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St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference at Westminster.

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cent de Paul Society of England was held at Archbishop's House, Westminster, Eng., recently. In the ab sence of His Eminence Cardinal Vaughan, the chair was taken by the Most Noble the Marquis of Ripor Brothers from various English conferences were present, and the deep est interest was evinced in the pa pers which were read.

The proceedings were opened by Brother Whitlaw, who read a lette in the "Bulletin" from the President General, dealing with matters affect ing the work of the Society.

The Marquis of Ripon, in his pres dential address, said the Brothers met that day under a sense of serious disappointment, because it was their hope that they would be honored by the presence of His Eminence Cardinal. Unfortunately, to their great sorrow, His Eminence had become less well, and had been ordered away by his medical adviser. He (the honorable speaker) had asked the Brother Secretary at the propriate to the work of the Society opening of the meeting to read the address which had been made by the President-General of the Society, and was a work devoted to the looking he did so for two reasons. In the first place, the address was a very excellent one. It laid down, in the clearest manner, the rules of the society and the course the Brothers portant and greatest works which should pursue, and he trusted that the Brothers would lay it to heart with the determination to carry out the principles which it set forth. It. seemed always desirable for the Brothers to recollect that they did not constitute a local society-they were not an English or an Irish society but a world wide society, as wide in operations and extent as the Catholic Church itself. As a result the Brothers should keep themselves in touch with the head authority of the Society, and it had been his object since he had occupied the presidential chair to draw closer together as far as possible the relations be tween the Society in England and the President-General in Paris, Sc that the Brothers might possess better knowledge of the views their rulers in France and of the principles which it was necessary for them to follow. The President-General reminded them that every society had its own special spirit. The religious orders had a special spirit based upon that which animated their holy founders. The St. Vincent de Paul Society was not a religious order, but at the same time it was a religious society, and he (His Lordship) was convinced they ought to recollect the spirit of the Society, the grounds upon which it was founded, and the spirit with which its founders were animated, and to endeavor to make it their own and to follow it out to the utmost (cheers). There were some good people who desired to impress upon them the importance of a certain work, but he (His Lordship) would like to say that no good work was outside the purview of the Society (hear, hear). There were no works of Christian charity and mercy

appreciation of Holy Mass amongst ble. With my experience I feel cerstich Towals. por in their own homes, not for task, but who would deny that God, the growing youths and young men Stri d Cotto tain that if other sufferers will giv 24 x SO INCHES, 35c. For 25c EACH who had laid this charge upon them, of the working classes, the purpose of giving alms to them, Dr. Williams' Pink, Pills a fair trial exposed, but to offer them spiritual advantage they will find a certain cure." Dr. Williams' Pink Pills enrich and would desert them in their work through no fault of their own, to so Brown Linen Turkish Towels. Brother Moore suggested that a tax so far as the Brothers could conduct many daily dangers and temptations 40c, 45c, 55c, 65c and 85c EACH. nourish the blood and strengthen the of one penny should be levied we to it, as well as for their own spiri-There could be no greater comfort to If in the death of the late Cardiadvantage. The President-Genupon Catholics, and the fund thus tual a Catholic working man in times of Linen Dress Crashes. nerves. It is thus that they cure nal Ledochowski the Church has lost raised should be administered by eral alluded to the existence of mem poverty or misfortune than the op kidney troubles as dyspepsia, uch one of her most noble soldiers, and 27 Inches wide, 25c and 30c. for 20c PER YARD. 27 Inches wide, 35c, for 25c per ydbers of the Society who seemed to Catholic Central Committee. portunity of hearing Mass. If he had ailments, rheumatism, partial paralthe Propaganda Fide has lost its dispense themselves from this funda-mental duty. Very few instances of been taught from youth to manhood ysis, heart troubles, St. Vitus' most renowned prefect, the Holy Father has supplied, in his place, the value of Mass, he would fly to it and the ailments that make the lives as his first solace in trouble. He might be out of work, and leave that description in this country had of so many women a source of misthat which the Church has of the most talented and most able in the ery. These pills never fail to drive come under his notice, and the con-INCREASE OF A CONFERENCE. Special Offerings in Ladies' Ties. his humble home on the dreary prosferences were alive to the fact that -Frother Henry A. Whitehoud, viceaway pain, bring a glow of health person of Cardinal Gotti. Previously president of the Kentish Town ther Abroad." such was their primary duty. He was pect of seeking a job, with a sick to the whole body and make despon-Cardinal Gotti was prefect of the Congregation of Bishops and Regu-Liverpool, says:not quite certain that they did not ference, contributed a paper on the wife perchance, a fireless grate and dent men and women bright, active We have reduced two Special Lines of Ladies' Summer Ties. The first lot are Muslin and Silk, in Fancy Colors, and Plain White, Lovely and Cool for wearing this warm weather. Regular 45c, 50c and and strong. Do not take any pills without the full name, "Dr. Wilsometimes select for their visits ways and means of increasing a con hungry children behind, but he would lars and of Discipline. A week ago those who were included amongst the Briefly sketching bis carly feterce go, not to the public house, but into Willast Tuesday he was appointed to connection with this northern branch poor of the districts. They liked to "The Holy Mount and His Taber liams' Pink Pills for Pale People' succeed the late Cardinal Ledochow to good and nice people, to nacles, to the God who reneweth his the wrapper around the box. Sold by all medicine dealers or sent post and reviewing a paper which he had ski. Jerome Mary Cardinal Gotti is already written on the subject, Ero-ther Whitehead said of each nemoer houses that were clean, and to visit youth," and there seek for grace, and the subject, Eroa Genoese by birth, and a member of SUMMER SALE PRICE, 250 EACH people who went to Mass regularly paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 by addressing the Dr. Wiljoying solace, and resignation. the Discalced Carmellites. He The second lot are all our regular stock of Ladies' Fancy Silk Stocks and Ties, in all the newest colorings. Prices range from 76c to \$1.75. was sent their children to school who sought or accepted office te Brother Pike said the work sug-67 years of age on March 29, 1902. That was not the original intention would ask whether he was prepared gested by Brother Hadfield was one liams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont. Choosing the religious career in life. of the Society. The Brothers to give the necessary time had to the that the Brothers could not take up he joined the Barefooted Carmelites work also amongst those who were efficient discharge of the duties, und without the cordial co-operation and SUFFER IN PATIENCE. in his boyhood at Genoa, and show-SUMMER SALE PRICE, 500. lukewarm, and they must be very if the reply were in the affirmative invitation of the clergy (cheers) ed such promise and abilities he would recommend that person for careful, of course, under the guid-We, who murmur and repine and soon after his ordination he was callthe office. The paper also referred to the necessity of fixing a suitable They had no right to interfere in a Best Attention Given to Mail Orders ance of the clergy, not to make pets work of that kind unless the priest chafe and fret all day long if any- ed to the mother house of his order of certain families and to neglect thing goes against us, call ourselves disciples of the Sacred Heart; and yet we have not so much as the will asked them. He could not under in Rome, Santa Maria Della Scala. se who might apparently have the day and hour and place of meeting, and intrusted with important duties regarding the order. Little by little stand why it was, considerina there JAS. A. OGILVY & SONS, least claim upon the Brothers (hear, hear). They were not to make these visits so as to preach and to teach. to meet regularly, and to keep the were hundreds of active Brothers of the society written up. Bro-ther Whitehead also made many and willing to be the servants of the the society in this country anxious to bear the cross, much less to love. Father Gotti rose in rank and honor until he became the head of the Bare. St. Catherine and Mounte in Sis, it.-Selected.

The annual meeting of the St. Vin- | that was the duty of the clergy, and it was a duty for which most of were quite incompetent - but what they had to do was first and to gain the confide the families whom they visited, and hen, having done that, to use those little opportunities which sprang up from time to time in which they might say a word in season, which was often laid to heart and and ore fruit in the end (cheers). The Brother President also impressed up-

them the necessity of adhering to its rules. He (His Lordship) quite agreed with him that those rules were of infinite value, and were a beautiful composition, and he was quite sure those conferences who neglected them made a very great mis They set themselves up atake. gainst the rules. The true principle of every conference was the most strict and obedient adherence to the rules of the Society (cheers). There was no other matter after the visitation of the poor which was so apand so much connected with its his tory as the "patronage" work. It after and guiding with a friendly and brotherly guidance those young men who were just entering upon life, and it was one of the most imthe organization could undertake (hear, hear). The Brother President then referred to an article on the subject which appeared in the "Month," and remarked that he was sorry that at present very little could be done in that direction in London. He hoped, however, more was done in provincial towns. He en treated the Brothers in patronage work to lay to heart the words the President-General, and he believ ed if they followed out the advice Society, and they would be able If they compared their work they

condition of things here was differdesire to benefit their fellow-creatures and to carry out the great object of of the Society-to show

storation in the administration of CLOSED SALOONS. - Cardiff, that necessary work. A glance at About three years ago, while livthe nation's affairs. The Catholic Wales, when saloons were open Sun-CATHOLICITY AND POVERTY . the last annual report of patronage ing in Ingersoll, I was a great sufsoul of France has been shaken to days, had 80,000 population and six-Brother A. E. Moore read a pape work in conferences revealed the fact ferer from dyspepsia. The trouble its centre, and the spirit of asser ty-two arrests for drunkenness on on this subject, in the course of that while excellent work in that difirst began with severe headaches, tion, too long lacking in the laity, that day, but with 170,000 populawhich he asked whether Catholics rection was being done by many conand sometimes vomiting dizziness has been goaded into activity. The tion, and the saloons closed on Sungenerally did all that was possible Next I suffered continually from a erences-such as Birmingham, Brisresult is not hard to foresee. The exol, Cardiff, Manchester, Bury, Sundays, they had but two arrests. for the poor-a charge which was reburning sensation in my stomach: cesses to which this new administraceived direct from the Omapotent food distressed me; I did not sleep derland, Liverpool, and notably tion has allowed itself are already where at St. Ignatius' was that which they did calculated Preston, well at night: lost flesh and becam producing their logical results. The to effect the most good, and Church there was an average attendthe very weak, I was continually doc-Government cannot stand any time; COGILVY STORE ance of 466 boys at Mass-little or measures which were employed the toring, but it did me no good. In the Combes administration will go most efficacious? nothing was reported of many con These questions fact, I was gradually growing worse down to swell the long list of shortthe writer answered in a well-writter and despaired of ever being well a ferences in other parts of the counived governments that have left no try. He felt certain that much more paper. Brother Moore pointed out gain. One day a friend who called trace of their existence, and out that England, with one or two could and ought to be done by sach to see me strongly advised me the reign of unbridled fanaticism The Store will close at I p.m. to day, ceptions abroad, was the only counest effort on the part of the St. Va try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. She which they ought not to promote to | try where the poor were practicely that must end suicidally, will spring as usual, and every Saturday during cent de Paul Society, it being a weil spoke so highly of them that I dethe utmost of their power, but they must not forget also what was their up a vigorous, a healthy, a rea, ly eq.: pped · organization, and having friendless and were branded with the cided to take her advice, and I soon Catholic France to continue and perthe morth of August. the confidence of the clergy, was able discovered that they were not like stigma of pauper. Catholics outpetuate the glorious mission of the fundamental object, and must not to cope with the evil. What better numbered any other individual sect the other medicines I had been tak-'First Daughter of the Church.' yet it was an open question whether ing, and that I had at last found dissipate their energies so as to turn task could the brother of St. Via them aside from that which was the they did as much for their poor. on cent de Paul, who, in his youth, and something to help me. I continued DEPARTMENT. THE LINEN very foundation and the labors of whether their methods were as per calous teachers to guide him in the using the pills for perhaps a couple the Society. Therefore he (the Bro- fect as some which were of months, when I found myself fully right path-what better task could employed Hemstitched Damask Tea Cloths. ther President) was very glad to see The writer maintained that the time he take up in gratitude for those New Prefect of restored to health. I have always that the President-General recalled had arrived when they should At 85c, 90c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.10 and \$1 25 EACH. and countless other blessings thin since enjoyed my meals with relish en that fact to their minds. deavor to introduce a remedy. to make an endeavor to spread an He and have had no return to the trou-The Propaganda. The first object was to visit the admitted that it was an im

other interesting suggestions for inreasing the membership of a confer nce, and concluded by appealing to the Catholic Press for assistance 'We are poor," observed the writer 'all we possess we give in charity. I would ask them to give us as much publicity as possible, so as to ren-der it impossible for any Catholic to say he does not know of the Societv.

In the discussion which followed Brother Hemelryk characterized the paper as an admirable one. Some years ago he read a paper at the an nual meeting to induce the members of the aristocracy and rich layme to join the Society, and, although he was graciously listened to, words met with no success. He still thought that men of good position, and leading lights in the country might be induced to join the Socie The speaker considered that if the Cardinal Archbishop could be induced to take an active part in the advancement of the Society he might do a great deal of good. He might surround himself with all that was noble and good in this country and women with historic names whose ancestors had suffered for the defence of their faith, to speak to them like a father and explain the beauty and the noble work of the Society (hear, hear). Let those whom Catholics looked to as their leaders join the Society, as they did in other countries. In France, Germany, Austria, and elsewhere there were noble men and women of rank and high station in life following the example of the Most Noble the Marquis of Ripon, being at the head of the Society, and linfluencing others of a similar position to become members (hear, hear). If the same could be done in this country now great would be the advantages. The poor wanted sympathy and loving affection much more than food. The mission of the Brothers of St. Vincent de Paul was to lift up their poorer brethren, and ALMOST IN DESPAIR not to make them despair. Rich men could pray with the poor and fo the poor.

dwelling upon the s THE YOUNG .- Brother Hadfield that have an interest which he gave, they would qe carry the Church arose far more beautiful President of the Sheffield Council THE EVIL OF IT.- Gladstone said: "The traffic in strong drink far more solid, far more invincible when abroad, I cou ing out thoroughly the principles of then read a paper on "A Practical Suffered from a burning Sensation every column, every ite than ever. The maniacal wave of said: the Remedy for the Leakage amongst in the Stomach-Food Became has inflicted more evil on the human over advertisements. impiety might sweep over France, to bring to a higher state of effi-Catholic Youths and Young Men," in Distasteful and She Grew but France was ever Catholic at race than war, pestilence and famine ciency. which he urged that the Provincial Weak and Despondent heart, and when the waters of inficombined." with that which was undertaken in Council should use its influence delity subsided, the temple ol Faith Paris and in other countries, tions. the direction of arresting the evil by reappeared, grander than ever from might be inclined to despair, but the From the Sun, Orangeville, Ont. urging upon all conferences a wide the contact with the destructive ele-The "Sun" is enabled this week spread systematic effort to bring a PHYSICAL ILLS .- Dr. Demme of ment that exhausted fits purely huent. The great thing was to work through the courtesy of Mrs. John bout a more regular attengance of Germany has been investigating. He man strength. in the same united spirit, with the Catholic youths, and young men at found that 82 per cent. of the chil-Shott, a lady well known and much As it was in the past so shall it be Sunday Mass in their respective dren of teetotalers were sound in esteemed by many of the residents of in the present. "The last straw their internal organs, while only 17 spheres of work. The writer was of Orangeville, to give the particulars the founder was imposed upon the French naopinion that this could be done side per cent. of the children of liquorof another of those cures that have tion by Combes, and he has been to the non-Catholic world what was by side with the ordinary duties of a made Dr. Williams' Pink Pills drinkers were as well off. instrumental-through his very exthe true spirit of Catholic charity. zealous brother-the regular visiting nousehold remedy throughout the cess of zeal and vindictiveness —in of the poor in their own homes-and civlized world. Mrs. Shott, in conhastening the hour of Catholic rewithout in any way interfering with ersation with our reporter, said:-

clergy in that great work, they were not more sought after than they

THE WORK .- Father Price then read a paper entitled "Our Influ-ence," written by Brother McCudden. The writer said it was true that each brother joined the society first and foremost for his own personal sanc tification, and it followed that a practical brother of St. Vincent w sure to be a good Catholic. for he realized what an important thing was good example. He cheerfully rtook the small duties impose assist in all parish work, for he a man of good will. Would to God that all Catholic laymen could join the society, for was it not a fact that some laymen held the opinion that the clergy must do all the hard work in connection with the Church It seemed a hard thing to say, but it was nevertheless true. Let them be assured that there was work for every one of them in the Church of God, and let them be willing take even the meanest office, if it pleased their parish priest to offe it, for at the present day Christ had need of them even more than in for mer days, for the world was not advancing in morality; on the contrary, the basest passions were taking a firmer hold of men. The standard of right was lost sight of and the bonds of brotherhood were being rent asunder. Self-love was the besetting sin of the age. To combat that spirit they must use a spir it of self-sacrifice. **H**e did not hesit-ate to say that if they did their dkty faithfully as brothers of St. Vincent de Paul their influence for good would be felt even by those who now hated the Church.

"The Catholic Boys' Brigade" was the title of an interesting paper read by Mr. J. W. Gilbert, B.A.

THE CONDITION OF MRS. JOHN STOTT, OF ORANGEVILLE.

The Future.

(By a Regular Contributor.)

France of

The pessimist may well be excused if under existing circumstances. he upon him, and he was ever ready to foresees the destruction of religion and a moral as well as social chacs falling upon France. It was in the very darkest and bloodiest days of the great Revolution that the brightest rays of hope flashed upon the orizon of France's future. when it springs from the levelling of authority, always marks the downfall of the usurper. It proved the Nemesis of the great Roman Empire; it was the precursor of a new sys-tem in the days of the Tercor. Frender Combes has carried the anti cierical mania to its extreme point of elasticity; the counter-wave popular sentiment is awakening and colling into potent existence. In the days when the spirit of Voitaire and the teachings of the Encyclopaedists swaved the destinies of that really Catholic land, we beheld overturned, the nobility, the clergy the bourgeoisie, each in turn, pass under the guillotine; the king, the prelate, the minister; then the authers of that same unholy pandamonium succeeded each other to the caffold; and all, all, was done

in the name of Liberty-"while in the deluge of human blood they left not a mountain-top for the Arc of Liberty to rest upon.' And when the mob-executioner of to-day became

the mob-victim of to-morrow, when it was believed that the Church that God, in fact-had been destroy.

ed, what do we find? In the very banquet of their triumph the Almighty's vengeance blazed upon the wall and the diadem of usurped and the nose. I always use mine over. tyrannic power fell with the head of the dictator. Out of all that debris

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When he returned to Italy from. South Africa he was received with the greatest enthusiasm, and the Italian Government, which had taken note of the great amount of good which he accomplished in South America among the large Italian population there, thanked him for his good offices. The Pope honored him by making him a Cardinal in the consistory held Nov. 25, 1895. The new prefect is very modest in his manner, wears still the brown and white robes of his order, and dislikes to be brought into prominance. Physically His Eminence is small of stature, of pleasing countenance and easily approached. He lives still the austere life of a Barefooted Carmelite, albeit his cardinalitial rank compels him to occupy quarters in a smafl palace which verlooks the Trajan Forum.

TEMPERANCE TALKS

A MATTER OF HABIT.-- A pleasing little story of Andrew Carnegie comes from the New York "Times." Mr. Carnegie was the gueest of honor at a recent dinner at Philadelphia, and before its close not a few of the gueests noticed that his wineglasses remained untouched. At last, just as the dinner was about to end, one of the more inquisitive persons present said:-

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Carnegie, but I notice you have not touched I did not know you your wine. were a total abstainer." "No?" Mr. Carnegie, remarked with a smile. "Well, you know glasses are used both over and under



sirous of finding fault, resist recording a few o OUR DAILY PAPER ards of excellence a reached by means of c I take four leading dat Montreal-two English French-and compare the daily papers of other c countries, especially in States, I find, if anyth are equal to the best superior to not a few. this general statement through any prejudice our local organs. It i possible that the news the Montreal press wor have a greater interest that which I would fir pers published in places am a stranger. I adm always in a position to better that which I rea may call our home pap which I found in a fore: making due allowance cial sentiment of the k might experience, I frankly say that our pa much up-to-date as an this continent. They n sist of as much paper as but, when it is all boil will be found that very world's news escapes th an easy matter to parc not crushing one with umes of matter that no man being can find tin he the inclination to re AN UNPLEASANT II Questions of the D For Under the caption "A the Catholic would be hard to tory a period of trouble allel to that through Church is passing tofew lands can we say th place. Here at face to face with a situat ly perilous for her scho when all is said, are the sanctuary. What the which Mr. Balfour direct Minister may ultimately Education Bill not even foretell. But, fortunate not now appear as if w cede a majority represe the committees of man the public authorities. so, the Bill, so far from strain, would increase it thirty years the pride an

