

AROUND THE GLOBE.

Mr. William Young Craig, ex-M. P. for North Staffordshire, has recently joined the Catholic Church.

The petition to the Holy Father for the canonization of Columbus bears 900 signatures, including those of Archbishops and Bishops in various parts of the world.

Cardinal Lavignerie is busy with the foundation of what may be described as a new military order.

At Cahirciveen Quarter Sessions when the application of Timothy Galvin, Waterville, for beer license was under discussion, Judge Curran left the bench, stating it was packed with magistrates who had come there for a definite purpose and whose minds had already been made up on the question.

To relieve distress in Kerry, Francis Murphy of Castleisland forwarded a memorial to the Government from the farmers and laborers of the mountains of the parish of Killeenterna, Inchacummer, to complete two and one-half miles of the old Board of Works road leading from the Castleisland side of the mountain to Killarney district.

At the Quarter Sessions for the County of Kilkenny there was no criminal business, and his Honor was presented a pair of white gloves.

Great meeting of laborers assembled at Annagry and Mullagnderg in Lower Templemore, of which Father Walker is parish priest, clamoring for work.

The following prelates of the United States will celebrate the twenty-fifth year of ordination to the priesthood of the present year: Most Rev. Francis X. Katzer, Archbishop of Milwaukee, ordained December 21, 1866; Bishop John Vertin, of Marquette, ordained September 1, 1866; the two Benedictine Abbots, Rev. Hilary Pfrangle, O. S. B., of St. Mary's Abbey, Newark, N. J., and Rev. Innocentius Wolf, O. S. B., of Atchison, Kansas, who were both ordained upon the same day, May 26, 1866.

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THE LOST TEN TRIBES OF ISRAEL.

(For the CATHOLIC JOURNAL, by J. A. S.)

Nothing is left of them but here and there a name. The same is true of the Lombards, that warlike German tribe, who established the kingdom of Lombardy in northern Italy; the Normans who founded the kingdom of Naples in southern Italy; the Saracens, who long were masters of the island of Sicily.

Let us come down to a still more recent date. In our own country we have numerous instances where "tribes" were "lost."

The State of New York was colonized by Holland about the year 1623. About fifty years later the colony was seized by the English and it became one of the thirteen Anglo-American colonies, which afterwards became the States of the Union.

During the reign of Queen Anne thousands of German colonists were brought over from the countries along the Rhine, which had been devastated by the armies of Louis XIV of France, and settled in the Mohawk and Schenectady valleys in the State of New York. For a long time they clung tenaciously to the language of their fathers and their own peculiar customs; but to-day the descendants of the poor exiles of the Palatinate cannot be distinguished from the descendants of the Yankee of New England or the descendants of the Hollanders, unless it be by name, if it be still possible to trace its German origin, which, however, is not always the case.

At the time when Salmanassar, the King of Assyria, invaded the kingdom of Israel and carried away the "Ten Tribes," as captives into his own country, the people of Israel had, for the most part, left the worship of the God of their fathers and had fallen into base idolatry. We are told in the Holy Scriptures that God allowed Salmanassar to conquer the Israelites and carry them away captive into a strange country as a punishment for having left the worship of the true God for that of the idols the people about them adored.

Furthermore, the Assyrians did not differ materially from the Israelites in language, manners and customs. The former as well as the latter belonged to the Semitic race, and therefore the difference was but slight.

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OUR BOYS' AND GIRLS' CORNER.

Children's Prayers.

The Saints have always had great faith in the efficacy of children's prayers, and their writings attest that these prayers never go unanswered.

St. Francis Xavier made use of children in order to convert the Infidels. He united them at the foot of the altar, to sing the praises of God, to instruct them in the Christian doctrine, and to pray with him for the conversion of the Pagans.

St. Philip Neri, the great Apostle of Rome, did the same thing. When sinners resisted the zeal of his preaching, he would go, a bell in hand, to call the children to pray, then kneeling with them before the Blessed Sacrament, he had them say: "Jesus, my Savior, have pity on poor sinners."

St. Vincent Ferrer, while giving a mission at Rennes in 1516, had erected, in the principal square of the city, a statue of the Blessed Virgin, around which he congregated each day all the children of the place. After the hymns and prayers addressed by these little angels of earth to the Queen of Heaven in favor of poor sinners, he would send them out as so many apostles in order to make a conquest of the souls of their parents.

It has been said by a great Saint, that a child who preserves his baptismal innocence has great power with God and His Blessed Mother; this testimony has been confirmed by the venerable Cure of Ars.

Let us now draw the conclusion from these thoughts.

Since the good God has given to innocence, and to the prayers of the young, so much power over His heart and that of His divine Mother, let us hasten to make use of this power, and bring together all these hearts so dear to our Lord; powerful by themselves, they form, when united around the heart of Jesus, in invincible band.

Children Need Sympathy.

The child demands sympathy, companionship, love. Here, also, the instinct of the higher quadrupeds shows in a touching way the same demand. The dog's desire, even more pressing than the desire for food, and often displacing it is to be with his master. If his master is within doors, the dog wishes to lie at his feet; if he goes to another room, the dog must go also, and establish himself there; if he goes forth to walk or ride, the four-footed friend bounds along in bliss, overjoyed to traverse miles of country which he would never visit alone.

On this point I fear she was mistaken, and that the race of such parents survives.

Lord Ashbourne's son, whose reception into the Catholic Church was recently chronicled, is, it is reported, a convert to the policy of Home Rule.

JACK AND TOM.

(Written for THE JOURNAL by Nawm.)

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CHAPTER IV.

The second vestment the priest clothes himself in is the Alb, so called from its white color—abus in Latin meaning white. It is a loosely-fitting garment of pure linen, entirely enveloping the body, and fastened at the neck by means of strings. The use of a vestment of this kind is of the highest antiquity, for we find it employed by all nations in their religious services. It is the same as the linen garment ordered to be worn by the priests of the old law.

The Cincture, or girdle, always accompanies the Alb; its chief use, in fact, its only office being to keep that garment in proper place on the person of the wearer. It is required to be of linen, and of such a length that, when doubled, it may encircle the body of the priest. The prayer recited in putting on the Cincture is worded as follows: "Gird me, O Lord! with the Cincture of purity, and extinguish in my loins the heat of concupiscence, that the virtue of continence and chastity may abide in me."

The Maniple is that which you noticed on the priest's left wrist. It is a small strip of precious cloth, of the same material as the Stole and Chasuble, having three crosses embroidered on it. It is worn on the left wrist, to which it is fastened either by a pin or string. Its whole length is generally two feet, and its breadth about four inches. When fastened on it hangs equally on both sides. The Maniple is put on with the following prayer: "May I deserve, O Lord! to bear the Maniple of weeping and sorrow, in order that I may joyfully reap the reward of my labors."

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