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CONTEST INEVITABLE

Catholic Church Will Resent Interference by France.

BISHOPS WILL HOLD MEETING

Opposition to the Policy of Expulsion and Confiscation of Church Property Will Be the Topic of Discussion.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The crisis in the relations between the Catholic church and the French government is attracting much attention in Catholic circles here. It was reported yesterday that Cardinal Gibbons will summon the archbishops and bishops in America to a special meeting if the French premier carries out his declared policy of expulsion and wholesale confiscation of church property, and that the American prelate will send through Cardinal Richard a letter to their French brethren. It was strongly hinted, too, that Archbishop Farley himself will make a statement in a few days if affairs continue in France as they have begun. The Times today, in a dispatch from Paris quotes Cardinal Richard on the situation as follows:

"Please let American Catholics know from me," the cardinal is reported as saying, "that what the French government is trying to do is to bring about disunion between Catholic believers and their priests and between priests and bishops. But they are not succeeding and never will succeed. The union between these elements is complete. Persecution has no other effect than to bring us all closer together."

Today has been marked by a total absence of any sensational or dramatic incidents anticipated in alarmist quarters in connection with the execution of the law of separation. Parish priests everywhere celebrated mass in the presence of unusually large congregations, but the actions of the police were confined to noting infractions of the law and citing priests and vicars to appear.

Everywhere notices have been served for the evacuation of ecclesiastic residences, seminaries, etc. Several of these buildings were abandoned without further ado, but a majority of the prelates announced that they would depart only under duress. In many parishes both in Paris and the interior of France, the laymen today filed declarations for the holding of services during the coming year. If this practice is generally followed it will be a distinct victory for the government, relieving it of the necessity

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of closing the churches and throwing the responsibility on the clergy of discontinuance of public worship. In the meantime the cabinet is preparing a measure to be introduced into parliament tomorrow.

COUNT IS SORRY.

Brother of Boni De Castellane Arrives in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Count Stanislaus de Castellane, younger brother of Count Boni de Castellane, arrived here yesterday by the North German Lloyd steamship Kron Prinz Wilhelm. He is accompanied by the Countess, a daughter of Francisco Terry of Cuba. Mr. Terry and another daughter, Odelle Terry, are also of the party. They are bound for Cuba.

"My brother," said the Count, "is very sorry that there has been a misunderstanding between himself and his wife. He has been badly treated by the newspapers. He is not coming to America. He cannot leave France because of his political connections."

"Do you think there will be a reconciliation?" he was asked.

"Of that of course I do not know, but I hope there will be," he replied. "The story that he is going to marry again is an example of the way he has been misrepresented. He is a Catholic, and the laws of his church would forbid such a step."

BAD CHECKS APPEAR.

D. J. Arstell Arrested for Passing Bogus Checks.

TILLAMOOK, Dec. 13.—L. J. Arstell, who was arrested on Sunday by Sheriff Crenshaw, while making his way out of the county on the North Yamhill stage, and who forged and cashed a check at Bixby's store at Beaver, that afternoon, also cashed two other forged checks on Saturday, at Bay City. One was for \$32.50, cashed at Nelson & Co.'s store, and the other was for \$15.45, cashed at Con's hotel. Both were signed "Arthur Hunt." Arstell, who pleaded guilty yesterday to forging and cashing the check at Beaver, also admits that he cashed the forged checks at Bay City.

Deputy District Attorney Cooper put the stagedriver in the "sweatbox" because of suspicion that he might be implicated, as Arstell had stated that he had given him his purse, and he had refused to stop the stage when ordered, and to produce his waybill when demanded by Sheriff Crenshaw. The driver, however, told the officials a straight story. He was a new man and afraid of a hold-up. He explained he heard the purse drop and picked it up.

FAST MAIL WRECKED.

Twenty Persons Injured in Railroad Accident.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The Boston mail train No. 29, on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, was wrecked near Melrose, in the outskirts of the city, early this morning. Several trainmen and mail clerks are injured. It is said that none of the passengers were hurt.

The wreck was caused by one of the driving wheels of the engine breaking while the train was running at high speed through a rocky cut. The locomotive was overturned and wrecked. Two of the five mail cars were dragged from the track. Twenty postal clerks were thrown about and cut and bruised, none severely. The fireman suffered a fracture of the arm.

FORMER OFFICER KILLED.

WEISNER, Dec. 13.—J. Wenech was shot through the head today by a woman named Nellie Lamont, who then shot herself in the throat and is not expected to live. The woman says Wenech attempted to shoot her, when she killed him. Wenech was formerly chief of police at Sumpter, Oregon, and a police officer at Butte.

ANONYMOUS LETTER

Saves Chicago Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars in Suit.

WAS PERSONAL INJURY PLOT

Inga Hansen Sent to the Penitentiary for Swearing That Boy Was Injured in Falling Through Hole.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—An anonymous letter of six words probably saved the city of Chicago \$25,000 yesterday, and at the same time, according to the city's lawyers, exposed a personal injury plot paralleled only by the Inga Hansen case, against the Chicago City Railway Company, in which she was sent to the penitentiary for perjury.

A 7-year-old Jewish boy who has been ill in a hospital for three years suffering with an incurable spine disease, was the feature in the case around which the plaintiff's lawyers had built an apparently impregnable battery of facts.

The case ended in Judge Chetlain's verdict against the boy. This verdict court after a nine days battle with a diet was reached after his relatives and physicians had testified with unswerving unanimity that on November 14, 1903, the boy's troubles had begun as the result of falling into a hole in a sidewalk in Morgan street.

The "tip" which turned the tide of the case, just as the city's lawyers had about given up hope and the jurors, as they afterward admitted, were about determined to give the boy \$25,000, was found on the desk of Assistant City Attorney Scherron. It was not signed and read as follows: "Go to the west side Jewish hospital."

Investigators were sent out and learned from Dr. Reinhardt of the hospital staff, that the boy had been ill the day he was alleged to have been hurt.

It was learned that the boy's injury was such that it would have taken a year's growth to bring him into the condition in which he was brought to the hospital three years ago.

It was learned that the boy had entered the hospital three weeks before the alleged injury in Morgan street, that he had been ill before he left Roumania, and that the boy's mother had remarked to one of the hospital nurses that her son had been ill for eight months before she brought him to the hospital.

Abraham Goldstein was the boy. Dr. Myr Nota is the physician who testified for the boy. There were many other witnesses and after the case was ended Mr. Herron said the evidence of perjury would be taken before the next grand jury.

M'CARREN TRIAL.

Democratic Senator From Brooklyn to Be Investigated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Senator Patrick H. McCarren, the Democratic leader in Brooklyn, will practically be put on trial today before a special committee on the charge that he purposely contributed to the defeat of W. R. Hearst during the recent gubernatorial campaign. It is not expected that today the committee, which will meet at the Hotel Victoria, will do more than decided upon a form of procedure.

Luke D. Stapleton and Isaac M. Kapper, counsel for the senator, will demand that he be furnished with a bill of particulars detailing what his alleged political offenses have been. They will also demand that sessions of the committee be held in Brooklyn.

HOME FOR INCURABLES.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Four hundred thousand dollars, it was learned yesterday, has been set apart in the will of the late Otto Young, as an endowment for the Chicago Home for Incurables. The bequest, which is said to be the largest gift to a charitable institution that is contained in the document, was made in memory of the late millionaire's son, John Williams Young, who died ten years ago.

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