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THE CHURCH IN ENGLAND

All the thinkers are closely watching the rapid growth of the Catholic church in England and are speculating on the ultimate outcome. The number of conversions of later years has attracted attention from all over the world. The converts, too, are persons in the higher walks of life; scions of the old families; men and women distinguished in a professional way and in the world of letters. Such persons are not impelled toward the church by sentiment or a desire to shine in society. They are attracted to the church to secure peace of mind and soul.

The London correspondent of the New York "Times" sums the matter up in this letter to his paper:

"Were any sign needed of the great increase of late years in the power and prestige of the Roman Catholic church in England it would be afforded by the striking scenes enacted on the Kentish coast. In the early days of Victoria and even at a much later date, there would have been a violent 'no popery' cry at the mere idea of an open-air procession headed by two cardinals and seventeen bishops in full canonicals. Yet such a parade took place, not only unmolested but greeted with all the signs of reverence and of respect last month at Ebbesfleet, near Minster, on the spot, now about half a mile inland, where Saint Augustine and his monks landed some thirteen centuries back. Hard by is a cross marking the spot where Augustine held a conference with Ethelbert. Cardinal Vaughan delivered an address which was a striking proof of the diplomatic ability of this churchman.

"The fact that the Anglican bishops, a short time back, had made a pilgrimage to the same place, with a similar object, created a delicate situation in which a less able man might have stumbled. But it would be difficult for the most rabid Anglican to trace any disrespect in his uttered words or in the manner of the speaker, who yet surrendered none of his claims as a prince of the church. While claiming many added thousands to his flock of late years, Cardinal Vaughan summed up the present situation tersely by saying that multitudes had so far swung around that they were more than half way to Rome. Any one watching the drift of religious practice in England knows this to be the case. The cry of 'No popery' is heard no more in the land, indeed the very word is dead.

"It was by special desire of the pope that the eminent French litterateur and member of the academy, Cardinal Perraud, Bishop of Autun, was present at the Augustinian celebrations there. The reason for the presence of the most eloquent of French orators when it was to Autun that Augustine retired after his

first visit to England. It was a curious sight to see two cardinals piloted around Canterbury cathedral by the Anglican dean, Canon Farrar. Times have changed indeed since the days of Cardinal Wiseman, and it is not without reason that the English Catholic leaders claim that the larger 'Oxford movement' has in very truth set in."

THE ELECTION

Next Tuesday the people of New York state will be called on to express their choice for a chief judge of the court of appeals, members of the state assembly and municipal officers. It will mark the first election under the Greater New York charter, and whichever party wins will control a tremendous amount of patronage besides exerting an incalculable influence on the state election next year. To the casual observer Tammany Hall will win and regain its lost power, but the independent candidacies of Seth Low and Henry George have complicated matters greatly. Still, Tammany has a great lead in the race by reason of her powerful and compact organization and the rule that one reform or independent administration rarely succeeds itself. While many persons will regret to see Tammany rehabilitated, still they would prefer even that to the election of Henry George with his crazy ideas. Catholics, especially, cannot view with aught but alarm the possibility of George's success after his bitter attack on Archbishop Corrigan, in which he practically charged that his grace was in league with Tammany Hall. Every one knows that the archbishop of New York never meddles in politics, and George's idiotic tirade will lose him thousands of votes.

Here in Rochester the municipal contest is of absorbing interest by reason of the fact that all the municipal officers from mayor to constable are to be elected. The contest is also complicated by the introduction into the campaign of the "Good Government Club," an organization that insists on the elimination of all political parties in municipal elections, the abolition of the primary or caucus and the substitution in its place a plan to select candidates by committees of leading citizens. So fiercely has this new organization waged war on the old parties that it is hard to judge of the ultimate result.

One thing should be stated here and stated emphatically: neither gentleman who has been nominated for mayor is a bigot. It has reached the point that attempts have been made to traduce one of these gentlemen by circulating the report that he was a member of the A. P. A. This charge is unqualifiedly false. He has not been an Apapist, neither is he in sympathy with Apapist principles, and the effort to blacken his character will react as a boomerang on those who started it, be they Catholics or not. So far as the mayoralty candidates are concerned, no charge of bigotry can be alleged, neither should any Catholic believe it as alleged.

One of the leading Baptist clergymen of Philadelphia, Rev. George E. Rees of the Tabernacle church, recently preached a sermon on "Leo XIII and His Devotion to the 'Mother of God' in Recent Encyclical." As might be expected, the bumptious person showed from his harangue that he knew little or nothing about the feeling Catholics hold toward the Blessed Mother; that he utterly misunderstood the spirit of the Holy Father's encyclical; that he knew nothing at all about Catholic theology or even about the scriptural allusions to Mary, as printed in the King James version.

One of the issues in the Greater New York election is the question whether the street cars shall be operated by the public or private corporations. What says the Rochester Railway company?

Joseph T. Ailing must be in sore straits to convey his views on religious matters to the public through the medium of a sensational ephemeral sheet published only for campaign purposes and to wheedle money from the pockets of susceptible politicians.

ADMIRABLE NOMINATIONS

The leaders of both parties have placed in nomination a number of Catholic gentlemen for office. Among these are Thomas J. Neville, who is a candidate for the Executive Board and who has had long experience in municipal affairs; James L. Whalen, also nominated for the Executive Board, and whose sterling character every one knows; Police Justice Charles B. Ernst, who has earned re-nomination and re-election; Charles J. Madden, Alderman W. H. Tracy, Alderman Stephen Rauber in the Fifth ward; William J. Quinlan and Alderman Lewis Edelman in the Seventh; James H. Casey in the Ninth; Alderman William Ward in the Eleventh; Henry Oberlies and Frank Ritz in the Thirteenth; Supervisor Howard, Alderman John Miller, Kelly and School Commissioner Keenan in the Fifteenth; Henry Trentman in the Fourteenth; Charles P. Meade in the Seventeenth; Wendell Ernst in the Sixteenth; John P. Smith in the Nineteenth; Alderman William V. Reichenberger in the Twentieth; Alderman M. J. Calihan in the Second; Alderman Thomas W. Ford in the Third; Dr. James H. Fennessy in the Fifth; Supervisor Kuapp in the Eleventh; Thomas F. Moore in the Thirteenth; John J. Mehan in the Fifteenth and Jacob Strasser in the Twentieth.

The names of these gentlemen do not all appear on only one party ticket. They are to be found on the list of nominees of both the great political bodies. It is a high tribute to the Catholics of Rochester that so many of their number are found worthy of nomination to official position.

When Charles A. Dana, editor of the New York "Sun" died last week the nestor of American journalism passed away. His death removes one of the, if not the greatest figures in what has been styled "personal journalism." Mr. Dana's vigorous personality, keen intellect and trenchant editorial style stamped itself upon every part of the "Sun" and exerted a powerful influence on each individual connected with the paper. His death leaves a niche in American journalism that will not be filled in many a day.

There was too much at stake in the Union Pacific organization deal for the New York "World" to let go, especially when the "World" was not "let in on the ground floor."

Three cent car fares prevail in Detroit from the time the cars begin running in the morning until 8 a. m., and between 5 and 6.30 p. m. Why not also in Rochester?

Be careful what reading matter you put in your children's hands. Do not fail to provide Catholic books and a Catholic paper for them.

"To be or not be" is a favorite quotation of Mark Hanna's these days.

DEATH OF HENRY GEORGE.

A dispatch from New York states that Henry George, New York's mayoralty candidate, died suddenly of apoplexy at 4.30 yesterday (Friday) morning.

Weekly Church Calendar.

Sunday, October 31.—Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost. Epist. Ephes. vi. 10-17; Gosp. Matt. xviii. 23-35.
Monday, Nov. 1.—All Saints. Holyday of obligation. Less. Apoc. vii. 2-12; Gosp. Matt. v. 1-12.
Tuesday, 2.—All Souls.
Wednesday, 3.—Of the Octave of All Saints.
Thursday, 4.—St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop and Confessor. SS. Vitalis and Agricola, martyrs.
Friday, 5.—Of the Octave.
Saturday, 6.—Of the Octave.

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CHURCH AND STATE.

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thinking men the world over find the greatest bulwark against these dangers in the conservative principle and doctrines of the Catholic church. All her past history shows what she has done for the people—mitigating their sorrows, alleviating their hard fate in cases of plague, famine, or oppression, pleading their cause at the bar of justice and humanity; while she has aided civil governments, in turn, by protecting their just rights, and enforcing due obedience to their authority, endeavoring always, in one word, to make both ruler and people realize that all are children of one Father who is in heaven, all destined to enjoy together the same blessed immortality. The Church is allied to no form of government; she flourishes under every form in which justice and right prevail, her supreme guide of conduct and her chief solicitude consisting in the great maxim, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and all things else shall be added unto you."

Lastly it is said the perpetuity of our free institutions depends on individual sovereignty.

If this proposition be intended to imply that a good Catholic cannot be a good citizen, stubborn facts are against it. If merely a truism, it need not occupy our attention.

With the indignation born of logic and history, we repel the charge that the church of Christ cannot live in harmony with the American republic. Only by distorting and perverting the plain language of the Vatican decree can it be made to seem that the Vicar of Christ interferes with exercise of individual liberty. Fortunately, in the case of the reigning Pontiff, the charge is made against one whom the civilized world has learned to admire and revere as a friend of the laboring classes; as the champion of the down-trodden slave in darkest Africa; as the patron and lover of history, of arts and letters; as the pacificator of nations, as a "light from heaven."

Let us strengthen his hands by offering him the material means to carry on the beneficent work of the church, let us aid him by our prayers, and let us console his paternal heart by putting in practice the beautiful lesson he has so often and so eloquently taught of meekness, of charity, of earnestness and perseverance in prayer, of fervor in the pursuits of every Christian virtue.

Have the kindness, reverend dear sir, to read this letter to your flock, that they may be on the alert to defend our holy Mother, the Church, against the spread of calumnies, which, like weeds, need constant care and healthy, energetic treatment.

I am, reverend dear sir, very faithfully yours,
MICHAEL AGOSTINI,
Archbishop of New York

THE GOSPELS

GOSPEL: St. Matthew xviii. 23-25.

At that time, Jesus spoke to His disciples this parable. "The kingdom of heaven is likened to a king, who would take an account of his servants. And when he had begun to take the account, one was brought to him that owed him ten thousand talents. And as he had not wherewith to pay it, his lord commanded that he should be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. But that servant falling down besought him, saying: Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And the lord of that servant, being moved with pity, let him go and forgave him the debt. But when that servant was gone out, he found one of his fellow-servants that owed a hundred pence; and laying hold of him he throttled him, saying: Pay what thou owest. And his fellow-servant, falling down, besought him, saying: Have patience with me, and I will pay the all. And he would not, but went and cast him into prison till he paid the debt. Now his fellow-servants, seeing what was done, were very much grieved, and they came and told their lord all that was done. Then his lord called him, and said to him: Thou wicked servant! I forgave thee all the debt, because thou besoughtest me: shouldst thou not have had compassion also on thy fellow-servant even as I had compassion on thee? And his lord being angry, delivered him to the torturers until he paid all the debt. So also shall My Heavenly Father do to you, if you forgive not every one his brother from your hearts."

Child-stealing in London is still carried on. What the person who steals a child wants is not the child but its clothes, and, having got them, the child turns up again safe and sound, but maybe a bit frightened and very hungry as a rule. The kidnapers are generally women. A woman can go about with a child without attracting attention as a man would. In most cases, sent down into the country. In the first place it is not so easily discovered and reclaimed there, and, in the next, it can be more profitably employed. The making it an offense to expose children of tender years for the purpose of gain in the streets has done a lot to make them of less value to these people. Before that poor folk used to hire out their babes to the beggars for sixpence, or something like that, a day. Some of them do so now, but the business is not what it was. A baby would in that way almost clear the rent of its parents—until it died. The hired-out baby rarely lived long.

Carried a Razor in Her Hair.

A brand new thing in a concealed weapon case turned up at Lexington, Ky., recently, when Minnie Brown (colored) was arrested for carrying concealed weapons. She was carrying a razor in her hair and when the officer took her hair off he discovered the razor nestled away in her curly locks.

NEW CHURCH CONSECRATED.

Solemn Services at the New St. Peter's at Home Last Sunday

ROME, N. Y., Oct. 24.—The new St. Peter's church in this city was consecrated to-day according to the solemn service of the Roman Catholic church. The consecration service began at 7.15 and ended at 9.20 o'clock. It was conducted by Rt. Rev. Bishop Patrick A. Ludden, of Syracuse, assisted by Very Rev. P. F. McEvoy, secretary and chancellor of the diocese, Rev. J. L. Keilly, of Schenectady, Fathers Carson and Riegler, of Rome, McGraw, of Clayville, and Mertens of Cleveland, N. Y.

At 9.30 o'clock the procession, headed by a band of thirty-two pieces, started from the old St. Peter's church and marched to the new one. Solemn pontifical mass was celebrated at 10.30 o'clock by Rt. Rev. Mgr. Martinielli, the Papal delegate, of Washington. The officers of the mass were:

Arch-priest, Rt. Rev. Mgr. Kennedy, vicar general, Syracuse, deacon of honor to the celebrant, Very Rev. Dean McDermott, of Glen Falls, Very Rev. Dr. Lynch of Utica, deacon of honor to Bishop Ludden, Very Rev. Dr. Hyanth Fudusky, of Syracuse, Rev. Dr. Terry, of Albany, deacon of the mass, Very Rev. Dean Kelly, of Oneida, Rev. Father Beehan, of Baldwinsville, masters ceremonies, Rev. P. F. McEvoy, of Syracuse, Rev. J. F. McLoughlin, of Tully.

The Papal delegate occupied the throne on the gospel side of the chancel, and Bishop Ludden the epistle side. There were present many visiting clergymen, including Bishops McQuaid, of Rochester, and Gabriel, of Ogdensburg. The consecration sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. Mgr. Martinielli, of the Catholic University of America, at Washington. His text was taken from Psalm cxi. 12-13: "What shall I render to the Lord for all He has rendered to me? I will take the chalice of salvation, and I will call on the name of the Lord."

The sermon was a very scholarly effort, and was listened to with marked attention by a congregation that filled the church. The choir was composed of fifty voices, and the music was of a high order. This evening solemn pontifical vespers were held and Bishop McQuaid of Rochester, preached a sermon.

Price Reduced for Cause

J. E. Case, Ken nothing better than to look a kid and say, and one that the other way will bear repeat.

Matt, who used to be in the line of the land, commissioner for years been identified with the land matters, even out on Sunday, at St. Paul. He has a son, who is six years old, who drops the word display a marked aptness for business. Looking to earn a little money with which to buy fireworks for the Fourth, he persuaded his mother to allow him to run a small lemonade stand on the street in front of the home. A lady came along soon after he had started in business and asked for a glass of lemonade. He told her that the lemonade in one pan was five cents a glass and that in the other pan two cents per glass.

"Why do you charge only two cents for this lemonade, while you charge five cents for the other?" asked the lady. "Isn't it just as good?"

"Yes, it's just as good in either pan," replied the boy.

"All right," said the lady, "give me some of the two-cent lemonade, if that is the case."

After she had drunk the glassful and paid for it, she said:

"Now, Johnnie, I want you to tell me why you only charge two cents for this lemonade, when it is just as good as the other?"

"Well, Johnnie," said the boy, "this here lemonade that I charge five cents for was made just the same as that in the other pan, but only costs two cents, but Bobby Jones' little bull pup fell in that pan, and so I am selling it three cents cheaper!"—Mississippi Valley Lumbrer.

James L. Whalen.

The Democratic and Good Government candidate for Member of the Executive Board, was born in Utica on November 11, 1857. He came to Rochester in 1863, and has resided in this city ever since. For 19 years he was a resident of the Second ward and for the past 15 years has lived in the Ninth ward. Mr. Whalen is a business man of prominence, being a member of the firm of R. T. Whalen & Co., and pays taxes on quite a large property. He has never held any political office, although many honorable positions have been tendered him by the Democratic party.

Mr. Whalen is one of those men who can always be depended on to look after the interests, and welfare of the city, and he should be elected one of the members of the Executive Board. He served nearly three years as a "minute man" on the old fire department from 1875 to 1881, and is universally known as a popular and successful business man. Vote for him and you will cast your vote for a man who will see that the city's interests are at all times well guarded and protected.

James H. Casey.

The Democratic choice for sidesman in the Ninth is a business man, first and last. Up to his nomination he had never entered the arena of politics, although a life-long Democrat and always warmly interested in the success of his party. He was born April 19, 1860, in this city, and has always lived in the Ninth ward. Mr. Casey is fitted for the office of sidesman from his business experience extending over a period of twenty five years. He has the confidence of all the residents of his ward and his election is assured.

Wendell Ernst

The Sixteenth Ward Democrats are figuring to overturn the slight Republican majority in the ward this year and to send to the Council a man who will stand by Mayor Warner and Good Government. The nominee, Wendell Ernst, has lived in Rochester all his life in 41 years old and is engaged in the restaurant business at the corner of Centre Avenue and North Clinton street.

Mr. Ernst has been a life-long and earnest Democrat but he has never been a candidate for office before. The nomination came to him unthought and it was only after some deliberation that he accepted it. He has a wide acquaintance in the north-east section of the city and is exceedingly popular. He is a member of Rochester Tent, Knights of the Maccabees, and of Lambert Legion, Select Knights. The votes of the Sixteenth will make no mistake if they elect Mr. Ernst for this important office.

De Vito W. Selva

The Democratic candidate for alderman in the Tenth ward, since January 1st, 1897 secured 35 ordinances for street improvements in the Tenth ward. During the past year all the trees on Ravine avenue, Greenwood park st., 2d, 3d and 4th streets, and Lake avenue were all cared for and trimmed from the fund set aside for the Park commission, and through his efforts 145 men have been employed during the summer season for the past two years cutting grass and weeds from the streets. On March 30, 97, he introduced a resolution into the Council, the object of which was to extend the time for payment of assessments on local improvements to 15 years, thus lightening the burdens of taxpayers. This bill passed the assembly, but failed in the senate, but will surely become a law at the next session of the legislature. On April 27, '97, by reason of a resolution offered by him to the effect that the Rochester Railway company were required to try for a period of one year the effect of selling six tickets for 5 cents, the citizens of Rochester are to-day enjoying the benefits of reduced street car fare. He is a candidate for re-election, and we are sure that the voters of the Tenth ward will return him to the board with an overwhelming majority.

Joseph C. Wilson.

Alderman Joseph C. Wilson, who has been accorded a re-nomination for a seat in the Common Council for the Nineteenth ward, was elected to the Council two years ago on the Republican ticket, being endorsed by the Good Government club of the ward as well. He has made an enviable record in municipal affairs, being served on important committees of the Council with care and diligence. He will, without doubt, be continued in that office as he deserves to be. Mr. Wilson is one of the firm of Wheeler & Wilson.

George A. Lane.

The candidate for Supervisor on the Republican ticket of the Sixteenth ward has always taken an active interest in the welfare of his party. Mr. Lane never sought political honors, and never held public office until elected to the Board of Supervisors two years ago. At that time he was the regular nominee for his party and received the endorsement of the Good Government club. In spite of the fact that he had to contend against the opposition of an independent ticket in addition to that of the regular Democratic nominee, he was elected by a handsome plurality. He has borne his honors so well, and served his constituents so faithfully that they rightfully considered he deserved a re-nomination. His re-election is almost a foregone conclusion.

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