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• • • • • LET us all learn, as quickly as possible, that governments are not infallible. In two important matters the Government of this country promised the people that provision was being made to meet the requirements of the population. One promise stated that fifty per cent of the usual demands for wheat and linseed bags would be met. The other promise was a guarantee that the petrol rationing would be met by the coupons. Now it appears that only 450 bags will be issued to each agriculturist, and that there is not enough gas to comply with the coupon issues.

Let us say that the officials in charge of these very important services were unduly optimistic in their calculations, and leave the matter there. But in future, citizens must learn to look out more for themselves, must get ready to solve their own problems as best they can.

• • • • • THE tide of peculation, administrative corruption and fraud is rising in Argentina. Nearly every day the newspapers supply us with the details of some new financial scandal, in which responsible officials appear at the level of common crooks. We have the uneasy sensation that only a few of the crooked deals reach the notoriety of the Press; the others are hushed up.

Honesty is declining, and the reason for the decline lies in the defective education which the State has been supplying for many years to the youth of the country.

Unless the young are taught that God has said: "Thou shalt not steal", the easy morality of a godless world will teach them that it is all a matter of covering tracks with enough skill. For fifty years Argentina has banished the Ten Commandments from her official schools, and today we are paying the penalty.

• • • • • THE Holy See and China have established diplomatic relations. This step has been contemplated for many years and while it may have been accelerated by the war, it is not due to it. The constant and invariable policy of the Vatican in these matters has been to favour communications and relations with all governments under whose aegis there are Catholic interests. China is such, for there are several million native Chinese Catholics.

Some months ago there was criticism of the Vatican because relations were opened with Japan. How unfounded this criticism was, is shown by the recent diplomatic interchange with China.

• • • • • HUMAN beings cannot be utterly cowed by cruelty. The two sons of cruelty are terror and hatred, and the second lives longer.

Day by day accounts of appalling acts of cruelty filter through from the Occupied Territories of Europe. The occupiers have chosen what they consider the short and easy way to mastery: they have determined to stamp out opposition rather than conciliate it. Their hasty decision, which gives the lie to every single word of propaganda about the idyllic beauty and happiness to be found under the New Order, is ingendering an ugly infant of hatred which will make the German name abominable for generations.

The effectiveness of cruelty is a delusion. Take the hostage system, for example. Its particular weakness is that the only people it might be effective to cow are by definition those with many relations and friends, and each arrest and still more each subsequent act of imprisonment, deportation or execution, consolidates the feeling against the invader and increases the great company of those who have personal as well as patriotic motives for being the sworn enemies of Germany.

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Irish News

102 NOT OUT.—

Mrs. Sabina Connolly, Tanrago, Beltra, Co. Sligo, has received a congratulatory message in Irish and a cheque for £5 from the President on her 102nd birthday.

A native of Belmullet, Mayo, Mrs. Connolly is a fluent Irish speaker. She is hale and hearty and gifted with a remarkable memory.

The President's letter and cheque were presented to Mrs. Connolly by Rev. J. J. Healy, C.C., Beltra.

CORK STORES BLAZE.—

The extensive stores of Mr. M. Howard, horse-dealer and carter, Watercourse Road, Cork, were destroyed by fire recently. The alarm was given by a pupil of a step-dancing school on the top floor. The premises also housed a fish and chip shop. Some harness, hay and straw were also destroyed.

LESS THAN 1,000 UNDERSTAND EINSTEIN.—

The following is from a recent copy of the "Irish Press": Dublin:

Sir Arthur S. Eddington, F.R.S., guest-lecturer to the Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies, is delighted at the interest Irish scholars are taking in his lectures.

He told me yesterday, writes a special correspondent, that, in a world which seemed temporarily at any rate to have lost interest in things of the mind and the spirit, it was most stimulating to discover that in Ireland time could be found for such enlightening discussions.

Sir Arthur admitted that the Theory of Relativity was difficult to explain to the layman. "The best I can do," he said, "is to state:—

"If a bullet is shot from the sun to a star it will not go on a straight course—the sun will use its influence to make it travel in a curve. Similarly, as Professor Einstein discovered, light can be affected.

"And light which you think is greeting you straight from its source is, in fact, coming to you in a curve.

"So, instead of seeing a star in its true direction as you look at it in the sky, its light is bending in a curve."

I felt somewhat bewildered, but Sir Arthur waved aside my apologies and said that less than 1,000 people in the world understood what Einstein meant and less than 100 could discuss relativity intelligently.

IRISHMEN IN BRITAIN.—

When the National Service (Foreign Countries) Bill was read a third time in the British House of Commons last month, Mr. McCorquodale, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Labour, correcting a statement made previously, said that Irishmen in Britain were not liable to be called up for military service under the National Service Acts unless ordinarily resident in Britain for more than two years.

Irishmen from the Twenty-Six Counties in foreign countries would not be liable to be called up in a foreign country under the Bill, because the Twenty-Six Counties was a Dominion, he said. Irishmen from the Six Counties in foreign countries would only be made liable in foreign countries if they had been there more than two years.

THE REAL EMERGENCY.—

The real emergency had not started, and it would be very important to have local bodies that could be relied upon to act fearlessly and unselfishly in the interests of the nation in case a real national crisis arose.

Mr. G. Boland, Minister for Justice, said this at a meeting of the mid-Roscommon Comhairle Ceantair, called to consider what attitude Fianna Fail would take in the local elections.

He hoped, he said, that the elections would be carried out in a manner worthy of a free people, and that candidates of sound character and good national record would be put forward.

BISHOP'S APPEAL IN TIPPERARY.—

Speaking at a Confirmation ceremony at Roscrea, Co. Tipperary, the Bishop of Killaloe, Most Rev. Dr. Fogarty, appealed to the people to do their best to stamp out lying and dishonesty and to replace them by truth and honesty.

Referring to the war, his Grace said one thing was certain, it would never destroy the Catholic Church.

TURF SATISFACTORY FOR THRESHING.—

Speaking as part owner and driver of a threshing set, Mr. J. Moynihan, said at Cork County Council that as long as he could get fair quality turf he would have no difficulty in keeping up steam. It was only bluff talking about inability to keep up steam without coal, he added.

Mr. C. J. Bryan agreed, and said he found turf most satisfactory last season.

Mr. P. Bradley said that these statements by experienced farmers were the most valuable, and showed that turf production schemes were not in vain.

THE HIGHEST AWARD.—

The Congressional Medal of Honor was presented to Gen. Douglas MacArthur in a simple ceremony, June 30, for extreme valor and exceptional leadership in the battle of the Philippines.

Attended only by his immediate staff, the Allied commander in the southwest Pacific received the decoration from United States Minister Nelson T. Johnson. Congress voted Gen. MacArthur the medal, the highest award of the nation, March 25.

CAT CAUSED ALL THE TROUBLE.—

Some of the Irish seamen who were recently detained in Lisbon, following an incident with the Civil Guards, have returned to Dublin. The others are expected home soon. It appears that when returning to their ship the men saw a cat which they considered would be useful as a rat-catcher on the ship. They caught the cat, which escaped, and while they were pursuing it a Civil Guard saw them, but did not see the cat. As the Guard attempted to stop the men his cape in some way got over his head. He fired his revolver, and other police came on the scene. The men were arrested and detained for several weeks.

The Master's Call

Beside the sea, the briny sea,
The broad and boundless ocean,
I heard a voice a-calling me;
My heart filled with emotion,
I knew it well, but I cannot tell
The words it whispered in mine ear,
For beyond the reach of human speech
Lie thoughts that the heart alone
can hear.

I trod the streets, the weary streets
That ran throughout the city vast;
My thoughts were drowned, as round
and round
The whirling stream of life flowed
past.
I hurried on amidst that throng

Of din and turmoil never ending,
But through it all I hear that call
Which I knew my heart in twain was
rending.

Beside a stream, a pleasant stream,
That flows through woodlands deck-
ed with flowers.

Alone I strayed beneath the shade
Of ancient oaks and rosy bowers;
Once more I heard that pleading Voice—

'Twas more insistent than before;
Turning, I answered to its call;
Joy filled my heart—the fight was
o'er.

ELECTS TO GO TO JAIL.—

Mary Jane Doherty, of Carndonagh, Co. Donegal, said she would go to jail when, at Derry last month, she was sentenced to six month's imprisonment for being concerned in removing candles, cocoa, coffee, and bread, the sentence not to operate if she paid a fine of £50, and quit Derry by six o'clock.

Teh Magistrate (Capt. Bell) said defendant was a persistent smuggler.

SEASIDE RESORTS HAVING GOOD HOLIDAY SEASON.—

While seaside resorts are doing a first-class holiday business, inland towns near famed beauty spots have had a thin time.

This is due to the virtual suspension of motoring, an official of the Irish Tourist Association told an *Irish Press* reporter some time ago. Much of the business came from motorists, who stayed for a few days at each place.

"The only supporters of the rural holiday this year," he said, "are hikers and cyclists: all young people. We have had more inquiries than ever for hiking and cycling itineraries."

"Killarney, for instance, has not been doing as well as it might, but then, business has been depressed there since the outbreak of war. Its mainstay was the American or English visitor."

Visitors from the North have come in greater numbers than before. They have spread themselves principally to Donegal and the coastal resorts around Dublin.

In Bray, which many of them chose, house agents have been able to let bungalows for as much as £30 for a month. Hotels and guest houses are doing excellent business.

The I.T.A. official said that there

had been some complaints of over-charging, which were investigated.

Among other resorts enjoying a good season are Tramore and Achill, but Galway, of course, has eclipsed them all, due to the additional attraction of the races.

It seems that the Dubliner has no special preference among the seaside resorts, save that, owing to travel difficulties, the family man has now to stay on the East coast.

LOST SCOTTISH JOB AWARD CONFIRMED.—

Judge Shannon, in the Dublin Circuit Court, last month, confirmed an award of £7 to Anthony Purdy, Killworth Road, Crumlin, on a claim for wrongful dismissal or alternatively, breach of a verbal contract under which, it was stated, Purdy, one of a number of men engaged in Dublin, was to have been given six months' work as from last October, at Rossneath, Glasgow, at 1/9 an hour for a minimum of 60 hours a week and with free lodgings.

Purdy, who had worked as a labourer, cook and store and time-keeper, was dismissed summarily in January. He had been engaged by Samuel T. Buser, South Anne Street, Dublin, who appealed against the award and told the court that he acted for a firm of contractors.

The case was made for Purdy that he was dismissed without reason being given. Judge Shannon held that he was entitled to one week's notice, with pay, if his work had been satisfactory.

MAYO PACT: ARCHBISHOP OF TUAM'S LETTER.—

The Archbishop of Tuam, Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, has sent the following letter to Mr. Michael Moran, T.D.:

"It was with much pleasure I learned that the members of the two political parties in Mayo Co. Council have reached an agreement to avoid a contest at the coming county elections. The people of Mayo will certainly welcome this agreement, which possesses obvious advantages, while it saves the county more than £4,000.

"It gives us an example of unity and harmony that will be an inspiration to all Ireland in this hour of crisis.

"Mayo Co. Council can look back on a splendid record of honourable and useful work. I want, through you, to convey my congratulations to the members who have now given a further proof of their patriotism, and their devotion to the highest ideals of citizenship."

The Bishops of Killala and Achonry have also expressed their approval.

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General News From Home and Abroad.

IN HONOUR OF MARCO M. AVELLANEDA.—

Early in the present week a committee was nominated under the presidency of Dr. Pedro M. Ledesma to arrange for the erection of a monument to the late brilliant ambassador of Argentina to the court of Spain. We observe that the secretary of the committee is a member of the Irish-Argentine community, Dr. Francisco José de Olguin. That in itself constitutes a guarantee that the work will be well done and it is fitting that the

Rosedal in Palermo has been chosen as the site for the monument, for Marco M. Avellaneda was an intense lover of nature and that means flowers.

THE CHANCELLOR OF VENEZUELA.—

The "good neighbour" policy is taking root in South America and the latest proof of that statement is to be found in the splendid reception that

has been extended to Doctor Parrá Pérez, who is actually our guest. The president of the Nation, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Lord Mayor of the city, the rector of the University, one and all, they have been unceasing in their attentions to the distinguished visitor. Every effort that tends to closer relations between the American nations should be hailed with sincere applause.

THE OLD, OLD STORY.—

The Americans, and when we use the term, we mean the citizens of the United States, have a saying to the effect that there is a sucker born every minute. They do not make much of a mistake. How often have we heard in this town of "el cuento del billete premiado." The latest occurred on Monday last at the corner of San Juan and Entre Rios. Some benighted Spaniard was the victim. For a supposed prize of ten grand, the man from Asturias paid every cent he had in the world \$4,600 mn. When his good friends had ceased congratulating him and left him to collect the prize, he had the surprise of his life. Not alone did he not collect, but he was accused of adulterating the ticket and it was only by a stroke of luck that he was not sent to Villa Devoto.

GRAF SPEE MARINES.—

Edmund Burke has placed it on record that there is no method of drawing up an indictment against an entire nation. Burke, then as ever, was correct. Now we have a strange thing happening in our midst. Some of the boys from the Graf Spee, actually interned in Cordoba, desire to become Argentine citizens, but their companions, and apparently their higher up in the German community, are definitely opposed to such action. This is a free land and any man, who steps the soil of Argentina, is at liberty to decide without let or hindrance exactly what he wants to do. It is intolerable, unthinkable, that if these boys want to become Argentine citizens, they should be subjected to persecution by their fellow-countrymen. The government of the nation has a definite obligation to defend these boys.

NAFTA AT 2¢ CENTS.—

Dan O'Connell was wont to say that he could drive a coach and four through

any act of parliament. The national authorities are making a praiseworthy effort to stop the speculators from concerning the nafta supply throughout the country with the ultimate object of raising the prices to suit their own pocket. The police throughout the country are under orders that they must see to it that nafta be not sold at a price beyond twenty-four cents the litre. It is up to the consumers of nafta to bring the law into effect and refuse to pay a nickel beyond that price. In theory the doctrine is fine, but when it comes down to practice, it is very difficult to enforce the law.

THE ELECTIONS IN TUCUMAN.—

The elections in Tucuman were carried through with admirable correction. There was not one single incident that calls for condemnation. The result of the election, as we pen these lines, is not known, but it looks that there is going to be a stern battle between the Partido Demócrata Nacional and the Alianza Radical for the Governorship.

WHEN PATRIOTISM IS MERE JINGOISM.—

Patriotism without God is "jingoism," declared Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O. P., Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the Catholic University of America in a recent broadcast. Beginning a new series of addresses over the "Catholic Hour" on "Christian Heroism," Father Slavin said "the pagan ideals of the enemy of necessity placed right on our side," but "the lives of our people" have not "been lived in the spirit and according to the teachings of Christ." "Far from it," he added. "The great progress that has been ours has not always been progress in the right direction, for it has not been pointed towards God. We have travelled far from the ideals set forth in the charter of our government. The guiding Providence of God, the natural moral law with its precepts of charity, justice, and religion, the dignity of man under God with unalienable rights and sacred obligations—these are expressions of that charter.

"In their place we have threatened to substitute the cult of humanity, the debasing and despairing teaching of naturalism, the tragic rejection of submission to God, the false humanism which closes our eyes to the real goals of human living. We have been attempting to run away from truth, from love, from happiness. Yet we have never in principles abandoned Christianity. That is why I say the pagan ideals of the enemy have of necessity placed right on our side, for circumstances have saved us from ourselves."

RANK CARELESSNESS.—

An explosion in a factory in the Chaco early in the week has been responsible for the death of half a dozen workmen and a large number of injured. These accidents occur through sheer carelessness. There is not sufficient consideration for the lives and welfare of the workers. When the accidents occur, for a few days there

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ARGENTINE BOOKS FOR BRAZIL.—

Early in the week the Brazilian ambassador to Argentina was the recipient of a select collection of books, donated by Argentine authors and printing firms, for the various reading centres in Rio de Janeiro. This is commendable and nothing should be left undone to get a better knowledge one of the other. There is an old French saying to the effect that we hate only those we do not know. Let us shatter that ignorance.

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PRISONERS OF WAR.—

The British War Office states, "International Red Cross Delegates have visited prisoner of war camps in Hong Kong at North Point, Sham Shui Po and Argyle Street and two hospitals for sick and wounded prisoners.

Their report as follows, Canadian prisoners were at North Point. They number 65 officers, 310 non-commissioned officers and 1,202 privates. Sham Shui Po contained 75 officers, 1,540 non-commissioned officers and 2,779 privates believed to be British or Colonial of all services. Argyle Street contained 474 officers, 19 non-commissioned officers and 93 orderlies.

The delegates report that the general state of health of the prisoners is good and that they were satisfied with the administrative arrangements.

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RETURNED SOLDIERS AND BOWLS.—

We cull the following from a recent issue of the New Zealand "Tablet":—

By the way, bowls would appear to be an excellent game for returned wounded or sick soldiers to indulge in during their period of convalescence, and it is gratifying to know that the Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment League has included in its plans for the rehabilitation of our men recreation in which bowls is part. It is proposed to establish a special green as part of a training centre which is to be erected on Anzac Avenue, Dunedin. Herein, it is suggested, lies an opportunity for bowlers to lend a helping hand to these returned men by donating sets of bowls or other necessary gear or in any other practical way.

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ADMIRAL STEWART RETURNS.—

On Sunday last by Panagra plane Admiral Francisco Stewart returned to Buenos Aires. As our readers are aware, he has been on a very difficult mission to the United States and it is gratifying to have his own words to the effect that the mission was highly successful. America, north and south, must hang together and as Charles Stewart Parnell said of old "if we don't hang together, we will surely hang separately."

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PRESIDENTIAL TIMBER.—

Where men most foregather these days, there is much talk and rumination about the coming presidency. A name that has been swinging into notice recently as a probable candidate for president is that of the present Lord Mayor of the city, Doctor Carlos Alberto Pueyrredon. He has every advantage on his side. He is comparatively young, he is dynamic, he possesses a considerable fortune and he is absolutely above suspicion.

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FAKE YOUR TIME.—

We are so made that we need time to commune with ourselves, time to think, time to assimilate what is good that has come to us, time to judge and cast out what is unworthy in our lives.

The first step towards strength is to make a placé for silence in your life. Time to consider what is worth while, and what is not. Time to decide what things should be avoided. Time, in short, to take up the role of artist in relation to our own life, and judge it with a view to altering and improving it.

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CLUBS FOR U. S. MERCHANT NAVY.—

The first of several clubs to be established in foreign ports for the American Merchant Marine is being set up in Glasgow by the United Seamen's Service, and will be opened shortly.

The United Seamen's Service was organised several months ago under the auspices of the United States War Shipping Administration, to do for the American Merchant Navy what the Red Cross and other organisations do for the armed forces.

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MEXICAN POLO PLAYERS.—

On last Saturday afternoon the Mexican polo players made their debut on local fields. The match was at Palermo, the weather was perfect and the playing pitch could not have been improved on. There was a swell attendance and if not scintillating there was some interesting play. The visitors ran out winners by 13 goals to 10 and they received a tremendous ovation from the aristocratic gathering. Considering that the Mexicans are playing on ponies lent them by Argentine players, they have given a remarkably good account of themselves up-to-date. On Sunday they were beaten by the odd goal in 17 after a sensational extra chukkar in which the Argentines scored to win the match.

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The Riddle of Lightning

A GLOWING, golden apple makes its leisurely way into a house through the letter box, a mouse hole or the chimney; or it carefully climbs down the branches of a tree and saunters across the street. Suddenly the little ball will explode, blast a house to smithereens and scatter death and destruction all around it.

The wandering ball of brightness is globular lightning, the nature of which phenomenon remains an absolute mystery to scientists. Why does it wind its way from place to place, make neat holes in the window panes that it passes through, and suddenly choose a moment for exploding as if out of sheer whimsicalness?

44,000 storms occur on the face of the earth every day; 360,000 strokes of lightning rend the heavens every hour. There is therefore no lack of opportunities to study the phenomena of lightning. Yet our store of knowledge in the subject is exceedingly modest. We merely know that lightning is a powerful electrical discharge that must take place when there is sufficient electrical tension between the clouds and the earth.

There are only suppositions to account for the origin of such powerful voltages. Apparently raindrops play a decisive part in bringing these about. The water vapour that is carried upward by the warmer air below becomes chilled and condensed into tiny globules of mist that go to make up the cloud.

The strong air currents within the clouds prevent the globules from dropping and scatter them in a way that causes them to develop a negative electrical charge. When they finally fall towards the earth as rain, they leave a positively charged layer of atmosphere behind them.

The process, however, is not so simple as all that. It is certain that there are both positively and negatively charged clouds. Otherwise it would be impossible for lightning to jump from one cloud to another—often over a distance of as much as twelve miles.

The cloud may even be charged positively in its upper layers and negatively lower down. Then the discharge takes place within the cloud itself and appears as a diffused glow. Remains the question: why a single cloud becomes divided into two antagonistic parts?

Scientists incline to blame the ultra-violet rays from the sun for this. It has been shown in the laboratory that ultra-violet rays heighten the conductivity of the atmosphere and form groups of electrically charged molecules that gather around positive and negative poles.

Scientists even go so far as to make the sun responsible for all lightning. Sun spots are considered to be electromagnetic fields that send out positively charged atomic nuclei and negative electrons. When these reach the upper part of the atmosphere they transfer their charges to the atmosphere and the globules of the clouds. An electrical storm in the eyes of science to-day is not a mere event that occurs between the earth and the clouds; it is the final phase of a cosmic process. Lightning then is merely solar energy.

Before very long we will be able to view the life history of lightning (in nature it lasts 1/500th of a second) stretched out to last a full two minutes. German technicians have built a "time-extension" apparatus that takes tens of thousands of photos per second and then flashes them on to a screen at a slower speed. The present

tation gives us an altogether different view of lightning than the zigzag form that we are accustomed to see.

First of all, a faint trace of light is seen between the cloud and the earth. The first electrical contact is established. Then the lightning takes the form of a tree growing out of the clouds with a marvellously complex system of branches, each of which gropes towards the ground as though uncertain where to strike. The real lightning that is visible to our eyes breaks forth at a spot on the earth where the conductivity is greatest and crashes into the clouds.

The phenomenon of lightning, therefore, consists of two distinct parts: there is the preliminary exploratory flash that comes from the ground to the clouds. The old God of Lightning, Thor, would be mortified to learn that it was not he who hurled his dread bolts earthward but that he received them from the ground.

Where does lightning strike? The question has now been clarified by specialists in high tension problems. They have compiled "lightning maps" of power lines on which every tower and its history are recorded. It appears that some of these towers have never been touched by lightning while others have been struck repeatedly. The old claim of the water-diviners that lightning strikes where underground streams of water are to be found has been verified.

It has been well known that fruit trees, pines and firs, as well as rose bushes, do not thrive where streams of water are to be found beneath the soil. Most farmers know that spots where such trees will not grow must be avoided during a storm. Lightning will shun the tall poplars and strike directly at the location of subterranean water. Trees, therefore, are dangerous only when they happen to be located over subterranean streams of water. In dry regions where such streams of water are rare lightning shows a preference for spots where there are faults and clefts beneath the surface.

There is a saying to the effect that birds are never struck by lightning, and that houses in which swallows build their nests can be considered as shielded from such a mishap. These claims have been confirmed by scientific observation. These curious facts remain unexplained. Storms and swallows, however, never build their nests over underground currents of water. This accounts for the blessing that

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they appear to bring to the houses where they build.

In a district where the underground water system is unknown it is best to avoid taking refuge under isolated trees (which act as conductors for lightning); and in the case of a forest to shun the tallest trees. People should avoid huddling together during a storm. An army must spread its ranks out as much as possible. The column of warm, moist air that rises from a compact group of humans, especially if their clothes are wet from the rain, acts as a conductor just as does a transmission tower.

The intensity of lightning is incredible. When we hear crackling noises on our radio sets, we conclude that there is a storm somewhere in the country. This is an under-estimation. Identical disturbances have been heard

on radio sets in Germany, New York, San Francisco and Honolulu. It has been proved, moreover, that a powerful flash of lightning in the jungle of India or over the South Seas suffices to produce disturbances on every radio set throughout the world.

It is not generally known that lightning performs some eminently useful services for mankind. Every bolt of lightning produces a quantity of nitric acid from the nitrogen, hydrogen and oxygen of the air. It has been calculated that 100,000,000 tons of nitric acid are produced in this way each year—more than man produces by the artificial nitrogen-fixing process. Plants themselves are unable to fix nitrogen. Lightning is, therefore, a vital source of fertilizer and exerts a decisive influence on the vegetable world.



Blossoms of Australia

(WILDFLOWERS)

Few countries can boast such wealth of colour, especially the predominance of blues, and such remarkable diversity of forms.

The flora includes tropical and temperate plants to the number of approximately seven thousand, including at least half of the known families of flowering plants.

One of the most wonderful of Australian flowers is the New South Wales variety of "Gymea" or Gigantic Lily. This huge red bloom "Doryanthus Excelsa" is the most gorgeous of the "Doryanthus" family.

The brilliant crimson Waratah (Telopea Speciosissima) is the glory of the Australian bush, and it is unsurpassed in decorative art.

Near Albany, Western Australia, are to be found the famous pitcher-plants, vegetable lethal chambers for unwilling insects and small animals, which are lured to destruction by apparent flesh-pots that are cunningly designed prisons where the victims are killed and digested, the intricately constructed feather flowers being amongst the most beautiful structures of all flowers.

Other derivatives of primitive plants is the strange almost weird species known as "Kangaroo Paws", strange asymmetrical things, some red, others green, yellow or black coloured, but the starry blue Leschenaultia has to be seen to be realised.

The Morrison flower, a living mass of vibrant gold, is an unforgettable spectacle, as also is the "Nuytena" or Christmas tree, with clusters of blossom like a yellow flame—a veritable paradox as peculiar as it is handsome.

The gorgeous Desert Pea belongs to the flora of the dry interior. It is large, elongated and scarlet, with an intense purple-black spot, this unique species being most arresting in its beauty.

Common Heath (Epacris Impressa) in winter this member of a great family—nearly 300 species, begins to flower until November, the colours being pink, red or white, but the shades are numerous.

Crimson Honey Myrtle (Melaleuca Wilsonii). One of the most attractive shrubs, bearing crimson flowers from October to December and grows to a height of 6 feet.

Few plants can equal and none excel the seventy odd different varieties of "everlastings".

Brilliant displays of wildflowers are to be seen on bush rambles in all Australian States, and the glories of the bush, especially in Springtime, remain a fragrant memory of Nature's unexampled bountifulness.

While every wildflower has its charm, orchids too have many admirers. There are more than 500 species of orchids native to Australia, the beauty of some epiphytes being incomparable. The remarkable "Rhizanthella" lives a completely subterranean existence.

Ferns and flowers have a host of admirers, but they are rivalled in beauty and interest by another class of flowerless plants—the fungi.

In Papua and Queensland there are the "lace petticoat" or "crinoline" fungi, and in other parts some thousands of species including the pygmy and microscopic forms, but none are more attractive than the "crinoides".

The following is a list of well-known Australian wildflowers, which may be cultivated in Argentina with success due to the similarity in climatic conditions:—

- 1) Waratah (Telopea Speciosissima).
- 2) Scented Boronia (Boronia megastigma Nees).
- 3) Templetonia (Templetonia retusa (Vent.) R. Br.).
- 4) San Hovea (Hovea trisperma Benth.).
- 5) Narrow-leaved Crowea (Crowea angustifolia Turcz.).
- 6) Pink Myrtle (Hypocalymma robustum).

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The Campman's Forum.

—By "CAMP-ROVER"

The past week has been full of interest for those engaged in the livestock breeding trade. The annual sales of imported bulls, the Avellaneda and Liniers Fat Stock Shows, and the first show held at Pehuajó, were the more important of the week's events.

There was a good turn-out at Avellaneda where the star performance was that of Bancalari y Copello, whose excellent pen of ten Aberdeen-Angus steers won the championship of the show, with Juan Baurin's pen of Shorthorns in second place. Prices were quite satisfactory, the C. A. P. taking the grand champion lot at

niers lost much of its interest when it ceased to be the first step towards the "Christmas Show" of beef at Smithfield, there was a fine collection of steers on view this year, with less "tail" to the classes than on some previous occasions. The Hereford section might, however, have been better filled as to number.

In the Hereford section, judged by Juan J. Oliver, the championship award with all the special prizes that goes with it went to "El Yunque" S. A. and reserve to Safico S. A. The champion pen averaged 511 kilos each and they were bought by the Anillo at \$2.60 the kilo, making \$357.37 per



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\$2 per kilo, while the Shorthorn champion from Juan J. Baurin made \$1.50 to the La Blanca and the Herefords from El Yunque S. A. were bought by the Anglo for \$1.50. The general average was around 48 centavos the kilo.

The Liniers Show:—

Although the Fat Stock Show at Li-

ster. In all 120 steers were sold to an average price of 84 centavos.

Mr. George Gordon Davis judged the Shorthorns, and Juan J. Baurin won both the classes in this section, as well as championship and reserve awards and special prizes. His best pen averaged 494 kilos and was taken by La Blanca at \$2.60 the kilo; this being \$1,284 per steer. The reserve steers weighed 418 kilos each and the La Blanca paid \$2.55 the kilo for them, or \$1,065 per steer. The 240 Shorthorn steers offered were all sold to average 69 centavos the kilo, or \$287.41 per head.

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- 393) Of What Does An Atom Consist?
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- tum Endl.).
- 7) Cone flower (Conostephium pendulum Benth.).
- 8) Bush Primrose (Hibbertia hypericoides (D. C.) Benth.).
- 9) Pink Banjine (Pimelia spaetabalis (Fisch. et Mey.) Lindl.).
- 10) Pepper and Salt (Eriostemon spicatus A. Rich.).
- 11) Wild Violet (Hybanthus calycinus (Stued.) F. v. M.).
- 12) "Wilson's Grevillea" (Grevillea Wilsonii A. Cunn.).
- 13) "Hand Flower" (Scaevola striata R. Br.).
- 14) Yellow Cotton Flower (Conostylis candidans Endl.).
- 15) Bridal Bush (Ricinocarpus glaucus Endl.).
- 16) Blue Tinsel Lily (Calectasia cyanea R. Br.).
- 17) Native Wistaria (Hardenbergia Camptoniana (Andr.) Benth.).
- 18) Sturt Pea (Clianthus speciosus (G. Don.) Aschers et Graebn.).
- 19) Prickly Mimosa (Acacia pulchella R. Br.).
- 20) Scarlet Runner (Kennedyia prostrata R. Br.).
- 21) Pomegranate Bush (Balaustian pulcherrimum Hook).
- 22) Lacewood (Pithecolobium grandiflorum).
- 23) Tulipwood (Harpullia pendula).
- 24) Grevilleas (Acutnafolla).
- 25) Pea Flower (Gompholobium).
George Middelbach.

Obituaries



"BLESSED ARE THE DEAD WHO DIE IN THE LORD."

Michael Bernard O'Brady, R.I.P.

Arrecifes has lost one of its most kindly and beloved souls in the passing of the late Mr. Michael Bernard O'Brady. Known by all as a most generous and gentle friend, his loss has left a deep void in the Irish community of Arrecifes, F.C.C.A. But still more his loss is felt because he was one of those true Irish spirits who upheld most valiantly the noble traditions of our forefathers, in their love of their holy religion and the love of Ireland and the Irish priesthood. Michael was always a true friend to our Irish chaplains, and in them to God, and now he has gone from our midst to the reward of the faithful and true: "his life is changed for the everlasting life, not taken away, and having dissolved the earthly house of his body, he has bought an eternal dwelling in Heaven."

His parents were the late James O'Brady and Eliza Allen, who had twelve children, of whom he was the fourth eldest son. He was sixty two years of age, having been born in Salto Argentino in 1980, where he was schooled and lived, and on May 3rd, 1923, married Miss Rose Ryan, who blessed his life with peace and holiness, and although her children have not survived, she herself has always been the joy of her husband.

Michael was an able campman, an experienced sheepfarmer and agriculturist, and a good worker until ill-health overtook him as manager of the estancia "La Micala", belonging to engineer Francisco Meroño, son of the late Dr. F. P. Meroño of Arrecifes.

He had been ailing during the last three years and was operated on twice by Dr. A. Borzone in the Arrecifes hospital, and once in the Hospital Policlínico in La Plata by Dr. Christman. He was very remarkable for the patience, resignation and even joy with which he bore his long illness and many sufferings, up to the very end. A man of great Christian heart he only smiled at his ailments and joked with his friends, in the midst of his pain. Fr. Victor wishes to thank him for the good will he showed towards the Fr. Flannery Centenary Celebration in Arrecifes, in which his sister Miss Angela O'Brady was to take so important a part. Michael, though so near death insisted that his sister should attend the feast and fulfil her role, and when he heard she had done so, he was pleased, and calmly departed this earth with a message of joy for his dear old Sagart Aroon in Heaven. On the eve of the Irish Concert he left Arrecifes for La Plata where he entered the Policlínico under the care of Dr. Christman, and on October 20th. was visited by Fr. Joseph Campion C. P. who administered the last sacraments to him. Whilst conversing familiarly with him, Fr. Joseph recalled how the first confession he had ever heard as a newly ordained priest was that of Michael O'Brady, in dear old Salto Argentino.

Twice before, in grave moments of sickness, Michael had been anointed, and now with this third anointing he was well fortified for the last battle of life. His death was most edifying, assisted by the acting hospital chaplain, he met death fearlessly, de-

clared he "was happy to die," kissed his loving wife, said goodbye to his dear ones, and slept in the Lord, on Friday, at midday, October 23rd. During life he had been noted for his devotion to the sign of the cross and the use of holy water, and this holy habit was his strength at the hour of death, which was most peaceful. He died of peritonitis and heart complication. On Friday night his remains were brought from La Plata to the Irish Society of Arrecifes where they were waked and on Saturday afternoon at 16 o'clock, October 24th., were conducted to the parish church for the responses and then accompanied to the local cemetery. V. Rev. Fr. P. Vistalli and Fr. Victor O'Carolan recited the responses. A large gathering attended both wake and funeral. He leaves his bereaved widow, six sisters, one brother, and eight nieces and nephews to mourn his loss.

Telegrams were received from Rev. Fr. Dunleavy, Colegio Clonmacnoise, Pica, Clarencio y Miguel Ryan, Familia Harrington, Familia Luterl and Familia Rush, Bs. Aires.

Sweet Jesus have mercy on his soul!

Anne Geoghegan de Bohan, R.I.P.

Beautiful and peaceful in death, lay the corpse of Anne Geoghegan de Bohan, in her coffin in the Irish Society of Arrecifes F.C.C.A., awaiting a glorious resurrection. "I am the resurrection and the life," Jesus has said, and as she often received Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, so, even in death she calmly confides in Him for a glorious resurrection.

The late Mrs. Bohan was the daughter of the late Charles Geoghegan and Anne Flanagan, and was born in Salto Argentino on the 13th of October in the year 1885. In 1900 she went to live in Baradero and in 1910 she came to live in Arrecifes, where she was married to Mr. William Bohan in 1915, in the parish church, by Rev. Fr. Edmund Flannery.

She was the mother of eight children, two of whom have predeceased her.

She came of a fine Irish stock and was always faithful to the best traditions of the race, practising all the virtues of a good housewife, and teaching her children by word and example. Her life in the camp was simple and pastoral, dedicated to the usual occupations of a camp home and cultivating kindness to her neighbour and the sweetness of Irish hospitality. She had her children educated in St. Bridgid's College and the consolation of each advancing year was to have her daughters home from college and appreciate duly their progress in learning and virtue, acquired in one of the best institutions of our community.

In latter years her health was beginning to fail and last July she entered the British Hospital for treatment under the care of Dr. Donnelly and Dr. Bouttell. Her most pronounced ailments were liver trouble and dropsy, which though so trying and troublesome, she bore with wonderful cheerfulness and resignation to God's holy will. This was evident to her many relatives and friends who continually visited her in the hospital and admired her virtue and long-suffering

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On several occasions she received the Blessed Sacrament at the hands of Fr. Joseph Campion, C.P., and was blessed by her nephew, V. Rev. Fr. Albert Deane, C.P. She often expressed a hope of recovery, but doubtless felt interiorly that her end was nigh, and therefore prepared herself for a happy death.

Last Sunday, morning, October 25th at three o'clock, a sudden telephone call from the British Hospital to Holy Cross brought Father Albert to her assistance, but when he arrived she had just expired, so he administered the sacraments of Absolution and Extreme Unction conditionally. On the same afternoon her mortal remains were transferred from Buenos Aires to the premises of the Irish Society in Arrecifes, where they were waked.

On Monday, October 26th, they were carried to the parish church, where a high Mass of "cuorpo presents" was celebrated in presence of a large concourse of mourners who also accompanied her to her last resting place in the local cemetery in the family vault, where the last prayers were recited by the parish priest and by Fr. Albert, Provincial of the Passionists. She leaves to mourn her a bereaved husband, three sons and three daughters, four brothers and two sisters, forty-one nephews and nieces, and forty-three grandnephews and grandnieces. Sweet Jesus have mercy on her soul!

Isabel Duffy de Keegan, R.I.P.

Yet another esteemed member of the Irish-Argentine community has been taken from our midst in the person of the late Isabel Duffy de Keegan, whose death took place on Monday, October 19th, at her home in the town of Mercedes.

Always a staunch member of the Catholic Church, and especially during her last years when she was in failing health, she made full use of every occasion that was given her to receive the Sacraments. So when her end came, already having been strengthened and comforted by the rites of Holy Church she was well prepared for her long home journey.

The deceased was born in the Partido of Mercedes some 82 years ago; her parents being the late James Duf-

fy and Catherine Walsh. In 1883 she married Jacob Kelly from which they union five sons were born to them, two of whom died before yet they had scarcely reached to the bloom of manhood. The happiness of her married life was short lived for in less than twelve years she was left the sole care of her young family through the death of her husband. Some six years later she married James Ke-

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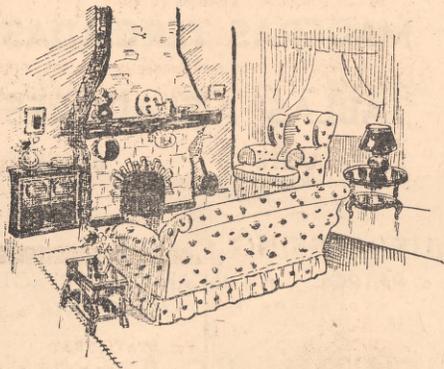
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Retrospection

(By the late Mr. William MacCormick, of Pergamino. These lines were written shortly after his arrival in Argentina in the year 1866).

O preyed with anguish
In grief I languish
Far, far away from my native home,
Where friends resided,
And faith abided,
And peace invited me ne'er to roam.
But I detested
The laws projected
By alien despots on Erin's shore,
Which drive her manhood,
The brawn and lifeblood,
Across the wide seas for evermore,
To toil with strangers,
Encounter dangers,
Way worn rangers, their course to
steer,
While foxes prowling
And fierce wolves howling,
Can flee for refuge, when danger's
near.
Far from the mountains
And crystal fountains,
The staghounds bounding o'er glen and
moor,
The winding streamlets
And peaceful hamlets,
Where balmy zephyrs fresh and pure,
The valleys bounding
And hills surrounding
The ivied cottage and flowry lea,
The warblers chiming
Their gay notes timing

To hail the sweet charming month of
May.
But ah! such splendour
Wealth, joy and grandeur
Are dreams for slumber, to bless re-
pose,
While exiles borrow
Their sighs from sorrow
And hope tomorrow will end their
woes.
Still nature calls us
What'er befalls us
In every quarter and every clime
To cling to Ireland, our distant sire-
land
Her grief to share in, her praise to
chime.
Alas! such musing
Is time abusing,
Such retrospection can ne'er recall
The scenes of childhood
The streams and wild wood,
The friends that I could have at my
call.
Yet should wealth favour
My poor endeavour,
My friends and neighbours in Bishops-
town,
Shall hailing meet me
Caress and greet me,
O then contentment complete is found.

gan, who has long since passed to his reward and from this union one daughter was born to them.

To mourn her loss the deceased leaves one daughter, three sons, three daughters-in-law and several grandchildren; to all of whom we extend our sympathy in their hour of sorrow. On her soul sweet Jesus have mercy.

A Friend.

Mary Gertrude Murray de Mathé,
R. I. P.

On Sunday the 25th of October, the remains of the late Mrs. Rafael Mathé (née Mary Gertrude Murray), were laid to rest in the Recoleta Cemetery after a long and painful illness, and having received all the rites of the Holy Catholic Church and Papal Blessing. The deceased was the dearly beloved wife of Mr. Rafael Mathé of this city, mother of four sons, and only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael S. Murray, also of this city. Well known in social circles both Irish and Argentine, where her charming manner and broad sympathies won her many friends, her loss will be sincerely felt by those who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. An active member of "Acción Católica". She took a deep interest in anything connected with its activities; the parish of San Martin de Tours, where she laboured with such zeal and untiring energy manifested its appreciation of her love and kindness for the poor and needy as was shown by the large number of societies, confraternities, boy scouts, círculo de obreros, taller de costuras, Damas Vicentinas of the parish, who paid their last tribute to her remains before their interment. Throughout her long illness she was constantly attended by the Assumptionist Fathers, who brought her communion daily and her edifying death was an example and incentive to many, who felt that the true christian not only knows how to live, but how to die. To her loving husband, children and sorrowing father, mother and brothers, and numerous re-

latives we extend, in this their hour of grief, our sincere sympathy. May God rest her soul.

ST. PAUL'S UNION

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At a general meeting held on Sunday, October the 4th, in St. Paul's Union, a new committee was elected as follows:

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About People

Following a visit to La Cumbre the Misses Cora and Rosita Dowling returned last week-end to their home in Belgrano.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Cormick returned to town last week following a visit to their estancia in Norberto de la Riestra.

Mrs. Annie Feeney de Macleod has returned to town from La Cumbre, where she had been convalescing from her recent serious illness.

Mr. John F. Clancy, who is paying a visit to Montevideo is registered at the Nogaro Hotel.

The Catholic Club guild held a meeting on Wednesday last at the residence of Mrs. H. A. Roberts, Calle Piedras 361.

On Tuesday last a Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in the parish church of San Martin for the eternal repose of the soul of the late Mrs. Kathleen Milton Boyle on the first anniversary of her death.

Mrs. Arthur Pearson and child are paying a visit to friends in Córdoba.

A recent arrival in this city is Mr. Merwin L. Bohan, who will take charge of the economic section of the United States Embassy in this country.

Miss Julia Elena O'Connor left early in the week for Santa Fe.

From Curuzú-Cuatia, Corrientes, Mr. and Mrs. Eugenio Richard arrived in town on Tuesday last.

Mr. Charles E. O'Donnell, who has been on the sick list, is now reported much improved in health.

For the convenience of people residing in the Northern suburbs, one of the Passionist Fathers hears Confessions in the old parish church of Belgrano, calle Obligado 2050, on the Saturday preceding every First Sunday of the month, from 5 to 6 p. m.

Fr. Alfred needs a piano for St. Paul's College. Preferred, a piano fond of Irish Airs. Apply to the College, Capitán Sarmiento—or to Brother Ambrose, Holy Cross, phone Loria (45) 1317.

Sincere regret has been caused in this city by the information from London to the effect that Mr. Harry Scott had passed away. For many years he was manager of the London bank in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McClure are spending a holiday at Los Molles Hotel, Los Cocos, in the Hills of Córdoba.

Amongst recent arrivals from Santiago de Chile by Panagra plane were Messrs. J. Welsh and B. Farrell.

Following a visit to Cordoba Mr. E. Bradley has arrived in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Cummins, of Hurlingham, attended the Pilgrimage from Holy Cross Church to Lujan, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Hogg are registered at the City Hotel.

Tomorrow the annual fete will take place at the British Hospital. Organised by the Matron and the Nurses, the Fete offers every kind of entertainment from music to sideshows and the entrance is only one peso, including a splendid tea.

The Cardinal Archbishop of Paris is at present in Vichy, where he has had various interviews with Marshal Petain.

On Wednesday last the Parish Priest of San Isidro Labrador celebrated his silver jubilee as a priest. His parishioners took a keen interest in the event and Father Lombardo was the recipient of an artistic album signed by his numerous friends and parishioners.

There was a large congregation assembled in the parish church of Arrecifes on last Monday morning when a solemn Mass was celebrated for the eternal repose of the soul of the late lamented Mr. Joseph P. Ryan.

We are informed that Mrs. E. Faust, of Belgrano, who has entered the British Hospital for treatment is improving.

Mrs. Ana L. C. de Shandley and her sons Thomas, Patrick and Michael left for Rojas, F.C.C.B.A., and will be staying with her father Mr. Thomas Cummins, until about the end of January.

Mr. Thomas Gear, of Gualaguaychu, has been visiting friends in this city and Rojas, F.C.C.B.A.

Mr. Colin Macleod, of Franklin and Herrera Ltd., left on Wednesday last on a business trip to Santa Fe and Cordoba.

Sincere sympathy is offered to Sister M. Conan, Convent of Mercy, Elphin, Co. Roscommon, on the death during an air raid at York of her cousin, Rev. Mother Patricia O'Connor.

Tomorrow evening the Misses Dolly and Maria Teresa Lynch are giving a dinner party to a group of their friends.

Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Juan Jorge Jordan gave a reception in honour of their friends.

Mr. Bartolomé Harte, from the city of Rosario de Santa Fe, celebrated on the 27th of October his 70th anniversary. In this occasion Mr. B. Harte received many good wishes from relatives and friends.

Mr. Martin F. Coloe (jr.), has returned to Vespucio, Provincia de Salta, after visiting his parents and friends in La Plata.

Miss Annie Farrell, of Hurlingham, attended the Pilgrimage with the children of Mary to Lujan, on Sunday.

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Simon Bolivar

HE was born of a noble and wealthy family; educated in the privileges and prejudices of his caste; but the ideal of liberty seized his mind in early youth, and he broke with his family, his friends and his vast fortunes, to live the hazardous life of a proscribed exile, a leader of guerrillas, a revolutionary general who staked his head in every battle. He freed a continent, but the peoples rejected him and he died, in the prime of manhood, poor, surrounded by suspicion, fear and hatred. While he lay dying, he was troubled at the thought that the liberated peoples had turned their weapons on one another and the future was in peril. When he had received the Eucharist, he dictated a message to the people of Colombia: "I long for the happiness of my country," he said "and if my death will bring about the end of parties and the consolidation of unity, I will go down in peace to the grave".

This was Simon Bolivar, the most outstanding man born on this continent. Few men can have suffered as intensely as he, and few have achieved so much.

Buenos Aires has raised a monument to his memory in the geographical centre of the city. From the shadows of the ancient trees in the Rivadavia Park rises a square stone portal of golden-yellow stone. It is strictly geometrical, balanced, heavy and solid, but there is no building behind it. Before the gateway Bolivar bestrides his horse, sword in hand.

The symbolism is perfect. Simon Bolivar built no building, but he opened a door and while he lived he stood on guard before that door, defiant, indomitable. The men of

later generations, of all generations born on the American soil shall forever hail him as the guardian of the gate.

The peoples of Argentina and Venezuela are separated by the entire length of the continent but our histories are linked by the memories of a common campaign for liberty, and by a common leadership. There is now no rivalry between Bolivar and San Martin, for they had a single cause and that cause was triumphant.

We hail the memory of Bolivar. In these times the tendency to belittle the great heroic figures of the past is on the increase. There are even those who would undo their work. But the spirit of Bolivar is not wholly dead, that rare spirit which drove him to expend his life fiercely for the ideal of independence.

ST. PATRICK'S CHAPEL, SALTO.

NOTICE.

The Committee of the feast in aid of St. Patrick's Chapel, Salto, regret to announce that owing to unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances they have decided to postpone the celebrations they had in preparation for the 8th. of November next. They hope to carry out said festivities at an early date in the coming year, which date will be duly advertised, when present difficulties, especially the shortage of naptha, can be more easily overcome.

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Our Readers will help us if they will mention THE SOUTHERN CROSS when referring to advertisements appearing in this paper.

Our Friends up North and the Missionaries Down South

It is good to have the reactions of our Catholic brethren in the United States to the complaints recently voiced in that country by two well-known (non-Catholic) writers, Messrs John W. White and John Erskine. Both these gentlemen made it plain that they were tackling the problem of the Protestant missionaries in South America from the patriotic point of view, not the religious. Attempts have been made to obscure the issue by claiming that White and Erskine are in reality working in the

interests of the Nazis when they characterize the Protestant missionary establishments in Latin America as main obstacles to Pan-American friendship. We ourselves have been called Nazis and bigots because we dealt with the same problem in a recent issue. We are not any of these things and we have pleasure in publishing the following excerpts from well-known and authoritative American Reviews in order to show that in the States millions of people think as we do.

From THE AVE MARIA.

The *Catholic Digest* for August carries on what is developing into a real debate over the problem of proselytizing in South America. In the July issue the *Catholic Digest* quoted Episcopal John Erskine as saying that Protestant missions in Latin America are "a work of destruction." Of course, Mr. Erskine had reference to our Good Neighbor policy and was not speaking from a purely religious point of view. Ignoring that diplomatic issue, *Christian Century*, a Protestant weekly, defended the right of Protestant missionaries to work south of the Rio Grande. "There are enough religiously indifferent people in South America to give Protestant missionaries an ample field for a century. What if they do proselytize? So does the Roman Catholic Church." Not stopping to answer this misleading and irrelevant reply, the new issue of the *Catholic Digest* returns to the question of diplomacy. It quotes another Protestant, John W. White, correspondent for the *New York Herald Tribune*. "My interest in the problem is purely patriotic and political, not religious. If we are sincere in our desire to make the Western Hemisphere safe for democracy, we must have the real friendship of our South American neighbors. The first and most important step in winning that friendship would be to call home our missionaries." By proselytizing, he adds, the "missionaries" do more harm than good, even from a purely religious point of view, because they deprive their 'converts' of the impressive and solemn ritual of the Catholic Church, which they have known all their lives, and give them no equivalent in return for it."

From AMERICA

For all our admitted American "realism," our Liberal brethren are very loathe to face unpleasant facts, particularly when they happen to be religious facts. Evidence of this appeared recently in reviews of a prominent book, *Argentina, the Life Story of a Nation*, by John W. White. Detailing various ways we Americans have adopted of how *not* to win friends in the South, Mr. White makes a capital point of the fact that we "insult the educated, cultured, devout and haughty Argentines by sending them Protestant missionaries (400 were there recently at once), and this to one of the most loyally Roman Catholic countries in the world." This much notice of a most important point was given in a *New York Times* review for August 21, but the two extended reviews, both in the *Times* Book Review and the *New York Herald Tri-*

bune Books, for August 23, make absolutely no mention of this very crucial difficulty. John Erskine, writing in this Review (*Misguided Preachers Bring Discord to South America*, July 4) spoke strongly and from first-hand experience on this very short-sighted policy. Whether our diplomats, official or unofficial, like the situation or not is not the point. The point is that under all the economic and diplomatic dickerings that go on between us and the South Americas, under all the talk of wheat and meat and business transactions and tariffs, the open chasm that must be bridged is a cultural, and that means fundamentally a religious, one. The stupid policy of not even seeing this problem, or the timid policy of fearing to mention it, will never go far toward developing good neighborliness. True, religious difficulties are ticklish ones, but let our diplomats and writers, whose job it is to guide and inform us, at least do us the honest service of facing the un-doubted, if to them, unwelcome fact that we have to deal with the nations below the Rio Grande from the viewpoint of Catholic culture—and that means Catholics in the key positions.

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THE BRITISH HOSPITAL.
ANNUAL REPORT.

On last Tuesday evening the Annual General Meeting of the British Hospital was held at the English Club and the report for the year June 30th, 1942 was read by the president of this admirable institution, Mr. Robert Fraser. From his words it is evident that despite all the calls that the English-speaking community have for patriotic purposes, they still support the hospital generously. We take the following paragraph from the report:—

"Insofar as achievement is concerned, the past year has seen the Institution called upon to provide greater service than ever before and much more might have been given had the capacity of the Hospital permitted this to be done. Achievement can, however, be measured only by the degree in which pain and suffering may be relieved or cured. In respect of the work of those appointed to assume the great responsibilities for the care of the sick in the Hospital, the statistical records for the year indicate the high degree of success which attended their efforts.

"The promise for the future may be said to rest not in what we possess but in what we need; in other words a larger Hospital. How that ambition may be achieved will be told to you a little later on."

Some years back when the actual president of the Hospital committee and his friends commenced the famous campaign to secure funds to erect the present magnificent building, critics were not lacking. The croakers affirmed that there was no need for such an extensive building, but already there is evidence that further accommodation is essential. During the past year on more than one occasion the hospital authorities were compelled to allow patients to leave the institution before they were convalescent, simply because there was urgent need of beds for much more serious cases. To prevent a repetition of this state of affairs greater accommodation is required and apparently judging from the words of the annual report that accommodation is going to be supplied. Listen to the words of the report:—

"We may now tell you of our plans for the future extension of the Hospital. Under the Repetto legacy, of which we informed you last year, we shall receive in due course the generous bequest left to the Hospital for the purpose of erecting two buildings. We propose that this money shall be devoted to the provision of additional accommodation for patients in a building to be erected in the Hospital grounds and also to build a small sanatorium for tuberculous patients. It has been decided that the latter shall be in the vicinity of the Hospital to ensure efficient control and economic working. We have very much at heart the care of the tubercular sick of the Communities and it is desirable that the treatment should pass under our direct control. The preliminary plans will, it is hoped, be prepared shortly covering both projects and we hope to be able to tell you more about them in our next Report."

Those words are not open to misconception and the hospital authorities are definitely decided to go ahead with the work. The British Hospital deserves general and generous support. The very thought of not posses-

sions occasion and hope that when the centenary comes along, it will find the Franco Inglesa as prosperous, progressive and popular as it is today.

ing such an institution causes a certain feeling of despair. What would happen to our invalid poor? Apart from the fact that the hospital supplies an immense amount of free attention, the cleanliness of the institution, the excellence of the nursing staff and the unflinching attention of the medical staff render the British Hospital not only unique in this country. It is very doubtful if anywhere it can be surpassed and we have every reason to feel proud of it and accordingly support it generously and joyously.

THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH.

ST. PATRICK'S CENTRE.

The usual yearly circular from the Consejo Central de las Obras Misionales Pontificias in Buenos Aires, signed by Monsignor Ussher, National Director, has come to every centre in the whole Republic, reminding us of the *Domingo Misional*, on which day, we are to make a new start in our collection for the Propagation of the Faith for the present year. In it are quoted the words just received from Mgr. Celso Constantini, President of the Consejo Superior in Rome. Words that ought to be read and pondered by every Catholic in the country. Here are the words:—

"Llamamientos llegan de infinidad de misiones. Recoged hermanos, el grito de angustia de estos abnegados evangelizadores. Uníos a su congoja y a sus plegarias, sed generosos, como siempre. Podéis asimismo ofrendar vuestro óbolo, en sufragio de un alma querida. El Santo Padre, el Vicario de Cristo, os extiende su augusta mano, en demanda de plegarias para que se restaure la paz en la justicia y en la caridad, y tambien solicitando vocaciones y recursos para que el reino de Dios se extienda por todo el mundo.

Dad vuestra limosna a los misioneros, como se la daríais al mismo Jesucristo, de cuyo Corazón Sacratísimo brota un quejido muy hondo. "Tengo tambien otras ovejas que no son de este aprisco, las cuales debo yo recoger, y oírán mi voz y de todas se hará un solo rebaño y un solo pastor."

The members then of St. Patrick's Centre are reminded that the time has come for sending in their subscriptions for the present year.

HOLY CROSS ALTAR SOCIETY

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As previously announced the Hurling Club is holding a Victrola Dance tomorrow evening from 8 o'clock p.m. to 1 o'clock a.m. The Committee has purchased a new Victrola and records for the occasion and a hearty welcome is extended to all the people of the community and their friends to attend this dance. A uniform price of \$1.00 per person, members and non-members alike, will be charged for dancing.

HURLING DAY.

A group of members of the Hurling Club, duly authorized by the D. C. is organizing a "Hurling Day" to take place on Sunday, November 8th, when a "Campeonato Relámpago" will take place and as many hurlers as possible will gather and enjoy a good "asado" at mid-day and recall the good Hurling Days gone by. On account of the limited number of sticks available, teams of eleven players will be formed amongst those interested in participating in the competition and the first knock-out matches will take place during the morning of Sunday, November 8th, in order to classify the two teams which will play off the final during the afternoon of the same day. As no hurling championship was played during the current year this will be the only hurling competition organized during 1942 and consequently it is expected that everybody interested in witnessing a match of the old game will turn up for the occasion to make the Hurling Day a "day of days".

DEMONSTRATION.

The demonstration in honor of the girls who played for the Club's second division Hockey team during the 1942 season and who achieved a most brilliant campaign, will take place on Sa-

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turday, November 21st. and will consist in a supper which will be served in their honour. Members are requested to bear the date in mind and the D. C. expects to see them turn up in full force for this occasion as the girl hockeyites well deserve a worthy demonstration and proof of appreciation from their fellow-members.

CHILDREN'S TOURNAMENT.

The organizers of the Athletic Tournament for members' children, to take place on November 14th and 15th, next, are working hard to make this tournament an all-round success, and consequently the D. C. expects them to be supported by all members who can help them in any way. Inscriptions for the different events have already been closed, and with the number of inscriptions received and the age of the different children the complete programme will be prepared for both days.

BOCHAS.

The Partners' American Bocha Tournament was carried out very successfully on Saturday and Sunday last. Eighteen couples in all participated and great enthusiasm reigned amongst all participants during both days, and before the competition was over some were already enquiring when would the next tournament take place. Messrs. Alex Ballesty and J. Malone were the worthy winners while Messrs. Jack Martin and Jeremias Dowling qualified for second prize. Messrs. William MacAllister and Jack Gaynor and Messrs. J. Devereux and Fields were third with only half a point differ-

ence from the couple classified second.

The ten best scores (with handicap) were achieved by the following couples: A. P. Ballesty and J. Malone; 79 points; J. Martin and J. Dowling, 73 points; W. MacAllister and J. J. Gaynor and J. Devereux and Fields 72½ points; D. Dugzan and C. McCormack, 67 points, E. J. Scally and E. Fox, 66 points; F. Kelly and J. D. Mosé and E. Ogan and P. Doherty, 65 points; S. Kelly and J. Fahy, 64½ points and A. Quinn and J. Rush 64½ points.

After the closing of the Tournament silver cups were delivered to winners and runners-up. These handicap tournaments always prove of great interest and attract a high number of participants on account of the players having even chances of being the winners, and consequently the organizing of same always prove of benefit for the game of bochas as this always attracts new players and gets the "cham-bones" more interested in the game.

MEN'S HOCKEY.

The Club's team is improving noticeably and on Saturday last achieved a great victory over Ateneo de la Juventud. On account of the match announced for Sunday against G. y Esgrima having been called off, this game against Ateneo was arranged and considering that the latter is a team that has been playing for some years in Second Division official competitions and consequently has much more experience in the game that the Hurling Club players, the latter's victory proves that they are improving in each new presentation and have a better command of the game in each match.

On Saturday they completely outplayed their more experienced opponents and had it not been for the brilliant display put up by Ateneo's goalkeeper they could have won by a rather wide margin, but on account of this player's great stopping and also because of the sound game played by the full backs they only won by a single goal difference, their final score being 2-1 in favour of the Hurling Club. The scorers were J. P. Molloy and R. Aleman Helien and the winning team lined up with the following players: A. M. Ballesty, E. Catena, B. Fox, E. J. Scally, L. J. Scally, R. MacAllister, R. Aleman Helien, C. McCormack, J. P. Molloy, T. Scally and C. Quinn.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MATCH.

On Sunday next the Hurling team will play another friendly encounter, this time against G. y Esgrima of Buenos Aires. This match should have been played last Sunday but was called off on account of the visiting team not being able to count with all their players for the occasion. As Gimnasia is an experienced team and counts with some very good players and the Hurling Club is improving greatly, a very interesting encounter can be expected. The match will be played at the Hurling Club and is announced for 15.30 o'clock.

FOOTBALL.

The Football Sub-Committee would appreciate if all members interested in this game would make an appointment for Sunday next, November 1st, at 16.30 o'clock, at the premises of the Hurling Club, in order to make arrangements for the constitution of one or more teams to compete in the official league next season. Special attention will be afforded to youngsters up to

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Association Football Sub-Committee.

We consider that Mr. Craig's proposal should find hearty backing. In fact, would it not be a good thing if a plan could be found for the existing Irish-Argentine football teams in this city—Fahy A, Fahy B and St. Paul's—to link up with the Hurling Club? We do not mean that these teams should disappear; but let a way be found for them to retain their individuality while playing under the aegis of the Hurling Club.

Ed. S. C.

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The Sisters wish to return sincere thanks to all kind friends who bought or sold tickets for the above mentioned raffle as also those who helped in any way to make the concert a success.

BIRTHS

BALLESTY.—To Mr. and Mrs. Alec P. Ballesty, on October 22nd, at Pringle's 856, the gift of a daughter, Patricia Nora. 1700—0.30

MARRIAGES

The Marriage of Miss Elsa Rosa Campo and Mr. Miguel T. Finnen Leahy will take place at Holy Cross Church on Saturday at 8 p. m. 1701—0.30

The Marriage of Miss Maria Luisa Byrne to Mr. Jose Angel Garcia, both of Florida, will take place on Wednesday next at the Parish Church of Nuestra Señora de Lujan, Cabillo 425 at 7 p. m. Mrs. Maria R. de Garcia and Mr. Santiago Byrne, will act as sponsors. All friends are invited to the Church. 1702—0.30

ENGAGEMENTS

MURRAY—McLOUGHLIN.

We have pleasure in announcing the engagement of Miss Bella Murray to

Mr. Thomas McLoughlin, both of this city. Congratulations. 1699-0.30

DEATHS

JOHN CORMACK, R.I.P.—On the 13th inst, at his home in Las Marianas, C.G.B.A., of pneumonia, aged 60 years, John Cormack, dearly beloved husband of Bridget Carbery. Leaves to mourn his loss besides a sorrowing wife, three sisters, one brother, six sisters-in-law, four brothers-in-law, several nieces, nephews and cousins. May he rest in peace. Amén. 1698—0.30

MASSES

ALL SOULS' DAY.

On All Souls' Day, Monday, Nov. 2, a solemn Requiem Mass will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church at 9 o'clock for the dead whose names shall be previously sent in. 1671—0.30

† REV. FATHER WILLIAM CUSHING, C.P., R.I.P.—The Holy Cross Altar Society invites all members and friends to assist at the Mass, which will be offered up in Holy Cross Church, for the repose of the soul of the late Rev. Fr. William Cushing, C. P., on Sunday, November 1st., at 11 o'clock. 1697—0.30

† HONORIA DOWLING DE CASEY, Mrs. EDWARD B. AND DANIEL G. CASEY, R. I. P.—Masses for the repose of the souls of the late Honoria D. de Casey and her sons Drs. Edward B. and Daniel G. Casey, commenced on October 11th at Saint Gabriel's Oratory, Vicente Lopez and will terminate on November 16th. 1703—0.30

† On November the 2nd., at 10 o'clock, Fr. Joseph Dunphy will celebrate a Solemn Funeral Mass in the Corpus Domini Church, Alvarado 266, (Rivadavia 10,400), for all those who toiled together in the old times in the Santa Rosa Estancia, Arroyo Dulce, C.G.B.A. A prayer is requested for the deceased owners, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dugan and family; for the mayordomos, Mr. and Mrs. Dunphy and family for the Passionist Fathers, employees, labourers, and neighbours. Relatives and friends are hereby cordially invited to offer a prayer for all who laboured together in that place, became friends and loved each other in this world. 1698—0.30

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THE CAMPMAN'S FORUM.—

(continued from page 8)

The champion Aberdeen-Angus pen from Adolfo C. Zuberbuhler averaged 434 kilos each and they were sold to the Frigorífico Swift at \$2.60 the kilo, to make \$1,108 apiece. Total sales in this breed worked out to average \$372.63 per head. As usual Juan Smart was the only exhibitor in the cross-bred section, and his Shorthorn-Aberdeen Angus champions made the highest price of the show at \$3 the kilo, and the twenty steers shown by this exhibitor averaged \$1,110 apiece.

Imported Bull Sales:—

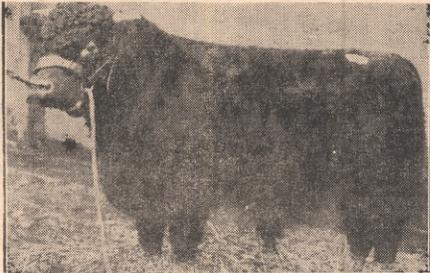
The first sale of imported bulls took place in Bullrich's yard when the few Herefords and Aberdeen-Angus sires offered this year were put in the ring.

The first bull into the ring was the Aberdeen-Angus Rustic of Domeside, imported by Stewart and Jones

Domeside is certainly worth it. Regent of Jardine, by Evlorus of Sandyknowe, and a fourth prize at Perth this year was the next in and also attracted attention. Bids came freely until the hammer fell in favour of Jose Daneo at \$26,000, and this bull will go to Entre Rios, Rabbler of Domeside, by Jerkin of Domeside (Justice Eric), second prize at Perth, was sold for \$13,500 to Damasa Saavedra de Lamas. Both these last bulls were imported by Hugh S. Black.

Of the Hereford bulls offered Quisne Gift attracted most attention in the ring, making a better price than the champion at this year's Hereford Herd Book Society Show, Atok Julian, that was the first to be sold. Atok Julian is a son of Quisne Chalk and therefore half brother to Atok Idol champion at the Hereford Show last February and sold recently in Montevideo to Leonardo Pereyra for \$11,100 (Uruguayian). Several breeders bid for this bull and eventually he was taken out by Saizar Hnos., of Concordia, at \$20,000.

Quisne Gift is a son of Tarrington



GARGUSTON LIBERATOR.—Junior champion at this year's Perth Show. Sold at the Joint Sale for \$60,000 to B. Ginocchio and Sons Ltd. for their "Santa Aurelia" herd.

and taken into the ring by their local representative, Alex Smith. A son of Educate of Dercullich, first prize and supreme champion at Perth in 1938, this bull is one of the best imported during recent years and he attracted many bidders so that Severiano Pampillo e hijos had to go to \$28,000 before getting him for their "La Sara" herd. This must be a record price for an Aberdeen-Angus bull at these sales, but Rustic of

Do-a-lot by Tarrington Idol the supreme champion at the 1936 Royal and bought by Bernard L. Duggan for his "San Juan" herd where he bred the Palermo grand champion of 1941. Several breeders wanted him and at \$26,000 he was bought by Martin Pereyra Kraola e hijos for their "Santa Rosa" herd. These two bulls had been selected for export by Señor Diego Lezica Alvear and consigned to Bullrich and Co. Ltd.

Monkland Idol, by Tarrington Jock, was imported by Robert Brydon, and he also was taken by Martin Pereyra Yraola e hijos, the price being \$6,000. Several other imported Hereford sires were offered but for some reason they did not find favour among the buyers.

On the following day the Joint Sale of Shorthorns took place and one of the best sales of many years was witnessed. Prices of \$75,000 and \$60,000 were obtained and the 45 offered were disposed of to average \$16,900 each. Although bidding was at times slow trade was good all through, but the last ten bulls that went through sold rather below their real value.

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CUIDESE DE LAS IMITACIONES - EXIJA MARCA "HANDEL"

The Coming-out of Maggie

(By O. HENRY.)

EVERY Saturday night the Clover Leaf Social Club gave a hop in the hall of the Give and Take Athletic Association on the East Side. In order to attend one of these dances you must be a member of the Give and Take—or, if you belong to the division that starts off with the right foot in waltzing, you must work in Rhinegold's paper-box factory. Still, any Clover Leaf was privileged to escort or be escorted by an outsider to a single dance. But mostly each Give and Take brought the paper-box girl that he affected; and few strangers could boast of having shaken a foot at the regular hops.

Maggie Toole, on account of her dull eyes, broad mouth and left-handed style of footwork in the two-step, went to the dances with Anna McCarty and her "fellow." Anna and Maggie worked side by side in the factory, and were the greatest chums ever. So Anna always made Jimmy Burns take her by Maggie's house every Saturday night so that her friend could go to the dance with them.

The Give and Take Athletic Association lived up to its name. The hall of the association in Orchard Street was fitted out with muscle-making inventions. With the fibres thus built up the members were wont to engage the police and rival social athletic organizations in joyous combat. Between these more serious occupations the Saturday night hops with the paper-box factory girls came as a refining influence and as an efficient screen. For sometimes the tip went 'round, and if you were among the elect that tiptoed up the dark back stairway you might see as neat and satisfying a little welter-weight affair to a finish as ever happened inside the ropes.

On Saturdays Rhinegold's paper-box factory closed at 3 p.m. On one such afternoon Anna and Maggie walked homeward together. At Maggie's door Anna said, as usual: "Be ready at seven sharp, Mag, and Jimmy and me'll come by for you."

But what was this? Instead of the customary humble and grateful thanks from the non-escorted one there was to be perceived a high poised head, a pridelike dimpling at the corners of a broad mouth, and almost a sparkle in a dull brown eye.

"Thanks, Anna," said Maggie; "but you and Jimmy needn't bother to-night. I've a gentleman friend that's coming round to escort me to the hop."

The comely Anna pounced upon her friend, shook her, chided and beseeched her. Maggie Toole catch a fellow! Plain, dear, loyal, unattractive Maggie, so sweet as a chum, so unthought for a two-step or a moonlit bench in the little park. How was it? When did it happen? Who was it?

"You'll see to-night," said Maggie, flushed with the wine of the first grapes she had gathered in Cupid's vineyard. "He's swell all right. He's two inches taller than Jimmy, and an up-to-date dresser. I'll introduce him, Anna, just as soon as we get to the hall."

Anna and Jimmy were among the first Clover Leafs to arrive that evening. Anna's eyes were brightly fixed upon the door of the hall to catch the first glimpse of her friend's "catch."

At 8:30 Miss Toole swept into the hall with her escort. Quickly her triumphant eye discovered her chum under the wing of her faithful Jimmy.

"Oh, gee!" cried Anna, "Mag ain't made a hit—oh, no! Swell fellow? well, I guess! Style? Look at 'um."

"Go as far as you like," said Jim-

my, with sandpaper in his voice. "Cop him out if you want him. These new guys always win out with the push. Don't mind me. He don't squeeze all the lines, I guess. Huh!"

"Shut up, Jimmy. You know what I mean. I'm glad for Mag. First fellow she ever had. Oh, here they come."

Across the floor Maggie sailed like a coquettish yacht conveyed by a stately cruiser. And truly, her companion justified the encomiums of the faithful chum. He stood two inches taller than the average Give and Take athlete; his dark hair curled; his eyes and his teeth flashed whenever he bestowed his frequent smiles. The young men of the Clover Leaf Club pined not their faith to the graces of person as much as they did to its prowess, its achievements in hand-to-hand combats, and its preservation from the legal duress that constantly menaced it. The member of the association who would bind a paper-box maiden to his conquering chariot scorned to emble Beate Brummel airs. They were no considered honorable methods of warfare. The swelling biceps, the coat straining at its buttons over the chest, the air of conscious conviction of the super-eminence of the male in the cosmogony of creation, even a calm display of bow legs as subduing and enchanting agents in the gentle tourneys of Cupid—these were the approved arms and ammunition of the Clover Leaf gallants. They viewed, then, the genuflexions and alluring poses of this visitor with their chins at a new angle.

"A friend of mine, Mr. Terry O'Sullivan," was Maggie's formula of introduction. She led him around the room, presenting him to each new-arriving Clover Leaf. Almost was she pretty now, with the unique luminosity in her eyes that comes to a girl with her first suitor and a kitten with its first mouse.

"Maggie Toole's got a fellow at last," was the word that went round among the paper-box girls. "Pipe Mag's floor-walker"—thus the Give and Takes expressed their indifferent contempt.

Usually at the weekly hops Maggie kept a spot on the wall warm with her back. She felt and showed so much gratitude whenever a self-sacrificing partner invited her to dance that his pleasure was cheapened and diminished. She had even grown used to noticing Anna joggle the reluctant Jimmy with her elbow as a signal for him to invite her chum to walk over his feet through a two-step.

But to-night the pumpkin had turned to a coach and six. Terry O'Sullivan was a victorious Prince Charming, and Maggie Toole winged her first butterfly flight. And though our tropes of fairyland be mixed with those of entomology they shall not spill one drop of ambrosia from the rose-crowned melody of Maggie's one perfect night.

The girls besieged her for introduction to her "fellow." The Clover Leaf young men, after two years of blindness, suddenly perceived charms in Miss Toole. They flexed their compelling muscles before her and bespoke her for the dance.

Thus she scored; but to Terry O'Sullivan the honors of the evening fell thick and fast. He shook his curls; he smiled and went easily through the seven motions for acquiring grace in your own room before an open window ten minutes each day. He danced like a faun; he introduced manner and style and atmosphere; his words came

trippingly upon his tongue, and—he waltzed twice in succession with the paper-box girl that Dempsey Donovan brought.

Dempsey was the leader of the association. He wore a dress suit, and could chin the bar twice with one hand. He was one of "Big Mike" O'Sullivan's lieutenants, and was never troubled by trouble. No cop dared to arrest him. Whenever he broke a pushcart man's head or shot a member of the Heinrich B. Sweeney Outing and Literary Association would drop around and say:

"The Cap'n'd like to see ye a few minutes round to the office whin ye have time, Dempsey, me boy."

But there would be sundry gentlemen there with large gold fob chains and black cigars; and somebody would tell a funny story, and then Dempsey would go back and work half an hour with the six-pound dumbbells. So, doing a tight-rope act on a wire stretched across Niagara was a safe terpsichorean performance compared with waltzing twice with Dempsey Donovan's paper-box girl. At 10 o'clock the jolly round face of "Big Mike" O'Sullivan shone at the door for five minutes upon the scene. He always looked looked in for five minutes, smudged at the girls and handed out real perfectos to the delighted boys.

Dempsey Donovan was at his elbow instantly, talking rapidly. "Big Mike" looked carefully at the dancers, smiled, shook his head and departed.

The music stopped. The dancers scattered to the chairs along the walls. Terry O'Sullivan, with his entrancing bow, relinquished a pretty girl in blue, to her partner and started back to find Maggie. Dempsey intercepted him in the middle of the floor.

Some fine instinct that Rome must have bequeathed to his caused nearly every one to turn and look at them—there was a subtle feeling that two gladiators had met in the arena. Two or three Give and Takes with tight coat sleeves drew nearer.

"One moment, Mr. O'Sullivan," said Dempsey. "I hope you're enjoying yourself. Where did you say you lived?"

The two gladiators were well matched. Dempsey had, perhaps, ten pounds of weight to give away. The O'Sullivan had breadth and quickness. Dempsey had a glacial eye, a dominating slit of a mouth, an indestructible jaw, a complexion like a belle's and the coolness of a champion. The visitor showed more fire in his contempt and less control over his conspicuous sneer. They were enemies by the law written when the rocks were molten. They were each too splendid, too mighty, too incomparable to divide pre-eminence. One only must survive.

"I live on Grand," said O'Sullivan, insolently; "and no trouble to find me at home. Where do you live?"

Dempsey ignored the question. "You say your name's O'Sullivan," he went on. "Well, 'Big Mike' says he never saw you before."

"Lots of things he never saw," said the favorite of the hop.

"As a rule," went on Dempsey, huskily sweet, "O'Sullivans in this district know one another. You escorted one of our lady members here, and we want a chance to make good. If you've got a family tree let's see a few historical O'Sullivan buds come out on it. Or do you want us to dig it out of you by the roots?"

"Suppose you mind your own business," suggested O'Sullivan, blandly. Dempsey's eye brightened. He held up an inspired forefinger as though a brilliant idea had struck him.

"I've got it now," he said, cordially. "It was just a little mistake. You ain't no O'Sullivan. You are a ring-tailed monkey. Excuse us for not recognizing

you at first."

O'Sullivan's eye flashed. He made a quick movement, but Andy Geoghan was ready and caught his arm.

Dempsey nodded at Andy and William McMahan, the secretary of the club, and walked rapidly toward a door at the rear of the hall. Two other members of the Give and Take Association swiftly joined the little group. Terry O'Sullivan was now in the hands of the Board of Rules and Social Referees. They spoke to him briefly and softly, and conducted him out through the same door at the rear.

This movement on the part of the Clover Leaf members requires a word of elucidation. Back of the association hall was a smaller room rented by the club. In this room personal difficulties that arose on the ballroom floor were settled, man to man, with the weapons of nature, under the supervision of the Board. No lady could say that she had witnessed a fight at a Clover Leaf hop in several years. Its gentlemen members guaranteed that.

So easily and smoothly had Dempsey and the Board done their preliminary work that many in the hall had not noticed the checking of the fascinating O'Sullivan's social triumph. Among these was Maggie. She looked about for her escort.

"Smoke up!" said Rose Cassidy. "Wasn't you on? Dumps Donovan picked a scrap with your Lizzie-boy, and they've waltzed out to the slaughter room with him. How's my hair look done up this way, Mag?"

Maggie laid a hand on the bosom of her cheese-cloth waist.

"Gone to fight with Dempsey!" she said, breathlessly. "They've got to be stopped. Dempsey Donovan can't fight him. Why, he'll—he'll kill him!"

"Ah, what do you care?" said Rosa. "Don't some of 'em fight every hop?"

But Maggie was off, darting her zig-zag way through the maze of dancers. She burst through the rear door into the dark hall and then threw her solid shoulder against the door of the room of single combat. It gave way, and in the instant that she entered her eye caught the scene—the Board standing about with open watches; Dempsey Donovan in his shirt sleeves dancing light-footed, with the very grace of the modern pugilist, within easy reach of his adversary; Terry O'Sullivan standing with arms folded and a murderous look in his dark eyes. And without slacking the speed of her entrance she leaped forward with a scream—leaped in time to catch and hang upon the arm of O'Sullivan that was suddenly uplifted, and to whisk from it the long, bright stiletto that he had drawn from his bosom.

The knife fell and rang upon the floor. Cold steel drawn in the rooms of the Give and Take Association! Such a thing had never happened before. Every one stood motionless for a minute. Andy Geoghan kicked the stiletto with the toe of his shoe curiously, like an antiquarian who has come upon some ancient weapon unknown to his learning.

And then O'Sullivan hissed something unintelligible between his teeth. Dempsey and the Board exchanged looks. And then Dempsey looked at O'Sullivan without anger, as one looks at a stray dog, and nodded his head in the direction of the door. "The back stairs, Giuseppe," he said, briefly. "Somebody'll pitch your hat down after you."

Maggie walked up to Dempsey Donovan. There was a brilliant spot of red in her cheeks, down which slow tears were running. But she looked him bravely in the eye.

"I knew it, Dempsey," she said, as her eyes grew dull even in their tears.

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Our grandmothers used to advise a "nice, hot cup of tea" to make you cool (eventually!), but, personally, I think that a nice ice-cold cup of tea, in the modern manner, is far preferable.

Better than iced tea and coffee though, to my mind, are the lovely fruit drinks, which can be prepared so easily. There is plenty of fruit in season now, and though oranges and lemons are always with us, and always popular, other fruits can also be utilised.

Here are some ideas which I know will prove popular.

In making plain orangeade or lemonade you should melt the sugar in the water before adding the lemon juice or orange juice, though the juice from the oranges no longer requires any sugar at this time of the year, as their season has been going for over two months now and they are all well ripe.

When the orangeade or lemonade has been thus made, you should pour it backwards and forwards from one jug or glass into another four or five times. It tastes different, and far better, though the reason for this I am afraid I do not know.

Apple juice is another drink which is very healthy and cooling and generally appreciated, though rarely met. This is because the juice cannot be extracted easily by the ordinary squeezers. The apples must be boiled or at least chopped into pieces and boiling water poured over them, and then time given for the drink to cool. Apple drinks must, therefore, be prepared beforehand. As they are unusual I am giving one.

Appleade (1).

One gallon of water, four ounces of sugar to each quart of liquid, two juicy apples, the rind and juice of two lemons, one ounce of stick of cinnamon.

The apples should first be washed with a damp cloth, and then cut into slices without peeling or coring them. Put them into a saucepan with the water and add the thinly-pared rind and juice of the lemons and also the cinnamon. Boil until the apple pieces are soft, then mash and strain through flannel. The liquid should then be put into a preserving pan and the sugar added. Dissolve slowly over a gentle heat and boil for a few minutes. It is a good idea to colour drink with a little cochineal.

Pineapple Sherbet.

Chop the pineapple, fresh or tinned, into small pieces, pour over three pints of cold water, add the juice of two lemons and allow to stand for three hours. Before serving, add one teaspoonful of sherbet to each tumbler of the fruit drink.

PUTTING PANS AWAY.

It is not every housewife that is careful of the way she lays aside pans after use. Yet it is an important item in the kitchen. Saucepans should be put away upside down, so that

the air can get inside them. They should never, however, be put on a shelf with handles sticking over the edge. If you haven't a rack, nail three thin, narrow strips of wood lengthwise along the shelf, and let the pans rest on these. They will allow the air to get underneath. It occasionally happens that housewives put away frying pans without washing them. This, of course, should never be done. If they have been allowed to get cold, heat the fat and drain it off, and while the pan is still hot rub it thoroughly with wads of crumpled plain paper—never newspaper.

Recipes

TOM-TOM PICNIC RISSEOLS.

Take 1lb. cooked meat, 1 small cooked onion, 1½ oz. margarine, ½ oz. flour, salt and pepper, 1½ gills gravy or stock, egg and breadcrumbs fat for frying, 6 teaspoonfuls Indian Mango Chutney. Put the meat and onions through the minger, melt margarine in a pan, stir in flour, then stock or gravy, stir over the fire till it thickens well, then mix in the minced meat and onion, season nicely, allow to cool a little, divide into six, make each into a ball, using a few breadcrumbs (not flour) if sticky. Put handle of a wooden spoon two-thirds down the rissole, put one teaspoonful Mango Chutney right to the bottom of this well and right in the middle of the rissole. Close the meat mixture well over it. Roll in egg and breadcrumbs and fry quickly in really hot deep fat, only cooking the outer part. Drain and cook at once. Cut in half to serve.

FRENCH FRIED ONIONS.

One cup flour, one half teaspoon salt, two-thirds cup water, two table-spoons oil, one egg white, 10 or 12 large onions, milk.

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THE CAMPMAN'S FORUM.—

(Continued from page 17)

For the second year in succession the owners of the "Santa Aurelia" herd have bought the Perth junior champion. Last year Messrs. Ginochie gave \$36,000 for Calrossie Ransom, bred by Captain McGillivray and a son of Calrossie Randolph in a Lavender dam; this year they went to \$60,000 for Garguston Liberator, bred by J. McWilliam. This red son of the Irish-bred Magheramorne Commodore should also do well in "Santa Aurelia", a herd famous for its good heifers. His pedigree is of the best, with Collynie Royal Leader prominent on both sides while the names of Masterstroke, Knight of Collynie, and Collynie Monarch are also prominent.

Another excellent pedigree is that of Bapton Victor Royal, for which the owners of the "Santa Angela" herd paid \$75,000. Here the great sire Calrossie Control is found on both sides as is also Naemoor Jasper. His sire is Cluny Edgar Command, by the famous Calrossie Command, and his dam is by Calrossie Air Control; it would be hard to find a better pedigree. Incidentally the owners of this herd have bought two grand sires this season: the Palermo reserve grand champion for \$60,000 and now this imported bull at \$15,000 more.

It is peculiar that Bapton Royal Robin figures in the pedigrees of both these high priced bulls as grandsire of the respective dams.

Other good prices were: \$45,000 for Lawton Marvel, given by Señora Elisa Sere de Lacau; \$37,000 for Crugleton Elite by Juan B. Boero; \$32,000 for Calrossie Anzac by Enrique Santamarina e hijos S.R.L.; \$25,000 for Kinella Valentine by Drabble and Pemberton; \$25,000 for Calrossie Reward by Leonardo Pereyra; and \$23,000 for Calrossie Triumph by Carlos

parate rings. Reserve small rings for other use. Soak in milk to cover one hour. Drain and dry, dip in batter and fry in deep oil at 395 degrees Fahrenheit until light brown. Drain on soft paper.

FRIED ONIONS AND APPLES.

Three tablespoons fat, one quart of sliced, tart apples, one pint sliced onions, one-fourth teaspoon salt, one tablespoon sugar.

Melt the fat in a heavy frying pan, add the apples and onions, cover, cook slowly until nearly tender, and stir frequently to prevent scorching. Remove the cover, sprinkle salt and sugar over the apples and onions and continue cooking until they are a light brown. Serve at once.

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Pehuajó's First Show.—

The committee of the newly formed Rural Society of Pehuajó can be well pleased with the success of the first livestock show ever held in that town. Entries were just right, neither too few nor too many, in each section, while the general quality of the exhibits was quite high for a provincial show.

Its location is a good one, for Pehuajó is essentially a livestock raising district and the country around there is in a very fine condition. Thousands of prime steers in every stage of their preparation being seen in the large paddocks of alfalfa or oats pasturage; a sight well worth seeing.

The site of the show is quite close to the town and the installations are exceeding suitable for the purpose. Large pens make it easy to look over the animals on show and they are of an ideal size for judging labours. A large crowd attended the inauguration and the sale of a steer to aid charitable institutions of Pehuajó resulted in the sum of \$14,000 being collected for this worthy end.

Ing. Pedro A. Lacau was the judge in the Shorthorn section, where the champion lot of pedigree corral-reared bulls was from Pablo o A. German Louge. The reserve champion pen was shown by Juan F. Diaz e hijos Ltda. and it contained the bull that was awarded the special prizes for the best in the show; Crown Climaxland is by Sittytton Celtic Crown and he had won the same at Villegas last month; The youngest class was also won by Juan F. Diaz e hijos Ltda. with two sons of "Sittytton" sires and one by Aldsworth Promise.

In the non-pedigree Shorthorn "corral" classes there were two outstanding pens from Carlos Deaisieux that not only won their respective classes but also the championship and reserve awards; one of the bulls from the champion pen was awarded the prizes for the best non-pedigree bull in the show. Championship in the "camp" non-pedigree section went to Angel Vivanco y Cia. Ltda., as well as the reserve ticket; two very good pens from "Santa Aurelia" were first and second in the older bulls class but were unable to compete for the championship on account of a misunderstanding of the rules. Juan C. Campion won first prize for a pen of good dual-purpose type bulls.

There was a large entry of good quality sheep, with Lincolns in the majority. In the pedigree classes for this breed the championships were won by Luis N. Miccio and Joaquin Gonzalez Piquer, and for non-pedigrees by Florencio Santos Messa, Guido Pironi and Felipe Erreca; the camp-reared rams were numerous and the principal prizes went to Salvador Duhart and Manuel P. Lorenzo.

Both Duroc Jerseys and Poland Chinas were well represented in the pig section this being one of the best sections of the show. In the pedigree classes Juan C. Campion scored heavily as the "El Trio" exhibits won championship and reserve for both males and females, as well as five first prizes, for Duroc Jerseys, and both championships and reserves for Poland Chinas. In the non-pedigree classes the prizes were divided between Martorell Hnos., Guido Pironi, Andrea Artiguez and Manuel Villanueva.

There were some good steers in the Fat Stock Show held at the same time, the lambs however might have been better, and everything shown sold at satisfactory prices. The C.A.P. was the principal buyer.

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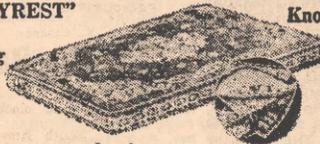
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Catholic News

Margaret Sinclair—

The *Acta Apostolicae Sedis*—the Holy See's official bulletin—dated July 14, contains the decree for the introduction of the beatification cause of the Ven. Margaret Sinclair, the saintly Scots working girl.

The decree, news of which was given some months ago, in outlining the holiness of Margaret Sinclair, declares worthy of special note that she was not ashamed to wear openly the badge of a Handmaid of the Blessed Sacrament.

The decree quotes *Duns Scotus* on the spiritual life.

Croagh Patrick—

Despite the absence of special trains and buses and other transport difficulties, 12,000 people made the pilgrimage to the summit of Croagh Patrick, St. Patrick's Mountain on the coast of Co. Mayo.

Mostly young people, they made lengthy journeys by bicycle and on foot. Some of the western pilgrims walked 30 miles to the mountain.

Some pilgrims having climbed the Reek by moonlight, the first of 20 Masses celebrated on the summit began at 6 o'clock.

Among the hundred priests who made the pilgrimage were several from England.

Archbishop Walsh, of Tuam, preaching in St. Mary's Church, Westport, said they should pray that their beloved country, spiritually and economically, should attain a leading place among the nations of the earth.

Fr. Philbin, preaching on the summit, said that when they looked out on a war-torn world they saw their country a strong-hold of the Faith in Europe. In many lands fatal changes had been made, errors had been introduced, and Christ's seamless garment of doctrine torn in pieces.

Amidst this defection Ireland's fidelity brings joy to the Catholic heart. She has remained the invincible champion of the ancient creed.

The glorious mission of Ireland now, said Fr. Philbin, is to keep the Faith bright and pure at home and from the abundance of her spiritual treasure to spread the Faith in every land.

Controversy in Italy—

Signor Farinacci has lately been engaged in new dispute with the Milan Catholic paper, *Italia*. This began with prevalent rumours that pamphlets were being circulated among the students of the Catholic University in Milan, urging them to work for the replacement of Fascism by some form of government more in keeping with Catholic ideas.

The Cardinal Archbishop of Milan sent a letter to *Italia* repudiating any connection between these pamphlets and his clergy. Farinacci thereupon declared in his *Regina Fascista* that the students of the Catholic University must be engaged in some sort of anti-Fascist activity, or the Cardinal would not have tried so elaborately to create an alibi for them.

To this *Italia* replied, after an interval of some days, when it protested against attacks "launched not only against Catholic newspapers, but also against the Cardinals, the Vatican, and the Holy See (and therefore against the Pope)."

With regard to Farinacci's allega-

tions, it continued: "We do not answer, because all these accusations are so clearly ridiculous that they do not really deserve the honour of a reply. Thinking people are offended at the impudence with which some newspapers treat the Pope, the Vatican and the Catholic Press, yet do not snap at a bait which is too clumsy to catch them. Experience of two wars has taught many things, and this among others: that there is always someone who will lend himself to the vile business of badgering Catholics, Clergy, and the Pope himself for propagandist reasons which are not always clear, but which, nevertheless, do exist . . . For the rest, let our friends follow our modest advice. . . . In view of the present tone of the comic papers, let them read instead such papers as those that carry these accusations. The effect will infallibly be to give them a little light relief, which is precious in these hazardous times."

Farinacci was angry at the thought that he was laughed at, and declared that *Italia* was evasive, dodging the issue, and trying to avoid "a Christian act of sincere repentance" in making the "truly pitiful joke" which ranked the *Regina Fascista* as a comic paper.

"The author of the article must either be an old man with a very weak memory or a young Pharisee," he wrote. "We say this in order not to call him an imbecile, since he has provoked one of those replies of ours which cut to the bone without pity when we are forced as in the present case, to defend our faith as Fascist Catholics. Here it will perhaps be said: 'Catholics follow without question the policy of the Vatican and the Vatican Press.' This is a colossal mistake. In the first place, for reasons which we might describe as constitutional, the Church is universal, international, and supranational. We, on the other hand, are fiercely, dutifully, and exclusively Italian Catholics—that is, Fascist Catholics."

"Undoubtedly we could not agree with the Vatican Wireless broadcasts of sympathy for Jewish Poland; the telegram sent to the Protestant Queen Wilhelmina; the considerable financial contribution made to the Holy See a few years ago by the Jews; the failure to take up a position against Russia; the failure to protest against and condemn the contaminating religious unions between Jews, Protestants and Catholics in the United States and Great Britain; the appointment of Jews to posts in the Vatican City, almost in defiance of our anti-Semitic (and therefore Catholic) policy. We Fascist Catholics are anti-Semitic because we have learnt from Papal Councils and holy Doctors of the Church to fight these enemies of Christian civilization."

"We possess ample documentary proof, which could furnish material sufficient to show all honest men that for many decades the line of conduct followed by the newspaper *Italia* shows no sign of national discipline or love of country, but always of the old clerical style as opposed to the Catholic conscience which is defended and strengthened by Fascism."

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"I knew he was a Guinea. His name's Tony Spinelli. I hurried in when they told me and him was scrapperin'. Them Guineas always carries knives. But you don't understand, Dempsey. I never had a fellow in my life. I got tired of comin' with Anna and Jimmy every night, so I fixed, so I fixed it with him to call himself O'Sullivan, and brought him along. I knew there'd be nothin' doin' for him if he came as a Dago. I guess I'll resign from the club now."

Dempsey turned to Andy Geoghan. "Chuck that cheese slicer out of the window," he said, "and tell 'em inside that Mr. O'Sullivan has had a telephone message to go down to Tammany Hall."

And then he turned back to Maggie. "Say, Mag," he said, "I'll see you home. And how about next Saturday night? Will you come to the hop with me if I call around for you?"

It was remarkable how quickly Maggie's eyes could change from dull to a shining brown.

"With you, Dempsey?" she stammered. "Say—will a duck swim?"

RIGHT RED HAND OF ULSTER

(By FRANCIS J. BIGGER, M.R.I.A.)

Of all the symbols of Ireland, that adopted by Ulster and the O'Neills is the most ancient and most widely distributed amongst the nations of the world.

The Dextera Dei, the Right Hand of God, was set up by Saul in Carmel in token of the victory over Agag and the Amalekites. It was brought out of Egypt by the Israelites. Jews and Mohammedans still have it over their doors at Tunis; it is over the great gate at the Alhambra, and is used by many people, including the Jews, when taking an oath.

The uplifted right hand is the sign of victory; it was borne on the Roman standards as the symbol of power and triumph. It is said to have been used by Conall Cearnach, one of the most heroic of the Red Branch Knights of Armagh, before the dawn of Christianity in Ireland.

It is the sign of benediction and the hand of glory. It is found in the sixth century mosaics in the church of San Vitale at Ravenna—it is seen over the door of Ferrara Cathedral, with a wheel-cross behind it. It surmounts the great Crucifix at Romsey Abbey, and is depicted on the 12th century seal of St. Andrew's Cathedral at Wells.

It is constantly referred to in the Scriptures: "The Right Hand of God bringeth mighty things to pass." In Christian times it is always used as a symbol of the first person of the Blessed Trinity, and so it appears on the High Crosses at Kells and at Clonmacnoise and Monasterboice.

The Red Right Hand is the well-known symbol of the O'Neills, the *lamb deary*. It is worked on a metal plate of ornament on one of the oldest harps, still preserved in Trinity College, Dublin. It is shown on a remarkably fine seal of Hugh O'Neill, Prince of Ulster, whose death is recorded in the Four Masters under the year 1364: "the best man of the Irish of his time, having gained the palm for humanity, hospitality, valour and renown"—surely a noble epithaph for an Irish King.

Sir John Bernard Burke describes this seal as "an exquisite specimen of art . . . it is to be observed, too, that the hand, as in other early seals of the family of O'Neill, is a dexter hand." It is also shown on a very old seal of Turlagh O'Neill preserved in the Bel-

fast Museum. This only follows the whole tradition of the symbol, "The Right Hand of God," the hand of power and might and blessing and so forms a fitting device for the Northern province, proud of her position, proud of her past as well as of the lordly O'Neills whose war cry was *lamb deary abu—lamb deary Eivocann*.

The raised right hand is frequently used in salutation. There is a stupid misunderstanding abroad about the left hand, which has no real symbolic meaning except a sinister one. This arises from a legend of an O'Neill chieftain cutting off his right hand and flinging it ashore, from a boat, in order that he might claim the land as having first touched it.

The Right Hand was in constant use centuries before this legend was concocted, and the Dextera Dei had a world-wide symbolic use anterior even to the recorded ancestry of the princely O'Neills. At the present time the Red Hand has come into a fuller use than ever before. It is used by all parties on varying occasions, so it is well that it should be at least correctly used and its meaning fully understood.

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WIT AND HUMOUR.

It was a party given by a wealthy young farmer, and one of the guests noticed a somewhat lonely-looking and shabbily-attired man in a corner of the room, and walked over to him.

"I was introduced to you," he said, "but didn't catch your name."

"My name," replied the other, "is Burton."

"Oh, then you are a relative of our host?"

"Yes," was the reply, "I'm his cousin twenty thousand pounds removed."

A cockney rang up the station to enquire the fare to Ealing, but the man at the other end of his line couldn't catch the name of the station. In desperation he asked the inquirer to spell it.

The reply came as follows: "E for 'Erbert, A wot the 'orses heat, L where yer goes to when yer dies, N wot lays a heg, G (long pause) gee whizz!"

A famous pianist was to give a recital in a large hall. As the audience was filing in a man staggered up to the door and presented a ticket.

"You can't go in," said the official in charge; "you are not in a fit condition."

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON PAGE 8.

(393) Of protons and electrons. Protons, which form a relatively massive central nucleus, are particles charged with positive electricity. Electrons, which are charged with negative electricity, revolve round the protons at enormous speeds. All electrons, no matter where they be found, are always exactly the same. They are incredibly small; it takes 1,830 of them to make up the mass of one hydrogen atom. It has been calculated that one thousand million million million electrons would weigh less than one gramme. The atomic weight of an element gives the number of protons in the nucleus; to find the number of electrons subtract the atomic number from the atomic weight. The lightest and simplest of the atoms is that of hydrogen, which consists of one proton with one electron circling round it. The atomic number of gold is 79, its atomic weight 197.2; therefore an atom of gold has 197 protons in its nucleus with 118 electrons circling round the nucleus.

(394) When two or more substances are mixed the result has the same nature as the components. When they

"Didn't I pay for my ticket?" asked the man. "Isn't it in order?"

"It's all right," was the reply, "but you—you are all wrong—you are intoxicated!"

"Intoxicated? Of course I'm intoxicated! If I wasn't do you think I'd come to a piano recital?"

While playing golf at a fashionable club a certain player happened to make an extraordinarily vigorous stroke at a precise moment that, unfortunately, a dilapidated-looking tramp crossed the links. The ball struck the intruder and rendered him insensible for a time. When he regained consciousness a pound note was pressed into his hand by the golfer.

"Thank you, boss!" said the injured man, after an examination of the note. "When is 'y' going to be playin' here again, sir?"

"I say, waiter," exclaimed an indignant customer, "here's a piece of wood in this sausage!"

"Yes, sir," said the waiter; "but I'm sure—er—"

"Sure, nothing! I don't mind eating the dog, but I'll be darned if I'm going to eat the kennel, too!"

combine to form a compound the nature is changed, because the atoms of the components have rearranged themselves differently. Air is a mixture; it is a gas composed of gases. Water is a compound, two gases combining to form a liquid. In a mixture the bodies mixed lie side by side; in a compound they join up together in exact and determined proportions. Common salt (chemically known as sodium chloride), for example, consists always of forty-six parts, by weight, of sodium, a solid, and seventy-one parts of chlorine, a gas.

(395) Sir Humphrey Davy (1778-1829), best known for his invention of the safety lamp for use in coal mines. He isolated it in 1807 by electrolysis, along with potassium, and is said to have been so thrilled by his discovery that he danced round the room for joy. It was Davy who gave the name chlorine to oxychloric acid. Chlorine was the first poison gas to be employed in the World War; it is also one of the two elements in common salt, the other being sodium. A native of Penzance in Cornwall, Davy was fond of writing verse, and Samuel Taylor Coleridge said of him that if he "had not been the first chemist, he would have been the first poet of his age."

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