

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 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).

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT.

St. Brigid's Orphanage has now, thanks to God, more than completed a quarter of a century of work. It was called into existence like most auxiliaries of the Catholic Church—as a work of defence. Thirty-five years ago, an Englishman named Dallas, finding the poor Catholics of Ireland destitute, and many of them, in fact, in the agony of starvation, organized a system of relief, whereby they could preserve the life of the body by the loss of the soul. Food, clothing, money, and other temporal advantages were offered to them, but only on the condition of becoming Protestants.

A Society called the 'Irish Church Missions' was founded to carry out this corrupt system of Proselytism, and an elaborate network of machinery laid down to enter into all its details. The machinery consisted chiefly of Ministers, bible-readers, visiting agents, volunteers, who were for the most part ladies, together with schools, homes, asylums, orphanages, controversial meeting-houses, and free tea-parties. There were also correspondents in various parts of the country, principally the wives and daughters of

Ministers and Landlords, who picked up destitute Catholic children, on the pretence of getting them educated and provided for, and sent them on to some of the Homes, far away from their relatives. The funds were chiefly raised in England by means of deputations of Ministers, who gave glowing accounts at English meetings of the hundreds and thousands of the benighted Irish who had turned over to Protestantism, or were on the point of doing so. The yearly income of the 'Irish Church Missions Society' used to be, in former years, over forty thousand pounds.

But this large sum did not represent the total raised for Irish Proselytism, for most of their works, such as the Bird's Nest, Elliot Home, Grand Canal Street, and Luke Street Homes, Spiddal and Clifden Orphanages, etc., were supported by independent incomes, the sum of which, added to the income of the Society was scarcely, at one time, under eighty thousand a year.

The latest report of the 'Irish Church Missions Society,' published in 1882, gives the annual income twenty-two thousand pounds, and that added to the receipts of the other Proselytising institutions, would make about forty thousand pounds spent on Irish Proselytism in the year 1881. This gigantic system of corruption has gone on uninterruptedly since the great famine of 1847. One would expect great results from such an immense outlay. What are the results? The Proselytisers boasted that they had formed many congregations, in different places, from Catholics brought over by their agents; they even invoked a creed-census to prove the truth of their assertions. Unfortunately for them, a creed-census was taken in 1871, and

again in 1881, and from these it appeared that the proportion of Catholics to Protestants was maintained, and taking into account the Catholic emigrants, more than maintained that, in fact, there had taken place in those years an increase of Catholics over Protestants. But what is most damaging to the Proselytisers, the increase of Catholics occurred in those places, such as Dublin and Connemara, which were proclaimed by the 'Irish Church Missions Society' as having in part turned over to them. This will appear strange to some Catholics, who will say is it not true that some poor Catholic adults pretended to conform and added to their numbers, is it not true also that under various pretences they got hold of many destitute Catholic children, and made confirmed Protestants of some, perhaps most of them? Quite true, and yet, Protestants have decreased and Catholics increased. This will appear still more strange when the Protestant immigration to Ireland is taken into account. It is a public and well known fact, that most of the government officials in Ireland are English and Scotch Protestants, of whom there is a more or less influx, with their families, every year, many of whom remain permanently. Besides, many of the Protestant nobility, who reside partly in Ireland and partly in England, or abroad, bring with them Protestant servants, who, in process of time, being discharged, remain in Ireland. An example of this may be seen at a place called Fiddown, near Waterford, where a whole colony of English and foreign Protestants has gradually grown out of the discharged servants of the Earls of Besborough. How then is it that the proportion of Protestants diminishes, and Catholics increases, notwithstanding the emigration of millions of Catholics, the im-

migration of thousands of Protestants, and the loss of hundreds of Catholic children by corrupt Proselytism? The explanation is plain, and lies on the surface. There is a silent, constant though slow, conversion of Protestants going on all over the country. There is not a parish in Dublin, and there are few in all Ireland, in which several Protestants are not received into the Church every year. The same occurs in our prisons and work-houses, and in some cases, the vile and unscrupulous arts of the Proselytisers first suggested doubts to those Protestants of the truth of their religion.

In truth, if the immigration of Protestants were stopped, the exceptional and unfair advantages conferred in times past on Protestants by the state removed, and corrupt Proselytism abolished, the whole kingdom of Ireland would, in fifty years, be what Saint Patrick left her, a Catholic nation. Political influences will probably modify the two first, for the tendency of the age is towards equalisation.

The third is being unmasked, and when fully exposed must die. The English people have been long deceived by the lying unctuous reports of the agents of Irish Proselytism, and have contributed ninety per cent of the funds. But the truth that the Irish people are not turning Protestants, must soon penetrate the thick darkness of prejudice and bigotry that envelopes the English mind, then down come the funds, and with them the whole superstructure of the 'Irish Church Missions.' This may happen sooner than anyone imagines. There is at present a rather serious split among the agents and supporters of Proselytism. There is a soup party, and an anti-soup party. The High

Church Protestants say it degrades their church to make proselytes by soup, and still worse, to pay wretched Catholics to personate Protestants and make a show at their meetings on inspection days. Mr Brown, who had been an agent of the 'Irish Church Missions Society' for six years, writing in the *Irish Ecclesiastical Gazette*, December 9th 1882, says of the Proselytism in Dublin—'there is a wholesale system of bribery carried on which is a disgrace to any Christian Mission,' and again—'money payments have been, to my personal knowledge, frequently made by the agents for attendances of these people at the Mission Church, for the purpose of publishing that Roman Catholics attended the Mission Services.' He adds among these disgraceful charges—'too often these Houses were made the receptacles for illegitimate children, nay, even some of these have been trained as agents of the Society. In these days of sanitation, it may be asked will no sanitary officer order this nuisance to be abated.

Another agent, a Mr Cooke, writing in the same *Gazette*, September 16th 1882, says—'I know the Society thoroughly. I worked as Assistant Training Master for seven years, and I say unhesitatingly that—no honest man could consistently work there. I only speak of the work up to the time of my resignation, which took place some months ago. Till then with every detail I am familiar, and I say before God, if the Dublin Mission be a work of God then He must be a God of confusion, jealousy, ill-will, misrepresentation, and falsehood. This is how the money of English fanatics, sent over here at the rate of twenty or thirty thousand a year, is spent, of course it would not do to let these accusations go before the purse-holders in England without contradiction, so Mr Cory of Clifden vouches that the

whole work is quite angelic, and Mr Townsend, Clerical Secretary to the Society, (who enjoys the small sum of £500 a year, with liberal allowances for travelling), says that an investigation into the charges was held at the instance of a Rev H. C. Sturdy, and others, and of course the result was eminently satisfactory. But Mr Brown replies that the Clerical Secretary is so given to exaggerations, that even in England he is not now believed, and Mr Cooke bluntly charges him with falsehood. Altogether it is a pretty mess. The Irish Ecclesiastical Gazette, an organ of the High Church party, reviewing the whole dispute says 'we trust, the whole correspondence on the subject will lead to a thorough overhauling of the Society, which it evidently much requires. Nothing now will give satisfaction short of putting the Society on a thoroughly new basis, and forming a representative Committee to carry it on free from the scandals which Mr Brown so trenchantly exposes. We entirely object to bread, soup, or cash being doled out by a Society, ostensibly established for the purpose of converting Roman Catholics.'

It would appear from all this that respectable Protestants will not in future degrade themselves by contact with this vile system of Proselytism, that the fanatics of England will, and perhaps soon, see they have been duped, and close their hands, then, after some spasmodic efforts, the whole thing, like so many of its predecessors, will come to an ignominious end, leaving Ireland more Catholic still on account of the efforts made by Catholics to counteract this Proselytism. For the Catholic Church is indestructible, and her works in defence of the Faith permanent, whereas, heresy is by its very

nature unstable, and its works fitful. Now then is the time to press forward and adopt all measures calculated to hasten the extinction of this disgraceful traffic in the souls of men.

St. Brigid's Orphanage, and the Schools of the Holy Faith, grew out of efforts made to protect Catholic orphans and poor children from the danger to which their faith was exposed. They have not had as many hundreds a year as the enemies of the Faith have had of thousands, but being founded on principles of justice and morality, they will defeat and outlive them.

During the year 1882, twenty-six orphans were received, making the total admitted since the beginning of the Orphanage ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINE. During the same year, thirty-one orphans were provided for in the manner following:—six were adopted by their foster-parents, ten were placed in situations and put to trades, and fifteen were restored to their surviving parents or guardians. It is a pleasure to add that there was very little sickness during the year, and not a single death among the orphans.

Since the foundation of the Orphanage, the large number of fourteen hundred and seven orphans have been reared, educated, and placed in positions of life to support themselves independently. Of these, four hundred and eight have been adopted into the families in which they were nursed, and are as the own children of those good people.

The number of orphans in St. Brigid's on the 31st December, 1882, was one hundred and ninety-two.

Two examinations were held as usual in January

and July, when it was found that the condition of the orphans was very satisfactory in respect to health, morals, and religious instruction. Some, however, of the orphans that had been attending National Schools had not maintained the progressive improvement of the previous two or three years, owing probably to the change made by the Board in the payment by results. Nothing insures the improvement of the scholar under the National Board so much as the certainty that the Teacher will reap the fruit of his labour in each individual case. On the other hand, the frequent changes of system and rules in State Education operates injuriously, especially with regard to the poorer class of children.

The orphans of former years, who are now their own masters, continue to give satisfaction. Some have attained to good positions in life, nearly all have the native energy, the effect of early training, which insures, even in this poor country, self-support. All are remarkable for their fidelity to the duties and practices of religion. Many of their foster-parents, who kept them after being discharged from the Orphanage, say they are better to them than their own children.

At the two examinations of 1882, the orphans won for their nurses seventy-three half sovereigns. This shows considerable improvement if one considers the amount of education required to gain the half sovereign premiums. For example to gain the half sovereign for reading, the child who entered the Orphanage without knowing the alphabet, can only win this premium by reading fairly from a strange book, put into his hands for the first time at the moment of being examined.

Likewise for writing the child, who at his admission has never made a stroke with a pen, must learn the art, so that at the next examination he will sit down, and in a fair, clear hand, write sufficiently well for the ordinary purposes of life. So with arithmetic.

SCHOOLS OF THE HOLY FAITH.

These Schools grew out of the Orphanage, for it was found that poor Catholic children who were not orphans were sent to the day-schools of the Soupers, sometimes in ignorance, sometimes because the Catholic school was more distant, but more frequently and chiefly for food, clothing, and money. These Proselytising day-schools did much harm. They instilled into the minds of Catholic children grievous errors. Take one example in their schools it was taught that Catholics were idolators. How can Catholics have patience with men who call them idolators, and who take advantage of the destitution of poor Catholic children, to try to make them believe that the Catholic Church is idolatrous? How can it be supposed that any of them, except indeed the most ignorant Bible Readers, are in bona-fide in making that charge? Can any stretch of imagination realize, for instance, that Mr J P Smylie or Mr Townsend think that they know the Church of Rome better than Cardinals Manning and Newman, or that these two great and good men left the *pure Gospel* to embrace a system of idolatry. And if they are in mala-fide, Great God what infamy! But, perhaps, the mere attendance of Catholic

children at Soup Schools is not the worst phase of the case. These children spend the evening and morning, and Sundays in Catholic company, and more or less in Catholic practices, and thus are provided with an antidote to the heretical poison. But through the children they often get hold of the parents, and marshal them, as Mr Brown says, to make a show at the Mission Church on exhibition days. What infamy on the part of the agents, what hypocrisy on the part of the victims!

Perhaps the worst use of those day-schools is their being used as recruiting ground for the Homes and Orphanages. When the parents die, or are reduced to great want, these poor children are given up to them entirely, and are then transferred to the Birds Nest, Spiddal, or Clifden, and are lost.

In opposition to this system, the Schools of the Holy Faith were founded. Those in Lower Jervis St. and Clarendon St. have put down the Proselytism in their vicinity, those in West Park St. have waged a vigorous war upon Proselytism in the Liberties, but have not yet fully succeeded. But to extinguish corrupt proselytism in Dublin a Catholic School must be set up beside each Proselytising establishment, and furnished with sufficient means to cope with them. It is related in the history of Spain, that the great sovereigns Ferdinand and Isabella, fighting against the infidels, came to a very strong city called Grenada, and tried to take it by assault, but failed. They then laid siege to it, but the supplies of the city seemed inexhaustible, and the siege consequently interminable. But the leaders of the Spaniards were equal to the occasion. They built an opposing city, and they called it Santa Fè,

City of the Holy Faith, by means of which the siege should be carried on, if necessary, from generation to generation. The Mahometans seeing this desperate determination of the Catholics lost heart and capitulated. Thus will this wretched Proselytism be taken and demolished, by creating permanent counter-works.

Many and heartfelt thanks are due to the benefactors of St. Brigid's Orphanage, and the Schools of the Holy Faith. It is a remarkable fact that a considerable portion of the income, especially of the Orphanage, is derived from bequests, which shows that the poor soul, when nearing eternity and facing the last great trial, and illumined by a light from the other world, feels that a gift to the poor child whose faith is in danger, a gift that will place him in a state of security as to his religion, and a fair prospect of leading an honest life by his own exertions, will propitiate the great Judge and move Him to mercy

Death has made many gaps both among the subscribers and in the guilds that collect for the Orphanage. The ability to save the dearest of God's children, depends upon the filling up of these gaps. May that God of mercy touch the hearts of those who can help, either by subscription or by giving a little of their time to collecting, to call or send without delay to the office 46 Eccles St. The Orphanage has no paid collector, but Mr Steiner makes occasional journeys through the country, according as he can spare time from his own business, and this he does without salary or percentage. He deserves well of all who love the faith.

One thing is certain, that as long as the Faith is

attacked, as long as snares are laid for the hungry and the destitute, so long must the cry of 'wolf wolf' be sounded, as long as the helpless and innocent are made the prey of fanatics, who seek those infants for no other purpose but to rob them of their faith, so long must every honest man, be he Catholic or Protestant, cry shame upon such practices. There is this much to be said in conclusion, that a vigorous, united, and general effort will put down this vile Proselytism in three years, whereas, a weak and desultory resistance will only serve to prolong its hated existence.

ST. BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

FOUNDED IN 1857, TO RECEIVE 500 CHILDREN, BOYS AND GIRLS

1,599 HAVE BEEN ALREADY RECEIVED.

The following Donations and Subscriptions in aid of the above Institution have been received from the 1st January, 1882, to the 1st of January, 1883.

His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop,	.	£20	0	0
His Grace the Lord Primate,	..	1	0	0
His Grace the Most Rev Dr. Croke,		2	0	0
His Grace the Most Rev Dr. Mac Evilly,		1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr Lynch,		1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Donnelly,		1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Gillooly,	..	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Leahy,	..	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr Kelly,		1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Moran,		5	0	0
The Most Rev Dr Warren,	.	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Mac Carthy,	.	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Power,		1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Woodlock,	.	1	0	0
The Most Rev. Dr. Logue,		1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Higgins,	.	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Conway,		0	10	0
"Anonymous," Co. Waterford, per Miss Aylward		1	0	0

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"Anonymous", J M.	1	0	"Anonymous," in		
per Miss Aylward			letter box at St.		
Messrs. Arnott and	5	0	Brigid's	0	19
Co., (Limited)			Alms Box at Saint		
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per Rev J Grene,	25	0	Society Rooms	0	9
S.J. Milltown Park			Alms Box at Saint		
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M., Co. Cork	1	0	Miss Allingham,	1	0
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Miss Aylward	2	0	Mr O. T Allingham	1	0
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Rev W Hayden,	1	0	from Saint Mary's		
S.J.			children at Glas-		
A Lady	1	0	nevin	1	3
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Miss Aylward	1	0	Very Rev Canon		
A Lady, per Very			Brock, P.P.,	2	0
Rev N. Walsh, S.J.	1	0	Bequest of the late		
Alms Box at the Con-			Mr. Robert Healy		
vent, Glasnevin	0	10	of Carnacop	10	0
Mrs. Archer Skerries	1	0	Mr. Hugh Blayney	1	0
"Anonymous," A. L.			Messrs. Andrew and		
G. P.	5	0	Kevin Byrne, Bir-		
A Friend	0	10	kenhead	20	0
A Lady	0	10	A deceased Friend,		
A Friend of the Or-			per Miss Brady	1	0
phanage, per Rev			Sir John Bradstreet	1	0
J F Colahan, C.C.,			Rev John Byrne,		
Blackrock	1	0	C.C.	1	0
A Friend, per Rev J			Mr. Barry, Cork, per		
Gowan, C.M.	5	0	Miss Keily	0	10
Miss Allingham, per			Mr Patrick Boland,		
do.	10	0	per Rev William		
Mrs. Aungier	1	0	Hayden, S.J.	1	1
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Mary's School	0	11	per Mr Steiner	0	5
"Anonymous," per			Messrs Berry and		
Rev J Gowan,	0	5	Dowling	0	10
C.M.			Doctor Brady, J.P.,		
"Anonymous," M. C.			per Rev P E.		
for two years	1	0	Duffy, S.J.	1	0
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Miss Mary Cullen,			Enfield	0	10
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S.J.	3	0	Rev. J F Colahan,		
Bequest of the late			C.C., Blackrock	1	0
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Mr Coleman	50	0	fort	1	0
Miss Bedelia Carroll	1	0			
Mr Chamberlaine,			The Ven. Archdeacon		
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Gowan, C.M.	1	0	Edenderry	1	0
Mr. Michael Crooke	1	0	Mr Joseph Dollard	1	0
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Miss Doyle, per do.	0	10	0	Bequest of the late Mr. John Fitzgerald, Cork, per the Executors	300	0	0
Rev M. Doyle, C.C., Narraghmore	1	0	0	Mr John Fallon	0	10	0
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Mr. Dawson, per do.	0	5	0	Stephen's Green	1	0	0
Mr. T Dolan, Ardee	1	0	0	Mr. B. Fallon	0	10	0
Mr. Michael Dunne, Ballybrittain	1	0	0	Very Rev Monsignor Farrell, P.P Booterstown, per Mr Williams	1	0	0
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Mrs. Healy, per Mrs. Mara	0	5	0	Per Mr. T Keogh	6	1	0
Rev W Irwin, P.P	1	0	0	Mr. W Kelly, J.P	1	0	0
Per Mrs. Johnstone	5	0	0	Right Hon. Judge Little	1	0	0
Mrs. Jeffers	1	0	0	Very Rev Canon Lacy, P.P., Gorey	1	0	0
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Mr. John M'Nally,				Mr Steiner	0 5 0
Fairview	0	10	0	Mr. C. Mannin, per do.	0 5 0
Very Rev John				Per Miss C. Martin	2 0 0
Mc Mahon, P.P.,				Mr. Martin	1 0 0
Whitecross	1	0	0	Mrs. Murtagh	0 10 0
Rev P Montague,				Rev J. G. Mooney,	
C.C., per do.	1	0	0	C.C., Ringsend	1 0 0
Rev P M'Rory, C.C.					
Dungannon	0	5	0	Mr. William Nolan	1 0 0
Per Rev. H. Mc Cooley					
C.C. Pomeroy, from				Rev. Francis O'Carroll	
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Mr William Moloney,				Mrs. O'Gorman,	
Rathgar	1	0	0	Templeogue	1 0 0
Mrs. Thomas Maher,				Mr James O'Farrell,	
Co. Westmeath	1	0	0	Kells	1 0 0
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gan, Cork	0	6	0	Miss M. Ryan	1 0 0
Mr. Francis O'Beirne				Rev M. Roche, C.M.	1 0 0
Castleknock	0	10	0	Mrs. Mary Ryan, &	
Bequest of the late				Mr Daniel Ryan	0 10 0
Mr. Francis O'Brien				Mr. Christopher Ryder	1 0 0
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dinal Mac Cabe	50	0	0	Rev John Ryan, P.P	
Mr M. O'Meara	1	0	0	New-Inn, Cahir	1 0 0
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				P.P., Kilquade	1 0 0
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ret, Carrick-on-				Mr Steiner	1 0 0
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Mr T Power J.P.,	1	0	0	C.C.	0 10 0
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Mrs. Pilsworth	1	0	0	Co. Wexford	1 0 0
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Kingstown	1	0	0	Miss Scully for 1881-2	2 0 0
Rev James Prender-				Mr Sweeny	1 0 0
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Monsieur Poirotte	0	10	0	Limerick	0 10 0
Mr. William Pelin,				Mr E. Sweetman	1 0 0
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per Rev M. Doyle,				Mr W J Tyndall	1 0 0
C.C., Fonstown	1	0	0	Mr S. Taaffe Ardee	0 10 0
Mr. Joseph Pelin, do.				Mr Francis Thunder	0 13 0
per Rev M. Doyle,				Mrs. Anne Tierney,	
C.C.	1	0	0	Tankardstown	0 10 0
				Miss Taaffe	1 0 0
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Quinn, V.G D.D.,				Mary's, Cabra	1 0 0
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Rev J Quinn, P.P				cial, St. Dominic's	
Beragh	5	0	0	Convent, Stone	0 10 0
Mr. John Quirk,					
Thurles	0	10	0		

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Miss Unthank	0	10	0	Rev M. Walsh Holy Cross College	2	0	0
				Rev J Marmion, do.	1	0	0
Very Rev Canon Walsh, P.P	1	0	0	Rev T Magrath, D.D. do.	1	0	0
Rev P A. Walshe, CM	5	0	0	Rev J. Caffrey, Ar- tane	1	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. Wade, Liverpool, per Mrs. Mara	0	10	0	Rev M. Flynn, C.C., Donnybrook	1	0	0
Mr. E D. Williams, Boosterstown	1	0	0	Rev E. Dunne, C.C., Athy	1	0	0
Mr. J Woodlock	1	0	0	Rev P Crimmins, C.C., Meath St.	1	0	0
Dr. Walsh, Balrath	0	10	0	Rev J Brady Cabra	0	10	0
Mrs. K. M. J Ward, Naul	0	5	0	Rev E. Burke, C.C., Dundrum	0	10	0
Mr. J Weldon	1	0	0	Rev P O'Donnell, C.C., Glasnevin	0	5	0
Rev. C Ridgeway, C.C. Marlborough Street	1	0	0				

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Mr Lynch, £1 6s; Mrs Farrington, £1; Mr Doyle, £1; Mrs M'Donald, 17s 4d; Mrs Redmond, 13s; Miss Mary Nolan, for 1881-82, 13s; Mrs Ivers, 12s; Mr Becker, 12s; Mr M'Gill, 12s; Mrs Keogh, 10s; Mr P Lyndon, 10s; Mr Bourke, 10s; Mr Cummins, 10s; Mr Leonard, 10s; Mr Fullerton, 10s; Mr Kelly, 10s; Mr M'Grath, 10s; Mr Fanagan, 10s; Mr White, 10s; Mr Boulger, 10s; Mrs P Martin, 10s; Mrs O'Mara, 8s 8d; Mrs Farransworth, 8s 8d; Mr P Hackett, 8s; Mr T Hayden, 6s; Mr M Hayden, 6s; Mr D Hayden, 6s; Mrs Hayes, 6s; Mr Curran, 6s; Mr Meagher, 6s; Mr O'Reilly, 6s; Mr Fogarty, 6s; Mrs Abraham, 6s; Mr Thomas Hayden, 5s; Miss M Hayden, 5s; Mrs Landy, 5s; Mrs Scally, 5s; Mrs Walsh, 5s; Mr Brennan, 5s; Mr Nowlan, 5s; Mr Guidera, 5s; Mr J Kelly, 5s; Mr M'Cartney, 5s; Mr Roe, 5s; Mr Sheehan, 5s; Mr C. O'Connor, 5s; Mr J O'Connor, 5s; The late Mrs M O'Connor,

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At Messrs Smyth & Sons, £1 1s 0d; Mr Maher's, 11s 4d; Mr T Hayden's, 8s 8d; Mr Downe's, 8s 6d; Mr D Hayden's, 8s; Mr Doyle's, 7s 6d; Mr Cahill's, 6s 9½d; Mr Clarke's, 6s 1d; Miss Hume's, 6s; Mr Meythens, 5s; Mr Lynch's, 5s; Mr Doyle's, King Street, 8s; St Francis Xavier's Tontine Society, 6s 8d; Mrs M'Enerney's, 5s 2½d;

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Collected by

The late Mr M. Moore, President	£27 14 0	Mr Holahan	0 18 0
Mr Sullivan	5 15 1	Mr Fenelon	0 8 0
Mr R. Murphy	2 4 2½	Mr Joseph Creagh	0 3 0
Mr Daniel Burke	1 2 6		£38 4 9½

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Collected by

The late Mr Marlow	£0 6 7	Mr R Byrne	0 9 3½
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The Shop & Warehouse Society, Clarendon Street per Mr Foley	£1 0 0
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St. Albert's Burial Society, per Messrs Delahunt and Winder	0 18 9
The Great Britain Christian Burial Society, per the late Mr Marlow	0 10 6
St. Patrick's Loan Fund Society, per Mr Hendrick	1 0 0
St. Peter's Loan Fund Society per Mr. O'Brien Clarendon Street	1 0 0
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St Andrew's & St Mark's Tontine Society, per Mr Nolan	0 10 4
The True Sons of St. Kevin's Burial Society, per Mr M'Kenna	0 7 0

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 Holy 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.

His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop, for St.

Brigid's Poor Schools of the Holy Faith	£150	0	0
Mr. Michael Kenna, Ballinakill House	1	0	0
Rev F J Coffey, C.C.	1	0	0
Rev R. Carrick, C.C.	2	10	0
Very Rev P Duff, C.M., Blackrock	1	0	0
Messrs. M'Donald (Brothers)	2	0	0
Messrs Findlater & Co.	2	0	0
Per Rev R Conlan, Adm. Marlborough Street, for St. Brigid's Schools, Jervis St.	12	0	0
Messrs Arnott & Co. (Limited) per Rev J Gowan, C.M., for St. Brigid's Schools, Jervis St.	5	0	0
Miss Allingham, for do.	1	0	0
The Henry Street Warehouse, per Mr Kent, for do.	1	0	0
Anonymous, per Rev J Gowan for do.	0	10	0

For the Schools of the Holy Faith, Clarendon Street.

Abated Bequest of the late Mrs Maria Higgins, from the Executors, per Mr. H. V Colclough	6	13	4	Mrs J C. Kelly	1	0	0
				Mr M. O'Connell	1	0	0
				Mr W Nolan	1	0	0
				Mr Michael Crooke	1	0	0
				Mr Patrick Boland	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mr. Richard Bolger	1	0	0	Mr. Joseph Downes	0	10	0
Mr Mullally	1	0	0	Mr F Devine	1	0	0
Mr. Thomas Corless	1	0	0	Mrs. Ledwidge	1	0	0
Mr. John Hickey	1	0	0	Mr N Lynch	1	0	0
From A Lady, 'Anonymous	1	0	0	Mr. P Cahill	0	10	0
Mr. Sweeny	1	0	0	Mr P. B. Tyrrell	0	10	0
Mr. J M'Gowran	0	10	0	Mr Matthew Eaton	0	10	0
Mr E. F Hayden	0	10	0	Mr. Thomas Breen	0	10	0
Mr Philip Little	0	10	0	Mr. George Perry	0	5	0
Mr. C. Goggin	0	10	0	Mr. Coghlan	0	5	0
Mr. T Lynch	0	10	0	Mr Thomas Hayden	0	5	0
Mr R. Worn, per the Sisters of Faith	0	10	0	Mrs. Eiffe, per Miss Cullen	0	5	0
Mrs. Byrne, per do.	0	10	0	Mrs. M'Donough	0	5	0
Mr. Molloy	1	0	0	Mrs. Stamp	0	5	0

St. Brigid's Schools of the Holy Faith.

WEST PARK STREET, COOMBE.

There is a daily attendance of over Five Hundred 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 food 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 attended to by the Rev. J. Daniel, P.P., and by the Rev. Guardian, Rev. T. O'Reilly, C.C.

Part of Bequest for charitable purposes, per Doctor Ryan	10 0 0
Per Rev Hugh M'Cooley, C.C., Pomeroy, from the charitable bequests of the late Mrs. Murphy, Omagh, per His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop	5 0 0
Rev James Daniel, P.P.	2 0 0
Rev P Warren, C.C.	5 0 0
"Anonymous," per Very Rev Canon Pope	3 6 8
Per Very Rev J Egan	2 0 0
"Anonymous," Rathmines	5 0 0
Mr. Patrick Boland	2 2 0
Mr and Mrs. John Fegan, Pembroke Road	1 0 0
From the Delaney Fund, per Very Rev Canon M'Manus, P.P.	17 5 0

From the Delaney Fund, per Rev J Daniel P.P.	10 5 0
Mr. E. Sweetman	1 0 0
The late Mr. Berry	10 0 0
Mr Ward	2 0 0
Mr Redmond	2 0 0
Miss Grace	0 5 0
"Anonymous," per Rev J Gowan, C.M.	0 5 0

Collected by

Mr Parker	£22 12 7	Mr. Hughes	0 16 6
Mr. Mapother	13 18 10	Mr. Sheridan	0 10 0
Mr. Blayney	12 18 3	Mr. Manron	0 6 0
Mr Norton	12 16 8	Mr Watson	0 3 8
Mr Magrane	11 9 10	Mr. Daly	0 2 0
Mr. M'Call	4 15 10		

The following Subscriptions for additional food for the poor Children.

Rev James Daniel, P.P.	3 5 0	Doctor Cruise, per do	0 5 0
Mrs. Corcoran, per do	1 0 0	Mrs. Cruise, per do	0 5 0
Mr Mulpetre, per do	0 5 0	Miss Cruise, per do	0 5 0
'Auonymous,' M. E. per do.	0 5 0	Mrs. Fanning, Kiliney, per do	0 5 0
Mrs. Cassidy per do	0 5 0	Mrs. Woodlock per do	0 5 0
Mr. T Elliot, per do	0 5 0	Miss Stevelly per do	0 5 0
Mr. Downes, Ennis-killen, per do	0 5 0	Mrs. Kearney per do	0 5 0
Rev T. O'Reilly, C.C.	0 10 0	Anonymous, per do	0 5 0
Per Very Rev John Egan	3 0 0	Per Mrs. Teeling, (Additional subscriptions)	30 0 6
The Honourable Mrs O'Hagan, per Mrs. Teeling	5 0 0	Per Mrs. J Scully	4 0 0
Miss Ryan, per do	1 0 0	Miss Cliffe, per do	1 0 0
A Friend, per do	1 0 0	Miss M. A. Dobson, Italy, per Mr G. Gray	1 0 0
		A Widow's mite	0 5 0

Mr J Whitty, Rath- mines	0 5 0	Miss O'Farrell, per do	0 5 0
Miss Talty, do.	0 5 0	Mrs. Landy, Skerries	
"Anonymus," per Miss Aylward	5 0 0	per the Sisters of Faith	0 10 0
Mr. James Lynam, Dundrum, per do	0 15 0	Mr M. Sweeny, per do	0 5 0
Mr J Lynam Junr. per do	2 0 0	Mrs. Whitty per do	0 5 0
A Friend, per do	0 10 0	Mr. Hughes, per do	0 5 0
Miss Plunkett, per do	0 5 0	Mr Kelly Kings- town, per do	0 5 0
		Mr. Bolger per do	0 5 0

The Sisters of Faith return very grateful thanks to Mrs Farrington for several donations of bread, supplied for the poor children attending these Schools.

SOCIETY

OF THE

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, QUEEN OF CHARITY,

65 LOWER JERVIS STREET.

THIS Institution was committed, eleven years ago, by His Eminence the late Cardinal Archbishop, to the Sisters of the Holy Faith. During the past nine 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 One thousand one hundred and twenty-two persons who were in great want. One of the peculiarities of this work of charity is the old and truly Catholic practice of supplying a Christmas dinner to the deserving poor who cannot otherwise obtain it. On last Christmas Day, Four hundred 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 is 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.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fegan, Pembroke Road	1	0	0
Mrs. Stewart	1	0	0
Per Miss Aylward towards bread for the poor children who receive breakfast daily at these Schools	6	10	0
Rev H. Dudley, for do.	0	10	0
'Anonymous, for do.	0	10	0
Miss Taaffe, for do.	0	5	0
Per Rev D. Downing, C.C., for do.	2	0	0
Mrs. Treacey, Lucan	0	5	0
Mrs. K. M. J Ward, Naul	0	5	0
Per Miss Smyth	0	5	0
Per Mr. Thompson	1	5	2
Anonymous Donations	0	12	0
In small sums	1	6	4

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).

1599 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 1599 of these little innocent children (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 by our late Holy Father Pope Pius IX with many indulgences, and has received the blessing and support of the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland, of a great number of the Clergy, and of 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 children 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 children 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, living and dead, 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, the Rev John Gowan, C.M., Director, 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; the Lord Bishop of Cloyne; the Lord Bishop of Ferns; the Lord Bishop of Ossory; the Lord Bishop of Clogher; the Lord Bishop of Dromore the Lord Bishop of Kilmacduagh; the Lord Bishop of Killala; the Lord Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin; the Coadjutor Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin; the Lord Bishop of Elphin; the Lord Bishop of Waterford; the Lord Bishop of Derry; the Lord Bishop of Galway; the Lord Bishop of Kerry; the Lord Bishop of Raphoe, the Lord Bishop of Ardagh.

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 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 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 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.

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