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# MOST REV. PAUL BRUCHESI

Archbishop of Montreal,

ON "PETER'S PENCE."

PAUL BRUCHESI, by the Grace of God, and the favor of the Holy See, Archbishop of Montreal.

To the clergy, religious communities and lasty of Our Diocese, health, peace and benediction in the Lord.

We come to-day with an urgent appeal to your filial love for the Soereign Pontiff; we feel confident that you will, one and all, respond most heartily, for in reality that which we are about to ask should be regarded by Catholics as an imperative but pleasing duty. You all know the painful situation in which the Holy Father has been placed these We carnestly beg that all may take many years past. His home is a palace, yet he is in direct need on account of the enormous burdens that press upon him, and of the demands

Rome is not the only city, nor is earth. Now, it might be asked what any. earth. Now, it might be asset and revenue is at his disposal to-day?
We have read, time and again, the long list of his personal needs, and long list of his personal needs, and to the wealthy parishes of our city.

The Pope it has moved us to pity. The Pope Let parents set aside a part of their income and salaries for the holy alms; let them enlist their sons and honor of the pontifical court; there are good works in numbers untold that depend upon his assistance; so many misfortunes to which his heart take into account the very infant its cradio. Let the clergy, religious many acts of charity that must naturally command attention in a po-

Arious sources, a little at a time they various sources, a little at a time they year round; what could be do werd it trifle curtailed from what is usually otherwise? But these aims are from supplying his many pressing meeds. Is this the outcome of negligence or apathy on the part of his and morals would be much the better children? We dare not form an for it. Furthermore, this little mite opinion, but it is clearly manifest that Catholics do not do for their Father and Supreme Ruler what they could and what they really should do. Still, we feel that the fault does not lie in lack of generosity, and devotedness, but rather in a de-fective organization. Can we for a moment suppose that countries which like our own have given in years gone by their most valiant sons to fight for the rights of the Supreme Pontiff, could fail to-day to come to his

Many of the older members of the Many of the older members of the faithful remember the great movement inaugurated, the world over, forty years ago in view of assisting the Holy Father, the work known as "Peter's Pence." With an earnostthe Holy Father, the work known as "Peter's Pence," With an auroustness worthy of our despect admiration, as work was revived which was upheld through centuries of faith, but which has been saddy neglected in late years. That was in the early days of the spollation of Church Property. The year 1870 saw the Holy Father practically a captive of the Italian Government.

From the very onset. Mer. Bourget, of saintly memory, appoused the cause of the persecuted Vicar of Christ, While he sudesvored to find Christ, While he sudesvored to find Papal Zouaves to and in the persecuted to set the persecuted to set the persecuted to set the pensecuted to set the pe

Christ. While he endeavored to first processes to send to Rome, to proceed and organized three-state of men and women as also constitution of the Holy Section.

The Sacred Penns. The Pastonal Letter addresses to be people on that occasion, is one of the most also has left, in

The impulse was general. The very (5) We carnestly solicit the aid of first year, the Bishop had the con- all the Catholic Societies in Montreal the generous contribution destined to relieve him and the Apostolic See

in their great distress."

Many a change has come upon the world since then, Dearly Beloved Brathem, and the request made by our Venerable Predecessor is more urgent than ever. The Sovereign Pontiff, literally a deposed monarch, is in continual need of our assistance, and he, of all others, has a right to call

upon our sympathy.

Peter's Pence still exists among us, but it falls very short of what it was in the early days of the suffering. Church. The zeal of the first years has abated, and collections have diminished in proportion.

this maitter of faith and plety deeply ly to heart, that it may become an object of emulation among you, and that we may have the legitimate press upon him, and of the demands he must necessarily face at every dels to other nations, and other countries. Let us all unite, hand and good will in this matter) will add an them to embrace and to adorn the Rome is not the only city, nor is leart, and show what can be done when minds and feelings are linked in a common cause. Let there be no hesitation or neglect on the part of

orders, and houses of education give to the outer world. The co-opera-Alms certainly come to him from vast diocese cannot but accomplish will not go unrewarded by Him who promised to remember the cup of cold water given in His name

Believe us, Dearly Beloved Brethren, far from being a hindrance to the progress of our religious and national works, our generosity toward the Holy Father will render them all the more prosperous and flourishing.

As Bishop Bourget said, in his own

poetic words :- "This Sacred Pence sent to the Supreme Pontiff from year tiff, could fall to-day to come to his rescue in his great poverty?

Our works of henevolence are numberous, and we would not wilfully overlook the least among them. The suffering poor, the sick, the homeless and the orphans have a right to our water into the Gulf, where they are absorbed by the sun's rays, and conand the orphans have a right to our sympathy and it is our wish that they should have it, deep and vast as the ills they bear, but is it not meet that Catholics should have a special thought for their Father, whose patience and long suffering have been so sorely put to the pet? Is it not to him that the first fruits of their liberal charity should be directed?

(1) That Peter's Pence is hence-forth to be regarded as one of the principal good works of the diocese of Montreal. All those who have spe-cial charge of souls will make it the object of their zeal and attention. need of their zeal and attention, he Pastors of the respective churches ill deem it a duty to organize, the ork, and name a few willing souls he will help to collect, as is done

or the Propagation of the Faith.

(2) The Reverend Clergy are invitto give at each annual retreat a
m acuivalent to the offering relived for the colstration of the Hely
sartice.

solation of pouring into the pontifi in as far as their constitutions will cal treasury more than \$20,000 in allow.

Message to Ireland—Address to the name of his diocese. Pius IX.

(6) The University, the Seminaries, wrote immediately to thank him for Colleges, Boarding and Parochial

Colleges, Boarding and Parochial Schools will take part in the great movement, and we rely upon the inimovement, and we rely upon th tiative of the directors of these various institutions to further the good

(7) Citizens who are blessed with an abundance of God's gifts must naturally feel that they are in a position to give more generously: they are cordially invited to send their offerings to the Palace. We would also suggest that when making their last our ties of kindred and sympathy, all the dearer because of absence, prompt cial thought to the needs of His Holi-

(8) The two Sundays already set apart for this collection have not been changed, but the alms should be taken up at each office of the day, and by members of the clergy if at all the Society of the just made perfect possible.

(9) We shall give our approbation and encouragement to Churchwardens who, with the consent of the parish- pours forth upon our children His ioners, (and who can doubt of their choicest graces, leading many annual contribution to the alms given by the faithful.

Very Rev. Canon Martin, Archbishop's Palace, during the year. The Sunday collections should be sent in the course of the week that follows said collections.

By this organization, simple in itself, but which requires the good will of all, we shall be able to help our Holy Father in his noble mission grandest of the old countries. St. among men. We shall thus console among men. We shall thus console Faurice Scattneria, Merbourne, is the his fatherly heart, and merit for ourselves, our families, and the diocese in general that blessing which will be for us the pledge of a glorious im-

The present letter shall be read in raised by the people at the cost of all the churches and chapels where the divine office is celebrated; at the Chapter of all the religious communities. It shall also be referred to in brief the Sunday previous to that Irish by birth or by descent, are earon which the collections are to be

and seal and the countersign of our Chancellor, the 29th day of October, one thousand nine hundred and five.

PAUL, Arch. of Montreal. By order of His Grace,

EMILE CANON ROY, Chancellor.

## The Pope and the Peace Confer-

Although there has been no official January, 1899, the Czar, who was in cordial relations with Leo XIII., sent a circular note, which explained his intentions, to the Holy See, as well as to all the Powers. The Pelloux Cabinet, then in power in Italy, took the ground that the presence at the Conference of a Papal representative would be offensive to the l'emisula, as it would be interpreted as a recognition of the Pops as a Temporal Sovereign. As the invitations to the Conference were issued by the Dutch Government, the Vatican could not show any resentment towards Russia, but only towards Holland, and more especially against M. de Beaufort, the Minister of Foreign Affairs. In sign of protest Lec XIII. withdrew from The Hague his Internucio, Monsignor Tarmassi, who has not been replaced. Now the rentions between Italy and the Vatican have improved so much that the Fortis Cabinet would have no objection to the Holy See being invited, but there is a difficulty in the wavemanely, to find a plausible reason for the change.

# motto which the pulpit, the Tribune, St. Vincent de Paul, League of the and the press have re-exchoed from one Sacred Heart, and the Third Orders and of the world to the other." of St. Dominic and St. Francis. SYNOD.

the Irish Bishops.

Among the documents issued by the Third Plenary Council of the Church of Australia is the following:

"To the Venerable Hierarchy of Ire-

"Your Eminenre, My Lords,-

"Our common interests regarding The Sacred Ministry, together with ary Council of Australia, to send you this joint message of greeting.

"Since the date of our last Plenary Synod-A.D. 1895-several prelate have been gathered, as we trust, to but the work of our Master continually goes on in peace, and, thank God, in prosperity. The Holy Spirit clerical and the religious state. Religious schools increase in number (10) The present pastoral will be and efficiency; orphanages, hospitals, put in force after January 1st, 1906, and other institutions inspired by All offerings should be directed to Christian charity, are to be found in all cities and towns. Even in remote spots of our sparsely-populated territories churches are being multiplied. These are of simple design, and serve also as schools in many places; but a great number of our sacred edifices, in their beauty and equipment, rival the fairest and the Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, is the

noble pile of perfect architecture, £230,000, and worthy of its inheritance as the Mother Church of Aus tralia. "The majority of our flock being nestly and affectionately devoted to the religious and national interests Given at Montreal, under our sign of their Mother-land. All rejoice and glory in the marvelous fruitfulness of

her faith at home and abroad throughout the universe. We, in the name of Australia, congratulate your reverend speaker! And how ample Lordships upon the attention now attracted by the process of Beatification initiated at the centre of Catholicity in regard to the Irish martyrs of the 16th and 17th centuries. We trust that in a short time these causes will be carried to glorious issues by your sustained energy in working out all the details of the canonical procedure.

"In the now evident coming of exchange of notes in connection with Irish national autonomy within the a participation of the Holy See in Empire of the United Kingdom, the the second Hague Conference, pour-parlers have taken place, partly at Meanwhile, we applaud every partial Heanwhile, we appland every partial The audience increased steadily to the first night, because all who heard that when the first heave Conference was convened in January, 1899, the Czar, who was tongue, of traditional usages and with them to share their pleasure. January, 1899, the Czar, who was in cordial relations with Leo XIII., sports; restoration of industrial prosessing the cordial relations with Leo XIII., sports; restoration of industrial prosessing the cordial relations with Leo XIII., sports; restoration of industrial prosessing the cordial relations with Leo XIII. perity; the retention of youthful energy and talent for home requirements till emigration will result from an overflowing population—these and all other reforms appeal cogently to ou sympathy and support. Foremost however, in our estimation at pre sent is the re-vindication of such University education as may be con-genial to the Catholic majority. Edu-cation divorced from religious instication divorced from religious insti-tutions and ecclesiastical vigilance is obnoxious to every true Catholic. Experience shows the fruits of such education to be indifference and un-belief. It is intrinsically dangerous to faith, which is the root of Chris-tically and the soul of human per-fection. The arts and sciences, more-over, receive from religion their high-cet inspirations, safest guidance, and noblest application. So, Ireland's suprems devotion to religious educa-tion is an imperiabable glory She is to be wise as the serpent in safe-guarding her generations from all dangers to faith.

dancy, or of foul sectarianism tru patriots and sincere Christians, they would adopt the contention of mund Burke in arguing against the

penal code.
"We reflect on the contention of our illustrious countryman, Edmund Burke: The advantages of the subject should be considered as their right, and all reasonable wishes as

many claims.'
"Venerable Brethren,—The struggle for sound enlightenment and national progress, followed out on the lines of religion, liberty, and justice, shall be crowned with a glorious victory in God's own time. As Christians and sons of St. Patrick, you as we, in trial and in joy, turn to the Chair of Peter in the Eternal City. There we neet in unity of faith, of obedience, and of love; looking for the blessed hope and coming of the great God and Our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

"We remain in sincere attachment "Your Lordships' brethren in J.C., PATRICK F. CARDINAL MORAN.

"Archbishop of Sydney, and Dele-"For the Prelates of the Third Ple-

#### nary Council of Sydney.' Father Valentine Preaches Remarkable Mission.

To those who had the pleasure as about two years ago, in St. Patricks Church, this city, the following, we take from the Catholic Standard and Times, will certainly be of interest :

A most extraordinary event has just been concluded at the Church of St. Mary, Star of the Sea, Baltimore. For the past week Rev. Father Va lentine, of the Passionist Order, has been lecturing each evening to a crowded audience, the majority of which were non-Catholics. The latter frequently reached more than twothirds of the number present. More than one-half were always non-Catholics, because Catholics, though most eager to attend, were admitted only on complying with certain conditions, not always practicable. This was that each Catholic be accompanied by at least one non-Catholic. a magnificent treat of oratorical eloquence did the absent members of the congregation miss in not hearing the were the zealous rewarded by being

allowed to attend thereat ! This movement in the Church comparatively new, and positively novel in the city of Baltimore. Its object, as stated by Rev. Father Valentine in his opening address, is not primarily to make converts to the Church, but to give all well-minded people outside the Church an opportunity of learning from an accredited source what the Catholic Church really is, and, incidentally, what she is office.

among men. As a speaker many will admit that he is surpassed by few. His personal magnetism is great; he simply chains his audience by his masterly eloquence. He is remarkably 1905, the third of Our Pontificate. west equipped for any particular kind of work. During the past six years much of his time has been given to these courses of lectures. The expe-rience thus garnered, added to his natural gifts, kindly disposition and scholarly attainments, make him an scholarly attainments, in the bears adept in his chosen sphere. He bears the good-will and 'God-speed' of all. 'God bles him" was often heard from auditor when passing out of the church, and will long remain the prayer of all who beard him, Catholics and nonolics glike.

The seed which he has sown, like the grain of wheat, may apparently die, but only to be invigorated with life and beauty when germinated by that "kindly light", when "the night is gone." Only time can reveal what

### CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN ENGLAND.

### LETTER FROM THE POPE

The following letter has been addressed by the Pope to the Archbishop of Westminster :-

"To Our Venerable Brother, Francis Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, Health and Apostolic Benedic-

"In Our vigilance as Supreme Pastor We have not failed to attend to the gravest of all matters about which the Catholics of England are at present anxious, the endeavor, namely, to safeguard and maintain their schools in conformity with the belief and profession of the Catholic Faith

"To the Cardinal Archbishops of Westminster praise is certainly for the great earnestness with which during the last five-and-thirty years the faithful in England have most strenuously defended their Catholic schools, asserting, above all things, the necessity that the education the young should be of a religious character. This example of your predecessors, as We gladly acknowledge, you also have followed, for We know that you have been a leader to your Catholic people in their united To those who had the product of determination to solve well as privilege of attending the mistheir schools.

"In your pleading for this cause you will not, We are sure, fail to be helped by the approval and good will of many even who are not of the Catholic Faith, for, though they do not demand all that Catholics must ask for, it is well known that they agree with you as to the religious education of the young.

"Wherefore, We earnestly exhort the Catholics of England to strive for this most praiseworthy object, and to those most of all do We address this exhortation who give their distinguished aid as writers in books and in the public press. They will do a most useful and most meritorious work if, following the guidance their Bishops and putting aside all matters of private interest or what might cause hurtful dissension, they not only persevere but make daily progress in the defence which has been begun.

"Together with the earnest exhortation We wish also to give the consolation which is certainly needed by the very many who are overstrained by their labor and care, by those especially of the sacred clergy, who, living amongst their people, spare neither effort nor trouble in endeavoring to save their Catholic schools, and by the schoolmasters and schoolmistresses who with much toil and many discomforts so admirably discharge the duties of their most noble

and in witness of Our benevolence We most lovingly grant in the Lord the Apostolic Benediction.

"Given in Rome, at St. Peter's, or the 18th day of October, in the year

Plus X., POPE."

### A VALUABLE SUGGESTION.

A priest in Ohio has a good sche of presenting the teaching of of presenting the teaching of the Church to the farmers of his county. He has had a conference with one of the editors of the weekly county paper and an arrangement has been made whereby the paper sells him ten ten sells him ten sells him