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 re-appoint 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,

W H. G. BAGSHAWE.

28th of April, 1858.

#### 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 for which the receipt of such Treasurer s

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## St. Brigid's Orphanage

FOR

#### FIVE HUNDRED CHILDREN,

(BOYS AND GIRLS).

## TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT.

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#### TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT.

May it please your Eminence,

After another year's work, we come to place again under your Eminence's protection, the very dear interests committed to our care, and lay before you, the Clergy, and the Catholic Public, the main facts and features of the past year's work.

During the past year, that is, from the first of December, 1875, to the 1st of December, 1876, SEVENTY SEVEN Orphans and destitute children (boys and girls) have been received into St. Brigid's Orphanage this number, added to the number of previous admissions, makes a total of one thousand four hundred and seventeen Orphans, admitted since the foundation of the Orphanage in 1857

The chief object of St. Brigid's, we need scarcely repeat, is the protection of the faith of the orphan and destitute children of Catholics, and hence, the seventy-seven received last year had been all in that danger. About one third were rescued from the proselytising dens of Spiddal Grand Canal St., Dublin, Boys' Home, Coombe, Townsend Street, Luke Street, Bird's Nest, etc.

The second third were under the hammer, and in some cases, the bidding of the proselytisers accepted, when, through some providential agency, in each case, they were rescued from their perilous position, and taken at St. Brigid's. Indeed, in one case, a poor widow was actually dying, when the good Priest who attended her, obliged her to take prompt and strong measures for the rescue of her little boy from the Elliot Home, and when the little boy was brought to her, she was after expiring. The other third portion of the seventy-seven orphans received last year were, in part, so absolutely friendless, and, in part, with mothers who were so sorely and repeatedly tempted, that, not to have received them, would have been to leave them to the wolf.

Contrary to the ordinary course, the number of children who were provided for last year exceeded the number of those received. Eighty-four were provided for of these, twelve were placed in situations or put to trades. Thirty were adopted into the families in the country. Forty-one were restored to their surviving parents or guardians, and one died. The number of children provided for by the Orphanage from the beginning, and now settled in life, amounts to one thousand and sixty, and of these, no less than three hundred and forty have been adopted by the families that reared them, and are now as the sons and daughters of those small farmers leading that simple, industrious, and religious life, which is a kind of holy inheritance in the unadulterated rural population of Ireland.

Many more would have been thus adopted, had the children and their foster-parents been left to their own free choice, but the near relations insisted on taking the children when reared. Even in this case, some children would not content themselves with their own friends, and returned to what they called their home.

The average number of children in the Orphanage last year was three hundred and thirty, the number on the books the 1st November, 1876, was three hundred and twelve. Comparing this large body with the receipts of the year, any one can see that it would be impossible to support, clothe, and educate such a number with the amount received from the Public, and, in fact, it was not done. The Sisters of the Holy Faith made up by their contributions and sacrifices what was wanting.

The health of the children for the past year was remarkably good, judged by any ordinary test, it must be pronounced excellent. The mortality of children is usually much greater than that of adults. The mortality of St. Brigid's children has been for the past year less than four per thousand, and the average death-rate for the last nineteen years has been less than nine per thousand. This will appear the more wonderful when it is added, that children are not refused admission on account of delicacy or sickness. Besides, they are less protected against, and more exposed to, the inclemency of the weather than children reared in one establishment. To be sure, they have to pass through children's diseases and take their share of prevailing epidemics, but the nurses almost always succeed in restoring them to health, and, ordinarily, without any additional cost to the Orphanage.

It has been often reported what is done to secure that amount of education for the Orphans that befits their position. They are sent to the nearest village school, and everything is done to secure regular attendance. Their success is rewarded by premiums of a half sovereign each, in this way:—the Orphan's education is divided into five sections or branches 1. Prayers and

Catechism, 2. Confirmation, 3. Reading, 4. Writing, 5. Arithmetic. Now, when the Orphan has mastered any one of these branches, and has proved it by a strict examination, he gets for his nurse a half sovereign. One hundred and thirty-nine half sovereigns were won in this way last year as follows:—Prayers and Catechism 28, Confirmation 62, Reading 35, Writing 6, and Arithmetic 8. It may appear that the two first premiums are given for the one branch, but the reason why we give a separate premium for the trouble taken to prepare them for Confirmation, is to make them truly soldiers of Christ, and to secure them by the powerful grace of the Sacrament against the assaults of heresy

We have only further to report on this head, that the system of rearing Orphans in family shows no sign of deterioration, but rather of improvement, up to the present moment. It has, to be sure, some defects, as everything human has but the drawbacks are far more than counter-balanced by its signal advantages. There is one thing that has helped St. Brigid's very much, it is, that, for the last twenty years, we were enabled, thank God, to pay the country-people punctually on the day appointed in each half year, they never had to wait never to call a second time never were put off with instalments, but were paid in full according to the Rules under which they took the children.

#### SCHOOLS OF THE HOLY FAITH.

These schools were established to do for children who had their parents, what St. Brigid's Orphanage does for children who have lost their parents, that is, to protect their faith. There are many day-schools in Dublin which offer education, together with food and clothing, and other temporal advantages, to the children of poverty, but on the condition of instilling into their young minds the poison of heresy. Every Catholic knows that this would be the greatest calamity that could befall them, making them miserable here, and leaving them without hope hereafter

What the child is, that the man will be. If the child be elucated in false principles, they will become bone of its bone, and soul of its soul, and the man, as a rule, becomes irreclaimable. But it is not enough to keep false ood from the child, he must drink of the fountain of truth, and drink long and copiously

The first and chief point in his education is, to put before his mind his last end, and to make him keep this steadly and constantly before his mind, so as to subordinae all his actions to his last end. Any system of educator that does not this, is godless. It was to protect the children of the poor from heretical schools, and to the to establish them well in the faith and practice of their religion, that the Schools of the Holy Faith were established.

The number of these Schools has not increased since last Reprt was published, but the number of children in attendance is much greater. There are at present twelve schools of the Holy Faith, nine of them are for the poc, all of which are in Dublin or its suburbs. The number of children in daily attendance at these nine Por Schools is one thousand four hundred.

Thes Schools are all independent of Government control and of course, as no interference is allowed, no aidis given by Government. This, no doubt, is a drawbek. But, on the other hand, the children have

constantly before their eyes the sign of man's redemption and other emblems of religion, they begin and end their work with prayer, and the teachers, while giving secular instruction, can remind the children how all should conduce to their last end and be referred to God. These, and many other precious advantages, more than counterbalance the loss of a government subsidy. Many of the children who attend these schools are above want, but there are many also to whom food is given daily, and clothing once and sometimes twice a year. This is absolutely necessary in order to keep them from the temptation of seeking, in their destitution, help in the proselytising schools, at the imminent risk of losing the faith.

Everybody sees that these schools, with their necessary outlay, require help. We therefore invite all who approve of Catholic education, all who wish the children of the poor to be trained to the practice of physion, to share in the merit of the good work, by contributing to them.

We announced last year that a lending library, on a small scale, had been in operation in some of our schools, and we asked donations of good books from those who, having duplicates or having read then, found them superfluous.

We are happy to have to acknowledge the recipt of about eighty volumes, large and small, since then, and to thank the Donors. They are lent to aildren gratuitously on Friday evening, on the condition that they be brought back on the next Monday morning. They are read by the children for the family a Sundays, and we have reason to believe that they ar doing a great deal of good. But we have not yet a supply sufficient to meet the demand for them, and we now

beg for more. It is not enough to close public houses on Sundays legitimate occupation or amusement must be found for the people, and what better way can be thought of for the poor man, who has been working hard the six days of the week, than to sit in the midst of his family, reading or hearing read a good useful and interesting book? It will be gratifying to those who have helped this little effort, to know that since the lending began, three years ago, the books have been punctually returned, and in good condition.

#### FUNDS.

The receipts for the Orphanage the past year, from all sources, have been £2,199 10s. In the list of subscribers will be found many of the illustrious Archbishops and Bishops of the Irish Church, her Dignitaries, Clergy, and Levites, together with many of the Larty, whose attachment to their religion and their country is undoubted, and whose practical ability has crowned their own enterprises with success. These are a testimony that is highly valuable, and stamps the work as genuine. They are more—they guarantee that the true principles of religion and a safe mode of economy are carried out in the management of the Orphanage. By reference to the subscription list it will be also found that the guilds continue to afford their very valuable assistance. We would thank all these in the strongest language we could command, only that we look upon all who give aid, in any way, as partners in the work, as bound together by the ties of creed and country, to lift up the fallen, to heal the wounded, to stand between the destroyer and his victim, and to show fair play to the destitute and orphan child, that he may grow up in attachment to the faith of his fathers, and the land that bore him.

We begin, therefore, another year of work in hope. Unfortunately, the necessity for renewed and increased exertion still exists. The enemy is active and puts in operation every machine by which Catholic children can be clutched.

His income is large, and of course as long as his supplies are kept up, he will lie in wait for his prey Some of the highest in the land contribute their money, some of our merchants, traders, and professional men, who depend, in a great measure, on Catholics, do not hesitate to wound their feelings by aiding materially in the spiritual destruction of Catholic children.

Everybody knows that in Ireland a proselytiser without money would, in truth, be a dog without teeth, therefore, those who supply the money, are the more culpable. But, thank God, there are signs of the reawakening of Catholic spirit, and some have begun actively and efficaciously to counteract proselytism.

It seems, indeed, impossible to be a true Catholic without feeling for the poor infant or child of tender years, that is bought and sold, to have extinguished in it the light of Heaven, for the true light of Heaven is Catholic faith, and the moment faith is lost, that moment a thick film falls upon the eyes of the soul, forbidding during all eternity the least glimpse of heavenly light. A true Catholic why, he is a member of that One, Universal, Holy, Apostolic, and Roman Church, the true Spouse of Christ, he is a member of that body of which Christ is the Head, which He directs, governs, and animates with His Holy Spirit. How is it possible that one member of the body should suffer without the others sympathising, that the eye should be in pain without the hand helping it, that even the foot should halt without an effort to lessen the

weight on it? No member in such a case is without feeling but a dead member but, thanks to God, Irish Catholics are not dead, but, living members of the indestructible Catholic Church, and they will not, without an effort, allow her little ones to perish.

#### ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

FOUNDED IN 1857 TO RECEIVE 500 CHILDREN, BOYS AND GIRLS.
1,417 HAVE BEEN ALREADY RECEIVED.

The following Donations and Subscriptions in aid of the above Institution have been received from the 1st of January, 1876, to the 1st of January 1877

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His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Cashel,	2	0	0
His Grace the Most Rev Dr Errington,	15	0	0
The Lord Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin,	50	0	0
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The Dublin Partnership Loan Fund Society per	1	U	0
Mr J Clancy			-1.
The Dublin Tontine Society per Mr Shannon	0		10
The Dublin Shop and West of Shannon	0	5	8
The Dublin Shop and Warehouse Society, per Mr Farrell			
	0	5	0
The Charlemont Tontine Society per Mr Henry			
Murphy & Bl Cambridge Rayman Safe	0	5	1
The Mater Misericordia Society per Mr Barret	0	4	6

P.S.—Donations of Clothing, old or new, or materials for making same; boots, shoes, etc., will be most gratefully received at St. Brigid's House, 46 Eccles Street Dublin.

Persons wishing to subscribe to this most necessary and meritorious work will please address "Miss Aylward, Saint Brigid's House, 46 Eccles Street, Dublin." His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop, and the Very Rev. and Rev the Clergy of the city will also most thankfully receive subscriptions.

## St. Brigid's Schools of the Yoly Frith,

#### WEST PARK STREET COOMBE.

There is a daily attendance of over Four Hundred and Fifty Children at these Schools, the most destitute and most deserving of whom receive comfortable clothing at Christmas as far as the funds permit. The Sisters of Faith are enabled to give bread every day to a large number of these poor children, owing, in a great measure, to the collections made by a few good men, and the generosity of the parishioners.

The spiritual welfare of the Children is most zealously at-

tended to by the Rev Guardian.

Per Rev J Behan,

C. C.

Mr Pekin

Per Mr Quinn

Mr Sweetman

for the Schools of St. Nicholas	4	0	0
Per Doctor Ryan,	15	7	6
Interest on the Delany Fund, per Doctor Ryan,	1	0	0
Mr Francis Gowan, Skerries,	bo	000	
Mr Michael Sweeny,	1	0	0
Mr Joseph M'Donnell,	1	0	0
Very Rev Canon Lacey, P.P	1	0	0
Mr Richard Devereux,	1	0	0
Mr M. Flanagan,	1	0	0
Per Rev Thomas Mulkern, P.P first Instalment of			
£10 Bequest left by the late Miss Rock,	3	6	8
£10 bequest left by the late 1220 -	0	16	4
Per Rev. A. O'Grady, C.M.			
Mr Murphy's Annual Bequest, per Rev M. Mullally	-	0	-
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Mr Haughton

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Messrs. Sergeant,				Messrs Moran &				
Daly & Mapother £	10	4	11	Lynham	2	16	10	
Messrs O'Neill, Can-				Mr Hanbridge				
non & Abbott	4	7	4	Messrs Dornin &				
Mr M'Call	7	10	$3\frac{1}{2}$	Regan	1	1	5	
Mr Kenny	6	14	11	Messrs M'Guinness				
Mr Lynch	3	3	11	& Sheridan	0	8	21	
Mr Patrick Brazil	3	1	2	Mr Clarke	0	5	6	

The Sisters of Faith return very grateful thanks to Mr. John Burke, Francis Street, for 6 loaves of bread, supplied weekly for the poor children attending these Schools.

## St. Brigid's Schools of the Woly Faith,

The following Subscriptions have been received in aid of the above Schools, which afford a religious and good secular Education to more than Two Thousand Children.

These Schools accept no Government grant, and are independent of Government control.

From the Catholic Cemeteries' Committee, for St.			
Brigid's Schools	£59	0	0
From Do., for St. Brigid's Schools, Glasnevin, per			e Pe
Very Rev Canon Rooney, P.P.,		0	0
Per Rev P O'Neill, Adm., for St. Brigid's Schools,			
Jervis Street,	5	0	0
Miss Norris, per Rev. J Gowan, C.M. for St.	U	U	U
Brigid's Schools, Jervis Street,	2	0	0
Mr Sweeny, for St. Brigid's Schools, Clarendon	2	U	U
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Mr Tyndall, do. do.	1	0	0
Mr Joseph Woodlock, do. do.	1	0	0
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#### SOCIETY

OF THE

## BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, QUEEN OF CHARITY,

65 LOWER JERVIS STREET

This Institution was committed, five years ago, by His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop, to the Sisters of the Holy Faith. During the past three years they have conducted two Poor Schools, one for girls, and one for little boys. The daily attendance in both schools has been Three Hundred children. Efforts have been made to give these children a solid education, and the crowded state of the schools is a proof that those efforts have been successful, for every available seat has been occupied. The religious instruction and training has been especially attended to; and to secure liberty in this department, the schools have been kept free from the interference of the National Board of Education.

The House called popularly the "Queen of Charity," is situated in the midst of a poor and thickly populated locality, and in consequence, the Sisters of the Holy Faith have been obliged to give relief to the poor and the afflicted to a large extent. They have given substantial help, during the past year to two thousand and seventy persons that were in great want. One of the peculiarities of this work of charity is the old and truly Catholic practice of supplying a Christmas tinner to the deserving poor who cannot otherwise obtain it. On last Christmas Day, Six hundred and thirteen persons have had from this Institution a good meat dinner, with vegetables.

All who desire to have the children of the poor receive a solid and really Catholic education, are earnestly requested to subscribe to these schools, and those also who would wish to relieve the deserving poor, to wipe away a tear from the eyes of the afflicted, are entreated to send their Donations and Subscriptions to the House of the Queen of Charity 65 Lower Jervis Street, or to St. Brigid's, 46 Eccles St., Dublin.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered twice every Month, for the Members, Subscribers, and Benefactors, living and dead, of the Society of the B.V.M., "Queen of Charity"

The Sisters of Faith gratefully acknowledge the following Donations.

From His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop			
(portion of Christmas Alms)  Bequest of the late Mrs Bridget Good, per Mr  Dyer,	011	0	0
Rev J. Brennan, C.C., Dunshaughlin	1	0	0
From an Anonymous Gentleman,	0	7	6
Mrs Donovan, Haddington Road	4	0	0
Mr Thomas Jones,	0	10	
From Anonymous	0	5	0
vinosarram, est mon ean mest made evila al como	1	0	0

The Sisters of Faith return very grateful thanks to Mr Joseph Downes, for several donations of bread, supplied for the poor Children attending these Schools.

#### ST. BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

46 ECCLES STREET, DUBLIN.

FOUNDED, IN 1857, TO RECEIVE
500 CHILDREN (BOYS AND GIRLS).

1417 HAVE BEEN 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 1417 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 till Two Thousand or more 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 the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland, 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 once every Week for the Subscribers, and all engaged in this good work.

The Presidents and Members of the Guilds, who collect for the Orphans, receive no payment in any shape for their labours. All the moneys subscribed go to the Orphans, there being no paid officials employed in the Orphanage.

P.S. Subscriptions or donations may be sent to Miss Aylward, St. Brigid's House, 46 Eccles Street, Dublin, where also collecting books, cards, and further information may be had. The Cardinal Archbishop and the Very Rev and Rev the Clergy of the city will also receive Subscriptions.

Amongst the subscribers are to be found the following:—

His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Dublin His Grace the Lord Primate; His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Tuam His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Cashel; His Grace the Most Rev Dr. Errington; the Lord Bishop of Meath; the Lord Bishop of Cloyne the Lord Bishop of Ferns; the Lord Bishop of Cork; the Lord Bishop of Ossory; the Lord Bishop of Clogher; the Lord Bishop of Dromore; the Lord Bishop of Kerry; the Lord Bishop of Kilmacduagh; the Lord Bishop of Killaloe; the Lord Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin; the Coadjutor Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin; the Lord Bishop of Elphin; the Lord Bishop of Derry; the Lord Bishop of Galway; the Lord Bishop of Down and Connor, the Lord Bishop of Kilmore; the Lord Bishop of Achonry, the Lord Bishop of Ross; and the Lord Bishop of Capetown.

#### 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., &c., by this my " of "Will (or Codicil) appoint C. D., of , &c.,] to be the Guardian " [and E. F., of "[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 dependent 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 re-appoint 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 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."

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.

## St. Brigid's Orphanage

FOR

## FIVE HUNDRED CHILDREN,

(BOYS AND GIRLS).

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