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FAREWELL.

John Boyle O'Reilly in the "Wild Goose," Nov. 6, 1867.

Farewell! Oh, how hard and how sad 'tis to speak

The last word at parting—forever to break The fond ties and affections that cling round the heart,

From home, and from friends, and from country to part!

But 'tis harder, when parted, to try to forget.

Though it grieves to remember, 'tis vain to regret—

The sad words must be spoken, and memory's spell

Now steals o'er me sadly. Farewell! Oh, Farewell!

Farewell to the green hills, thy valleys and plains,

My poor blighted country! in exile and chains

Are thy sons doomed to linger? O God, who didst bring

Thy children to Zion from Egypt's proud king,

We implore thy great mercy! oh, stretch forth thy hand,

And guide back her sons to this poor, blighted land.

Never more thy fair face I am destined to see;

E'en the savage loves home, but 'tis crime to love thee.

God bless thee, dear Erin, my loved one—my own!

Oh, how hard 'tis these tendrils to break that have grown

Round my heart. But 'tis over, and memory's spell

Now steals o'er me sadly. Farewell! oh, farewell!

"Hougoumont," October 12, 1867.

THE NEW CARDINALS.

Sketches of the Lives of Their Eminences.

MGR. CASPAR MERMILLOD.

Of the four new Cardinals, the most generally known to the world at large is, undoubtedly, the Bishop of Lausanne and Geneva, Mgr. Caspar Mermilod, the undaunted champion of the cause of the Church in Switzerland, the eloquent preacher and untiring, zealous shepherd of the flock. Born in Caronge, diocese of Geneva, September 22, 1824, he was preconized by Pius IX., September 22, 1864, titular Bishop of Hebron, and named Vicar Apostolic of Geneva, whence he was exiled during the Kulturkampf and wandered over Europe, perorating with extraordinary eloquence, the cause of the church. March 16, 1888, he was appointed by Leo XIII., Bishop of the United Sees of Lausanne and Geneva, with official residence in the city of Freiburg. Though he will for a time return to his diocese, it is thought by many that he will eventually become one of the Cardinals in Curia.

MGR. SEBASTIAN GALEATI.

Mgr. Sebastian Galeati, Archbishop of Ravenna, was born in Imola, February 5, 1822. He made his studies in Rome, where he was ordained priest, named Vicar-General of the Diocese of Acquapendente, afterwards Canon Theologian of the Cathedral of Imola, official of the Seminary, and Provincial "Examiner Clari" of the latter diocese. In the consistory of August 4, 1881, he was preconized by the reigning Sovereign Pontiff, Bishop of the United Sees of Macarata and Tolentino, and on March 23, 1887, translated to the Metropolitan See of Ravenna. His promotion to the ranks of the Sacred College gives universal satisfaction throughout all Romagna.

MGR. ALBINUS DUNAJEWSKI.

The Bishop of Cracow, Mgr. Albinus Dunajewski, was born in Stanislawow, Archdiocese of Leopoldia, March 1, 1817, and is the brother of the Austrian Minister of Finance. He was a diocesan priest of Cracow, domestic prelate of his Holiness, coun-

sellor of that Episcopal Curia, revisor of the press, notary for matrimonial causes and Prosyndal Examiner. Leo XIII. preconized him Bishop of Cracow, May 15, 1879. Amid his predecessors, both in the See and in the honor of the Roman Purple, were Cardinal Sbigneo Olynitz, created by Pope Eugenius IV., Dec. 18, 1439, of the priestly title of St. Prisca, Frederic Cassimir Jagellon, son of Cassimir IV., King of Poland, created by Alexander VI., August 21, 1493, Cardinal deacon of St. Lucy in Septifogo, title now extinct. The celebrated Stanislaus Osio, Bishop of Warmia, created by Pius IV., February 29, 1561, Cardinal priest of the title of St. Maria in Trastevere, and named his Legate at the Council of Trent; was a native of Cracow. In the last century we find Bishop John Alexander Lipski of Cracow, created by Clement XII., December 20, 1737, Cardinal priest Holy Roman Church, title not handed down to us.

MGR. VINCENT VANNUTELLI.

Mgr. Vincent Vannutelli, Titular Archbishop of Sardis, and Nuncio at Lisbon, was born in Gannezanna, diocese of Palastrina, Dec. 3, 1836, and after filling several lower charges in diplomacy, was, during the last years of the Pontificate of Pius IX., Vice-Secretary of State, with the Key of the CIPHER, under Cardinals Antonelli and Simeoni. Leo XIII. named him Auditor of the Rota, and by Brief of January 20, 1880, Titular Archbishop of Sardis, and Delegate Apostolic and Patriarchal-Vicar at Constantinople. In 1883 he was appointed Internuncio Apostolic and Envoy-Extraordinary to Brazil, whither, however, he did not go, being named meanwhile Representative Extraordinary of his Holiness at the coronation of the Tsar in Moscow, where he was received with great honors by Alexander III, and in recognition of his mission decorated with the Order of the White Eagle.

He was then sent Nuncio Apostolic to Portugal, where he had a great share in the conclusion of the concordat for the Portuguese primacy in the East Indies. He had previously rendered important service to the Holy See in Turkey, where he largely contributed to the total pacification of the Armenians and to the spread of religion. The news of his promotion to the Cardinalate was joyously welcomed by the Portuguese Court and nation. King Carlos forthwith invited the Nuncio to the royal table to offer his personal congratulations, and according to custom his majesty will himself impose the Cardinalial berretta on the new prince of the church, who, notwithstanding his elevation to the Sacred College, will remain for sometime longer at Lisbon with the title of Pro-Nuncio, for the reason that for length of years Portugal has never been in similar good relations with the Holy See, as since the time when Mgr. Vannutelli took possession of that nunciature. That prelate who is undoubtedly one of the most intelligent of Pontifical Diplomats, has obtained from the Cabinet of Portugal, on behalf of the church, much that, viewing the bent of the government, was not readily to be even hoped for, whilst his abilities and pleasing address have enabled him to acquire and retain the esteem and favor not only of the court and of the cabinet, but likewise of the Episcopate and of the faithful at large. Reports are rife of his probable successor in the Portuguese Nunciature in the person of the present secretary-general of Propaganda, Archbishop Jacobini, who would be replaced in his post in Propaganda by Archbishop Ferrico, the secretary of the Congregation for Oriental affairs.

HIS FIRST SERMON.

Rev. John P. Quinn Preaches on "Devotion to the Blessed Virgin."

Rev. John P. Quinn, recently ordained, preached his first sermon at St. Patrick's Cathedral at the high mass last Sunday morning. For the benefit of his many friends we publish it below in full:

Celebrating, as we are, the Octave of our Blessed Lady's Assumption into heaven, I know of no better way of occupying your thoughts this morning than by recalling your attention to the devotion and gratitude we owe the august Mother of God—and by adoption our own mother also. That devotion arose with the Sun of Christianity, and has accompanied Him in his onward course. Under its benign influence the hearts of men have been moved to good and inflamed with love of religion and piety. And holy Mother Church from time to time reminds us of this salutary devotion, of our strict obligation to honor and respect Mary because of her singular prerogatives to honor and reverence her as our mother, not in a carnal, but in a spiritual sense, inasmuch as we are members of the church placed under her patronage, brothers of Jesus Christ and with Him made co-heirs of that heavenly kingdom prepared for them who love and serve Him.

Highly fitting and proper is it, then, to heed this invitation, to divert our thoughts for a few minutes from the cares and distractions of worldly pursuits; to draw aside the veil that hides from the inmost chamber of our soul the tenderness and loveliness and solicitude of Mary and then contemplate the temporal and spiritual graces to be obtained through her intercession.

Can the child be so ungrateful as to forget the mother who bore him, who watched with care and tenderness over the cradle of his infancy; who sat with tearful eyes and anxiety beside the little couch and wiped away the drops of sweat from his fevered brow when the angel of Death stood near? No; it is only the deeply ungrateful who could be guilty of so great a crime; whose names deserve to go down to oblivion and to be blotted out of the Book of Life. And if this be true with regard to the love and respect a child owes his natural parent, with how far greater reason may not the same be affirmed of those members of the Christian household who forget their common spiritual mother; she, too, guarded their souls in their infancy and has never deserted her faithful clients in their spiritual trials and conflicts.

Dear brethren, we are bound by every tie of friendship and gratitude to return sincere thanks by acts of prayer and a devotion to our powerful intercessor at the Throne of God. Think of the part she acted in the drama of our Redemption and then see by what bounds your gratitude shall be measured.

When our first parents fell from the happy state in which they had been created and were deprived of the high privileges they had hitherto enjoyed, there remained no longer any hope for the human race. The charms of nature with which they had been surrounded were withdrawn and nature ceased to beat in unison with grace. The supernatural gifts of original justice and science, free gifts to Adam, and his state of innocence were no longer his and he became subjected to ignorance, concupiscence and infirmity of various kinds. No bright prospect remained to cheer his heart, only gloom and darkness and despair. The angels in heaven had committed the sin of pride. They,

together with their chief, were immediately expelled from heaven and cast into the depths of hell, never more to hope for any assistance from the hand of their Master. What better treatment could our first parents expect? They, too, had committed a crime of infinite malice in offending a God infinite in all his attributes. No atonement, therefore, on their part was able to blot out so great a stain. "And now without redemption all mankind must have been lost, adjudged to death and hell."

But God, in his infinite mercy and goodness, turning to the serpent which had tempted Eve said—"I will put enmities between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; she shall crush thy head and thou shalt lie in wait for her heel." What could these words mean? Four thousand years passed away. Mankind was still entwined in Satan's coils and groaning under the burdens of sin. The way of all flesh had, as we read in the Scripture, become corrupt.

Now, amidst the thickening gloom that seemed to grow more threatening to the human race, where thorns and brambles choked any fair growth of Christian piety there appeared a single flower of rare excellence; "sprung from the root of Jesse." It was no other than the Blessed Virgin Mary. She was the woman of whom God spoke "four thousand years before." "I will put enmities between thee and the woman." Of her the Holy Ghost poured forth those inspired words by the mouth of Solomon. "There are young maidens without number. One is my dove—my beautiful one is but one." Again, "Thou art all fair and there is no spot in thee." And in another place He calls her a "woman clothed with the sun, having the moon beneath her feet and upon her head a crown of twelve stars."

She it was who was destined from all eternity to be, so instrumental in working out our Redemption and in regaining the privileges lost through Adam's sin. And from Bethlehem's cave, where she gave birth to the world's Redeemer, because there was no room for her and St. Joseph in the inn of that town even on a cold December's night till the last pang of agony broke from the parched lips of her Divine Son on Calvary's height. Mary helped to bear the burden and expiate the guilt of our transgression—yours and mine—and all that will be committed till the end of time. She followed at a distance our Savior—slowly ascended the steep and rugged heights. Then when He, looking down from the cross, said to her: "Woman, behold thy Son" and by these words, according to St. Theresa, constituted her the mother not alone of the beloved disciple but of all men, she silently bowed in submission and pledged herself to undertake the arduous but loving duties of a mother; to care for our wants; to plead at the bar of eternal justice; to supplicate as only a mother can supplicate, pardon and remission of the sins of her wayward children before the great white throne.

Nor has our heavenly Queen ever proven recreant to the trust imposed upon her. How often have we not heard of marvelous incidents brought about through her intervention; of conversions made; of reconciliations accomplished; of the prodigal's return from scenes of shame and riotousness to the path of rectitude, and these not alone at one particular period or time, but down through the ages since the dawn of Christianity. It is not necessary to occupy your time in bringing forward proof of Mary's perpetual virginity, namely, that

AROUND THE GLOBE.

WHAT THE CHURCH IS DOING IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.

Bishop McMahon of Hartford, Conn., celebrated the eleventh anniversary of his consecration August 10.

In the old college of Ascott, near Birmingham, is the chapel in which the Sacred Heart was first worshipped in England. The college is now an orphanage under the care of the Sisters of Mercy, but the venerable chapel is as religiously preserved as it was when first opened in 1808.

The Catholic University and grounds are closed to visitors during the summer months. The work on the observatory and St. Thomas' College addition is being pushed forward, and both these buildings will be ready for occupancy at the beginning of the school year in September.

Recent deaths in Italy are: July 25, Rev. Father Gigli, S. J., son of the celebrated Roman litterateur, Octavianus Gigli; July 25, Dom Gregory Bartoline, Abbot-General of the Cistercian Benedictines, aged 78 years; July 25, Mgr. Masselli, Bishop of Ugento.

The Roman correspondent of the Catholic News states that the Holy Father has just received a bequest of 5,000,000 francs from the late Marie de Pastoret, Countess de Rouge, and Marquise du Plessis-Belliere. A palace in Paris, valued at 2,000,000 francs comprises part of the inheritance.

There is a rumor that Father Bernard Vaughan, S. J., is likely to be appointed by the Holy See to the Archbishopric of Bombay. If such appointment is made, Father Vaughan will be the sixth of his family raised to the purple, for Cardinal Weld was his great-uncle, the late Archbishop of Sydney was his brother, the Bishop of Plymouth was his uncle, the Bishop of Clifton is his cousin, and the Bishop of Salford is his brother.

Lancashire is the most Catholic county in England. Its largest city, Liverpool, contains 120,000 Irish, all of whom are Catholics. The Bishop, Rt. Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, is a native of Navan, Ireland. He is a very active man and works hard, though nearly seventy years of age. Liverpool returns only two members of the liberal type to Parliament. Her other members are Conservative.

The Catholic Bishop of Birmingham has promised to take part this month in a ceremony seldom witnessed in England—the consecration of an Abbot of a Cistercian Monastery. Bishop Heady is an old school-fellow of Father Wilfred, who has lately been elected Abbot of the Monastery of Mount St. Bernard, Leicestershire. Father Wilfred will be the fourth Cistercian Abbot consecrated in England since the days of the Reformation.

A cablegram from Rome to the Benedictine Fathers announces the confirmation of the election of Rev. Dr. Bernard Locknikar, O. S. B., Prior of Assumption Priory of St. Paul, Minn., as Abbot of the Order of St. Benedict of St. John's Abbey, by his Holiness Pope Leo XIII. If the papers, which are now on their way from Rome to this country, arrive in time the consecration of the new Abbot will take place at St. Cloud, Minn., on the 20th of August, being St. Bernard's Day, the patron saint of Abbot Locknikar, D. D. The congregation of Assumption church at St. Paul, Minn., of which the new Abbot has been prior for many years, don't like the