

THE CITY'S CHARITIES.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT THEM.

Large Results—Many Hundreds of Unfortunates Supported Entirely or in Part by Their Fellow-Men and Women—A Charity of the City that is Just Beginning.

The church and charities are coordinate institutions. A few weeks ago PROGRESS gave some figures showing the financial status of the church as a whole in this city.

Taking up the facts respecting the charities of the city it will be found that the same large results are shown. A large sum of money is spent here annually in charitable and philanthropic work and many hundreds are supported wholly or in part by their fellows.

Some of the leading charities of the city are as follows: Public charities, general public hospital, asylum for the insane, almshouse reformatory.

Private charities, Mater Misericordiae hospital, protestant orphan asylum, Wiggins' male orphan asylum, girls' orphan asylum, Cliff street; boys' orphan asylum, Silver Falls; home for aged women, home for fallen women, Relief and Aid society, Kings' Daughters, seaman's mission, Y. M. C. A., W. C. T. U., St. Vincent de Paul society, etc.

Among all these the biggest institution is probably the provincial lunatic asylum in Lancaster, with its main building near the suspension bridge and an annex on the bay shore near MacLaren's beach.

The almshouse is another institution where is exemplified that special object of government, to cause the weak to be supported by the strong. Here during the last year nearly 300 people were supported during the whole or part of the period and there were lodged there on the average 175 or 180 people at a time.

there for forty years, and a maid to look after the farm. The number in the institution at present is about the same as usual, though it was expected that there would be more applications for admittance.

One of the charities of the city which is just now beginning, but which is destined to accomplish much good is the Boy's Industrial Home or the reformatory at Crouchville. This was established, it might be said, almost entirely through the exertions of Lady Tilley, and it will do much toward the reformation of boys who have started on the wrong road.

A LETTER FROM "ROSA D'ERINA." Rose O'Toole Received this Title from the Empress Eugenie. The sketch entitled "The Rose of Erin," on the first page of last week's PROGRESS, has brought forth a letter from the famous singer referred to, which is of autobiographical, historical and phonological significance.

To THE EDITOR OF PROGRESS:—There are numbers of people, and people apparently of intelligence, who attach a kind of reproach to the name of "Bridget." This name is a synonym of virtue, and originally was bestowed, not merely as a baptismal name, but as a high honor, on princesses and women of noble birth.

Of course I was born in Ireland. My family name before my marriage was O'Toole. The name O'Toole is a corruption of O'Tuathail, which signifies "of the nobles." I need not go back to the history of Ireland to prove my lineage.

I was christened Rose Anne, and my grandfather always called me Rosheen. After my debut in Ireland I was always called "Rosheen bhinn na ndhan," "Sweet-voiced Rose of Song." During the great Dublin exhibition Prince Bonaparte and suite attended my recitals in the main building.

ANTIDOTE FOR KISSES.

CARRY A FLASK OF DISINFECTANT LIQUOR IN YOUR POCKET.

The Disadvantages of the System—Kissing. Like Truth, is not Crushed to Earth with Impunity—Mr. Strange Prefers His Liquors and Kisses Separate and "Straight."

Picture the ardent lover waiting eagerly for his betrothal kiss and wiping his lips expectantly, while his adored one hunts around amongst the seven pockets which are now an essential feature of the best tailor-made suit, for her little crystal flask of "disinfectant liquor," in order to have it in readiness for an immediate sip after the ceremony; and then discovering that she has left it at home in the pocket of her other coat!

It has long been patent even to the least observant reader of the signs of the times, that the good old institution of kissing has in serious danger. One scientist after another has assailed it and pointed out its dangers, without I think causing any serious diminution of the practice.

But kissing, like truth, was not to be crushed to earth with impunity; it was too old and valued an institution to be overthrown without a struggle, and therefore when science and medical authority declared against it in a crushing majority, and things looked darkest for its survival, an unknown champion has risen up in its defence bearing an antidote to its subtle but sweet poison in the shape of a "disinfectant liquor," which is warranted to render the most dangerous kiss as harmless and as healthful as a peppermint lozenge.

Now in the vocabulary of the far West, where the traveller is obliged to be constantly on his guard against snake bites, disinfectant liquor which is carried in a flask, means but one thing—whiskey—and the victim is not particular about measuring the size of the dose.

whether it is intoxicating or not, since the consequences of five hundred "nips" of the very mildest mountain dew would be too awful to contemplate calmly.

Whether intoxicating or not, it is to be hoped that the post-oculatory draught is pleasant both to taste and smell, for we have been accustomed from time immemorial to compare a kiss with everything that is delicious—strawberries and cream, pineapple sherbet, marshmallows, and chocolate creams, all in one, and it would be too bad if the sweetness were to be eliminated along with the poison.

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