

### Boys' Department.

#### THE CARELESS DAUGHTER.

A father, talking to his careless daughter, said: I want to speak to you of your mother. It may be that you have noticed a careworn look upon her face lately. Of course it has not been brought there by any act of yours, still it is your duty to chase it away. I want you to get up to-morrow morning and get the breakfast, and when your mother comes and begins to express surprise, go right up to her and kiss her on the mouth. You can't imagine how it will brighten her dear face.

Besides you owe her a kiss or two. A way back, when you were a little girl, she kissed you when no one else was tempted by your face. You were not as attractive then as you are now. And through those years of childish sunshine and shadows, she was always ready to cure, by the magic of a mother's kiss, the little, dirty, chubby hands whenever they were injured in those skirmishes with the rough old world.

And then the midnight kisses with which she routed so many bad dreams as she leaned above your pillow, have all been on interest these long, long years.

Of course she is not so pretty and kissable as you are; but if you had done your share of work during the past ten years the contrast would not be so marked.

Her face has more wrinkles than yours, and yet if you were sick, that face would appear far more beautiful than an angel's as it hovered over you, watching every opportunity to minister to your comfort, and every one of these wrinkles would seem to be bright wavelets of sunshine chasing each other over the dear old face.

She will leave you one of these days. These burdens, if not lifted from her shoulders, will break her down. Those rough, hard hands, that have done so many things for you, will be crossed upon her lifeless breast.

Those neglected lips that gave you your first baby kiss will be forever closed, and those sad, tired eyes will have opened in eternity, and then you will appreciate your mother; but it will be too late!

#### THE TRUTH ABOUT BOYS.

"The abuse of the small boy," said an indignant mother the other day, "is a crying one. There seems to be no place for him in economy of affairs. His manners are considered beneath contempt, when they are not his, but made for him by other persons. Very few understand that his rough clumsiness is usually because of his abnormal shyness and self-consciousness, and his bumptious pushing forward the reaction from perennial snubbing," says a writer in the New York Times.

"A shop advertises a Christmas display of toys, and urges the children to come and see. My boy and a friend of his own age went down eager and happy. They came home disappointed. 'They wouldn't let us look at anything,' they complained, 'everybody pitched into us, and we didn't touch a thing; only tried to see what they were.'

"Another time my boy was recovering from a sprained ankle. I had to send him down town, and told him to wait over a train to be sure to get a seat. He did so, got his seat, but two women came in the car, and, after looking about, one of them said: 'Here, little boy, you ought to give your place to this lady,' indicating the other. 'I didn't mind standing,' whimpered the mortified child, when he told me about it, 'but she made everybody think I didn't know enough to give my seat to a lady.' That's just it; their feelings are never considered. I sent him to Forty-second street to meet a friend for me; the train was two hours late, and the day was cold. He tried to go in the waiting-room—there's only one there—but the martinet attendant wouldn't let him, and the child shivered and suffered till the train came. What possible harm could that quiet, well-dressed, well-mannered little boy have done? At a church entertainment lately my blood fairly boiled at the treatment of two young lads who were there. There were no reserved seats, and these boys went early to get a front seat. When the room began to fill, however, the sexton marched two ladies up and ousted the boys to seat them in the front pew. The little fellows gave way without a

murmur, but their whole demeanor showed their disappointment. They took places a few pews back. But soon these were wanted by more late comers, and again the boys were driven toward the rear. And yet once more before the entertainment began those poor little souls were disturbed. I could hardly keep still, for I knew just how they were stung and disappointed.

"With every man's hand against them, how can they help becoming Ishmaelites and rebels? I tell you," she finished, though it must be admitted in the face of some unsympathetic laughter from her audience, "boys are not nettles, harmless only when roughly handled, nor that flower—what is it?—that gives out its perfume when bruised; they are dear, lovable creatures, if they are only half understood."

#### RELIGIOUS NEWS.

Eighty of the Popes are honored as saints, thirty-one as martyrs and forty-three as confessors.

It has been decided to hold the proposed general Catholic congress in Munich, in 1895.

According to the census of 1890, there are 747,720 negroes in the diocese of Natchez, and of this number about 1,650 are Catholics.

Lady Maud Barret, daughter of the Earl of Cavan, who spent many years of his life as an Evangelistic preacher, has been received into the Catholic Church.

Bishop Harkins, of Providence, R. I., sailed for Rome on April 7th. Previous to his departure he was presented with a purse of \$9,000 by the priests of the diocese.

The late Rev. Mother Sister Mary Philomena Juliana Morel, general and foundress in England of the Servite Sisters, died on the 28th of March, 1894, at the Convent of St. Joseph, near Paris.

Rev. James G. Ryan, one of the pioneer Catholic priests of Nebraska, died at the priests' residence, attached to St. Philomena's Cathedral, Omaha, recently. He had labored in Nebraska since 1861.

There are about two hundred colored Catholics in the diocese of Kansas. The three schools, one of which is a night-school, taught by Rev. Joseph Shorter, Leavenworth, show a membership of one hundred and thirty-four.

In Nuremberg, and old stronghold of Lutheranism, the Catholics have received permission from the Protestant magistrate to hold a procession on Corpus Christi day. This has not occurred since 1524.

Just now the Catholics of Buffalo are, with good reasons, complaining that text-books abounding in anti-Catholic misrepresentations and calumnies, are used in the night schools of that city which many Catholic children attend.

The Italian Minister of the Interior has intimated to musical composers that he will give a prize of nine hundred lire for the best Requiem Mass in honor of the late King Charles Albert. The Mass is to be sung in the Metropolitan Church of Turin on the 28th of next July.

The Paulist Fathers of New York have issued an invitation to the members of the Grand Army to be present at the annual memorial service in their church, which will take place on Sunday evening, May 27. The exercises will be under the direction of the Rev. Walter Elliott, formerly of the Fifth Ohio Volunteer infantry.

#### BREVITIES.

Small-pox, which is spreading beyond the control of the health officers of Chicago, has broken out in the public schools.

During last Monday there were 104 cases and three deaths from cholera in Lisbon. The Portuguese government has stopped all telegraphic messages.

Prince Victoria and Grand Duke Ernest Louis of Hesse were married at Cobourg in the presence of an assemblage which included Emperor William and Queen Victoria.

A degree has been signed by the President of France forbidding the marriage of members of the French diplomatic and consular service, under pain of dismissal, without first obtaining permission of the Foreign Minister.

#### IN MEMORY OF PIUS IX.

The following letter has been addressed by a number of the Italian Bishops of the Marches to their colleagues throughout the world on the approaching centenary of Pius IX.

"The 18th of May, 1892, completed the centenary of the birth of the Holy Father Pius IX. It seems fitting to us that in Sinigaglia, from whence rose that beneficent star of the Catholic Church, a committee should be formed which in strict alliance with that of Bologna—the head of which is Count Comendatore Giovanni Acquaderri, who has so well merited the thanks of Christianity—should seize the occasion to do honor to its citizen Pontiff. But the two committees, considering the near approach of the episcopal Jubilee of our Holy Father Leo XII., rightly felt that in due reverence to the reigning Pontiff the celebration of the festivities should be postponed until 1894. This year the episcopal consecration of Leo XIII. having been celebrated by almost the whole world with such wonderful proofs of affection and veneration, the committees in question have put their hands to the work with increased energy, and are determined to do all in their power to render to the Pontiff of the Immaculate Conception all the honor due to his immortal name. The committee have resolved, with the loving help of the Catholic world, to transmit to posterity the memory of the centenary by two monuments—that is to say, to decorate the chapel in which Pius IX. received holy baptism—a work which, undertaken under such good auspices, will soon, we trust, be brought to a happy conclusion—and to establish, as is their fondest hope, if it pleases God, and if the faithful generosity second the wishes of Leo XIII., who has suggested it, a Technical Institute, which will take the name of Pius IX., which will be at once useful and necessary.

"Under these circumstances, we, the undersigned Archbishops, Bishops and Vicars-Capitular of the Marches, could not refrain from associating ourselves with the best will and according to our means with the solemnity which will do such honor to a Pontiff who is one of our greatest glories. This is required by our love, gratitude and veneration for the ruler who sat for more than thirty years in the Chair of Peter, defending with fearless heart the interests and rights of the Church, as also those of every State. This will be a new testimony of our devotion to the Apostolic See, which by rendering honor to Pius IX., honors one of the greatest of Pontiffs. This will no less agree with the wishes of Leo XIII., who counselled the foundation of the Institute referred to, and who, moreover, in presence of the Sacred College, in his splendid eulogium of his predecessor, spoke as follows: 'Pius IX., by the splendor of his virtues, gave lustre to the Apostolic See, attracted the love and admiration of the whole Church, combated for truth and justice with unconquerable spirit, and admirably sustained the greatest fatigues in the government of the Christian family.' These words will be seen by all who visit the tomb of Pius IX. sculptured in letters of gold. We most earnestly pray Your Lordships, by your favor, authority and assistance, to second our labors to increase the splendor of these great solemnities. We ask you to establish, each in his own diocese, as we in ours, committees composed of the three kinds of members mentioned in the papers which we send you, urging them to co-operate as much as possible to obtain generous offerings to this work. And if there be some among the members who are willing to contribute gifts of valuable objects and work, whether by the industrious hands of ladies, or schools, they will induce others to follow their example, and thus the Sinigaglia Exhibition and the Institute will be benefited.

"We trust that you will graciously comply with our requests, and in this hope we invoke upon Your Lordships every blessing of heaven.

"MARCHE, Feast of the Holy Name of Mary, 1892."  
[Here follow the signatures of twenty-two Bishops.]—Catholic Standard.

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PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, District of Montreal, Superior Court. Dame Marie La Tremblay, of the City of Montreal, wife of George C. Bishop, of the same place, lithographer and printer, and duly authorized a *est re justice*, Plaintiff; vs. the said George C. Bishop, Defendant. The Plaintiff has this day instituted an action in separation as to property against the said Defendant.

Montreal, May 2nd, 1894. HUTCHINSON & OUGHTRED, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

SUPERIOR COURT, Montreal, No. 105. Dame Genevieve Desève, of the City and District of Montreal, wife of Albert Barre, clerk, of the same place, has this day instituted an action for separation as to property against her said husband. Montreal, April 27, 1894.

LAMOTH & TRUDEL, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, District of Montreal, Superior Court No. 312.

Dame Albertine Lafave, of the parish of Notre Dame de Graces, said District, has instituted an action in separation as to property against Godfrey Charlebois, her husband, of the same place.

Montreal, 2nd April, 1894. BEAUDIN, CARDINAL & LORANGER, Advocates for Plaintiff.

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