### FIVE-MINUTE SERMON

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Paul devotes his epistle to the Hebrews to the establishment of these two questions, namely, the priestly character of Christ, and the continuance of a sacrificial form of worship under the New Law.

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

And Herod sending Filled all the men children that were in Bethelbem and in all the confines thereof from two years old and younger.

Who is not shocked by the recital of Herod's cruelty? Carried away by pride and ambition, and the fear of losing what he had usurped, this tyrant tried to put to death the King of Kings by the murder of the ho y innocents. Who in our day are like Herod? Those who murder innocent children. Frendish mothers, desiring, perhaps, to cover their shame or to escape the labor of bearing and bringing up children, take the lives of their unborn lufants. Those, too, who knowingly sell or give or advise the use of drugs calculated to destroy the life of the sunborn—all such commit Herod's crime. Yet how often this crime is nowadays committed!

Woe to these wretches! Woe to the Herod-like physicians who, for any reason whatsoever, directly prescribe or use means to prevent child-birth! Herod met his punishment in a bad death, and his soul went itora hell of eternal torments. What mus, the murderers of the sacrifice of Melchisidech was identical with the sacrifice of Melchis after the multiplication of Calvary in this wise. In the sixth a The sacrifice, which Christ was to offer according to the order of Melchisi-

Woe to these wretches! Woe to the Herod-like physicians who, for any reason whatsoever, directly prescribe or use means to prevent child-birth! Herod met his punishment in a bad death, and his soul went into a hell of eternal torments. What must the murderers of little children expect?

But I have another cruelty to cry out against. It is that of those who destroy the "little ones of Christ" by neglecting to instruct their little children in the way of salvation. The law of God requires that children as soon as they have the use of reason, which is about the age of seven years, should know the elements of the Christian doctrine, should know the necessity of avoiding sin, and smould be taught the practice of virtue; also, which shall be offered for you.

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mitted the existence of God we must admit the possibility of miracles.

The existence of God could be demonstrated by reason. Science told us this world was not eternal. It had had a beginning and therefore it must have had a Creator. If the world depended on God for its being it depended on God for its action. The laws of nature must be dependent on the will of the Creator, and therefore they could be Address or consult Dr. McTaggart. 75 Yonge Creator, and therefore they could be

church supported only by the voluntary offerings of its people.

Well, if that doesn't beem to know that Parliamentary rule was in force in Eoglaid before ever Puritanism was dramed of. He doesn't seem to be aware that this system of government was evolved when England was Catholic to the core. And it is just as absurd to say that the Puritans worked out here in America "a free Church in a free State." They did nothing of the an idea was looked upon as heresy. With them the Church and State were emphatically one. They had no other emphatically one. They had no other thought. It was the coming in of other peoples of other ways of religious teaching which compelled the Puritans to give way.

And the condition of things as regards Church and State which obtains in this country at the present day, and which works so admirably that none of us would change it, is the result of a compromise. It would be simply impossible for us here in America with our many religions to exist under any other system. The Puritans, as such, had very little to do with creating this condition; and the idea of praising them for working it out is simply preposterous.

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devil acknowledges this by crying out, anti-clericalism is the gun that shoots the avowed and condemned criminal whose name he would pet.

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The New York Sun of recent date says that in their deeds—and deeds are after all the only things that count—they are one. "Philosophically the two (anarchist and socialist), are the poles apart: when it comes to disorder, to upsetting everything in sight, the militants among them adopt the same methods."

Monsieur Jaurès ideutifies his socialistic cause with Ferrer's and cries in several verses, one of which runs "Happy Ferrer! Francesco Ferrer is dead by the will of those who govern Spain. i. e., the priests." A lie—for the priests are subjects of their king and the king in turn has his course shaped by the established laws. So we have learned one thing for certain—that there is no practical difference between socialism and anarchy. Both throw bombs at Church and State, and want a something begotten in the brain of a mob to end in the screamings of vice, to supplant the Christianity that has hlessad the world and

ten in the brain of a most of end in the screamings of vice, to supplant the Christianity that has blessed the world and continues so to bless, even though madness would shout her down.

The Literary Digest of Nov. 6th calls the Literary Digest of Nov. 6th calls The Literary Digest of Nov. 6th calls our article on Ferrer "more bitter" than that of all the other Catholic periodicals. Its bitterness against the enemies of our God and our country we proclaim as the measure of our love of both. May the one last as the other forever—Church sustaining State and, as a giant at the work, not asking even a becoming thanks, but ever giving, as she is too mighty to need or expect favors.

SCAPULARS, ETC.

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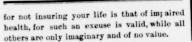
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