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IRISH DISSENSIONS—AND OTHERS.

Much is being written and said just now concerning the dissensions in the Irish party. It is claimed that the unhappy divisions among the advocates of Home Rule constitute the chief obstacle to its complete triumph. Certain it is that the opponents of this great measure of justice to Ireland are making the most of their opportunity and point to quarrels among the Irish representatives as a justification of their course in refusing to hand Ireland over to the control of such men. Even friends of the movement, especially on this side the water, claim that no assistance should be given until the Home Rules cease their factional fights and unite under one leader.

It is true that the welfare of Ireland suffers from the factional dissensions in the ranks of her representatives. It is equally true that many of these representatives deserve the severest condemnation for allowing their personal spite against other representatives to stand in the way of their country's advancement. But it is unjust to condemn Ireland or to grow indifferent to the outcome of her struggle towards freedom because a state of affairs exists which is common to all countries on the face of the globe, and which has existed among the champions of the grandest movements for the good of humanity that have ever been inaugurated. Before sneering at Irish dissensions we should look at other nations and remember the history of other reform movements. Taking the case of England first, we find two hostile parties confronting each other, such a bitterness existing between them that the members of one were charged only a short time ago with gloating over the fact that the leader of the other was advanced in age and his powerful personality would not long confront them. The two great parties have factions of their own. Were it not for a factional fight in the Liberal party at the time of Gladstone's conversion to Home Rule, Ireland would to-day be enjoying that boon. The faction which deserted the Liberal party at that time forms a faction in the Tory party now, under the leadership of Chamberlain, that is hated by the true blue Tories far more than Parnell's dislike anti-Parnellites or Healy's friends dislike Dillon's.

The Radicals constitute a lively little faction in the Liberal party to-day, their advanced ideas being held in horror by the conservatively inclined Liberals. Lord Roseberry's sneer at some representatives in the Liberal party are still fresh in the public mind.

The representatives of the French people are divided, sub-divided and divided again. There are "Monarchists," "Bonapartists," "Moderate Lefts," "Extreme Lefts," "Boulangers," etc., one hating the other as the devil hates holy water. When a "coup d'etat" is overthrown, which frequently happens, it is a difficult task to find a new one who can

justify the Deputies. This man is objectionable to one faction; that man to another, and if French blood is not spilled in a duel before the cabinet is finally formed, it will be strange indeed.

Among the representatives of the people of Germany and Italy—especially among the latter—bitter factional strife is frequent, and last week's cablegrams told us that the rejection of the civil marriage bill by the Hungarian Diet was followed by a scene of wild disorder.

Coming nearer home, we find so much difference of opinion existing among the representatives of the party in power that it is impossible to pass a tariff bill that will redeem the pledges which that party made to the people at the last national election. We behold the Democratic President fought tooth and nail by Democratic Senators.

It would require too much space to recount the envious and jealousies that have existed between men who fought on the same side in some of the great reform movements that have benefitted the world. Surely no more unselfish patriotism has ever been known than the American Revolution brought forth, yet the historian tells us:

"Private ambitions took more or less advantage of public difficulties. Intrigues by discontented generals carried on against Washington in favor of Gen. Gates failed because the steadfast, unselfish, character of Washington was too much respected to allow him to be set aside."

During the Civil War, when the fate of the nation depended upon the patriotism of the people from the President down, the course of the Secretary of War drew from the commander of the troops in the field—General McClellan—the bitter reproach: "If I save this army, I will owe no thanks to you or to any person in Washington. You have tried your best to sacrifice this army."

In the face of this evidence it is absurd to say that "wrangles should not sometimes occur among the Irish Home Rulers." They may be relied upon to settle them as the majority decides; and we can have confidence in the good sense of the majority to settle them satisfactorily.

Some philosopher has said that "there is a good deal of human nature in mankind." It is human nature to differ—even quarrel. The Irish representatives should not be blamed too harshly for showing that they possess human nature; nor should the friends of Home Rule grow indifferent to the success of that movement because John Dillon and Tim Healy are fighting mad at each other.

A PATRIOTIC ACT

Our Bishop has kindly presented a large plot of ground—52x60 feet in dimension—at Holy Sepulchre cemetery to the Monroe County Veterans League, as a burial place for soldiers and sailors of the late Civil War. This action is in keeping with the lifelong record of Rochester's Ordinary for patriotism. Father McQuaid was perhaps the first clergyman in the north to raise his voice on behalf of the Union after the attacks upon Fort Sumpter. The news of that attack came to the New Jersey priest by means of a small "extra" which had been issued by one of the newspapers. A copy was handed him just as he entered the church to read the early Sunday morning Mass. When the time for addressing the congregation arrived Father McQuaid came out in a vigorous appeal for the preservation of the Union and condemned strongly the outrage at Fort Sumpter. His patriotic stand on behalf of the Northern cause did not please all the members of his congregation. There were several large manufacturers in the place whose products went principally to the South, and the people felt that in the event of war between North and South the business interests of their town would suffer.

This being the case it was not strange that angry mutterings reached the ears of Father McQuaid as he left the church that morning. A few days afterwards he was called upon to address a public meeting held in the town on behalf of the Union. At this meeting he made a ringing speech.

PRACTICAL WORK FOR OUR READING CIRCLES.

If we understand the object of the Catholic Reading Circle movement correctly, it consists largely in educating the public on matters affecting our Holy Church and removing false impressions of her character held by non-Catholics. We believe an excellent move in this direction might be made by some of the bright young members sending contributions to the secular papers in refutation of the charges made in the sermons of our local bigots. These anti-Catholic sermons are often of such a character that the clergy cannot be expected to notice them, but well-informed Catholic laymen could refute many a slander on our religion that the non-Catholic believers in thorough ignorance of the real facts.

Among the articles in the *Cosmopolitan* for May are the following: "Siam and Siamese," "The Silver King at Home," "England's Latest Conquest in Africa," "From the Valley of the Queen," "The Struggle for Freedom in Kansas," "The Origin of Thought," "God's Will and Human Happiness." The latter is from the pen of St. George Mivart, the eminent Catholic scientist, and is of far more than ordinary interest.

BIGOTRY.

EDITOR CATHOLIC JOURNAL:

It is to be regretted that there are a few Protestant clergymen in this city who make it their whole study to try and slander the Catholics.

In my opinion they are the rank and file of hypocrites. They profess to preach the Gospel and at the same time preach just the reverse of what it teaches. The Scriptures say "Love thy neighbor." They try to create envy. Again it says, "Blessed are the peace-makers for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Contrary to this they try to "make disturbance." Again the scriptures say: "Do good to them that hate you; bless them that curse you; pray for them that persecute and calumniate you." This the Revs. Messrs. Stebbins, Love, Stewart and Craspey have done. Compare these four gentlemen on true Christianity with the prejudice and bigotry of Messrs. Merrill, Copeland, Kirkpatrick and others. What a vast difference there is between these men. The former are Christians; the latter—well; those who have read their sayings or heard them may judge. It is too bad they did not live in the time of the Reformation. What good accomplices they would have made to Henry VIII, Cranmer, Cromwell, Knox, Queen, Bess, and the rest of the tribe in confiscating church property. I am sure that if they had not gotten their share it would be none of their fault.

The Catholic church has stood all kinds of persecutions and ridicule for nearly 1900 years. She has grown and prospered and lived through it all. It has sprung from the apostles to whom Christ said: "I shall be with you all days, even to the end of the world." He has preserved her through all and she is the same now as in the days of the apostles.

All the calumny and ridicule of these poor bigots can't hurt, they rather help her along.

Compare the state of England from the time of the Reformation to the present with the state of that nation before the Reformation to the time of St. Augustine, and see the difference. The words pauper or beggar were never known there until the great and glorious Reformation introduced them, and they have them still. See what those bigots have done in Ireland. Before those despoilers entered it she supported about 9,000,000 of people. There were no beggars, no starvation then. To-day she has got probably half that population and half of them can scarcely exist. That is what she has gained from bigotry.

Mr. Merrill talks of Canada; just look at her! With a large territory and settled centuries ago she has got probably 7,000,000 inhabitants, while the United States has got between 60,000,000 and 70,000,000. She has got the same advantages as the United States. What held her back? Orangism and bigotry.

I appeal to our worthy, noble-hearted, broad-minded Americans of every denomination and creed to stamp out bigotry for fear it would do as it has done in other nations. Remember the motto: "United we stand, divided we fall."

Just look back to the different wars in this country from the Revolutionary War to our last war. See how Catholics have fought for freedom. Show me where they ever shrunk from duty towards their country when every class and creed fought side and side. Read the instructions from the priest to the Irish brigade at

Gttsyburg in relation to their duty towards God and their country and in it these hypocrites and prejudiced slanderers will find a lesson that is worthy their while to learn. Mr. Merrill refers to what he saw and heard in Canada, that poverty stricken country which prejudice and bigotry have ruined and whose people are crowding into the United States as fast as they can, but that vice of bigotry they imbibed there they can't rid themselves of. They try every means to inculcate it into our American citizens, but it is impossible. That friendship which was made no bigot can destroy. When he talks of Catholic absurdities it reminds me of one night I attended a Methodist meeting. One of the members got up to speak and all of a sudden he threw himself on the floor and rolled and tumbled, yelled and nattered. I was sure he was crazy.

In the end he said: "Oh Lord, come down through the roof and I will pay for the shingles." If the likes of that performance in religion is not absurd I should like to know what is. Again I say my dear fellow citizens, show these bigots, hypocrites and A. P. A.'s that there is no room for them in this land of the free and brave—America.

Yours Respectfully,
THOS. EASTACK

THE GOSPELS.

GOSPEL: St. Luke vi. 36-42.—At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: "Be ye merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and you shall not be judged; condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you shall be forgiven. Give, and it shall be given to you; good measure and pressed down and shaken together and running over shall they give unto your bosom. For with the same measure that you shall mete withal, it shall be measured to you again. And He spoke also to them a similitude: Can the blind lead the blind? do they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master; but everyone shall be perfect, if he be as his master. And why seeest thou the mote in thy brother's eye, but the beam that is in thy own eye thou considerest not? Or how canst thou say to thy brother: 'Brother, let me pull the mote out of thy eye; when thou thyself seest not the beam in thy own eye? Hypocrite, cast first the beam out of thy own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to take out the mote from thy brother's eye.'"

St. Bernard says: "When the failings of your brother cannot be denied, excuse the intention, attribute them to ignorance or surprise, have compassion on his weakness, and think that you might have done the very same under similar circumstances. This is the law of charity. Some one has said a word that is positively bad, are we sure that he knew the full meaning of it? Another has done something that is not very good, are we sure that he did it intentionally and with reflection? Again, one has given way to a fit of anger; do we know whether, under the circumstances, he had time to repress the passion? Another's sin is evident, but would we under similar circumstances have been more faithful to God? Charity commands us to excuse our brethren, and Jesus Christ gives us this command in this day's Gospel."

Weekly Church Calendar.

MON. 21.—Trinity Sunday.

TUES. 22.—St. John Nepomacen, Martyr.

WED. 23.—St. Philip Neri, Confessor.

THURS. 24.—Corpus Christi.

FRI. 25.—St. Gregory VII., Pope and Confessor; St. Urban, Pope and Martyr.

SAT. 26.—St. Philip Neri, Confessor.

Sample shoes at \$6 Per Ct. Off.

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In tan and black blucher, lace and congress, at

J. W. Maser's, 196 East Main St. The One-Price Beck Store.

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Carry Your Dinner

In our improved no-strap lunch-box for a quarter. Likly's, No. 96 State street.

A peculiar case of interference by a labor organization is reported from Hull, England. A man who had been twenty years in the employ of some timber merchants in Hull became disabled, and the firm, out of consideration for his long services, decided to keep him on its payrolls at a reduced wage. The trade union with which he was connected objected to such an arrangement insisting that he should be paid full wages. Under the circumstances the firm discharged him and he was thrown on the hands of the guardians of the poor. They have granted him three and a half shillings and a loaf of bread per week for six weeks.

OUR ARTS SERIES.

Your Last Chance to Secure them at Popular Prices.

Having disposed of nearly all of our World's Fair Views, we have decided to withdraw the offer on or about May 30th. Those of our subscribers who have not procured this magnificent collection of 232 pictures of the World's Fair would do well to send in their orders at once. The entire collection only costs 40 cents, and is one of the best and handsomest published. We desire to call the attention of our readers to our new portfolio entitled "The Hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church in the United States," a description of which will be found on the 6th page of this issue. It is a book every Catholic should possess, and one that will give you a history of our Church in the United States. The illustrations are photographic reproductions from photographs taken by the most competent artist photographers, and embrace every Cathedral in the country. Each part is printed on fine super-copular paper; size of each page 11x15 inches. We would like to supply each and every subscriber with a complete book. For further particulars we would refer you to the advertisement on the 6th page.

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS.

There are 27,211 Confederate pensioners and inmates of the Confederate homes in the South. Last year they were paid \$1,150,938 in pensions.

What will be the largest bucket hopper dredger in the world is now being built in Scotland. It is to be used in the work of deepening the Danube.

The oldest timber "cornor" in the world is one that the Buddhists of Japan are trying to form for the purpose of preventing Christians from getting any more material to build churches.

A fountain that stood for many years on the main street square in Pawtucket, R. I., has been removed and set up in a cemetery. Its base bears the touchingly appropriate word "Welcome."

A woman's journal is now published in Alexandria, Egypt, with articles in it written exclusively by women. It is called "El Fata" (the young woman) and is edited by a Syrian lady, Miss Hind Noutal.

The police captains of Brooklyn have been ordered to wear standing collars of the very latest pattern. Monocles and chrysanthemums have not yet been suggested, but may be looked for ere long.

A remarkable pointer is owned by John Abberger of Minneola, Florida. The dog had 1,700 quail, two deer and quite a number of wild turkeys killed over it between the 1st of November, 1892, and February 1, 1893.

The Key Bushua says that the parish region between the Nile and the Red sea was once thoroughly forested. Certainly the bare Scottish moors were, for the cotters still dig roots out of them for burning.

After an absence of twenty-seven years, Charles Patterson returned to his old home in Pittsburg, a few days ago, and was surprised to find that his wife had married his brother, and that his return brought no joy. His wife had remained unmarried for twenty-five years, but two years ago, thinking Charles surely dead, wedded his brother Fernando.

Notices from late husbands refusing to be responsible for debts contracted by their wives are not new or novel; but few have been more unique than the following, which was posted in 1881 in Madame Watson's hotel at St. John, Canada: "My name dat is Peter Ravel. My wife leave my bed and board and shan't ax me. Anybody tras him on my name dat loss for you."

HUMORS OF THE HOUR.

Chapple—I'm awfully fond of hunting dogs. She, innocently—Yes? Where do you go to hunt them?

Walter—Do usual steak, sah? Regular Customer—No; I am tired tonight. Bring me a plate of hash.

Elaine—Would you ever get over it and forget me, George, if I should refuse you? George—You bet I would. Elaine—Well, then I am yours.

Irate German, to stranger who has stepped on his toe—Mine front, I know mine feet was meant to be walked on, but dot privilege belongs to me.

"Do you believe that thing about casting your bread upon the waters and having it return?" "Well it wouldn't work with my wife's bread. That would sink."

Small Boy, as grocer pours molasses into jug on cold morning—Here, mister, you haven't got all the molasses out of that measure! Grocer—That's all right, sonny, there was some in the measure before.

Collector—I am collecting bills for Sugar, Spice & Co. Housekeeper, a Vassar graduate—Collecting bills, are you? Very well; I have two or three of their bills which you are welcome to add to your collection.

"Say, father," said the small boy, "did Corbett and Mitchell go to school when they were little?" "Why, I suppose so." "Well," resumed the thoughtful young man after a pause, "I bet their teachers never had to whip either of them for fighting."

Mistress—My husband was out to a dinner last night, Bridget, and it won't be necessary for you to sweep the hall this morning. Bridget—Yis, mum. Is there anything else, mum? Mistress—You might run the carpet sweeper over his dress suit a few times.

Party and Weddings invitations a specialty at this office.

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WOMEN'S SUITS.

Several new styles in women's suits reached us yesterday—models of the tailor's art, and nearer perfection than anything we have shown before this season.

Covert Cloth Prince Albert Suit, coat has drooping sleeves and is lined throughout with silk—\$26.50.

Black and Blue Serge suits with long three-button cutaway, half silk lined—\$17.50.

Covert Cloth Suit, with long one button cutaway, half silk lined—\$12.00.

Stylish Serge Suits—\$4.75 and \$7.00.

CAPE:

If you want a cape to-day, be it low, medium or high priced, you can buy it for less than you could yesterday.

A couple of weeks ago we about cut prices in two on expensive capes; yesterday we served the cheaper capes in the same way.

Double tan cape trimmed with braid, now \$1.50.

Double broadcloth capes, in blues and browns, trimmed with braid, now \$3.50.

Double broadcloth capes, tan and browns, made with ruffled collar trimmed with satin ribbon and embroidered, now \$5.

Very handsome blue and brown broadcloth capes, two cape effects with tabs, silk embroidered, \$10.

Beautiful silk cape jacket, with lace sleeves, trimmed with jet and moire ribbon, reduced from \$47.50 to \$25.

Elegant lace cape jacket, trimmed with moire ribbon, reduced from \$47.50 to \$25.

Handsome moire silk cape jacket, trimmed with jet and lace, reduced from \$40 to \$25.

OAK ROCKERS.

What next! It looks as though the furniture man would be giving away rockers before long.

Here are one hundred quartered oak cobbler seat rockers, polished finish, nine spindle, double slat, handsomely carved back and embossed cobbler seat—a chair worth \$5 for \$3.38.

These rockers are Rochester made, contain the best stock and are strongly put together.

BOY'S BLOUSES.

Sweet enough to kiss; that is what any little fellow will be with one of these new white or colored Fauntleroy blouses—so cool and comfortable too.

White lawn Fauntleroy blouses with blue and white, pink and white, or lavender and white collar and cuffs and ruffle down front, 75c.

White lawn Fauntleroy blouses with dotted dimity ruffled collar and cuffs and ruffle down front, 87 1/2c.

Striped lawn Fauntleroy blouses, with white swiss embroidered ruffle on collar and cuffs and down front, \$1.

White lawn Fauntleroy blouses with hambug ruffle on collar and cuffs and hambug cascade down front, \$1.50.

White lawn Fauntleroy blouses with all over swiss embroidered collar and cuffs and ruffle down front, \$2.

White lawn Fauntleroy blouses with all over nainsook collar and cuffs, trimmed with nainsook edge, and nainsook ruffle down front, \$2.50.

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