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DIVORCE.

The recent discussion of "Divorce," by Mr. Gladstone and ex-minister Phelps aroused interest on both sides the Atlantic. Both gentlemen agree in recommending, as the only way of ending the evil, submission to the teaching and ruling of the Catholic Church.

Mr. Phelps notes the alarming increase of divorce in the United States, and predicts that at the present rate the next twenty years will see 510,700 divorces. In his opinion the system must continue substantially what it is, scandalous, dangerous, rapidly increasing in its annual harvest of mischief unless it be just plucked out by the roots.

The London Tablet has this to say of Mr. Gladstone's side: "Divorce is a great Protestant institution, and is fast becoming a leading note in the life of Protestant lands. Mr. Gladstone, indeed, with his scholarly accuracy, reminds us, and the reminder comes like a little shock of surprise, that the law of the Anglican Church allows of no re-marriage; but we are entitled to disregard a prohibition that no man heeds, and to catalogue it among ecclesiastical curiosities."

The doctrine laid down by the Catholic Church regarding matrimony is the only true one and this country will yet recognize it. Gradually, but surely, Catholic teaching is asserting its superiority over all other.

TO BUSINESS-MEN.

We Americans are a business people. There is no gainsaying this fact. From the moment we awake in the morning until we retire at night, which is often at a late hour, our minds are full of business; frequently to the exclusion of all else. Our whole thought is concentrated on the love of gain.

age them to do right? The parents comprise more than the mother; the father also has a part to perform. How many of you do it? Some of you doubtless think it beneath your dignity to place yourselves on terms of equality with your children; you think it tends to lessen the respect they should have for your august presence. You forget that love is far more to be prized than respect. Make your children love you, and respect necessarily follows. Where love is not, there is no true respect.

You will not lose the few hours you should spend at home; you need relaxation from the cares and anxieties of business; if you continually work and slave, without rest beyond that of sleep—often wakeful and fitful—a day will surely come when you will regret it. Do you suppose you will suffer by a few hours quiet? Does the oak suffer by striking its roots deep into the earth and drawing up life and strength? What better place to rest than the precincts of your own home? Both wife and children will benefit thereby. The humble flower may have the richest soil and copious showers, but rob it of the sunshine, and it can never be a perfect flower. See to it that your family has the sunshine of your presence.

WORSE THAN A COWARD.

For some time past the Catholic press of this country has been informing President Harrison how his new Commissioner of Indian Affairs, General Morgan, has been discriminating against Catholic teachers in the Northwest. Many secular journals spoke out boldly against Morgan. It was not probable that the President would pay much attention to the Catholic editors' opinions or to the charges they made; it is dollars to doughnuts if he ever sees a Catholic paper; the Independent and the Observer he does pay some heed to; they pat him on the back and loudly approve his course. The Senate committee has favorably reported on Morgan's nomination; what the Senate will do is yet to be seen. There is but little doubt, however, of his confirmation, although Senator Ingalls has intimated that he will make things as warm as possible, while his colleague, Senator Plumb, is said to be trying on the same shoe.

Laying aside all Catholic protestation, the most serious charge made against Morgan is by the Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette, which openly charges that General Morgan preferred an utterly false charge of cowardice against a brave officer of his regiment and swore to the charges before the court. The officer was honorably acquitted and General Morgan severely censured. This is a charge that should be thoroughly investigated, and if proven, Morgan ought to be relegated into the shades of oblivion without further delay. A man that would be guilty of the offense alleged by the Gazette is worse than a cowardly poltroon; he is a miserable contemptible sneak.

A Methodist minister, Rev. J. W. Johnson, of Huntington, West Virginia, was recently fatally wounded, so the press dispatches had it, while undergoing initiation into the Royal Arch Masons. It was stated that the candidates had to descend by means of a rope tackle suspended from the upper ceiling, into a stone vault thirteen feet deep. The rope slipped while the minister was descending, and he fell, with the result stated. While we are not sufficiently informed on the initiatory ceremonies of Masonry to vouch for the accuracy or inaccuracy of this statement, one thing is certain; the Methodist minister has penetrated deeper into the mysteries of Freemasonry than he ever intended.

TRUE DEMOCRACY. The funeral of Cardinal Ganglbauer, Archbishop of Vienna, furnished a striking example of the true democracy of the Catholic Church. Beside the Emperor, at the head of the bier, were the dead prelate's brothers, sisters and nephews, all of them peasants of Upper Austria, whose humble garb contrasted strangely with the resplendent uniforms of the representatives of the nobility around them. The dead Cardinal and Primate of the Austrian Empire, was the son of a poor peasant of Upper Austria. Entering, when still quite young, into the Order of the Benedictines at Kremsmunster, he rose step by step from the position of a humble monk to become abbot of his monastery, bishop, archbishop, cardinal and primate.

His is not the only instance of poor men rising to the highest positions in the Catholic Church. Nicholas Brakespere, a poor Anglo-Saxon serf, succeeded Anastasius IV as Pope and reigned from 1154 to 1159 A. D., Mgr. Kronentz, the Prince Archbishop of Cologne, is the son of a butcher at Coblenz on the Rhine. One of his brothers still keeps the father's shop, and a second brother deals in, or rather peddles, hides. Mgr. Dinder, the Prince Archbishop of Posen, is the son of a shoemaker in a small way of business at Rossell, and his brother is a tailor, a "flickschneider," at Elbing. Mgr. Kopp, the Prince Archbishop of Breslau, is the son of a weaver employed in the mills at Duderstadt, in Hanover. Cardinal Simon, the Primate of the Kingdom of Hungary, and the most magnificent and powerful of all the princes of the Church, is the son of a poor cobbler who eked out a scanty subsistence in the little town of Stuhlweissenburg. Until the day of his mother's death, four years ago, the old lady lived with him, retaining her peasant garb among all the splendor of her son's surroundings. The Hungarian aristocracy are the proudest in the world, and yet when the cobbler's son enters the House of Peers at Buda Pesth, all the haughty magnates rise and remain standing with heads bowed low until the venerable prelate has taken his seat.

SOUND SENTIMENTS.

Commissioner Morgan's friends and admirers should read the recent letter addressed to Senator Plumb by Major-General John M. Schofield, general commanding the United States army, in reply to an inquiry as to his views of the army chaplain service in which change and reform are proposed. The following paragraph gives the gist of his argument:

"Our system of army chaplains is an attempt to follow the custom of foreign countries, where one religion, and only one, is recognized and supported by the government—a system not at all applicable to our institutions. Our military legislation has never yet recognized the principles of religious liberty, by providing the soldier at remote frontier stations with the religious services which he craves and needs. On the contrary such remote garrisons are provided with chaplains in whose religious opinions and mode of worship the great majority of the troops do not believe. Yet wonder is expressed that so little interest is manifested in religious services at the military posts. Give the army religious liberty and assist the men to obtain the religious ministrations of which they feel the most need, and there will be the same interest in religion in the army as elsewhere."

Irishmen are holding their own in the new state of Washington. Geo. W. Thompson, the well-known Irish lawyer, was elected presiding officer of the joint session of the state legislature. Lieutenant-Governor O'Laughlin is an Irishman; Colonel J. W. Feighan and J. D. Geoghagan, one of the leaders on the floor, are Irishmen; the latter nominated United States Senator John B. Allen, in whom the Irish have a friend.

Pneumonia continues its deadly work.

REV. L. A. LAMBERT. A Supplementary Decision by the Propaganda Confirming the Former Decision.

A supplementary decision has been rendered by the Propaganda in the case of Rev. L. A. Lambert. It confirms the former decree. Catholics in this diocese and, in fact, throughout the United States, know the history of the controversy between Father Lambert and Bishop McQuaid too well to need any account of it here. Suffice it to say, when the priest appealed to Rome, the case was watched with interest. In July last a decision was rendered by the Sacred Congregation, which was considered by the Church as putting an end to the matter. It confirmed the Bishop's right to restrict the priest's faculties to his own parish. Whether Father Lambert canonically belonged to the Rochester diocese, as he held, or not, was found to be doubtful. Concerning his attack upon the Bishop, this was decided:

1.—That Father Lambert shall publish his act of submission to Bishop McQuaid, retract all things written directly or indirectly against him, thus repairing the scandal made, and shall promise to keep and have kept, as far as he is able, strict silence about past troubles.

2.—Bishop McQuaid, after said act of submission, shall provide Father Lambert a suitable place, always excluding his return to Waterloo.

3.—Father Lambert's act of submission and the Bishop's provision for his support must be submitted to the approval of the Propaganda.

Bishop McQuaid received the letter of retraction and submission in August last and soon after offered the priest the choice of two parishes. The friends of Father Lambert, however, were unwilling to submit to the decree of the Propaganda, and have strenuously endeavored to retain him at Waterloo. The outcome of these efforts resulted in the following decision, dated January 4, 1890, and received on Tuesday by Bishop McQuaid:

"The decision with regard to exclusion from the parish of Waterloo remains. The act of submission written by Father Lambert, and in the care of the Bishop, shall be published. Father Lambert shall abide by the proposal of the Bishop, that is, of the two parishes offered him by the Bishop, he shall choose the one he prefers."

Bishop McQuaid stated to a Journal representative on Thursday that he should not publish the letter of submission.

His Grace, Most Rev. Archbishop Corrigan, sailed from New York Saturday last for Rome. May he have a pleasant voyage, and an enjoyable visit at the Eternal City.

Saturday and Sunday's papers had misleading stories about the new Catholic seminary. Work on the building may be commenced next summer and it may not—circumstances will determine. There is nothing certain about the matter.

Quid Nunc Entertainment.

An excellent entertainment was given at Cathedral hall on Thursday evening by the Quid Nunc Musical, Literary and Dramatic society. An instrumental duet by the Misses Steenker was the first number on the program and was nicely executed; Robert M. Little and Frank J. Nugent gave some interesting "Small Talk" that roused much merriment; Mrs. Paxton's vocal solo was enjoyable; Miss M. J. Ansell recited "John Jankin's Sermon" in a manner that provoked much applause; Mrs. Chas. Cunningham's vocal solo was rendered in her own peculiarly inimitable style; Miss Nugent's recitation was par excellence; the entertainment concluded with a laughable farce, entitled "The Living Statue." Following was the cast:

Larkspur, a sculptor.....C. F. Wilkin Trotter, his man servant.....R. M. Little Dr. Stonerop.....W. J. Shaw Mrs. Piper, a landlady Miss Stella Hughes Kate, Stonerop's niece Miss Lottie Friede Stage Manager.....M. F. Nugent Accompanist Miss O'Hara

Genesco News. Miss Cecelia Conlon was home last week, nursing a felon.

Mrs. Mary Graham, an old lady fell and broke her arm last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Houston are the proud parents of a daughter, born Sunday.

Night-watchman O'Hara, has had the "grip." Will Thompson acted in his place while sick.

James Conron, who has been engaged at Oswego during the winter, returned home last week.

Hugh Hackett, the oldest Catholic book agent in the diocese, will be in attendance at the mission next week.

Several of our young ladies had the grip quite severely, among them Misses Hattie Gibbons and Francis Egan.

The mission, as noted in last week's JOURNAL, will commence next Sunday at 11 a. m., and will be opened by one of the Paulist Fathers. There will be two or three masses in the morning, and a sermon and instructions each evening at 9:30 during the week.

Dansville News.

Charlie Collins as "Fritz-Stein," in the great war drama to-night and the rest of the week. "Fritz" has played in Dansville eleven nights and has always had a crowded house.

P. J. Donnelly has been elected one of the presidents of the Hemlock lake fair.

Cards are out for the marriage of Theodore B. Everman and Miss Anna Hubertus of this village. The ceremony will take place at St. Mary's church, Wednesday, Jan. 29 at 9 a. m.

Fred. Stein, of this place, and Miss Kittie Proccnel, of Hornellsville, were married at St. Mary's church Wednesday morning by Rev. Father Rauber.

The "Young People's Society" have decided to hold a supper the Monday before Lent to help along their library fund.

Links from Lima.

The drawing of chances on the stove and cutter occurred Monday evening. Mrs. John Egan was the fortunate one and entitled to both articles.

Miss Catherine J. Walsh and Patrick J. Doyle were married Wednesday, Jan. 22, by Father FitzSimons, who also celebrated the nuptial high mass. A reception followed at the house of the bride's parents. The presents were numerous and valuable. The happy couple left on the evening train for Rochester, their future home.

Miss B. L. Hickey has been visiting friends in Rochester.

Some excellent sheds have recently been erected for use of parishioners of St. Joseph's church, West Bloomfield.

The many friends of Rev. J. J. Hickey, of Waterloo, deeply sympathize with him in the death of his brother, Laurence V. Hickey, which sad event occurred at Auburn on Saturday evening last. He was a young man of sterling qualities, and a devout Catholic. His was a familiar face at Holy Family church, where he was seen on every required occasion. He was a charter member of Branch 105, C. M. B. A., and had reached his twenty-eighth year. A mother, two brothers and two sisters survive him. Rev. J. J. Hickey, of Waterloo, Wm. A. Hickey, and Miss Ella Hickey, of Auburn, and Mrs. Edward H. Doyle, of Albany.

Weekly Church Calendar.

SUNDAY, Jan. 26—Third Sunday after the Epiphany. Gospel, St. Matthew viii. 1-13. St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr. MONDAY, 27—St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Martyr. TUESDAY, 28—Blessed Margaret of Hungary, Virgin. WEDNESDAY, 29—St. Francis of Sales, Bishop. THURSDAY, 30—St. Martha, Virgin and Martyr. FRIDAY, 31—St. Peter Nolasco, Confessor. SATURDAY, Feb. 1—St. Bridget, Virgin and Abbess.

The Coziest Place in Town.

The Oulross bakery and cafe is patronized by ladies and gentlemen who appreciate pure edibles and pleasant surroundings. Oulross baker's goods are ahead of anything on the market.