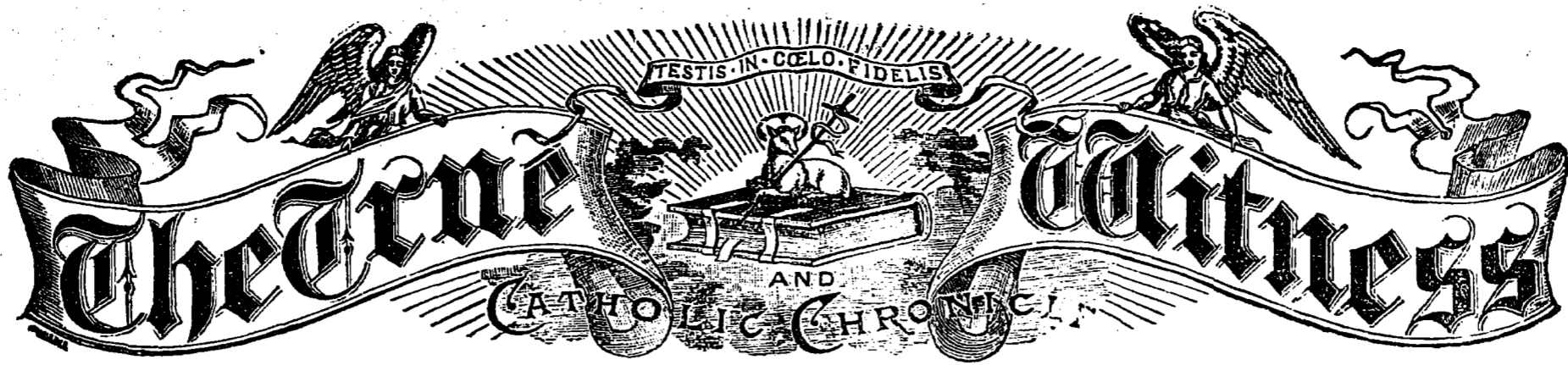


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A NEW MOVEMENT.

CATHOLIC FORCES IN FRANCE.

TO FORM A NEW PARTY—A GRAND NATIONAL POLITICAL FEDERATION.

Those who imagine that the Pope is disposed to give the enemies of the Church carte blanche are very much mistaken. His Holiness is recognized as one of the most far-seeing men of the age and knows when action or inaction is best suited for achieving the triumph of Christian principles.

This creation is the organization of the Catholic forces on the new plan. In October, 1895, M. Etienne Lamy, at Leo XIII.'s call, went to the Vatican to learn the watchword.

Leo discussed these ideas with M. Lamy. But before giving to the man and the scheme the sanction of Rome the Pope wished to submit the report to the Cardinals on the Commission for the affairs of France.

"Does the Pope really wish for this organization, this federation? Is not the benediction of Rome like all the other vague and matter-of-course approvals of which the Papacy is so prodigal?"

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view of the Conclave, which cannot be excluded from the thoughtful consideration of the statesmen of Europe. The marked favor shown to the aged Cardinal San Felice, Archbishop of Naples, by the Kaiser, is an incident of not less importance than the interview of Prince Henry of Prussia with Leo XIII.

MARGARET MARY ALAOCQUE.

The appeal to Rome for the canonization of the Blessed Margaret Mary Alaocque comes directly from the Patriarchs of the Eastern churches, but the cradle of the movement is in France, in the diocese of Autun, and especially in the convent of the Visitation at Paray-le-Monial, where the Blessed Margaret Mary lived and died.

"If the patriotic sentiment has always had the power to stir the hearts of men, what must not this sentiment have been in the man-God. The Orient was His country, and therefore dear to Him. It first felt the breath of that infinite charity incarnated in the heart of the Child of Bethlehem. The Gospel, until the end of time, will repeat to all nations those accents of incomparable tenderness which issued from the lips of the Saviour when His heart grew out towards Jerusalem, he said: 'Jerusalem! Jerusalem! How often I would have gathered thy children together as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wing, and thou wouldst not.'"

THE SULTAN AND THE VATICAN.

The Vatican has been officially informed of a serious conflict which has arisen between the Sultan and the Armenian Catholic Patriarch (Mgr. Azarian) residing in Constantinople. The Sultan, it appears, was very much irritated by the action of Mgr. Azarian in raising subscriptions in France on behalf of the victims of the recent massacres in Armenia.

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heaven," and soon and so on through all the usual Protestant gamut, till the handsome, intellectual, benign countenance of Rome's Pontiff changes into the veritable image of the man of sin, the anti-Christ of the Apocalyptic vision.

RELIGIOUS NEWS ITEMS.

Röntgen is another name to be added to the long list of Catholic scientists. During the course of last year, Rev. M. Callahan, of St. Patrick's Church, received ninety Protestants into the Church.

An invitation has been extended to Bishop Waterman by the Columbus, O., Trades Assembly to address that body at an early date.

A national Catholic industrial school for colored youths will shortly be established in Detroit, Mich., and if it meets with the success its purpose merits and the present prospects indicate, it will be of untold benefit to the race in the United States.

Rev. A. Zurbonsen of Staunton, Ill., has in his possession an old map of America, approved and made by authority of the Academy of Paris, 1746, showing probably the original boundary of old Guiana, Venezuela, Colombia and Ecuador.

The Third Order of St. Francis has had a most phenomenal growth up to the present, from Ireland to the West up to the very gates of Jerusalem. In countries such as Poland, where the jealousy of the State-supported orthodox faith watches with jealous eye, this order has gone ahead to the satisfaction of all concerned.

FOURTHOUSAND MURDERS A YEAR IN ITALY.

A homicide occurs every two hours in Italy. This was one of the many startling statements made by Baron Garofalo, a distinguished Italian criminologist, in a lecture delivered on "Criminality in Relation to the Education of the People" in the Roman college. His audience included Queen Margherita.

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ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY, FLORIDA.

TWO FORMER MEMBERS OF THE CHILDREN OF MARY OF ST. PATRICK'S PARISH ENTER THE SOCIETY OF ST. JOSEPH'S AT FLORIDA.

On the nineteenth of March last, Mass was celebrated in the chapel of St. Joseph's Academy, Florida, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop, assisted by Rev. Father Maher. The occasion was the entry into religious life and the assuming of the holy habit by a number of young ladies.

LATE HOURS.

A DANGEROUS PRACTICE INDEED IN YOUNG MEN.

There is a growing tendency among young men to keep late hours, and the cause of this dangerous practice is due solely to the incapability of the police to insist upon the practical enforcement of the law regarding the closing of saloons and other places of public amusement at the specified hour.

SPANISH ATROCITIES.

FURTHER INSTANCES OF THE HEARTLESS MASSACRE OF NON-COMBATANTS.

One of the sugar estates recently destroyed by the insurgents is Santa Lucia, which belongs to Sr. Casuso, a revolutionist of the last war. The sugar cane fields were all burned, and of the machinery and houses nothing remains but heaps of rubbish.

Gen. Gomez, hearing of the condition of these Cubans, said he was obliged to enforce the law forbidding him from granting a pardon to any of the revolutionists at the beginning of the war.

The Cubans in Havana are much excited over the Spanish atrocities in the country, but the Spaniards are false, and the evening newspaper El Pueblo says it is the only way to crush the revolution. It is reported here that on the farms Santa Rita and Anilla in the municipal district of San Jose de los Ramos, a Spanish guerrilla, commanded by Lieut. Campillo and obeying the orders of Col. Don Luis Molina, killed twelve peaceful laborers, all heads of country families.

The same guerrilla entered a farm owned by a Cuban named Trujillo, who is now in the United States. They killed

thirty ten laborers, and reported their deaths as occurring in a fight with insurgents. A daughter of one of the victims embraced her father at the same moment that the Spaniards were going to kill him, and they were both killed.

At Campos Florio, three leagues from Havana, Spanish soldiers shot, on last Saturday, Joaquin Medina and eight negro men, all non-combatants.

The Government gave to the Diario de la Marina, La Lucha, and La Discusion a note saying that the concurrent resolutions passed by Congress were very popular in the United States, and that Congress was being bitterly attacked by all the press in America.

LINCOLN AND TEMPERANCE.

In an address delivered before the Cathedral Sacred Thirst society in St. Paul on the anniversary of Lincoln's birth by Mr. Gutzridge, he extolled the martyr-president in a new light—as a total abstainer. It will be a revelation to many to know that Old Abe was a total abstainer and an ardent temperance advocate, but such is a fact.

"In the great number of Lincoln celebration speeches you have heard and read upon the life, character and deeds of the hero of the Civil war, how many contained the statement that he lived and died a total abstainer and spent not a little time in advancing the temperance cause? Lincoln's personal friend, Ward H. Lamon, in his 'Life of Lincoln,' says that 'for many years he was an ardent agitator against the use of intoxicating beverages, and made speeches far and near in favor of total abstinence. Some of them were printed and of one he was not a little proud.'"

Lincoln entered into the Washingtonian movement, that great work for the reformation of drunkards, with all the vigor of his soul. Later, when it was seen that the cause demanded the moderation of those not addicted to the vice, he joined a total abstinence society in his own city. He took up the work early. When only about 17 years old he prepared an article on "Temperance," which was published in an Ohio newspaper. This was in 1825, twenty years before Father Mathew took the pledge.

At a regular meeting of Division No. 2, Western Order of Hibernians, held in their hall on April 8th, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God the ever reigning Sovereign, in His wisdom, to take from amongst us, in His prime of life, our worthy and respected brother, Wm. N. Smith, by whose constant association we have learned to recognize as one honored and respected and our associates and friends, and desirous by the fraternity of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and

Whereas, It is just that a tribute of respect should be shown to him, whose high disposition and warm heart of sympathy has bound us to him by the unbreakable ties of true Christian charity;

Resolved, That in the death of Wm. N. Smith, his Society loses an eminent and devoted member, and that we should be united in our grief and sympathy for his bereaved family, and that we should endeavor to cheer and comfort them in their affliction.

Resolved, That though we bow to the omnipotent decree of a Divine Providence, our hearts are filled with grief and sorrow at the untimely departure of our brother, Wm. N. Smith, and that we should endeavor to cheer and comfort them in their affliction.

Resolved, That the members of this Society should tender to the wife and children of our departed brother, Thomas N. Smith, such hearty sympathy and aid as they may be able to give, and that we should endeavor to cheer and comfort them in their affliction.

T. D. Sullivan, in the Irish Catholic and Nation, says: "There is a strong likelihood that the tourist season now drawing nigh will be one of the best, if not the very best, that Ireland has ever witnessed. Never were the scenic attractions of the country so well advertised and so widely known as they are at present, and never was the desire of tourist folk to give Ireland a share of their attention so general as it has become within a very recent period. Many causes, political and non-political, have contributed to bring about this promising state of things."

THE CATHOLIC PRESS.

We take the following extract from an article by Walter Lecky, which recently appeared in the American Catholic News:

"A Methodist minister in New York the other day began his speech thus: 'Ladies and gentlemen, what would you think of a man calling himself a Methodist who did not take a Methodist paper?' Imagining a Catholic priest beginning in this vein, the difference is this, and let it be frankly stated: Those sects know the use of the written word; their ministers find it their chief support. The Catholic Church in the United States has not learned to man the printing press. Her clergy, to a great extent, ignore its influence. Yet it is their best ally in the ministry. Catholic journals in every house have entered the pastor's work list, his respect more. I have often, in these columns, declared that there can be little hope for the spread of Catholic literature and especially in rural districts, until our seminaries teach priests the duty imposed upon them by their Church, of diffusing good literature. The Catholic Telegraph in spanking a callow critic, the first of the season's crop of hind-givers, goes to the core of things when it declares that 'for success, the practical aid of the clergy is indispensable.' It continues: 'The Catholic press has two great drawbacks—practical neglect on the part of the Church, and delinquent subscribers. If the Church would officially utilize the press as it does the pulpit and the school as indispensable means to fully discharge its mission in this age and country, and if all the money due the Catholic papers were paid them, sophomors could fix their attention on their studies and wait till they had some down on their lips before they heeded the gray-headed editor of the Catholic press. The Telegraph might have indicated another drawback, a growing nuisance—those ambitious little college journals whose primary and legitimate work is in exercising the students in English composition, but whose ambition leads them into competition and the field of Catholic journalism. They worry into their support those who ought to take a Catholic weekly. I believe in them and endorse them when they are applied to the complete 'job' of their own country. In many instances, the only country where the Church is valued at its own true worth, the press, England, is following in her footsteps. An article published some time since in Le Correspondent, Paris, showed that the influence of the Centre party was owing to its backing by the solid Catholic press of the Fatherland."

A general fact for reading will not be missed by Summer schools or Circles whose important goal is to reach the law, but by the entrance into Catholic journals of a weekly Catholic journal, let the workers have a support and let the dreams of the vain vanish. I would advise editors to turn unmercifully on some papers. Why not suffer these midgets too to their things?"

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