

**A CARDINAL'S ADVICE.**

Be not ashamed of the Catholic Church, or of Ireland.

From the Sidney Freeman's Journal.  
His Eminence Cardinal Moran, in reply to an address presented to him as Archbishop of Sydney on Sunday, May 2, by the Hibernian Australian Catholic Benefit Society, delivered a speech remarkable for power, pathos, and patriotism. The Cardinal evidently attached more than ordinary importance to the ceremony, and in his reply his Eminence spoke at unusual length, and with an eloquence and force which moved the large assemblage to intense enthusiasm. It is generally admitted that no finer or abler speech of the kind has ever been delivered in Sydney, and by many his Eminence's deliverance on this occasion is regarded as unquestionably his best and most popular effort. Nothing could be more hearty or more enthusiastically demonstrative than the reception of the speech on Sunday. The applause commenced after the very first sentence, and by degrees it increased in warmth and vigor till the hall rang and echoed with cheers and plaudits. The concluding portions of the address, in which his eminence spoke so beautifully and so touchingly of Ireland, elicited loud and thrilling cheers, which were a gain and again repeated.

His Eminence after acknowledging the enthusiastic applause with which his rising to address the assemblage was greeted, said.

"I rejoice to be amongst you this afternoon, devoted as you are to works of beneficence and religion, and it affords me sincerest pleasure to receive from you this beautiful address expressive of filial affection and replete with sentiments every way worthy of your society. At the present day an immense energy is displayed throughout the world in working out schemes of pleasure or industry or commerce by thousands of associations and societies and syndicates with every variety of means and every variety of purpose. The Church rejoices when she too, sees her sons linked together in hallowed association, not wasting their energies in mere trifles of the passing hour, nor restricting them to purposes which cannot rise above this earth, but in a spirit of Christian philanthropy directing them to the highest aims, purified, elevated, ennobled and sanctified by religion. Such is your Catholic Hibernian Society; and by continuing loyal to the spirits of its rules you will very soon find by experience that it will have contributed not a little to bring manifold blessings to your families and to make yourself, such as the Church wishes you to be, thoroughly religious, honest, intelligent, earnest and practical Christian men. Your society is Catholic.

Be not ashamed of the Catholic church she is the depository of Christian truth. She it is who for eighteen centuries has enlightened the world's darkness and purified the world's corruption. She alone has preserved to man the blessings and consolations and strengthening graces of the Christian religion, and she has covered the earth with the fruits of civilization, learning and holiness. Be not ashamed of the Catholic Church. She is the watchful guardian of the inspired writings. Every inquiring mind to-day must repeat what St. Augustine said of old. "If I receive the Gospel of Christ it is through the authoritative teaching of the Catholic Church." She alone fulfills the prophet's words: "From the rising of the sun to the going down, My name is great among the nations, and in every place there is a sacrifice, and there is offered to My name a clean oblation, for My name is great among the nations, saith the Lord of Hosts." Amid the shifting scenes of the empires and nations which the history of this world presents she stands resplendent by her faith and works. Her devoted sons have never ceased to rank among the foremost in every ennobling pursuit of charity or science. In her pure atmosphere the truths of philosophy and the discoveries of the human mind have been preserved incorruptible and unshaken.

If science and letters and the fine arts adorn the world to-day, the world is indebted for it to the Catholic Church. All the great languages of civilized nations have been matured under her fostering care, the French with its grace and delicacy, the Italian with its softness, and sweetness, the Spanish with its dignity, the English and German with their strength and richness. The Catholic Church is "the City of the great King" (Psalms 47). Around her divinely strengthened bulwarks the powers and passion of this world have ever surged in vain. Wicked men with words of blasphemy upon their lips, and with the hatred begotten of apostasy in their

hearts, have never ceased to devise vain things against her, but he who sitteth in the heavens hath mocked them, the Lord hath derided them, and the promise made by God has been fulfilled in her. No weapon forged against thee shall prosper, and every tongue that resisteth thee in judgement Thou shalt condemn. (Isaiah 54) It was of old that nothing greater, nothing wiser, nothing more glorious than Imperial Rome had ever arisen upon earth, and yet like all other human things, Rome with the accumulated glories of ancient civilization was swept away; and so complete was its destruction that for a time the very ruins of the capital of the Pagan world were absolutely deserted.

"Quenched is the golden statue's ray,  
The breath of heaven has swept away  
What rolling earth has piled,  
Scattering wise heart and crafty hand  
As breezes strew on ocean's strand  
The fabrics of a world."

Amid the universal shipwreck the Catholic Church remained unharmed. She continued to be an ark of salvation, not for the conquered only, but also for the conquerors. Every human society contains within itself the seed of corruption and the germ of ultimate decay. The Catholic Church alone has the seal of immortality upon her brow. A special Providence ever guides her in her course. She has come from God, and it is her destiny to lead men to God. She is not identified with any form of human government. She witnesses the growth and decay of empires and kingdoms and republics, and amid all their changes and vicissitudes she remains unchanged. With all the boasted progress of science in modern times and the advancement of learning and the deifying of material power, is the church broken down or weakened, or decaying!

No never did she stand before the world arrayed in greater moral dignity than at the present time, and never was it more manifest that every discovery in the pursuit of truth can only serve to add radiance to her earthly crown, vigor to her strength, beauty to her comeliness. Be not ashamed of the Catholic Church. She alone displays to the world that peerless deity with which Christ endowed His Church. Her children are not tossed about by every wind of false doctrine. They hold the same doctrines of Divine faith, and obey the same spiritual authority on the Rocky Mountains and in Vienna, in London and in Rome in the depths of China and in Sydney. Like the sun in the firmament, she refuses throughout the world the same rays of Divine truth, and imparts the blessings of heaven to all who are gathered with in her saving fold. She alone has been clothed with holiness, as with the golden garment of her betrothal by her Divine spouse.

All the saints have been her children. Within her wide domain the heavenly waters of charity and mercy have never ceased to flow. Those who are outside her fold dig for themselves cisterns, but they are broken cisterns that cannot contain the life-giving waters of redemption. She alone leads us back to the Apostolic age, and unites the faithful of to day with the Rock of Peter, upon which our Blessed Lord built His Church. For more than 1800 years her Pontiffs have succeeded to Pontiffs, teaching with an authority derived not from earth but from Heaven, fearlessly rebuking a sinful world and inheriting the spiritual power and privileges of the first Vicar of Christ. She saw the commencement of all the governments and sects that now exist in the world. She shall see the end of them all. She was great and respected before the Saxon had set foot in Britain. She will be found flourishing in undiminished vigor when the sun shall have set on this greatest of the world's empires. She alone is truly Catholic. Armed with a divine commission, she teaches all nations. She goes forth "into the whole world and teaches the Gospel" to every tribe and every tongue. The sun never sets on her widespread spiritual dominion. She is literally everywhere. At the present day she numbers more than 200,000,000, who receive the lessons of divine truth from her lips. You will meet with her not only in every civilized land, but at the remotest sources of the Amazon, the Mississippi, and the St. Lawrence, among the most savage tribes of South America, on the borders of the Caspian Sea, in the forests of India, on the burning sands of Africa, in Siberia and China and Japan, everywhere you will find her teaching the truths of eternal life, everywhere leading souls to God, everywhere bearing, imprinted upon her hallowed brow the seal of heaven as the bride of the Lamb. Your society is Catholic, and I have told you not to be ashamed of the Catholic Church. But again your society is Hibernian, and I must add 'Be not ashamed of Ireland.'

To Be Continued.

**THE MONITOR.**

Friends,

There are friends and friends in the world, young men, and it behooves you to select with care those whom you are to make your intimates and those whom you are merely to consider as acquaintances. You will certainly meet with dis-appointments in your selections, but it is by experience that we gain knowledge.

Young man, there are people in this world, who, knowing your weakness for some pleasure, or some failing in appetite will cater to that failing and weakness simply to have your company. Their society will have its effects on you, and before you are fairly aware of it, you will find your good name gone, and feel the loss of that support which speeds a young man to success in life. You cannot expect to go into good society or hold an honorable position in business if you are in the habit of associating with those who frequent low concert-houses, gambling-rooms, and other places of questionable reputation. You cannot expect to hold the confidence and esteem of your employer if you associate with those who make it a practice of visiting such places as mentioned above. You will also find, when you have fallen, that those whose company you used to seek, and with whom you used join in their questionable pleasures will be the very first to desert you in your troubles. They are fair-weather friends. You can tell them easily enough by their conversation. They never have a positive opinion, and while they never neglect to talk about a person who is absent, yet when they must meet that person, they are cordial and friendly, in fact they are too much so.

Young man, if you have gained the friendship of one whose opinions are based on the solid and immovable foundation of Catholic truth; who will go out of his way to give you a lift; who is ever ready to assist you by word or deed, or in a financial way; who despises the society of the low, but is polite to those poorer than himself; who makes intimate friends, and but one confidential friend and that you: then you have found a true friend, and one on whom you can depend in time of trouble even vetter than in the time of prosperity. A genuine true friend is one who "weeps with you when you weep and laughs when you laugh. You are a part of his very being, and an injury done to you is felt to be an injury to himself. There is no half-way business with him: it is the whole or nothing. He will not hesitate to tell you your failings in a straightforward manner and will thank you for doing the same by him. This kind of a friend is rare, and if you have him stick to him. Now sit down and look over the list of your so called friends. How many actually fill the requirements of a true friend as described above? Have you one on the list? If you have, stick to him, even if it is necessary to discard all the others. They must be satisfied with polite treatment and should never be considered more than mere acquaintances. It may be hard to do this in some cases, but it is for your own interest and success in life that you do it: for if by their association you are not made the better it would be nothing more or less than suicide to your future. There are friends: friends by politeness, fair weather friends, and true friends—friends who are a help to you, and who strive with you to final success.—The Socialist.

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