

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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TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The Managers of St. Brigid's Orphanage and the Schools of the Holy Faith beg to submit to the friends of the Institute and the Catholic Public their Report for the year 1884

The work of the Orphanage has now been carried on twenty-eight years. Those years have been an incessant struggle against corrupt Proselytism, a vile system, by which poor Catholic children are robbed of their Faith by deceit and bribes. Saint Brigid has not as yet been able to put an end to this unholy traffic in souls, but she has not ceased for a single day to make war upon it, and she has succeeded in preserving some thousands of poor Catholic children, through the means of the Orphanage and day-schools, from heretical corruption. Many attempts were made in former years to cheat or rob the poor Catholics of this country of their

Faith, all of which failed ignominiously. This last attempt will also fail of course, for each new form of heresy is short lived, and the efforts of its votaries spasmodic, because every form of religion outside the Catholic Church is human, and consequently changeable and defectible, but She is divine, and, according to the promise of her Divine Founder, must see an end of all forms of heresy, and last till the end of ages. To be sure this promise is not made to each nation or portion of the Church, but Ireland has an humble confidence in the goodness of God, that through the prayers of St. Patrick, and the merits of her myriads of martyrs and confessors she will be faithful to the end. And, in fact, this last phase of Proselytism depends entirely upon money. Take away the money and the whole thing collapses. There is not a sane man in Ireland who does not know that the sole motive which brings poor Catholics to their doors is the bribe. Let them try the preaching of their heresy without "scrip or purse" and they will secure, not converts, but some volleys of jibes and laughter.

There is no doubt the present Proselytism has destroyed the Faith of many Catholic children, and made hypocrites of some adult Catholics who accepted their bribes. Yet, it has not been an un-mixed evil. It has rid the Catholic Church of some very bad members, that were a scandal, and would probably have been lost in any case. It has opened

the eyes of some honest Protestants, who, seeing what is called their Church patronize, and adopt those infamous practices, felt themselves constrained to leave her and seek safety in the Catholic Church. But the chief good that resulted indirectly from Proselytism is the increased attention that is paid to the poor, and especially to the children of the poor, the zeal that seeks them in their wretched abodes, brings them to school and instructs them, the sympathy that has been created among wealthy Catholics, by which large sums of money and other advantages have been secured for the amelioration of the lot of the very poor. Perhaps the best indirect result of Proselytism will be the many Catholic institutions founded to counteract it, for these will flourish and confer blessings upon the poor when the names of Wheatley, Dallas, & Co. shall have been forgotten. Fifty years ago the Claremont Institution at Glasnevin was well stocked with poor deaf and dumb Catholic children, who were trained to hate everything Catholic. The evil was talked of and lamented for ten or fifteen years, but the task of counteracting it was thought to be beyond the ability of Catholics. At last the Catholic Institution was founded, and for some years maintained an apparently unequal struggle with Claremont. Compare them now. Claremont, like an imbecile infant, in which there is barely a sickly life, the Catholic Institution, like a giant with immense

power, almost limitless resources, and the best appliances to carry on the good work. So it will be with the rest of the Proselytising institutions. Their schools and homes, and asylums will wither, some will cease to be, the rest will be occupied by the children of the Protestant poor, as they should have been from the beginning, and of which no one would complain.

But there is a social evil begotten of Proselytism which will not be easily cured. It is the loosening of the ties between parent and child, the almost extinction of parental affection. The modern Proselytisers induced poor and weak or corrupt parents to give them their children, under the promise of educating them and setting them up in life, and in some cases they granted pensions or gave daily support to the unhappy parents to secure their children. Very often they said to those parents "you see you are not able to nourish and clothe your children, go to your Priest and ask him to provide for them, if he refuse come back to us." They came back. The children were taken off their hands, and themselves put into a widow's House. Other unfortunates saw them released of their burden, and fed and clothed into the bargain, and were tempted to do likewise. Catholics considering it a lesser evil, as undoubtedly it was, listened to the solicitations of people like these, and got their children into Industrial schools and Orphanages to save

them from temptation. At the present time, some thousands of children of the city of Dublin alone are separated from their parents and shut up in Reformatories, Industrial Schools, and Orphanages. If these children were really Orphans, and really destitute, it would be a blessed thing to provide for them, no matter how numerous they were. But this is not so in many cases. Young widows give up their children for a better chance of marrying again, others again, though at the moment they do not propose it, being released from the steady power that the care of children supplies, run into habits of dissipation and drunkenness, and are ruined. This decay of parental affection and haste to be rid of their children is a new and regrettable feature of Irish poverty. Before the rise of the present Proselytism, Irish mothers would part with life rather than put away their little ones. "I would beg the world for him sooner than part with him" was the common saying of the poor Irish mother in former times.

This disruption of the family, so far as it is unnecessary, is a great social evil. 1. Because it subverts the work of divine Providence, who built society upon the family, 2. Because it exposes the parents to many dangers and temptations, deprives them of the innocent enjoyment of their young children, and in their old age leaves them destitute and comfortless, for children forsaken by their parents

usually forsake those parents, 3. Because children put away by their parents are a kind of social outlaws, belonging to no one, responsible to no one. The illustrious author of the "Genius of Christianity," in the first chapter of his book says "When one ceases to love his parents because they are no longer necessary for him, he ceases at the same time to love his country, and a little further on he adds "We doubt if it can be possible to have a single moral virtue, a single principle of honor, a single gift of genius or talent, without the love of country" Those, therefore, who have influence over the poor, will do a service to religion and to society by strenuously urging poor parents to keep their children, that they may be a comfort and support to them in their old age. By this means it will be possible to provide for the true orphan, that is really destitute, and it may be confidently hoped that, in this case, God, who took away the parents and permitted the destitution, will supply their place and bestow all those gifts on the child necessary to make him a good man and a good Christian.

STATISTICS OF ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE.

During the year 1884, FIFTY-THREE ORPHANS AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN were received into the Orphanage. These were chosen from more than two hundred, for whom admission was asked. The two considerations that weighed in the choice were, the amount of danger to their Faith and the degree of destitution in which they were. In fact, several of them had been in the hands of the heretics, and most of the others were in imminent danger of being given up to them. All were so circumstanced that, at the moment, there was no way of saving them but by taking them into St. Brigid's.

Thirty-eight Orphans were provided for during the year. Of these, fifteen were restored to surviving parents or guardians, ten were adopted by their foster-parents, nine were put to trades or placed in situations, and four very young children died. At the end of the year 1884, one hundred and ninety Orphans remained in the Institution.

The health of the children has been always very good. Country air and rural exercise have a wonderful power of imparting strength and buoyancy to these poor children.

With regard to the education, it was found at the two general examinations, that the children were,

according to age, very well instructed in prayers, catechism, and other religious duties. What is most satisfactory is, that the more grown children go to confession and communion of their own accord, and, indeed, sometimes when the old people forget to remind them, they ask leave to go, saying, next Saturday the month will be up, may I go then to confession? Children that are thus trained seldom neglect the sacraments in after life.

The schooling also was better during last year. This being the most difficult point, premiums of a half-sovereign each have been given for many years for passes in religious instruction, reading, writing, and arithmetic. It tells well of the schooling, that one hundred and twelve half-sovereigns were given last year to the nurses for the satisfactory answering of their Orphan children, after full and rigid examinations.

The total number of Orphans and destitute children admitted from the commencement up to the end of 1884, was ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE. The total number provided for was one thousand four hundred and ninety. The total number adopted by their foster-parents was four hundred and twenty-five. These are members of good honest families, and are a gain to the country. Indeed, St. Brigid never yet emigrated any of her children, all were provided for at home.

The friends and subscribers of the Orphanage will take these statistics, together with heartfelt gratitude, as thanks for their continued support of the Work.

SCHOOLS OF THE HOLY FAITH.

These Schools were founded to protect the Faith of Catholic children, who were tempted in various ways, but chiefly by poverty, to go to Protestant and Proselytising Schools. When poor Catholics see their little ones hungry and naked, and know that there is food ready for them at the Coombe or Lurgan St., or Townsend St., they are sorely tempted to accept the relief at the cost of conscience.

Many, very many, have done so. They could not help it they said. It was only for a short time, and the children were young, and therefore would receive no harm. But as they who love the danger perish therein, so those children were and are being corrupted. It was necessary then to take the temptation out of their way, and give them the same or nearly the same temporal advantages in Catholic schools which they sought from the heretics. There is, in fact, a considerable number of children in almost every parish of the city who cannot go to school unless they get food there. It would be little short of murder to compel children who have had

no breakfast to remain fasting all day at school. Let it be remembered that very many of those children get almost no Christian instruction at home, and they are too ragged to go to church. The school, therefore, is their only resource for religious instruction and moral training, and they will not, and, in many cases, cannot go to school unless they are sure of obtaining food to support nature. Hence the necessity of keeping up the Schools of the Holy Faith, such as those of West Park Street, Coombe, and 65 Lower Jervis Street, where three hundred and sixty children receive food every day, and clothing occasionally.

It is commonly supposed that the very poor children of Dublin, who run half-naked about the streets, are corrupt and almost irreclaimable, and that the only way to reform and civilize them is to commit them to the Reformatory or Industrial School.

No doubt there are subjects among them for both places. But most of them require only care and instruction, for they are naturally intelligent, quick, and amenable to discipline. It would be a blunder as well as a sin to seize poor children and deprive them of their liberty for five or seven years without crime on their part, on the pretext of reforming them. Men are seldom reformed by coercion. In the ordinary providence of God, human beings are made good by enlightening the mind and directing

the will. It is quite right to try to reform those who, by their misdeeds, have forfeited their liberty. But it is a totally different thing to take away liberty lest a bad use should be made of it. Experience proves the evil consequences of such experiments. Hence the surest and least expensive way of making Christian men and women of these poor hungry children, is to entice them to good schools by a little food and clothing. If the charitable public only knew how kindly these poor children take to learning their prayers and their catechism, how willingly they prepare for and go to confession, they would not only support the few schools now open, but would endow a food-giving school in every parish of the city.

A few charitable individuals, by donations of books, and some money to buy others, enabled the Managers to establish a lending library, some years ago, for these poor children. The books are lent by way of reward for proficiency and good conduct. They are only lent on Friday evenings, and must be brought back the following Monday. This library has done much good. The children often read those books for their parents on Sundays. The present stock has been read and re-read, and any contributions of good books sent to the Office, 46 Eccles St., will be thankfully received, and made good use of. The most suitable books are those of a religious

complexion, moral stories, good histories, edifying biographies, and books of technical instruction.

Help is earnestly solicited for the Orphanage of St. Brigid, and the poor Schools of the Holy Faith. The pressure on both is very great at present, and the work to be done very dear to God, the preservation of the Faith and morals of children either wholly or comparatively innocent.

Contributions of cast-off clothing, or of broken food, will be also gratefully accepted, and the food shall be sent for if notice will be kindly given where it can be had.

January, 1885

ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

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

1,681 HAVE BEEN ALREADY RECEIVED.

The following Donations and Subscriptions in aid of the above Institution have been received from the 1st January, 1884, to the 1st of January, 1885.

His Eminence the late Cardinal Archbishop,	£50	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. Walshe,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr Lynch,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Donnelly, Monaghan,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Leahy	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr Kelly,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr Gillooly,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Woodlock,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Mac Carthy	1	0	0
The Most Rey Dr Power,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Conway,	0	10	0
The Most Rev. Dr Logue,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Brownrigg,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr Donnelly Dublin,	1	0	0
The Most Rev Dr. Browne,	0	10	0
The Most Rev Dr Higgins,	1	0	0

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
'Anonymous,' Co. Waterford, per Miss Aylward	1	0	0	Mr Charles J Blake Maryborough, per His Eminence the late Cardinal Arch- Bishop	30	0	0
From 'Anonymous, for a deceased Friend, per His Eminence the late Cardinal Arch- bishop	20	0	0	Sir John Bradstreet	1	0	0
'Anonymous', J M. per Miss Aylward	1	0	0	Mr. Kevin Byrne, Birkenhead	3	0	0
Messrs. Arnott and Co., (Limited)	5	0	0	The late Rev M. Barry P.P., Saggart	1	0	0
A Benefactor, per Rev P Hughes, S,J	25	0	0	Mr. Thomas Baldwin	1	0	0
An Anonymous Christmas offering	3	0	0	Mr Hugh Blayney	1	0	0
'Anonymous,' J N M., Co. Cork	1	0	0	Rev J Byrne, C.C.	1	0	0
Mrs. Archer Skerries	1	0	0	Mr Daniel Black	1	0	0
A Friend in London, per Miss Aylward	1	0	0	Mr Patrick Boland	1	1	0
Miss Allingham,	1	0	0	Mr J Bermingham, Ranelagh	1	0	0
Mr D. Allingham	1	0	0	Bequest of the late Mrs. Boyle, Drogheda, per Mr			
Mr O T Allingham	1	0	0	Owen Murtagh & Very Rev J T			
Mrs. Atkinson	1	0	0	Towers, O.P	10	0	0
'Anonymous'	1	0	0	Mr. T W Begge, per Mr Steiner	1	0	0
Alms Box at Saint Francis Xavier's, per Mrs Mara	1	1	6	Mr. W Bruton, per do.	1	0	0
'Anonymous'	1	0	0	Messrs Berry and Dowling, per do.	0	10	0
A Friend	0	5	0	The Messrs Brannan, per do.	0	5	0
'Anonymous,' Co. Wexford, per Miss Aylward	0	10	0	Bequest of the late Mr J Branigan, per Mr Thomas Branigan	5	0	0
'Anonymous'	0	5	0	Miss Norah Barry	0	5	0
Alms Box at Mr Tyndall's	0	5	0	Very Rev J Callan, S.J	3	0	0
Alms Box at Saint Brigid's	0	10	0	Lady Corrigan, per Reverend T Kelly, S.J	1	0	0
Anonymous donation in Letter-box, do.	3	0	0				

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Miss Mary Cullen, Liverpool	5	0	0	The Community of St. Francis Xavier, per Rev P E. Duffy, S.J.,	1	0	0
Rev J F Colahan, C.C., Blackrock	1	0	0	Mrs. E. Daly, Co. Meath	1	0	0
Rev. F J Coffey, C.C.	1	0	0	Bequest of the late Mr G Dempsey, Co. Meath, per Mr. John Murphy	5	0	0
Miss Bedelia Carroll	1	0	0	Mrs. J. P Doyle	1	0	0
The Hon. Mrs. Cor- bally, Tara	2	0	0	Mr John Dennis J.P	1	0	0
Doctor Cruise	1	0	0	Mr J Nangle, per Mr Dennis	1	0	0
Mr Edward Caraher	1	0	0	Mrs. Donovan, Irish- town	0	10	0
Mrs. Coleman, Co. Louth	1	0	0	Mr Kevin Doyle	1	0	0
Miss Coleman, do.	1	0	0	Mr James Dunne, Ederry	1	0	0
Messrs Clery & Co.	5	0	0	The Messrs Donovan	0	8	0
Mr Michael Crooke	1	0	0	Mr. Francis Devine	1	0	0
Per Rev J F Colohan C.C.	5	0	0	Mr Joseph Downes	1	0	0
Rev Hugh Cullen, Burtonport	0	10	0	Surgeon Major Doyle	0	10	0
Mr T Cochrane	1	0	0	Mr. C. M. Dodd	0	10	0
Mr. Michael Keogh Cullen, per Rev P E Duffy S.J	0	10	0	Mr. Joseph Dollard	1	0	0
Rev M. Cribbin, C.M.	1	0	0	Mr James Delany, Co. Kildare	1	0	0
Rev T J Cotton	1	8	6	Mr James Dollard	0	10	0
Mrs. Carroll, Monas- tereavan	0	5	0	Mrs. Donohue	1	0	0
Per Rev H Cullen, CC	0	5	0	Mrs. Doyle	0	10	0
Miss Minnie Clarke	0	5	0	Mr. Michael Dore, Limerick	0	10	0
Rev T Carberry, C.C., Rathmines	0	10	0	Mrs. Dunne, per Mrs. Mara	0	5	0
Mrs. Coleman	0	5	0	Mr C. Downes	0	10	0
Mrs. Clarke, Frank- fort, Blackrock	1	0	0	Mr. H. W Delany, per Mr. Steiner	1	0	0
Mary Curran, per cards	1	0	0	Messrs. John Darcy & Son, per do.	1	0	0
Mr Chamberlaine, per Mr. Steiner	1	0	0	Mr. Dawson, per do.	0	5	0
Miss Corbally, Clane	0	10	0	Messrs. James Duffy, and Sons	1	0	0
Very Rev P Duff, C.M., Blackrock	1	0	0	Rev P J Duffe, P.P.,	1	0	0
Mrs. Doherty	1	0	0				

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mrs & the Misses Early	0	17	6	Mr. P MacCabe Fay, per Mr. Steiner	2	0	0
Very Rev. B. Fitzpatrick, Holy Cross College	1	0	0	Mrs. Fallon, Loretto Abbey	1	0	0
Rev J Flanagan, P.P., Saint Margaret's	1	0	0	From Pupils at the Convent Glasnevin Christmas Alms	1	13	0
Mrs. Farrell, Senr., Thornhill	1	0	0	Mr Francis Gowan, Skerries	2	0	0
Mr W J. Fitzpatrick, J.P	1	0	0	Mr Joseph Gilligan, Parsonstown	0	10	0
Mrs. Farrell, Juur. Thornhill	1	0	0	Mr Patrick Grady, Newbridge	0	10	0
From a Friend, Co. Tyrone	1	0	0	Bequest of the late Miss Margaret Green, of Rathmines, per Rev B. Dennon, P.P	100	0	0
Mr. Wilfrid Fitzgerald	1	0	0	Rev P Gossan, C.C. Booterstown.	1	0	0
The late Rev B. Farrell, C.C., Monkstown	1	0	0	Messrs M. H. Gill & Son	1	0	0
Mr R. Fallon	1	0	0	Mrs. Cecilia Gaffney, Wexford, per Mr. Steiner	0	5	0
Mr. John Fallon	0	10	0	Mr Thomas Hayes, Cork	1	0	0
Dr. Finnegan, Glasnevin	1	0	0	Mr Martin Hayes do.	1	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. Fegan Pembroke Road	1	0	0	Mrs Hunter, per Very Rev J Callan, S.J.	1	0	0
Mr. Farlowe	0	10	0	Mrs. Healy per Mrs. Mara	0	5	0
Mrs. Farrell, per Miss Cullen	0	10	0	Very Rev C. Hickey, C.M.	1	0	0
Rev T Fagan, C.C. Blackrock, being part of a Bequest for charitable purposes	5	0	0	Rev J Hunt, P.P., Saggard	0	10	0
Mr Fitzpatrick	0	10	0	Mr John Higgins	0	5	0
Colonel Forster, Swords, per Messrs Maxwell and Weldon	1	0	0	Mrs. Hoey	0	10	0
From a few good children, Clarendon Street	0	14	6	Miss Hogg, per Miss Beatty, Trim	0	5	0

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mrs. Johnston	3	0	0	Very Rev Canon Lee, P.P.,	1	0	0
Baroness Keatinge	1	0	0	Mr J.F Lombard J.P	1	0	0
The Misses Kelly	1	0	0	Bequest of the late Mr John Brien Lynch, per Mr J Fitzgerald Lynch	100	0	0
Mr Charles Kennedy J.P	1	0	0	Mr Henry P Lalor	1	0	0
Mr & Mrs Kavanagh Co. Kildare	1	14	0	Mr C. Langan, per Mr Steiner	0	10	0
Mr. W Kelly, J.P	1	0	0	Rev M. P Langan, P.P., Kilcullen	0	10	0
Very Canon Kelly, P.P., Co. Armagh	1	0	0	Mr G. P L. Mansfield D.L.	1	0	0
Mr P Kearney, per Mr. Steiner	1	0	0	Mrs M'Dermott, Monkstown	1	0	0
Very Rev Dr. Kennedy P.P., V.G	1	0	0	Mr Mac Donnell	1	0	0
Per Mr T Keogh	1	13	0	Doctor Mac Cullagh	1	0	0
Mrs. Kane, Co. Meath	0	10	0	Mrs. M'Evoy	1	0	0
Mr. T. A. Kelly, Monkstown.	1	0	0	Additional Bequest of the late Mr. E. M'Gauran, per his Executors, and Messrs. Maxwell & Weldon	61	19	2
Messrs. Kelly Bros.	1	0	0	Mrs. Thomas Maher, Co. Westmeath	1	0	0
Mr John A. Kennedy	0	10	0	Mr. T A. P Mapother, J.P Roscommon	0	10	0
Mrs. Kearns	1	0	0	Miss C. Martin	2	0	0
Mr William P Kelly, Graigue	1	0	0	Mr E. M'Donough, Drogheda	0	10	0
Mr J Kelly, Waterford	0	10	0	Rev E Matthews C.C.	1	0	0
Mr John Kelly and family Monaghan	0	5	0	Rev P M'Rorey, C.C., Dungannon	0	10	0
Mr James Kavanagh per Mr. Steiner	1	0	0	Mr. J J Matson.	1	0	0
Very Rev Dean Lee, P.P., V G	1	0	0	Mr R. Martin D.L.	1	0	0
Mr J P Levey, Manchester	3	3	0	Mr. Charles Martin	1	0	0
Lady Lentaigne	0	10	0	Miss Moran	1	0	0
Mrs. Lubé, Vallé Pacis	1	0	0	Mr William Moloney, Rathgar	1	1	0
Miss Lentaigne	1	0	0	Mr William Molloy, Ranelagh	1	0	0
Mr N Lynch, M.P	1	0	0				
Mrs. Lawless, Monkstown	0	10	0				

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M. C.	0	10	0	Mr and Mrs. O'Brien	1 10 0
Mrs. Murtagh	0	5	0	Mr. M. O'Meara	0 10 0
Mr. W F Moloney	1	0	0		
Rev P Montague, C.C., Whitecross	1	0	0	Mr. T Power, J.P., Co. Kilkenny	0 10 0
Mrs. Mac Duff	1	0	0	F P., per Miss Ayl- ward	50 0 0
Mrs. Margaret Mellon Co. Wicklow, per Rev J Gowan, C.M.	2	0	0	Mrs. Pilsworth	1 0 0
Mr Matthews, per Mr. Steiner	0	5	0	Very Rev Monsignor Quinn, V.G. D.D., Kingstown	1 0 0
Mrs. M'Ardle, per do.	0	5	0	Rev J Quinn, P.P., Beragh	1 0 0
Mr C Mannin, per do	0	5	0		
Mr. William Nolan	1	0	0		
Very Rev. Malachy O'Callaghan, C.M. Castleknock	1	0	0	Rev J Roche P.P Ashford	1 0 0
Rev E. F O'Connor, C.C. Rathmore Naas	1	0	0	Rev John Ryan, P.P New-Inn, Cahir	1 0 0
Mr T F O'Connell	1	0	0	Rev E. Rowan, P.P	1 0 0
A Friend, per Mr. John R. O'Connell	1	0	0	Miss M. Ryan	1 0 0
Mr. P C. O'Gorman, per Mrs. O'Gorman	1	0	0	Rev M. Roche, C.M	1 0 0
Rev. T. O'Connell, C.C., Carrick-on- Suir	0	10	0	Miss Ryan	1 0 0
Mr. J. O'Donnell	2	0	0	Mrs Ryan, Mullingar	1 0 0
Mr Francis O'Beirne Castleknock	0	10	0	Mrs. Mary Ryan, & Mr Daniel Ryan	0 10 0
Mr. J. W O'Donnell	1	0	0	Mr. Christopher Ryder	1 0 0
The Misses O'Flana- gan, Co. Cork	0	6	0		
Mrs. O'Connell	0	10	0	Very Rev P Segrave, P.P., Kilquade	1 0 0
Mrs. O'Donnell, Lon- don, per Very Rev J. Callan, S.J	2	0	0	Mr Walter Sweetman, Co. Wexford	1 0 0
The Misses Annie & Julia O'Brien, and Master J O'Brien	0	10	0	Mrs Seery, Rathmines	1 0 0
				Mrs. Sullivan, Cork	0 10 0
				Mr. Sweeny	1 0 0
				Mr E Sweetman	1 0 0
				Mrs. Schlegel	0 10 0
				Alderman Slaney, Tramore	0 10 0
				Per Mrs. Synnott	1 2 0

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Mr P Sweetman, per Mr. Steiner	1	0	0	Very Rev. Canon Walsh, P.P., V.G.	1 0 0
Mrs. Shine, per Mr. Steiner	0	10	0	Mr and Mrs. Wade, Liverpool, per Mrs. Mara	0 10 0
Miss Scully, for 1884 and 1885	2	0	0	Rev M. Walsh Holy- Cross College	1 0 0
				Rev J. Healy, do.	1 0 0
The Superior, Christ- ian Brothers, Fair- view	1	0	0	Rev W Donegan, C.C., Rathmines	1 0 0
Mr. Francis Thunder	0	13	0	Rev. R. Colahan, C.C. Malahide	1 0 0
The Prioress, Saint Mary's, Cabra	1	0	0	Rev. J. Caffrey, Ar- tane	1 0 0
Mr. S. Taaffe Ardee	0	7	6	Rev. E. Dunne, C.C., Phibsboro'	1 0 0
Miss Unthank	0	10	0	Rev H. Lube, C.C., Athy	1 0 0
Mr Joseph Verso	0	10	0	Rev B. Reynolds C.C. High Street.	0 10 0
Mr. J. Woodlock	1	0	0	Rev P Crimmins, C.C., Meath St.	1 0 0
Rev P A. Walshe, CM	2	0	0	Rev. P. O'Donnell, C. C., Arklow	1 0 0

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Alms boxes per Miss Cullen At Mr Doyle's, 10s 3½d; Miss Hume's, 10s 6d; Mr T. Hayden's, 10s 4½d; Mr Lawless's, 9s 5d; Mr Meythens's, 9s 1½d; Mr D. Hayden's, 9s 0½d; Mr Fagan's, 6s 6d; Mr Lynch's, 6s; Mr Maher's, 5s 10½d, Mrs Scally's, 5s 4½d; Mrs M'Nerney's, 5s 0½d, Mr Egan's, 5s; Mr Cahill's, 5s.

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In Connection with St. Brigid's Orphanage, from the 1st of January, 1884, to the 1st of January, 1885.

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The Bakers' Trade Association, per Mr. Michael Cherter and Mr. Cogan	1 0 0
St. Peter's Loan Fund Society, per Mr Maguire and Mr. Cogan	0 13 0
St. Alberts' Burial Society, per Mr. Delahunt, and Mr. Winder	0 14 5
St. Patrick's Loan Fund Society, per Mr Hendrick	1 1 2
The Abraham Tontine Society, per Mr Devereux	0 7 1
The Charlemont Tontine Society, per Mr Henry Murphy	0 8 6
The Dublin Tontine Society, per Mr Shannon and Mr Winder	0 5 9
The Shop and Warehouse Porters' Society, per Mr. P Fleming	0 5 0
St. Laurence O'Toole's Tontine Society, per Mr Thomas Keogh	0 5 7
The Friendly Brothers of Mount Argus Tontine Society per Mr. James Kavanagh	0 5 0
St. Kevin's Loan Fund Society, per Mr Adams	0 5 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 Grace the 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 late Cardinal MacCabe, per Miss Aylward	£170	0	0
Very Rev. P Duff, C.M., Blackrock	1	0	0
Rev F J Coffey, C.C.	1	0	0
Messrs Findlater & Co.	2	0	0
Mrs. Lee, Manchester	1	0	0
Messrs McDonald, Brothers	2	0	0
Mrs. Clarke	1	0	0
F P., per Miss Aylward	50	0	0
Mr. F Bermingham	1	0	0
Mr. R. Dawson	0	10	0
Messrs Arnott & Co. (Limited) per Rev J Gowan, C.M., for St. Brigid's Schools, Jervis St.	5	0	0
Per Rev R. Conlan, Adm., for do.—part proceeds of the Sermon preached for the Schools of St. Mary's Parish	12	0	0
Rev Daniel Downing, C.C., towards Breakfast Fund for Schools Lr. Jervis St.	2	0	0
Miss Allingham, per Rev John Gowan, C.M. for do.	5	0	0
Rev H. Dudley, C.C., do. do.	2	0	0
Rev C. Ridgeway, C.C., do. do.	0	10	0

For the Schools of the Holy Faith, Clarendon Street.

£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Mr N Lynch, M.P., per Rev J Gowan, C.M.	1	0	0	A Gentleman, per Very Reverend B. Verdon, O.D.C.	1	0	0
Mr Richard Bolger, T.C.	1	0	0	Doctor Cruise	0	10	0
Mr P J Plunkett	1	0	0	Mr E. Hayden	0	10	0
Mr Patrick Boland	1	1	0	Mr Joseph Downes	0	10	0
Mr Michael Crooke	1	0	0	Mr P Cahill	0	10	0
In small sums, per V Rev B. Verdon, O.D.C.	7	15	10	Mr Supple	0	10	0
Mr E. O'Leary, per do.	1	0	0	Miss Tobin	1	0	0
Mr W J Tyndall	1	0	0	Mr F Devine	1	0	0
Per Rev A. Plunkett, Adm., part of proceeds of the Sermon preached in St. Andrews, Westland Row, for the Schools of the Parish	10	0	0	Mr Wm. Nolan	1	0	0
Mr R. Worn	0	10	0	Surgeon Collins	0	5	0
Anonymous	1	0	0	Mrs Byrne	0	5	0
				From Saint Peter's Loan Fund Society per Mr. Foley, omitted in last Report	0	12	6
				From The Dublin Shop and Warehouse Porters' Provident Society per do., omitted in last Report	0	5	0

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered once every Month for the Benefactors and Subscribers, living and dead, of the above Schools.

St. Brigid's Schools of the Holy Family.

WEST PARK STREET, COOMBE.

These Schools are in some respects the most important in Dublin. They are surrounded by the poorest population of the city, whose children, if left in ignorance, and above all, if not grounded well in religion, and trained early to its practices, fall a prey to the evil influences that surround them and become the pests of society. But the vital necessity of supporting these Schools arises from the existence of the great Proselytising Institution on the Coombe, where these poor children are offered education, food, clothing, and other temporal advantages, on the condition of renouncing the religion of their fathers and embracing heresy. Hence the poorest of these children must get food every day and occasionally clothing, to induce them to leave the den of perdition, or to keep them out of the temptation of going there through severe hunger. There are now nearly 600 in daily attendance, 230 of whom get food each day, with a considerable amount of clothing, to the most naked, from time to time. A few good men of the parish have been making collections for many years to meet this great expenditure. Having contributed materially to keep the Schools open, they deserve well of religion. But to combat effectually Proselytism in the district, a more powerful organization was required, and God, who never deserts His Church, raised up this in the Association of "Save the Child." The Members of this Association have done immense service both in withdrawing poor Catholic children from the heretical Soup-Shop, and in providing food and clothing for them in the Schools of West Park Street. With the blessing of God, and their good help, Proselytism in the Liberties of Dublin will soon be a thing of the past.

The spiritual welfare of the Children is most zealously attended to by the Rev. J Daniel, P P., and by the Guardian, Rev James Hickey, C.C.

The Sisters of Faith in charge of the Schools West Park Street gratefully acknowledge the following Donations

His Eminence the late Cardinal MacCabe, per Miss Aylward	£ 30	0	0	
The Ladies of the Association of "Save the Child," towards providing Breakfast for the Poor Children	..	240	0	0
Rev James Daniel, P.P., per the Sisters of Faith	5	0	0	
Part of the Residuary Bequest of the late Mr Ed. McGauran, per Very Rev Canon Pope	61	19	2	
Mr and Mrs John Fegan, Pembroke Road	1	0	0	
Rev Father Gavin, C M for poor Children exposed to Proselytism	..	2	0	0
Mr. C. Farrington	5	0	0	
Miss Allingham, per Rev J Gowan, C M	5	0	0	
Mr Michael Bannon, per Rev J Daniel, P P for clothing	3	0	0	
"The John Dillon Workman's Club," per Mr Rafferty and Mr Gill	2	0	0	
Mr E Sweetman	1	0	0	
Mr Burke	..	1	0	0
The late Rev T O'Reilly C C	0	10	0	
From the Bakers employed at Mr Farrington's	2	11	6	
From the Coopers at Messrs Guinness & Co per Mr Higgins	3	0	0	
A Friend, in honor of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Per Very Rev Canon M'Manus, PP, being a portion of the Delaney Fund, left for the several Schools of the District	17	15	0	
Per Rev J Daniel, PP, do do	..	10	5	0

Per Mrs Byrne's Alms-Box	1	15	4½
" Mrs Rooney's do.	1	2	0
" Mr Burke's, do.	0	12	10
" Mr Flanagan's do.	0	12	2
Per Miss Aylward, towards Books and Clothing for Poor Children	9	0	0
Restitution Money	0	3	6
Miss Grace, per the Rev. P Slattery, C.C.	0	5	0

Collected by

Mr. Parker	£24	18	1	Messrs. Blayney & Davis	12	1	2
Do., omitted in last Report	4	0	10½	Mr. Barrett	9	13	5½
Mr. Magrane	8	6	5	Mr. M'Call	2	0	0
Mr. Mapother	5	5	5	Mr Norton	0	13	6

*The following Subscriptions, for additional food and
clothing for the poor Children.*

Mr Phillips, per Rev J Daniel, P P	£1	0	0	Mr Lynam	1	7	6
'Anonymous,' per do	1	0	0	Mr. P O'Reilly	0	10	0
Mrs O'Toole	0	7	6	Mrs Donohue	0	7	6
Mrs King	0	5	5	Mr Rutledge	0	9	0
Mrs Judge	0	5	0	Miss Wade	0	5	0
Rev J Daniel, P P	0	5	0	Mrs Maxwell, Kings- town	0	5	0

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

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered once every Month for the Subscribers and Benefactors, living and dead, of the above Schools,

SOCIETY

OF THE

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY QUEEN OF CHARITY,

65 LOWER JERVIS STREET

THIS Institution was committed, thirteen years ago, by His Eminence the late Cardinal Cullen to the Sisters of the Holy Faith. During the past eleven years they have conducted herein two Poor Schools, one for girls, and one for little boys. The daily attendance in both schools has been about Four 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 poorest of the children receive breakfast daily at these Schools.

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.

All who desire to have the children of the poor receive a solid and good 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.

The Late Right Hon. Lord O'Hagan	1	0	0
Messrs John D'Arcy & Son	1	0	0
Mr P Boland ..	1	1	0
Mr and Mrs John Fegan, Pembroke Road	1	0	0
Messrs Dollard & Co.	0	10	0
Miss Allingham, towards food for the poor children, who receive breakfast daily at these Schools	3	0	0
Mrs Schelgel, for do	0	10	0
Mrs Magrath, for do	0	5	0
Lady Sullivan, per Miss Taaffe,	0	5	0
Per Miss Smyth ..	1	0	5
Miss Margaret Creighton	1	0	0
Mrs Beakey .	0	5	0
Mrs Carton	0	5	0
Mrs Dawson . ..	0	5	0
Mr Laurence Malone	0	5	0
Mrs Walsh ..	0	5	0
Mr P O'Brien	0	10	0
From a few Friends, "Irish National Society"			
per do	0	15	0
Per Mr Sarsfield .	1	15	0
From a Lady "Anonymous"	1	0	0
Mr Allen .	0	5	0
Miss Ormonde .	0	5	0

Miss Hobbs	0	5	0
Per Mr Thompson	1	0	0
Per Mr & Mrs Kearney	0	16	0
Per Mrs Mullins	0	5	2
Part of the Residue of the late Mr Ed. McGauran, per the Executors and Messrs Maxwell and Weldon	61	19	2
Mr P Moran	0	5	0
In smaller Sums	1	8	8

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.

Mr. Edward Brophy is authorized to collect for "The Queen of Charity"

ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

46 ECCLES STREET, DUBLIN

FOUNDED, IN 1857 TO RECEIVE

500 CHILDREN (BOYS AND GIRLS).

1681 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 1681 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 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 late 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; Most Rev Dr Donnelly, Bishop of Canea.

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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