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Individualism exalted by Protestantism, and the newer Humanism have cultivated an attitude of mind...

and from a Napoleon I, who took the Pope a prisoner, down to the ruler who seized the remnants of the Papal States...

THE SUSTAINING PROPS OF SOCIETY

By Thomas F. Conley, D. D., in Extension Magazine

Because the Catholic Church has an object entirely supernatural she directs her gaze not to this world but to the next...

The "New Republic" maintains that "the Christians and the churches" have not sufficient apprehension of the danger to the human spirit...

The Catholic Church that made possible the whole splendid structure of International Law. Not until the Catholic people began to tug at their hearstrings...

The Catholic Church has been the most splendid example of democracy in the entire history of the world. Her highest offices are open to her humblest and least conspicuous children...

The hospital is an invention of Catholic charity. Mercy and compassion for the sick, their systematic and tender treatment...

The "New Republic" also claims that the churches have "suffered the secularization of human activities." This accusation also does not hold good as applied to the Catholic Church...

In view of these facts it is utterly unfair to hold the Church responsible for not exercising that wholesome influence which her opponents have ever been seeking to curtail.

servant, rather than his honored consort. At length in the fulness of time, Christ came to restore the human race in its entirety by becoming man, and when the Son of God became the Son of Mary, woman, by the very fact of the divine maternity...

It was the Catholic Church that first softened slavery, and then finally abolished it. Slavery was the rule of society when the Catholic Church was born...

Nowhere is the influence of the Church upon society seen and felt more than in the home. A Catholic home should be a sanctuary, modeled upon the Holy House at Nazareth. The sanctity of family life is a cardinal doctrine of the Catholic Church...

When family life is strong and virtuous, great nations repose securely upon its strength; where family life is weak, so are nations, for the whole can never exceed its component parts.

The sense of human brotherhood is a creation of the Catholic Church. "Love one another" was a new and startling idea that Christ introduced into the decadent pagan world.

No other Society has been so potent a force for stability, tranquillity and order as the Catholic Church. Before Christ, laws were obeyed only where the police system was efficient, or the armed legions of a tyrant forced an unwilling populace into submission.

The dignity and the sacredness of human life is a direct creation of the Catholic Church. Christ came to show us that we might have life and have it more abundantly.

The condition of woman through-out the earliest antiquity was based upon the fact that the companion of man had become his tempter, and that through her, evil had entered into the world.

floating bodies of pure, innocent, holy childhood.

Such was the condition of the earth, when a voice was heard from an obscure hamlet in Palestine. A plaintive cry was heard from a village night to an ancient oriental city. It was the cry of infancy from the stable of Bethlehem.

Whatever progress we observe in the modern world is due to Catholicity. This is the great law of the Philosophy of History. The Catholic Church alone makes progress possible and permanent.

Glance over the history of the world since the Catholic Church began to energize through her myriad forms of power and influence, and pick out if you can a Buddhist, a Mohammedan, a pagan nation that believed by others, to be in any sense progressive...

On a nation rejects the Church of Christ, it speedily tatters; once it accepts Catholicity, it begins its trend upward and onward. The nations in which today there is a large and flourishing Catholic population and a steady inflow and absorption of Catholic ideals into the very arteries of national life...

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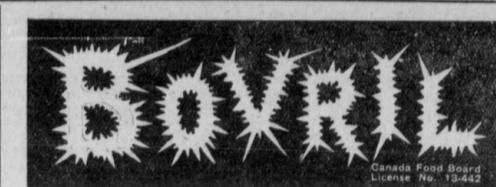
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"I want to tell you, and I speak just for myself, what I admire in the Catholic Church. I can imagine, to begin with, that there are those, even in this day who say that I have no business to admire anything in that Church."

"There is another thing I remember, and that is that the Protestants also persecuted the Catholics. Servetus was burned at the stake, and John Calvin gave his sanction to the execution of a man whose only crime was that his religious theories did not agree with those of Calvin."

INFLUENZA VICTIM BECAME CONVERT

During the influenza epidemic the hospitals were overcrowded with patients. Among those who had the disease in a malignant form at the County Hospital, Denver, Col., was the Catholic Register of that city, was a woman who had been a faithful worker in one of the non-Catholic churches.

"I have been called to see Mrs. So-and-so," began the minister with an assurance he did not possess; "how is she this morning?"

"She is a very sick woman," replied the nurse in a perfunctory manner after glancing at the patient. "You are her family doctor, I suppose? Ward five. The nurse will direct you."

"I am her pastor," corrected the visitor with some misgivings, "and this is my wife."

"In an instant the clerk was all attention. 'It is so kind of you to come,'" he began with a roguish twinkle he could not conceal. "Since this awful epidemic no clergymen but those from St. Joseph's Church have called on the patients. On account of the contagion of the disease, he went on as he eyed them keenly.

"The regulations forbid us to admit anyone but a doctor or a clergyman. However, as your wife shares your labors, she is privileged to accompany you to the patient. To avoid trouble I will write out a permit for you and 'phone the head nurse to direct you.'"

"It is this disease awfully contagious," inquired the minister's wife in alarm. "It is very contagious," replied the clerk solemnly. "You take your life into your own hands by entering the ward, even when you wear the gown and mask. But don't let that worry you. Surely every true shepherd is expected to do that for the members of his flock."

"Flock or no flock," replied the minister's wife, "I will not see the patient. I have a flock of little ones at home."

"Very well, madam," continued the clerk. "In that case I will make out the permit for one of the patients. 'The minister's wife interposed, 'but the permit isn't necessary. I will not permit my husband to contract the disease and give it to me and the children.' Then turning to her husband she simplified Christian ministrations to the dying by saying: 'Dear, write sister a note and tell her we will pray for her recovery, and call on her when she gets well.'"

The note was written and delivered, but somehow didn't produce the effect expected from a mediator with Christ. After revolving the matter in her mind for several hours the patient called the nurse and said: "Kindly ask the priest to see me when he makes his visits in the morning."

"I'll 'phone for him now, if you don't mind," replied the nurse. "You see he lives close by and requested to be called any hour his services are required, and we don't know what the morrow may have in store for you."

As usual the priest came prepared to administer all the sacraments. He saw at a glance there was no time to be lost. After a few kind words of instruction he baptized the woman conditionally, heard her confession, administered Viaticum and Extreme Unction to her and gave her the plenary indulgence for a happy death. When he made his rounds the following morning he found a different patient in her place. "She passed away quietly at two o'clock," explained the nurse in answer to his inquiry.

We are chameleons taking color from our surroundings. Some men are like hens that eat the family grain but lay eggs for the neighbors.

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