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• • • • • THE cruelty expended on the unfortunate populations of the occupied countries is one of the saddest aspects of this whole war. In particular, the shooting of hostages, and the taking of reprisals. A hostage is, by definition, an innocent man: what end of justice can be served by his death?

Never in the history of civilization has the massacre of innocent men been so widespread and prolonged as in Europe today. Last week a whole town in Czechoslovakia was wiped out; its inhabitants killed or transported; its houses burnt. All that is needed to make the resemblance complete with the Persian tyrants of old time is to sow the site of the obliterated township with salt.

Men fight in armour today, as in the Middle Ages, but with this difference: the modern man has armour-plated his conscience as well. Where are pity, chivalry and forbearance for the vanquished and the unarmed? These qualities, to the shame of our common humanity have vanished, destroyed by the awful heartlessness of a New Order which emerges as terribly old: as old, as cruelty, as brutal revenge, as barbarism.

• • • • • THE announcement of the German Government that the whole North Atlantic, from the British Isles across to the American and Canadian ports, is declared a blockade zone, is giving rise to much comment in shipping circles. The announcement, of course, is made for the neutral nations, for belligerent ships are liable to be sunk anywhere.

The German declaration of blockade has been preceded, as is well known, by repeated sinkings of neutral ships well outside the limits of former blockaded zones. The purpose of the latest declaration is to forestall all neutral protests and to frighten neutral shipping away from the North Atlantic ports.

A blockade is an internationally recognized weapon of war and in spite of the sufferings it involves for the populations of the blockaded nations, it is a far more humane measure than the indiscriminate sinking of ships. Ships attempting to run a blockade are captured, not sunk, and their cargoes sold as prizes, instead of sent to the bottom. The sailors are taken to port, not

drowned or cast adrift into the wide reaches of the ocean.

But before any nation at war can declare a blockade which is validly binding according to the rules laid down and accepted by all civilized nations, the blockade must be effective. That is, the blockading power must be in command of the seas in that region. It is not sufficient to have a few submarines which pop up now and then, when there is no cruiser in sight, and take a pot shot at a passing neutral merchantman. The nautical name for the latter kind of operation is piracy.

• • • • • SINCE General Franco won the Spanish Civil War, the political talent of that country, finding no scope at home where political thinking is an unpopular pastime, has been busy manufacturing a special brand of Spanish Imperialism for the consumption of Latin America. It is known as Hispanism, and while not so crudely presented as National-Socialism and Fascism, its motive-power is the same. Spain wants its Empire back again, in the same way as Germany wanted "lebensraum" and Italy wanted "spazio vitale". Hispanists of course deny indignantly that they are after territory. Germany and Italy, when they were in the initial stages of revolution, also denied with heat that they coveted anybody else's country.

Hispanism cannot be a success in this country. Argentina became a nation precisely because Hispanism broke down. The genuine political tradition of this country, from the Founders and passing through San Martín, Rosas, Alberdi, Sarmiento, Mitre, Avellaneda, has always been one of opposition to a Hispanism in crisis, and that tradition is fully operative today.

Efforts to destroy that tradition are based on the theory that Spain since 1936 has undergone a spiritual regeneration which has placed it right back in the age of Philip II. The proof advanced for such a historical summersault consists in the monotonous repetition of the assertion. Besides, does anyone want to live under Philip II? Were the impossible choice offered to us, we would refuse.

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Evening Musings by the Nore

At even when sunset is gliding the tree-tops,
And bathing in glory each well-wooded glen;
When nature ties wrapt in such robes of tranquility,
What a pity 'twould seem to disturb her again.

'Tis thus in the gloaming when daylight is dying,
And nothing is heard but the hoot of an owl,
Or seen, save the bat as on leathery pinions,
In search of his prey he doth constantly prow.

At such a wondrous hour how delightful to ramble,
Deep buried in rev'rie of days that are o'er;
Or stroll 'neath the moonbeams flooding the landscape,
'Round the deep shadowed walks by the banks of the Nore.

Beneath those tall elms, so old and so stately,
To the times long forgotten our thoughts ever flow;
A picture of old is now standing before us—
We see "Ye Faire Citie" of long, long ago.

O, Kilkenny! how great must thy glories have been,
In the days that have gone, never more to return;
How the hands of decay and destruction have robbed thee,
Defacing the beauties for which thou must mourn.

Where nature hath cast up her earthworks on high,
Art crowned them with castles, so stately, so grand;
Whose halls once resounded with mirth and with music,
And happiness showering on every hand.

The glory for centuries have fast been decaying,
Thine ancient ancestral halls are no more;
All crumbling to ruin, forgotten and forsaken,
Thy harp now is silent, it's music is o'er.

Irish News

LACK OF
NEWSPRINT.—

Seemingly Argentina is not the only country suffering from the scarcity of paper. We take the following from a recent copy of the "Westmeath Independent" :-

At the All-Ireland Conference, of the Typographical Association, held in Dublin on Monday last, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—"That we respectfully request the Government of Eire to place the necessary shipping facilities at the disposal of Irish newspaper owners in order to secure essential supplies of newsprint to enable the newspapers to carry on, and so avoid widespread unemployment in this important industry."

It was also decided to approach the Northern Ireland Newspaper Owners' Association, who have a large surplus of newsprint, and request them to let Eire firms have a portion of this surplus.

ANGELA MURPHY SINGS HER
WAY TO FAME.—

Six months ago Delia Murphy famous Irish ballad singer, was billed to sing at a concert in her native Claremorris, Co. Mayo. On the eve of the concert, she received news that her husband, Dr. T. J. Kiernan then Director of Broadcasting in Dublin, had been appointed Irish Minister to the Vatican. This meant leaving for Italy immediately; and Delia, forthwith, commenced preparations for accompanying her husband and family on the long and involved journey to the Eternal City.

In the ordinary course of events, Claremorris would have had to suffer its disappointment cheerfully; but true to tradition, Delia Murphy did not let her public down. She sent her young sister, now in her early twen-

ties, to take her place. Thus it was that Angela Murphy made her debut to Irish audiences to fill a role made famous by her sister as the premier singer of Irish ballads and to start what promises to be an equally successful career.

A singer of great charm and sparkling personality, Angela Murphy has, in a short time, proved herself capable of taking her famous sister's place. She has appeared at concerts all over the North and West, as well as in Cork, and her popularity is rapidly growing.

IRELAND FEELS
PINCH OF WAR.—

Ireland's calm yet determined attitude in facing war problems is reflected in a recent editorial in "The People," County Wexford newspaper. In spite of hardships, the writer states, "it is no time for panic." The editorial, entitled "Feeling the Pinch," follows:

"We are beginning to feel the pinch of war conditions in an acute form now. That was inevitable; and we must be prepared for worse. It has come home to everybody in regard to most essential commodities, with one notable exception. Bread, sugar and tea, the staple diet of the poorer people of Dublin for three meals a day (when they can afford three meals) are now rationed, so are the coal, turf and gas they need for cooking. Cigarettes, tobacco and matches are available only in limited supplies. Meat, potatoes and vegetables are still plentiful for those who can afford them. Although subject to many shortages, the clothing and boot and shoe trades are still able to supply people with practically all the necessities in this respect. The ban on private motors to become effective within a month or so will throw thousands out of employment; but no other course is open; indeed, the only question is whether this ban should not have been made oper-

ative many months ago in order to conserve supplies for essential industries.

NEW CHURCH IN COUNTY CORK—

The Bishop of Cloynce, Most Rev. Dr. Roche, laid the foundation stone of a new church—dedicated to Christ and to be called the Church of the Holy Cross—in the village of Glanworth, Co. Cork.

"Today, when practically the whole world was at war," said his lordship, "we should raise our thoughts to our Father in Heaven and express to Him our deepest gratitude that in peace we can dedicate this edifice to His Son. In these times, when the world follows its wild ambitions and forgets God, it is well for us to cultivate the fear of the Lord in our hearts."

A PIONEER OF MOTORING—

William Draper Sainsbury, solicitor, who has died at 10 Vergemont Park, Clonskeagh, Dublin, aged 81, was one of the pioneers of motoring in Ireland, owning a car in 1902.

He was the inventor of a non-skid appliance which was used in the famous Gordon Bennett race, and which afterwards won an award in the Paris trials.

Born in Australia, he was educated at Melbourne and qualified as a solicitor in Dublin. He practised in Galway and Dublin until a few years ago. He is survived by two daughters and three sons, two of whom are lawyers, the third a solicitor.

POTATO FLOUR—

By the use of a 20-per-cent potato-flour mixture, nearly 2 tons of flour are being saved, weekly, at Grangegorman and Portrane Mental Hospitals, yet, they stated that 3,000 patients and staff are getting as much bread as usual.

Mr. James Moylan, master baker, recently told the press he was extremely sceptical about the opinions of those who alleged that the technique was difficult and expensive.

"It is merely an extension of what I have seen done in my own home all my life," he added.

He showed me the actual process from the beginning.

In the courtyard patients and nurses were putting the potatoes into a mechanical washer. After this they

passed to the electric peeler.

Next came the only hand-done process—taking out the eyes and bruised spots.

Mr. Moylan said there was no more difficulty with the mixture than with wheat flour baking.

It is agreed that the new bread is an improvement on the old wheat bread. Apart from the flour saving, it is moister and keeps better.

If further flour rationing becomes necessary, it is believed that the 20 per cent. potato-flour mixture could be increased to meet it.

CENTENARY OF JOHN BANIM IRISH POET AND NOVELIST—

At Kilkenny Corporation meeting recently, Mr. O'Hanrahan said that this year was the centenary of a very eminent Kilkenny poet and novelist, who played a very important part in the public life of the city, John Banim, and he asked if a centenary celebration could not be arranged for the Banim Brothers on the lines of the Kilkham centenary at Mullinahone.

It was decided to consider the suggestion at a future meeting.

MRS. J. McLAUGHLIN. 105.—

Mrs. Jane McLaughlin, who crossed the plains in a covered wagon in the gold rush of 1849 and next saw her husband march away to the Civil War, died recently in Chicago, three days after she had observed her 105th birthday.

Mrs. McLaughlin was born in Columbus, Ohio. In her youth she moved by ox cart with her parents to Kankakee, Ill., when Kankakee was an Indian trading center. In 1849 she set out with her husband, the late Jacob McLaughlin, in the gold rush. They travelled with their three children in a covered wagon, but hostile Indians turned them back in Kansas.

BISHOPRIC OF MEATH—

Right Rev. Monsignor John F. D'Alton, M.A., D.D., D.Litt., President of Maynooth College, has been appointed Titular Bishop of Binda, and Coadjutor to Most Rev. Dr. Mulvany, Bishop of Meath.

Monsignor D'Alton, who is aged 59 years, is a native of Claremorris, County Mayo, and a nephew of the late Right Rev. Monsignor D'Alton, Dean of Tuam, the well-known historian, and is one of Ireland's foremost classical scholars.

He was educated at Blackrock College, Clonliffe College and the Irish College, Rome, where he was ordained in 1908. He spent some time after his ordination at Oxford and Cambridge Universities, took his M.A., degree with honours in Classics at National University and was Chaplain of St. Vincent's Orphanage, Glasnevin, for about two years.

CLARE ISLAND SOLD AT AUCTION—

Mutton Island, containing 185 acres, was sold in Clare Circuit Court for £435 to Mr. M. J. McMahon, solicitor, Kiltrush, acting for a purchaser, whose name was not disclosed.

The sale was a result of proceedings taken against John and Bridget Griffey, Ennis, by Francis Griffey, Ennis, to realize the estate of his late father, which included the island.

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SECURITY IN WORLD EVENTS.—

The fact that M. Molotov, the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, recently paid a trip to the United States, thence to England, and finally back to Moscow without the slightest knowledge on the part of the public

shows what can be done in the way of keeping things secret. The red-hot journalists of Washington stood agast when they learnt that the plain "Mr. Smith", who had been daily visiting the White House, was no other than M. Molotov. What they would have given to secure a scoop for their respective papers.

As a result of the Russian commissar's visit to Washington and London a very important agreement has been signed, which will have far-reaching effects during the war and in the constructive period of peace. The pact is signed for twenty years and it is refreshing to read that that all three nations proscribe territorial annexations.

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EIRE STEAMER SUNK.—

Due to German aerial action the "City of Bremen" plying between Great Britain and Ireland was sunk in the Irish sea. The Dublin Government has lodged a vigorous protest to Berlin and has demanded full payment for the ship and cargo. The hopes that the German government will meet the just claim of the Irish government are but of the flimsiest nature.

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THE GATEWAY TO AUSTRALIA.—

New Guinea, world's second largest island, only 75 miles from Australia across the stormy Torres Straits, is a land of high mountain ranges and volcanoes. The western part (200,000 sq. in) is Dutch possession, the east (900,000 sq. in) is administered by the Commonwealth.

There are several modern aerodromes. Gold, rubber and copper are the main exports. Port Moresby, capital and chief port of Papua (on the south coast) is less than 150 miles from the nearest Japanese landing point.

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A GOOD TEACHER.—

We take the following from a U. S.A. exchange:—

"No matter how ungodly a life a man might lead, no matter how careless he might be in observing the commandments given him by his Creator, no matter how lax he has been in acknowledging his God through prayer, no matter how industriously he has tried to convince himself intellectually that there is no Supreme Being when death stares him fully in the face and life for him seems to be nearly over, God enters into that life.

"Last week an army officer recently returned from Corregidor related an incident which happened during a particularly heavy bombing attack. To preserve himself from the falling shells he sought refuge in a fox hole already occupied not by the customary hard-boiled, but by a hard-praying

sergeant who feeling, perhaps, the need of an explanation stated that in the fox holes of Bataan there are no atheists."

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THE ARGENTINE PROTEST.—

At the commencement of this war an Argentine merchantman was torpedoed and sunk at the entrance to the Bristol channel. A protest was lodged in the Wilhelmstrasse and as far as the general public here are aware there is not the slightest knowledge as to the terms of the German reply. It is rumoured in many quarters that the reply was of such a nature that it was not suitable for publication.

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HALIFAX AS FOREIGN MINISTER.—

Reviewing the edition of Lord Halifax's "Speeches on Foreign Policy 1934-1939," recently published by the Oxford University Press, the London "Tablet" says: "The most striking thing about the speeches of Lord Halifax is the continuous evidence of the Christian basis of his politics."

His approach to European relations is grounded in the belief that "at the foundation of our civilisation are the moral values which have been gradually set up through the influence of Christianity, and by the observance, however imperfect, of the principles of Christian thought and action which have for centuries been the strongest support of human peace and solidarity.

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TAX ON CATTLE.—

The proposal made to the Chamber of Deputies to place a sales tax on cattle to the tune of six per cent, has raised a general protest in the cattle industry and the project will be fought to the bitter end. At a time when the Government is endeavouring to induce agriculturists to diversify their production and as far as possible get back to cattle raising, it certainly does seem slightly inopportune to bring forward such a staggering tax on cattle. Practically all the leading Rural societies and many individual producers have lodged protests with the National Government against the approbation of this confiscatory measure.

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WHERE PROPAGANDA CAN LEAD A NATION—

"A Nazified version of the Psalms entitled, 'God Songs of the German People,' is the work of Herr Wilhelm Teudt, another savant of the new order. Seventy-five of these 'God Songs' replace the 150 that comprise the Book of Psalms and have been prepared strictly in accordance with requirements of the new faith. For example: the 2nd verse of the 86th Psalm reads, 'The Lord loveth the gates of Sion above all the tabernacles of Jacob'; while the Nazified version is, 'The Lord loveth the heights of Germania more than all foreign places.'

"Propaganda for home consumption brings Hitler into the religious picture by suggestion, and frequently seeks to convey the impression that he is possessed of God-like attributes. A Nazi family magazine reminds its readers that the Fuhrer is no human

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SUBMARINE WARFARE.—

The Germans have announced through their broadcasting stations that the total Atlantic Ocean from Key West in the Far South to Canada in the Far North is to be considered a prohibited area for all shipping and that all vessels, entering those waters, do so at their own risk and will be destroyed without previous advice by Axis submarines. If this step is definitely taken by the Axis governments, what will the situation of this country be? Argentina has made sacrifices to secure a merchant marine and hopes were high that with the twenty ships now in the service we would be able to secure essential commodities from the U. S. A. This latest development means there are dangerous times ahead and we have yet got to see if the Axis governments are so foolish to terminate with the only neutral nations in South America. It may come to pass that Argentina will be compelled to send her merchant vessels to the U. S. ports under Argentine convoy. It is totally impossible that we should be cut off from the United States sources of supply.

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ATROCIOUS VENGEANCE.—

The death of Heydrich, the German Gauleiter in Czechoslovakia, as the result of an attempt on his life, has brought a spate of executions in its wake. Some 400 innocent people have already been exterminated and an entire village, Lidice, has been completely wiped out, for the simple reason that the army of occupation formed

the idea that the men, who had made the attack on Heydrich, were being protected by the villagers. Many a year will pass before such a hideous crime as the total sack of a city and the butchery of its inhabitants can be forgotten and when the day of liberation comes for the oppressed nations, there will be some dire reckoning for those to blame.

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A TRAGIC ACCIDENT.—

The whole country was shocked by the news from Mercedes in Uruguay recounting the manner in which some eight people lost their lives when crossing the river on a "balsa" in a micro-omnibus. Seemingly the chauffeur acted with criminal negligence and the "colectivo" smashed the chains of the "balsa" and tumbled into the river where it ran some eight metres deep. Despite all efforts to save them seven women and one man lost their lives. Those, who escaped, had stepped out of the "colectivo" as soon as it had got on the "balsa".

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'FRIEND OF CHESTERTON AND BELLOC.—

Maurice Leahy, known from coast to coast in the U.S.A. for the hundreds of lectures he has given on Literature and Drama recently gave the back-ground of Hilaire Belloc's life and work at the Chesterton Book Shop, 1062 Lexington Avenue, New York. As a friend of Belloc's in London in the old days Mr. Leahy interpreted Belloc's poetry by reading it. Belloc always read Chesterton's poetry, and Chesterton read Belloc's, but both men insisted that Mr. Leahy was the ideal person to read all poetry—he has all the poetic feeling and romance of Ireland in his voice, said Mr. Belloc. Congratulating Mr. Leahy on his lectures and writings Vice President Wallace—an admirer said to him: You have done a magnificent job in this country. Cardinal O'Connell publicly congratulated Mr. Leahy on his nice diction in public speaking.

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MEETING THE WAR SITUATION.—

No matter what steps are taken to meet the war situation, one thing is certain. The only way of paying the costs of war is to work harder, produce more, and do without many things to which we have become accustomed. It cannot be accomplished by manipulating currency and credit. The time is at hand when the people generally must make the sacrifices about which so much is being said, and so little seems to have been done.

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MORE U. S. SOLDIERS FOR IRELAND.—

Last week-end a further convoy of American soldiers were landed in North Ireland. Just how many men the U. S. A. have there is naturally a military secret, but considering that this latest convoy was the largest that crossed the Atlantic, the number must be very considerable. We regret to observe that amongst the latest contingent were a number of coloured regiments. They will not receive a very hearty welcome in Ireland. Nevertheless we take it that war is war and some inconveniences have to be inevitably borne with resignation.

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Cardinal Newman

No doubt even some who failed to enter Holy Mother Church gave Her a helping hand. William Cobbett, in his "History of the Reformation" discovered a thing of great importance to England at a time when Trade was everything. He stoutly taught people how the Reformation had ruined and maltreated the poor. He opened their eyes to the fact that the Ancient Faith was on the side of the people. John Ruskin became enraged with the godless chimney-stacks of Commerce and measured his age by the test of Divine Beauty and found the age to be making towards what was mean and ragged and inartistic. Indeed Chatterton and Percy had already dreamt of restoring the Ancient England of the True Faith into a new medieval existence. Walter Scott in spite of his ignorance of Catholic doctrine (he improved towards the end) made England cast back longing eyes to the Catholic Middle Ages. Dickens, despite his unacademic knowledge of history, tried to awake a mechanical and macadamised age to the Charity of Christ. But it required stout hearts to awake England to the glories of its Ancestral Faith.

John Henry Newman made Oxford rub its eyes in 1843. Kenelm Digby had however preceded him in invoking the Catholic Spirit. Digby was received into the Church in 1825. He will be remembered in English Literature for "The Broad Stone of Honour" and "Mores Catholici." He was a relative of Sir Thomas More. He was born in 1798 and died in 1880. At the age of eighteen he entered Trinity College, Cambridge. Listen to Digby's discovery of the Ages of Faith in his work "Mores Catholici": — "The Middle Ages were ages of highest grace to men; ages of Faith; ages when all Europe was Catholic; when vast temples were seen to rise in every place of human concourse to give glory to God, and to exalt men's souls to sanctity; when houses of holy peace and order were found amidst woods and desolate mountains, on the banks of placid lakes as well as on solitary rocks in the ocean; ages of sanctity which witnessed a Bede, an Alcuin, a Bernard, a Francis, and crowds who followed them as they did Christ; ages of vast and beneficent intelligence, in which it pleased the Holy Spirit to display the power of the seven gifts in the life of an Anselm, a Thomas of Aquinum, and the saintly flock whose steps a cloister guarded; ages of the highest civil virtue; which gave birth to the laws and institutions of an Edward, a Lewis, a Suger; ages of the noblest art which beheld a Giotto, a Michael Angelo, a Raffaelo, a Dominichino; ages of poetry which heard an Avitus, a Caedmon, a Dante, a Shakespeare, a Calderon; ages of more than mortal heroism, which produced a Tancred and a Godfrey; ages of majesty, which knew a Charlemagne, an Alfred and the sainted youth who bore the lily; ages too of England's glory, when she appears not even excluding a comparison with the Eastern Empire, ages the most truly civilised country on the globe; when the Sovereign of the greater part of the western world applied to her schools for instructors; when she sends forth her saints to evangelise the nations of the North, and to diffuse spiritual treasure over the whole world; when heroes flock to her courts to behold the models of reproachless chivalry and Emperors leave their thrones to adore God at the tombs of the martyrs."

1801. He was received into the Catholic Church in 1845—bidding farewell to his dear friends Keble and Pusey and to his beloved Oxford. He was ordained a priest in May 1847. He might have given to Catholics a new English Version of the Holy Scriptures but even after some encouragement the idea had to be abandoned. He desired to aid Catholics at Oxford by establishing a mission there. This warm project too had to be abandoned. Newman was perhaps a living example of the Triumph of Failure. Misinterpreted frequently in his life he occupies to-day the foremost place in the intellectual thought of English Catholics. In May 1879 Pope Leo XIII made Newman a Cardinal. "The cloud has been lifted from me forever" he loyally uttered from his sanctified soul. "One can never get too much of Newman" says Augustine Birrell.

No writer ever summed up the Tragedy of England's loss of the Ancient Faith more eloquently than Newman. Take this triumphant note from "The Second Spring" where he says: "And in that day of trial and desolation for England, when hearts were pierced through and through with Mary's wee at the Crucifixion of Thy Body mystical, was not every tear that flowed, and every drop of blood that was shed, the seeds of a future harvest, when they who sowed in sorrow would reap in joy?"

Perhaps it was Keble (1792 to 1866) who initiated the Oxford Movement by his sermon on "National Apostasy"—yet his sentiments held him back from following Newman and he compromised with the term "Catholic." That great spiritual leader Pusey (1800-1882) sought to hold that the Church of England should be considered a legitimate child of the Church of the Apostles. And because he could not hold it he gave his useful services to the Oxford Movement, protesting against the secularisation of the law-established Church. He too sought compromise with Rome and ended nowhere.

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THE SHIPPING PROBLEM.

Wool exporters are becoming more and more concerned with the difficulties placed in their way through the continued lack of shipping facilities. Some time ago the Minister of Agriculture promised that influence would be brought to bear on the managers of the State Merchant Fleet seeking a larger proportion of space on the State ships for the wool trade, but so far little or nothing has been done in this regard.

In the meanwhile the wool stocks are mounting to unprecedented totals, the figures for the stock in the Mercado Central de Frutos on Saturday last being 33,423,102 kilos, as against 10,352,943 kilos on the same date last year. The amount of baled wool held in the various "barracks" must also be enormous.

A number of American ships are in port, or expected shortly, but it is significant fact that the greater portion of their available space is already tied up for Montevideo and Brazilian cargoes. This leaves it up to the State Fleet to come to the aid of the harassed wool merchants.



Huge Wheat Stocks:—

According to the statistics issued by the National Grain Board the wheat stocks of the country have increased by two million tons as compared with the same date in 1941.

On June 1 the stocks included: 6,423,016 tons of wheat, 60,558 tons of maize, 1,843,505 tons of linseed, 44,889 tons of oats, 104,282 tons of barley 111,986 tons of rye, 14,069 tons of birdseed and 343,861 tons of sunflower-seed.

Compared with 1941 stocks on the same date, this year's present increases of approximately 343,861 tons of sunflower-seed, 585,000 tons for linseed and a trebling of the figures for maize. The 1941 stocks of wheat were 4,888,889 tons.



Livestock Breeders Protest:—

The proposed new tax on meat exports, a repetition more or less of that suggested during the last world war by Irigoyen's government, intended to provide funds with which to subsidise local butchers, has raised a storm of

protests from all parts of the country. This tax is the subject of a Bill presented to Congress as a means towards reducing the price of meat in the local markets.

All rural entities in every section of the country, headed by the Argentine Rural Society, have united in the fight against this Bill which is to be opposed by every possible means.

A very representative body of livestock men, headed by the President of the Argentine Rural Society, Dr. Adolfo Bioy, obtained an audience with the acting-President of the Nation, Dr. Ramón S. Castillo, to lay before him the reasons for which the government plan must prove ineffective for the object sought, and that increased taxation on exports would result in disarranging the whole market as it would, undoubtedly, have a disastrous effect on the trade with the British Government, the only client in a position to buy Argentine meat at the present time and for some time after the war is ended.

Dr. Castillo, in his reply to the explanation given by Dr. Bioy, expressed the willingness of his government to accept advice from the men most affected by the proposed changes, and requested his visitors to communicate their views to the respective Congressional Committees that are to report on the Bill.

In the meanwhile the only real action towards bringing down the price of meat on the local markets is that of the Corporation of Argentine Meat Producers which is opening retail shops in the poorer districts of the City.



The Annual Lamb Block Test:—

The annual block test for export type lambs, organised by the Argentine Rural Society with the cooperation of the La Blanca Frigorífico, will be held in the Avellaneda plant on October 9.

To facilitate entries of different breeds, the lambs will be received in four separate lots. The first on July 3, the second on August 7, the third on September 4, and the last on October 2; as usual the lambs are to be presented on the hoof in the Avellaneda Livestock Market.

Entries close in the offices of the A. R. S., Calle Florida 460, on June 15, July 15, August 15, and September 15, respectively.



A Great Future For Pig Breeding:

The action of the Ministry of Agriculture in appointing a committee of men engaged in the pig breeding industry to organise a campaign for increased pig breeding, has met with universal approval. Argentine pork products have become known abroad as a result of the disappearance of Denmark as a producing centre, and, as it will take many years for the Danish farmers to replenish their breeding stocks ravaged by the invaders, the local industry has ample time given it to obtain a permanent and valuable market for its pork and bacon.

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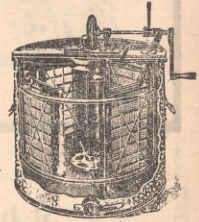
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From "The Southern Cross" of Fifty Years Ago.

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On Tuesday Professor Fitzsimons appeared before Judge Obligado to answer the charge of libel brought against him by Dr. Orma, ex-rector of the National College. Dr. Argerich was Counsel for Dr. Orma and Fitzsimons was defended by Dr. Mendez. Orma contended that the statements made by Fitzsimons in the note to the Ministers of Instruction, that the disorders which took place on a certain day within the College were done with the connivance or the instigation of the Rector was a libel and he proceeded to call witnesses to prove that the "escándalo" did not take place, though everybody knows that the College for a long time before Fitzsimons interfered was "un escándalo mayúsculo". Dr. Mendez, in reply to the contention of Dr. Argerich, said that Professor Fitzsimons had acted in his administrative capacity and that his statements did not in any way reflect upon Dr. Orma as a man and a "perfecto caballero". He also brought a counterblast to bear on Orma's personality, accusing him in turn of libelling his client in a letter which he published in *La Nación* after himself and his merry lads had been given a holiday... We suppose that this lawsuit will drag its weary length for a few months. There will be plenty of "papel sellado", and "escritos", with "trasládese" and "no hay lugar", or "como se pide" at the bottom, and then the whole matter will be forgotten and the "expediente" will moulder away in the archives or be sold for waste-paper".

house on Wednesday... He was a native of the County Westmeath and came to this country about sixty years ago... If his descendants were counted they would be found to number more than 150 souls".

No Rain.

"We have had no rain since March 1st and every night we have severe frosts. Camps are so bare that very soon unless Providence interferes there will be nothing for cattle to eat."

Where is it now?

"Mr. Cochrane, the well-known Irish-American artist, is painting in oil a large picture of the late Father Fahy which will be raffled in aid of the female Irish Orphanage".

Same old Phrase.

"At a banquet in Berlin in honour of the King and Queen of Italy, the Emperor William proposed the health of the Italian nation and said that the alliance was a guarantee for the peace of Europe. Humbert responded".

Executed.

"Deeming was executed on Monday 29th of May. The condemned man was restless during the early portion of the night, constantly tossing about in his bed, but he fell asleep at 3 a.m. and slept till 6 a.m. in a moderately peaceful way. At 7 a.m. his irons were removed. The condemned man ate a moderate breakfast, taking about the same meal he had been accustomed to eat since his trial. During the repast he conversed cheerfully with the officials, saying he was perfectly resigned".

ST. PATRICK'S HOME.

BAZAAR.

The Bazaar in aid of St. Patrick's Home, Villa Elisa, will be held this year at the Casa Suiza hall, Rodriguez Peña N° 254, on the 25th and 26th July next. The committee appeal once again to the community for help and support in making this undertaking the success it deserves to be, for the sake of our aged poor.



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Deaths.

Catherine McGarry de Gibney, at Carmen de Areco, on the 16th inst.

Martin Roach, in the Hospital of Cordoba, on June 1st.

Anita Menley, in Giles, on June 8th.

Mrs. Jane Reade, in Barracas al Norte, on June 21st.

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HURLING CLUB

DANCE.

Preparations for the dance to be held on the night of July 8th, from 10.30 to 4 o'clock, continue in full swing and nothing is being left undone in order to assure the success of the event, which promises to be most brilliant, judging by the enthusiasm its announcement has caused amongst members and friends of the Club. As already announced, Professor De Lillo's orchestra will be in attendance for the occasion and the following admission prices will be charged: Members \$2, person and non-members \$4, per person. A hearty welcome is extended to all the people of our community and their friends.

TENNIS.

Two American Tournaments, Ladies' Doubles and Men's Doubles, open to all members of the Club, will be played off simultaneously on the 27th, 28th and 29th inst. Inscriptions will be received at the Club on Saturday and Sunday next, and as these Tournaments will mark the opening of the 1942 Tennis Season within the Club, all members interested in the game are invited to participate and a record number of inscriptions is expected.

LADIES' HOCKEY.

The Club's Second Division team achieved a rather easy victory over Old Northlanders on Saturday last and thereby moved up to third place on the 1942 Championship table. Though their opponents played all the match with only nine players and were besides a rather weak side, it must be admitted that the home team scored a very convincing victory, which indicates that they are recovering last year's form and will give their followers many more satisfactions in future. Undoubtedly Girlie MacAllister's re-appearance in the team, from which she has been absent for the last two months, means a great reinforcement for them and besides, the changing of her sister Dora from the pivotal position up to centre forward, from which position she scored no less than 5 goals on Saturday, has given great penetrating force to their forward line which was the weak point of the team in the matches played heretofore this year. Tomorrow they will have to meet the strong San Isidro Club team and it is only then that a definite judgement of their prospects for future could be made. If they emerge victors against S.I.C. they have a good chance to end the Season in an enviable po-

sition on the League Table, but if on the contrary they happen to suffer another reverse, it is doubtful if they will be able to repeat last year's performance. It is expected that they continue to win and that notwithstanding the various changes circumstances introduced in the team this year, they will repeat their campaign of the last year and once more prove their worth. In their last match they played in all round good game, beating the Old Northlanders to the tune of eight goals to nil, five of which—as already mentioned—were scored by Dora MacAllister. The remaining three were scored by G. MacAllister, Lucy Fox and M. McC. de Suarez. The following players formed the Hurling Club's team, which appeared somewhat like the Fox Family combination, in the fore-mentioned match:—Lizzie Fox, B. Har-ve and Lily Fox, K. Fox, I. Lange and J. Fox, G. MacAllister, Lucy Fox, D. MacAllister, M. McC. Suarez and M. Vade.

SATURDAY'S MATCH.

Tomorrow the girls of the Hurling Club's team will meet the San Isidro Club eleven on the latter's field in Boulogne (San Isidro). The match is announced for 14 o'clock, and being a 'fast day and considering that the girls would probably appreciate some line support in such a difficult engagement, it is expected that a fair number of followers will travel out with them for the occasion, to prove to them that they have the wholeheart-



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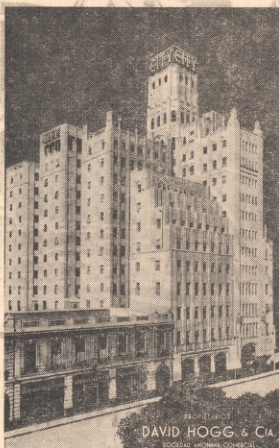
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MEN'S HOCKEY.

There will be another practice for prospective players tomorrow afternoon and all interested in practising the game are invited to turn up for the occasion. Members are reminded that the Club has bought a new set of Hockey sticks which are at the disposal of those interested in purchasing same. All facilities for payment of these sticks are granted to members of the Club and it is expected that this will encourage new players to join up in the practices which have been held prior to the forming of the team which is to represent the Club in the Hockey Association. As already announced, this Association has already promised to have an exhibition match, between first division teams, held at the Hurling Club, in order to cause further enthusiasm for the game amongst members.

This said match will probably take place on Sunday July 5th., and definite information regarding same will be given next week.

RUGBY.

A friendly match between Porteno A. C. 3rd. Division Rugby team and the Hurling Club has been arranged for tomorrow Saturday at 15.15 o'clock.

There will be another friendly match played on the Hurling Club's field on Sunday, June 28th, against St. Andrew's Former Pupils.

BOCHA CHAMPIONSHIP.

On Saturday at 14.30 o'clock K. Casey will play S. Fleming and Simon Walsh will play Jack Dowling for the semifinal matches of the Club's championship.

On Sunday the winners of these two matches will meet at 15 o'clock to play the final encounter.

PIANO RECITAL.

Those who were fortunate enough to hear Lore Jelinek's brilliant performance in the Odeon Theatre last April when she generously gave her services in aid of the British Red Cross, will be pleased to know that this fine pianist is giving a recital of works by Franck, Chopin, Liszt, Fauré and Rachmaninoff in the Teatro Del Pueblo on Monday, June 22nd, at 6.30 p.m.

NEW PASSIONIST PREPARATORY COLLEGE.

For some time past the Passionist Fathers have been faced with the problem of securing a new Preparatory College for aspirants to the holy priesthood in their Congregation. The fact of having to refuse admission to a number of applicants, owing to reduced premises, has induced the actual Superiors of the Argentine Passionist Province to take a decisive step in the solution of this problem of vital importance. At present there are 35 young men in St. Gabriel's Preparatory College, Vicente Lopez. From the ranks of St. Gabriel's have come many of the young now at work in the harvest field of the Master. The young men now in training for the novitiate and higher studies are looking forward to the new Prep. College already in construction in the vicinity of Vicente Casares. This new land-mark will have a capacity for some seventy students. The college will be complete in every respect. It is a big undertaking, but of supreme importance, today more than ever; it is God's work and therefore deserves the support and favour of all zealous souls. The Passionist Fathers hope to have the new college completed and in working order by the beginning of next year.

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About People

Mr. Arturo Nazar (jun.), accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Bella Donaldson Davidson, left last week-end for Alta Gracia, where they pursue spending a season.

On Monday last Miss Patricia Cavanagh was at home to her friends on the occasion of the announcement of her engagement.

On Sunday last Mrs. Ester Campos Carles de Dunsmore gave a children's party in attention to her little daughter, Patricia.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week Monsignor Miguel de Andrea preached a series of sermons for men in the crypt of the San Miguel church at 20.30 daily. The sermons were followed with interest by a large number of people.

On Sunday last the Cardinal Primate blessed the foundation stone of the new building to be erected by the Cultural and Social Association, Helena Larroque de Roffo.

On Sunday last in the street that bears his name a memorial tablet was placed in memory of the late Dr. Jose Leon Suarez, who was an eminent lawyer, professor and publicist.

A military commission from Chile passed through Buenos Aires this week en route to Brazil, where they will visit barracks and other military establishments.

On last Thursday afternoon the civil registry ceremony, connected with the marriage of Miss Maria Adeljina Lalor and Mr. Douglas Macdonald took place. The same evening Mr. and Mrs. James R. Macdonald entertained a large number of friends to a cocktail party and supper at their residence in Calle Juncal.

Mrs. Lily Duggan de Cané, accompanied by her son, is spending a season in Alta Gracia.

Mrs. Mary Gahan Morgan de Hogg Peralta Ramos is confined to her rooms.

The engagement of Miss Ana Maria Carey and Engineer Jorge B. Gutierrez Salinas has been announced.

Justice Black, at a High Court sitting in Sligo, upheld an award of £50 compensation to Lady Louis Mountbatten, Classybaun Castle, Cliffoney, Co. Sligo, for the malicious destruction by fire of a thatched cottage on her estate at Creevmore, near Cliffoney.

Injured in a motor collision near Cashel, Co. Tipperary, Jeremiah J. O'Connell, farmer, Rathmore, Dualla, Cashel was awarded \$700 damages by a High Court jury against Richard Conroy, merchant and farmer, Main Street, Cashel, owner of one of the cars involved. He was also awarded the costs of the action.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Luis Duhau in Avenida Alvear, Mrs. Nelly O'Farrell de Mihanovich is organizing a tea and bridge party in favour of the funds of the Argentine Committee pro Jugoslavia.

Mrs. Lily W. de O'Neill has returned to her home in Montevideo, after visiting friends in Arrecifes and this city.

It is to be hoped (writes an Arrecifes correspondent) that the weather will continue as it is now, so that the Grand Ball to take place in Arrecifes on the 27th inst will prove an unqualified success.

On Saturday, June 20th, Fr. Idephonous Lynch, C.P., will leave for Lincoln district to preach a week's mission in the town of Triunfo in preparation for the blessing of a new Church in said locality.

Mrs. Juana Ward Geoghegan, who has been seriously ill at her residence in La Plata, is out of danger and progressing favourably. She wishes to thank all kind friends who inquired for her.

Mr. William Morgan and family are recent arrivals in town from Fray Bentos, R. O. and are registered at the City Hotel.

On Tuesday last Miss Maria Adeljina Lalor was the guest of honour at a lunch offered by her friends.

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For Freedom

PRESIDENT Roosevelt's noble words, pronounced on Sunday at the White House of Washington on the occasion of Flag Day, will find a vibrant echo in the hearts of all free men, and of all who long to be free. "The four freedoms of common humanity" Franklin Roosevelt said, "are as much the elements of man's needs as the air and sunlight, bread and salt. Deprive him of all these freedoms and he dies. Deprive him of part of them, and part of him withers."

It is a melancholy fact that in our age large numbers of men have lost their faith in freedom. Deep down in the roots of totalitarianism, whether of the German, the Italian, or the Russian variety, nestles the conviction that human beings must be driven towards an end, that this end justifies all means, and that individual freedom, so dear to the hearts of former generations, is a delusion and a snare.

This loss of faith is not unusual, even in Argentina, a nation which was built on freedom. Are there not many who despair of the free institutions of this country, who have persuaded themselves that the only remedy for our ills is a dictatorship of some sort? They have lost faith in freedom.

But there is a law concerning freedom which is written into the heart of man, and it is fatal to tamper with that law. Three centuries ago the Reformers tried to tamper with the doctrine of the freedom of the will—and the result was that they wrecked the unity of Christendom.

Those who would tamper with man's civil and domestic freedom are preparing an equal calamity for the human race. No nation can persevere in prosperity unless the artificers of that prosperity are free agents. No system can endure unless its upbuilders embrace it freely.

Georges Bernanos, in his remarkable work "The great graveyards under the moon", published two years before this war, foresaw the fall of France under Hitler's hosts. Nazism, he said would triumph in Europe; but its end would come when the first generation of Nazis lost their grip. That generation was composed of free men, who voluntarily embraced the Nazi system, and brought to it the creative activity of free men. But when the day should come that a generation of men reared in slavery must take over the helm, then disaster will overtake Nazism. His remark is profoundly true. Totalitarianism must inevitably perish, because it carries the seeds of its own dissolution.

President Roosevelt touched upon another vital flaw in the totalitarian philosophy when he alluded to the profound scepticism regarding mankind which emerges from totalitarianism in action. "Belief in the four freedoms of humanity—belief in man created as a free image of God—is the crucial difference between ourselves and the enemies we face today."

Human beings, according to the totalitarian philosophy, must be ruled with a rod of iron. Terror must be used to drive them. These rigours are necessitated, because human beings are essentially wilful

and perverse and must be held down by force. That is to say; totalitarianism has no hope in humanity as such.

"We have known", President Roosevelt goes on to say "that man

born to freedom in the image of God will not forever suffer the sword of the oppressor. With it they will destroy those tyrants. Brazen tyrannies pass. Man marches forward towards the light."

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THE O'MAHONY OF KERRY

There are half-a-dozen families in Ireland whose history, in the conventional sense, goes back to Milesian times. They are the surviving branches of the great sept and class whose sway was unchallenged in the land of the Gael till the Elizabethan settlement. They are distinguished today by a curious prefix—the heir thereof places the definite article before his surname—The O'Connor Don; The Mac Gillicuddy of the Reeks; The O'Gorman; The O'Sullivan Beare. There is no more ancient style of address in Europe. When Red Hugh O'Neill made his submission to the English Queen, the latter bestowed on him the title of Earl, an honour which he appreciated lightly. For, as he was about to raise his standard in Ulster, an emissary of the Queen appeared before him, desiring speech with Earl O'Neill, and this was his answer, according to a famous legend:

"Earl me no earls.
My foot is on my native heath
And my name is The O'Neill".

An echo of Ireland's great past rang in our ears when a tall, spare gentleman paid a visit to our office last week, and announced that he was The O'Mahony of Kerry. It is a far cry from Milesius, and the Elizabethan Wars, and Kerry, to Buenos Aires, 1942, in both time and space, so we listened with deepest interest to a story of adventure and achievement.

The O'Mahony is not an utter stranger to Buenos Aires, for he passed by here nearly forty years ago, on his way to South Chile. Later he crossed the boundary and settled near Puerto Montt in Argentine Patagonia, where he was one of the earliest settlers, and helped to open up that region.

Nor was this the sum of his wanderings. When his Patagonian venture prospered, The O'Mahony pulled his stakes, and started for the interior of South Africa, where again he wrested a home-stead from the wilderness. Nor is he a stranger to the Australian bush, or to the wooded valleys of New Zealand.

And finally, back to Ireland, to the old home in Kerry, where The O'Mahony has resided continuously since 1921, except for occasional visits to his interests abroad. In truth, an interesting life, rich in experience.

We questioned The O'Mahony about his public life in Ireland. He told us that he took no more than a neighbourly interest in public affairs, till 1927 when he was waited on by a delegation of the Fine Gael Party in Kerry; the delegates wanted him to stand for the Irish Parliament, the Dáil Eireann: a request whose fulfillment would entail much upset and distraction from his chosen lot of a quiet gentleman, farming his own land and overseeing his properties. But politics, we suppose, is in the blood. The O'Mahony's father was a Nationalist M.P. in his day, and stuck to Farnell when most of his followers deserted that mysterious political genius. In the end, the present head of the O'Mahony

clan allowed his name to go forward, and he was elected.

"I am a Protestant", The O'Mahony told us "and the members of the reformed faith are a negligible minority in the Kingdom of Kerry; so it was the Catholic vote which put me in. There is no bigotry, no religious intolerance anywhere in Southern Ireland". We are glad to quote The O'Mahony's words.

The changing fortunes of Irish politics left The O'Mahony without his place in the Dáil, but he continued to maintain his post in his party. He is today a member of the Executive Council of Fine Gael.

It was not long before we put Napper Tandy's question to The O'Mahony. "How does Ireland stand"? Ireland must now rely on her own food supply, he told us; there is scarcely any overseas shipping arriving in Irish ports. Transport has been cut down to a minimum owing to coal shortage; the food problem may soon become serious.

"What of Irish neutrality?" The O'Mahony declared that this position was taken as a result of an all-party agreement. There is not any feasible means of testing this position before the people at the present time, he continued; but this he knew: there has been an exodus of young Irishmen "across the water" and most of them are "in the air". We knew what he meant. It is a curious thing that an overwhelming proportion of Irish recruits for the British Royal Air Force are from Eire. The O'Mahony saw the official lists of volunteers for a particular date, and these were the figures: Total, 64; From Eire, 60; from Northern Ireland, 4.

The O'Mahony, who is in Argentina on private business expects to stay some time. We bid him welcome.

CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY.

At the 14th Annual General Meeting of the Catholic Men's Society held recently, elections took place to complete the Committee for 1942-43.

The result was as follows:—President, Mr. J. E. Hughes; Vice-President, Mr. J. F. Grehan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. B. G. Wells; Hon. Asst. Secretary, Mr. H. Earle Braisted Jr.; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. Rooney; Member, Dr. R. J. Moran.

The new Committee met last week in order to consider ways and means of increasing membership, and decided to appeal once again to all English-speaking Catholic men to join the Society. Full particulars of its aims and objects may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, B. Mitre 299, Office 34, Buenos Aires, U. T. 33 Avenida 4796.

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DEPLORING MR. WALDO FRANK.

Bad salesmen can ruin a good business and inept propagandists can destroy a good cause. We have a visitor here from the United States, with a world-wide reputation in letters, Mr. Waldo Frank, who has been giving his time to encouraging Argentina in her democratic faith. He made one such effort on Sunday, in "La Nación" and we must confess that we have rarely read anything so calculated to harden the people of this country in their ever-present suspicion of a certain kind of goodwill visitor. We will translate (with acknowledgments to "La Nación") a couple of remarks of Mr. Frank's, to which we take exception.

"The majority of the backward communities of Mexico receive with expressions of profound gratitude the doctors and nurses who arrive to save their children and increase their lives. (I have visited there and I know what I say). The greater part of the resistance is not due to the witch-doctors but to the Catholic Church which has been wounded by the often arrogant empiricism of the Revolution. In states like Jalisco, where the *Chisteros* (sic: an error, or a misprint, for *Cris-*

teros), fanatical ecclesiastics, are powerful, there are frequent attacks on the nurse and the teacher."

It is nobody's misfortune but Mr. Frank's if he will persist in reproducing the ancient warring of Religion versus Science. We thought that the battle of the Test-tubes against the Bible was over and done with; as also the battle of the Teachers against the Priests. But Mr. Frank gets us wrong when he thinks that Argentina can be stirred by resurrecting these old quarrels. There was a time when they were all living issues in this country, in so far as numbers of people had been persuaded by propagandists and by books that Christianity was under trial, the accusers being Science and Education. But that time has long gone, and Mr. Frank's friends have led him sorely astray if it is they who have persuaded him to bring the old war horse out of the stable.

Mr. Frank's remark about the *Cristeros*, who are not ecclesiastics, by the way, will be resented by many people who admire that body of gallant men whose fight was for religious freedom: one of President Roosevelt's four freedoms.

Mr. Frank says that the *Cristeros* objected to nurses and teachers, but

IRISH SOCIETY OF ARRECIFES

GRAND BALL.

We wish to announce to all our friends from far and near, that the Committee is leaving nothing undone to assure the success of their big dance on the 27th at their large hall.

Consequently a large crowd is expected; many inquiries have been made by former visitors. All those who like dancing and enjoy the gay and familiar Irish-Argentine gatherings are cordially invited.

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he does not state the reason why. It was not because they nursed and taught, but because some of them were disseminating birth-control literature, and others were teaching socialism and sexuality to little children in the schools. These facts are on record.

Finally we will point out a disservice which Mr. Frank does his country at this critical juncture in its history. This is a time, we take it, when the United States needs all its friends.

There are many of them in Argentina and we wish there were more. But Mr. Frank will not increase their number, or give any comfort to those who are so already, when he thus writes about the religion of Argentina, which is the same as the religion of Mexico and of thirty million citizens of the Union. As to the enemies of the United States, they will rejoice because a new weapon has been furnished to their hands. We deplore Mr. Waldo Frank.

Pallotine Appeal

"THE HARVEST IS GREAT BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW".

These words, sharing, as they do, in the paradox of the Gospel from which they are taken, are in truth "ever ancient and ever new". Almost two thousand years ago, they fell with a striking precision from the sacred lips of Christ, and in their long flight across twenty centuries, these words, as new as they are ancient, have lost nothing of their force. The most casual observer cannot fail to realize that the harvest, to-day, is very great indeed—that there is an immense field of labour for the reapers of the Gospel. Youth is—and often by those who should be its guardians—systematically corrupted. On all sides, ignorance and vice, under a varnish of distorted titles and terms, are playing havoc amongst the adult members of society. Religious indifference and the social injustices that prosper in such an atmosphere, are rampant. In the darkness and confusion of this night of their own creation, governments and statesmen throw up their hands in despair, for want of an efficient remedy, and are forced to ask in the poetic language of Aubrey de Vere "Who is she that stands triumphant, tower of strength upon a rock?" The church of Christ has the remedy—the Gospel of her Divine Founder. Its light is the only light that can illuminate the minds and gladden the hearts of men, and its principles, in practice, are the only hope, the only support on which a world, lost and exhausted in the wickedness of its own ways, can lean.

"The labourers are few" very few indeed. There are, thanks to God and dutiful parents, hundreds of excellent boys, who, from tender years, have felt themselves fired with zeal for the glory of God and for the happiness—temporal and spiritual—of their fellow man. God is waiting for these boys. They are to be His ambassadors of peace, the preachers of His Gospel. There are hundreds of poor mortals that hunger and long for such ministrations. Still, "the labourers are few". Why? The preacher of the Gospel—the priest—has to be trained. His course is a long one—rarely less than ten years. His course is a difficult one, implying, as it does, a twofold growth—the student for the priesthood has to advance in secular learning and in the still more difficult science of virtue. To impart such an education, specially reserved colleges and specially trained persons are required and have to be supported and all this, as can be seen at

a glance, entail inevitably high expenses. The course costs, at an average, seven hundred pounds sterling per priest. Add to this, in the case of the Pallotine Fathers, the colossal expenses of transferring the newly ordained priest from Rome or Ireland (to-day more than two thousand pesos) to the missions of the Irish Province in Argentina.

"The labourers are few". Is it any wonder in front of such a problem? But it has to be faced and faced seriously. Not to do so would be to pronounce the sentence of death on all our works and worse still on all our future. Not to be able to face such a problem is the only apology we have to offer for worrying our good people with the appeal which, with the special blessing of his Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Buenos Aires, we have ventured to launch through the columns of this and other periodicals. While more than one of our houses are weighed down by debts that produce a yearly interest so high as to more than absorb the combined efforts (collections etc) of all the houses together, we are powerless. We can do nothing for our studentate and Novitiate, we can do nothing to free ourselves from the debt itself that is swallowing all we have and rendering any progress impossible. With the foregoing explanation and confiding in the proverbial generosity of the good people for whom and amongst whom, for more than fifty years, we have been labouring, we send out this S.O.S. By helping us to free ourselves from our debts, you will be opening the closed doors of our Novitiate; you will be providing the future Pallotines who are to continue and enlarge the good works in which we are engaged; you will be giving a fresh impetus to our present day activities—social and religious; you will be working for your own best interests and those of your near and dear ones and above all you will bring down, on yourselves and on your undertakings, the special blessings of Him Who has promised to reward a hundred-fold even the cup of cold water that is given for His sake. We appeal especially to those of our friends who, up to the present, have not had the opportunity of helping. Where there's a will there's a way. On previous occasions, those of our friends who could not help us at the moment, did so, by contributing, over a number of years what their generosity suggested and what their means permitted. Be the form of your donation what it be, it will be a charity and a help that will meet with our heartfelt gratitude and that will secure for you and for your intentions a place in the prayers for benefactors that by rule have to be recited daily in every community of the Pallotine Order, all over the world.

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The wedding of Miss Thelma Veronica Murphy, daughter of the late Edmund and Mrs. Murphy, of Temper-

ler Leo Harkins, C.S.S.R. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Jack Murphy, while the Misses Olga Murphy, Marimé Jones, Lucy Lozada and Maggie Calderwood were brides-



ley, to Mr. George Stephen Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jones, of this city, took place at the Chapel of Eusebio Echea College, in Llavallol, on Saturday.

The ceremony was performed by Fa-

maids, Messrs. Arthur G. Jones and Jack Murphy were sponsors, and Messrs. J. Young, E. Murphy, C. Grunewald and Hector Lucke were groomsmen. The reception was held at the home of the bride.

Tomys—McLoughlin.

A quite but pretty wedding took place in the parish church of Berazategui on Monday, June 1st, when Mr. John Tomys, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Tomys, of this city, and Miss Dolly McLoughlin, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Christopher McLoughlin, were joined in holy wedlock. The happy young bride who looked the picture of happiness, entered the church leaning on the arm of her cousin, Mr. Laurence McGovern, who gave her away and performed the duties of best man, whilst Mrs. Annie P. de

McGovern acted as bridesmaid. After the nuptial knot was tied all repaired to the home of the bride's cousins, in Bernal, where the health and happiness of the newly-married couple was drunk in flowing bumpers of champagne. Soon after, the bride and groom departed on their honeymoon to the hills of Córdoba whence they will take up their residence in this city. We join the numerous friends of Mr. Tomys and his bonnie bride in wishing them long life, happiness and prosperity.

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followed by Nuptial Mass, took place at midday and was performed by Fr. Peter Richards C.P., brother of the groom.



Enskat, to Mr. Louis M. Richards, fifth son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Richards of Belgrano, took place in Holy Cross on Saturday. The ceremony, which was

Owing to mourning in the groom's family, there was no reception. Our congratulations to the happy young couple.

OBITUARIES

Patrick Fahy, R.I.P.

At his residence in Arroyo Burgos, where he resided the larger part of his life, the gentleman whose name heads these lines peacefully passed away fortified by the last rites of the Church. Mr. Fahy had been ailing from stomach trouble for the last couple of years and some time ago came to this city to get proper medical aid, but his case proved to be past the point where science could remedy his illness.

Patrick Fahy was a son of John Fahy and Kate Dillon (both deceased)

and was born fifty three years ago in San Pedro. He was a general favourite in the Partido where he lived and the large concourse of friends that accompanied his mortal remains to the cemetery in Arrecifes testified to the esteem and affection he won as a kind father, an industrious and congenial neighbour and a thoughtful friend.

Mr. Fahy leaves five sons, two daughters, a brother and four sisters to mourn his sad loss to whom I extend my sincere sympathy.

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The Marriage of Miss Cynthia E. Moore, daughter of Mr. John Moore and Mrs. Eliza Browne de Moore, to Mr. James O'Grady will take place in San Agustín Church on June 25th at 7.30 p. m. 1531—119

BIRTHS

LYNCH.—On June 3rd inst. to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lynch, of Ramos Mejía, a son Carlos Alberto. 1528—119

ENGAGEMENTS

CAREY GILLOOLY—GUTIERREZ SALINAS.

The engagement is announced of Miss Ana María Carey Gillooly and Mr. Jorge B. Gutierrez Salinas, both of this city. 1522—119

DEATHS

SCALLY.—On the 3rd inst. at Humberto I 572, fortified with the rites of the Catholic Church, James Scally. The deceased was born in Salto Argentino 56 years ago and was the son of the late Thomas Scally and Kate Noonan Scally. Leaves to mourn his loss, one sister, one brother, two sisters-in-law, one brother-in-law, nieces and nephews. 1521—119

KATIE MACCORMACK.—On June the 27th at Monte, Katie MacCormack, daughter of the late Julia N. de MacCormack and James MacCormack, departed this life conformed with the rites of the Catholic Church. She leaves four brothers, sister-in-law, niece and nephew to mourn her loss. May she rest in peace. 1518—119

PETER GAYNOR, R.I.P.—Departed this life on June the 11th, conformed with the rites of the Catholic Church at his home in O'Brien. Son of the late James Gaynor and Ann F. Gaynor. He leaves to mourn his loss a sorrowing wife, eleven children, grandchildren, a brother, sister, nephews, nieces and many relations and friends. May he rest in peace. 1520—119

HUGO PICCOLI.—Departed this life on the 13th June, conformed with the rites of the Catholic Church. He leaves his wife Katie Leyden and a son to mourn his loss. May he rest in peace. 1524—119

MASSES

† PATRICK CLAVIN, R. I. P.—Mass will be celebrated in the Parish Church of Suipacha on July the 4th at 10.30 o'clock for the repose of the soul of the late Patrick Clavin, who died on May the 22nd. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1529—119-26

† DIEGO ALONSO O'ROARKE, R. I. P.—On June 24th at 10.30 Mass will be offered up for the repose of the soul of the late Diego Alonso O'Roarke in the parish church of Tem.



penley. (Espera 150.) Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1530—119

† ELIZABETH DILLON DE DALY, R.I.P.—A Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Elizabeth Dillon de Daly will be celebrated at Holy Cross Church on June the 28th, at 10 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1525—119-26

† FRANCISCO GIULIANI, Q.E.P.D.—Falleció el 8 de Julio de 1941, confortado con los Auxilios de la Santa Religión y la Bendición Papal. Su esposa Juana Rossi de Giuliani, sus hijos Gerónima, María Elena y Francisco Angel, su hermano Pablo, su señora madre política Catalina Z. de Rossi, sus hermanos políticos y sobrinos invitaban al funeral, que por el eterno descanso de su alma, se oficiará en la Iglesia Parroquial de Rawson el 8 de Julio a las 11 horas. Favor que agradecerán. 1519—119-26—13

† JAMES SCALLY, R.I.P.—A Mass of Requiem for the eternal repose of the soul of the late James Scally, will be offered up in Holy Cross Church, on Saturday, July 4th, at 11 o'clock. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. 1526—119

† PATRICK ANDREW LORAN, R.I. P.—A Mass of Requiem for the eternal repose of the soul of the late Patrick A. Loran, will be offered up in Holy Cross Church, on Saturday, July 4th, at 10 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1527-119

† PATRICK MAHÓN, R.I.P.—A Solemn Anniversary Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Mr. Patrick Mahon, will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Chapel, Salto, on Saturday, July 4th., at 10.30 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1523—119-26

† MARY ANNE MCCORMACK DE BRENNAN, R. I. P.—A Solemn Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Mary Anne McCormack de Brennan will be celebrated in the parish church, Rawson, on June 25th., at 11.30 a. m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 1517—112-19

THE CAMPMAN'S FORUM.—

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their book.

"Prior to the war Canada was sending to Great Britain somewhere around 1,500,000 cwt. of bacon and hams per year. The total for 1938 was a little over 1,507,000 cwt., which was approximately the average of the preceding two years. During the pig marketing year which ended last month, Canada was committed to supply to the United Kingdom 600 million pounds of bacon, or approximately 5,357,000 cwt. For the twelve months ended 30th September, 1941, the pig slaughtering in Canada reached the record total of over six million head, an increase of approximately 1½ million over the preceding year; and the average carcass weight was a few lb. per pig higher than in 1940. According to Agricultural and Industrial Progress in Canada (a monthly review published by the C. P. R.) the job confronting Canadian hog producers and packers is a formidable one, but the packing plant appears to be of sufficient capacity to handle the record output of pig meat. We trust they will be able to keep the people of Britain supplied with bacon till the end of the war; but it looks as if, after the war, the British pig industry will have a formidable task to find its feet again."

Shortorns in America:—

Although the principal meat cattle breed in the United States is the

Hereford, there has in recent years been noted a rapid increase in the numbers of Shortorns in that country, where the breed is fast winning favour.

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Cobbett's Advice to Young Men.

LETTER TO A YOUTH.

(continued)

In the passage which I have just quoted from chapter xxxi. of Ecclesiasticus, it is said that "wine measurably taken, and in season," is a proper thing. This, and other such passages of the Old Testament, have given a handle to drunkards, and to extravagant people, to insist that God intended that wine should be commonly drunk. No doubt of that. But then He could intend this only in countries in which He had given wine, and to which He had given no cheaper drink except water. If it be said, as it truly may, that, by the means of the sea and the winds, He has given wine to all countries, I answer that this gift is of no use to us now, because our government steps in between the sea and the winds and us. Formerly indeed the case was different, and here I am about to give you, incidentally, a plea of historical knowledge, which you will not have acquired from Hume, Goldsmith, or any other of the romancers called historians. Before that unfortunate event, the Protestant Reformation, as it is called, took place, the price of RED WINE, in England, was fourpence a gallon, Winchester measure; and of WHITE WINE, sixpence a gallon. At the same time the pay of a labouring man per day, as fixed by law, was fourpence. Now, when a labouring man could earn four quarts of good wine in a day, it was doubtless allowable, even in England, for people in the middle rank of life to drink wine rather commonly; and therefore, in those happy days of England, these passages of Scripture were applicable enough. But now, when we

have got a Protestant government, which, by the taxes which it makes people pay to it, causes the eighth part of a gallon of wine to cost more than the pay of a labouring man for a day, now, this passage of Scripture is not applicable to us. There is no "season" in which we can take wine without ruining ourselves, however "measurably" we may take it; and I beg you to regard as perverters of Scripture and as seducers of youth all those who cite passages like that above cited, in justification of, or as an apology for, the practice of wine drinking in England.

I beseech you to look again and again at, and to remember every word of, the passage which I have just quoted from the book of Ecclesiasticus. How completely have been, and are, its words verified by my experience and in my person! How little of eating and drinking is sufficient for me! How wholesome is my sleep! How early do I rise; and how "well at ease" am I "with myself!" I should not have deserved such blessings, if I had withheld from my neighbours a knowledge of the means by which they were obtained; and therefore this knowledge I have been in the constant habit of communicating. When one gives a dinner to a company, it is an extraordinary affair, and is intended, by sensible men, for purposes other than those of eating and drinking. But in general, in the every day life, despicable are those who suffer any part of their happiness to depend upon what they have to eat or to drink, provided they have a sufficiency of wholesome food.

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WHILE we were rounding up a bunch of the Triangle cattle in the Frio bottoms a projecting branch of a dead mesquite caught my wooden stirrup and gave my ankle a wrench that laid me up in camp for a week.

On the third day of my compulsory idleness I crawled out near the grub wagon, and reclined helpless under the conversational fire of Judson Odum, the camp cook. Jud was a monologist by nature, whom Destiny, with customary blundering, had set in a profession wherein he was bereaved, for the greater portion of his time, of an audience.

Therefore, I was manna in the desert of Jud's obtuseness.

Betimes I was stirred by invalid longings for something to eat that did not come under the caption of "grub." I had visions of the maternal pantry "deep as first love, and wild with all regret," and then I asked:

"Jud, can you make pancakes?"

Jud laid down his sixshooter, with which he was preparing to pound an antelope steak, and stood over me in what I felt to be a menacing attitude. He further indorsed my impression that his pose was resentful by fixing upon me with his light blue eyes a look of cold suspicion.

"Say, you," he said, with candid, though not excessive, choler, "did you mean that straight, or was you trying to throw the gaff into me? Some of

The Pimienta Pancakes

(By O. HENRY.)

the boys been telling you about me and that pancake racket?"

"No Jud," I said, sincerely, "I meant it. It seems to me I'd swap my pony and saddle for a stack of buttered brown pancakes with some first crop, open kettle, New Orleans sweetening."

Was there a story about pancakes?" Jud was mollified at once when he saw that I had not been dealing in allusions. He brought some mysterious bags and tin boxes from the grub wagon and set them in the shade of the hackberry where I lay reclined. I watched him as he began to arrange them leisurely and untie their many strings.

"No, not a story," said Jud, as he worked, "but just the logical disclosures in the case of me and that pink-eyed snoozer from Mired Mule Cañada and Miss Willella Learight. I don't mind telling you."

"I was punching then for old Bill Toomey, on the San Miguel. One day I gets all ensnared up in aspirations for to eat some canned grub that hasn't ever moored or baed or grunted or been in peck measures. So, I gets on my bronc and pushes the wind for Uncle Emsley Telfair's store at the Pimienta Crossing on the Neuces."

"About three in the afternoon I throwed my bridle over a mesquite

limb and walked the last twenty yards into Uncle Emsley's store. I got up on the counter and told Uncle Emsley that the signs pointed to the devastation of the fruit crop of the world. In a minute I had a bag of crackers and a long-handled spoon, with an open can each of apricots and pineapples and cherries and green-gages beside of me with Uncle Emsley busy chopping away with the hatchet at the yellow elings. I was feeling like Adam before the apple stampe, and was digging my spurs into the side of the counter and working with my twenty-four-inch spoon when I happened to look out of the window into the yard of Uncle Emsley's house, which was next to the store.

"There was a girl standing there—an imported girl with fixings on—philandering with a croquet maul and amusing herself by watching my style of encouraging the fruit canning industry."

"I slid off the counter and delivered up my shovel to Uncle Emsley."

"That's my niece," says he; 'Miss Willella Learight, down from Palestine on a visit. Do you want that I should make you acquainted?'"

"The Holy Land," I says to myself, my thought milling some as I tried to

run 'em into the corral. 'Why not? There was sure angels in Paes—' 'Why yes, Uncle Emsley,' I says out loud, 'I'd be awful edified to meet Miss Learight.'

"So Uncle Emsley took me out in the yard and gave us each our ent-entlements."

"I never was shy about women. I never could understand why some men who can break a mustang before breakfast and shave in the dark, get all left-handed and full of perspiration and excuses when they see a bolt of calico draped around what belongs in it. Inside of eight minutes the croquet balls around as amiable as second cousins. She gave me a dig about the quantity of canned fruit I had eaten, and I got back at her, flat-footed, about how a certain lady named Eve started the fruit trouble in the first free-grass pasture—'Over in Palestine, wasn't it,' says I, as easy and pat as roping a one-year-old."

"That was how I acquired cordiality for the proximities of Miss Willella Learight; and the disposition grew larger as time passed. She was stopping at Pimienta Crossing for her health, which was very good, and for the climate, which was forty per cent hotter than Palestine. I rode over to see her once every week for a while; and then I figured it out that if I doubled the number of trips I would see her twice as often."

"One week I slipped in a third trip; and that's where the pancakes and the pink-eyed snoozer busted into the game."

"That evening, while I set on the counter with a peach and two damsons in my mouth, I asked Uncle Emsley how Miss Willella was."

"Why," says Uncle Emsley, "she's gone riding with Jackson Bird, the sheep man from over at Mired Mule Cañada."

"I swallowed the peach seed and the two damson seeds. I guess somebody held the counter by the bridle while I got off; and then I walked out straight ahead till I butted against the mesquite where my roan was tied."

"She's gone riding," I whispered in my bronc's ear, 'with Birdstone Jack, the hired mule from Sheep Man's Cañada. Did you get that, old Leather-and-Gallops?'"

"That bronc of mine wept, in his way. He'd been raised a cow pony and he didn't care for snoozers."

"I went back and said to Uncle Emsley: 'Did you say a sheep man?'"

"I said a sheep man," says Uncle Emsley again. 'You must have heard tell of Jackson Bird. He's got eight sections of grazing and four thousand head of the finest Merinos south of the Arctic Circle.'

"I went out and sat on the ground in the shade of the store and leaned against a prickly pear. I sifted sand into my boots with unthinking hands while I scilicquized a quantity about this bird with the Jackson plumage to his name."

"I never had believed in harming sheep men. I see one, one day, reading a Latin grammar on hossback, and I never touched him! They never irritated me like they do most cowmen. You wouldn't go to work now, and impair and disfigure snoozers, would you, that eat on tables and wear little shoes and speak to you on subjects? I had always let 'em pass, just as you would a jack-rabbit; with the weather, but a guess about the weather, but no stopping to swap canteens. I never thought it was worth while to be hostile with a snoozer. And because I'd been lenient, and let 'em live, here was one going around riding with Miss Willella Learight!

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"An hour by sun they come loping back, and stopped at Uncle Emsley's gate. The sheep person helped her off; and they stood throwing each other sentences all sprightly and sagacious for a while. And then this feathered Jackson flies up in his saddle and raises his little stevedot of a hat, and trots off in the direction of his mutton ranch. By this time I had turned the sand out of my boots and unpinned myself from the prickly pear; and by the time he gets half a mile out of Pimienta, I singlefoots up beside him on my bronc.

"I said that noozer was pink-eyed, but he wasn't. His sneezing arrangement was gray enough, but his eye-lashes were pink and his hair was sandy, and that gave you the idea. Sheep man—he wasn't more than a lamb man, anyhow—a little thing with his neck involved in a yellow silk handkerchief, and shoes tied up in bowknots.

"'Afternoon!' says I to him. 'You now ride with a questrian who is commonly called Dead-Moral-Certainty Judson, on account of the way I shoot. When I want a stranger to know me I always introduce myself before the draw, for I never did like to shake hands with ghosts.'

"'Ah,' says he, just like that—'Ah, I'm glad to know you, Mr. Judson. I'm Jackson Bird, from over at Mired Mule Ranch.'

"'Just then one of my eyes saw a roadrunner skipping down the hill with a young tarantula in his bill, and the other eye noticed a rabbit-hawk sitting on a dead limb in a water-elm. I popped over one after the other with my forty-five, just to show him. Two out of three,' says I, 'Birds just naturally seem to draw my fire wherever I go.'

"'Nice shooting,' says the sheep man, without a flutter. 'But don't you sometimes ever miss the third shot? Elegant fine rain that was last week for the young grass, Mr. Judson?' says he.

"'Willie,' says I, riding over close to his palfrey, 'your infatuated parents may have denounced you by the name of Jackson, but you sure moulted into a twittering Willie—let us slough off this here analysis of rain and the elements, and get down to talk that is outside the vocabulary of parrots. That is a bad habit you have got of riding with young ladies over at Pimienta. I've known birds,' says I, 'to be served on toast for less than that. Miss Willella,' says I, 'don't ever want any nest made out of sheep's wool by a tomtit of the Jacksonian branch of ornithology. Now, are you going to quit, or do you wish for to gallop up against this Dead-Moral-Certainty attachment to my name, which is good for two hyphens and at least one set of funeral obsequies?'

"'Jackson Bird flushed up some, and then he laughed.

"'Why, Mr. Judson,' says he, 'you've got the wrong idea. I've called on Miss Learight a few times; but not for the purpose you imagine. My object is purely a gastronomical one.'

"I reached for my gun.

"'Any coyote,' says I, 'that would boast of dishonorable—'

"'Wait a minute,' says this Bird, 'till I explain. What would I do with a wife? If you ever saw that ranch of mine! I do my own cooking and mending. Eating—that's all the pleasure I get out of sheep raising. Mr. Judson, did you ever taste the pancakes that Miss Learight makes?'

"'Me? No,' I told him. 'I never was advised that she was up to any culinary maneuvers.'

"'They're golden sunshine,' says he, 'honey-browned by the ambrosial fires

of Epicurus. I'd give two years of my life to get the recipe for making them pancakes. That's what I went to see Miss Learight for,' says Jackson Bird, 'but I haven't been able to get it from her. It's an old recipe that's been in the family for seventy-five years. They hand it down from one generation to another, but they don't give it away to outsiders. If I could get that recipe, so I could make them pancakes for myself on my ranch, I'd be a happy man,' says Bird.

"'Are you sure,' I says to him, 'that it ain't the hand that mixes the pancakes that you're after?'

"'Sure,' says Jackson. 'Miss Learight is a mighty nice girl, but I can assure you my intentions go no further than the gastro—' but he seen my hand going down to my holster and he changed his similitude—'than the desire to procure a copy of the pancake recipe,' he finishes.

"'You ain't such a bad little man,' says I, trying to be fair. 'I was thinking some of making orphans of your sheep, but I'll let you fly away this time. But you stick to pancakes,' says I, 'as close as the middle one of a stack; and don't go and mistake sentiments for syrup, or there'll be singing at your ranch, and you won't hear it.'

"'To convince you that I am sincere,' says the sheep man, 'I'll ask you to help me. Miss Learight and she being closer friends, maybe she would do for you what she wouldn't for me. If you will get me a copy of that pancake recipe, I give you my word that I'll never call upon her again.'

"'That's fair,' I says, and I shook

hands with Jackson Bird. 'I'll get it for you if I can, and glad to oblige.' And he turned off down the big pear flat on the Piedra, in the direction of Mired Mule; and I steered northwest for old Bill Toomey's ranch.

"It was five days afterward when I got another chance to ride over to Pimienta. Miss Willella and me passed a gratifying evening at Uncle Emsley's. She sang some, and exasperated the piano quite a lot with quotations from the operas. I gave imitations of a rattlesnake, and told her about Snaky McFee's new way of skinning cows, and described the trip I made to Saint Louis once. We was getting alone in one another's estimations fine. Thinks I, if Jackson can now be persuaded to migrate, I win. I recollect his promise about the pancake receipt, and I thinks I will persuade it from Miss Willella and give it to him; and then if I catches Birdie off of Mired Mule again, I'll make him hop the twig.

"So, along about ten o'clock, I put on a wheedling smile and says to Miss Willella: 'Now, if there's anything I do like better than the sight of a red steer on green grass it's the taste of a nice hot pancake smothered in sugarhouse molasses.'

"Miss Willella gives a little jump on the piano stool, and looked at me curious.

"'Yes,' says she, 'they're real nice. What did you say was the name of that street in Saint Louis, Mr. Odum, where you lost your hat?'

"'Pancake Avenue,' says I, with a wink, to show her that I was on about the family receipt, and couldn't be sic-tic-corralled off of the subject. 'Come,

now, Miss Willella,' I says; 'let's hear how you make 'em Pancakes is just whirling in my head like wagon wheels. Start her off, now—pound of flour, eight dozen eggs, and so on. How does the catalogue of constituents run?'

"'Excuse me for a moment, please,' says Miss Willella, and she gives me a quick kind of sideways look, and slides off the stool. She ambled out into the other room, and directly Uncle Emsley comes in his shirt sleeves, with a pitcher of water. He turns around to get a glass on the table, and I see a forty-five in his hip pocket. 'Great post-holes!' thinks I, 'but here's a family thinks a heap of cooking receipts, protecting it with firearms. I've known outfits that wouldn't do that much by a family feud.'

"'Drink this here down,' says Uncle Emsley, handing me the glass of water. 'You've rid too far to-day, Jud, and got yourself over-excited. Try to think about something else now.'

"'Do you know how to make them pancakes, Uncle Emsley?' I asked.

"'Well, I'm not as apprised in the anatomy of them as some,' says Uncle Emsley, 'but I reckon you take a sifter of plaster of paris and a little dough and saleratuz and corn meal, and mix 'em with eggs and butter milk as usual. Is old Bill going to ship beeves to Kansas City again this spring, Jud?'

"That was all the pancake specifications I could get that night. I didn't wonder that Jackson Bird found it uphill work. So I dropped the subject and

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Lemon juice rubbed over the hands will remove any grease or weed stains, and a liberal massage with hand lotion will complete the good work. Hands cared for in this way need never show rough usage.

IN THE LOOKING GLASS.

The most commonplace room can be given a novel aspect by different arrangement of mirrors. If, for example, an old-fashioned cheval glass appropriates more space in a bedroom than can well be spared, remove the mirror from the stand and have it fixed between the windows on the strip of wall which is usually about the right width. Place the dressing-table in front of it and have the light fitted above. The glass will have the effect of duplicating both table and light, and give the entire wall a more interesting appearance.

There is a tendency to place the rectangular table in the dining-room at right angles to the wall, instead of having it in the centre of the room. This arrangement is space-saving and just as convenient if the family is a small one. Fix a mirror where the table end meets the wall and the reflect-

tions it gives will work wonders in the transformation of the room. Flowers, silver, dishes seem to gain in value by repetition and an infinitely brighter result is achieved.

Mirror glass is not a usual material to employ for a bed-head, but an old mirror might be fixed at the back of a divan to give a very pleasant arrangement. A glass could also be set vertically behind an ordinary single bed, which, in the modern manner, has no back board; or horizontally behind a double one, the frame, in either case, being cellulose painted to match bed-spread and bolster cover.

A spare mirror might well be turned into a table top in the latest fashion. If no suitable table is already in the house it may even be worth while to buy a deal one expressly for the purpose, cutting down the legs slightly and lacquering it, and the mirror frame, in a good shade of green or primrose.

Recipes

CREAM OF GREEN BEAN SOUP

Three tablespoons butter, one pint finely cut string beans, one tablespoon minced onion, one teaspoon salt, dash of pepper, dash of cayenne, two tablespoons flour, one pint boiling water, one tall can evaporated milk.

Melt butter. Add Beans, onion and seasonings. Cover and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Do not let vegetables brown. Sift flour over vegetables. Stir to blend well, then add boiling water, and boil until mixture begins to thicken. Add milk and heat thoroughly. Serve with grated cheese. To make a delicious and more unusual soup, use water in which one-half bunch of watercress has been boiled, in place of water called for in recipe. Canned beans may be used. Yield: Six servings.

Try cream of green bean soup one of these nipping cold days. It will rate high with the family palate, for it's such a wholesome, satisfying food.

BAKED APPLE DUMPLINGS.

Everyone likes apple dumplings—the older folk as well as the youngsters. Here is a way to prepare it that can be recommended.

Make a good baking powder biscuit dough, adding, of course, a little more shortening than you would if you were making biscuits. Roll this to a thickness of a quarter of an inch, and cut into five-inch squares. Place a mound of chopped apples in the centre of each and sprinkle with sugar and cinnamon or nutmeg. Moisten the edges of the dough with water or cold milk and fold so that the corners will meet in the centre. Press the edge lightly together. The tops may be brushed with a beaten egg, melted butter or milk, and sprinkled with sugar.

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Place the dumplings in a greased pan with a small amount of boiling water and bake in a very hot oven until the crust and fruit are cooked. They should be served with cream or sauce.

STUFFED FRESH HADDOCK.

Clean a fresh haddock, make a well-seasoned veal stuffing, and stuff the fish with it, sewing it up. Put it into a greased baking dish that can be sent to table. Skin some tomatoes, cut them in halves, and put them round the dish, cut side uppermost. Put some bits of dripping or butter on them, and on the fish. Bake in a moderate oven till done. Time according to the size. Baste the fish while it is cooking, and end it to table in the dish. A little white wine, or water with a spoonful or two of vinegar in it, may be put in the dish.

Health Talks.

(By A Physician.)

HEADACHES AND THEIR CAUSES.

Many people suffer from constant headaches and do not bother to find out the cause. "It's only a headache," they say. "It will go off in time."

That is the wrong attitude. A headache is one of Nature's warnings, and as such should be given attention. It may, of course, be induced by the emotions having been strongly affected, or, on the other hand, it may be a sign that there is something wrong with the physical equipment.

There are several varieties of headache, and it is important to distinguish between them. First, there is the feeling that a tight band is clasped round the scalp, or that there is piercing pressure on the top of the head. These pains last for long periods. Another variety is the headache which comes and goes, and throbs with peculiar intensity. Coughing or any sudden movement increases the pain, which is usually worst in the early morning.

Lastly, there is the sharp localised pain, accompanied by pain to the touch.

Let us consider these headaches and see if we can trace the causes. We shall find that the first type is usually found in cases of low blood pressure and nervous exhaustion. The patient will be subject to fits of depression and great fatigue. The doctor should be consulted, but it is safe to say that rest is generally prescribed.

The other two types of headache mentioned above are often found in the same patient, and the causes are more difficult to determine, being more numerous. Neuritis, or inflammation of

the nerves of the scalp is one. This makes the neck stiff and the head tender when the hair is brushed. Bad teeth may be the cause of pain, not only in the tooth itself, but in the head, usually on the same side as the decayed member. Defective sight brings on severe headache in the forehead, particularly after reading or working in poor light. High blood pressure, whether chronic, due to kidney disease or heart failure, or temporary, as the result of sunstroke, causes headache, with giddiness and sickness.

All these conditions can be remedied by consultation with doctor, dentist, or oculist. There are, however, other causes of such pain which need only common sense to remedy. Sitting in overheated, stuffy room or smoky, ugly railway carriages will bring on a heavy, dull ache and for this fresh air and exercise is the best palliative. Colds and influenza are usually accompanied by headaches, and constipation is another frequent cause. Getting rid of the accumulated poison in the blood stream will also banish the headache, and a mild purgative of health salts will often effect a cure if the condition is not chronic. Attention to diet and habits is necessary where constipation is of regular occurrence, and until the body is free from all waste matter headaches cannot be avoided. Excessive alcoholic indulgence is the cause of the morning-after type of headache, but common sense indicates the treatment and prevention of this.

The two chief remedies for headache and other types of pain are, of course, rest and warmth. To lie down in a darkened, quiet room will often give relief, even where there is a serious underlying reason for the headache; but the best way to avoid such trouble is to go to the root of it and remove the cause.

Hints

To freshen salt meat, put it into cold water, quickly bring to a boil then let simmer.

Taps should never be screwed down hard, for if this is done their washers wear out quickly and the taps begin to leak.

When tacking velvet in dress-making, the finest cotton should be used, and when the threads are removed they must be cut every few inches, not pulled out in the ordinary way, or marks will be left on the velvet.

When hands are stained through peeling apples or potatoes, rub them with a mixture of vinegar and salt.

The taste and smell of onions, on other strongly-flavoured food, can be removed from the utensils in which they were cooked by scrubbing well with dry mustard.

Lemon juice will remove oil and grease stains from brown or tan shoes.

If a good piece of furniture becomes scratched, it may be restored by painting the mark with iodine, applied with a camel-hair brush. Then polish with a good furniture polish.

One-half cup of whipped cream added to one cupful of mayonnaise makes a delicious dressing for fruit salad.

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Catholic News

In the Philippines.—

Details of the destruction of Dominican churches and houses in the Philippines are reported in the Jesuit weekly *America*, which records that the 350-year-old San Domingo church was "battered to a mass of dust and rubble on December 27." Among the treasures which were lost was a library of 200,000 volumes, including original manuscripts, archives and histories written by the early Dominican pioneers. It also contained a complete record of the Philippine dialects spoken during the past three centuries. The cathedral of the Immaculate Conception was attacked on three successive days, and attacks were also made on the college of San Juan Lateran as well as the University of San Thomas, the convents of Santa Rosa and Santa Catalina, and the hospital of San Juan de Dios. The American War Department states that "at least five other churches and three colleges supported by religious institutions were either destroyed or damaged in the air raids." We still hope that the damage done was only partial. Much will depend upon whether the Japanese are determined to obliterate all traces of European culture while they are in possession.

A Holy Lawyer.—

Two miracles proposed in the beatification cause of Prof. Contardo Ferrini, an intimate friend of Pope Pius XI, were approved at a meeting of the S. Congregation of Rites in the presence of the Holy Father.

Prof. Ferrini met Pope Pius when as Mgr. Ratti he was working in the Ambrosian Library in Milan. They were drawn together by their love of learning and by the fact that both were first-class mountaineers. In Milan, too, he also met and collaborated with Fr. Giovanni Mercati, who is now Cardinal and Librarian and Archbishop of the Holy Roman Church.

In Germany—where he joined the St. Vincent de Paul Society—as well as in Italy he won an extraordinary high reputation for sanctity.

Roman Law was his particular subject and well before the age of 40 he became one of its greatest exponents.

His mother was the 18th child of a family of 24. Prof. Ferrini had an exalted conception of married life but remained a bachelor. Some of his friends, apparently thinking that he was too backward in the matter, and knowing him to be a charming and gay companion, neat in his dress and well-groomed, tried to repair the omission. By a skilful manoeuvre they once managed to send him out walking with two charming girls. On his return they asked which one he preferred. Their hopes were dashed for the young professor replied: "The third one."

On the day of his death in 1902 at the age of 43, Pope Pius XI said to a gathering of teachers in Milan: "A saint has died."

A Find.—

Five hundred letters, written by Cardinal Vaughan to Lady Herbert of Lea, co-founder with him of the Mill Hill Missionary Society, have been

discovered in the archives at Courtfield, Herefordshire, ancestral home of the Vaughan family.

Mr. Shane Leslie found the letters and is editing them for publication.

The letters cover a period of 85 years, from 1867 when the Cardinal was a young priest until his death. At the end he wrote: "I shall soon be where I can help you far more."

Mr. Leslie copied the letters in heavily-bombed London during the winter of 1940-1 and there after. Altogether the task took him 18 months.

Father

Willie Doyle.—

Father William Doyle, S. J., Chaplain to the Forces, was killed in the last Great War, in Flanders, in 1917. For 44 years he led a humdrum existence, crowned by no great achievement of learning—a life very like our own lives, in spite of a few extraordinary deeds and its romantic close.

He was, of course, recognized by those with whom he lived, or who came under his influence, as a very holy and a zealous priest, but it was not until after his death that he first came into the limelight, when the newspapers rang with the praises of the intrepid Padre who had again and again risked, and finally lost, his life to minister to the wounded and dying on the battlefield. Some time later, however, the story of Father Doyle's heroism at the Front sank into insignificance when the providential chance of his death as a martyr of charity rescued from the fate he had destined for them, spiritual notes which revealed to a spellbound world his hidden life of prayer, penance, expiatory suffering and Divine love.

Famous Maltese Chapel Destroyed.—

A single bomb has destroyed the chapel at St. Paul's Bay, Malta, marking the site where the Apostle landed and received "no small courtesy" at the hands of the barbarians.

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THE PIMIENTA PANCAKES.—

(continued from page 19)

talked with Uncle Emsley a while about hollow-horn and cyclones. And then Miss Willella came and said 'Good-night,' and I hit the breeze for the ranch.

"About a week afterward I met Jackson Bird riding out of Pimienta as I rode in, and we stopped in the road for a few frivolous remarks.

"Got the bill of particulars for them flap-jacks yet?" I asked him.

"Well, no," says Jackson. "I don't seem to have any success in getting hold of it. Did you try?"

"I did," says I, "and 'twas like trying to dig a prairie dog out of his hole with a peanut hull. That pancake receipt must be a jooka-lorum, the way they hold on to it."

"I'm 'most ready to give it up," says Jackson, so discouraged in his pronouncements that I felt sorry for him; but I did want to know how to make them pancakes to eat on my lonely ranch," says he. "I lie awake at nights thinking how good they are."

"You keep on trying for it," I tells him, "and I'll do the same. One of us is bound to get a rope over its horns before long. Well, so long, Jacks."

"You see, by this time we was on the peaceffullest of terms. When I saw that he wasn't after Miss Willella I had more endurable contemplations of that sandy-haired snoozer. In order to help out the ambitions of his appetite I kept on trying to get that receipt from Miss Willella. But every time I would say 'pancakes' she would get sort of remote and fidgety about the eye, and try to change the subject. If I held her to it she would slide out and round up Uncle Emsley with his pitcher of water and hip-pocket howitzer.

"One day I galloped over to the store with a fine bunch of blue verbenas that I cut out of a herd of wild flowers over on Poisoned Dog Prairie. Uncle Emsley looked at 'em with one eye shut and says:

"Haven't ye heard the news?"

"Cattle up?" I asks.

"Willella and Jackson Bird was married in Palestine yesterday," says he. "Just got a letter this morning."

"I dropped them flowers in a cracker-barrel, and let the news trickle in my ears and down toward my upper left-hand shirt pocket until it got to my feet.

"Would you mind saying that over again once more, Uncle Emsley?" says I. "Maybe my hearing has got wrong, and you only said that prime heifers was 4.80 on the hoof, or something like that."

"Married yesterday," says Uncle Emsley, "and gone to Waco and Nia-

gara Falls on a wedding tour. Why, didn't you see none of the signs all along? Jackson Bird has been courting Willella ever since that day he took her out riding."

"Then," says I, in a kind of a yell, "what was all this zizzapoola he gives me about pancakes. Tell me that!"

"When I said 'pancakes' Uncle Emsley sort of dodged and stepped back.

"Somebody's been dealing me pancakes from the bottom of the deck," I says, "and I'll find out. I believe you know. Talk up," says I, "or we'll mix a panful of batter right here."

"I slid over the counter after Uncle Emsley. He grabbed at his gun, but it was in a drawer, and he missed it two inches. I got him by the front of his shirt and shoved him in a corner."

"Talk pancakes," says I, "or be made into one. Does Miss Willella make 'em?"

"She never made one in her life and I never saw one," says Uncle Emsley, soothing. "Calm down now, Jud—calm down. You've got excited, and that wound in your head is contaminating your sense of intelligence. Try not to think about pancakes."

"Uncle Emsley," says I, "I'm not f'wounded in the head except so far as my natural cogitative instincts run to frunts. Jackson Bird told me he was calling on Miss Willella for the purpose of finding out her system of producing pancakes, and he asked me to help him get the bill of lading of the ingredients. I done so, with the results as you see. Have I been soddled down with Johnson grass by a pink-eyed snoozer, or what?"

"Slack up your grip on my dress shirt" says Uncle Emsley, "and I'll tell you. Yes, it looks like Jackson Bird has gone and humbugged you some. The day after he went riding with Willella he came back and told me and her to watch out for you whenever you got to talking about pancakes. He said you was in camp once where they was cooking flapjacks, and one of the fellows cut you over the head with a frying pan. Jackson said that whenever you got over-hot or excited that would hurt you and made you kind of crazy, and you went raving about pancakes. He told us to just get you worked off of the subject and soothed down, and you wouldn't be dangerous. So, me and Willella done the best by you we knew how. Well, well," says Uncle Emsley, "that Jackson Bird is sure a seldom kind of a snoozer."

During the progress of Jud's story he had been slowly but deftly combining certain portions of the contents of his sacks and cans. Toward the close of it he set before me the finished product—an air of red-hot, rich-hued pancakes on a tin plate. From some secret hoarding place he also brought a lump of excellent butter and a bottle of golden syrup.

"How long ago did these things happen?" I asked him.

"Three years," said Jud. "They're living on the Mired Mule Ranch now. But I haven't seen either of 'em since. They say Jackson Bird was fixing his ranch up fine with rocking chairs and window curtains all the time he was putting me up the pancake tree. Oh, I got over it after a while. But the boys kept the racket up."

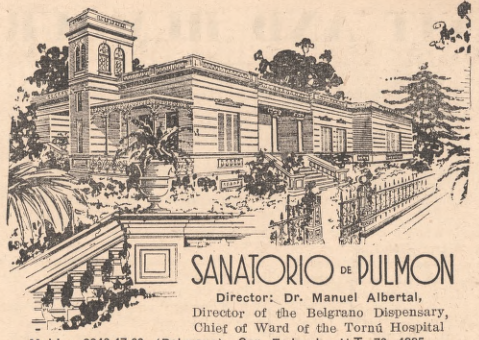
"Did you make these cakes by the famous recipe?" I asked.

"Didn't I tell you there wasn't no receipt?" said Jud. "The boys hollered pancakes till they got pancake hungry, and I cut this receipt out of a newspaper. How does the truck taste?"

"They're delicious," I answered. "Why don't you have some, too, Jud?"

I was sure I heard a sigh.

"Me?" said Jud, "I don't never eat 'em."



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Ellen—"Because she knew that he was a good catch!"

Mary—"When a dog licks your hand it is a sort of postal act."

Eliza—"What do you mean?"

Mary—"He puts on you thereby the stamp of his approval!"

Agent—"I've called to deliver your book on 'How to Play the Piano.'"

Lady—"But I didn't order it."

Agent—"Haven't you a neighbour named Smith?"

Lady—"Why, yes! Is it for her?"

Agent—"No; she ordered it for you!"

"Dad, how can guns kick when they have no legs?" asked Bertie.

"Don't ask absurd questions," said his father.

"Guns haven't any legs, have they, dad?"

"Certainly not!"

"Well, then, what's the use of their having breeches?"

"My son is just crazy to go to college and study pharmacy," said Mrs. Binks.

"It may be all right," replied Mrs. Banks, "but I think the place to study farming is on a farm, where you get practical experience!"

"I'm afraid, madam, we've shown you all our stock of linoleum, but we could procure more from our factory."

"Well, perhaps you had better. You see, I want something of a neater pattern and quite small—just a little square for my birdcage!"

"What's that awful shrieking?"

"That's Miss Burlow taking her music lesson."

"Poor old Burlow! And he pays for that!"

Barber—"How would you like your hair cut, sir?"

Chaufeur—"Oh, a little off the bonnet, and some from behind the mudguards."

"And what brought you to prison, my man?"

"Competition, sir."

"Competition? I don't understand you."

"Yes, sir, competition. I made the same sort of half crowns as the Government."

"The pig is a most useful animal," said the teacher. "We use its head for brawn, its legs for hams, its bristles for brushes. Now, what else do we use from the pig?"

"Please, teacher," said one small child, "we use its name when we want to be rude."

The compartment was occupied by four men, three of whom were reading their morning papers. It was seen, however, that the fourth was silently moving his lips and waving now and again his hand before his face.

His actions interested one of his companions, who proffered his paper to read, remarking: "How time does drag on long journeys."

The man replied that he passed the time by telling himself jokes, but when asked why he waved his hand, he said: "Oh, that's when I've heard it before."

"How much do I owe you for curing my deafness?"

"Three guineas."

"Four guineas?"

"No. Five guineas."

of water. Some varieties of water-melon contain as much as 98 per cent; a cucumber contains 96 per cent, an apple 86 per cent, and a potato about 75 per cent. All these except the potato contain more water than most milk.

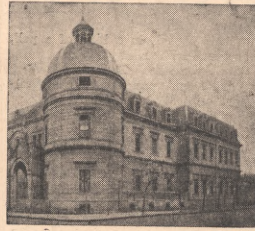
(301) Strictly speaking, no. What is ordinarily called steam is a cloud of drops of hot water. Real steam is quite invisible, as may be observed by watching a boiling kettle. For a short space beyond the end of the kettle's spout nothing can be seen; then the cloud of water drops begins.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON PAGE 8.

(299) Yes. A flask containing 25 cubic centimetres of sea water will be about half a gram heavier than the same flask containing 25 cubic centimetres of fresh water. The exact difference depends upon the saltiness of the sea water. The two samples of water must be at the same temperature, for cold water is heavier than warm.

(300) Over 90 per cent by weight. Vegetables and fruit consist mainly

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