



SAINT BRIGID

St. Brigid's Orphanage

FOR

BOYS AND GIRLS.

Established under the Patronage of His Eminence the
late Cardinal Cullen, in 1856.

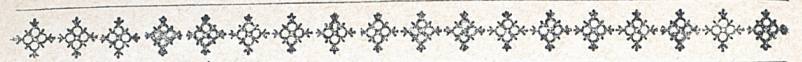
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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR GRACE,

THE Sisters of the Holy Faith beg to submit to Your Grace, to their Associates, Benefactors, and the Catholic public a summary of the work done in the Orphanage of St. Brigid and Schools of the Holy Faith during the year just elapsed, 1896.

RETROSPECT. This Fortieth Report reminds us that the Orphanage has been in existence forty years, and this circumstance

suggests or rather seems to demand a brief review of its foundation, struggles, and work.

It is pretty well known that St. Brigid's Orphanage was begun by a Lady named MARGARET AYLWARD, a native of the city of Waterford. Its foundation was apparently an accident but in reality the work of God. M AYLWARD had been sick for several years and had no other intention in coming to Dublin about the year 52 but to consult the Doctors about a complication of diseases that afflicted her. She was naturally a woman of great grasp of mind, uncommon energy of will and, by the grace of God, devoted to works of charity. When she recovered somewhat and was able to go out, she consulted a Jesuit Father regarding the employment of her time. He advised her to take up the sick poor a species of practical charity very congenial to her. She then founded what St. Vincent calls the "Confrerie," an association of Ladies of the world who undertake to visit the sick poor and help them both as to body and soul. This Association, like the other good works of MARGARET AYLWARD, lives and fulfils its mission of mercy unto the present day. Although scarcely able to walk she took her week of visiting regularly. She did not content herself with giving food or clothing and reading a

Mrs. Aylward

good book. She sat and conversed with the poor till she gained their confidence, and when evil was to be stopped or good done, she had a golden master-key that seldom failed to open hearts. Many a poor family was thus taken out of sin, many also were spurred on to raise themselves from abject poverty. One example will make this clear. Going her rounds she met one day, in the early fifties, a poor widow who was all but hopelessly sunk in misery. M. AYLWARD seeing under her rags, honesty and talent, asked if she could not embark in some little business. She replied that with a little capital she could do something in the old furniture line. What capital would enable you to begin? About a pound. Here is the pound and in the name of God begin. That poor woman succeeded so, that, in a few years, she had a shop and was in the habit of turning over one thousand a year.

It was in this way that M. AYLWARD discovered the great extent to which corrupt proselytism was pushed among very poor Catholic families. She found many Catholic children going to proselytizing schools and some in Protestant Orphanages and Homes given up altogether by their parents or relations. Poor Catholics stifled their accusing conscience by persuading themselves that the children

were too young to be injured by heretical teaching, that in a year or so they would be able to take them back and all would be well. M AYLWARD had a hard task, first to teach poor Catholics the great sin they were committing, secondly to provide places of security for faith and morals for those children whose relations could not possibly support and educate them, thirdly, to arouse and enkindle public opinion, for without this, corrupt proselytism could not, humanly speaking, be effectually met and defeated. It is amazing what labour M. AYLWARD underwent, entreating, admonishing, and threatening the poor; procuring places in the few existing orphanages of Dublin for derelict children, and trying by meetings and publications to stir the Catholic public. Some Catholics treated the whole thing with contempt, others made a joke of it, saying that when Pat got over the hunger he would return to God and his Church and make the enemies of his faith a laughing-stock, liberal Catholics, of whom, thank God, there are not many in Ireland, thought they would degrade themselves by fighting the mercenary agents of proselytism. At this distance of time it is not easy to estimate the up-hill work that M. AYLWARD had to do. In fact she could not do it without help. Fortunately she had associate Ladies who were strong in faith, full of zeal, and ready to strike a blow heed-

Names' Ladies of Charity

less of human respect. It is but just to name some of the more active.—JANE O'HAGAN, afterwards Mrs. BALDWIN, EMILY SEAVER, afterwards Mrs BOWDEN, the good Mrs O CONNELL who was treasurer, Mrs. SCULLY who, though English by birth, was always up for strong measures, ANNA CAMPBELL, Mrs MARA, and ADA ALLINGHAM who was drawn in her early girlhood to the service of the Sick-poor became the first helper in St. Brigid's Orphanage, afterwards first assistant in the Sisterhood of the Holy Faith, whose life was one long act of heroic unselfishness, who sought the lowest place and claimed the hardest work, highly gifted, solidly educated, with an exquisite taste and skill in music which she used to make the life and labour of her Sisters in religion an enjoyment. She spent her life by M. AYLWARD'S side and died within the same year. All these early associates in the work of the Sick poor are now gone to their reward except one who is a Carmelite Nun.

These Ladies and many others of the same Association performed a great work in their day more than forty years ago, they unearthed corrupt proselytism and forced respectable Catholics to see and believe it. These Catholics knew of course that Bible-readers were going about scattering tracts and repeating texts, but they said, and, with truth, that

system will defeat itself, but they would not admit that hundreds of Catholic children were domesticated with them, not only imbibing heresy and being saturated with hatred of the faith of their fathers. Mrs. SCULLY was perhaps the most active. She went into their dens, saw and heard what they were doing. The Agent, believing that she was a friend, gave her information. She, also with M AYLWARD, went to their day-schools and took the names and addresses of the children as they were leaving school. On one of these occasions the Teacher of the Coombe School sent for the Police and charged the two ladies, but the Police refused to arrest them. Mrs. SCULLY was thus enabled to turn the proselytizing dens inside-out, she got the most part of her experience published and the doubters were silenced.

Then came the real tug-of-war, viz. the creation of an opposing system, a Catholic organization for the protection of the faith of Catholic orphans and destitute children.

The first work of this organization should obviously be an Orphanage. Miss AYLWARD never contemplated the foundation of an Orphanage, until circumstances, or rather Divine Providence obliged her to do it. To grapple with the evil a small Orphanage would be of little value. Therefore she proposed to found one

that would not stop till five hundred children had been saved. This Orphanage she proposed to dedicate to the Most Holy Trinity under the invocation of St. Brigid. It may be asked why of all the great Irish Saints she chose St. Brigid. The immediate reason was this. Shortly after the great famine a Priest of her acquaintance happened to spend some time in another country, where he saw and heard the poor Irish relics of the famine derided by contemptuously calling them after our Virgin Saint, the Mary of Ireland. This Priest was shocked and grieved [and vowed that he would try to make the name of St. Brigid a name of honour and glory, and proposed to call the Orphanage of the Faith after our loved St. Brigid.

Here the approbation of the Ecclesiastical Superior was essentially required. Miss AYLWARD waited on the then Archbishop of Dublin, His Grace the Most Rev Dr CULLEN, and begged that he would allow her to begin the work. He hesitated, he would not say yes or no. She waited on him again and again begging for his permission, still he refused. It might be inferred from this that His Grace was not over-much concerned for the salvation of his poor children. That would be a great injustice, he felt for those children that were being

destroyed by heresy intensely Why then did he hesitate? He saw what appeared a rash undertaking, an immense Orphanage to be founded, depending almost entirely on an invalid who might at any moment be struck down by sickness, and in that case the whole responsibility falling upon him. In this difficulty Miss AYLWARD applied for advice to her old friend, Dean DOOLEY, who advised her to go to His Grace and say that if he did not permit her to begin the Orphanage she should return the moderate sum of money which she had collected to the donors The Archbishop, though caring little about money for himself, was very tenacious of what belonged to the Church's charities, and thereupon gave his consent.

Beginnings of Orphanage

Scarcely had the Orphanage been founded when a very great difficulty arose, viz the saving of the faith of forty poor foundlings How they came to be in danger arose from the fact that the law which empowered the Protestant Vestries of Dublin to take possession of all the abandoned children found in the different parishes of Dublin and tax the Catholics of Dublin to enable them to rear and educate all these children in heresy was repealed. But it will be asked how did Catholic nurses happen to have those children under their charge. The ex-

planation is very simple. The number of these foundlings was very great and they could not procure Protestant nurses for all of them. Hence they gave some of the very young children to Catholic families intending to bring them into the great Foundling Hospital in James's-street at the age of six or seven, to be grounded well in Protestantism. The Catholic nurses of the county Wicklow, according to their custom, brought the little foundlings to the Priest and had them baptized conditionally, and when they were old enough taught them the Catholic prayers, brought them to Mass and Confession. Now, when the Parson and the Vestry-men could not tax the people of Dublin, they took care to get the opinion of the then Attorney-General "That all children, the religion of whose parents was unknown, should be reared in the religion of the State. Then they gave notice to the Catholic nurses that they could pay them no longer, and that they should place the children in the workhouses of Dublin. These poor people, not being able to rear them at their own cost, brought them into town in the year 1857 to place them in the workhouses. Archbishop CULLEN hearing this sent a Priest to beg of them to take them back to the country till something could be done for them. They waited three weeks, and seeing no prospect of help, brought them

in a second time to Dublin. His Grace again sent a Priest to beg of the nurses to keep them a little longer, but nothing having been done they came into town a third time with the children. Miss AYLWARD, who kept a close watch upon them, came to a Priest before seven o'clock in the morning, and said all the Catholic nurses are in town already or coming into town and the children will surely be lost, what is to be done? The Priest said, go over to Francis-street, call upon the Parish Priest and bring him with you to meet all those nurses in the different places to which they usually resort, and make him promise that you will pay them for all these children every half-year, early in January and July. Through the good Providence of God the nurses were satisfied and all the children saved. Of course the Archbishop himself could not take charge of the children and being a Prelate of delicate consideration did not order Miss AYLWARD to take charge of them. These forty poor foundlings have to thank Miss AYLWARD for the inestimable blessing of the true Faith and of eternal happiness which, it may be hoped, they secured through that faith.

The important question of how the children should be reared and educated presented itself now for solution. It was considered that young infants

and boys might be reared in the country and educated in the country schools, that the girls should be educated and prepared for the work of life by Nuns. Miss AYLWARD procured the co-operation of a Community of Nuns by a great amount of labour and prudent negotiation. However, plans which look to be very perfect are sometimes not workable: it was so in this case. The dual superiority brought on misunderstandings, and after some time it was thought advisable to rear and educate all the children in the country. There was some unpleasantness for a while, but after a few years experience of the system of rearing the Orphans in families, it was seen that some inconveniences were greatly over-balanced by the advantages of this system.

The Orphanage so far had met with considerable difficulties and trials and had surmounted them. But now the enemies of the faith seem to have combined with the powers of darkness to destroy St. Brigid's work utterly. The occasion was the admission of a child named MARY MATTHEWS, whom her father had committed to the care of Miss AYLWARD. Those who have not read the various trials which Miss AYLWARD stood in the Superior Courts and her long imprisonment will find an account of them in the 33rd. Report of St. Brigid's Orphanage. It is

only an act of justice to the memory of His Eminence Cardinal CULLEN, to say that he who was heretofore so cautious in regard to St. Brigid's work, now stood boldly and publicly on the side of Miss AYLWARD. This is the more creditable to him from the fact that some respectable Catholics, influenced by the violent articles of the *London Times* and other Protestant papers, condemned Miss AYLWARD and were ashamed of her proceedings.

It is due to Divine Providence to record the sympathy, patronage, and material help which the Divine Majesty procured for St. Brigid's nascent Institute. Some of these still live and would not wish to have their names published. But others have gone to their reward, and it seems a duty to name, at least, the principal of them. The saintly Bishop of Dromore, Dr LEAHY, had in his diocese a pensioner who had been a sergeant in the British army. This man's wife was a Scotch Presbyterian and a bitter one. She left her husband and took with her to Scotland their little children, two in number. The Father being a staunch Catholic crossed over to Scotland, sought his wife, and pursued her from place to place and brought her from one court to another to recover the two child-

ren. After a long time he succeeded and brought the children home to Ireland, but at the expense of all the savings of his life. Then the Bishop of Dromore asked Miss AYLWARD to take charge of the two children. She did. This led Dr LEAHY to study the work which Miss AYLWARD was doing, and in consequence helped it by his subscriptions and approbation to the very day of his death. The Bishop of Kerry, Dr MORIARTY, gave the aid of his personal influence, his cultured mind, and his peculiarly sweet and eloquent tongue, besides subscribing to it till his death. One of the earliest friends which the work she was attempting brought to Miss AYLWARD, was the saintly Father TULLY, Professor of the Irish language in the great College of Maynooth. He was a wise and prudent man by whose counsels Miss AYLWARD profited much. He had not much money to spare, but every shilling he could spare he gave to her in the first years of her struggles. The eloquent and learned Dr MURRAY, Professor of Theology in the same College helped to raise the work in human estimation by his beautiful speeches. There was a venerable Priest, over eighty years of age, living in Ulster, who had never seen Miss AYLWARD but casually reading something about the work, made two collections two successive years in his parish for the Orphanage and then was called

to his account. This was Father MOYNAGH. Happy Pastor who finished his work defending the faith and protecting the Orphan! In the early years of the Orphanage, a Curate in the extreme North of Ireland asked for the admission of an infant child named JANE M'CORMACK, whose faith could not possibly be saved where she was. She was admitted at once. She was placed with a nurse who kept a shop in a country village, where she grew up an honest, industrious, and graceful girl, was adopted by the nurse and afterwards married to one of the Station-masters on the Great Southern line. By this time, the Curate of the North who had saved her faith, was Bishop of Down and Connor, Dr. M'ALLISTER. His protegée wrote a letter of congratulation to His Lordship and giving an account of all her time since he had sent her to Dublin. Dr. M'ALLISTER was so pleased that he wrote himself to the Orphanage mentioning those particulars and enclosing a donation of £5, which donation he repeated every year till his lamented death. Perhaps there is scarcely any of the early benefactions more touching than that of Father SMYTH, a former Parish Priest of Sandymount. When this good Priest felt the hand of death upon him, lying on his bed he called for a friend, and taking from under his pillow a sum of money, "go," said he, "and give that

to St. Brigid's Orphanage," he then died. Other Priests apparently not very near to death but illumined by light from the other World, came with, or sent donations in the hope of a good death, such as Father BLACK, a former Parish Priest of Finglas, and Father EDWARD O'CONNELL, P.P. of St. Laurence O'Toole's. May the good God, the Father of the Orphan, bestow upon them Eternal glory. Among those who sustained Miss AYLWARD in her difficulties the Most Rev. Dr. KIRBY stands pre-eminent. He did not and could not give much material help, but he pledged his experience, prudence, and the holiness of his character to carry on the fight for the faith in Ireland. He secured the good-will and the blessing of the two great Popes, Pius IX. and Leo XIII. for the Orphanage of St. Brigid, and the Schools of the Holy Faith. It is due to the influence of Cardinal CULLEN and Archbishop KIRBY that Pius IX. granted Indulgences to all, who in any way assist the Orphanage and Schools of the Holy Faith, and these Indulgences can be gained still. The following letter was received on the receipt by him of the news of Miss AYLWARD's death, and it is right to add that Dr. KIRBY had known Miss AYLWARD from her infancy.

Collegio Irlandese, Roma,

November 2nd., 1889

To the Sisters of the Holy Faith, Dublin,

Dear and beloved Sisters in J C ,

I will not attempt to describe to you my feelings on learning from your valued letter and from Rev Father GOWAN the loss you have sustained in the departure of your lamented Mother and Foundress, my old and most valued friend, MISS AYLWARD. I knew her from her early youth, in which it was easy to discern the seeds of the piety and zeal for God's glory which in her after life produced the happy fruits, some of which you have mentioned in your letter. I can easily therefore imagine the pain you must have felt on her departure from your midst. I say of her *departure*, in deference to the wishes of St. Francis de Sales, and St. Alphonsus, who declare that the demise of such souls should not be called by the name of *death*, as it is really not a death, but a happy gate, says the latter saint, through which they pass to the true and everlasting life of the Blessed in heaven. Of course we poor weak mortals, deeply feel our separation from them. But even that will be of only short duration; as we daily approach with rapid strides to the hour of liberation from this our mortal prison, when through the Merits of our loving Saviour and the intercession of His blessed Mother, we, too, poor exiles

shall be united with our dear departed ones, to sing with the Angels and Saints the praises of "Him—the Lamb, who sitteth on the throne and makes us Kings (and Queens) to reign with Him for ever." So you see, dearest Sisters, with what a great big heart we should continue to work and to suffer for so good a God, who rewards so generously the poor paltry services we render Him in this life.

I was delighted to hear what you wrote to me of our dear departed one, and of the noble monuments she has left after her—the fruits of her strong faith, and of her fervent charity, and of the like spirit of her children the Sisters of the Holy Faith—her faithful co-operators during her life, and with the Divine aid the faithful imitators of her charity and zeal after her departure to receive her rewards.

Please give my kindest respects to all and each of the Sisters of your other Convents. I send by this day's post a little picture to remind them to pray sometimes for Yours most Sincerely in Christ.

✠ T KIRBY,

Archbishop of Ephesus.

During the early years of the Orphanage, Miss AYLWARD, though suffering and weak in health, made many excursions for the purpose of collecting funds, to various districts in Ireland and to France. Her success was trifling if estimated by the amount of cash received, but it was remarkable that those who promised subscriptions to the amount of one pound

or ten shillings annually were most faithful in sending them every year till called out of life by Almighty God. Another remarkable fact is that whilst collecting she secured the friendship of the good Dr FURLONG, Bishop of Ferns, and through him the really valuable assistance of RICHARD DEVEREUX, who gave to St. Brigid a ship. It was expected that this ship would supply a considerable yearly income to the Orphanage. But it pleased Providence that her earning was only trifling and Mr DEVEREUX purchased her and paid the money to Miss AYLWARD. The Very Rev Canon LACY, P.P, Gorey, was a devoted friend from the beginning. A very short time before his death, and on the occasion of his last visit to Dublin, he offered a donation for the building of a School on the Coombe. He was told that there was no likelihood of such a School being built within any reasonable time. "No matter, he said, "take this five pounds and keep it for the beginning of that work. That five pounds had to wait some twenty years for its destination. The good Canon did not survive this noble act longer than a few weeks. It may be observed here how wonderful it was to find so many exalted personages, men of ability and prudence who by their vocation and their daily occupations were obliged to scrutinize, to calculate the consequences of their acts, and to be always

wary of what they did, to find such men give their confidence and their approbation and a portion of their income to a stranger who was at the same time an invalid. How can this be explained? She was trying to do the work of God to protect the faith of poor Orphan children and to preserve to Ireland her most precious heritage and so God worked with and for her.

But these were Ecclesiastics and in helping her they were fulfilling their vocation. There were others, men of the world, business men and men engaged in professions that tend to make them worldly. Even here St. Brigid found co-operation and help, and it is noteworthy that the largest donations received from lay Catholics came unsought. One of those large benefactors was a Mr COSTIGAN, City Treasurer. He sought information at the Office, 46 Eccles-street, and examined closely the management of the Institute and its results, and being satisfied gave a considerable sum of money. Miss AYLWARD was ill at the time, and did not see him. She requested a Priest of her acquaintance to wait on Mr. COSTIGAN at the City Hall and thank him on her part. The Priest accordingly called for Mr COSTIGAN, and on his coming into the waiting-room, the Priest, in his best manner, said he was commissioned by

Miss AYLWARD to thank him for his very seasonable donation to the Orphanage. "Don't thank me, sir, don't thank me, sir," repeated Mr COSTIGAN, and making a courteous bow, said, "thank God, sir," and returned to his office.

Mr SANDERSON was a solicitor and a man of great financial capacity. During his lifetime he never contributed anything to the funds of the Orphanage and, in fact, the Sisters of Faith did not know of his existence till he began to make enquiries about the Orphanage, its rules and management. They were consequently agreeably surprised when they found in his Will, a bequest of £4,000 for Miss AYLWARD'S charities, the application of the greater part of which he prudently left to Miss AYLWARD'S own judgment. A short time before he died he told one of the Sisters that the chief reason why he made the bequest was the harsh and unjust treatment of Miss AYLWARD during her trials and imprisonment. Another large benefactor of the Orphanage was the late Mr JAMES GORMAN. Unlike Mr. SANDERSON, he had contributed generously to the Orphanage many years before his lamented death. His custom was to come to the Orphanage once a year and hand in £5. The Sister in charge wished of course to show him all possible respect,

but he never could be prevailed upon to come farther than the hall, and on these occasions it was noticed that he came and departed on foot. It was strongly suspected that another reason for his manner was the saving of the penny or two pence postage. This was really a noble character, so economic in his personal expenses, so generous to the poor, and so strong in faith.

Another of the deceased benefactors was the late Mr ANDREW W BYRNE, of Crony-Byrne. He gave considerable sums for a good many years. The interest he took in the work, the joy he felt at every step in advance was so heartfelt that his words, his very look raised the spirits of the Sisters and made them love their vocation. His success in most important and difficult undertakings, and much of the domestic happiness which blessed his mountain home were, he firmly believed, some of the benefits he received for patronising the Orphanage. He often said to his friends, St. Brigid's was one of the best investments. There are many other deceased Benefactors whose names are preserved by the Sisters for daily prayer both of the Sisters and the Orphans, and will be handed down to future generations of Sisters and Orphans for perpetual remembrance.

It was the intention of Miss AYLWARD that the Ladies of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, should have the direction and the management of the Orphanage. With this view a few elderly ladies associated themselves with Miss AYLWARD and for a time conducted the Orphanage. God gave the work a considerable amount of success in their hands, but as might be expected, from ill health or other causes all dropped off by degrees, and as it were by a disposition of Divine Providence it was found necessary to establish a community the members of which would be bound together by the Vows of Religion. At this conjuncture the Almighty sent the above-mentioned devoted and self-sacrificing ADA ALLINGHAM (afterwards Sister Mary Frances) who stood by Miss AYLWARD from the beginning to the end, and who managed the Orphanage of St. Brigid with so much zeal and prudence during the imprisonment of Miss AYLWARD, and continued to do so for thirty years until God called her to her everlasting reward. About the term of Miss AYLWARD'S imprisonment, Divine Providence inspired other young persons to join the Institute and thus the Sisterhood was formed in the year 1861, with the cordial approbation of His Eminence the late Cardinal CULLEN, and was placed under the invocation of the Immaculate Mother of God and the Patroness of Ireland, St.

Brigid. The members were called the "Sisters of the Holy Faith." Besides their own sanctification, they have only one object, one purpose, one work that is the instruction of youth. They are the daughters of Ireland, working on Irish soil, and teaching the children of Ireland. St. Brigid's work had a very humble beginning but has increased insensibly in such an unforeseen manner, and has saved so many poor children with so little human assistance, that it may be truly called the Work of God. Under God it began, through God it has grown, and it is firmly hoped that He will give it stability and perpetuity for His own glory's sake and the souls of the children of His poor who are perishing

The Almighty in His infinite goodness draws good out of evil, and from the snares and evil works of heretics He has called into being St. Brigid's Orphanage. The enemies of the Faith strove to destroy the children of the poor in Ireland, and God has opened an asylum under Ireland's lovely Patroness, which will, with His Divine assistance, save more than they have destroyed, and long outlive the evil which gave occasion to its birth.

FIFTY-EIGHT Orphans and
 NUMBER OF ORPHANS destitute children have been
 REARED. admitted into St. Brigid's Or-
 phanage during the year 1896.

These added to those received in previous years, make a total of TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR received since the commencement. These FIFTY-EIGHT Orphans were, without exception, in great danger of losing the precious gift of faith, or of moral degradation. In most cases both parents were taken away, and St. Brigid was their only friend. It must be gratifying to the friends of the Orphanage to know that they have saved over two THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED poor helpless innocents from want, from misery, and above all from the greatest calamity that could befall them, namely—the loss of faith.

FIFTY-SIX Orphans were provided
 ORPHANS for during the year 1896—in the
 PROVIDED FOR. manner following.—TEN were put
 to trades or placed in situations,
 ELEVEN were adopted by their foster-parents, TWENTY
 EIGHT were restored to guardians, and SEVEN died.
 These FIFTY SIX Orphans provided for during the
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 former years, make the large total of TWO THOUSAND

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-TWO, and of these FIVE
 HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHT have been adopted into the
 families in the country where they were reared. One
 very touching instance occurred during the year
 that has just elapsed. A young infant was given to
 a good woman in the country—she was full of faith
 and looked upon the infant as a gift from God. The
 infant, too, became very much attached to its nurse.
 After two years the mother, who was living, claimed
 this child and her sister, both of whom were in the
 Orphanage. Meanwhile the good nurse became in-
 consolable at the loss of the little one and begged
 us to give her the mother's address—we did so—
 she succeeded in finding the mother who in the
 meantime had contracted marriage with a Pro-
 testant. She begged for the little child to be given
 back to her that she might rear it as her own with-
 out any payment, the mother refused, the good nurse
 secured the prayers of some religious communities
 and had the Holy Mass offered that she might
 succeed in getting back the child. She left her
 address with the mother. After four months the
 mother sent the little child to the country to this
 good woman who received it with great joy, and who
 got a Mass of thanksgiving offered for the restora-
 tion of the child.

ADVANTAGES OF THE OUT-DOOR SYSTEM. The great advantages of the out-door system are numerous. The children are provided with a home—a good and happy home, together with kind foster parents.

They become strong, healthy, bright, and intelligent. It must be remembered that most of St. Brigid's children, when admitted, were weak and sickly—some even wasted with want and disease, after some time in the country they become, so to say, new children. Indeed, each succeeding year we are more and more convinced of the salutary effects of rearing the orphans in families. They grow up naturally, they become attached to their new homes, and they learn to fight the battle of life even from their youth. They are reared humbly and are trained to home industries, and are generally content in after life with the place assigned to them by Providence.

EDUCATION OF THE ORPHANS. There has been a marked improvement in the schooling of the Orphans during the year which has just elapsed. The children who were old enough to receive the Sacraments, have all been well instructed and have been carefully prepared for them. The Rev Clergy of the places where St. Brigid's children are located, deserve our heartfelt

thanks for their pastoral and paternal care of them. And Almighty God, the Father of the orphan and the desolate, will assuredly reward them abundantly. The secular education was also well attended to and we offer our best thanks to the teachers of the several Schools, for the pains they took in the instruction of the Orphans. SIXTY HALF SOVEREIGN premiums have been distributed during the past year to the Orphans, namely:—for prayers and catechism, twenty, confirmation, twelve, writing, ten, reading, ten, arithmetic, eight. These premiums are a great encouragement to the children and all, with few exceptions, apply themselves to learn till they have obtained them. The greater number of St. Brigid's children are now attending schools taught by the Sisters of the Holy Faith, who give them an education suitable to their position in life. They impart to them a thorough knowledge of the Christian Doctrine, reading, writing, ciphering, and to the girls, needlework. The children of St. Brigid are taught to have great respect and reverence for the clergy and for holy places and things, and are early impressed with a love for the Blessed Virgin, and above all for the House of God, where dwells our Lord in the adorable Sacrament.

The number of Orphans in the Institution on the 31st of December, 1896, was 250. All the Orphans

who are able to lisp, pray every morning and night for their Benefactors, the Sisters of the Holy Faith recite the Rosary every day, and Mass is celebrated every week for them likewise. It may be well to observe that none of those who collect for St. Brigid's works receive any salary or earthly remuneration. It is little short of a miracle that a work of such proportions could be carried on without salaries or even percentage. Yet such is the case. And the Managers hope and believe that as the Almighty has up to this blessed and prospered the Work under taken solely for His glory, He will continue to bless it in the future. The constant and persevering efforts of the members of the Guilds who collect the pence of the poor, is an obvious manifestation of the blessing of God upon the work. It would be a great blessing if their numbers could be increased, and we beg of God to inspire those who have a few leisure hours to devote them to the aiding of so glorious and much needed a work. Mr STEINER perseveres with untiring zeal in the good work of collecting funds through city and country



DEATH OF FATHER GOWAN.

It is with the deepest sorrow that the Sisterhood have to record the death of their saintly Father and joint founder. In him the Orphanage has to deplore its greatest earthly loss. It is a very touching fact that the saintly Father was called to his reward when engaged in writing this Report. He discontinued it only when obliged to begin his Annual Retreat, and it was his intention, as he said, to finish it at its close, but God willed otherwise, and on Saturday morning, 16th January, in the midst of his holy Retreat, after having celebrated Mass and heard confessions as usual, he became weak, and in a few minutes passed quietly, calmly and painlessly to his everlasting reward in the midst of his sorrowing children, who shall ever deplore the irreparable loss of their beloved Father, their saintly guide, and their revered friend. R.I.P. It may be said of him what he himself said so feelingly and so appropriately of the late Cardinal CULLEN "He was the Father and protector of St. Brigid's Works. Everything in them was dear to his heart. St. Brigid was one of his dearest patrons. The Faith, its maintenance in Ireland in all its pristine strength

and purity was, it might be said, the labour of his life. The Orphan child of the poor of his people, ah! many a tear he shed over it for he had a tender heart. His loss is very great, nay, almost irreparable, but God often shows His power most when human aid fails. Let us hope and pray that His Divine Majesty may give to him the reward He has promised to those who receive his little ones in His Name."

The following Memoir was written by a gifted Confrère of the lamented deceased.

"To sketch fully the career or to pourtray in any adequate manner the character of Father GOWAN would need more time and more space than we can now command. We shall content ourselves merely with touching on a few of the most prominent circumstances and the most salient features of his holy life. A native of the diocese of Dublin and of the parish of Skerries, he was born in the year 1817. Whilst yet young he evinced a strong inclination for the Church. After the usual preparatory training at home, and after a course in Maynooth distinguished by great earnestness and success, he was ordained for his native diocese in 1840, and straightway was appointed as curate in the parish of Glendalough. As a zealous and hardworking missionary priest,

Father GOWAN laboured here with benediction for several years. The times, indeed, were such as to call for the exercise of every priestly virtue and for proof of the most heroic zeal. Famine during some of these years was abroad upon the land, numbers died daily of starvation and want; there was no help for the people, the priest was their solitary friend. Father GOWAN was more than equal to the call. Not only was he ever present with his people in their trials, but he even shared in their privations—he felt the pinch of famine himself, and many a time in after life did he electrify an audience while describing in his own vivid style scenes in '47 and 48 which he had not only witnessed, but in which he had actually shared.

After ten years devoted to this noble work Father GOWAN felt a call to a life more interior and detached; and obedient to the voice from on High he sought amongst the Sons of St. Vincent the means of uniting himself more closely with God. No one could bring to that Congregation qualities more fitted to become a useful missionary than he. Blessed by God with no ordinary powers of mind, born and living amongst the people, a sharer in their sorrows and their joys, and animated especially by a zeal for their salvation,

there was nothing wanting in Father GOWAN to become, in every sense of the word, a missionary according to St. Vincent's own heart. Hence, from his first appointment on the missionary staff at Phibsboro', he was not only a favourite but had great power in the pulpit and in the confessional alike. In the pulpit especially he wielded an extraordinary influence over hearts. He had a style of preaching all his own—a style not based on the arts of rhetoric, 'not in the persuasive words of human wisdom,' but, "in the showing of the spirit and power deriving its force from the inmost conviction and sincerity of his soul. To hear him speak, you forgot the man, you heeded not the voice, you felt yourself, as it were, enthralled. It was heart that appealed to heart, it was soul that spoke to soul. And so, wherever Father GOWAN appeared to preach, his sermons were accompanied with astonishing fruit and productive of the most lasting results

Father GOWAN was also often employed by his superiors in the work of clerical Retreats. For this, even more than for Missions, he had a particular talent and a most special grace, and his labours herein were crowned with even still more conspicuous success. Wherever he went, not only did he prove himself to be a man of virtue and a man of God,

but he impressed his fellow priests with a belief that, in his mouth the word of God had a most extraordinary power and efficacy, that it was in truth the "Word of God, living and effectual, and more penetrating than any two-edged sword."

But it is not on labours such as these—most useful and beneficial though they were—that the reputation of Father GOWAN mainly rests, nor is it from such that the value and the merit of his life ought chiefly be judged. He was identified and his name will be for ever linked with something even more useful than the work of assisting at Missions and Retreats. He was practically the founder of the Sisterhood of the Faith, and as long as the Sisters of this body persevere in their mission, as long as they continue to provide a refuge for the Orphan and education for the poor, so long will Father GOWAN'S work live, so long will there remain a monument of his piety and his zeal.

Briefly stated, the object of this work is to counteract the efforts of the proselytizer and to forestall the agents of the "Bird's Nest." The good work began thus:—Some forty years ago among Father GOWAN'S penitents was a certain pious lady who devoted her leisure moments and the means that God had given her to works of charity towards the poor. Father

GOWAN discovered his penitent to be a woman of no common grace, and blessed by God with no ordinary gifts, and he judged that Miss AYLWARD—was the instrument destined by God for attempting a work in the city the necessity for which had been long and keenly felt. There was no adequate provision in those days for the rescue of the homeless and the orphan, and many a poor child was snatched up and lost to the Faith, who, if some home or institution had existed, might otherwise have been saved. This devoted pair began the noble work. They did not aim at much at first. They were content with rescuing the few that their modest means allowed, and thus, in this simple way, was the little grain of mustard-seed laid in the ground. By degrees it took root, raised itself up above ground, and to-day—thank God for it—we see it grown into the mighty tree capable of affording so much security and protection within its branches and its leaves. The few companions that gathered around Miss AYLWARD and Father GOWAN forty years ago have developed into a large Institute of Sisters now, and the humble efforts of former days have expanded into a great system of saving little children not only from perils to their faith, but from ignorance and from every other evil incident to their time of life. Such is the noble work which best

bespeaks the merit of the life of Father GOWAN. Surely he must have been a man of special excellence, whom God had destined to give not only life and existence, but to have been the guiding spirit and the very soul of so great a work. And such was in truth the case. He was a man of deep and profound humility. He was emphatically a man of prayer. His guiding rule in every act of life was the holy will of God. To see him was to be convinced how mortified a man he was, and as to his spirit of simplicity and to his love of poverty those who are in any way conversant with his habits and his ways will not need to be told to what an extent these virtues were carried by Father GOWAN. Above all he was a man of consuming zeal. Even when arrived at a ripe old age, and when he might legitimately have taken a little rest, he could not abandon work. Where the interest of the orphan or the schools was at stake he shrank from no sacrifices—he counted no cost. It was only the other day that he undertook for him a most extraordinary task—to preach a charity sermon in their behalf. It was surely a touching sight to see this drooping old man, this octogenarian, pleading with all his wonted eloquence in such a cause. Those present at Gardiner-street on that day will not soon forget that sight, nor will the effect of his last words be readily effaced.

Judging from the result of his effort his sermon must have produced a prodigious effect. The large sum of £253 was the response of the audience to his appeal. Such was the life of this holy man. Full of works and full of days he has gone to his reward. May he now repose from his labours, and may his soul rest in peace.'

FUNERAL OBSEQUIES OF THE REV. JOHN GOWAN, C M.

(*Extract from 'IRISH CATHOLIC.'*)

On Monday, 18th January, the funeral obsequies of the Rev. JOHN GOWAN, C.M., the venerable and saintly clergyman, were carried out with fitting solemnity in St. Peter's Church, Phibsborough. At the Office and Requiem Mass, which commenced at eleven o'clock, an immense congregation assisted. The altar and other parts of the sacred edifice were draped in black, the coffin containing the remains rested on a catafalque, also covered with mourning cloth. His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, presided, and within the altar rails were—Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe, Right Rev. Monsignor Gargan, President Maynooth College, and

Right Rev. Dean Walsh, P.P., V.G. At the High Mass the Right Rev. Monsignor Fitzpatrick was celebrant, the deacon, the Rev. Father Moynihan, C.M. St. Joseph's, Blackrock, the sub-deacon, Rev. W. Murphy Adm. Westland row. The chanters were Rev. Father Lube and Rev. T. Hardy, C.M., Phibsborough. The Rev. Father Ridgeway and Rev. Father Conran, C.M., were masters of the ceremonies.

At the conclusion of the High Mass the coffin was removed for burial in the cemetery of the Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin. The hearse was followed by a throng of mourners, to whom the death of the zealous and holy Priest is a deep sorrow.

His Grace the Archbishop, with the students of Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, awaited the remains.

The coffin then was borne to the cemetery accompanied by His Grace the Archbishop, the Very Rev. and Rev. Clergy, members of the Community of the Sisters of the Holy Faith, numbering over one hundred, the pupils of the convent, and a large concourse of friends. Having reached the beautiful little cemetery in the convent grounds situated on the slopes of the Tolka, the coffin was placed in the grave amidst the sighs and tears of the many present.

who so deeply and greatly deplored the loss of so good and holy a Priest. The Benedictus was then exquisitely rendered in the presence of the Archbishop by the assembled clergymen and the students of Holy Cross College.

The Very Rev. Father Morrissey, C.M., Provincial of the Vincentian Community recited the "De Profundis."

The remains of Father GOWAN rest close to those of MARGARET AYLWARD, who, in conjunction with him, founded the Sisterhood, and within the walls of whose convent he breathed his last on Saturday after celebrating Mass, and hearing Confessions.



SCHOOLS OF THE HOLY FAITH.

Scarcely second in importance to the Orphanage are the Schools of the Holy Faith or St. Brigid's Catholic Schools, and it is easy to foresee that they are a very important Work of the Sisterhood. The primary object in establishing these Schools was to withdraw the children of the poor from proselytizing day-schools, where their faith was being undermined, and this, thank God, has been done to a great extent. But Father GOWAN and MARGARET AYLWARD had other aspirations, viz. to impart to the poor children a thoroughly Catholic education free from Government control, and subject in all things to the Pastors of the Church. To this blessed work they devoted their time, their talents, and all their energies. The Sisters of the Holy Faith will, by the mercy of God, continue the work, which, with such self-sacrifice and self-devotion their saintly Founders have so well begun, viz. the protection and enlivenment of the Faith. It is their joy and their happiness to devote their lives to the education of the poor children, committed to their care, nay, the poorer and more neglected they are, the more they appeal to the care of the Sisters.

The following statistics will be interesting to the friends and benefactors of the Schools.

Number of Children on Register	3,189
Average Daily Attendance	2,643
Number of First Confessions	352
" " Communions	296
" Children Confirmed	72
Articles of Clothing given	532
Number of Children who receive Breakfast daily	300
Number of Families who got Relief at Christmas	370
Consisting of Individuals	1,478
Adults receiving Religious Instruction on Sunday evenings	44
First Confessions of same	6
First Communions of same	9
Number of Adults Confirmed	10
" " Baptized	2

With grateful hearts therefore we return thanks to the Almighty and good God, for the blessings He has bestowed upon these Schools and to the many friends whom He inspired to assist the works and especially the good Collectors who devote their leisure hours on Sundays without any earthly remuneration to this holy Work. Mr. PARKER deserves

a special word of praise. For upwards of twenty-five years he has been collecting, gratuitously, the pence of the Poor for the Schools We beg of God to bestow upon him and his co-operators in the good Work His choicest blessings

APPOINTMENT OF A DIRECTOR.

It is very gratifying to the Sisterhood to have to report to their friends the appointment of the Rev. JOHN MAHER, C.M., St. Peter's, Phibsboro, as the new Director of St. Brigid's Works. The Community feel that the choice was inspired by Heaven in answer to the prayer of their departed Father and Founder before the Throne of God.

ST. BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

(FOUNDED IN 1856)

2,350 CHILDREN BOYS AND GIRLS, HAVE BEEN ALREADY RECEIVED

The following Donations and Subscriptions in aid of the above Institution have been received from the 1st January 1896, to the 1st of January 1897

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Mrs. E. Kennedy, £1, Mrs. Farransworth, £1; Mrs. Birt, 13s, Mrs. Carton, 13s, Mrs. Fennelly, 13s, Mrs. Potter, 13s; Mr. Becker 12s Mrs. Ennis, 12s; Mr Ivers, 12s; Mrs. Farrington, 12s, Mrs. Harte, 12s, Mr O'Brien, 12s Mr Cummins, 10s; Mr Cooney, 10s Mrs. Taaffe, 10s; Mr Fullerton, 10s Messrs. Kelly 10s Mr. Farrelly, 10s, Messrs. Kelly & Dunne, 10s; Miss Yeates, 10s; Mrs. Hannon, 10s the late Miss M. Lawlor, 10s Miss Buckley 8s 8d; Mrs. Beatty, 8s 8d; Miss M. Beatty, 8s 8d; Mrs. Caffrey, 8s 8d; Mrs. Donnelly, 8s 8d Miss M. Nolan, 8s 8d Mrs. Coghlan, 8s 8d; Mrs. Rourke, 8s 8d; Miss E. Leonard, 8s 8d; Mrs. Hoxey 8s 8d Mr. J M'Donald, 8s 8d, Mr. P Kennedy, 8s 8d Mr Brennan, 8s 8d Mrs. Gilligan, 8s 8d; Miss A. Moore, 7s 6d Mrs. Reddy, 6s; Mrs. C. Reddy, 6s; Mr O'Byrne, 6s; Mrs. O'Neill, 6s; Mrs. Boyle, 6s Mr Delany, 6s; Mr Butler, 6s; Mr. Foley, 6s Mr Murray, 6s; Mrs. Birney, 6s; Mrs. Dempsey 6s Mr. D. Hayden, 6s, Mr M Hayden, 6s Mr Kane, 6s Mr Veitch, 6s Mrs. Ryan, 6s Mrs. Kenny 6s; Mr Foley 6s, Mr Keogh, 6s Mrs. C. Byrne, 5s, Mrs. T Byrne 5s; Mrs. Bebe, 5s; Miss Coffey 5s; Miss M. Coffey 5s Mrs. Carroll, 5s; Mr. Dennehy 5s Miss Doyle, 5s, Mrs. Finlay, 5s Mrs. Farrell, 5s; Mrs. Fox, 5s Mr Fox, 5s; Mr Fogarty, 5s; Mr Fitzgerald, 5s Miss A.M. Healy 5s Mrs. Wyley, 5s; Mrs. Kiernan, 5s, Mr J Kelly, 5s Miss M Hayden, 5s;

Mrs. Kavanagh, 5s Mr Kennedy, 5s; Miss M'Kenna, 5s, Mrs. Landy, 5s Mr W Slattery, 5s, Miss Mackey, 5s; Mr M. Sheehan, 5s Mr. C. O'Connor, 5s; Mr. H. Sweeney, 5s; Miss M. Quinn 5s Mrs. M'Cawley, 5s; Mrs. Magrath, 5s; Mrs. Byrne, 5s.

Alms' Boxes per Miss Cullen at Mr Muldowney's, £1 18s 8d; Mr. Meythens's, 11s 6½d, Mr D. Hayden's, 11s 3d; Mr. Maher's, 6s 8d.



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*In Connection with St. Brigid's Orphanage, from the 1st
January 1896, to the 31st of December 1896.*

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Mr Steiner, Presi- dent	£25 0 0	Mr Murphy	1 12 1
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			£41 2 8

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The Abraham Tontine Society per Mr. Farrell	£0 10 0
St. Kevin's Loan Fund Society, per the late Mr. Ross Byrne	0 10 0
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The "Friendly Brothers," Mount Argus Tontine Society per Mr. Parker	0 8 2
St. Francis Xavier's Tontine Society, per Mr Farrell	0 4 2

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 Sister M. Agnes Vickers (Sister Superior) Saint Brigid's, 46 Eccles Street, Dublin, His Grace the Archbishop, Rev John Maher, C.M. (Director), 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 upwards of Three Thousand Children.

These Schools are not under the National Board, accept no Government grant, and are independent of Government control.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Bequest of the late Mrs. M'Duff, per the Executors	100	0	0	Rev F J. Coffey C.C.	1	0	0
Bequest of the late Mr. J M'Manus, per Rev. P Ryan, C.C.	100	0	0	Rev Dr O'Doherty, C.C.	1	0	0
Donation from Rev P Ryan, C.C.	8	0	0	Mrs. Bury, per Dr Ryan	1	0	0
Mrs. Clements	5	0	0	Mr Creedon, Fermoy	1	0	0
Rev Cornelius Ryan, per Rev J Gowan, C.M.	3	0	0	"A Priest," per Rev J Gowan, C.M.	1	0	0
Messrs. Arnott & Co., Limited	4	0	0	Mountjoy Brewery Co.	1	0	0
Mr. P Cummins per Rev. J Gowan, C.M.	3	0	0	Messrs. Heiton & Co.	1	0	0
The Hon. Mrs. Langdale, per Colonel Dease	2	10	0	Mrs. Dr Ryan, Glasnevin	2	0	0
Very Rev T. Morrissey C.M.	1	0	0	Rev H. Dudley C.C.	0	10	0
The late Mr James Hutchinson	1	0	0	Mr Burke, Co. Kilkenny	0	10	0
Rev J Maher, C.M.	1	0	0	Messrs. Wells & Son	0	10	0
				Mr. J S. Varian & Co.	0	10	0
				Mrs. & Mr Connolly,	0	15	0
				Mr Kearney per Rev. J Kelly C.C.	0	5	0
				Mr Geraghty	0	5	0
				Mr Coghlan	0	5	0
				Mr. P Kearns	0	5	0

The Sisters of Faith return very grateful thanks to Mr John Devin, and Mr Joseph Downes, for several donations of Bread, supplied for the children attending the Poor Schools, Glasnevin.

For the Poor Schools of the Holy Faith, Clarendon Street.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
A Portion of the proceeds of the Sermon preached in St Andrew's, Westland-row, for the Schools of the parish, per Very Rev W J Murphy Adm.	10	0	0	" Anonymous "	0	10	0
Accumulated Interest on Legacy of Mr. Sawse, per Very Rev Father Nevin, O.D.C.	12	3	9	Mr. John Gunn	0	10	0
Very Rev Father Nevin, O.D.C., Prior	1	0	0	Mr. Molloy	0	10	0
Mr Thornton	1	0	0	Mr. C. J Murphy	0	10	0
Mr. Nicholas Lynch	1	0	0	Mr T. Barry	0	10	0
Mr P Hogan	1	0	0	" Anonymous "	0	10	0
Mr P J Plunkett	1	0	0	Mrs. Quinlisk	0	10	0
Mr Richard Worn	1	0	0	Mr. O'Donohoe	0	10	0
Mrs. M'Gowan	1	0	0	Mr. Connery	0	10	0
Mr Francis Devine	1	0	0	Mr. Hegarty	0	10	0
Mr P Cummins	1	0	0	Mrs. Dunne	0	10	0
Mr. J P Butler, J.P.	1	0	0	Mr Meythen	0	10	0
Mrs. Hegarty	1	0	0	Mr Gerald O'Reilly	0	10	0
" Anonymous "	1	0	0	Mrs. Donohoe	0	5	0
Mrs. Nelson	1	0	0	Mr Smyth	0	5	0
" Anonymous "	1	0	0	Mr A. M'Donough	0	5	0
Mr Hugh Hayden	1	0	0	Miss Ganter	0	5	0
" A Friend," per the Sisters of Faith	1	0	0	" Anonymous "	0	5	0
Mr T A. Kelly	1	0	0	Mrs. O'Shea	0	5	0
Messrs. Kelly Brothers	1	0	0	Mr. Andrew Burns	0	9	0
" Anonymous "	1	0	0	Mrs. Garland	0	2	6
Mr Joseph Downes, J.P., T.C.	0	10	0	Mr Keating	0	2	6
" Anonymous "	0	10	0	Mr. M'Caul	0	2	6
Mr. T Murphy	0	10	0	Miss Garry	0	2	6
Alderman Mulligan, J.P.	0	10	0	" Anonymous "	0	4	6
				Mr. Foley	0	2	6
				Collected by Mr Dodd, including 12s from Mr Hayden and 5s from Mr. Rowe	19	16	2
				Collected by Miss Margaret Farrell, including 12s from Mr J. O'Neill, and 8s 8d from Mr & Mrs. Power and 8s from Mrs Hickey	4	18	5

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



St. Brigid's Schools of the Holy Faith,

117 COOMBE, DUBLIN,

LATE WEST PARK STREET

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 Proselytizing Institution of 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 about 800 in daily attendance, about 250 of whom get breakfast each day with a considerable amount of clothing, to the most deserving, 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. They have done immense service both in withdrawing poor Catholic children from the Proselytising Schools, and in providing food for them in St. Brigid's Schools of the Coombe. With the blessing of God, we hope that 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 Very Rev M. Scally, P.P., and by the Rev. F. Carroll, C.C.

The Sisters of Faith in charge of St. Brigid's Schools, 117 Coombe, gratefully acknowledge the following Donations

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
"Anonymous," for Food and Clothing for the Poor Children	100	0	0	' A Lady ' per Very Rev M. Scally, P.P	1	0	0
A portion of the Delany Fund left for the several Schools of the parish, per Very Rev Canon M Manus, P.P	17	0	0	Mr Marlow Clarinda Park	1	0	0
Do., per Very Rev M. Scally, P.P	9	8	0	Mrs. Doyle, Spitalfields	1	2	6
Mr. Murphy's Annual Bequest, per do.	5	0	0	Mr Doyle, for St. Anthony's Bread	1	0	0
Legacy of the late Louisa Poole, per Mr Burke,	15	0	0	Mrs. Farrington, senr	1	0	0
Per Very Rev M Scally, P.P	10	0	0	Mrs. Kavanagh	1	0	0
' Anonymous "	10	0	0	Mrs. Kelly	1	0	0
Mr & Mrs. Bannion	5	0	0	Miss Taylor	1	0	0
' Anonymous "	10	0	0	Miss Collins	1	0	0
Mr. Dalton, Drumartin	6	0	0	Mr O'Keeffe	1	0	0
Messrs. Guinness & Co.	4	0	0	Mr M'Call, P.L.G	1	0	0
Mr Edward Burke Dublin Distillery's Co.	2	0	0	Rev F J Coffey, C.C.	0	10	0
Rev F Carroll, C.C.	1	10	0	Miss Coffey	0	5	0
Mr P M'Donald, for St. Anthony's Bread	1	15	0	Miss Mary Coffey	0	5	0
Rev P Warren, C.C.	1	0	0	Mr Byrne, Wall's-lane	0	10	0
				Mr E M'Donald, for St. Anthony's Bread	0	12	0
				Mr. Rutledge	0	10	0
				Miss Byers	0	10	0
				Mrs. Rafter	0	5	0
				Mr Byrne,	0	10	0
				Miss Flanagan	0	5	0
				Mr O'Brien	0	5	0
				Mr Fox	0	5	0
				Mr Murphy	0	5	0
				Mrs. O'Neill	0	5	0
				Mrs. Murphy	0	5	0
				Miss Hamilton	0	5	0
				Mrs Doyle, 2s 6d	0	5	0
				Mrs. O'Connell, 2s 6d	0	5	0

Collected by

£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Mr. Parker including	Mr. Corrigan, 8s
Mr Lawless, Clan-	2d
brassil-street, £1	Master J Farrington 10 14 4
"A Friend," £2	Mr. John Caffrey 9 8 11½
Mr Wilman,	Mr James Caffrey 7 1 11
Trinity street,	Master P Hendley 5 15 2
12s; Mr. Doyle,	Mr Coffey 3 6 1
Corn market, 12s	Master D. Daly 3 6 1
Mrs. Kenny, 8s	Per M. Flanagan's
Mrs. Duke, 7s 8d;	Alms'-box 1 5 7
Mr O'Keeffe, 5s	" Mr. Burke's 0 1 2
Mrs. Walsh, 6s 11d;	" Mr. Geraghty's 0 16 0
Mr Doyle, Car-	Mr Rowe's 0 1 1
man's Hall, 6s;	

Donations of money (clothing old or new), provisions, etc., etc., for the poor children, will be gratefully received by the Sisters at the Convent, 116 Coombe, Dublin.

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



SOCIETY

OF THE

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, "QUEEN OF CHARITY."
CONVENT, LITTLE STRAND-ST.,

FORMERLY 65 LOWER JERVIS-ST

This Institution was committed, twenty-five years ago, by His Eminence the late Cardinal Cullen, to the Sisters of the Holy Faith. During the past twenty-four years they have conducted herein three Poor Schools, one for girls, one for little boys, and one for infants. The daily attendance is Seven Hundred Poor 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. 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.

Fifty of the children receive breakfast daily at these Schools, and clothing when funds permit.

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," Convent of the Holy Faith, Little Strand Street, or to St. Brigid's, 46 Eccles Street, Dublin.

The Sisters of Faith gratefully acknowledge the following Donations.

*For the Schools of the Holy Faith Little Strand-street, (formerly 65 Lower Jervis-street), and the Society of the B V M.
"Queen of Charity"*

The Right Hon. Chief Baron Palles	£2	0	0
Bequest of the late Mr M'Duff, per Very Rev C. Hickey, C.M. Kxecutor	196	14	1
An Anonymous Friend	10	0	0
Miss B. Smyth	2	0	0
"Anonymous"	1	10	0
Alderman Flanagan, J.P	1	0	0
Mr James Greene	1	0	0
Mr. Charles Kennedy, J P	1	0	0
Mr. Michael Gunn	1	0	0
The Right Hon. Sir Richard Martin, Bart., D.L.	1	0	0
Mr. Nicholas Lynch	1	0	0
Miss Drumgoole	1	0	0
Messrs. D'Arcy & Sons	1	0	0
The Bakers' Association	1	0	0
Alms'-Box at Mr. Byrne's Shanganagh Hotel, Bray	2	4	0
Mr Patrick Donegan	0	10	0
Mr. Peter Mulhall	0	10	0
Mr. George Connor	0	5	0
Per Cards	1	17	1
Mrs. Costelloe	0	10	0
Small Subscriptions for "Queen of Charity"	0	10	3
St. Albert's Burial Society, per Mr Madden	0	8	7
St. Catherine's, do.	0	9	11
St. Kevin's Tontine Society per Mr. Brennan	0	5	6

St. Catherine's Burial Society, per Mr Byrne	0	6	8
Mrs. Clarke	0	5	6
Mr Carton	0	5	0
Mrs. O'Reilly	0	5	0
Mr Kearns', Ball's Bridge	0	5	0
Mrs. Farrington	0	5	0
Miss Hamilton	0	5	0
Mr Rutherford, for 1895	0	5	0
"Anonymous"	0	5	0
Per Mr M'Grath	7	1	0
„ Miss B. Smyth	6	3	6
„ Mr. Fitzpatrick	2	10	1
Collected by Miss Ryan, including £2 10s per Cards	7	11	6
Collected by Miss O'Hanlon, including £1 2s per Cards	3	9	1
Collected on Cards by the Children of Clarendon-street Schools	4	9	0½
Collected on Cards by the Children of the Schools, Strand-street	1	18	0
Collected by Mr Grainger	1	16	7½

Donations of food and clothing will be gratefully received by the Sisters at the Convent, Little Strand-street, for the poor children attending these Schools.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered once every Month for the Members, Subscribers, and Benefactors, living and dead, of these Schools and of the Society of the B.V.M., "Queen of Charity"

The Sisters of Faith return very grateful thanks to Mr. Peter Kennedy for several donations of bread; to Mrs. Doyle and Mr. Richardson for fresh meat; and to Mr James Kavanagh for 80 packages of tea and 80 ditto of sugar supplied for the poor children attending the above Schools.

ST. BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE,

46 ECCLES STREET, DUBLIN.

(FOUNDED IN 1856),

2,374 CHILDREN (BOYS AND GIRLS)

HAVE BEEN ALREADY RECEIVED.

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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 1856, for the purpose of rescuing Catholic Orphans and destitute children from the Proselytizers.

Already 2,374 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 Three 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 applications 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 President 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 Sister M. Agnes Vickers (Sister Superior) 46 Eccles-street, St. Brigid's House, Dublin, where also collecting books, cards, and further information may be had. His Grace the Archbishop, the Rev John Maher, 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 Grace the Lord Archbishop of Dublin 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 Down and Connor; the Lord Bishop of Killala, the Lord Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin; the Lord Bishop of Elphin; the Lord Bishop of Galway; the Lord Bishop of Clogher; the Lord Bishop of Ardagh; Most Rev Dr Donnelly, Bishop of Canea the Lord Bishop of Clonfert, Most Rev Dr Beardwood Lord Abbot Mount St. Joseph's, Roscrea, &c., &c.



#### 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,  
28th of April, 1858.

W H. G. BAGSHAWE.

FORM OF BEQUEST TO ST BRIGID'S ORPHANAGE, OR  
SCHOOLS OF THE HOLY FAITH.

"I give and bequeath the sum of \_\_\_\_\_  
unto the Superior or Treasurer for the time being of St. BRIGID'S  
ORPHANAGE, 46 Eccles Street, Dublin: or Schools of the Holy  
Faith), the same to be paid within \_\_\_\_\_ months next after my  
decease, and applied to the uses and purposes of said  
Orphanage (or Schools); and for which the receipt of such  
Superior or 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.



APPENDIX.

THE LATE REV. JOHN GOWAN, C.M.,

FOUNDER OF THE SISTERHOOD OF THE HOLY FAITH.

It is no easy thing to sketch, even in brief outline, the life, work, and character of a man of God, particularly when, as often happens, the subject of the endeavour has tried to hide his personalty behind the name of an order or congregation, or of the agency through which his conceptions see the light. So it is in the case of the late Father Gowan. In all his work after he had joined them till near the end he was simply one of the Vincentian Fathers. In what remains now his greatest monument, existing in visible concrete form, living and vivifying—the Sisterhood of the Holy Faith and their Schools, and their special initial work, St. Brigid's Orphanage—his creating and organizing, directing and conserving hand remained hidden during the lifetime of Miss Aylward. Had she outlived him it is probable that the fact that she was the Foundress of the Institute only under him, the real Founder, would have re-



mained hidden until his death, when the love of his spiritual daughters would have assuredly revealed it. What wonder, then, that the obituary notices of such a man have been indeed sketchy and inadequate.

Nor is it in the hope or presumption of doing much better that the present writer pens this tribute to the memory of this father and friend, friend to him as to all Priests who consulted this wise counsellor. As of old, monuments were raised to the mighty dead of our race by each clansman and kinsman adding a stone to pile up the *cairn* higher and higher: or, as the poor will bring humble flowers to place on Father Gowan's grave side by side with the rich wreaths of the wealthy, in some such way is this simple monograph put forward among more polished sketches, penned by defter hands. I only claim space to mention certain works and indicate traits of character either unknown to, or untouched, or touched too lightly, by the writers of previous sketches.

Had Father Gowan died half-a-dozen years ago, the ordinary worldling, even of his native diocese, would have sketched his life in some such form as this. Born April 9, 1817, in the seaport town of Skerries, he early felt called to the priesthood. He studied in Maynooth College, and was ordained in 1840. For some ten years he laboured in the parish of Glendalough, when he entered the Congregation of the Mission, of which he remained a faithful member for well-nigh half a century, unto his death on January 16th of the present year.

How bald and bare is such an outline! And yet the arid, sandy surface of the Rand dld not hide

away such precious gold and gems as these few finger-posts on his life's journey indicate to those who knew this man of God and his ways and his works. All forceful things in nature seek the light. We read that even mushroom growths have burst the solid stone. And so the strong sound seeds planted by this tiller in God's vineyard burst even through the repressing obstacle of his own modesty, and proclaimed the hand of the planter. Ere God called him home to Himself everyone had come to know that Ireland, just fresh from persecution, had produced another Founder to rank with the Columbas and Columbanuses of our past history, with St. Francis de Sales and Venerable John Eudes, and Pere Varin of another, albeit kindred race, in modern times. The history of the founding of the Sisterhood of the Holy Faith remains to be written. But the bare facts are these;

Some forty years ago, among Father Gowan's penitents was Margaret Aylward, in whose humility, fortitude, and zeal he discerned the heaven-designed instrument for a much needed work. Proselytism was rife, its agents unscrupulous, their means abundant. This wise Priest thought out a plan, needing funds indeed, but not so large an initial or continued outlay as would the building and maintenance of an orphanage of the usual kind. Moreover, his plan is safer and more fruitful in its results for the spiritual and temporal future of the orphans. Anyone calling at St. Brigid's Orphanage, 46 Ecclesstreet, finds there only the Nun in charge, no children. The orphans are boarded out in the wholesome homes of holy Ireland. There they



have not the hot-bed lives of the usual orphanage. They know life as it is. They form one of the family. Through after years they are not strangers to the saving memories of a Christian home, the want of which no care conferred in crowded institutions can ever make up for. Often the orphans are adopted, and become the stay and solace of their foster-parents. So striking has been the success of the plan that our best Boards of Guardians have taken it up as a means of lifting pauper children from the damning degradation of poorhouse rearing.

Such was the first work Father Gowan set before Margaret Aylward. The Orphanage opened January 1st, 1857. But soon other avenues of zealous activity opened out before her and Ada Allingham, and the other fervent Irish souls who came to help. In 1860 the Sisterhood was launched, Margaret Aylward and Ada Allingham being the two first members. The Ragged Schools of the Coombe and elsewhere, offering bread and soup to the starving children of sick or poor, or drunken parents, in exchange for the souls of God's little ones, demanded counteraction. So schools were built on the Coombe, Clarendon street, and Little Strand-street. Soon others sought for foundations, and now many houses exist throughout the Counties of Wicklow, Dublin, and Kildare, not only for the poor but for all who seek to get for very moderate fees an education whose dominant notes are love and devotion to Faith and Fatherland.

But it would be a mistake to suppose that Father Gowan's life-work was confined to the founding of the Sisterhood of the Holy Faith, and to the various

works of that Institute, although such a life-work alone were worthy of any of God's greatest heroes. His labours were manifold and all singularly fruitful. His record as Curate of Glendalough was in itself enough to sanctify his name. All the Priests of Ireland were then heroic; but among them all Father Gowan's figure stands out pre-eminent, outrivalling even the sublime self-sacrifice of his friend and former class-mate, the late lamented Bishop Duggan. It is remarkable that this great Prelate was drawn to this kindred spirit to make just before his death, last Autumn, a ten days' Retreat under his guidance. No less noteworthy is it that Father Gowan himself was just finishing a Retreat before he himself was called away home. His labours, his devotedness, his self-sacrifice, leading him to subsist in the famine years on a little porridge, are not forgotten in the mountains to this day. His name and fame are as fresh and as fondly spoken to-day by the grandchildren of those whom he edified, as are those of the best beloved dispensers of the sacraments now on the days of their leaving. Love begets love, and Father Gowan's thoroughly Celtic heart so loved his people as to be ready to die for them, to go very near to dying in reality for them, starving himself that he might be able to prolong the life of some famine-stricken, fellow-creature, and only taking enough food to keep him alive to anoint and anoint the dying.

It may be that the knowledge he then gained of the holy homes of Ireland explains the genesis of the plan of his Orphanage. He saw the people in



the comparative plenty of the pre-famine years in the glowing glory of O'Connell's days in the sublime renunciation of a law begotten vice at the preaching of Father Matthew. He saw them in all their joyousness in the good days when the 'cups'\* were plenteous. He saw them again in their sorrow. He saw them in the awful maddening agonies of hunger. He saw them in the depths of despond. But they never despaired. And they died blessing God for their sufferings sooner than take the souter's food at the cost of their souls. He saw and never forgot. How he loved the Wicklow people may in some measure be gleaned from some lectures he delivered about four years ago. An English lady recently recalling these lectures, said 'There was not a dry eye in the hall as the holy man described the martyr-like patience of the people during the famine and fever plague. His experience of those dread times left another effect to which we shall refer later on.

His works, after entering the Congregation, may be put under four or five heads. For the first half-dozen years or thereabouts, he worked as a 'Missioner,' to use the term applied to those members of religious communities who assist the parochial clergy by giving missions. Afterwards, for a decade or more, in addition to his work of Founder, he taught the English Composition Class in Castleknock. Early in the seventies he was appointed Spiritual Director to the Diocesan College of Holy Cross, Clonliffe, and soon after Lecturer on Sacred Eloquence in the

\* A kind of potatoe, particularly nutritious, but all blighted afterwards.

National College, Maynooth. All through from his becoming a Vincentian he continued down almost to his death to give Retreats to Priests and religious communities. Just five weeks before his death he pleaded the cause of his Orphans from the pulpit of St Francis Xavier's Church, Gardiner-street, with a power and eloquence astonishing at his age.

Many explanations have been given of the charm of his style in preaching and lecturing. His undoubted sincerity, 'heart speaking to heart,' is generally set down as the secret of this charm. But it is not this alone. Many speakers, whose sincerity is evident, failed to move as he moved his hearers. His style and manner were so simple as to lead many, indeed all but the deepest thinkers, to fancy that they were unstudied, and that their whole force lay in the sincerity of the speaker. But in truth, all his utterances, even when not formally thought out, were the result of previous thought. His self-sacrificing self starvation during the famine had so permanently weakened his system that he could never afterwards study in the usual sense of the word. He could no longer sit down to pour for hours continuously over books, to collect and collate, and write out elaborately. Yet his language was ever pure and correct, and his arrangement most orderly. Apropos of this I may mention an incident which occurred just nine days before his death. A dramatic performance was given by the pupils of his own Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin. Towards the close of the entertainment a learned Jesuit, himself a great master of style, said to the present writer 'I hope Father Gowan will give



some address I love to hear him; his language is always so pure and correct. Other qualities, such as his earnestness, which was the out-bursting of the most lively faith, the most sentient grasp of supernatural things, deep-rooted in an ardent nature, contributed to his power as a speaker. But the careless cannot quote him as an excuse for their own laziness in preparation. When he could not pore he pondered, and if his utterances were so simple in beauty, so fitted to their purpose, so striking to the mind's eye of the most critical, it was the result of habits of orderly thought, and the deepest study of the rules of composition, made in youth ere want brought on the weakness which barred plodding application.

All who, like the present writer, had the good fortune to hear his lectures on English composition, will agree that although they may have met more showy, they never met a more effective professor. He had a wonderful faculty of securing the attention of all his class, even of persons who never paid attention in other classes. And he had an inspired way of dropping words of counsel that abode forever in the minds of the hearers, and moved them to action. As an instance, he once uttered the prophecy 'The days are coming, and they are near at hand, when everyone who loves his creed and country ought to be prepared to turn the marrow of his bones into materials to defend both against their enemies. Therefore, learn to write &c. Some at least of his hearers have never ceased to hear these words ringing in their ears, spurring them to action. But what above all gave the tone to his

style were his love of nature and his intense love of Ireland and of Ireland's Faith. He loved nature as God made it. He loved human nature as Christ redeemed and restored it. He loved Irish human nature, Irish Catholic human nature, as the dearest flowering of virtue in God's garden. His remembrance of the famine, artificially created by bad laws, allowed to slay its tens and hundreds of thousands—first, by the heartless indifference, and afterwards by the wasteful stupidity, of the alien Government and its agents—gave an intense fierceness to his patriotism. He abhorred the degraded patriotism now blatantly boastful, which would divorce the union of creed and country and so would work in the name of patriotism the worst evil for Erin which her foes have long sought in vain to do. Such false patriotism, if generally adopted, would soon slay Ireland's nationality after slaying the bond of faith, as happened to the Jews when they rejected God, because He would not bring them an earthly kingdom. The shamrock, sacred symbol, is emerald in hue, triune in form. When the hue fades, the shamrock withers and dies. Shorn of a leaf, it is no longer our emblem. So with the faith of him who loves not Ireland. It fades and fails before foreign frowns and fashions. So too the patriotism that is not true to God cannot be trusted by man, or at best would be a lowering love that would sell the soul to batten the body. Such linked love, such perfect patriotism, was Father Gowans. All the more truly did he long for Ireland's freedom, as he saw in the dominant influence an elaborate contrivance for sending the



purest men and maidens on earth away from their pure homes to be despoiled of virtue and degraded into the depths of vice. He loved every legend of our race, every holy well, and every ruined fane. He loved to give in his class such subjects as 'The Well The Churchyard, 'The Chapel Bell. This love of Ireland, this knowledge of Irish ways, aided by a wealth of aptest anecdote and illustration, joined to a style exemplifying his oft impressed qualities of good writing, viz, 'perspicuity, simplicity and pith,' and sent home with the ardent intensity of an earnest conviction and desire of convincing, and all illumined and heated up and endowed with the fiery force of God's Holy Spirit, made the charm of his eloquence

And now I feel that I have trespassed on the space to be in reason expected: not, indeed, far enough for the merit of my subject, but too far for the value of my treatment thereof. Yet I have not culled a tithe of the flowers that might be easily gathered from the life of this holy Priest to lay upon his grave. I only hope that these words of mine may give some comfort to his spiritual daughters, who would be inconsolable were they not confident that his spirit watches over them from heaven. For himself, the writer thanks God for having known one so holy, so wise a counsellor, so true a friend, so ardent a patriot, so edifying a Priest. Of him it may be said as the great Hildebrand said of himself, 'he loved justice and hated iniquity' He was like the patient Gentile of Holy Writ—simple, upright, and fearing God, and avoiding

evil.\* As he once said of himself, in the hopeless time following 48 'he fled from the storms of the world to the shelter of Castleknock. He there found peace, the nursing mother of good works. In peace he brought forth great things that live after him. And now God has taken him to His own peace, to his true home where he can plead for his friends his orphans, his spiritual daughters, and his dear long-suffering country

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