

other. A Will or Codicil appointing guardians can be revoked at any time by being destroyed by the father with that intent, or by his executing a subsequent Will or Codicil. It need not be proved after his decease unless it also disposes of personal property or appoints Executors; and even if it ought to be proved, it is effectual, and can be acted on, as regards the guardianship, although it has not been proved. The guardians may be of either sex, and one will be sufficient, though it will be better to name more, to provide against death or refusal to act. The Guardians need not be also appointed Executors or Trustees, and need not have any control over the infant's property given to them. Persons residing, or who are likely to reside out of England and Wales, (or out of Ireland, if that is the residence of the children), should, if possible, not be appointed. Married women may be appointed guardians, but in considering of the propriety of appointing married women, or women likely to marry, it must be borne in mind that the powers of Guardianship given to them will mainly be dependant on their husbands. The Court of Chancery in cases where it interferes as above explained) will consider that on a female guardian marrying, her powers as a guardian came to an end, and it will consider whether, taking into account the character and position of her husband, it will be beneficial for the children to reappoint her.

Note by Mr. Bagshawe.—I have considered the above suggestions, and in my opinion they are an accurate statement of the English Law on the subject to which they relate.

Lincoln's Inn,
28th of April, 1858.

W. H. G. BAGSHAWE.

FORM OF BEQUEST TO ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE.

"I give and bequeath the sum of
unto the Treasurer for the time being of ST. BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,
Eccles Street, Dublin; the same to be paid within
months next after my decease, and applied to the uses and
purposes of said Orphanage; and for which the receipt of such
Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge."

. Devises of Land or of Money charged on Land, or secured on Mortgage of Lands or Tenements, or to be laid out in Lands or Tenements, are void; but Money or Stock may be given by Will, if not directed to be laid out in Land.

NOTE.—It should be particularly noticed, that no Will whatsoever, whether of real or personal property, which bears date after the first day of January, 1838, is valid, unless it be signed at the foot by the Testator, or by some person in his presence, and by his direction, and said signature acknowledged by him in the presence of two witnesses, who shall sign the same as witnesses in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other.

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TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Before presenting this Twelfth Annual Report to the Friends of St. Brigid's Orphanage, it seems useful to call attention again to the special object for which the Orphanage was founded, and the special good which it has been engaged in doing the last twelve years.

The object is twofold, and the good accomplished is likewise double, viz., the relief of physical and spiritual distress. St. Brigid's Orphanage was founded to protect, support, and educate the Orphans and destitute children of poor Catholics, who, through loss of parents and destitution, are in danger of being robbed, during helpless infancy, of their faith.

The Orphan child of rich Catholic parents is not a subject for St. Brigid's Orphanage, for though his faith may be in danger, he has friends to support and educate him according to his rank. Neither is the Orphan child of poor Catholic parents, whose faith is secure, a special object of the charity. But the Orphan and destitute child upon whom the double calamity of physical and spiritual destitution has fallen, he is the special object of St. Brigid's Charity. It is of course a God-like work to give bread to the hungry

child, to clothe him, to bring him into the house, and educate him but when along with this you protect his faith, keep him in the Catholic Church, prevent him from reviling, in after-life, the creed of his fathers, and preserve his soul from error, this is the greatest conceivable charity that can be done to a fellow-creature.

These two acts of charity, the corporal and spiritual, concur in the case of almost every child admitted to St. Brigid's Orphanage.

The act of the Catholic who endeavours to protect the faith of the child of his own communion, is totally different from, and quite in contrast to that of the proselytizer, who tries to protestantize the Catholic child. The proselytizer who deprives the Catholic child of his faith cannot justify his act, because the highest authorities of his sect admit that salvation is attainable in the Catholic Church, but the Catholic who gives or culpably permits a child to go to the proselytizers is inexcusable, because he believes and knows that there is no salvation outside the Catholic Church, and that the soul of the Catholic child, deprived of his faith, must be eternally lost.

There are of course various degrees of destitution, both physical and spiritual, in the children presented for admission to the Orphanage. But considering the state of the poor, the circumstances of the times, the mixture of Catholic and non-Catholic in this country, the sudden or premature death of father or mother, the difficulty of obtaining employment by the surviving parent, the demoralizing effects of drink among a portion of our poor, the temptations, snares, and bribes, laid before them by unscrupulous zealots with thousands in their treasury considering all this, there must be a large number of poor children among us in

physical want, and in danger of losing the faith. But as a matter of fact, with more ample funds, more good would have been done, for although those children that were in evident and certain danger were always received into the Orphanage, there were many, otherwise in great destitution, both physical and spiritual, reluctantly refused. This stern necessity of limiting relief, saddens the heart. It is like the feeling of the brave man who plunges into the stormy sea to save human life, and while bearing a fellow-creature to land, looks back and sees another, whom he cannot save, in danger of perishing in the waves.

Oh that those who have means to share with the poor could but feel this saddening pain, and be the daily witnesses of the sufferings and the perdition of so many poor Catholic children.

ADMISSION OF ORPHANS.

During the past year sixty-five Orphans have been received into the Institution. These sixty-five children would alone form a considerable orphanage, and, added to those admitted in former years, make a total of SEVEN HUNDRED and SEVENTY-FIVE. Among those 775, are found orphans from England, Scotland, Wales, and from almost every County in Ireland. A great many of the earlier admissions have of course been already provided for

To show the class of children admitted, it may be useful to make a few extracts from the Diary, and publish a few of the letters written on behalf of applicants for admission.

It must be premised, however, that these extracts and letters have reference only to the more ordinary

cases of last year Those that would create the greatest sympathy and excite the liveliest interest will only be known hereafter

March 1st, 1868. William —, aged 2 years, from St. Mary's Parish. The mother is a Catholic, the grandmother a pervert. This child was in a Protestant school, and his sister elder than he, was in a proselytizing school in Ballina.

Recommended by the Rev W Irwin
(Admitted).

March 5th, 1868. Agnes Jane —, aged 1 year and 7 months. This child was deserted by its father and mother, and left with a Protestant, who says, 'that out of respect to the Catholic father, who asked him to look after the child, he wishes her to be reared a Catholic, although Mrs. S— tried to persuade him to give her the child. Mr F—, Christian Brother, becoming aware of the circumstances, earnestly urged the admission of the child.

Recommended by the Rev J Whelan.
(Admitted).

March 8th, 1868. Samuel —, aged 5½ years. The mother of this little boy is in great poverty The father, a soldier, had deserted from the army The mother was greatly helped by the proselytizers, and it was believed by some that she had actually given up this child to them. This case is from St. James's Parish.

Recommended by the Rev Canon Kennedy, P.P
(Admitted).

March 10th, 1868. Mary —, whose husband worked in Courtney and Stephens' Foundry, is in great distress has two children thinks if she had four or five shillings to set up a basket, that she could support them was from Gorey, relations Protestant.

(Gave her five shillings).

April 26th, 1868. A man named John —, wants to get a little girl aged 5 years taken is come from Liverpool, where he was employed on the docks was originally from Wexford, wife dead, can't get the child into the Poor-House without himself can't go to work whilst obliged to mind the child, greatly tempted to give her up.

(Passed for admission).

July, 1868.

P— C—, aged 9½ years, has been attending Luke Street proselytizing school for many years came to Catholic grandmother, Mrs. M— C—, on Easter Tuesday, who is supporting his brother, but she cannot afford to keep this boy also she is supported by her son. The mother of this boy lives on the Quay, and ought to be a Catholic, but is either perverted, or a very bad Catholic. The father was a Catholic, and is dead. The boy went back again to Luke Street a week ago, but is anxious to leave it.

Recommended by Mr Steiner, of St. Patrick's Guild.

(Admitted).

July, 1868.

Mrs. A— C—, — street, has four children by her first husband, a girl, aged 13 years, earning 6d. a week and her diet, a boy, aged 12 years, not earning and two girls, aged 9 and 7 years. Her second husband is a smith, but is not working at present, and says he will not support these children he has one or two of his own. The mother could not leave her husband to go into the Poor-House, nor would the children be received there without her. The two elder children were in the Birds Nest for one year and nine months, three years ago. The four children have been attending Luke Street proselytizing school for one year and eight months till about five weeks ago. Mother says she taught them their prayers at home. She seems to be wretchedly poor.

Recommended by Rev W Keon, C C

These two children, A — M·N —, aged 9 years, and E — M·N —, aged 7 years, were received.

August, 1868.

L — C —, living near — street, has three children in the Protestant Orphan Refuge, (placed somewhere in the country). She is a convert for the last year and a half, was a governess. Her husband was a law clerk and a Catholic he died three years ago, and left a written document, saying he would wish the children to be reared Catholics. After his death, the wife, then a Protestant, put them into the Protestant Orphan Refuge, where they have remained ever since. She is now willing to take them out if she had any place for them, as she has not the means of

supporting them. She procured help from the Rev William Purcell to set up a small school, but is not succeeding with it. The girl is aged about 8 or 9 years and the two boys aged respectively 11 and 10 years.

Recommended by the Rev William Purcell.

(Passed for admission,—not yet presented).

September 18th, 1868. Edward and Anne —, aged respectively 12 and 7½ years. Both parents Catholic, father dead. The boy was first in the Birds Nest for a year, then in Luke Street Dormitory for three years. He ran away five times, and each time was brought back by his mother. The last time he ran away he took out some boys with him, and was then sent to Chancery Lane, was about two months there did not like it, but said that his mother could not support him. He says he was taught in those places that the Blessed Virgin is a sinner, and cannot hear us that the Priest has no more power than any other man, and that the children would be slapped when found blessing themselves. He says the boys and girls play together in the Birds' Nest. He mentioned a good boy, named James Fitzpatrick, who is in Chancery Lane, and who says the Catholic prayers in spite of every one his father lives on the Poddle. The little girl, Anne, was in the Birds Nest for two months. The eldest brother, now nineteen years of age, had been in the "Boys' Home," Grand Canal St., for at least two years, and is either a Protestant or very nearly one the second eldest had been nine months in the "Home," and is very lukewarm, but the mother thinks he will come round again. When asked how she could have acted so wickedly towards her children, she said that a great many years ago, when her

husband was sick in hospital, she could not support the children, and, after getting relief from St. Vincent's Society for a time, she sent them to the proselytizing schools, and in this way came to know Mrs. S—— who gave her relief every time she went to her house. On one of those occasions, she heard Mrs. S—— say to a Protestant who asked her for relief, that all the relief was for Catholics. She said she knew very well the crime she was committing, and that any one that was ever christened could see the gloom of the curse over all those proselytizers. Her husband on his sick bed was always telling her to take them away, and said that he could never rest in the next world till the children were taken out. Latterly she heard strange noises at night, became terrified, and could not rest till she rescued the last two children.

Recommended by the Rev W Keon.

(2 Admitted).

Anne and Mary Jane ——, aged 9 and 6 years. Their father dead, was a Catholic. Mother also a Catholic, but indifferent was originally from Trim. The father made a will, about having his children brought up Catholics, but, after his death, the mother, being in great poverty, placed her four daughters in the Birds' Nest, and received means from the proselytizers to go to Australia. She left Ireland the day after she gave up the children. The second eldest girl, about 13 years of age, having been more than two years in Spiddal, county Galway, to which place the four children were removed soon after their mother's departure, made her escape to a Convent of Mercy in Galway, accompanied by another girl, who escaped with her. This girl became very good, and died in very edifying dispositions at the Convent. One of the

Nuns wrote a touching letter to an uncle of the child, telling him that her only uneasiness and last thoughts were about her sisters in the Protestant school. The uncle, however did nothing, till by accident he met the eldest girl in Dublin, at the time of the Prince's visit, and found that she was an inmate of Luke Street Dormitory, and gave her the letter with the account of the death of her sister at the Convent. The girl now says this letter made a great impression upon her. She showed it to some in the Dormitory, but they laughed at it, and told her that Nuns are very artful women. Nevertheless, she was always thinking of the contents of the letter. She cannot account for the change that took place in her mind, for, at the time, she was so confirmed in Protestantism that she used to pray for Catholics, thinking they were all going wrong. The place, after some time, became intolerable to her, and she made her escape. Her thoughts now turned to her two little sisters, who were still prisoners. After assuring herself that they would find an asylum in St. Brigid's, she set herself with wonderful energy and tact to release them. She contrived to get them brought up from Spiddal to the Birds' Nest, and secured, by the help of a little money, a confederate in the Nest. This girl, who was pretty much grown, helped the two children out at an appointed hour, when their sister was waiting for them, and so, the four poor children were finally released. The elder of the two youngest children, Anne, on coming to St. Brigid's, was found to be quite poisoned with heresy, and retailed the usual miserable blasphemies against the Blessed Virgin, the Most Holy Sacrament, the Sacrament of Penance, and Catholic practices of devotion.

A few of the many letters recommending the admission of Orphans will serve to elucidate the foregoing cases, and enable the reader to realize the great evil

with which the Orphanage strives to grapple, and the exceeding charity of helping the work.

The following letter, which is without date, was handed in as a plea for receiving the writer into St. Brigid's.

New Birds' Nest, York Road, Kingstown,

"My dear Mother,

"I hope you are in good health, as it leaves me at present, thank God for it. My dear mother, I have been in the hospital until to-day. Dear mother, to-morrow is visiting day if you miss to-morrow you cannot see me at all. Dear mother, if you possibly can do not miss to-morrow. Dear mother, if you cannot come, write to me, and tell me whether you can soon take me home. Dear mother, I would be very useful to you if you can get to take me home will you take me for a while? I will do anything you ask if you only get me leave to go for some time. Mrs. S—— was very kind to me in the hospital, she will let me go home to you for some time if you will agree to take me. No more at present, from

Your affectionate daughter,

ISABELLA CONNOLLY."

(Admitted).

*Marlborough Street,
February 18th, 1868.*

"My dear Madam,

"The bearer, Mrs. M——, of —— Court, has been lately brought under my notice, and I find she

has given her eldest child, a girl about six years of age, to be brought up in a Protestant school, but has given them no special title to the child, so that it can be recovered. She has two others, and if they could be provided for, the SS. of Charity would obtain her a situation or employment, and, after a while, she expects to be able to provide for them. May I request you to give the case your attention.

"I remain, dear Madam,

Most truly yours,

W IRWIN "

(2 Admitted)

*SS. Michael & John,
Sept. 25th, 1867*

' Dear Madam,

"Your letter of the 23rd inst. to Canon Roche was received by him on yesterday morning, when he was just preparing to start for the County of Wexford, to assist at the obsequies of a friend. He asked me, therefore, to make the necessary inquiries, and to reply to your note, as he will not be back until the close of the week.

"In the first place then, poor Mrs. O'D—— is in a very destitute situation, with her five small children and if Miss Aylward would kindly take even one of them into her institution, tell her from me, she never did an act in her life with which St. Brigid would have been better pleased. The hardship of this case is one of a peculiarly distressing nature, as the Ladies of your Orphanage must already know and many good persons are greatly interested in providing for one

at least of poor Mrs. O'D——'s children. She has lately given birth to a child, which circumstance leaves her the more helpless.

"With regard to C—— C——, I called on her yesterday, and found her wretchedly poor, with her four ill-clad children. Not a stick of the humblest kind of furniture about the place. For the sake of the children, do what you can for her, but she seemed to intimate to me, that it would be necessary to have more than one of her children provided for, or some bad result to their faith would follow. She showed me a pile of pawn-tickets, and a notice of ejection for non-payment of rent. I learned from a good Catholic woman in the house, that there was nothing against the poor woman's character, and that she was industrious when she got work.

"I remain, dear Madam,

Very faithfully and respectfully,

JOHN O'HANLON "

MISS A. ALLINGHAM,

St. Brigid's House, 42 Eccles St., Dublin.

Saint Michan's,

June, 18th, 1868,

"Dear Miss Aylward,

"I believe you are doing a great act of charity by taking these two poor children, for, I fear they were in great danger, and I hope you are relieving me from a perpetual uneasiness. At all events, it would be a pity to see such fine children lost, and the enemy would be only too glad to get a hold of them. Indeed,

I won't be at ease till I know they are safe in your possession. Shall we never be done with Orphans? I suppose not. Well, I hope a good Providence will assist you.

Yours truly, in J C

J M'MAHON "

(2 Admitted).

St. Nicholas, Francis Street.

October 22

"My dear Miss Aylward,

"On the part of the St. Vincent de Paul Conference, I wish to introduce to your charitable notice two children, J—— and J—— C——, who are really objects of your great charity. The uncle is a Protestant, and he will take the children if they be not provided for in some Catholic Orphanage. I send this letter with them.

I remain yours sincerely,

M MULLALLY "

"My dear Miss Aylward,

"Mr O Flaherty, Superior of the Christian Brothers, requests me to draw your attention to the case of a child in charge of a Mr ——.

The father lived and died a Catholic the mother has left for India, leaving the child with Mr ——. He, regarding himself, and wishing to be regarded, as an honourable man, is ready to place the child in your Orphanage. He says that he will shortly go to the country, and fears, that should his

wife return in his absence, it is probable she will yield to the persuasive influence of Mrs. S—— on the superior claims of the Birds' Nest, not to the danger only, but even to the destruction of the child's faith.

"I write at the request of, and according to the account given me of this case by Mr O Flaherty in hopes that you will consider its importance and urgency

Yours sincerely,
JOSEPH WHELAN, C.C."

Miss Aylward.

St. Andrew's, Westland Row,
(Received in September).

"My dear Monsignor,

"May I ask you to use your influence with Miss Aylward to take into St. Brigid's two of the bearer's children.—She is a widow, and the mother of five children, and a bad mother she was. Through poverty she gave herself and children some years ago to the soupers. The eldest son is now a Protestant, her second eldest is nothing, another boy has, by my advice, been taken out of Chancery Lane proselytizing school this morning, and a little girl, aged eight years, was in the Birds' Nest till three weeks ago. The mother is miserably poor, and I may tell you that she is earning a shilling weekly for washing a souper church.

I am yours,

With much respect,

W. A. KEON"

To Very Rev Monsignor MORAN
(2 Admitted).

The following letter shows the under-current of proselytism, the hidden, insidious agency that is at work under the garb of commiseration and friendly advice, to rob our poor of their faith.

23 Carysfort Avenue, Black Rock,
Thursday

"Dear Mrs. Scott,

"Since you were here this morning, I have been speaking to several ladies, and asked them about your children, if you could get them into the 'Birds' Nest. They say you can without paying anything. Of course you do not like to send them there, but what are you to do?"

"When you have asked your own party so often, and they will do nothing for you, you may say with the Scriptures, 'You came into your own and your own received you not.

"The Ladies I spoke to to-day were quite shocked when I told them you could not send your children to the National School without paying. If you send them to Carysfort school, they will be taken free and partly clothed, but your best plan is to send them to the 'Birds' Nest.' Please let me know as soon as possible what you intend to do, that my friends may mention to the Board about getting the children in. Have you spoken to Father Lee? I am sure he would do something for you. My daughter knows him, and says he is a very good man. Hoping to hear soon from you,

I remain your sincere friend,
E SEMPLE."

P.S.—You may be sure I shall do all in my power for you."

(1 Admitted).

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The foregoing are a few and very few of the facts recorded in the Annals of the Orphanage for last year. The letters likewise are not a hundredth part of the applications made for the admission of orphans and destitute children. It is sad on the one hand to see the poor children in such peril of losing the Faith. They are the children of the most Catholic people on the face of the earth. Their fathers—and it cannot be too often repeated—regarded faith as a heavenly treasure, more precious than gold and silver, and dearer to them than family, home, and country. This faith, like the pillar of fire in the desert, gave them light in the dark days of persecution, when their country was made a wilderness, and cheered them in the loneliness of exile. On the other hand, it is a glorious privilege to be allowed to take the place of watchman over the faith, and to hunt the wolves from those little lambs of the Church. If St. Brigid were alive, how lovingly she would open her arms to receive those poor children assailed by a nefarious proselytism, coming to her from the city and the country, and the strange land where the exile pines. Be it ours to make her charity as far as possible universal, and to spend and be spent in defence of the faith.

PRESENT STATE OF THE ORPHANAGE.

During the past year, twenty-one orphans were restored to their guardians or surviving parents, eighteen were adopted by their foster parents, and have become members of the families in which they were nursed, thirteen were put to trades or service, eight have died, and there are at present 251 children in the Orphanage, and during the year there were 316.

For the first time, the number of children provided for is nearly equal to the number of those admitted. This arises partly from the fact that, the Orphanage being twelve years in operation, a greater number of children have grown up and partly from the effort that should be made, in the absence of sufficient funds, to find room for applicants who, on account of the great danger they were in, could not be refused.

The number of deaths, though a moderate amount of mortality among children, is the largest that has yet occurred in any year of the existence of the Orphanage, but several of the eight who died were infants of a few weeks or months old.

EDUCATION OF ORPHANS.

Continued efforts are made to secure to the children the blessings of an education suited to their state. In the different inspections and examinations, their answering was found to be better than in any previous year. One hundred and thirty premiums, of a half sovereign each, were given to the nurses last year. In the out-door system of the Orphanage, this mode of securing the education of the children is found to be very necessary and very efficient. The premiums are worth striving for, and the examinations, though full and strict, are yet not such as to destroy hope of success, even in those who have only a small amount of talent. The premiums are given, as was stated in former Reports, to every child who learns the catechism well, reads well, writes well, and masters the four first rules of arithmetic.

FUNDS.

The income of the Orphanage, for the past year, from all sources, is £1,765. This amount is less than

that received in several of the previous years, and arises, not from any indifference of Catholics towards the Orphanage, but from the fact, that some public occurrences diverted the stream of charity for a time into other channels and chiefly because one of the members, who collected from the beginning of the Ophanage was unable, through sickness, to wait on many who would have subscribed.

It is, however, wonderful that a great work of charity like this subsists without any paid collectors. It is not too much, in humble submission, to say that it is God's work, and He supports it. A Protestant clergyman sent lately from England five pounds, saying, that he felt the deepest sympathy for Ireland, and that he wished this holy work of St. Brigid, as he called it, success. A large proportion of the year's income is derived from bequests, and this is another proof of the good providence of God over the work for it is at the approach of death that He speaks more emphatically to conscience, and indicates more clearly what it is that conduces to eternal happiness.

The constant and persevering efforts of the Brothers of the Guilds is likewise a clear manifestation of the blessing of God, for they have no motive, save that of pleasing God, to urge them to continue their laborious and successful efforts for the salvation of the poor Orphan.

With grateful hearts, therefore, we return thanks to the Almighty and good God for the blessings He has bestowed upon His poor children, and also to the many friends whom He moved to assist the work, and more especially to his Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop, whom may God long preserve, and to many gentlemen and ladies, whose alms we trust are laid up in the treasury where neither moth nor rust consumeth.

ST BRIGID'S CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

There are at present seven schools, as well as the Orphanage, conducted by the Sisters of Faith, and all are founded with the one design, managed for the one purpose, and coöperate to the one end—the protection and enlivenment of the faith among the poor

These schools have been established and are maintained at the cost of considerable labour and sacrifice. There has been, during the past year, an average daily attendance of over nine hundred children, and the numbers would be much greater but for want of room. In several instances, indeed, Catholic children, that had been attending proselytizing schools, were refused admittance, through the absolute impossibility of making room for them. It is in-contemplation to found more of those schools, if it please God, very soon several of the clergy and good Catholic laymen have called for them.

The schools are free in the full sense of the word they are free to the poor, in fact, the poorest have the first claim to admittance, they are free also from government control, and the demoralizing effects of mixed education. They are named Catholic schools, being entirely under the guidance of the Church and under the control only of her authority

The good work done and doing is now simply before the reader. Let him look to the income and compare them, and say if there be not economy. The probability is that he will say what many have said, "It is impossible that so much can be done with such scant resources." Indeed, ordinarily it would be impossible, but when the work is for God, and those engaged in it devote their time, energies, and fortunes to its accom-

plishment, then the seeming impossibility becomes a reality

This spirit of devotion and self-sacrifice is the very soul of the Catholic Church, the foundation of her triumphs and her greatness. It is this spirit that distinguishes her from and makes her superior to sects, and the more this spirit has been living and strong, the greater have been her achievements. The Apostles, and the greatest Bishops of the Church, and Missioners of heathen nations, and the founders of religious orders have discovered an inexhaustible mine in this spirit they were rich, though in want of all things, and in their poverty, built up those works of charity that shall endure while the world lasts.

Amidst the perils which encompass Catholic education at the present moment, Ireland will find her greatest security by fostering this spirit, and relying upon herself. English statesmen present a subsidy for education with one hand, and a manacle with the other he who accepts the one, is bound fast by the other and becomes a slave. Coming events should be read by the light of the past, and independence, especially in primary education, secured at any sacrifice

May God watch over poor Ireland, and enable her to see and to prize the glorious destiny He seems to mark out for her, a destiny, however, to be worked out only by keeping the faith of her children pure, strong, and living.

ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

FOUNDED IN 1857 TO RECEIVE 500 CHILDREN, BOYS AND GIRLS.
770 HAVE BEEN ALREADY RECEIVED.

The following Donations and Subscriptions in aid of the above Institution have been received from the 10th of December 1867 to the 1st of January, 1869.

	£	s.	d.
His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop,	35	0	0
His Grace the Most Rev Dr. Errington,	15	0	0
Donation per do.	5	12	6
The Lord Bishop of Ardagh,	3	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Perth, Australia, for 1866, 1867 and 1868,	3	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Clogher	2	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Dromore,	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Ossory	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Down and Connor,	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Galway,	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Ferns,	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Derry	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin,	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Ross,	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Kerry,	1	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Achonry	10	0	0
Bequest of the late Mrs. Heyfron.	400	0	0
Bequest of the late Christopher Byrne, Esq.	57	12	0
L. C., per Christopher Langan, Esq.	50	0	0
A member of the Sisters of Faith,	30	0	0
Part Residue of the Bequest of Rev. Mr. O'Beirne, per Very Rev Canon Brock, P.P.,	25	0	0
Bequest of the late Miss Frances Butler,	25	0	0
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Alms-boxes, per do.	0 12 9½	Alms-boxes, per do.	0 7 3
Per Miss Costelloe	9 8 0	Per Miss Manning	0 8 0
Miss Clarke, per do.	0 5 0	Per Miss O'Flanagan,	
Mrs Byrne, per do.	0 5 0	including her own	
Miss M. Power's Card		subscription	0 7 6
per do.	0 5 0	Mrs. Walsh, per Miss	
Per Miss Martin	3 18 8	Rogers	0 4 4
Mrs M'Evoy	1 0 0	Per Miss Langan	0 5 0
Mr Lowe's Collection		Mr Meehan's Alms-	
per do.	0 16 3	box	0 3 7½
Mrs Flynn, per do.	0 10 0		
			£59 4 8

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM LOAN FUNDS, ETC.

	£	s.	d.
Shop and Warehouse Society per Mr P Kavanagh	0	7	6
St. Patrick's Loan Fund Society, per Mr James O'Donohue	0	13	3½
St. Vincent de Paul's Society, per Mr D. Murphy and Mr Bermingham	0	8	0
Old Hibernian Tontine Society, per Mr Bonham and Mr Bermingham	0	6	7
St. Joseph's Society, per Mr Dixon and Mr Bermingham	0	9	4
Mr P Lawless, per Mr Bermingham	0	5	0
Mr William Tanner, per do.	0	5	0
St. Kevin's Tontine and Burial Society per Mr M'Kenna and Mr Bermingham	0	3	0
The True Sons of St. Kevin's Society per Mr Cullen	0	5	9½
St. Elias Burial Society per Mr Clancy	0	4	0
Pius IX Burial Society per do.	0	4	0
Per Mr Gallagher's Alms Box	0	1	8
St. Peter's Loan Fund Society per Mr Maguire.	0	15	0
St. Thomas's Loan Fund Society, per Mr Barrett	0	5	0

SUNDRY COLLECTIONS.

Collected from Workmen at Midland Railway per Mr Kelly	£1 1 3½
Per Mr M'Dermott	£0 3 6
Per Mr Reynolds	£0 3 5

Very grateful thanks are returned to the Ladies who have kindly sent old and new clothing, and materials for making same, to St. Brigid's, 42 Eccles Street, for the Orphans.

P.S.—Persons wishing to subscribe to this most necessary and meritorious work will please address "Miss Aylward, St. Brigid's House, 42 Eccles Street, Dublin," His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop, the Very Rev and Rev the Clergy of the city, and the members of the Committee, will also most thankfully receive subscriptions.

N.B.—Subscribers are requested to examine the preceding lists, in order to ascertain whether their names and subscriptions have been correctly stated. Should any error or omission have occurred, they are requested to send notice of same, directed to "The Secretary St. Brigid's Orphanage, 42 Eccles Street."

Donations of Children's Clothing, old or new or materials for making same, boots, shoes, etc., will be most gratefully received.

ST BRIGID'S CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

Subscriptions received in aid of St. Brigid's Catholic Schools, which have more than Nine Hundred Children in daily attendance, without any aid from the Government grant.

	£	s.	d.
From the Catholic Cemeteries' Committee, in aid of the five City Schools of St. Brigid	50	0	0
From do., for St. Brigid's Schools at Glasnevin, per Very Rev Canon Rooney	10	0	0
Sir John Arnott & Co., for St. Brigid's Schools, Great Strand Street	4	0	0
"Joseph in Egypt," for the Schools of St. Brigid,	2	0	0
Thomas Woodlock, Esq	1	0	0
Very Rev Canon Murphy, for St. Brigid's Schools, Great Strand Street	1	0	0

The Managers beg to return their most sincere thanks to the Rev Father Whelan, C.C., St. Nicholas's, Francis Street, and to the following good men, who, under his guidance, collected the sums annexed to their names below, during the past year, and thus enabled the Sisters of Faith to give bread every day to a large number of the children of West Park Street Schools.

There is a daily attendance of over Three Hundred children at those Schools, the most destitute and most deserving of whom receive comfortable clothing at Christmas, as far as the funds permit.

Collected by

Mr Redmond	£16	18	1½	Mr Adams	1	6	6
Mr Cullen	10	4	10½	Mr Casey	1	0	1½
Mr Lattin	8	10	1½	Mr Boland	0	13	0
Mr Carroll	5	10	8	Messrs Baker and			
Mr Goodwin	1	16	11	Ryan	0	12	7½
Mr Donovan	1	7	9	Mr Morris	0	5	4½

Mr Byrne	0	4	0	Mr Mitchell	0	5	0	
Mr Myers	0	1	0	Mr Mulvany	0	5	0	
A Collector	1	8	0	Mrs Doyle	0	5	0	
From Mr Boland	1	5	0					
Mrs Furlong	1	0	0			£57	11	1
Mr Reynolds	1	0	0	Additional Collec-				
Mr Sweetman	1	0	0	tion by Rev J				
Mr Kealy	1	0	0	Whelan		2	8	7½
Mr Dempsey	0	12	0					
Mr Meehan	0	10	0	Total		£59	19	8½
Miss Brien	0	10	0					

ST. BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

42 ECCLES STREET, DUBLIN.

FOUNDED, IN 1857, TO RECEIVE

500 CHILDREN (BOYS AND GIRLS).

766 *Children have been already received*

You are requested to assist St. Brigid's Orphanage.

There are three ways in which you can assist it:—1st., by your prayers; 2ndly by your alms; 3rdly by soliciting the contributions of others, and communicating the knowledge of this great work of Charity to your acquaintances.

St. Brigid's Orphanage was founded by the Ladies' Association of Charity, (Metropolitan Parish), in the beginning of the year 1857, for the purpose of rescuing Catholic Orphans and destitute infants from the Proselytizers.

Already 766 of these little innocent creatures (boys and girls) have been saved, and put to nurse with good Catholic nurses in the country. It is proposed, with the help of God, to go on until a still greater number are saved, and you are requested to put your hand to this work of God. A work of God truly, for it has been enriched lately by our Holy Father Pope Pius IX with many indulgences, and has received the blessing and support of twenty Archbishops and Bishops, and a great number of the Clergy, and several of the Superiors of Religious Houses.

Many hundreds of these poor Orphans are at this moment calling to you for help from Protestant Orphanages, Schools, and Asylums. Many others, just ready to drop into these places, are making application every day to St. Brigid's Orphanage. Will you turn your face away from these poor abandoned infants of the Irish Church, leave them to be brought up in heresy and perish for ever? Their angels see the face of your heavenly Father, and await your answer, that they may enter your name in the book of life.

You are requested to say one *Ave Maria* each day for the salvation of infants in danger of perversion.

You are also requested to give some little alms every week every month, or even every year.

Above all, you are entreated to take an active part in the work, to influence others, and to collect their subscriptions.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered up eight times every Month for the Subscribers, and all engaged in this good work.

P.S.—Subscriptions or donations may be sent to St. Brigid's House, 42 Eccles Street, Dublin, where also collecting books, cards, and further information may be had. The Clergy and the Members of the Committee will also receive Subscriptions.

Amongst the subscribers are to be found the following:—

His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Dublin; His Grace the Archbishop of Armagh; His Grace the Archbishop of Tuam; His Grace the Archbishop of Cashel; the Lord Bishop of Kerry; the Lord Bishop of Kilmaeduaugh; the Lord Bishop of Killaloe; the Lord Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin; the Lord Bishop of Ardagh; the Lord Bishop of Cloyne; the Lord Bishop of Elphin; the Lord Bishop of Derry; the Lord Bishop of Meath; the Lord Bishop of Ferns; the Lord Bishop of Clogher; the Lord Bishop of Ossory; the Lord Bishop of Dromore; the Lord Bishop of Glasgow; the Lord Bishop of Cork; the Lord Bishop of Maitland; the Lord Bishop of Galway; the Lord Bishop of Perth; and the Lord Bishop of Achonry

TESTAMENTARY GUARDIANS.

Extract from a Pamphlet published by his Lordship the Bishop of Southwark, and kindly presented by him to St. Brigid's Orphanage.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS AND DIRECTIONS AS TO APPOINTING TESTAMENTARY GUARDIANS.

No particular form of words is necessary for the appointment of a testamentary guardian, nor is any legal assistance necessary. The following would be sufficient: "I, A. B., of _____, &c., by this my Will (or Codicil appoint C. D., of _____, &c., [and E. F., of _____, &c.] to be the Guardian [or Guardians] of my children after my decease, and I direct that my children shall be brought up in the Roman Catholic Faith, which I profess." A Testamentary Guardian may be appointed by any Will or Codicil, whether containing any disposition of property or not, and whether the father has any property to leave or not. It must, like any other Will, be signed (or marked in lieu of a signature) by the father in the presence of two witnesses, who must sign their names as attesting witnesses. in the presence of the father and of each

other. A Will or Codicil appointing guardians can be revoked at any time by being destroyed by the father with that intent, or by his executing a subsequent Will or Codicil. It need not be proved after his decease unless it also disposes of personal property or appoints Executors; and even if it ought to be proved, it is effectual, and can be acted on, as regards the guardianship, although it has not been proved. The guardians may be of either sex, and one will be sufficient, though it will be better to name more, to provide against death or refusal to act. The Guardians need not be also appointed Executors or Trustees, and need not have any control over the infant's property given to them. Persons residing, or who are likely to reside out of England and Wales, (or out of Ireland, if that is the residence of the children), should, if possible, not be appointed. Married women may be appointed guardians, but in considering of the propriety of appointing married women, or women likely to marry, it must be borne in mind that the powers of Guardianship given to them will mainly be dependant on their husbands. The Court of Chancery in cases where it interferes as above explained) will consider that on a female guardian marrying, her powers as a guardian came to an end, and it will consider whether, taking into account the character and position of her husband, it will be beneficial for the children to reappoint her.

Note by Mr. Bagshawe.—I have considered the above suggestions, and in my opinion they are an accurate statement of the English Law on the subject to which they relate.

Lincoln's Inn,
28th of April, 1858.

W. H. G. BAGSHAWE.

FORM OF BEQUEST TO ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE.

"I give and bequeath the sum of
unto the Treasurer for the time being of St. BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,
Eccles Street, Dublin; the same to be paid within
months next after my decease, and applied to the uses and
purposes of said Orphanage; and for which the receipt of such
Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge."

* * * Devises of Land, or of Money charged on Land, or secured on Mortgage of Lands or Tenements, or to be laid out in Lands or Tenements, are void; but Money or Stock may be given by Will, if not directed to be laid out in Land.

NOTE.—It should be particularly noticed, that no Will whatsoever, whether of real or personal property, which bears date after the first day of January, 1838, is valid, unless it be signed at the foot by the Testator, or by some person in his presence, and by his direction, and said signature acknowledged by him in the presence of two witnesses, who shall sign the same as witnesses in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other.

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