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the dirty penny. Several persons in Toronto, not long ago, were sent to prison for offering for sale immoral literature. There are many more who should he sent there to keep them company. We need scarcely tell Catholics what their duty should be when they read an advertisement of Maria Monk's book in a newspaper.

IT IS WELCOME news that Rev. Dr. Lambert, pastor of Scottsville, N. Y., and editor of the Freeman's Journal, is restored to health and once again able to enter the editorial arena. May be be yet long in the land. Were he to drop the editorial pen we would lose the greatest and noblest of the Catholic newspaper writers of the continent.

A REMNANT OF EMPIRE.

Rev. P. W. Brown

"A few rocks, obscured by fogs, and battered by the waves,-these are the only reminders of our ancient splendor in North America: St. Pierre, Miquelon Isle aux Chiens, Grand Colombier, Isle Verte, are the last remnant of a sovereignty, which still were ours, were it not for the supineness of Legislators in former years." So writes an enthusiastic Frenchman, in a recent number of a French-Colonial Magazine.

These islands have, within the last few weeks, been scenes of disorder; and islanders have dealt a blow to Colonial authority by raising the "Stars and Stripes," as a protest against the legislation which would deprive them of religious education for their children. "None of our Colonial possessions," continues the same writer, "has known such vicissitudes as the little archipelago of St. Pierre, conquered and reconquered so often during the past centur-Juered so the form and France in turn. Notwithstanding the pretensions of those vain English explorers — the Cabots-these islands were visited from the eleventh to the fifteenth century panish and Norwegian explor-s. The Basques fished here in the Cartier visited these coasts in 1535, he found here a large number of Breton sailor-fishermen from Honfleur an Dieppe, from St. Malo and St. Brieue.

But, not till Champlain laid the solid foundations of our regime in the West by founding Quebec, in 1608, did the slands assume importance as a fishing station. Then vessels from Granville Dinan, Paimpol and other parts of the coast of Brittany came annually in ever increasing numbers; and St. Pierre be-came the nursery pepiniere of our formidable navy." St. Pierre is a busy little town, not

unlike some of the Breton seaports; it is really a bit of old France transplanted Western Hemisphere, tho' some what modernised by the progressive genius of its people. The creaking ox-cart, the click of the sabot, the applechecked Norman women, the quaint and picturesque costumes, are still remin-ers of the France of the ancien regime. costumes, are still remind-The Archipelago-colony is historic

ally a replica in miniature of the old-land: it has had its Revolution, its 'Reign of Terror," its " Liberty Tree, and even its "coup d'etat." St. Pierre has had a romantic exist

ence civilly and politically ; and the recent difficulties are in keeping with its past. The history of the disaffection at present existing there must be sought in the records of the Quai d'Orsay; and the disaffection now so widespread is but the distant echo of Breton antagonism to the iniquitous legislation of recent years in France; it is a protest against the exclusion of religion from the Com-munal echocles munal schools.

In former years St. Pierre was a recognized centre of learning; and num-bers of young men and women from Newfoundland sought there such instruction as, in these days, they could not secure at home. Its schools had excellent teachers - religious orders of men and women who held diplomas from the best Continental schools. farce and playing at Parliament came to When the Separist Law forbade relig-

a guard of fifty men shall be kept upon the islands for their protection." The enactment of this treaty by the British Parliament was the occasion of momentous scenes in the House of Com-momentous scenes in the House of Com-a sick bed to take part in the debates on the situation, denounced the treaty as openly charged with bribery, and the very sum—Three hundred thousand pounds sum-Three hundred thousand pounds (\$1,550,000.00) was named which had been paid him by the French. Junius,

n one of his celebrated letters charged one of Bute's colleagues—the Duke of Bedford—with a similar crime; he says Bedford-"Belle Isle, Goree, Guadeloupe, St. Lucia, Martinique, The Fishery, The Havanas, are glorious monuments of your Grace's talents for negotiation. My Lord, we are too well acquainted with your pecuniary character to think it possible that so many public sacri-fices should have been made without ride! some private compensation. Your con duct carries with it an infernal evidence

eyond all the legal proofs of a Court of Instice. After the conclusion of the treat

banks which lie off to sea. The total value of these fisheries, which are everal, Acadian refugees settled in St. gradually declining, owing to reason which will be stated later, is approxi-Pierre, preferring the hazardous life of a fishing colony to residence elsewhere; but they do not seem to have taken kindly to the rugged life of the colony. mately \$1,500,000. For every quintal of fish caught on the banks or in-shore French fishermen receive a bounty of ten francs, if export-ed and five francs, if consumed on French territory. This bounty system They subsequently abandoned St. Pierre and located in the Magdalen Islands and Cape Breton. (Prouse: History of Newfoundland.) Between the years 1763 and 1776 the Colony made great is the cause of the constant and persist is the cause of the constant and persist-ent antagonism between Newtoundland merchants and the business community of the French Colony. This it was which brought about the enforcement of the celebrated "Bait Act" which has forward strides owing to its trade with the New England States; and then began the contraband dealing with the other Colonies which, evidently, still continues. In 1778 St. Pierre was again been the chief means of the decline of the French fisheries. This is admitted taken possession of by the English the French fisheries. This is admitted by the St. Pierre business community in a St. Pierre newspaper, referring to the Bait Act, we find this admission. Rear Admiral Montague took posses-sion of the Colony without any show of resistance on the part of its inhabit-ants. By the Treaty of Versailles (1783) it was again restored to France; "Since the enforcement of the Bait Bill French fishermen have found their in but this treaty, says a French writer, French fishermen have jound their un-dustry less productive than before." Bait is the great requisite for bank fishermen; and now that the French are unable to catch or purchase it on the did not impose upon the French colonists the humiliating conditions (les con-ditions hum liantes) of Utreeht. But it is declared by English authorities that it did not rescind any of the provisions of Utrecht. The Treaty of Newfoundland coast, they are obliged to seek it elsewhere; and it is found Versailles also defined "the limits of nowhere so plentifully as in Newfound French fishing rights" on the Newfound-land Coast. Out of this arose the famland waters St. Pierre exports besides codfish other fishery products such as sounds (noves) and cod-roes (rouges); the latter are used as bait for the Sardine fishery ous French Shore Question which, for so many years afforded emoluments to the legal fraternity of Newfoundland, and sundry trips to the British Isles for local politicians. This *Question* was adjusted in 1904, much to the chagrin of the French merchant and the on the coast of Brittany. Apart from fishing St. Pierre ha practically no industries, excepting a small foundry and some dory-manufac-turing plants, which are not extensive Newfoundland jurists. One very patri-The little Colony has one of the most expensive Civil administrations to be found anywhere. Its Governor is otic French writer says of the conclusion of this difficulty: "L'entêtemen prittanique (punic faith) devait fatale appointed by the Home Government and he is sorrounded by an official staff

nent triompher là encore." Englan ndemnified the French for their clain England on the Newfoundland coast. This how it reads in the language of dipl capable, numerically of administering Colony ten times its size. Its Judiciary is also complicated and expensive. It how it reads in the language of the macy; but in democratic phraseology, it main maid one hundred is said that St. Pierre vith a population of less than six thousand has several hundred civil servants. Discontent is thousand pounds and exchanged terri tory elsewhere for supposed "rights" on the coast of Newfoundland. rife; and those who are interested i the future welfare of the "nursery fo

St. Pierre, like the motherland, in revolutionary days, had its General As-sembly " and its "Committee of Notables;" and the meetings of these organizations were even held in the parish church. In 1789 the Cure of St. Pierre, M. Allain, declined to partici-pate in these Jacobin orgies; and he efused to take the oath of allegiance He subsequently departed from the colony to the Magdalen Islands, taking er of his faithful parishioner ith him.

During the regime of the Assembly a Jacobin Club" existed under the title of "Le Club des Amis de la Constitu ion;" for a while there was a veritable "Reign of Terror," and in a riot caused by members of this club, a woman name Genevieve Larache was killed.

Gai Paris "- in its festivousness dur "The 8th of April, 1793 was a memor ing the winter season : during the sum able day in the French toy Republic : a big spruce tree had been secured on the her time everybody is too busy to at tend to the social side of life. The Pierrais are extremely hospitable, and those who visit the little colony do Newfoundland shore, and it was solemnly planted, with all pomp and ceremony near the sea shore of the harbor as a not soon forget the bonhommie and rare grace of its people. "Tree of Liberty." "The scene is changed;" and soon all this Republican Unfortunately it is difficult to reach it, except by making a voyage from Hal-

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and fumes of the barking-pot. The fishand fames of the barking-pot. The fish-ng fleet is being made ready for the ever erected to the cause of temperanec banks; and there are daily arrivals of festive marins from the St. Malo, Gran-ville, and other Breton sea-ports.

who had spent much money on intoxi-cants suddenly awoke to his folly, and They are a hardy, energetic race ease Bretons; and they are reared in a determined to save the determined to save the sums he would have otherwise frittered away in this school which develops the qualities which best fit them for their future direction. With the money thus saved he erected a fine row of cottages, giving which best ht them for their luttre direction. With the money thus saved avocation—the French Navy. "Formid-able men, says the French statesman, these Bretons; "they are one of our glories, and the source of our national words, "The blessing of God on total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks From five to seven thousand of these -Ouiver. fishermen come annually to St. Pierre to engage in the fishery which is so vigor

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" Metropolis of the Universe'

TEMPERANCE NOTES

ut against our own interests.

IT WAS A GREAT CONGRESS.

The most interesting event of the nonth has been the great Missionary Congress at Chicago. It brought to-gether a half hundred Bishops, a host of priests and a throng of people from all parts of the United States. It awakened a great deal of enthusiasm and to it may be credited a very important advance in the missionary move ment in this country. It was held under the auspices of the

Church Extension Society and it was managed with consummate skill. It has s direct purpose the developmen of the missionary spirit, and the distinct impression that it left was that the huge organization of the Catholic Church is stirring with unwonted activty. In so far as it is both the sign and

measure of this activity it is a source of intense joy to all who are interested in issionary progress. The Congress was a mighty evidence missio

of the life which stirs within the Church of Christ. It was a great spectacle that Sunday morning as the procession slowly wound its way up the aisle of the Cathe-dral of the Holy Name. Priests and Bishops were there. The simple black robe of the self-immolating secular mis-cionary was there. sionary was there. There, too, was the white birretta of St. Norbert, the white cord of St. Francis and the deeper dye of the Sons of St. Benedict. Monsig nors, Bishops and Archbishops passed of nors, bisnops and Archisnops passed on into the sanctuary. And last of all the gentle, grey-clad Delegate, our honored messenger from Rome, ascended the altar, where the mighty Sacrifice of our fathers was renewed. With majestic chant, and 'mid curling clouds of cense, the terrible rite proceeded until the Angel of the Great Council reposed on His altar throne, while adoring priest and people knelt and knew that Christ Hin self was there to declar the Congress open and to s'rengther and renew all there in Himself.

Forth from the august Presence the went to spend the ensuing nights and days in voicing the needs of God's people in this land of ours. Not a class the French navy" are clamoring for a less expensive and more capable admin-istration. "Let us have," says a recent vas overlooked, not a voice went un heard. The Negro from the far-off South spoke through his natural prowriter, Administrators of worth (nomme) de carrière) : these were less likely to be governed by sordid motives. . . A rigorous examination of our budget an active surveillance over the Adminis tration more attention to active active the administration of the surveillance over the Administ South spoke through its matural pro-tectors. There, too, was heard the voice of the Catholic farmer from those parts where the priest is seldom h ard or seen. And the plaintive voice of that tration, more attention to our affairs are eater and more needy throng who are mperatively necessary just now, if we rish to save our colony from ruin. If overed with the corruption of erro and the darkness of bigotry, was heard and the darkness of bigotry, was heard. These, with our immigrants, our poor, and our boys, all pleaded before the assembled body for their rights in the mystical body of Christ. And even from the land of St. Austin was heard a gentle voice reminding us that the name and shown of the ment land is being bled to drawing subsides which are in nowise justifiable, for which we receive inefficient services; we are und by contracts made by ourselves

that the nerve and sinew of the work lay in the things that we see not, in the region of prayer and continuous inter-

Such a Congress could not have bee ld ten years ago. There was not then nissionary enthusiasm enough to gather a tithe of representatives of organizations that are now actively engaged in Church progress. When the Catholic Missionary Union started it was almost alone in its work of awakening activitie



Seem To Be Nature's Provision For The princess openly expressed her disapproval of the great Protestant peti-tion she had seen carted through the Keeping Man Healthy and Ward-ing Off Disease.

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Cereals, vegetables and meat supply he elements needed for man's nourshment. Yet fruit - though it has very little food value--has proved to be absolutely necessary for perfect ealth.

Careful investigation has shown

availed itself of the opportunity of pre-senting him with an address of welcome

and a purse of \$190. The address was

The Press.

Every man is watched. His life is an

AN INTERESTING EVENT.

THE ERECTION OF THE FIRST CEOSS IN DAYSLAND, ALTA., ON PROVIDENCE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

streets; a petition urging Parliament to pass a bill ordering an inspection of con-vents. The company was surprised by the fervor with which the princess de-alayed the same should be for fervor.

clared the nuns should be free from such

unwarrantable intrusion.

Careful investigation has shown hat all the common fruits act on the Uver, Kidneys, Eowels and Skin. These are the organs that rid the body of dead tissue and waste products, and the fruit juices stir them up to nore vigorous action, thus keeping he whole body clean and healthy. But few people eat enough fruit. Realizing this, after several years of experimenting, a prominent Canadian physician succeeded in combining the juices of apples, oranges, figs and prunes in such a way that the medi-junce of apples, oranges, figs and prunes in such a way that the medi-junces of apples, oranges, combined fruit action is many times multiplied. Then he added valuable tonics and made the combination into tables cali-ad "Fruit-a-tives." They are really Na-ture's cure for Constipation, Indiges-tion, Elliousness and Stomach Trou-bles. Mild as Nature treat. Last May the Sisters of Charity, Kingston, Ont., came here to do hospital work. For some time previous, Mr. E. W. Day had petitioned the Bishop of St. Alberts for Sisters. The Bishop, seeing that Daysland, situated on the line via Metaskiwin to Winnipeg, and line via Metaskiwin to Winnipeg, and being the centre of a vast, well-settled and fertile contry, willingly gave his approval. The hospital is located on a block given by Mayor E. W. Day, and will accommodate about twenty-five patients. We have two doctors, Dr. Qesnell and Dr. Sherriffs, who attend to the sufrounding country and have near tion, Billousness and Stomach Trou-bles. Mild as Nature itself — but more prompt and effective. Sold by dealers at 50c, a box-6 boxes for \$2.50-trial size box 25c. Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa. he surrounding country, and have more work than they can attend to. The nur ng staff will also be enlarged in a few capable of ? If there be any who fail to understand, it is because they do not understand the Catholic Church and her

weeks. The Church will be finished in December. One priest remains in Days-land and probably another will come in doctrines. It may help them, however, to understand, if they will but bear in mind that since the days of her divino establishment, she has always and everythe near future to take charge of the issions on the line. The sermons are English but confessions are heard in Dutch, German and other languages where preached. Give unto God the Notwithstanding the great generosity of Mr. Day, town council and citizens things that are God's, and unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's. That doc-Daysland, who generously subscribed trine makes men good Christians and patriotic citizens, and that's what theso marching hosts profess by their public demonstrations of faith.—Church Pro-\$6,000, there still remains a debt of \$10,000 on the hands of the Sisters. This is a great debt when we consider the amount of charity patients cared for in the Sisters' hospital. Will the charitable public not lead a helping hard 3. The smallest duration will be gress. FATHER CORCORAN'S RETURN HOME. The smallest donation will thankfully received by the Sisters. this season, how many could give and not miss the offering. God who leaves Rev. P. Corcoran, pastor of Scaforth, diocese of London, who has been on an extended visit to Europe and Asia, has returned to his parish. We learn from the local papers that the congregation nothing without reward, will certainly bestow His favors on those who help

KIND OF FAITH THAT COUNTS.

CITIZEN OF DAYLAND.

this great work undertaken for the

lory of God and suffering humanity.

and a purse of \$100. The address was-signed by John Devereaux, sr., Duncan McMillan, J. Shine, T. Corbett, T. Geary, D. Shanahan, C. Kennedy, J. Canning, J. Ryan. Father Corcoran-returned thanks for the kind sentiments-expressed toward him. He said during his absence he did not forget to offer-the Holy Sacrifica for his meenle in It has been insisted in these colum ime and again that the need of the times in this country is a strong, open, assertive faith. Not a faith alone which the Holv Sacrifice for his people in eads religiously to the Church and reg Bethlehem, Calvary and the Holy Sept ularly to the sacraments. Not a faith which concerns the individual exclusivechre of Our Saviour, places which will be ever dear to Christian hearts. and takes not into account the indiv

dual's neighbor. To-day there are unmistakable signs that this aggressive faith, through some cause, has been enkindled among Amer-ican Catholics. And if it be asked From all parts of the world comes the ry: "Support the Catholic press." In n address delivered by the Rev. Dr. wherein are the evidences, one need only point to the recent public demon-strations in New York, St. Louis and McCarthy at the recent Catholic Con-gress in Johannesburg, South Africa, the Boston, in each of which forty speaker dwelt upon the important part played by the Catholic papers in strengthening the hearts and lightening men—Gatholic men — marched for God, for Church and for Country, impressing and edifying hundreds of thousands who the minds of Catholics. It is the sam watched the magnificent pageants as

story to-day wherever a voice is uplifted in the Catholic cause—the hey Catholic prest is spoken of as one of the keenest and strongest weapons in the armory of truth. Yet how many of our This is the kind of faith that counts. It counts for the hosts who participate and with the hosts who looked on. It is typical of the spirit which filled the first people seem to be unmindful of this ! dispensers of the Gospel; which nour-ished the early Church; which animated Sacred Heart Review. the early Christians; which led to the liscovery of the American continent which explored its coasts, and rivers which sustained its pioneer missionarie

inspiring example to others if it is lived in the fear and love of God. It is a and which made the savage docile. The same spirit which to-day stands as the stumbling-block to others if it is an un worthy life. highest expression of our civilization and the surest guarantee of our nationa

ious teaching in France, sycophantic politicians inaugurated systematic perecution against these teachers in St. Pierre; and closed their establishments then were handed over to seculars. There was still some religious instruction; but even this was not in accordance with the views of the Rouges, who sat in the higher councils of the

olony. The Pierrais are a religious people and would not "bow the knee to Baal; hence the disorders which have been so recently recorded. Discontent has been seething for years in the little colony and this outbreak is but the culmination of the long-pent-up feelings of a down-trodden people.

St. Pierre has occupied a large place in Colonial History. After a century of peaceful progress, it witnessed, in 1702, its first assault by a British fleet; and its fort, mounting six guns was de-stroyed by Captain Leake's Squadron : "Beaucoup d'honneur pour six cannons" remarks a French writer in a caustic strain.

By the provisions of the Treaty o Utrecht (1713) England obtained posses sion of Acadia, Newfoundland, and St. Pierre; and in the stipulations we read : It shall not be lawful for the subjects of His Most Christian Majesty, the King France, to fortify any place in the Island of St. Pierre." This said Island of St. Pierre." This treaty," says the Abbe Raynal (whose name is familiar to Nova Scotians) "wrested from the feeble hands of Louis the portals of Canada, Acadia and Newfoundland; and from this dates the de-cline of the Monarchy and the oncoming of the Revolution."

St. Pierre remained in possession of the English for fifty years; and was then restored to France as " a refuge for fishermen,"

fishermen," by the Treaty of Paris (Feb. 10th, 1763.) This treaty also forbade the fortification of the Island; for it is herein stipulated— "that His Most Christian Majesty, the King of France, engages not to fortify these islands not to corotic buildings up.

ifax or North Sydney. It will have no business connection with its near neigh-bor—Newfoundland, and the latter will became a possession of England; and its population was deported to Halifax.' (Prowse: History of Newfoundland.)

have no commerce with St. Pierre The "Peace of Amiens" (1802) again transferred the territory to France; but Time was when there was too much bus iness (of a kind) between the western within a year, it again became a British possession. At this period a large num-ber of English families from the Burin shore of the ancient colony and its rival - the business known as smugglin This has almost ceased, as watchfu peninsula, in Newfoundland, emigrated to St. Pierre; and some of their descend officials are located along the wester coast, and a Government patrol-steam ants are still found there. The Treaty of Paris (1815) transferred the Archipel is hovering always in the vicinity What will be the outcome of the pres-ent difficulties in the French colony i ago Colony to France, under whose juris It is difficult to say. Possibly by the time Newfoundland decides to enter the Dominion of Canada St. Pierre will also diction it has ever since remained The exiles returned from Halifax : and trade was resumed with the Newfoundland coast and the eastern shores of Canada. Little of a political nature be disposed to join hands with her old-time rival, and become a province o this great country. Herein lies the on of the difficulties of both.

transpired for many years; but in 1851 the Colony had its little *coup d'ctat*. It was brought about by the Republican Halifax, N. S., Dec. 3, 1908. faction headed by a French aux long cours who organised the malcontents against the exactions of Imperialism. It was, however, of short duration; and Monsieur le Capitaine came into the clutches of the law, and he was con-Monsieur le Concerning the wiping out of the saloon in the South, Booker T. Washing

demned on some trivial charge to twelve months' imprisonment, and later, de-ported from St. Pierre. The administraton, the negro leader, says: "The abolition of the bar-room is a blessing o the negro second only to the abolition tion of justice in the Colony seemingly left much to be desired in these days; f slavery." That alcoholism affects the normal for about this time a rich merchant of the town shot one of the disciplinaires tone of the muscles of the heart and makes them give way to fat, was the (military prisoners) dead in his hall: the declaration of Dr. Charles J. Muttart (military prisoners) dean in the next of dean of Philadelphia College of Osteo-poor hungry prisoner was in quest of pathy and professor of anatomy in an bread. The murderer was sentenced to address on "The Body at work." He address on "The Body at work." He said: "Alcohol is a stimulant that one month's imprisonment, which he spent under surveillance in his own luxurious house."—(Op cit.)

The greatest rivalry has always ex-isted between the French Colony and Newfoundland; and it exists to-day seemingly as formidable as when Imperial mandates were enforced at the cannon's for years been prominent in Catholic mouth. The cause of this rivalry istemperance work, said recently: "The Catholic Church has been condemned

The life of St. Pierre is codfish; and severely, by many who are not familiar with her true history, because many of her alleged members are linked with the everything in the Pierrais colony is sug-gestive of the piscatorial business of its

n missionary lines. The first issue o perpetuation.

the Missionary funds. The first issue the Missionary found comparatively small public to appeal to and when affirmed the positive duty of the stronge faith that counts. And how opportune this the hour of its re-awakening when dioceses helping the weaker ones it did men and nations are running to their not meet with a cordial response. The principles were nevertheless right. rain. The one by their anti-Christian theories, the other by their anti-Chris-The Church in this country is a homogen

us body and the stronger parts mu await the slower progress of the weake

ones, that all may go ahead together, and now the principles are securing more or less of universal recognition. Those principles have given birth to the Church Extension Society, and with the vigor of a younger organization they have raised still higher the note of appeal and aroused a larger public sent ment in favor of the missionary helpful ness. The Chicago Missionary Congress ness. The Chicago Missionary Congress for this reason marks an epoch. The

reports that have gone out over the country of the enthusiasm of its mem-bers and the public interest that has been awakened everywhere will impress even the dullest that the Church is on the move like a conquering army and that nothing can resist its onward pro-gress.—The Missionary.

MAY BECOME CATHOLIC.

UNG EDWARD'S SISTER OPENLY DISAP. PROVED OF PROTESTANT PETITION AGAINST CATHOLIC CONVERTS.

Princess Henry of Battenburg, when at home on the Isle of Wight, pays daily visits to the convents of French nuns of and serves to increase its action. It has positively no curative value, and acts is ster with the nuns has given rise to sister with the nuns has given rise to the report that she is being instructed in the Catholic faith, to which her daugh ter, the Queen of Spain, was converted before she married King Alfonso.

Many things strengthen the rumor that the princess leans toward Catholicism. When she resided at Kensington Palace

DEAF 25 YEARS How truly, therefore, is it the kind of Can Now Hear Whisper tian practices. What man is so dull that he cannot

see the power for good to city, state and hear. ADDRESS GEO. P. WAY bation that these marching armies are 37 Adelaide St. Detroit, Mich

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