

THE ONLY DE-FINITE RELIGION.

Thus a Protestant Minister Characterizes Catholicism.

(Morning Oregonian, Portland.) "In spite of the laymen's missionary movement and the great world conferences of churches, the Protestant Church throughout the world is losing ground."

LACK CONVICTION.

"I talked with a very eminent Jesuit priest the other night," said Dr. Grant. "He wanted to know the difference between Catholicism and Protestantism. I said to him: 'Your people have respect for authority, ours have none. When you tell your people to go to the bottomless pit they pack up their things and go, but when we tell our people to go, they send us.'"

WORLD DEMANDS DEFINITE DOCTRINE.

"I hear it from the press and on the street that the world is tired of doctrine. I don't believe it. Definite Bible doctrine is what they want. But it is a fallacy to suppose that one man or set of men can frame rules by which others shall live. The Church, like the political world, has lost every grain of conviction. There is no difference to-day between one political faith and another. The only question is 'Which man can push through and get the office.'"

Sobriety Increasing.

The fact that there has been an increase in the sales of alcoholic liquors of nearly 250,000 gallons daily in the first nine months of the present fiscal year is considered a very serious matter in some quarters. The increase does not necessarily mean that more liquor is being consumed per capita of population than heretofore. Drunkenness is not on the increase probably in any State. There is much more sobriety in all channels of industry than there was a quarter of a century ago.

Seismographs For All Jesuit Colleges

A despatch from Washington says that within a year all the Jesuit colleges in the country will be equipped with seismographs to record earthquakes. Father Francis A. Torndorf, professor of physics in Georgetown University, has been taking the records there with such success that instruments will be placed in all the other colleges. Those in Cleveland and New York already have them. These institutions are frequently the first to give out news of distant earth disturbances.

Novel Cakes Filling.

One cupful of strawberries, the white of one egg and one cupful of sugar. Have the berries as dry as possible. Beat all together twenty minutes. Serve as soon as possible. -From Woman's Home Companion for July.

SOME OF OUR OBLIGATIONS.

There Should be No Excuse for Staying From Mass During Hot Weather.

(From the Irish Standard.) While no Catholic will make the hot weather an excuse for staying away from Mass many of us will feel the obligation of attending divine worship on these sweltering Sunday mornings a little harder perhaps. We will find that during the summer months it will take a little extra effort to forego the attractive coolness of many alluring spots. Of course no one who realizes the obligation of attending Mass will give much thought to anything else until that obligation is discharged for we know that if we were to absent ourselves from the Holy Sacrifice a disturbed conscience would keep us much more restless than sultry weather and anyway the supreme pleasure springs from the consciousness of duty well done. The lightest hearts and purest joys belong to those who are willing to sacrifice bodily comforts for the glory of God. We never think of sacrificing business interests to lounge in the shade and why should we think of sacrificing our spiritual interests for that purpose.

One of the greatest testimonies to the genuineness of the Catholic Church is the fact that though its commands at times seem severe, its children are always willing to obey. On the hot Sundays of summer when the flocks of other denominations are leaving their churches empty by fleeing to the lakes and parks to avoid the heat, Catholics who realize the ever present necessity of ministering to the wants of the soul crowd the churches with the same regularity as at any other season of the year. For them there is just as much attraction at the foot of the altar in July and August as at Christmas and Easter time.

Sixty-ninth Anniversary.

Halifax, July 16.--To-day is the sixty-ninth anniversary of the birth of this city of William, afterwards Rev. Father Morrissey, lovingly remembered throughout the Maritime Provinces and known across the continent for his thirty years' pastorate at Bartibogue, N.B., his truly wonderful medical skill was at the service of all who needed help, and for his services he steadily refused pay. Thousands came to him or wrote for his services he steadily refused pay, beyond the bounds of his own parish.

Cardinal Gibbons Against Pictures.

Cardinal Gibbons has declared his opposition to the exhibition of the Johnston-Jeffries pictures in Baltimore or elsewhere, saying: "It would be wrong to show these horrible pictures, first, because the children have to be protected, and it is the children who would be most seriously affected if such exhibition were allowed. The pictures would have a bad effect on the men and women of the community also, and would, I think, tend to induce attacks upon the blacks."

The Bowels Must Act Healthily.

In most ailments the first care of the medical man is to see that the bowels are open and fully performing their functions. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are so compounded that certain ingredients in them act on the bowels solely and they are the very best medicine available to produce healthy action of the bowels. Indeed, there is no other specific so serviceable in keeping the digestive organs in healthful action.

To-day.

To-day is your day and mine, the only day we have, the day in which we play our part. What our parts may signify in the great whole, we may not understand, but we are here to play it and now is our time. This we know, it is a part of action, not of whining. It is a part of love, not cynicism. It is for us to express love in terms of human helpfulness. This we know, for we have learned from sad experience that any other course of life leads toward weakness and misery. -David Starr Jordan.

To Expel Priests.

Rome--The Freemasons have bought the Palazzo Giustiniani for 2,000,000 lire, or about \$400,000. They intend to expel the priests occupying apartments in the palace and use the buildings as the headquarters of Freemasonry in Italy.

Third Week at Cliff Haven.

The course in education given by the professors of the Catholic University of America, was opened most auspiciously by the Rev. Edward A. Pace, Ph.D., D.D., Professor of Philosophy, in the University, who took as his theme Principles of Education.

The first of the morning Round Table Talks was given by Miss A. Helene Magrath of New York city. Miss Magrath chose as her subject for the week's talks "A trip through America with Abbe Klein," and the impressions of that distinguished visitor proved most interesting and were ably handled.

The evening song recitals by Miss Marie A. Zekwer of Philadelphia were artistic. Mr. Camille W. Zekwer presided at the piano for these recitals. Sunday, opening this third week, was beautifully observed as has always been the custom. The large number of priests on the grounds made possible a number of masses. The Rev. J. C. Healy celebrated the 6.30 mass. There were masses at 6.30, 7, 8, 9, and 10.30, the last being a High Mass, Rev. J. M. Winters of New York being the celebrant. The sermon at the late mass was preached by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. F. H. Wall, of New York.

The music at the high Mass was sung under the direction of Mr. Camille W. Zekwer. A quartette of students of Dunwoodie Seminary, composed of Mr. John M. J. Quinn, James A. Cassidy, Joseph J. Stoeber, Martin J. S. Leydon sang Detokler's Mass. Miss Marie Zekwer sang as an Offertory piece, Solomon's O Salutaris.

The usual Family Gathering on Sunday evening was largely attended. A delightful program was offered. Mr. Charles Murray presiding, introduced as the first speaker of the evening Rt. Rev. Mgr. F. H. Wall, who spoke of the development and mission of the Catholic Summer School. Following Mgr. Wall, Miss A. Helene Magrath, lecturer of the week, read an original poem, "Three Passion Flowers." The third number of the program was a reading from Mr. Devey, followed by Riley's "Knee Deep in June," given in his own inimitable fashion by Mr. William P. Oliver of Brooklyn. Mr. Murray next introduced Rev. E. A. Pace, D.D., of the Catholic University of Washington, who spoke of the School's errand in the educational world. A most cordial greeting was given Miss Marie Zekwer, who delighted the large audience with her beautiful singing. The evening's program was brought to a close by the Rev. D. J. Hickey, acting President, who spoke of the great opportunities offered by the course in education under the direction of Rev. Edward A. Pace. In the concluding Father Hickey spoke of just ended, paying in passing a tribute to Miss Gertrude O'Reilly of Dublin, who has just concluded a series of lectures on "Irish Art and Literature."

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Lost Five Children With DIARRHOEA Saved the Sixth One With DR. FOWLER'S Extract of Wild Strawberry.

Mrs. John Firth, Craighurst, Ont., writes: "I have had six children and lost them all but one. When young they would get Diarrhoea and nothing would stop it. As I lived in a backward place, I did not know of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. I saved my last child, who is now eight years old, but I owe it to Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. Had I known about it before I feel that I would have saved the others. I shall forever praise and bless it and will never be without it again."

A Railway Proposition.

From the Montreal Gazette, June 27, 1910. What has recently been advanced in behalf of the United States railways' claims to an increase in their freight charges, has been illustrated in the case of the Canadian roads in connection with the late award of the board acting under the conciliation law. From the nature of things wages enter more largely into the cost of operating the railways than in connection with any other industry. When to wages is added the cost of fuel and material, in the production of which the cost of labor is a main factor, it may be said that there is no business which pays out so large a proportion of its gross receipts to the actual worker as the railway.

Some statements just issued illustrate the point. In the year ending with June 30, 1909, the gross earnings of Canadian railways amounted to \$145,056,000. Of this sum 43 1-2 per cent. was paid to the men who work and manage the lines. In the United States the percentage of gross earnings paid in wages during the same time was only 41 per cent. The difference of 2 1-2 per cent. is not the result of divergencies in the rate of pay, but is to be ascribed to the fact that in large sections of the United States the population is much denser than it is in Canada; the trains there as a rule carry more passengers, more freight offers according to the length of line, and the same operating force takes care of a heavier volume of business. When it is remembered that the state of New York has a population as large as all Canada the situation in this regard may be realized. When it is urged that the pay on Canadian roads should be as high as on these in the neighboring parts of the United States some things are forgotten. That, however, is aside. Canadian roads must pay approximately the same as those over the border or they will not retain good men. When, however, they have to increase the rates of pay for their men, and for their supplies, faster than they can increase their traffic and traffic earnings they find their financial position growing weaker. The estimate is that in twelve years up to 1910 the cost of labor on the Canadian railways increased by 80 per cent., that of supplies, material and equipment, exclusive of lumber, by 44 per cent., and that of lumber by 65 per cent. The companies have been able to maintain their standing by the large and effective expenditure of money on track and rolling stock equipment. Tracks have been straightened and doubled, the grades on them reduced, and the lines laid with heavier rails. Bridges have been strengthened. The power of locomotives and capacity of cars increased till a train's freight tonnage is almost or quite double what it was a score of years ago. The benefit has not all been to the railway share and bond holders. Rates have been reduced by some fractions of a cent a ton a mile, that seems nothing, stated by itself, but that multiplied by the tons of millions of tons carried a mile means a large saving to those who pay transportation charges. The roads, however, cannot continuously go on spending money on improvements and increasing wages and operating

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War on Immoral Literature. Of recent years one of the most crying evils in Italy has been the moral degradation caused by obscene literature and printed matter, which threatened ere long to deluge the country if left unchecked, says the Roman correspondents of the Catholic Standard and Times. Laws on the statute books prohibited pornographic publications, but those whose duty it was to put them into execution rarely or never made any effort to destroy a moral cancer that slowly ate into almost every grade of society, and protests from Catholic bodies and the Catholic press proved useless.

Troubled with Heart NERVES WERE ALL UNSTRUNG Mrs. Oscar Hamilton, Forest Glen, N.S., writes: "I can truthfully say that Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills have been a great friend to me. A few years ago I was very much troubled with my heart and my nerves were all unstrung. I had terrible pains all through my body. I was weak and had frequent and severe dizzy spells, and was continuously having to consult doctors. I had Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills recommended to me and after having taken a box they appeared to help me so much I continued to take them, and was soon able to do my work again. For this I am very grateful and would advise all people with weak heart or unstrung nerves to give them a thorough trial. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are the original heart and nerve cure and are sold at all dealers for 50c per box, or 3 boxes for \$1.25, or will be mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont."

Labor Unions Warned by Archbishop of Ireland. "What right have labor unions to impose their opinions by force? It is wrong in the labor unions to limit the output of work on the part of its members. The members themselves are injured. They are reduced to a dead level of inferiority. They are allowed no opportunity of rising to a higher or better position. Where intimidation begins, where physical violence is brought into play or where threats are used likely to put non-union workers in reasonable fear of life, limb or property--there I must stop, in obedience to the imperative dictates of natural justice and of Christian morality. "Labor unions must be on their guard against serious evils threatening them. They cannot be tolerated if they interfere with the general liberty of non-union men who have a right to work in or outside of unions as they please. Public opinion and public laws will and must protect this liberty. It were social chaos if we were to impose our opinions on others by force."

Time too soon... leaves in a... down into the... of Mexico... army of men to... going in Mexi... that in Mexi... are more than two... regularly... of religious... augmented as... must be kept... through the... on such occasions... feature of Mexican... visitor to Mexico... of the church... and many of... country, have one... churches, and each... with one or more... The great cathedral... at the national... has sixteen of these... the constant ring... bells is prohibited... authorities, though... permitted once or... Some churches... hours, and others... Most of the... city toll the quar... hours... of bell-ringing is... the lower classes as... and distinguished... are revered as... to the clergy. The... themselves are usually... vocation, in many... on in church is... on after generation... the large cathedrals... frequently are fit... which are occupied... gers and their fami... sleep with all this... was asked re... of a bell-ringer in... dral towers... noise of the bells... he replied: "I hear... without knowing it... of the street... a street below that... bell ringing in Mex... and, and, as some... ponderous size and... operate them... of powerful mus... dly strength. The... clockwork... with which to... bells in the great... has been considered... but the proponent... of the church... been against the... are divided into... lifts. They are re... hours with pre... necessary to carry... unless one... is... country, out of the... ch bells. At any... a person can... by listening to the... ls which hang in... s of Mexico were... in the early... Some of them... mounts of precious... to them a tone... re sounding. In... great pride in their... and attention is... them well burnish... oiled and always... repair.--Philadel... which corns and... moved by Hollo... is its strongest re... seldom fails.

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