of their number, although there were two reasons which would have made it intelligible if they had not sent one-half as many. In the first place, owing to the fact that they live clean lives and do not practice race-suicide their families are large and the proportion of children great, and, in the second place, the treat-ment of Ireland by England was sufficient to prevent any man of Irish blood who remembered the falsity of English pledges from going. But in spite of all this, it stands out clearly that if there is in the Dominion a Church of Shirkers that Church is the Baptist Church, which produced the men who were by their campaign of calumny helping the Germans to win the war.

War Against the Irish People

The followers of Rory O'Connor are now clearly at war with the Irish people. The people have ex-pressed their will very clearly at the elections, and the voice of the united Hierarchy has made it plain that the Free State Government is the lawful Govern-ment of Ireland. Hence the armed bands sniping Free State soldiers, conscripting women to work for them (as was done in Donegal by those Irregulars), threatening death to all who oppose them or refuse to threatening death to all who oppose them or refuse to aid them (as is proved by a letter signed by E. Alward, found in a prisoner's pocket in Kilkenny), are carrying on a war by frightfulness against the people of Ireland. Every road they destroy, every public building they burn, every bridge they blow up will be paid for by the common people throughout the country, and it is the common people of Ireland they attack when they are guilty of this useless and criminal destruction. The position taken up by these men is exactly the same as that of anarchists and law-breakers who want to im-pose their wills on the community. If de Valera is right, if it is a lawful and a patriotic thing to say to the Irish people, as he does: "You are all wrong; you do not know what is good for you; Rory O'Connor

and myself are the ones who know; and we, with the armed lads whom we have seduced into following us, are going to make you do what we think you ought to do;" then every fanatic, every dreamer would be justified in defying the established governments of the world and trying to make the rest of the people follow them. There is a lot of talk about the threat made by Lloyd George interfering with the elections. In reality it did not make two pins difference to the elections whether a threat was made or not. If it were never made the people would know well that they had to face the probability of war. And even when it was made we had the Republicans telling the people that it meant nothing and that England did not dare go to war again. So that, whichever way one looks at it, the argument that the will of the people has not been expressed does not hold. It is quite certain that the murder of Collins is going to bring home to de Valera the fact that the people have had enough of his war on them by this time. Nothing could have been so galling to the rebels as the welcome that greeted the Free State soldiers who came to save the towns all over the South from the Irregular enemies of the Irish people.

Irish Bishops Take Action

As we have said the Irish people have made it abundantly clear that they are impatient of the out-rages of the bands commanded by a few men who have the audacity to tell the whole people that a little group of young men possesses all the patriotism and all the common sense in the country. The enthusiastic demonstrations that welcomed the Free State forces which came to deliver the towns in the South from the terrorists were proof enough of this fact, and further proof was to be witnessed in the crowds of men who signified their desire to join the Nationalist forces in order to put down the Irregulars. Recent pronouncements by some of the Bishops also strengthen the hands of the Government and make it more impossible for the opposing gunmen to hold cut much longer. The Cardinal has spoken in unmistakable language and even attached the extreme penalty of excommunication to the crimes of looting and raiding carried on in his parish of Car-From his words it is plain in what light he lingford.

regards the misguided youths and their leaders: The country (he said), which had never dreamt of such liberties, welcomed the terms. Then a faction arose and flouted the Government nominated by themselves, but when the people got a chance of registering their opinions they declared for the Treaty, because it gave them the widest liberties. This faction had now developed into brigandage,

and continued its opposition to the authorised Government until, at the moment, there was no law or order in many parts of the country.

Those looters, who would not work, were having the times of their lives going about in stolen motor cars.

ROVING PARTIES OF MEN.

were behaving as bandits, living on the people, and all this tended towards the ruination of the country.

He was sorry that things were not as they should be in Carlingford, in which he spent so much of his time and in which he took such a deep interest. He was sorry that the spirit which he had just condemned was manifesting itself in the district, and this caused him great trouble.

Outrages had been committed. Retired policemen, their wives and families, had been ordered to leave the town, and, evidently in pursuance of that order, the house of one of them had been fired into last Friday.

He deplored this conduct, and said many of the people whom it was sought to drive out were natives of the district.

His Eminence denounced the burning of a motorboat in Carlingford Lough a few weeks ago. That boat was owned by the Carlingford Lough Commis-sioners, and in all probability the local ratepaying community would have to pay for the loss. He referred particularly to the looting of oil from

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the s.s. Slieve Foy, and added emphatically that anyone looting oil in the parish, or coming into the parish from without to loot or to destroy property, or anyone aiding or abetting them in such work, would by that very fact be excommunicated.

Another Bishop, the Most Reverend Dr. Morrisroe, has declared the destruction of bridges and public buildings a reserved sin in his diocese; and, we learn from a Republican paper, that the Archbishop of Dublin forbade his priests to hear the confessions of the men who were going to defend the buildings they had seized in the city. These individual indications of the mind of the Bishops emphasise powerfully the recent declaration of the whole body, denouncing the foolish position taken up by de Valera and Rory O'Connor:

"Principles are now being openly defended and acted upon which are in fundamental conflict with the law of God, and which, as Bishops and pastors appointed to safeguard Christian morals, we cannot allow to pass without solemn censure and reprobation. Foremost amongst these principles is the claim that the Army, or a part of it, can, without any authority from the nation as a whole, declare itself independent of all civil authority in the country. The Army as a whole, and, still more, a part of the Army, has no such moral right. Such a claim is a claim to military despotism and subversive of all civil liberty. It is an immoral usurpation and confiscation of the people's rights. More than any other order in society, the Army, from the very nature of its institution, is the servant, and not the master, of the nation's Government, and revolt against the supreme authority set up by the people is nothing less than a sacrilege against national freedom."

Irish Dominican Nuns

One day not long ago the sight of a school annual called Westwind, bearing on its cover the date 1644, called Westwind, bearing on its cover the date in a second back almost three hundred years to the time when the citizens of Galway provided a small convent for some ladies desirous of embracing the religious life under the rule of St. Dominic. Their director was Father the rule of St. Dominic. Their director was Father Gregory French, O.P. The date of the foundation was 1644, and three years later it was confirmed by the famous Papal Nuncio, Rinuccini, whose name is so bright on the pages of Irish history. For eight years the little community flourished. Then came the Great Assassin, Cromwell, the Protestant Champion of Liberty-as a notorious Christchurch parson calls him. And as English force in Ireland, then and so often afterwards, meant war on women and religious persecution, the nuns had to flee for their lives from their Galway enclosure which was called *Jesus Mariae*. To Spain they went, and there the fugitives from Protestantism were royally welcomed in various con-vents at Toledo, Zamora, Valladolid, and Bilbao. A record left by a student of Salamanca in the sixties of the seventeenth century mentions particularly three of the exiled nuns as women of great piety and intel-lect. One was Mother Mary O'Halloran, another was Madam Mary Blake, the third was Mary French who died with a reputation for sanctity at Valladolid. As years went by the exiled ladies died, until when the accession of James II. revived hopes in Catholic hearts only two of the Galway community were left. These were Juliana Nolan and Maria Lynch, both then living Word came to them there from the Proat Bilbao. vincial, Father John Browne, telling them to return to Ireland in order to restore the foundation at Galway. So, leaving the land that had so long cherished them. in obedience to the call they went back to Galway and once more, now aged women, passed through the dear old streets which they had seen only in dreams during years of exile. They quickly secured a suitable house and resumed their cloistered life, Mother Juliana being instituted Prioress and Mother Maria Lynch sub-Prioress and mistress of novices. Postulants flocked to Maria Lynch subthem in large numbers, and soon the foundation was flourishing. Once more the Divine Office was recited flourishing. Once more the Divine Office was recited in Galway by Dominican Sisters, whose long exile in

the land of St. Dominic only imbued them more deeply with the spirit of the Order. But England still ruled by force, and English faith was never worth a breath, it is not surprising that trouble from England once more came upon the foundation. In 1698 all bishops and religious were ordered under pain of death to leave Ireland. On the vigil of SS. Philip and James in that year rough soldiers of the perjured English Government broke into the convent, smashed the grating of the Clausura, and obliged the nuns to resume secular dress. The student to whom we referred already was now a priest in Galway, one Father O'Heyne, and he tells us what happened when the English war on women was again begun in 1698: "When these virgins were lamenting that they were deprived of their habit, she [the Prioress] like a heroine answered that Christ was entirely stripped when He was bound to the pillar at His scourging and likewise when He was crucified. . It happened that not one of them even once asked to go out; so that the Prioress was much consoled, finding all so obedient." Then, was much consoled, finding all so obedient." Then, these poor nuns had to live as best they could through the Penal Days, when England tried to make Ireland renounce the true faith as England herself had done under compulsion, sometimes of German mercenaries brought over to murder people into submission to the religion of the German Luther. They were forced to wear secular dress but they managed to keep together most of the time, and during it all they were faithful to the recitation of the Divine Office, never asking for a dispensation from this obligation. In 1715 another a dispensation from this obligation. raid was made on them by the then champions of small nations who turned the house from which they drove the nuns into a barrack. To make provision for them, Father Hugh O'Calanan, then Provincial, asked the Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. Byrne, to receive some of the expelled nuns. On the Archbishop's invitation eight of them went to Dublin and took up residence in a house in Fisher's Lane, removing a little later to Channel Row. Here they found peace and flourished so quickly that they were soon able to open another house. In 1748 their pupils were so numerous that they were able to rebuild both houses from the foundations. One Galway nun went to Brussels where she lived for some years until recalled to Ireland in 1722 in order to re-establish the foundation at Drog-heda. Of this foundation, Fr. Coleman says: "The first house of the young community was a mud cabin near the Marsh Road, on the banks of the Boyne. Novices were received, the Divine Office recited regularly, the rule observed in spite of great difficulties, and they were ministered to in secret by one of the Dominican Fathers who used to cross the Boyne in a little boat at an hour early enough to enable him to say Mass for them, give them Holy Communion and return before daybreak." In time they were able to open a school in Dyer Street, where, as usual, they had many pupils who were attracted by the traditional fame of the Dominican teachers. De Burgo, writing in 1759 reports the school as then flourishing, and among the community were scions of old Irish families. such as the O'Neills and the O'Reillys, as well as some of the noble families of the Pale who became more Irish than the Irish themselves: of the latter there were Taafes, Plunketts, Balfes, Bellews, Dillons, and Baths. About the year 1735 a foundation was established at Waterford, but owing to economic pressure it was dispersed in 1758, and the Prioress, Mother Mary Wyse, died in the Dublin house in that same year. Such is the story of the great Irish Sisterhood which survived through all the trials of the Penal Days, sharing in the dangers of the Irish people then as they shared in their glory when persecutions had worn themselves out in vain and left the faith stronger and purer and greater than ever. From Dublin in later years Dominican Sisters went forth into new lands, following the standard of the Cross as it was borne towards the confines of the world by Irish missionaries. Fifty-two years ago they came to Dunedin with the illustrious Dr. Moran, and to-day their schools are wide-spread throughout Otago and Southland: and in God's memory alone is the record of all that they have accomplished for the Church by their prayers and

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labors, and no less by their example which has been the inspiration of so many of their pupils through New Zealand homes have been preserved from contamination from secular and material environment. It is not likely that the Dominican Sisters in this country will forget their traditions, their sufferings, their glories. And it would be a bad day both for them and for New Zealand if they ever did forget that their faith had its roots in Irish soil which was stained by the blood of martyrs who died to preserve a civilisation which England tried to destroy. English history, as told by English historians, English literature as written by Protestants, English ideals, thick in the air all round us, are still trying to kill Irish ideals, which are Christian ideals, and the one remedy is—if we may amend St. Patrick's motto:

As ye are Christians, be ye also Irish!

Answers to Correspondents 6

W.P.R. (Timaru).-So far we have not received any official draft of the scheme, but when we do we will write you. Everybody is in the guessing stage at present.

H.M.—"The Fourth Estate" means the pressmen or members of the new ignoble profession of journalism.

- SPORT.—Gloaming is doing well in his work in Australia. Whether he will ever race against the cracks is another matter. Hitherto anxiety to meet them has not been a striking characteristic of the stable. In any case he is an Australian-bred horse. As to your second query, most emphatically do we hold that Master Strowan was the only first-class steeplechaser New Zealand has seen for six years or more.
- G.G.—Certainly reading letters meant for other people is sinful, and may be even grievously sinful. It is as bad as eavesdropping or playing "Peeping Tom." No person who is guilty of such practices has the slightest claims to decency.
- "CLAUDIUS CLEAR" sends us a cutting which informs us that a Swiss magistrate fined a person who borrowed books and did not return them forty francs. That is a sign that there is some absence of the ass in the law in some places. Our only fault with the penalty is that it was not much more severe. Hanging, drawing, and quartering of the culprit and perpetual exile for every one of his blood-relations, relations by affinity and spiritual kinship, would be our idea of an adequate sentence. For first offenders we might suggest a long journey on New Zealand trains, with an obligation to dine at the railway restaurants en route.
- SACERDOS.--A promise of marriage in the sense of "sponsalia" must have the form of a contract in writing signed by both parties, and made before the parish priest or the ordinary, or else before two witnesses who also sign their names. A third witness may sign for an illiterate person as a proxy.
- F. O'HANLON.-Long ago we referred to the directors the question of an annual supplement in the shape of a Catholic Almanac. The idea appeals to us, but it is not in the power of the Editor to do more than submit the suggestion to the Tablet Company. We also agree that it would be advisable to have some illustrated pages weekly, but here too the matter does not rest with the editorial staff.

OOK NOTICES

Daughters of Banba, by Mrs. Concannon. M. H. Gill and Son, Dublin. Price 10/-.

A book to keep and to pursue to the bitter end when the usual sort of borrower has forgotten to return it to you. If you have read Mrs. Concannon's Women of 98, which appeared a couple of years ago, you will be prepared for the treat her new book holds for you. The chapters deal with the women of Erin in every age and few of us will not learn much in the reading of them. The book is an ideal volume for school prize lists. Ireland: Elements of Her Early History, by J. J. O'Kelly. Gill and Son, Dublin. 10/6.

Mr. O'Kelly, Editor of the Catholic Bulletin, has done good service in the cause of Ireland in this volume which is a veritable encyclopedia of information concerning Ireland's ancient history and customs, Ireland's saints and scholars, Ireland's schools and churches, Ireland's Golden Age, and Ireland's invasion by Dane and Norman. In this book you will learn how the Irish wanderer, Donatus, was elected Bishop of Fiesole, how St. Ibar's name is so common in Wexford, how the old schools were conducted, what the old legends were, what a literature Ireland had in the past, the pros and cons concerning the Bull of Adrian IV., and a hundred other interesting things about the old land.

Western Strongholds of the Old Religion

Long after Henry VIII's Reformation had spread over the greater part of England the men of the West Country, of Devon and Cornwall, refused to accept the new doctrines and clung to the Old Religion. As late as 1549, when Henry VIII. was in his unhallowed grave and his son Edward VI. was reigning, the men of the West Country rose in rebellion to have the new doctrines put away and the ancient Faith restored to England. That rising was put down with great brutality, but in spite of that the Old Religion is said to have survived through the centuries in certain favored spots of Cornwall.

One of these is the Lanherne Convent, now the home of the Carmelites, but for many centuries the manor house of the old Catholic family of the Arundells, who preserved the Faith even during the centuries of persecution.

Lanherne has a noble tradition, which none has been found to dispute, that since Henry VIII. tried his best to destroy the Church there has never been lacking a priest, sometimes several, nor that the red light has ever ceased to burn before the Blessed Sacrament.

The Arundells, from whom the house passed to the Carmelites, did not escape lightly for their loyalty to the Faith. Under Edward VI. Humphrey Arundell suffered for the Faith. His son refused to accept the reformed religion, and Elizabeth promptly clapped him into prison. And his son, too, suffered the loss of two thirds of his estates for his refusal to attend the worship of the State Church, and only escaped the entire forfeiture of his property by paying a sum of £3000 and an annual fine of £240, as the price of his abstention from the ministrations of the Anglican vicar.

So the Old Religion was preserved at wonderful Lanherne down to the year 1794, when the Carmelite Nuns who field from Flanders to escape the horrors of the French Revolution found a home in this ancient Catholic stronghold of the Arundells.

There is a like glorious tradition attached to Talacre Hall in North Wales, now St. Bride's Abbey of the Benedictine Nuns. This is the ancestral home of the Mostyus, a distinguished family that has given Wales its present Catholic Metropolitan and Archbishop of Cardiff.

The Mostyns have remained Catholic throughout the centuries, and Mass has been celebrated and the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the chapel of the ancestral hall ever since the family was founded in the early Middle Ages, though its pedigree goes back to the ancient Welsh Princes. Like the Arundells, the Mostyns have given their martyrs to the Catholic cause; three of whom, among them the Blessed Margaret Pole, were raised to the altar as martyrs by the late Pope Leo XIII. There is a further coincidence in the fact that the family seats of both these ancient Catholic families have become ultimately convents of contemplative nuns.

Happy he who attributes all he has to God, for he who reserves something for self hides the gift of God, and in punishment it will be taken away from him.—St. Francis of Assisi.

"Reminiscences of Early Days in New Zealand." BY ARCHBISHOP REDWOOD.

Archbishop Redwood's Reminiscences is now on sale, and may be had from The Catholic Supplies, Manners Street, Wellington: O'Connor, Barbadoes Street, Christchurch: or N.Z. Tablet Office, Dunedin. It is a book that ought to be read in every home in New Zealand. PRICE :: ONE SHILLING.

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(From Dail Eireann's Irish Bulletin, June 12.)

(From Dail Eireann's Irish Bulletin, June 12.) It is well to bear in mind that the Catholic minority is only 25 per cent. of the population of Belfast. The male Catholic population between the ages of 16 and 60 is estimated at 20,000. These are all unarmed. It is a penal offence for any of these to carry arms. There are over 20,000 Specials in Belfast. These are armed, equipped and paid for by England. They are there ostensibly for the protection of the people of Belfast, Cath-olics as well as Protestants. These Specials have not brought to justice one criminal for the 425 mirders, the 1,764 woundings, the 3,000 attempts at murder, the 8,586 expulsions from their employment, or the 22,560 expulsions from their homes of the helpless minority whom they are supposed to protect. On the contrary, we have affidavits showing that many of the most horrible of the nurders in Belfast were planned and carried out by these men and by their superiors. Far from assisting in the discovery of criminals they have prevented discovery by actively opposing inquiries which should have been held in com-pliance with Clause 5 of the Collins-Craig pact. The pretence that the pogrom was a reprisal for the shooting of Colonel Smyth in Cork cannot be maintained. The first pogrom in Derry occurred weeks before that event. There has never been any attempts to single out Republicans for reprisals: Catholics have been attacked indiscriminately. Those who attacked the working women's hostel at Bangor knew they were not attacking Sinn Feiners. The Falls Road (Catholic district of Belfast) is shot into every night by the Specials and Orange snipers. Yet the Falls Road has never been a Sinn Fein area. It returned Joseph Devlin, M.P., in 1918 and 1921. How the Pogroms Started. The pogroms have never been spontaneous. On Wed-

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How the Pogroms Started. The pogroms have never been spontaneous. On Wed-nesday, July 21, 1920, during the dinner hour, the shipyard workers in Belfast were harangued by a man from Bangor named McKay and a worker from Derry who told them the Catholics had all the work while those who had fought in France walked the streets. These speakers told the revolver men at the meeting they knew what to do with the Papists. Following on this they threw 30 of them into the Musgrave Channel. Some of these were drowned. After 17 Catholics had been killed and over 100 wounded (during the first three days of the pogrom), several thousand expelled from their work and a church and a convent partially wrecked, the Unionist Lord Mayor Coates refused to exercise the powers inherent in his office to call a special meeting of the corporation to devise means of proteoting the citizens and ending the pogrom. Professor Eoin MacNeill said that "the pogrom has been in contemplation since long before the war. When-ever civil war was mentioned by the Unionist speekers the thing they contemplated was this pogrom—that is, a murderous drive of Catholics from the six counties in order to create what British politicians called a homogeneous Ulster." A threat to this effect was uttered at the Buckingham

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A threat to this effect was uttered at the Buckingham Palace conference in July, 1914. These pogroms must be bracketed with those which occurred preparatory to the Act of Union, at the time of the disestablishment of the Irish Protestant Church. at the time of the Gladstone Home Rule Bill in 1886, and at the time of the Asguith Home Rule Bill of 1912.

English Testimony

English Testimony. The London Daily Telegreph. the Morning Post, Times, Daily News, and Manchester Guardian all admitted on July 22, 1920, that the riots were organised at a meeting of Unionists and began by unprovoked attacks by Orange workers on Nationalists. Sir Hamar Greenwood, writing in the Sunday Times on July 25, "deeply deplores the fighting in Belfast." He says the outbreak shows that one of the main difficulties in the Irish problem is that Irishmen will fight among themselves."

says the outbreak shows that one of the main difficulties in the Irish problem is that Irishmen will fight among themselves.". The outbreak was designed for this purpose. The fol-lowing are a few facts which help to set forth the out-standing incidents of the pogrom:— Late in 1919 a private Orange convention was held in Belfast. T. Moles pointed out the necessity of depart-ing from the solemn league and covenant owing to the fact that in the nine counties of Ulster there were nearly as many Catholics as Protestants, and that it was likely that a Parliament returned by the population of the nine counties would return a majority of Nationalists. It was decided to give up the three Counties of Donegal. Cavan, and Fermanagh so as to ensure solidarity of Unionist majority in the Northern Parliament. The British Government, in order to break the solid-arity of Sinn Fein in three-quarters of Ireland, introduced proportional representation. This failed to have the de-sired effect. Urban elections held January, 1920, and rural elections June, 1920. Sinn Fein improved position with proportional representation in three-ouarters of the country, but the new system broke solidarity of Unionism in six counties. Orange Party in six counties decide to create homo-

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geneity in their area by evacuation of Catholic population. From July 12 to July 20, 1920, a series of letters appeared in the Belfast Unionist press showing alarm at the alleged menacing growth of Catholicism in Northeast Ulster.

Ulster. Orange pogrom against Catholies and Nationalists began July 21, 1920. Seven thousand eight hundred Cath-olics driven from their employment and Catholies murdered. This has continued with increasing intensity until this day. "It is common knowledge in Belfast and frequently admitted by individual Unionists, that plans were matured at least two months ago to drive all Home Rule workmen in the shipyards out of their employment."-Special Cor-respondent, Westminster Gazette, July 24, 1920. Euclich Normanars Bear Witness

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 August, 1920.-British Government at first turns down Garson's proposal to arm a fanatic majority against a function of the sentence of the

Some typical incidents in the week's pogrom are: Sunday, June 4, 1922.—The Lewis gunner of the Lancia car who murdered Robert Hunt has been identified as an "A" Special, a well known resident of the Shankill road district.

Monday, June 5.—At 11.10 p.m. during curfew hours the Mater Hospital was attacked on three sides by the Crown forces and swept with machine gun fire and rifle tire for 40 minutes. (It was to this hospital that most of the 425 dead or dying, and the bulk of the 1764 wounded victims of the 'pogrom were brought during the past 23 months.)

months.) Orange mobs carry out wholesale evictions of Catholics

Orange mobs carry out wholesale evictions of Catholics on the Ormeau road. The spirit stores of Mr. McKeon. in the Falls, com-mandeered as a barracks by the Specials. This is a member of the McKeon family of Kinnaird Terrace massacred on March 25 by Crown forces during curfew hours. Edward Sherry, Manor Street, Catholic publican, shot in his own bar by two Specials whom he had served. Joseph Arthur, Wolf Street. Newtownards Road (an Orangeman) was remanded on the charge of firing at a sergeant and privato of the Somerset L.I. A soldier on duty near St. Matthew's Church swore he saw the accused fire. In this particular case the three Orange papers of Belfast stated these shot were fired by Sinn Fein gunmen.

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Tuesday, June 6.—Authorities of the Mater Hospital, Belfast, wire to King George V. demanding inquiry into the attack on the hospital by Crown forces. The king replied stating telegram was being sent to responsible authorities.

replied stating telegram was being sent to responsible authorities. Wednesday, June 7.—The Belfast Home Office issues white-washing report. Their reply to the charge is that the gaol birds on the Crumlin Road Prison state they saw people firing from the roof of the Mater. The Belfast authorities admit that on visiting the roof of the hospital an "experienced police officer" found nothing to show it had been used as a sniping post. Orange mob on the Albert Bridge road assault two Catholic girls and try to throw one of them over the bridge. It was here that John O'Hare, Thompson Street, after being first kicked almost to death was thrown over the bridge into the Lagan three weeks ago. Two aged ladies, Margaret Laverty and Rose Kelly (Catholics), bombed in Ardoyne, one seriously injured. Number of Catholic families chased out of their homes during the seven days of this month are 436. The mobs engaged in this work were all marshalled by members of the A. B, and C Special Constabulary. "Mobs" are operating in a thorough and systematic manner. They are in reality Crown forces camouflaged as mobs. They have looted, wrecked, "shot up," bombed, and burned thousands of Catholic houses; shot hun-dreds of Catholic eitizens. Their energies have been mainly directed to attacks on tiny Catholic com-cumities in over-whelming Orange districts These include such places as Ardoyne, the Marrowbone portions of Ballymacarrett, Greencastle, Old Park Road, York Street, Cupar Street, New Lodge Road, Crumlin Road, Ormeau Road. Ligoniel Road, Milewater Street, Palmer Street, Bray Street, Grosvenor Road, and Joy Street. ~~~

The Late Mr. Michael Collins

THE BURIAL: DUBLIN IN MOURNING. A cable message under date August 28, to the daily press, conveyed the following details of the funeral of the famous Irish leader:--Mr. Michael Collins's funeral was the greatest de-monstration of mourning ever seen in Dublin. Full military and civic honors were accorded him. Immense numbers lined the route, which was four miles long, embracing most of the principal Dublin thorough-fares. fares

fares. A Requiem Mass was celebrated at the Pro-Cathedral in the morning, at which foreign consuls and distinguished military and civic leaders were present. Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Winston Churchill were represented. The procession was headed by an escort of cavalry and 1000 soldiers on foot (the pick of the National Army), followed by a gun carriage. Six bands played funeral music, including national dirges by Irish pipers. At the grave-side a detachment of Dublin Guards formed the firing party. party

party. Mr. Collins was buried in the centre of a plot specially reserved for soldiers of the National Army, so that the dead chief lies among his old comrades. Thousands of workers from Londonderry arranged picnics at Buncrana to-day, but the Free State authorities banned it out of respect for Mr. Collins. THE LATE LEADER'S CAREER.

piche's at Juncrana to-day, but the Free State authornies banned it out of respect for Mr. Collins. THE LATE LEADER'S CAREER. The late Mr. Michael Collins, leader of the Free State Government, was easily the most dramatic figure in the events which culminated in the concession of Irish self-government. He was born in 1890, and educated at Clon-akilty and King's College, London. He is said to have been at one time a sorter at the General Post Office, and afterwards a clerk in a Dublin firm of accountants. Cap-tured and imprisoned for his share in the Easter rebellion, he was released in the amnesty. Afterwards he became celebrated for the number and ingenuity of his escapes and disguises while "on the run." He was generally re-garded as one of the ablest of the Sinn Fein leaders. He was elected unopposed for South Cork County in 1918, and as Finance Minister of the Sinn Fein Government was one of the delegates to London who signed the Treaty. At this year's election he headed the poll for Cork, with 10,000 votes above the next number. "To those of us who came in contact with Michael Collins during the days when he had a 50,000dol price on his head," wrote Joseph W. Grigg in the Baltimore Sun, there is nothing surprising in the fact that he has become the greatest peace man in the Sinn Fein ranks." Mr. Grigg noted in passing that, although de Valera was in America during the worst days while Collins was in Ire-land, it turned out that Collins was able more easily to put aside his memory of those days than was the Republican chieftain. The correspondent continued: "Collins was the most-hunted man in Ireland for more than a year, on the assumption that he was the actual head of the Re-publican army. But Collins was perhaps the chief in-strument in holding the political structure of Sinn Fein together in the days of greatest pressure upon it. Collins himself has given the best reason for supporting the Anglo-trish agreement. It is that it offers a starting point for the new Ireland. De Valera on the whole, w

some of the stones in the foundation. Mr. Collins is, there-

some of the stones in the foundation. Mr. Collins is, there-fore, showing himself to be the very practical man that those who were acquainted with him during Ireland's darkest days knew him to be. "'He was even practical in his method of escape. On one occasion when the 'Black-and-Tans'' were close upon his trail he stood outside the building which was being raided and watched the search, and to ascertain where they would go afterward. He took chances, practical chances, as it always turned out, though on one occasion when I happened to be in the Irish capital Collins delayed his getaway a bit too long, and had to leave his headquarters scantily clothed. And Collins, just for the sake of words, or faults in some of the foundations, is taking no chance on Irish peace.

or faults in some of the foundations, is taking no chance on Irish peace. "There was another outstanding evidence of his prac-tical judgment during the days when the Crown forces came nearest to destroying the Sinn Fein machine. Collins knew that to keep the Crown forces on his trail, even at the risk of his own life, would be to keep them off the trail of men who were actively directing military operations. Only one who had first-handed experience of the intensified raiding conducted to find Collins realises how much effort was thus wasted. I saw Collins board a street car one afternoon when not a block away a young army was engaged in combing half a mile of Dublin streets and houses to nab him."

Dunedin Gaelic Society

ENTERTAIN IRISH SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting last week of the Gaelic Society held special interest in the presence by invitation of mem-bers of the Irish Society and the commingling in happy song and speech of the two nations' representatives. Piper George Munro played the chieftain of the Gaelic Society (Mr. J. D. Caffieron) and the president of the Irish Society (Mr. Ryan), vice-president (Mr. P. J. Wilson), and the Right Rev. Dr. Whyte (patron of the Irish Society) into the hall. into the hall. Chieftain J.

and the Right Rev. Dr. Whyte (patron of the Irish Society) into the hall. Chieftain J. D. Cameron, in his opening remarks, apologised for the unavoidable absence of Chief Dr. Mc-Killop. He welcomed the visitors, and referred to the good feeling that would result from such intercourse, ex-pressing the hope that this function would be the fore-runner of many such social gatherings. The chieftain also spoke of the objects of the Gaelic Society in meeting monthly to revive old memories and to foster and keep evergreen the traditions of their forefathers, to welcomo strangers, and to make them feel at home. Later in the evening Mr. Ryan thanked the Gaelic Society for its Highland hospitality, and for the first-class programme provided for their entertainment. He agreed with the chieftain's remarks that the commingling of the two societies in social intercourse would be to the benefit of both societies, and would be reflected in the Scottish and Irish community of the city. The president, before resuming his seat, invited members of the Gaelic Society to attend the monthly meetings of the Irish Society. ADDRESS BY BISHOP WHYTE. Addressing the gathering, his Lordship Bishop Whyte resuit. Mr. Chairmen, Indian and Frieden and the gathering is seat, Caelic Society for the Irish Caelic Addressing the gathering, his Lordship Bishop Whyte

ADDRESS BY BISHOP WHYTE. Addressing the gathering, his Lordship Bishop Whyte said: —Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen of the Gaelic Society, —On behalf of the Irish Society, I thank you most sincerely for the very pleasant evening you have enabled us to spend with you. The time has passed so quickly that I might say it flew away on "Angels' wings." The songs and dances have afforded me the keenest satisfaction, and I believe that the other members are no less delighted with the feast of music than I am myself. If any of us have had doubts about your being our "cousins," the sing-ing of those grand old Gaelic songs has settled the question for ever.

have had doubts about your being our "cousins," the sing-ing of those grand old Gaelic songs has settled the question for ever. To me it is a very special pleasure to meet the rep-resentative Scotch people of this city, or, rather, the cream of the Scottish community, for so I can regard you, the men with the true spirit of the Gael. As it is only recently I learned of your preference for the title "Scotsmen," I trust I shall not make the mistake of call-ing you, you above all others, by the less appropriate title of "Scotchmen." Even if I had no obligation to the early settlers except the fact of their having made this city so beautiful, I should still feel urged to call them "Scotsmen." Their wisdom and foresight in preventing wealthy people from usurping the Town Belt appeal to me as something for which they should be always gratefully remembered. I hope that no vandals will ever lay a barbarian hand on that beauty spot of Dunedin, but that it will always remain as a lung for working people, and never be used for the sole benefit of their employers. For my own part, I am much indebted to the civic fathers of the past who have given me lovely walks on which I am accompanied by the musical performance of the birds from their elevated platforms in the native bush. Another reason why I am always pleased to meet Scots-men is because I have always quoud them sympathetio with my own country. Some years ago while the Home Rule movement was at its height, the Scotsmen whom I happened to meet on my travels understood perfectly what the movement implied. Their accurate knowledge of Home Rule gave me to understand that Scotland had some little grievances that caused them to have a fellow-feeling with their cousins in Ireland. English travellers, on the other hand, had given no consideration to the matter and hence

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the proverbial auger would be needed to get an idea on that subject into their heads.
You have not got Home Rule yet; and English legislators whose view of Scotland is blocked by the Cheviot Hills are still making laws for a country which alone knows its own needs and which alone could pass measures that would regulate and satisfy its own lawful requirements.
The Irish Club, in coming here to-night, shows its belief in the old saying that blood is thicker than waters did a thousand years ago. The inhabitants of Ireland were called "Scoti." I am afraid that many foreigners were misled by the name into thinking that those celebrated monks were Scothmen. As one of such men proved somewhat disobedient and troublesome to the Church for a while, and Scotland had to take the blame of it, perhaps we ought to cry quits and forget a good deal of our grevance against our sister island.
Some great historians claim that St. Patrick was born its own led the compliment, however, when we sent you St. Columba or Columbkille. What he did in long, his chief monastic centre, and throughout nearly all soctland has been commemorated by the beautiful tribute paid to his mighty influence by Dr. Johnson: "That man," he says, "is little to be envied whose patriotism would not gain force upon the plain of Marathon, or whose piety would not grow warmer among the ruins of Iona."
A good deal could be said about the intimate relations between Scotland and Ireland, but I have said enough to the out "cousins." It is a great pleasure to me, as a member of the Irish Club, to be here to-night, the guest of men and women who love the Celtic traditions and the old Celtic torgue, and who are determined that a Knowledge of both shall be encouraged and spread even here, though half the round of the globe separates them from their homes in "bound."

Return of Miss Jessie Mackay Impressions Regarding Ireland

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Impressions Regarding Ireland Miss Jessie Mackay, who left New Zealand in November last to attend the Irish Race Conference at Paris as one of the New Zealand representatives, has now returned to New Zealand, having arrived at Wellington by the Manuka from Sydney on Tuesday. 29th ult. Miss Mackay was met on her arrival by Mrs. T. J. Bourke, Miss Eileen Duggan and other members of the Ladies' Auxiliary Com-mittee of the Self-Determination League, and on the even-ing of Wednesday, 30th ult. she met the members of the Dominion Council and Wellington Executive of the League at its rooms. Mr. P. J. O'Regan, president of the league cordially welcomed Miss Mackay back to New Zealand. The original purpose of the Irish Race Conference at Paris was to secure support from the Irish race everywhere for the Irish Republic, and for the right of the people of Ire-land freely to choose their own form of Government. Subsequent to the departure of the New Zealand delegates the Treaty was arrived at, whereby the Irish Free State was set up. The result was that no delegates attended from the United States, and only a very small number represented Canada, the reason for their non-attendance being that, inasmuch as it was assumed that the Treaty would be the main subject of discussion at the Conference, it was undesirable that any voice should be heard in connection therewith, but that of Ireland herself. The sequel showed that the Treaty was an important subject of discussion at the Conference, though even those who supported it, including the two representatives present sequel showed that the Treaty was an important subject of discussion at the Conference, though even those who supported it, including the two representatives present from New Zealand, did so with the assurance that no limitation was placed upon the liberty of Ireland in the future. Without reservation he could say that the Treaty would have done much more to pacify Ireland had it not been preceded by a revival of the brutalities of Cromwell. (Applause.) They all felt that in selecting Miss Mackay as one of their representatives they had paid a tribute of confidence to a lady who, even under the most unpromising circumstances had ever been a fearless advocate of Ireland's right to determine her own Govern-ment. They would all join cordially in welcoming Miss Mackay, who would now address them. Miss Mackay was greeted with a round of applause, after which she spoke as follows:—

THINGS SEEN IN IRELAND MISS JESSIE MACKAY'S VIEW

All Europe is changing rapidly for the better or the worse this year, and nowhere has the transition been more worse this year, and nowhere has the transition been more swift, more turniltuous, or more significant than in Ire-land. It would be foolish, indeed, for a passing stranger with no roots in the country to thirk that two months' solourn there could give the key to all that now distresses and perplexes every Irishman and every friend of liberty in the world. Yet it may chance that a detached cut-sider, fully in sympathy and with a certain knowledge of current history, could form, even in so short a time, cor-rect opinions on many phases of the struggle. The great, the amazing confidence you showed in me when you made me one of your delegates to the Irish Race Conference would have been utterly misplaced if I could tell you nothing of profit at the end of the journey. We all know that it is too critical a time for rash judgment or rash talking, and that those deepest in their country's counsels are the most reluctant to speak on events which may have to be re-considered in the light of fuller knowledge. There-fore I can only ask for your patience in presenting what-ever opinions I have formed; on what I saw in Paris and in Ireland. If I have gathered any truth on the Irish situation this year, it is my duty to pass it on to you, to fit in with your own knowledge if possible; to be re-jected if that cannot be done. **The Conference at Paris**

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The Conference at Paris Regarding the Paris Race Conference itself, 1 need not speak, but it is bound up with the future of Ireland, and we may well hope that what was nobly begun on lines so romantic, so faithful, and so far-reaching will be nobly carried on in happier days. As to the tragic events of the last two months. I am in no position to speak. You have learned the leading features of the struggle from the cables, and I have been cut off from other sources of information since June 1, the beginning of my return journey. Between leaving Ireland in the first week of April and leaving Britain in the last days of June, I had the guidance of Dublin papers, but unsupplemented by other authoritative testi-mony. It will be seen, then, that any suggestions I can offer are those imppressions formed from personal observa-tion in Paris and Ireland from the latter days of January to the early days of April. To me, though they are limited in scope, they are not impressions but convictious, not likely to be materially affected by the wider knowledge hoped for later on. The last thing I dosire to do to-night is to/press personal

likely to be materially affected by the wider knowledge hoped for later on. The last thing I dosire to do to-night is to press personal propaganda, or to nit invidiously against each other names of leaders beloved by the Irish people, and loved still even in the bitter extremity of political difference. If possible I would make this talk as unpolitical as may be and show how we can admire and lament where we can no longer follow or confide, if we are committed to twentieth century policies' or ideals. I went to the Paris Conference a detached seeker after truth. I left it entirely convinced that Ireland's good rested with the party of peace, reconciliation, and re-construction; also that the war party was led by men and women of tremendous sincerity, who were determined to throw their own personal wealth, comfort, and life itself on a fantastic altar of duty they had built for themselves. Between them and the peace party there was a common bond—utter contempt of vulgar place-seeking or self-seek-ing; utter devotion to an ideal of their country's welfare-a bond that finally raised all difference to a high reconciling note of mutual confidence in which the Family of the Gael was founded on a plane at once practical, cultural, patriotic, and non-controversial. Yet there were puzzles to carry from Paris to Ireland, puzzles that in many cases solved themselves among the thinkers of Dublin and the rank and file of Southern Ireland in the months that followed. followed.

Determine and me of Southern Treland in the months that followed. **A Convincing Fact** The first conviction that gathered out of mental chaos was that Ireland was being destroyed by words, specious catch-words either with no meaning or a meaning not their face value. Some of these words were for use outside Ireland, some for use within. I need not dwell on the words that have wrought most mischief outside; you all know about a "Government that never governed": a "Northern State that could never be a State," and a "peril that was no peril." And I think most of you understand that the "freedom" so liberally thrown in Ireland's teeth as a thing at once misused and for ever misplaced in Irish hands was a freedom never hers for one moment. Planned provocations from the North, cruel baitings from the Southern war party weakened the hands of Dublin's high-minded, over-driven rulers, faced with complicated departmental work, the nationalising of taken-over institutions, the financing of a broken, half-ruined country, the tiding over of Labor troubles, the putting down of robbery and violence, war's aftermath (a bagatelle to the violence in another place, but yet a grave problem). If ever there was a time for brotherly concerted action, or at the lowest counting, honest non-interference, it was the time between the surrender of Dublin Castle and the long-delayed elections of last June. And the war party deluged Ireland with words, entangling, hair-splitting, sophistical words that led nowhere but to confusion and despair. They caught the ear, but the logic never held together for a moment. For example, "equal franchise," "Clean rolk" are phrases weighty enough in an established democracy—and Heaven knows how the Irish min-isters were wearing their lives away then, building up such a democracy, building it with the full blessing and co-operation of the Church of the Irish people! But what were such words in the mouths of men who were even then openly volanning to drive the veterans,

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WAIKATO RESIDENTS .- All your Drug Store wants can be supplied by F. EDWARDS. F. EDWARDS, Chemist, Railway Buildings, Vistoria Street, HAMILTON his peace-loving father and mother! The grim irony of calling that a "Republican Army" which should rather have been called an armed kindergarten. They could not put a vote in those children's hands, but they could and did put rifles in their hands. And no man alive can quite realise the horror of such a Moloch-sacrifice, such a descera-tion of the soul of youth, as the mother-heart of Ireland realised it.

Later Developments

Later Developments Of other misused words I will cite but one more. I have spoken of the war party not the Republican party, because there was no Republican party while I was in Ireland, nor after. Such a party there had recently been: a party of which the names and ideals will thrill Ireland to her latest day, a party which indeed stood for all that makes a true republic a high and holy thing. But all that was now left of that party was too busy translating the gist and earnest of a Re-public into living reality to trouble about the name of it. But nothing could well have been further from a republic than the Government contemplated by the seeders, even as far back as January, when I heard one leader driven to the private confession that if the people recorded a choice unpleasing to the "soul" of an anti-English oligarchy, the people would be forced to think again. The war party did not juggle with the word in the sense that they had no Republic to deliver: that Ireland might choose famine and sword at this time, but would not be granted separation. They went on saying "Republic" when they meant "oligarchy" bureaucracy, or frank des-poism. The awful conditions of spreading revolt in latter April and on to the Battle of the Four Courts, were the earnest of the kind of "liberation" a successful war with the British Empire would have brought Ireland. When Rory O'Connor, bluntly and unrebuked, issued the mani-festo of an "armed dictatorship" all Ireland shuddered from the Boyne to the Bandon, but the cloud of vain. twisted words lifted and the mask fell from the face of armed tyranny. "Yet," it may be said, "Ireland had a right, to choose ruin and doeth is choose barded "Ireland had a right, to choose armed tyranny. "Yet," it r

from the Boyne to the Bandon, but the cloud of vain, twisted words lifted and the mask fell from the face of armed tyranny. "Yet," it may be said, "Ireland had a right to choose ruin and death if she wished." But she did not wish it. It was not alone that Dublin from the highest to the lowest declared openly, eagerly for peace and re-building in those days. It was when I went through Southern Ireland in March that I learned the full strength of the peace party. Down the east coast to Wexford, along through Waterford, Dungannon, and the park-like country of the South, back again from the West of Kerry to Dublin, I mingled with the people on the way. All was peaceful then, kind, beautiful, as if one had gone through a garden. But the people were shy and cantious: they were even then afraid of hidden forces. Yet when a friendly word unlocked their ready confidence, there was but one story—their hatred of blood-shed and force, their love of home and country, and their passionate desire to embrace Ireland's new freedom and make her strong, safe, happy, and honored among nations. It was one voice that was heard, from men and women of culture and high education, from practical, eivic-minded men of affairs, from ex I.R.A. men who had shed their blood for a true republic, from hardy men and women of the soil, strong in their patient folk-wisdom, from mothers, thinkers, priests. Believe me, I do but tell you what I saw and heard; and a great and proud experience it was to see to the sun of a new hope and a hasting good-will. Mark me well; there was not one trace of servility, bowing to material advantage, or the subservience of a beaten people. Everywhere there was seen the dignity of a young State making an honorable peace, put for a moment deceived by the contention that in so doing they bound themselves or their children to any formula that would hinder the ultimate destiny of Ireland. That loyable city, that fair garden-land, each was drenched in blood later, but never think it was the will of their people; it was fo

The War Party

The War Party And yet I have said it is possible to admire and lament the leaders of the war party. It was the puzzle of Paris that deepened in Dublin. No balanced mind could doubt the sincerity of them, the ascetic strictness of their lives, the lofty devotion to an abstraction for which they gladly three away fortune, ambition, life itself. Their love for Ireland was great, though their hatred of England was greater, and who that knows what some of them had suffered dare judge them for that? But how to reconcile all this with the broken faith, the under-workings, the cruel baitings that have ended in leaving Ireland shamed, bleeding, and leaderless this day? Will you think it a foolish thing, the answer found on the spot by a twentieth-century seeker after truth? We are not all souls of a single age, on a single plane, with one common rule of life and conduct. One did not talk long with any of these neople, without, coming up against an impenetrable wall. It was not lack of learning: it was not lack of love, it was not lack of learning: it was the utter impossibility of touching them with, any modern application of learning, love: and honor. When history is written with that wider, deever understanding that is even now coming to the world, this truth will be told about de Valera and his fellow war-leaders. They

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were people of the Middle Ages, never people of the twentieth century at all. There were heroes, scholars, and saints in the Middle Ages. But they were of their time; things that horrify us did not horrify them; the safeguards we have reared round life were unknown to them; the sacredness of life, as we, at least in theory, regard it was little to them; our slowly evolved charters, statutes, and constitutions would have been nothing to them. Read of life in the Middle Ages, the raids, the insurrections, the civil wars, the repressions, the fights about words and abstractions, the daring, the contempt of death, the pushing about of the common people as pawns on some feudal chess-board. Read of all this, and you have the key to the lawlessness, the contempt of human rights, the light dealing in blood and death that has made Ireland a land of sorrow to-day. It is not that these untimely-born souls are not among ourselves in the newer countries; but we, in happier circumstances, have tied their hands by those very safeguards the war party set out to destroy. **The Statecraft of Ireland's Leaders**

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their hands by those very safeguards the war party set out to destroy. **The Statecraft of Ireland's Leaders** It was a strange experience to realise that one was and, quite unconsciously, resolved to bring back a sixteenth rentury State among the nations, such a State as Poland now is, with her freedom on paper, and her substance at the merey of the war-mongering Powers about her. It was a beautiful experience to watch yet another age at work; the twenty-first century men who were toiling to shape Ireland's new nationhood. Not to-day and not to-merow will the world understand what Arthur Griffith, Michael Collins, and the noble men who shared their vision and more than that, a new Statecraft that would have been (may, it yet be!) the admiration of all nations. Read the Constitution that they framed, a Constitution from which coming generations will draw the sanctions, the safeguards, the opportunities pertaining to a tweatry-first century State. And though they were never free one hour from perils, conspiracies, provocations from outer North and inner. South, what did they not accoundish? Your enemies would bid you walk with beads bent, as helonging to a factious people, unfit for freedom. No! walk proudly with heads eract in honor of that newest and proudest of Commouwealths that the hoirs of Michael Collins and Arthur Griffiths, will yet found, not again to be shaken. These men worked day in, day out, bard of differences in a day where the entrusted ministers of older States failed after months. They, composed and broudest of a solaries of common clerks so handled the honest surplus on the day of reckoning. They had to relieve distress, to allay jealousies, to guard the people, uents and back-cealings, yet never to let the flag of their reletion and anarchy under their feed, dying without the balance calmy, unsty, evenly acainst encreach uents and back-cealings, yet never to let the flag of their repellion and anarchy under their feed, dying without fear and without reproa

Our Duty to Ireland Vibat can we do here to strengthen Ireland's hands? One thing we can and must do, never to cease standing shoulder to shoulder one in aim, one in spirit, willing nothing and asking nothing that Ireland, in her fuller knowledge does not will and ask for herself. It is our watchword: "Charity and union: union and charity!" Overseas, they fought for something each believed right. Union there could not be in the days I saw, but a wonder-ful, an amazing charity there was, a charity Britain could never understand—a charity. last, that rose to sublimity in the dving words of Michael Collins. In union, in charity, only can the children of Ireland, wherever they be, give the lie to centuries of slander. In union and in charity, with the faction born of a mournful history behind us, and freedom before us, we shall at last realise the beautiful motto that de Valera found for the Family of the Gae! "Eve has not seen, nor the mind of man conceived, the greatness of the destiny God has in His mind for Ireland."

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he in accord with your committee in expressing the pleasure felt at Mr. Coughlan being so far on the way to recovery, and sincerely hope he may soon be fully restored to good health.

health. In conclusion your committee once again impress on members the desirability of doing all they possibly can to promote the interests of the choir, and to give earnest attention to practices. They would also remind members of the great honor they have in singing the music of the Church, and the consequent duty devolving upon them as a choir, and finally to always bear in mind that they are not so formed for any personal aggrandisement, but that they may the more adequately do honor to God and to His Holy Church. e.

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The report was adopted on the motion of the chair-man, seconded by Mr. J. B. Flynn, the latter compliment-ing the compiler on the comprehensive nature of the same. Mr. Flynn also moved that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mr. Coughlan, and expressed the hopes of every mem-ber of the choir that their energetic secretary would speed-ily regain his health and resume his place among them. He (the speaker) reminded his hearers that the present was the 50th annual meeting of the choir as a Cathedral choir, and had thus attained its golden jubilee. This year, too, as a church choir, it had attained its diamond jubilee or 60 years of existence. Such an important occasion should not, in the speaker's opinion, be allowed to pass without some fitting celebration. This announcement created considerable enthusiasm, and the incoming com-mittee was requested to give earnest attention to the sub-ject of a due celebration. With his Lordship the Bishop as patron and Rev. Father Folcy as president, other office-bearers were ap-pointed as follows:—Secretary, Mr. M. Coughlan; librar-ian, Mrs. Comer; assistant librarian, Mr. L. Fogarty; committee—Messrs. F. Heley, H. Poppelwell, J. B. Flynn, and J. Woods. An enjoyable musical programme was contributed to

committee—Messrs. F. Heley, H. LOPPCHOL, and J. Woods. An enjoyable musical programme was contributed to by—Songs: Mrs. Sandys ("Scenes That Are Brightest"), Miss F. Gardner ("A Summer Night"). Miss B. Vallis (Luzzi's "Ave Maria"), Miss I. Sweeney (French chanson), Mr. D. Fogarty ("The Secret"), and Mr. L. Fogarty ("They Say"). Recitations were given by Miss Bambury (humorous) and Mr. J. B. Flynn ("The Monk Felix," from "The Golden Legend"). Mr. A. Vallis was accompanist. Dainty refreshments were handed round by the lady members of the choir in conclusion of a very successful and pleasurable gathering.

DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH (From our own correspondent.)

September 4. Rev. Fathers Dillon (New Plymouth), O'Regan (Grey-mouth), and O'Sullivan (African Missionary) are guests of Rev. Father Hanrahan, Adm., at the Cathedral presby-tery. Father O'Regan preached at the Cathedral on Sunday night.

Sunday night. Rev. Father Campbell, C.SS.R., is to conduct a Retreat for the Archconfraternity of the Blessed Sacra-ment in the last week of September A successful social promoted by Mr. Lanyon, with the object of providing St. Anne's Church with an organ, was held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Woolston, on last Thursday. Rev. Father Gallagher expenses his gratitude to all who helped on the function. In order to liquidate the debt on that portion of the parish, a long-standing handicap to progress in the district, Father Gallagher and an ener-getic committee are preparing for a garden fete, to be

on that portion of the parish, a long-standing handicap to progress in the district, Father Gallagher and an ener-getic committee are preparing for a garden fete, to be held on December 9. Rev. Father O'Connell, S.M., of St. Mary's, is having very necessary additions made to the presbytery, the ac-commodation of which has proved altogether inadequate for the demands made upon it. Mr. H. St. A. Murray has drawn the plans, and Messrs. Fullwood and Hay are carrying out the work. As a result of the winter-months' socials held in St. Mary's Memorial Hall, and organised by Mr. and Mrs. Prendergast and the Children of Mary Sodality, a sub-stantial sum has been accumulated for the school improve-ment fund. Father O'Connell has lost no time in utilising it, and already two splendid shelter sheds (which may be used also for class-rooms) have been erected. The play-ground has been graded and asphalted—adding greatly to the appearance of the fine school building as well as to the comfort of the children.

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Levin On Thursday evening, August 24, the solemn devotion of the Forty Hours' Adoration began in Levin, and on Sunday evening we regretfully saw its close (writes an esteemed correspondent). Each morning there were big congregations at the two Masses, and each evening the church was packed to its utmost capacity. The general Communion at the eight o'clock Mass on Sunday was a most impressive sight. At the 9 o'clock Mass each morning a lucid exposition of Catholic teaching regarding the Holy Eucharist was listened to with rapt attention. Each in-struction found in Our Lord's abiding presence its centre and its inspiration. The preacher on each occasion was Rev. Father Eccleton (Marist Missioner), and we ear-nestly hope that what we have heard from the eloquent missioner is but a prelude to, if possible, a bigger feast of things spiritual in days not far distant. At the Renewal Communion on Sunday morning 12 children had the happi-ness of receiving our Blessed Lord for the first time. It was a memorable day for the privileged little ones. The children's choir most, pleasingly rendered appropriate hymns during the Mass. After the Mass the Sisters enter-timed the First Communicants to a sumptuous breakfast. The 11 a.m. Mass was a Missa Contata, the celebrant being Rev. Father Fitzgibbon. The choir, under the baton of Mr. O. Foote, sang the Mass admirably, Mrs. Campbell with the Pepal blessing and the singing of the hymn "Tath of Our Fathers."

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A Love Song

She is like a leaf begun To enfold her to the sun. Her voice is pushing buds; Her smile is color breaking; Touch of her lips is waking. And sunshine floods The world when she is speaking. Her eyes are pilgrims seeking A grail, and finding it, Her eyes are altars lit. Her joying and her grieving

Are dear past all believing.

-MARY CAROLYN DAVIES, in the New York Evening Post.

Old Man Winter Go down the road, and down the road By leafless hedge and willow; And stretch your bones on the frosty ground With shoes to make a pillow. But it's south, boys, south !

Run away from old man winter.

"O rain come wet me, sun come dry me, Wind o' winter don't come a-nigh me!"

It's late to limp by hill and plain In rag o' coat and breeches; The dogs they chase me out of the road And hunt me down the ditches. But it's south, boys, south ! And run from old man winter.

> "O rain come wet me, sun come dry me, Sleet o' winter don't come a-nigh me!'

I follow the duck and the mourning dove, I'm headed south for winter;

I'll throw my feet on a Dixie street

Or lie in gaol for the winter.

And it's south, boys, south! Away from old man winter.

"Rain come wet me, sun come dry me, Moonlit snow, O don't come a-nigh me!"

-EDWIN FORD PIPER, in The Measure (New York).

The Rosary of My Years

Some reckon their ages by years, Some measure their life by art-But some tell their days by the flow of their tears, And their life by the moans of their heart.

The dials of earth may show

The length, not the depth of years, Few or many they come, few or many they go But our time is best measured by fears.

Ah! not by the silver gray That creep through the sunny hair,

And not by the scenes that we pass on our way-And not by the furrows the finger of care.

On the forehead and face have made-Not so do we count our years;

Not by the sun of the earth; but the shade Of our souls-and the fall of our tears.

For the young are ofttimes old,

Though their brow be bright and fair; While their blood beats warm their heart lies cold-O'er them the springtime, but winter is there.



And the old are ofttimes young When their hair is thin and white, And they sing in age as in youth they sung, And they laugh, for their cross was light.

But bead by bead I tell The rosary of my years; From a cross to a cross they lead-'tis well! And they're blessed with a blessing of tears.

Better a day of strife, Than a century of sleep; Give me instead of a long stream of life, The tempest and tears of the deep.

A thousand joys may foam On the pillows of all the years; But never the foam brings the brave back home, It reaches the haven through tears. -REV. ABRAM RYAN, in the Irish World.

Reflection

Geraniums Who ever heard that Sappho put Geraniums in her hair?

Or thought that Cleopatra brushed Her long Greek face against their petals?

Did Beatrice carry them? Or any bird sigh out his wild-fire heart In passion for them?

Yet sparrows, far outnumbering nightingales, Have gossiped under their tomato cans, And lonely spinsters loved them more than cats.

And living girls have felt quite festive, going Down vulgar streets With such unsubtle gaiety at their belts. -ELIZABETH J. COATSWORTH, in the Dial.

The Little Road

Did you ever notice a little road That you didn't wonder where it led? Whether-after the cool, green wood-If chanced on the dell where your dream-house stood? Maybe-beginning dusty and rough, It keeps up the pretence just long enough To tire those who haven't the clue, And leave the adventure-and end-to you? Maybe it leaves the highway to follow. Up, swooping up like the flight of a swallow-Till valley and town lie dim below, And Time flies far on the winds that blow, There you may find a nook for your dreaming, Seeming, Just planned for you from the Edenglow.

So the little road cries to me: "Follow, follow, Maybe you'll find that your dreams are hollow, Maybe you'll see-but follow, follow, Come with the faith of the homing swallow, Or, to your death, you will never know." -ELLEN MORRILL MILLS, in the Lyric West.

Bird that Ceased Singing What proud bird sings in this tall tree, But halts to hear my foot approach, His very silence a decree Bidding me hence who dare encroach On his demesne of melody?

How shall so gross a serf entreat My lord in high green state aloof? Could he but know his silence beat About me like a king's reproof, He would sing swift and twice as sweet! -Louis Golding, in the Nation and the Athenaeum.

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MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIII. TO THE N.Z. TABLET. Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet, Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Beligionis et Justitiæ causam promovere per vias Veritatis et Pacis. Die 4 Aprilis, 1900. LEO XIII., P.M.

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

April 4, 1900.

LEO XIII., Pope



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1922.

THE GREEK CHURCH



Y the Greek Church we mean the branch in schism which calls itself the Orthodox Greek Church, to distinguish it from the United Greek Church which is really the orthodox branch. The latter only differs from us on certain recognised matters of liturgy and discipline, while on all essential questions its faith and practice are the same as our own. The Greek Schis-

matic Church embraces various religious factions which are issues of the great schism begun in the East in the ninth century by Photius, Patriarch of Constantinople, and consummated in the eleventh century owing to the ambition of another Patriarch, Michael Cerularius. The Schismatic Greeks have true sacraments and their Orders are valid, as they have come down to them in a line of validly consecrated prelates. In a few points they reject Catholic teaching and they refuse to acknowledge the authority of the Pope. In view of the recent efforts made by Anglicans to secure recognition by the Greeks, it is worth while recalling the history of their schism.

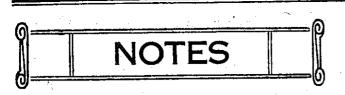
In the fourth century the Third Canon of the Council of Byzantium conferred on the Bishop of By-"the primacy of honor after the Bishop of zantium Rome.'' When Constantine chose Byzantium for his new capital, the Greek bishops began to assert that their capital ought to have the primacy of jurisdiction which belonged to Rome, alleging the foolish pretext that because Byzantium, which now became Constantinople, was exalted politically it ought to be similarly exalted in ecclesiastical affairs. In A.D. 583 John the Faster assumed the title of Ecumenical or Universal Patriarch in spite of the protests of the Popes, Pelagius II. and Gregory the Great. Notwithstanding their arrogant assumptions, the Patriarchs still continued to regard as indispensable the Pope's confirmation establishing the orthodoxy of the newly elected Patriarchs. Even Photius himself did not fail to send an embassy to Rome, asking that Pope Nicholas I. should confirm him. Confirmation was refused and Photius was excommunicated as an usurper by a Ro-man Council. Later, he became reconciled to Rome, but only for a short time; for, under John VIII., he again revolted and defied what he called the yoke of

To give a semblance of reason to his rebellion Rome. he claimed that the Popes by tolerating the addition of the word Filioque to the Nicene-Constantinopolitan creed, had become heretical, although the addition of the word had taken place four hundred years before the excuse was thought of. When Photius died Rome and Constantinople remained united until in the middle of the eleventh century there was a definite breach in the time of the Patriarch Michael Cerularius (1054-1059) who again renewed the charges made by Photius against Rome. Later, the breach was again healed, and a reconciliation was solemnly proclaimed in the Council of Florence, held in 1439, in the reign of Pope Eugene IV. No later Council having abrogated this union it legally exists still. But shortly after the reconciliation the bad will of the clergy of Constantinople rendered the union almost null, and the breach continues to this day. The Greeks admit the authority of the first seven Councils and recognise the authority of the Patriarchs, united in Council, to give doctrinal decisions. But no such decisions are given, and in practice the rule of faith is recourse to the first seven Councils. Thus it happens, as the seven Councils did not decide everything, that there is no real unity of belief, and it is rather inconvenient for them that in their rule of faith they nowhere find it defined that the Holy Ghost proceeded from the Father alone. That is, they find in it no justification for their schism. Likewise, unity of government is merely nominal, like the dependance of the Patriarchs of Jerusalem, Alexandria and Antioch upon the Church of Constantinople, which exists in name only, while the Russians are subject to the Holy Synod, which used to be con-trolled by the Tsar. When Russia embraced the schism it had a Metropolitan dependent on the Patriarch of Constantinople, but the bond uniting Russia to the rest of the East has long been broken. In 1589 the Metropolitan of Moscow was raised to the patri-archal dignity; but Peter the Great suppressed the Patriarchate and from that time up to the recent revolution the Russian Church was ruled by the Holy Synod, which had its authority from the Emperor and was usually presided over by an officer of the Court. Thus, it was that the Russian branch of Greek Schismatics really became a National Russian Church which was as much Anglican or Prussian as it was Greek.

Thus, the only real bond between the Greek Schismatic Churches is their common opposition to the authority of the successors of St. Peter. In this they are also in plain opposition to their own traditions and history, for they know that their Patriarchs recog-nised the Pope in the early centuries and were careful to socura his confirmation in their State and the social the sector of the se to secure his confirmation in their Sees as a proof that they were orthodox. What the position of the Rus-sians is at present it is impossible to say, owing to the disturbed state of the country: but before the War there were definite signs that the best Russian minds were trending towards unity with Rome. As for the position of the Orthodox Greeks, their reply to the Anglicans shows us where they stand at present. They are still opposed to us on a few points of doctrine and with regard to the jurisdiction of the Pone but they cling steadfastly to their Orders and Sacraments and will not stand for union with a sect which covers with its mantle all sorts of different beliefs. One important fact is evident from a study of the schismatic Churches. They broke away from Rome before the days of Henry VIII. and Martin Luther. Some schisms date a long way farther back. Yet, they all, like Catholics, reject as heresy Protestant doctrines, and they recognise as of Apostolic origin practices which Protestants denounce as superstition. In this we have a clear proof that if there is one Church not in succession with the teaching of the Apostles, it is the conglomeration known as Protestantism.

As to the blessing and sweetness of solitude and silence, let those who have chosen them tell their charm, for only those who have experienced their joys can speak of them worthily.—St. Bruno.

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The Women of Erin

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Mrs. Concannon has laid us under a deep obligation by giving us a most delightful book about Irishwomen of all ages and of all classes. There is no other book in the world like *Daughters of Banba*. Only on reading it have we realised what a vacancy it has We know of old that she can write; we know filled. what infinite charm and pathos she put into her Women of '98; we know that her soul is drenched in Gaelic learning and inspired by passionate love for Ireland; but it needed *Daughters of Banba* to teach us how all these could be put into one book, to enchant, to elevate, to edify the sons and daughters of the women of Ireland all over the world. Her book is a book of patriotism; its pages are prose poems that tell of lives and of examples that left the whole world better; it contains the secret of the mystery of Ireland's wonderful survival, of Ireland's immortal vitality, of Ireland's faithfulness to the faith; for it tells us what manner of women were they who reared the sons who died for the faith, or for Ireland, which as a rule meant the same thing. In the making of her book she has drawn lovingly on the wealth of Irish legend, Irish history and Irish poetry; and she has created a literary gem more enchanting than any romance. But no romance is in it at all, but the wonderful, stimulating, inspiring truth about the women of ancient Ireland, about the saints of Ireland, about the mothers of Ireland, about the warrior-women of Ireland, and about the women who moved Irishmen to write the haunting, deathless love songs which surpass any similar songs ever sung on earth.

Irish Names

Her book opens with a few thoughts about old Irish names of women. We quote the passage, for it is a sample of what is to follow:

is a sample of what is to follow: "If 'hardly heard' in the melodious speech of the Blessed Damosel, the 'virginal chaste names' of the five handmaidens of the Lady Mary in the Paradisal Groves

> '.... are five sweet symphonies ----Cecily, Gertrude, Magdalene, Margaret and Rosalys,'

the names with which the Old Irish crowned the beauty of their women are veritable pictures. Fionnghuala, Finabhair, Blathnait, Muirgeal,---the cadenced syllables fall musical enough on ears to which they are but sounds. But to the understanding Gael the music is less than the picture. As he hears them there come forth for him from the high burial cairns (where they have been dust for nearly two thousand years) clad again in their blonde, blossom-like, foam-bright beauty, the Princesses who wore them as part of their own love-Etain comes once more from fairyland, and liness. stands again by the edge of the well in the forest, where in the lovely morning-tide, centuries ago, King Eochaid finding her, gave her his love for ever: 'She stood at the edge of the well combing her hair with a bright silver comb adorned with gold. The hue of her hair was like the flower of the iris in summer, or like White as the snow red gold after burnishing. of one night were her two hands, and red as the fox-glove her two fair cheeks. Blue as the hyacinth her eves. Red as the rowan-berry her lips. The bright Red as the rowan-berry her lips. eyes. radiance of the moon was in her noble face; soft womanly dignity in her voice; her stens were stately women she was the dearest and loveliest and most per-fect that the eye of man had ever beheld." "Dear and shapely," men said of her, "are all women until Etain comes beside them." and slow as the gait of a queen. Verily of the world's

of womanhood '---and with them his feminine ideal--so often chose the names of some of these gifts as the names of his women. In the old tale, *The Wooing of Emer*, these gifts are set forth: the gift of beauty, the gift of voice, the gift of sweet speech, the gift of needlework, the gift of wisdom, the gift of chastity. A very beautiful ideal is thus disclosed; and if it were not always realised, the fact does not detract from the honor it does to our ancestors, who, while yet pagan, conceived it."

Saints

Of Brigid, Mrs. Concannon writes: "Broicsech's daughter was the first Abbess of Kildare, the head of a system founded on the twin principles of the essential dignity of pure womanhood, and the reverence men owe to it. It cannot be too strongly insisted on-and our Gaelic ancestors for their part were never tired of insisting on it-that this tremendous social revolution was effected by a woman whose chief equipment for her task consisted in her chastity and her charity, and whose life was spent in a round of homeliest and lowliest duties. That is the keynote to the rightful interpretation of the stories the Gael has gathered up about Brigid. He loved to take the whitest and purest things to symbolise her chastity—the whiteness of milk, the sheen of fire. Only the purest of food might nourish her pure body. Even the most sordid things were purified as by fire when she was near. The touch of her hand on the altar, whereat she made her vow of virginity, turned the dry wood into green. Thus did the Gael bring home to himself the marvels of Brigid's chastity. As for her charity, he saw her exercise it unceasingly from the days when she helped her sick mother in the mountain dairy, and set aside ' the thirteenth portion' of each churning (and that portion greater than any of the others) for Christ, whom she saw in the person of 'every faithful guest.' It was because of her charity that God wrought miracles for her. 'For everything that Brigid would ask of the Lord was granted to her at once. For this was her desire: to satisfy the poor, to expel hardship, to spare

every miserable man.' "'A no less feminine rôle has been assigned to St. Ita in Gaelic tradition. Her charming task was that of fostering little boy-saints. Here again old Cuimmin of Conor crystallised the Gael's conception of her:--

'My Ida loves a great fostering.'

Now it was her own nephew, St. Mocgoemoc, whom she reared and educated until he was of an age to start off with the 'Bell of his resurrection' in his hand to take up his studies for the priesthood in St. Comghall's great monastery of Bangor. Now it was little Brendan of Clonfert, whom Bishop Eric brought to her cell, a tiny year-old baby to be fostered in saintship. And sometimes, as the exquisite story has it, it was Iosagan Himself:—

> 'Jesukin Lives my little cell within: What were wealth of cleric high-All is lie but Jesukin.'''

There are beautiful chapters that tell of the women of the towns, of the women of the country, of the women of the castles, and a chapter steeped in tears that tells of the women in exile. But passing all these by, as pressure of space compels us, let us end with a quotation on the women who were the mothers of Ireland's saints:

"One does not know whether it is the art or the sincerity of the old Hagiologists which makes these women seem to us so lifelike. The misty centuries have no power to dim the living colors in which the portraits have been painted for us. When we see the face of Brigid (worn and lined with trouble, but beautiful with love) bending over her sleeping boy; or Eithne, voung and lovely in her sunny bower, gazing on the flower face nestled against her silken robe; or Cara listening with delight to the tales Ita has to tell

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her of Brendan's angel-nurses; or Cumne, lonely for her ' little lame boy,' we feel that these indeed are real women who have lived, and worked, and suffered, and dreamed, under this dear Irish sky of ours, in this land which their sons' dust has made the sacred place it is."

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DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN The Sisters of Mercy, South Dunedin, gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a donation of £2 for the St. Vincent's Orphanage. There was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at, St. Joseph's Cathedral from the eleven o'clock Mass on Sunday. In the evening his Lordship the Bishop presided at Compline, and, after the usual procession, gave Pon-tifical Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. At the ordinary meeting of St. Patrick's Sodality of the Children of Mary, South Dunedin, held on last Sunday afternoon, Rev. Father Delany, on behalf of the members, presented Miss Veronica Tyler, on the occasion of her approaching marriage, with a handsome picture. In wish-ing Miss Tyler every blessing and happiness in the new state of life upon which she was entering, Father Delany verv warmly eulogised her devotedness to the ideals of a Child of Mary. During her five years' association with the sodality she had not missed a single meeting—au example of constancy well worthy of emulation. The Sisters of Mercy, South Dunedin, gratefully ac-knowledge the gift of several parcels of clothing, etc., for St. Vincent's Orphanage, from the Mosgiel Ladies' Guild. ST. VINCENT'S ORPHANAGE FAIR NOTES.

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by Beath's string band, and the catering will be on a generous scale.. The members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, South Dunedin, have arranged a euchre social for next Tuesday evening, the 13th inst., in aid of their stall funds at the forthcoming ornhanage fair. As time will permit of only two more similar functions before the opening of the fair, patronage even greater than has already been extended is earnestly desired, so as to cuable the society's stall to be furnished free of any outstanding liabilities. Winton was visited on last Sunday by the organiser on behalf of the orphanage fund. Very Rev. Father O'Neill (pastor of the district) is in thorough accord with the movement, but unfortunately, through failing bealth, was unable to be present at the meeting. Rev. Father Ardagh, in the course of some intraductory remarks, re-ferred to the great work being done by the Sisters of Merey in the interest of the orphans of the diocese, and urged the people to generously respond to the appeal then being made by the organiser. The object of his visit was then explained by the organiser, after which the gathering gave its unanimous approval and promise of hearty sup-port. A committee consisting of Messrs. D. O'Malley, M. Riley, J. Duggan, P. Burke, P. Kerr. J. Ryan, and M. O'Shaughnessy, were appointed to complete arrangements for a thorough canvass of the district. Centre Bush was then visited, where a fine reception was accorded the speaker, who was assured of the whole-hearted support of the Catholic residents, who appointed Messrs. J. Walsh, J. O'Brien, P. McGrath, A. Langford, J. Doherty, J. Keane, P. McGee, and J. O'Shaughnessy, a committee to arrange details for a united effort to help the fund.

Invercargill

(From our own correspondent.)

September 4.

The "Quality" Chemists (OUTRAM & WHITE), 108 and 130 KING EDWARD ST., Prescription work a specialty. New season's Hot-water Bags "just arrived," 'Phones 1719 and 316.

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September 4. The round of social functions in aid of the schools' building fund, preparatory to the big bazaar to be held next month, continue to be patronised most liberally. A successful "gift evening" was arranged by Mrs. Millar, and took place in the Railway Library Rooms last week. All those present complimented the hostess on the very enjoyable evening. The eacher prizes were won by Mrs. Hishon and Mrs. Lynd, and Messrs. Geo Laffey and O. Fogarty. On next Saturday (the 9th inst.) Mesdames Millar and Maloney will conduct a garden fete in the spa-cious grounds of the present, and both young and old will be well catered for in the amusement line. This will be the first outdoor function held so far, and the promoters anticipate a very large attendance. anticipate a very large attendance. The Municipal Theatre was crowded to the doors on

last Tuesday evening week, when the Gore Dramatic Club, under the direction of Rev. Father Farthing, presented the comedy, "Confusion." This is the second occasion on which these talented performers have appeared in Inver-cargill, and while the present performance was perhaps not quite up to the very excellent showing on a previous occasion, nevertheless it is safe to say that theatre-goers have often witnessed less meritorious efforts from profes-sional performers. The crowded audience enjoyed itself immensely, and the diverting situations of the comedy were skilfully portayed by the artists, with the result that the theatre presented a scene of meriment for the full two and a half hours of the play's duration. No better compliment could be paid to our Gore friends, and they well deserve it. In the principal character Mr. A. H. Smith gave a finished performance, and displayed histrionic talent of no mean order. Mr. G. Matheson pleased even the most carping critic with his characterisation of "Blizzard," while Mr. W. D. Shelton is worthy of special notice, and his comedy work as the butler was excellent and not overdone. Miss M. Inder as "Lucretia" caused no end of fun and added another great success to previous performances. She is quite an artist, and was responsible in no small way for the all-round success nohieved. Among the other ladies Miss Sylvia Inder and Miss Peggy Sweeney played their parts well, the latter being convincingly natural as the butler's wife. She gave an excellent per-formance, and her acting was of a high order. Minor parts were taken by Miss Ellen Cox and Messrs. H. Inder. M. Fitzgerald, and D. Reid. 'The orchestral music under the direction of Mr. A. R. Wills was greatly appreciated by the audience.

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There was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after with worshippers during the day. The usual monthly procession took place in the evening, when all the sodali-ties and school children participated, whilst the choir and congregation sang appropriate hymns. The "Adore Te Provet" was well sung by the choir, Mrs. Lynch taking the soli in a devotional manner. The Sacred Heart Choir has made satisfactory progress under the baton of Mr. T. J. Counor. Rev. Father P. Kane, S.M. of St. Patrick's "Gamee of God" to a large congregation.
The St. Patrick's Club, composed of the various sports in aid of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in aid of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves may indequate to house the throng that sought ad imposed of its of the parish, produced a revue last week inssion. In order to cope with the demands of the crowed in all of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in aid of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in aid of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in a di of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in aid of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in aid of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in aid of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in a di of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in a di of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in a di of its funds, in the St. Patrick's Hall, which proves in a direct of course attend ance, making the inconvenience of crowding entirely forgotter. The programme opened which well-trained orchestra under Mr. T. J. O'Connor, and found this on (says the *Timuru* Heraild) followed a series of the directive was in the capable care of Mr. T. J. O'Connor, and found this Dennehy acted as accompanists in their usual while Mr. C. Knight was most successful in his capacity and Miss Dennehy acted as accompanists in their usual thished manner, while t

Addington

Addington At the evening devotions in the Sacred Heart Church on Sunday week (writes a correspondent), Rev. Father O'Sullivan made an appeal for funds towards assisting the work of his mission society in West Africa. He thanked Rev. Father O'Connor for allowing the usual evening col-lection (which on the occasion was very generously re-sponded to) to be devoted to the purposes of his mission. The members of the Addington Catholic Tennis Club held their annual euchre party and social onl ast Wednesday evening, in the local Oddfellows' Holl. There was a very satisfactory attendance, and among those present were Rev. Fathers O'Connor and O'Meerdan (Addington), and Rev. Father Finnerty (Leeston). The first orizes in the card games were won by Mrs. Harland and Mrs. Herd. After supper a pleasant social was held. Mr. E. O'Connell carrying out the duties of M.C. Music was provided by Miss M. Williams and Mr. A. Debenham.

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South Dunedin

MARRIAGE

HARNETT-SHELLEY. On August 9, 1922, at St. Mary's Church, Christchurch, by the Rev. Father Roche, John Joseph, second son of Mrs. and the late J. Harnett, Kaikoura, to Mary, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Shelley, St. Albans, Christchurch.

DEATHS

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BARRY.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Thomas Barry, who died at his residence, Greymouth, on August 9, 1922.—R.I.P.
DUDSON.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Cecelia Mabel Dudson, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dudson, who died at Carterton on August 22, 1922; aged 34 years.—R.I.P.
LEAKE.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine Leake, who died at her residence, Nicholson Terrace, Blenheim, on August 12, 1922.—R.I.P.

IN MEMORIAM

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 BOURKE.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of J. P. Bourke, who died on August 10, 1918. Also Mary Quirk, who died on September 7, 1918.—On their souls, sweet Jesus, have mercy.
 CUNNEEN.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of John Cunneen, beloved husband of Mary Cunneen, who died at Hamilton on September 1, 1907.—Sweet Jesus, have mercy on his soul.
 FITZGERALD.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of John Fitzgerald, who died on August 17, 1917.—Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on his soul.
 LAYBURN.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Corporal William John Alfred. M.M. (Australian Imperial Forces), killed in action at Herbecourt. France, on August 28, 1918.—R.I.P.—Inserted by his sorrowing parents.
 LIMA.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Caroline Lima, who died at Wellington on September 6, 1921.—Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy.
 O'REILLY.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret McMahon, who died on August 28, 1912.—On her soul, sweet Jesus, have mercy.
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 REDWOOD.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Patrick O'Reilly, who died on August 19, 1912.—Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on his soul.
 REDWOOD.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph Henry Redwoid, who died at Nelson on September 8, 1918.—R.I.P.

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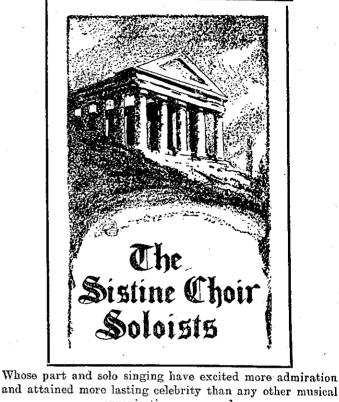


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Commonwealth Notes

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Speaking recently on Catholic Education at Campbelltown, Very Rev. Dr. M. J. O'Reilly (Rector of St. John's College) said: "There were well-meaning people in New South Wales who immediately got indignant when they found the Catholic priest or layman inveighing against the system of public education in vogue in New South Wales. We had a perfect right to object to any measure ever brought in and passed by the Parliament of New South Wales, and with the help of God we would cherish it as long as we lived. If there were anything on the Statute Book of New South Wales that we did not like, as, for instance, the provision for taxation, and he knew people did not like that, the only chance they had of dealing with the situation was to get that objectionable feature removed from the Statute Book. If we thought that the best way to do it was to get in another Government, then we would try to get in another Government. We were going to stick to that right which we possessed, and we were not going to be defrauded of it. Many people in New South Wales imagined that the Education Act was something sacred, like Diana of the Ephesians, and they were indignant when it was criticised. These people forgot that Catholics were one-fourth of the population of New South Wales, and that out of every hundred bricks in the State schools, Catholics owned 25. The pity of it was that although we built and owned all our own schools and colleges, it did not prevent the enemy attacking our nuns. If these people had the right to attack our buildings, which were built by ourselves, then he claimed we have the right to speak with regard to our system of education. In England, where Catholics were only a handful, they had been given by the English people everything that the Catholics were now asking for themselves in New South Wales. Nine out of every ten people were not aware of that fact. There was not a single petition that we were now making to the Government that had not already been granted in England, aye, and in Presbyterian Scotland. Therefore, we were going to continue to protest.

The Rev. Mother M. Pius Collins, one of the oldest and most revered members of the Dominican Order in Australia, passed away at Santa Sabina Convent, Strathfield, recently. The remains were taken to West Maitland, and were received at the railway station by about 200 children of the Dominican schools and a number of Maitland friends of the venerable nun. The cortege moved, via Elgin, Olive, Nicholson, and Victoria Streets, to the convent chapel, where the coffin was received by the Very Rev. V. F. Peters and the Dominican Nuns. There was a large attendance in the chapel during the recital of prayer. The late Mother Pius was one of the pioneers of the Order in Australia, and was for some years its Prioress. She entered the Order in Ireland 57 years ago, and spent about 50 years in Australia, mostly in Maitland. A cultured, refined lady, who devoted the whole of her life to the cause of education, her friends were legion, including, in many cases, three generations in some families. A Requiem Mass was celebrated in the convent chapel prior to her funeral.

VICTORIA.

Rev. Father D. McKillop, S.J., formerly in charge of the Hawthorn parish, celebrated the golden jubilee of his entrance into the Jesuit Society last month. Father Mc-Killop is a son of the late Mr. Alexander McKillop, wellknown in New South Wales and Victoria. Mother Mary of the Cross, founder of the Sisters of St. Joseph, was a relative. McKillop Street, in Geelong, was named after Mr. Alexander McKillop.

Under happiest auspices (says the *Tribune* for August 17) the Lord Mayor's appeal on behalf of St. Joseph's Foundling Home, Broadmeadows, was launched on Friday last, when a largely attended and highly successful public meeting convened by the Lord Mayor (Cr. J. W. Swanson) took place at the Town Hall. It was at first intended to hold the gathering in the old Council chamber, but it was necessary to change the venue to the Town Hall owing to the large attendance. In opening the appeal the Lord Mayor said that the phenomenal attendance showed what

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a profound interest the community was taking in the foundlings cared for at St. Joseph's Home. He was very proud to be presiding at a meeting where the hall was not large enough to hold the people, and they had to adjourn to larger quarters. To realise what magnificent work the Sisters at the Broadmeadows Foundling Hospital were doing in caring for the orphans and waifs of the community he could do no better than advise those present to visit the institution, as he had done, and see for themselves.

There were over 5000 people present to witness the unveiling and blessing, by Archbishop Mannix, of a Grotto to Our Lady of Lourdes, erected in the grounds of the Christian Brothers' Orphanage, Geelong. After referring to the splendid work of the Brothers in Australia, his Grace proceeded to refer to the spirit of sectarianism which pervaded Australian life. "The people who had been running Australia and Australian politics on sectarian lines might succeed once, but they would be found out, for they could not fool all the people all the time. If those people who were always denouncing the Catholics would only examine their own consciences, they would have cause There were dreadful scandals in this for reflection. country. If Australians would do their duty they would not be so earnestly seeking for immigrants from over the water, but Australia's best immigrants would come from the other world, straight from the hand of God. Not one of those who were talking about the less important things had the courage to say one word against this awful cancer that was eating into the heart of Australia."

An instance of Christian charity and remarkable generosity is afforded by an authoritative statement which recently reached us, wherein it is shown that no less a sum than £1850 have been donated to the various Catholic charitable institutions of the Archdiocese of Perth by Mr. Stuart Patterson, Kellerberrin, during that gentleman's last financial year (says the W.A. *Record*). Of that munificent amount the Boys' Orphanage at Clontarf received £210; the Little Sisters of the Poor, £250; the Home of the Good Shepherd, £250; St. Joseph's Orphanage, £225; St. Vincent's Foundling Home, £250; and the Presentation Convent (Cottesloe Beach), £50. The balance of the total sum of £1850 Mr. Patterson disbursed among the metropolitan charities, endeavoring to aid as many institutions as possible. There were also three donations to-

wards succoring the starving children of Europe. $\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond\diamond$

TASMANIA.

Mr. Albert Ogilvie, M.H.A., has been elected president of the Tasmanian section of the Australian Labor Party, vice the Hon. J. A. Lyon, M.H.A. Mr. Ogilvie is one of Hobart's most successful barristers and solicitors, and represents Franklin in the Tasmanian Pasliament, having topped the poll at the last election. Educated by the Christian Brothers at St. Patrick's College at Ballarat, Mr. Ogilvie is well known in Catholic circles. It is understood that Mr. Ogilvie will be elected Labor leader in the State Parliament, in place of Mr. Lyons, who is entering on the study of law. Mr. Lyons is a keen student and a quick thinker, as well as an eloquent and convincing speaker, and should become one of Tasmania's successful lawyers. Before entering politics he was a State school teacher.

To-day Catholics in the United States are one in every six in the population. In 120 years the population of the United States has increased 24 times, while the population of the Catholic Church has increased 600 times.

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The Burden of Dublin

(By H. W. NEVINSON, in the Nation and the Athenaeum.)

Dublin. To clambered in the rain among the ruins of the Four Cortex, which for so many years I had known as one of the few boculture (assisted buildings in these northern islands, howeved fragments of legal and historical documents far expoper had melied away. The columns of the four that any the columns of another or any the status of legal or atoms any the columns of another or any the status of legal or atoms any the columns of the data status of legal or atoms any the columns of the status of legal or atoms any the status of legal and however, the data status of any status of the status of legal or atoms any construction of the status of legal or atoms any construction of the status of legal or atoms and the spare. But the "our Courts" of Irish tradition and a corner of Merrion Suare. I found three for any the exposed, front, fanks, and rear at oney foling round a corner of Merrion Suare. I found three and the status of the status of legal or atoms and the status of the status of legal or the disconforts of streng on shours. I found three for any construction and baged rifes sticking out of the populos. It is almostatic in any one a constatus the builds are battered, and on the error of the status and baged rifes sticking out of the gales are include and harder of the status of the status and the status. It houses with windows and bore and the status and baged rifes sticked and the error of the gales. Then a prevent the white and haggers are the gales. Then a prevent the white and haggers are the gales and head and waved active the white and haggers are the gales. Then a prevent the white and haggers are the gales and finding the door hole and hage are the status of the resolver. The status of the colu-tant head the gales with head the door head h

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The "Republicans" have lately come into the consent of the ancient ideal, and for no peace or prosperity will be sacrifice that.
Besides, in Ireland the sympathy we all feel with the under dog is unusually strong. For the under dog has nearly always been her own people. The party that is attacked is likely to be the popular party. It is a country well accustomed to failure, and inclined to honor it as patriotic martyrdom. "Breves et infaustos populi Romani amores." It was said of Rome, but it is true of Ireland. And that was why, directly the attack began, even apart from the rage aroused by Mr. Churchil's misbegotten speech, the popular feeling tended to swing round to the "rebels"—always a magic word in Irish ears. That, I suppose, was why even the shrewd and reasonable leaders of the Labor Party, which is certainly Pro-Treaty in the main and has won such strength in the elections, condemned the attack. urging that the Government had no mandate to proceed to extremities without the consent of the elected Dail. Well, one can imagine that debate, but could one fix any month this year as a limit to it? I have not been out into the country, but good authorites who have lately come into the city tell me the general feeling there is strong for peace and the Treaty. The "Republicans" have done their cause much harm by stopping all business, by making ordinary life impossible, and especially by ruthless pilaging of provisions and banks. To speak in generalities of a nation's character is a silly and commonplace habit, but I can hardly agree with Bernard Shaw when, judging his own people by himself, he describes them as strictly and peculiarly practical. Yet he daily risk of violent death, poverty, and starvation orace, and one cannot doubt that throughout Ireland there is now a deep longing for peace and the ordinary course of Irish life—or perhaps a quieter course than the ordinary has been. I can imagine those who have read children's books saying to Mr. Erskine Childers and the other docirinaires, no mat

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[A WEEKLY INSTRUCTION FOR YOUNG AND OLD.]

36. Servants and domestics owe respect, obedience, service, and fidelity to their masters. Fidelity consists in preserving and using the goods of a master carefully, without ever doing him any injustice or allowing it to be done to him. Obedience binds a servant in all that is just and reasonable, according to the nature of the service for which he was engaged. His obedience should be prompt, exact, and entire; and in order to render it meritorious, he should obey his master as if he obeyed God, as if he obeyed Christ Himself (Eph. vi. 5 seq.). A servant, however, must never execute the commands of a master when they are contrary to the law of God, justice. or morality; his obedience would then be criminal. It would be equally culpable if, for the prospect of reward or the fear of dismissal, he were to allow himself to be drawn into licentiousness, or lend himself to the intrigues and disorders of his master. As to the laws of the Church, a servant may do what is cammanded contrary to those laws if he cannot resist the will of his master without serious results, without exposing himself, for instance, to the risk of dismissal, when he could not easily find another master The Church does who would allow him to fulfit his duties. not wish to oblige those who are placed in such a position.

37. Servants render themselves highly culpable by revealing certain family secrets which might compromise the honor, reputation, or interests of their masters. Backbiting and calumny on the part of a servant against his master are much more sinful than if directed against another, and the same is to be said of unfaithfulness, theft, or injustice.

38. Proprietors and the managers of workshops or factories should treat their workmen with Christian kindness, pay them a just salary, and see, above all, that religion and morals are respected amongst them. On the other hand, workmen should respect their masters, serve them faithfully, and take an interest in their concerns.

39. Officers in the army should also treat the soldiers kindly, making them fulfil their religious duties, being themselves an example to them. On their side, soldiers should respect their officers, and obey them in all that concerns military service.

Fifth Commandment : "Thou shalt not kill."

1. This commandment has for its end the protection of the life of man, which constitutes the first and foremost of the goods he enjoys on earth; and this must be understood not only of the life of the body, but also of the life of grace, which is the spiritual life of the soul. A man's other possessions, such as his honor, reputation, and fortune, are equally protected by distinct commandments, as will be seen hereafter.

The fifth commandment forbids the murder of the body and the spiritual murder of the soul, which is scandal.

1. Homicide, or Murder.

2. Under this heading are included duelling, suicide, and everything which tends to injure the integrity of human life.

3. Homicide, which is forbidden by the fifth commandment, consists in taking away the life of a fellowman without lawful authority.

No man, however powerful he may be, or whatever wrong he may have sustained, is allowed to kill or wound another without legitimate authority. Those who are legitimately authorised are the executioners of legal sentences. soldiers who fight in a just war, and persons who have no other means of protecting their own life against an unjust aggressor.

4 In the case of defending our own lives we are not allowed to go beyond the limits of a just defence; that is to say, we cannot do more evil to an aggressor than is necessary to avert evil from ourselves; nor is it allowed to strike him before or after the time of his attack. He must have first attacked or shown his intention of doing so before we have a right to wound him; for instance, if he were loading his pistol or drawing his sword, we should then he justified in defending ourselves.

In every case where we should be justified in killing an unjust assailant in self-defence it would also be right to do it in defence of another.

5. By a duel is meant a premeditated combat between two or more persons, who, on their own private authority, attack each other with murderous weapons in a manner and at a time and place previously agreed upon. However it may be sought to justify a duel, it must always remain a crime in the eyes of religion and sound morality, and a double crime, since we desire to kill another at the same time that we expose our own life. A duel cannot be permitted, either to redeem one's honor, to escape the imputation of cowardice, or under any other pretext. The Church even fulminates her ex-communication both against duellists themselves and those who take part in their combat as witnesses or otherwise; she declares them to be infamous, which title they justly earn, since they are cowards in not having courage to forgive, they are bad citizens who violate the laws of society, and had Christians who trample under foot the laws both ecclesiastical and divine. Those who fall in these barbarous conflicts are deprived of the prayers of the Church and also of Christian burial, the same ,as those who die by suicide.

6. It is never allowed to kill oneself. To do so is to usurp the rights of God, who is the author and arbitrator of our existence and those of society, whose members we are. We have only received from God^{*} the use of our life, and no one is so far master of it as to be able to take it away when it pleases him. For this reason the law does not say "Thou shalt not kill thy neighbor," but in an absolute manner it commands: "Thou sholt not kill." The suicide violates this law by committing the most hideous of murders, and merits eternal damnation. It is not suicide to expose one's life to danger from necessity or for the public good. Those who, like the soldier, die rather than quit their post, or the dutiful son who gives to his father the bread he himself is in need of, or the charitable person who, though drowning himself, gives up to another the plank which is his only hope, cannot be held guilty of suicide.

7. Married people, above all, mothers and nurses, cannot ignore the fact that they are guilty of homicide if they expose an infant to perish through malice, or if by some grave imprudence or negligence they endanger the life of a child.

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Palestine Commissioner Received by the Pope

Sir Herbert Samuel's private audience with the Pope (says Catholic News Service, London) has aroused a great deal of interest in all quarters in Italy, both those that are Catholic as well as the purely political. The High Commissioner for Palestine passed through Rome on his way from London to Jerusalem, and in view of the recent visit of the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem to London, as well as the presence there at the present time of the Italian Foreign Minister, an unusual importance is attached to the private conversation between the Holy Father and the head of the Palestine Administration.

The audience was extremely formal so far as the outward circumstances were concerned. Sir Herbert Samuel was accompanied to the Vatican by the British Minister, Count de Salis, and both were received at the Apostolic Palace with full military honors by the Papal troops. The High Commissioner was received by the Pope in the private library of his Holiness, and the conversation lasted for half an hour. At the conclusion of his audience with the Pope, Sir Herbert Samuel paid the usual visit of ceremony to the Cardinal Secretary of State, where he remained closeted with Cardinal Gasparri for an unusually long time.

Nothing, of course, is known of what took place at either of these two audiences; but some of the Roman newspapers express the opinion that an understanding between the Holy See and the British authorities is not impossible of realisation. The Holy See has never opposed the Jewish National Home in Palestine, as such, and provided that the Christian interests in the Holy Places are adequately safeguarded and the Holy Land is not permitted to become a Jewish political State, it appears that there are no insuperable obstacles in the way of an understanding. At any rate, since the Holy Father and the Palestine High Commissioner have conversed face to face, there is removed any grounds for a misunderstanding of the actual position,

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IRISH NEWS

SUCCESSFUL YEAR AT MAYNOOTH COLLEGE

SUCCESSFUL YEAR AT MAYNOOTH COLLEGE. A Dublin message under date July 13, says: —A very successful year was reported at the annual distribution of prizes at St. Patrick's Church, Maynooth, which was held recently with his Eminence, Cardinal Logue, presiding. The ceremonies of the occasion were held in St. Pat-rick's Hall, which was rebuilt recently. The hall had been opened for the first time on the occasion of the welcome to the Archbishop of Dublin on his first formal visit to the institution. The re-modelling of the old building has produced a splendid effect architecturally, and makes a notable addition to the facilities of the college. Right Rev. Dr. McCaffrey, the President, expressed his pleasure at welcoming his Eminence and the trustees in the new hall. He referred to the prosperous year which has been recorded despite the troublous times, and declared that the reports from the professors had been highly satisfactory. His Eminence declared himself as much pleased with

satisfactory. His Eminence declared himself as much pleased with the new hall, and offered his congratulations to the presi-dent and staff on having such a splendid building. At the general meeting of the Irish bishops at May-nooth Rev. P. Bovlan. Professor of Scripture, was ap-pointed vice-president of St. Patrick's College. Dr. Bovlan was born in Atby, educated at Clonliffe College and May-nooth, and was ordained a priest to the Diocese of Dublin. He took his M.A. at the Royal University, and has studied Oriental languages at Berlin. He received his Litt.D. from the National University for his Egyptian studies, and D.D. from Rome for his theological publications. He is the author of a commentary on the Psalms and St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews. He is also professor of Oriental languages in the National University. $\diamond \diamond \Leftrightarrow \diamond \Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow \Leftrightarrow$

THE PROJECTED CATHEDRAL FOR DUBLIN: THE QUESTION OF SITE REVIVED.

QUESTION OF SITE REVIVED. Almost by a miracle the Pro-Cathedral in Dublin escaped destruction during the recent fighting (says a Dublin correspondent to an exchange under date July 24). All the buildings at its rear were completely destroyed and in its vicinity a Protestant Church took fire. Un-fortunately, too, the premises of the Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, were destroyed. Once more the problem of a suitable Cathedral site for Dublin arises as a practical proposition. It was the ambition of the late Archbishop to acquire a site, but during his lifetime no acceptable place came into the market. An opportunity at last offers. The dream of Archbishop Walsh was a front facing O'Connell Street. There was, however, no chance as it would have required a fortune to purchase the vested interests. It should be mentioned that the Pro-Cathedral is at the rear of O'Connell Street. Its rear practically makes contact with the rear of Dublin's principal thorough-fare. To-day every building between the rear of the Pro-Cathedral and O'Connell Street, is wiped out. Here is an ideal site.

Cathedral and O Council and ideal site. The Government and the Corporation are now as much concerned in the property destroyed as the owners and it should be possible to acquire the grounds for the erection of a grand Cathedral worthy of Ireland's Capital. Already this project has been mooted among leading Cathedral

Catholics. Failing this site the ground on which the Four Courts stood may be considered as an alternative on the assump-tion that in future Dublin Castle may be used for the Judiciary, and, the appurtenant offices. In this connection it is interesting to recall that the Four Courts stood on ground which was formerly the site of the monastery of the Dominicans dissolved in the time of Henry VIII. The Monastery and its grounds were granted in 1542 by the English monarch to the Professors of Law.

***** THE GETHSEMANE OF THE BELFAST CATHOLICS.

CATHOLICS. The awful toll of 3,600 homeless Catholics in Belfast has now been published, and has been sent to every civi-lised country. The Prime Minister, Sir J. Craig, has the hardihood to affirm, however, that there is no pogrom against the Catholics, yet he knows full well through his police department that day after day appeals are made by them for protection against the ruthless Orange evictors, who threaten them with certain death if they do not ouit their homes. In this way they have cleared entire Catholic districts in Belfast—notably in Ballymacarrett, where they proudly boast they will not leave one "Panish." On Sunday evening, July 2, at about 8.30 n.m., when the non-Catholic population are at "meeting," the door of a Catholic home in Euston Street, was opened by a key, and three well-dressed young men walked andaciously in. and confronted the only inmate—a young girl of about

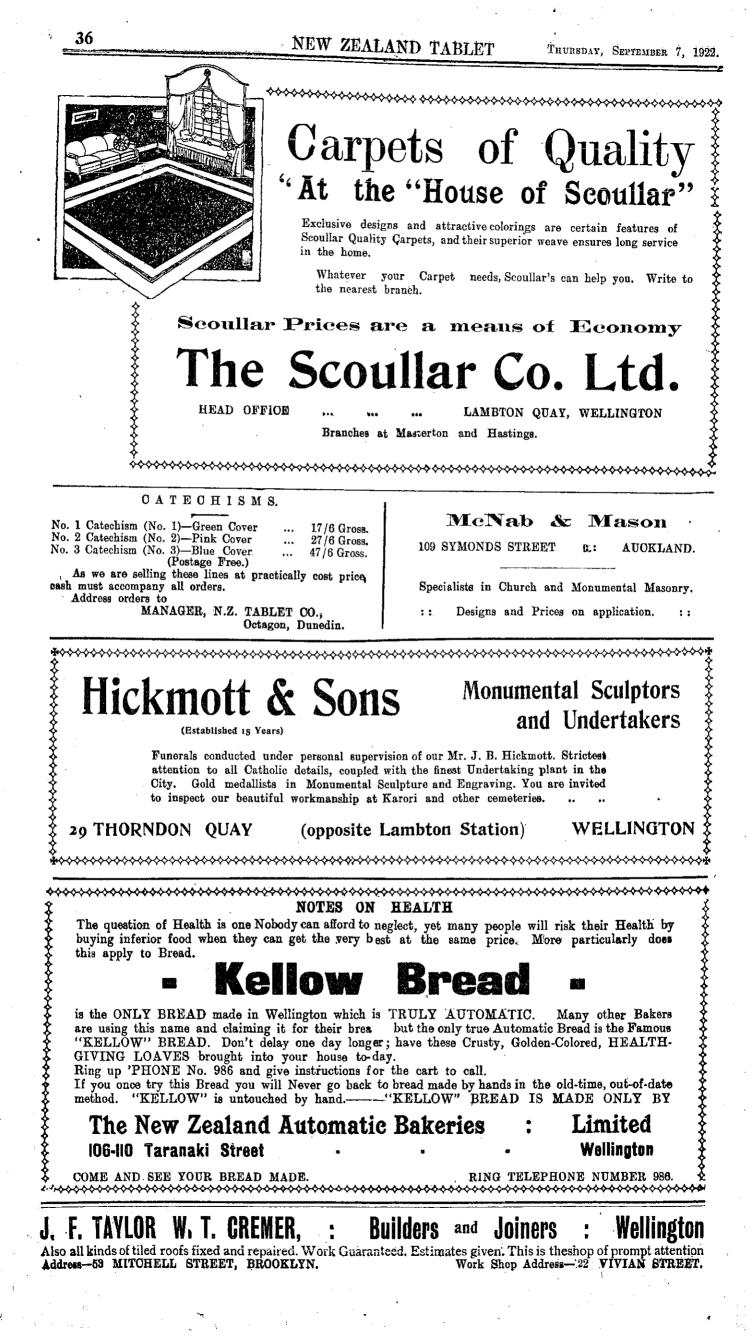
25 years, with "Are you a Catholic?" Terrified to death she dashed out to the yard without speaking, but here she met three other hooligans, who dragged her back to the kitchen, knocked her down, and brutally beat her on the face and head with the butts of their "Webleys"— the six of the unmanly brutes emphasising their blows with curses and obscene epithets. By a superhuman effort the young girl dashed upstairs to escape being murdered —the bloodhounds in hot pursuit. Running to the window she dashed her clenched hand through a pane, calling "Murder! Murder!" Providentially two of her neighbors were just passing, and they dashed into her relief, the cowardly scoundrels at the same time flying out by the face and head of the tortured girl and brought her to the hospital for treatment. She is now slowly recovering, but dare not attempt a return to her former home. Yet this atrocity happened in a respectable quarter, where it is thought that if the piano is opened on Sunday for anything else than a psalm tune that the player is utterly lost, but the wounding of a Catholic is a totally different matter.

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Obituary

MISS R. M. CLOUSTON, GISBORNE.

There passed away at her residence, Awapuni Road, Gisborne, on last Wednesday evening (writes our own correspondent, under date August 25), Miss Rata Mary Clouston, only daughter of Mrs. Clouston and the late James Clouston, formerly of Marlborough, and grandniece of his Grace Archbishop Redwood. Some years ago the late Miss Clouston (who was only 19 years of age at the time of her death) was following her vocation in a convent in Auckland when overtaken with the serious illness from which she succumbed. Rev. Father Murphy officiated at the funeral, the esteem held for the deceased being very markedly shown by all classes in the com-munity.--R.I.P.

MISS CECILIA MABEL DUDSON, CARTERTON.

With great regret the death is recorded of Miss Cecilia Mabel Dudson, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dudson, Carterton, who passed away on Tuesday, the 22nd ult., after a few weeks' illness, at the age of 34 years. The late Miss Dudson, by her gentle and amiable nature, and constant interest in Church works, endeared herself to very many, and her death will be sincerely mourned. Requiem Mass for the repose of her soul was celebrated on Thursday, the 24th, at St. Mary's Church, by Rev. Father Hegarty, in the presence of a large as-semblage of friends and relatives. Rev. Father Cahill (who came specially to show his sympathy with the bereaved) spoke feelingly in regard to the deceased. As the funeral cortege was being formed, the "Dead March" was played by Mr. W. A. Downes. The interment took place in the Clareville Cemetery, Rev. Father Hegarty officiating at the graveside. Among the numerous tributes received in memory of the deceased were those from the choir (of which the late Miss Dudson was organist) and the Altar Society. As showing the deep esteem in which the deceased was held by the townspeople generally, business was suspended during the funeral.-R.I.P. -\$\$\$

GARDENING NOTES

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The Vegetable Garden.—September is a busy month for the gardener, and much depends on his foresight in selecting the best as well as the most suitable seeds and plants for a good supply of vegetables throughout the year. Other important matters to be considered are the selection of suitable positions for the different varieties of plants. Much depends on the planting of each species where the best returns will accrue. Where the soil is still sodden it is not wise to sow spring seeds—better indeed to defer doing so for a few weeks until more warmth is instilled by the increasing sunshine as the days lengthen. The main crop of onions should be sown as soon as a favorable opportunity offers, and the same may apply to prsnips, cartots, spinach, lettuce, and radishes—a rich bed being necessary. Continue sowing peas and beans for succession, also a small bed of cabbage and cauliflowers. Some tomato seed should be sown for the main crop, planting out, while celery may be planted in a box or warm corner. Plant out early cauliflower and cabbage as required. Cover up rhubarb with a box or barrel, covering and surrounding same with stable manure; light and air must be excluded to obtain tender blanched stalks. The fact must not be lost sight of that well-manured soil and good cultivation are essential to successful vegetable gardening. The Flower Garden.—General work in the flower gar-den this month should consist of the regular mowing and rolling of the lawns, hoeing weeds in the walks and bor-dorling of the lawns, hoeing weeds in the walks, asters, and lobelia. French marigolds, etc. according to the fancy of the grower. A great deal will depend on the care and attention given to those plants for an effective showing in the garden during the summer months. For sowing out of doors the following varieties will be suitable addi-tions to the beds and borders: godetia, candytuit, clarkin, Swan River daisy, Leeland poory, and sw

destroy lurking pests. Cut down old trees which are intended for grafting later on. Clean away all the loose bark from vine rods and paint over with some approved insecticide, using plenty of sulphur to destroy mildew which may be harboring in the branches; necessary pruning should also be done at once as the vines will soon be shooting. To do the work thoroughly the vines must be loosened from the wires, and left down until starting to sprout; thus giving the lower buds a good supply of sap. sap.

$\diamond \diamond \diamond$ Dublin's Irreparable Loss

In the destruction of the Four Courts, following on the fire and explosion resulting from the dislodgement of the Irregulars, not only Dublin and the Irish nation, but the whole world of scholarship has suffered a loss that can never be repaired (says Catholic News Service, London). In the vaults and strong rooms of the Four Courts were priceless parchments and deeds, practically all of them now absolutely destroyed by the flames, that students of historical research must look upon as lost for ever. Some of the destroyed documents were legal and testa-mentary records, but by far the most precious things that the flames destroyed were the ecclesiastical documents dating back to the 13th century, many even belonging to a much earlier date. In this latter category there were numerous important

a much earlier date. In this latter category there were numerous important papers, including certain Papal documents, that have the most important bearing on the earlier ecclesiastical history of Ireland. Among these lost title deeds and ecclesiastical records were some that dated from the early part of the 12th century. Parish registers and ancient wills also have been involved in the general destruction: literally gold mines of priceless information, whose loss is not only Ireland's, but that also of every scholar and student of historical research.

Among the destroyed papers is a series of wills rang-ing in date from about the year 1534 down to 1899, with a collection of Royal documents connected with the dis-solution of the religious houses in Ireland. So numerous, indeed, were these precious documents that were housed in the Four Courts, that their mere enumeration alone filled 300 closely printed pages.

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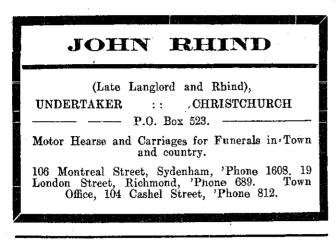
(From our own correspondent.)

August 31. Rev. Father Le Pretre is expected to arrive shortly to assist in the parochial work of Napier in the absence of Rev. Father Campbell. A conference of the Sisters of St. Joseph., including Sisters from Gisborne, Wairoa, and Auckland, took place at Meeance this week, during the school holidays. Requiem Mass has been celebrated at St. Patrick's Church, for the repose of the souls of the late Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins. Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Ryan have left Napier to reside permanently at Lower Hutt. Prior to their departure many of their friends assembled to farewell them, and to make a presentation, accompanied by the best of good wishes. wishes

make a presentation, accompanied by the best of good wishes. Rev. Father Tymons a few days ago presented the Maori children of St. Joseph's School with a surprise packet of 48 "Titi." Whilst duly appreciative of Father Van Beeck's princely generosity in the same direction a few weeks ago, they are inclined to think that frequency improves the daintiness of their favorite dish. With regret the death is recorded of one of Port Ahuriri's parishioners in the person of Mr. Patrick Joseph Barry. He was 65 years of age, and had lived in the Hawke's Bay district for the past 45 years. The deceased, who was the eldest son of the lato Mr. and Mrs. W. Barry, sen., for many years residents at the Port, was born in Ireland, and came to Hawke's Bay with his parents when he was a lad. As a young man the late Mr. Barry spent some years in Australia. He was always prominent in athletics and most successful in sports. The deceased was for many years an employee of the Napier Brewery Co., but resigned some years ago to follow the occupation of builder, travelling over many parts of the island. Of a quiet and kindly disposition he made friends wherever he went, and his sudden death will be greatly regretted by all who knew him. The late Mr. Barry was unmarried, but leaves several brothers and sisters to mourn their loss. --R.I.P.

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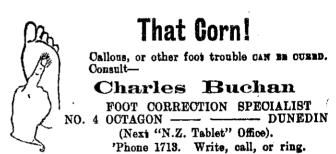
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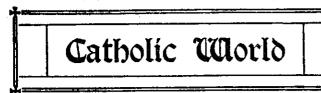
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CHRISTIANS IN THE NEAR EAST.

The British, the French, the American, and the Italian Governments are sending out missions of inquiry into the Turkish atrocities against the Christians in Asia Minor, and the Kemalists are hurriedly getting together a collection of Christian notabilities, who are being put up to testify to the Turkish gentleness towards Christians (says Catholic News Service).

The Kemalists have, for instance, installed a new Archbishop of Caesarea, who is reported as having telegraphed to the Angora Parliament as to the kindly treatment that the Christians have received. But the tragic fact is suppressed, that the Archbishop has only just been realeased from three years incarceration in gaol. A new Metropolitan has also been appointed to Angora; but only after repeated floggings induced him to accept the appointment.

The Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Meletios IV., continues to be a thorn in the sides of the Kemalists. He accuses them of having banished all the Archbishops and Bishops, save four, of whom two are said still to be in prison.

Consequently the campaign against the Patriarch goes on, and the Kemalists still hope to secure his removal from the Patriarchal Throne. In Beyrout the name of the Patriarch Meletios is said to have been removed from the Mass, while that of the Patriarch of Antioch is inserted in its place. This is looked upon as significant of the direction in which events are tending, and the Orthodox Patriarch of Antioch may be expected to be pushed forward as the Kemalist candidate for the Ecumenical Throne of Constantinople, as soon as the present occupant is cleared out of the way.

WHAT IS A JEW?

The position, so far as Palestine is concerned, would possibly be much easier if the Jews could come to some decision as to what exactly is a Jew. Even the non-Jews are not quite clear as to what is to be understood by the word "Jew." There are those, like Cardinal Bourne for instance, who hold to the opinion that a British Jew is merely a British citizen of the Jewish faith. Nor is this line of argument peculiar to Catholics, for many influential Jews, such as the membership of the League of British Jews, look upon themselves as members of a distinct creed.

On the other hand there are Christian men, like Mr. Hilairo Belloc and Mr. G. K. Chesterton, who hold, in common with many Israelites, that a Jew is simply a Jew, and nothing else. That is to say, that he is a member of a separate and distinct racial entity.

And the whole of this confusion is working itself out around the question of the so-called National Home for the Jewish people in Palestine; and until the Jewish people make up their own minds as to what they are, or the British Government decides to modify the idea of the National Home, Palestine will remain the centre of a hot controversy.

For if being a Jew means being a member of a religious faith, as so many of the Jews themselves maintain, then the National Home in Palestine will mean a cultural and spiritual centre, which he can share with Christians and Moslems without trampling on their special rights. On the other hand, if the Jew is what Mr. Belloc declares him to be, then his National Home will be national in the sense of being political and territorial, as the political Zionists assert it must be, for all that the British Government has refused to entertain this idea.

The settlement in favor of Judaism as a religious faith has its advantages. For there is nothing in the propagation of a creed that calls for the importation of Bolshevist immigrants and rifles smuggled in as agricultural implements, which the political Zionists seem to have found a necessary accompaniment of their evangel.

The Palestine adventure is not the first experiment of the British authorities at providing a national home. When the Italian troops advanced on Rome and the Tem-

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poral Power of the Pope was overthrown, Pope Pius IX., whose dignity and even his life seemed menaced, was offered a National Home in Malta by Queen Victoria, who proposed that the Holy Father should rule the Universal Church from the island. The offer did not need acceptance; but for all the vast significance it involved, it provoked infinitely less acrimony than the proposed setting up of the tents of Israel in Palestine.

DON LUIGI STURZO, ITALY'S POLITICAL STRONG MAN.

Don Luigi Sturzo, the Catholic priest who is political organising secretary of the *Partito Popolare*, is a man of 51 years of age, a short, lean, pale figure, with dark piercing eyes, vivacious, energetic in action, sweet in manner—whom his Italian enemies choose to call the "little Lenin" and the leader of the "Black Bolshevists."

As a matter of fact Don Sturzo is neither a "little Lenin," nor are his followers the "Black Bolshevists." For his political programme contains nothing that is either destructive or revolutionary. On the other hand, he is a builder, with patience, capability, and shrewdness. His mind is practical, and he is a methodical and untiring worker. There are many who like him, and equally many who do not. But as to his position there is no room for doubt—since he is Italy's strong man in polities.

Don Sturzo was born at Caltigirone, in Sicily; not the son of obscure peasants, as his opponents allege, but of a noble Sicilian family, taking his name from one of his father's estates—Don Luigi Sturzo d'Altobrando. He is thus a Sicilian, as was the famous diplomat Cardinal Rampolla, and in all respects he is totally unlike the popular conception of a southern Italian. Externally he is as impassive as any so-called Anglo-Saxon. He is strongwilled and self-controlled, and the world in which he moves is one of stern facts.

After his ordination at Catania, Don Sturzo proceeded to Rome, where he took his degree in theology. But most of his life has been passed in his native Caltigirone, where he has interested himself in social and municipal affairs. For some years he was Mayor of his city, elected as a member of the Catholic party. Later on he was elected vice-president of the Association of Italian Communes. From his conceptions of a Christian Municipal Party for Sicily sprang the Italian Popular Party, which was founded only three years ago, and of which Don Sturzo is the powerful leader. The party owes practically all its inspiration to the great Encyclical of Leo XIII, *Rerum Novarum*, which gave to that far-seeing Pontiff the beloved title of "The Workingman's Pope."

During part of his earlier career Don Sturzo was among the followers of Romulo Murri, the leader of Italian Modernism; but when Murri drifted into modernism Don Sturzo's loyalty to the orthodox Faith caused him to break away from the dangerous leadership. It was shortly after the armistice of 1918 when, with remarkable foresight, the Sicilian priest saw the part that Catholic organisations must play in European construction, he founded the Popular Party, which, though essentially Christian in its spirit, is actually non-confessional and is sometimes inaccurately called the Catholic Party, though undoubtedly it is influenced by Catholic inspiration and ideals. The party is constitutional and national without any mental reservations; its constitution and tendency is democratic; and its aims and programme social.

The newly-founded party caught the popular imagination, and in a short time it was so well organised that at the last general election 100 of its members were returned to Parliament.

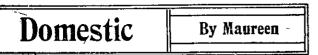
As to Don Sturzo's personal ability and power, a more or less recent political crisis showed that. He opposed the return to power of Signor Giolitti, and in his contest with that wily politician came out victorious. But although he is the head of a purely Italian political party, his influence extends over a wider field than the Italian peninsula. Dr. Weizmann, the Zionist leader, in search for support did not disdain to try to win over Don Sturzo in some measure to his ideals. though it is doubtful if anything like real support could be given to a movement that is meeting with Catholic opposition everywhere. At the recent Genoa Conference Don Sturzo was one of the high personages who was closeted with Mr. Lloyd George, while his close intimacy with political leaders outside of Italy, all points to the fact that he is recognised as a man of remarkable political ability.

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Tea Scones.

11b flour, 2 teaspoonsful baking powder, 2oz sultanas, loz sugar, 2oz butter, milk, pinch of salt. Sift the flour, sugar, salt, and baking powder, rub into it the butter, then add the sultanas (picked and cleaned). Put in sufficent milk to make a soft dough. Roll out, and cut into small rounds. Bake on a flat tin in a hot oven for about 20 minutes.

Three Minute Pudding.

One tablespoonful flour, 1 teaspoonful baking powder, 1 tablespoonful castor sugar, 1 egg. Beat the egg and sugar together, add flour and baking powder, put into a flat, greased pan, and bake lightly in a brisk oven. Take quickly from the tin, spread with jam, roll up, and sift sugar over it. Sufficient for one person.

Jam Sponge Pudding.

Two eggs, 2oz sugar, 4oz of butter, 6oz flour, 1 teaspoonful baking powder, and 1 tablespoonful of apricot jam. Beat the butter and sugar to a cream, then add the eggs well whisked, and then the flour, and lastly the baking powder. About three parts fill a well-greased mould, and steam for 1½ hours. Turn out and pour jam over, which should be warmed in a saucepan beforehand. Afternoon Tea Cakes.

41b flour, 1 teaspoonful baking powder, 2oz sugar, 41b butter, 1 egg. Mix the flour, baking powder and sugar, rub into these the butter, make into a light dough with the egg and a little milk. Roll out and cut into rounds, place on a greased tin, and bake quickly, and when cooked split open and spread with butter. Serve hot.

Cream Scones.

11b flour, 2 teaspoonsful baking powder, 3oz butter, gill milk, ½ gill cream. Sieve the flour and baking powder, rub in the butter, add gradually the milk and cream, and work to a light dough. Roll out lin thick. cut into shapes, place on a greased tin, and bake 15 minutes. When nearly done, brush over with milk, and return to the oven to finish.

Dried Fig Jam.

Figs can be made into delicious jam which is particularly wholesome for children. Ingredients: 61b of dried figs (steamed, then weighed), 4lb of sugar, rind and juice of 4 lemons. Steam the figs till they swell nicely, then cut into quarters. Weigh the fruit after steaming, not before. Add the sugar, lemon-juice, and the lemon rind finely grated. Simmer the fruit and lemon together with just a little water to prevent hurning, and when quite tender, add the sugar. Cook gently, until a little of the jam put on a cold plate sets quickly. This jam needs constant stirring, as it thickens a good deal.

Date Jam.

Dates make an equally delicious preserve, and take less sugar. Ingredients: 6lb of stoned dates, 3lb of sugar, 1ª pints of cold water, rind and juice of a large lemon. Simmer the dates in the water for about 10 minutes, then put in the sugar, lemon-juice, and finely-grated lemon rind. Bring to the boil, and cook steadily until quite smooth. When it sets if tested in the usual way, it is ready to come off. Spice can be used for flavoring instead of lemon. if preferred, or the amount of lemon increased to taste.

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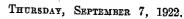
Flowers which are so wilted that ninety-nine persons out of a hundred would throw them away as worthless may be revived through the magical powers of boiling water. This is one of those "household hints" that were known to our great grandmothers, but yet have to be "discovered" afresh by every generation. Few people seem to know of it. Perhaps you have some beautiful roses which are drooping very dejectedly, for all they are in fresh water. Take them out and very lightly scrape the stems so that the hot water will soak all through the fibres. Put the flowers into a deep and narrowish jar or vase, and pour boiling water into the jar until it just covers the stems. In a little while you will have the flowers as fresh as if just cut. The boiling water must not touch the blooms.

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MARKET REPORTS.

There was a small yarding of fat cattle at Burnsido last week, of 172 head, consisting of a number of very prime stock. Prices opened at a considerable advance on the previous week's sale, and improved as the sale progressed, although at the finish of the sale they were somewhat easier. On the whole, prices showed an advance of at least 30s on the preceding week's rates. Extra prime bullocks realised up to £18 5s, prime £14 to £17, medium £11 to £13, light £8 to £11. Not many fat cows were yarded, and these brought up to £10 2s 6d. Fat Sheep --2232 head were yarded, consisting mainly of wethers. Owing to butchers being short of supplies, a good sale resulted, at a reduction of 1s to 1s 6d on the previous week's extreme rates on all classes. There were some pens of good wethers, which provoked good competition, but lighter sorts, owing to absence of competition from graziers, were slower of sale. Very few ewes were forward. Extra prime wethers brought from 34s to 36s 3d, prime 30s to 32s, medium 24s to 28s, light from 18s to 24s. A few pens of prime ewes sold from 23s to 27s 3d, lighter to 21s, a small pen of hoggets realised 18s. Pigs .- A large yarding of both baconers and porkers. Competition was active at the opening sales at prices on a par with those obtained at the preceding week's sale, but the market gradually weakened, and the closing sales indicated a drop of about 5s per head for baconers and porkers. Best baconers realised from 51d to 6d per lb, and best porkers from 7d to 7¼d per lb.

At Addington market last week there was a very large yarding of beef, other sections being of average size. The heef market held up remarkably well, whilst fat sheep were slightly easier, and store sheep improved. Dairy cattle met with a dragging sale. Fat Sheep .- Ten races were penned, an average entry, which included some well-finished A good sale eventuated, although 1s 6d per head sheep. lower than the strong prices ruling on the previous week. Three spring lambs sold at from 40s to 46s each, extra prime wethers to 33s 5d, prime 26s to 28s 9d, medium 23s to 25s 9d, light 20s 6d to 22s 9d, extra prime ewes to 28s, prime 22s 6d to 26s, ordinary 19s 9d to 22s 3d, prime hoggets 19s to 20s 6d, ordinary 15s 6d to 18s 6d. Fat Cattle.—An exceptionally big yarding of 450 head, including several North Island consignments. Notwithstanding the heavy entry, the market held up remarkably well, easing only by about 25s per head. Extra prime beef made up to 37s 6d, good prime 33s to 36s per 100lb, extra prime bullocks £16 to £18, prime bullocks £13 10s to £15 10s, medium bullocks £10 to £13 5s, light £6 to £9 10s, extra prime heifers to £11, prime £8 to £10 10s, light £5 to £7 15s, prime cows £7 10s to £9 15s, ordinary £4 10s to £7 5s. Vealers .- Anything fit for butchers' purposes showed another very strong advance. Runners made up to £6 12s 6d, vealers £4 to £5 5s, small calves from 5s upwards. Fat Pigs .- A better demand for porkers. Choppers £3 10s to £5, light porkers 38s to 45s, heavy 50s to 55s, extra heavy to £3 (average price per lb $7\frac{1}{2}d$ to 81d), light baconers £3 5s to £3 15s, heavy £4 to £4 8s, extra heavy to £4 15s 6d (average price per lb 64d to 63d).

MANURES FOR EXHAUSTED LAND.

A complete manure is always necessary where land has become exhausted or impoverished (says a Home journal). Therefore where the soil is largely of a mineral character, and devoid of organic material, a good dressing of farmyard manure, to the extent of 15 to 20 tons per acre, is the best application that can be given in support of plant growth. Should this manure be unavailable, much can be done towards improving the condition of the soil by the introduction of temporary leys, or by sowing such quickgrowing green crops as can be ploughed in without unduly interfering with the rotation. Having thus improved the mechanical condition of the soil, we might then proceed to give a complete dressing of those concentrated fertilisers, such as basic slag or superphosphate, which supply phosphates, with sulphate of potash or kainit, which supply potash, and sulphate of ammonia, nitrate of soda, or nitrate of lime, the latter being almost identical to nitrate of soda in its action. As regards the choice of any one of these particular manures, one must be guided solely by the character of the soil and the crops to which they are to be applied, not forgetting that in all cases lime is essential, otherwise there is a risk of applying an acid manure to an acid soil with more or less disastrous results.

\$\$\$ GREEN CROPS FOR DAIRY COWS.

A bulletin dealing with the cultivation of green crops on arable land for dairy cows, issued by the Department of Agriculture, University College of North Wales, reports the result of experiments with crops of green crops to supplement a limited amount of pasture and to maintain a flow of milk in a dry summer.

Of all the crops tried a mixture of oats and vetches proved the most satisfactory. To obtain a continuous supply one sowing at least should be made in the autumn, and two or three sowings at intervals in the spring. In most seasons satisfactory crops of rape or white turnips can be obtained after the autumn-sown mixture has been cleared. By sowing Italian ryegrass along with the spring sowings of oats and vetches, a useful second crop of vetches and ryegrass can be obtained in the autumn.

Where a comparatively large herd of stock is maintained, the sowing of a succession of such crops is strongly to be recommended as a means of providing a supply of green food.

Even in a wet season, when grass is plentiful, the green crops need not be wasted, but may be utilised in different ways. At the same time the variations in seasons make it impossible to lay down a strict time-table, or to forecast exactly the area required to meet the needs of stock at any particular time.

Those who have to provide for a large number of cattle are recommended to sow a larger area than is likely to be required. If the summer proves to be dry, cattle will be a profitable return even for large quantities, and if the summer is wet the surplus can be used in other ways.

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VARIETIES AND MANURING OF POTATOES.

A bulletin on varieties and manuring of potatoes, being results of trials 1920-21 at the College Farm of the Midland Agricultural and Dairy College has come to hand (says a Home journal).

The value of potash for potatoes is well-known, but there is little evidence to show which forms of potash produce the most satisfactory results. Trials were made to test this point. It is stated that the results clearly demonstrate the superiority of muriate and sulphate of potash as a source of potash for potatoes, the results from these kinds of potash being practically similar. Low-grade potash salts proved not so suitable; in the trials sylvinite and 20 per cent. potash salts brought about a remarkable depression, the yield being below that of the no-manure plot.

This was a trial of a very practical nature, because some growers seem to think that the more manure a grower applies, the bigger the yield may be expected. This is not so, and the limit of producing a yield increase is soon reached. Up to a certain point it is more profitable to over-manure than to use light dressings. After that point has been reached the reverse is the case. In the trials on the College farm 12 tons of dung and 10 cwts. of artificials was the most profitable dressing. When the artificials were increased to 12cwts., 14cwts., and 16cwts. the yield fell off, the plants to which the heaviest application was made having a yellowish and stunted appearance. As a possible explanation of the cause, it is thought that the extra large application of soluble salts increases the concentration of soil moisture to such an extent that the natural function of the roots is interfered with and the yield correspondingly reduced.



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And to hate.

Afterwards regret it,

When too late. Now and then 'tis sunshine-

Sometimes dark.. Sometimes care and sorrow

Leave their mark. Often there is laughter-

Often tears.

Sometimes there are losses Felt for years.

Yet we walk the pathway,

Side by side, Where so many others

Lived and died.

Yet we walk not always

Hand in hand. Why must there be friction

And regret; Words and deeds we after

Would forget? Why must there be hatred,

Greed and strife? Do we need such shadows

Here in life?

'Tis a little journey

Soon gone by,

Let's be friends together Ere we die!

THE HIGH HONOR OF SERVING AT MASS.

Every boy who is chosen by the priest to serve Mass should look on the work of Mass serving as a high honor and not as a burden. He should try to learn to serve Mass correctly and to answer accurately. And above all, a Mass server should behave quietly and piously at the altar.

Some boys think Mass serving a burden and a bother and do not try to do this holy work well. There are boys who think it a great bother to get up early to serve Mass. There are other boys, who rise early but are careless in preparing themselves for Mass. They rush into the sacristy with soiled hands and faces and with dirty boots. They do not try to answer correctly, to walk properly, to bend their knees and their heads at the proper times and in the proper ways.

Such boys do not think about what holy Mass is. They forget that the Mass is the same sacrifice as the sacrifice of the Cross. They forget that our Blessed Lord is present on the altar looking at them and that He is there offered up for the living and the dead. If they remembered these things, they would try to serve Mass well.

It is a great blessing to attend Mass. It is a greater blessing to serve Mass. God gives many graces and blessings to all who assist at Mass, but He blesses in a very special way, boys who serve Mass piously. Around God's altar are His angels adoring Him, and a boy should join with the angels—especially with his guardian angel—in adoring Christ in the holy Mass.

In Ireland, long, long ago, Mass was said in the early morning (Adam. Vita S. Columbae iii. 12). St. Gall said Mass "at daybreak" (Wal. Strabo Vita S. Galli cap. xxvi). And a thousand strokes were given to anyone who did not say Mass very early (Reg. Columban, cap. iv). Hence, when Mass servers rose for early services in old days, boys of to-day should try to keep up the good old Irish custom. In penal days, in Ireland, in many places, there were no churches; and Irish boys in rain and cold, served Mass in open fields, or under the shade of a whitethorn bush. In several parishes people can show you the old Mass garden, the Massing bush, the old stone altars, where priests said Mass in the open and where boys knelt on a mat of hay or straw in the cold and rain to serve Mass. And they felt honored and pleased to be near the priest, who was hunted by the soldiers, and who said Mass while men watched, lest the soldiers would kill him and massacre the people.

In every county in Ireland are to be found several old spots dear to Catholics, where Mass was said in dark and cruel days, when priests and flocks had no churches and were hunted like wolves.

In the counties that I know best there are holy old spots pointed out still, as the places where Holy Mass was said in fear and stealth and where Mass servers ventured in great danger to serve Mass and to say the very words that you say at the altar. Irish Mass servers are the successors of those boys, who loved and gloried to serve Mass, even in the winter snow and wind. In Co. Monaghan, in Magheracloone, Drumsnat and Currin are Mass rocks and Mass gardens. In Co. Cavan,

In Co. Monaghan, in Magheracloone, Drumsnat and Currin are Mass rocks and Mass gardens. In Co. Cavan, many visit the old Mass rock at Shannon Wood. In Co. Down, near Rostrevor, stands the famous Carraig-on-Affrin, the Mass rock, with its frightful history of slaughter. In the same county stands the Liss-an-Affrin, the Mass forth, and Glen-an-Affrin, Loch-an-Affrin, Affrin Nahoo tell of Mass Glen, Mass Lough, and Mass Cave. Two booklets of the Catholic Truth Society, *The Penal* Days and *The Little Ark*, have interesting records of Mass in old Donegal and in Clare.

Great saints loved to serve Mass. St. John Berchmans (1599-1621), the patron of Mass servers, loved this holy work and God gave him great blessings and great graces, on account of his love of the altar and its services. Altar boys should pray to this dear, young saint to help them to know and to love the work.

In the days of King Henry VIII, in England, there was a gentleman, Sir Thomas More, who was chief judge in that country. He, when he was honored and wealthy, loved to serve Mass every day. On his way to the law courts, this holy man used to go into a church to serve Mass. He was a man who was always happy and in good humor and by his jests often made people laugh. One day, the Duke of Norfolk laughed at him for kneeling at the altar serving Mass just as if he were a little boy and not a grown-up man, a man of learning and a great friend of the king. Sir Thomas replied, "Should the King of England perform a similar service, he would be adding to his honor and exalting the dignity of his majesty. How much more, then, shall I do so when the King of Kings is in question?" This is a great lesson for boys. And a great lesson, too, is, that to Sir Thomas-probably on account of his love for serving at the altar-was given a great grace, the grace of salvation, through martyrdom. For King Henry wished his friend to be disobedient to the Pope, and to become a Protestant, and on his refusal he was taken prisoner and put to death.

-Rev. E. J. QUIGLEY, in A Book for Altar-Servers.

SPRING'S CERTITUDE.

This is the season of the joyant tomb: The seals of winter fall, her guardsmen flee With stricken fear to lie's hypocrisy. Young spring walks forth: his robe of roseate bloom In alabastrum of the dawn's perfume. In tones dominical, each cloister tree Repeats the cenacle of symphony: Matin and vesper hymn the new-made neume.

All springtime pass, save one—save only This, The Spring that is our faith's redemptioning. Death's grave is buried: certain hope may sing, In Christ's array, expectancy of bliss, And love bend low what loving feet to kiss, What footprints follow of one victor Spring. —MICHAEL EARLS, S.J., in America.

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A shopkeeper had in his employ a man so lazy as to be utterly worthless.

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"The bearer of this letter has worked for me one week and I am satisfied."

NO FLOWERS.

It was the kindly custom in the village for the wellto-do inhabitants to make good any loss which the villagers might sustain through the death of their live-stock. The retired manufacturer, who had only recently settled in the village, was ignorant of this laudable practice, and was considerably puzzled by the visit of a labourer's wife, who explained that she had lost a pig. "Well, I haven't got it," ex

exclaimed the bewildered new-comer.

"What I mean, sir, is, of course, the pig died," nervously explained the woman.

"Well, what do you want me to do?" cried the ex-asperated man. "Send a wreath?"

KNEW IT WAS THERE.

The judge had before him a witness-an old man-who was telling the jury that he had "knowed the path for sixty year, and my feyther tould, as he heerd my grandfeyther say----''

"Stop!" said the judge, "we can't have hearsay evidence here."

"Not !" exclaimed Giles. "Then how dost know who my feyther was, 'cept by hearsay?"

After the laughter had subsided, the judge said: "We can only be guided by what you have seen with

your eyes." "Oh, that be blowed for a tale !" replied the man. "I ha' got a bile on the back of my neck, and I never see'd 'un, but I be prepared to swear that he's there, bother 'un!"

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Landlady: "I am glad to hear you say that, sir." "Yes, your honesty is remarkable. On your sign you say, 'Boarders taken in.'

The townsman was swaggering around the farmyard imparting gratuitous advice to the old farmer.

Having criticised the poultry, the havricks, and the rest of the old fellow's possessions, the townsman visited the stables.

"I say, do you know how to make a slow horse fast?" he asked.

"Yes," said the farmer. "Don't feed him." '

"Herbert !" exclaimed Mr. Meekton's wife, on his return from a journey. "I am at a loss to understand your conduct when we parted. I said good-bye to you." "Yes, Henrietta."

"Why didn't you say 'good-bye' in response?"

"I was just about to do so, Henrietta, but I checked myself. I was afraid you would accuse me of trying to have the last word."

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WONDERFUL ALUMINIUM.

There is more aluminium in the earth's crust than any other metal, but 40 years ago it was practically unknown (writes H. Williamson in Everyday Science). It was looked upon as a chemical curiosity, and was worth more than its weight in gold. It is related that the Emperor Francis Joseph, when a child, had an aluminium rattle that cost £2000. To-day the consumption of aluminium runs into many thousands of tons annually, and the cost is a little more than a shilling a pound. It is a metal of extraordinarily varied uses, many of which are quite unsuspected by the general public. Rolled into sheets, everybody knows it in the form of aluminium cooking vessels or motor-car bonnets. But it can also be rolled into sheets almost as thin as tissue paper; and much of the "tinfoil" or "silver paper" used for wrapping sweets and eigarettes is nowadays aluminium foil. Pounded into flakes or granules, it reveals entirely different properties. The tiny, thin flakes are the basis of aluminium paint, but they are also highly inflammable, and violently explosive if suspended in air. The flakes are used in fireworks, and cause beautiful starshaped, bluish-white sparks. The granules are no less combustible. They form the principal ingredient in the powerful explosive ammonal, and they combine with black oxide of iron to make the mixture known as "Thermit," which the Zeppelin bombs were filled with. When heat is applied to the mixture, the aluminium combines fiercely with the oxygen of the iron, and produces a heat so great that heavy steel tramway rails are quickly raised to a temperature at which they may be welded together.

If we are to make ourselves truly Christian and Catholic in our character, our aims, our principles, then we must be readers of Catholic literature.-John J. Burke, C.S.P.

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