

THE CASSET.

Resurrection.

That gives sweet peace to every living thing. The weeping souls that to space his downy folds to add rest, the grief of those who wait, sure in darkness, for the touch of spring.

Maurice Francis Egan.

Mr. Egan's pretty villa—where the domestic circle comprises an amiable wife and three pretty children—is situated on the outskirts of Notre Dame, Indiana, and is called "The Lilacs," the favorite flower of the poet.

Maurice Francis Egan was born in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on May 21, 1852. His father was Maurice Egan, a native of Holy Cross, county Tipperary, Ireland; his mother, Mrs. Margaret Casey McMillan, was a native of Philadelphia.

Weekly. The following year he travelled over the Western and Southern States, and Mexico, writing for the most part of the leading American newspapers. His contributions deal with life, and the habits and customs of the people of these various climes.

"Trichada," a volume of poems—his first venture in poetry, I believe—was published in 1885. His "Songs and Sonnets" was originally published in London in 1885. A more recent edition of this entertaining book was published by McClurg & Co., of Chicago.

In 1887, Mr. Egan's "The Theatre and Christian Parents" was published, and "Stories of Duty" followed. Both these publications were inspired by sentiments of purity and honor.

be worthy and efficient Americans. Like the Count of Mont in France, he is the guide, teacher, and friend of the Catholic young men of this country.

Catholic Deaf Mutes. Catholics, says the Sacred Heart Review, of Boston, have not been entirely negligent of the claims of their deaf mutes.

The first mode of instruction which prevailed until a few years ago was exclusively by sign language. Then a series of successful experiments proved that deaf mutes could be taught to speak, and institutions were established for the purpose of teaching the deaf mutes to talk.

There are eight or ten such institutions of which we have learned. In different parts of the country. For instance, there is St. Joseph's Institute for the Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes in Fordham, N. Y.

Chicago, too, has a school for the deaf appropriately named Epiphany, established about ten years ago and under the direction of religious of the Heart of Mary.

holics throughout the country is being more and more turned to this interesting work of charity, and it is hoped that the good work will go on and institutions be rapidly multiplied in every portion of our widely extended country.

What is needed is that Catholics should awake to the necessity of saving their children of silence from being perverted by the activity of Protestants and losing their faith.

A writer in the Catholic Times to whom we have hitherto alluded and to whom we are indebted for interesting facts in connection with this subject says:— "When, therefore, we bear in mind that our Catholic deaf mutes have no opportunity while in the public institutions of receiving that religious instruction which is so necessary for them, it is no wonder that we find them afterwards identifying themselves with the belief of these various dogmen.

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