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THE LATE CARDINAL KREMENTZ: Leo XIII. has grieved, says a correspondent in the New York Sun...

How far away the 1843 agitation seems. How fine a thing it was to salute the school of Mainz and of Freiburg...

To found useful and public works; to create clubs and associations; to go to the people, to the workman; to protect the humble and the wretched...

There is a lesson in this. We hear in Latin countries friends, and especially young ones—the young have a right to be impatient—complain that the Catholic Socialists do not form a compact party...

For a century past we have substituted for the grand tradition of government, the policy of refinements, of technical distinctions, of high-sounding and ornate policy...

the bearing of the transformation. The German 1848 is beginning for the Latin countries.

Cardinal Krementz was first the collaborator, then one of the heads of this pioneer party, which is now the Government party, the backbone of parliamentary majorities.

Old and feeble, the Cardinal of Cologne, on his death bed, saw that his priests were uneasy at the conservative movement on high and the socialist movement below.

The Cardinal was a high example of the churchman, the modern man, the man of government. With deep emotion, with a shiver of foreboding for Catholic Germany, we see these illustrious elders disappear.

MARRIAGE STATISTICS.

In every country the number of Christian marriages annually solemnized is regarded as a fair, if not absolutely sure, test of the general morality. It is a stronger test in Catholic countries, where divorce is unknown.

The Sisters of the Holy Cross have decided to erect hospitals in every town of 10,000 inhabitants and over in India, similar to the one now in progress in Anderson, Ind.

three hospitals in the State at present. Most of the money for the institutions is already pledged.

A New York priest, now in Rome, writes to a friend in New York that he has had an interview with the Holy Father recently.

A Paris cablegram says: "Artist Maignan has finished an extraordinary painting for the charity bazaar church, Duc d'Alencon, whose wife, the Empress of Austria's sister, was burned in the memorable fire, has been to see the work."

St. Benedict's German Catholic Church, in charge of the Franciscan Fathers, which was dedicated on the 17th inst., with imposing ceremonies, is one of the largest and finest churches in America.

A telegram received by Archbishop Chapelle on the 21st inst. announced the departure from Havana of the Rev. Francis de Paula Barnarda, recently appointed by the Pope Archbishop of Santiago de Cuba.

His Holiness, the Pope, is by no means the oldest man in the Vatican. That distinction is held by a faithful servant of his, Commander Facelli, of the Papal body guard, who reached the age of one hundred and one years a few weeks ago.

Those to whom Providence has given a superabundance of earthly goods should in their turn proffer aid and subsidy (secours et subside) to the Catholic Press.

Father Sullen, lately returned from the Philippines, asserts that the English statement of religion being dear in the islands is absolutely false.

The Sisters of Notre Dame, who for several years past have been working with such admirable results in the missions of the Belgium Congo, are about to enter on a new field of labor, in South Africa.

The Superior of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, her companions being Sister Josephine of St. Ignatius, Sister Imelda, Sister Andrina, and Sister Mary of the Martyrs.

TRUSTS.

Editor of CATHOLIC JOURNAL:

Since the commencement of the present year, the reading public have been treated to an unusual extent on the subject of the growing power and malignant influence of the trusts within the borders of these United States.

The trusts yet in their infancy have given many evidences of being above the law—so much so that public opinion is ready to declare—the "law" is all on the one side, that of the very wealthy.

At the present time the matter is radically discussed in the pulpit, public platform and a fair portion of the daily press. Hence, we are at a crisis of the fearful matter under discussion, and the one side or the other will have to give way to such deliberations!

Will the editors of our American press do so? That is a paramount question as well as a conscientious one. Ye gods, what a long line of editorials will have to be answered for before the judge of all judges when the "sale policy" and unprincipled editor dies.

The trusts on their part make the defense that they do not act the part of the "upper hand" policy in their obligations to the people and what they achieve is obtained by "certain privileges" granted through the medium of a complications of the "law"—so called.

Hence, if our representative men in high places of obligation to the people, fail to perform their duty in this respect, it is they—the representatives—more so than the trusts that are to be blamed in their conscienceless mode of conduct.

WATKINS, N. Y. ST. ANTHONY'S PICTURE. St. Anthony picture and medals that we give away are all gone again. But we expect another supply early next week.

THE GOSPELS

GOSPEL.—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost.—St. Matt. vii 31-21—At that time, Jesus said to his disciples:

"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in the clothing of sheep, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. By their fruits you shall know them."

Christ wished to teach us that it is not enough to abstain from doing evil. God expects that when we avoid evil we should also practice the Christian virtues according to our state of life, and correspond faithfully with the graces we have received.

Weekly Church Calendar. Sunday, July 9.—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost.—Gospel, St. Matt. vii 15-21—St. Ephrem deacon.

Tuesday, July 11.—St. Pius I, pope martyr. Wednesday, July 12.—St. John Gaudet, about. Thursday, July 13.—St. Anacleto, pope, martyr.

THE LAST IRISH HARPER.

Dennis Hampson, except O'Neill, the celebrated harper of the Belfast Harp Society, was the most accomplished performer on the national lyre that ever "raised the voice of song" in the halls of the Irish nobility since the days of our Orpheus, Carolan.

Dennis, though illiterate and blind having lost his sight at three years of age, had a mind illuminated with the rays of inherent genius, and also a memory eminent for its retentive powers. Every event of Irish history, every deed of our ancient chivalry, and every pedigree of the Milesian chieftains were indelibly impressed upon his recollection, and the names of the O'Neills, O'Donnells, O'Briens, McCartys, O'Connors, and the O'Moores names that cannot be effaced from the adamant monuments of their glory...

The tunes he loved to play next to his own compositions were Carolan's "Ellen Aroon," "Coolin," "Ceandubhdilla," and the "Dawning of the Day."

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Carolan and had been in the latter company when a youth. The piece which he delighted to perform was unmixt with modern refinements which he seemed studiously to avoid, confining himself to those strains which have long survived the memory of their composers, and even a knowledge of the ages that produced them.

Of the estimation in which the Irish harpers were once held, it would be superfluous here to speak. In Walker's History of the Irish Bards we have a very fine account of their power and privileges in former times, and of the efforts made for their suppression, as persons dangerous to the State, at a later period.

Many attempts have been made to revive this class of music, and although its votaries have time and again spent money generously in their efforts, the harp has almost entirely disappeared in Ireland.

BRIEF MENTION.

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