The Catholic Church.

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no concealment. Here for the e amination of everyone who came was the work of students in every subject taught, from those in the kindergarten to the most abstruce and profound in the professions. It was an appeal to to the American beasted fairness. It was saying to all the world. Here is what we do: judgo ye. Clearly the exhibition is phenomenal. There has been none of church education like it. No one who would estimate aright the educational force of the times can ignore its insignificance. Its objects manifestly are manfold, but prominently it is an appeal to the judgement of mankind. There is no civil authority of city, state, or nation behind it; yet one idea pervades it, one authority has called it together, and rules through out the work it represents. This idea, this authority, has established the schools from which this material was collected, over against public schools and other private schools, and comes for an inspection of results.

A notable gathering during the past year was the

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which was held at Brussels last Fall, under the auspices of the Catholic Ohurch. This congress, composed of 2,600 members from all parts of the world, notably from Germany, Austria, Spain, United States of America, France, Italy, the Low countries, England and Switzerland, emphasized the words of the Vatican Council, which became the motto of the Scientific Society of Brussels. "Nulla unquaminter fidem et rationem vera dissension between faith and reason."

This congress, as well as that at Paris and Munich, sprang into activity through the inspiration of the Catholic Church, and notably in harmony with the memorable words of Pope Leo XIII. in 1877-8 when he said: "On reflection one recognizes that the Church cannot be the enemy of the study of nature, of the investigation of natural forces and their application to the production of what serves the uses of life, the Church being by the nature of things inclined to favor those studies and inventions. What can the Church desire more carnestly than the glory of God and that more perfect knowledge of the Divine Worker which one sequires by the study of His work? Now, if the universe is a book, upon each page of which are written the name and wisdom of God, it is certain that he will be filled with the love of God, and draw near to God, who shall have read furthest and most clearly in that book."

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If we were to know the work of the Oatholic Church in THE REUGATIONAL MOYEMENT OF TO-DAY it were well to remember that beyond the horizon which limits the knowledge of many of those who rail against the Church is a vast world, not national but universal, in which are found scholars and scientists of the highest distinction, thus contradicting the statement recently made in one of our important papers, that "All the great modern thinkers have been without the pale of Rome."

What are we to think of this when astronomy honors such Catholics as Secchi, Perry, and Denza; when chemistry is proud of a Catholic Chevraul, and mathematics looks to Cauchy and Tortorlini for exponents; geology to De darande and Lapparent and Dr. John Hall of New York; biology has at George Mivart and a Pastur, and Harvard its Dr. Dwight; while anthropology has De Nadaillac.

The number of Catholic scholars who have devoted themselves to Oriental studies and to archaeology would lead us to a disquisition far beyond the time allowed for this paper. Guidi and Bickell are masters of Semitic languages, and De Harlez in Chinese, and Chasca in Coptic; the Jesuits of Beirut are recognized as masters of Arabic literature, while the father of Christian archeclogy is John Baptist De Rossi, whose recent death the world has mourned. His successor, Abelini, bids fair to be as great as his master. Befele, Hergenroether, Cantu, Janssens, O'Ehea and the Abb Duchesne are historians who stand prominent among

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of the present age.

The English language has been to a great extent used as a weapon against the Catholic church. The reasons for its antagonism are easily understood. This century has seen, even in the English speaking world, a growth of educational power by which, through this very same language, the Catholic church expresses its educational inducate.

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Newman and Brownson, Wiseman and O Shea, Hecker ann Spalding, Faber and Aubrey de Vere, Lingard and Marshall, Afoore, Proctor and O'Ricilly, are but a few of the many who have made their names identical with the best in literature, in history and in poetry. Were we to examine the work done by the great order of the Jesuits—those men so maligned and bated because misunderstood—the work of the religious orders of men and women, of the Christian Brothers in France, in Great Britain, and in America, we would then begin to understand something of the work

which the Catholic Church is doing in the intellectual movement of to day.

It is often a cause for wonder that now who live in the great world and profess acquaintance with current events, a knowledge of distant schools and the scholarship of remote peoples, should be so blindly ignorant of what is going on at their very doors, and constantly repeat

THE FOOLISH ACCUSATIONS

that the Oatholic Church is a fee to the education of the people and an ally of ignorance.

Now we come to the question, what is the underlying principle of the Catholic Church in the educational movement of to-day? The answer is, that it is the same underlying principle for which the Catholic Church itself exists. It is to establish the kingdom of God in the lives of men. It is odiffuse the truths of Christ confided to it. It is to preserve Christianity by making Christianity the soul of education. The Catholic Church builds its education upon belief in Jesus Christ. It starts with the principle that man is soul and body—soul as well as body, and soul more than body—that the whole man, physical, intellectual, spiritual, is to be equally developed and developed together; that the most important part of man is his soul, because it is the immortal part. In its education it directs attention to the end for which man has been created, and all its education is to fit man to reach that end. It takes no chances. It believes that man is a moral being; that his lighest and best gifts are not intellectual, but spiritual—that spirit dominates. It looks upon nature as a book in which man reads God; that sa man's spoken word should be the expression of his internal thought in order to be true, and that this internal thought is only true when it squares with God's truth—so all education is simply to teach the truth of God, to know God's word, and make man express that word in his the word of God is the truth of God, and the knowledge of God is truth. Is not this the noblest ideal of education? Is not this a power and a good which all

Is not this the noblest ideal of education? Is not this a power and a good which all EDUCATION WORTHY OF THE NAME should consider not merely as a force, but as a necossary and essential force? The educational thought of the Catholic Church is that life should be the imitation of Christ, who is God's word and God's expression of life.

Education which merely reads nature and rises no higher than nature is dwarfed and not fully developed. It is stunted and not fully grown. Ohrist is the fact which explains all things and mirrors all things. Where Christ is not is darkness and not light, death and not life, the shadow of truth and not truth itself. Education which eliminates God is but the shadow of truth and not truth itself. Education which eliminates God is but the shadow of truth and not the substance, thisties and not grapes, the dead sea apple and not the rich, ripe fruit. Where intellect is trained and not heart as well it is but the development of one side and the neglect of the other; the training of one limb and 'the numbing of the other; making the himping, halting creature, who lacks beauty, symetry and strength; making the dwarf and not the beautiful, the abnormal and not the perfect.

"The Roman Catholic Church in the educational idea views man as a whole; sees in him not merely an animal to be trained, a mind to be developed, but a body and soul to be educated in all their faculties for the end of their creation; a body in its physical faculties to be trained in all its parts, and a soul in its physical faculties to be fitted to guide the body. As man is one in his personality, so should he be one in his personality, so should he be one in his personality, so should he be one in his education—a perfect harmony of action, and all in a character befitting

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Those who reject the supernatural, who blindly follow reason, who find in life the onlyreasons for life, will sneer at this position—but we are now defining and defending Catholic truth and not rationalistic, agnostic ideas. Neither are we arguing with these latter, but simply stating the facts of our belief.
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With a mission from God to teach the gospel, the Catholic church has demanded and demands that the gospel principles should be the life—the very soul of education; that religion should be the atmosphera in which man's training should be perfected; that Christ should be the ideal character upon which manshould mould his character. Hence, from the beginning, as at present, the Roman Catholic church has stood and stands for Christian education,—theeducation which brings Christ into the scholoroom as well as church, and makes him a model of all character. This thought possessed the church from the beginning, and fought Greeian art and Roman philosophy. It Christianical att and philosophy in order to teach both its duty to the children of God. In this day of It all parts of the church of the character of the church is duty to the children of God. In this day of It all parts of the church of the character of the church is duty to the children of God. In this day of It all parts of the church of the churc

to the children of God. In this day of IT. ELLECTUAL AND MATRIALISTIC IDEAS she preaches the same doctrine. Running through her entire system of schools, the very foundation stone of her theory of instruction, the very soul of her education is this thought of the Christian to be developed in the man. In this age she stands in the presence of intellectualism, saying to intellect that God is truth and Christ is the teacher of truth, and that no.

thing but the truth of Christ can fully satisfy the human intellect. She stands in the presence of the morality of to-day, to tell it that there is no true morality which the there is no true morality which can make character, save man and society, except the morality which Christ taught, found in the gospel principles. In the presence of the age she stands for scholarship, no matter how the age may sneer and scoff at her pretensions. But she stands for Christian and not agnostic scholarship. She stands for Christian and not for infidelity. She stands for God forman, and not for man without Geu. Her idea is the idea of the Creator, and not his creation alone. The world crees against her, as it has for centuries. It calls her ignorant and unprogressive, intolerant and narrow, sectarian and shallow. In answer to all this she simply says to the world, Look at my monuments for learning. They answer for us, Look at my schools and colleges and universities, the scientists among my children, the seanes of the leve of God which I thing but the truth of Christ can fully

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scholars who are because of the love of God which I have taught them.

Look at the work of graduation, by which every year thousands of men and women are sent out into the highest ranks of life, to do their duty to their God and to their country, learned ecclesiastics, eminent jurists, polisied diplomats, savants and philantropists. Her Pontiff, the illustrious Leo, the matchless scholar of this century, seated u-son the throne of the Fisherman, as from the mountain of Zion calls out to all who dwell in the valleys end bids them all feed upon the name of education, of true instruction, which seems to drop down from the heaves upon them. He touches the rock and man's thirst is quenched. Clinitian citizenship, the Bible, the state, labor, temperance, all the works of charity and mercy. In all these fields he teaches with ripe scholarship, that school, academy and university may learn where to find the truths of God and dispense them to the Prople.

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The Catholic church, therefore, is proud of her record in the educational movement of to-day, whether we find it expressed in the humble school were the lessons of wisdom are taught by plous and devouted women, or in the learned universisties where the world's scholars dispense the preciousness of of crudition, or in those mighty congresses of scientists which during the past year have gathered in European centers of learning, at Brussels and at Paris, to show to the world the highest,—the very mountain-tops of learning, and from which as from another Sinai have come

AVO COME AMID THE THUNDER AND LIGHTENING

of enlightened scholarship the traths of God in the highest lines of human science.

The Catholic church in the educational movement of to day speaks not only in the scholoroom but also in art, in architecture and in music.

How can any man look upon the Christian Catholic temple as it stands in the world to-day, and not attest to the work which it is doing in education. For, after all, education is incompletely in the master's word from his desk to the pupils seated in the forms before him. Education is in everything that tends to develop the human mind, to ennoble the human heart, to educe te, to instruct, and perfect man. As a athedral in its massive form rises from the earth, and its Gothic arches spring into being, and its lofty spire like an uplifted finger points to heaven, it tells the story of the church in education. Her architecture has had its highest inspiration, and the mighty names of a Michael Angelo, a Bramanti, a Pugen, and a Keely shine from 's walls. The song that resounds through her asiles is freighted with the names of men who have seemed to have heard the heavenly strains and adapted them to earthly ears. Mozer't, Haydn, Palestrina, Rossini. Liszt, and Guonod have been great because of the sweet influence of the holy sacrifice in honor of which their sweetest music was written. Painting venerates her for the soul which filled a Raphael, a Da Vinci, and a Fra Angelico.

The Catholic church blessed Columbus discovering a new world, and De Soto and Marquette finding a mighty river. She gave refuge to Dante, exiled from his native Florence. She crowned Petrarch as a lyric poet. She honored De Cusa proclaiming the truth of the solar system. She encouraged att and science, and her children, lay and cleric, in every age have been

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MESSED BY HER IN THEIR EFFORTS. to read all the secrets of nature. She is the friend of progress, but it is progress with God. She is the foe of that science which is merely material and seeks to destroy God. She is a foe to that advancement which means infidelity, but she has ever champione dand champions to day that science which seeks to know God better by striving to understand his works; that progress, social, intellectual, and religious, which tends to secure to man his true rights as a child of God destined for heaven. She is too old to be deceived by the notion that eather the coulture or mind development alone can save nations, for she can remember Greece and Rome, whose downfall she witnessed. It is useless to tell her that morality independent of

religion is a sufficient basis for public education, for she will tell of pagan philosophy which failed to civilize and save socioty. With her civilization does not consist in cultivation of letters and arts, elegance of dress or manuers, but in good morals based upon an exact knowledge of Jesus Christ and a faithful practice of the duties of religion. She believes that republies have neither stability nor safety unless founded upon intelligence and virtue, and this virtue to be true must be Christian. Her Sachtries for Education are the best proof of her love. What a compass is to a mariner upon dangerous seas, what a torch is to the explorer wandering through the labrinths of unknown caves, the Catholic Church is to the Catholic in science and education. He believes that she has the traditions of conturies; that to her alone the great Master said: "Go; teach all nations," to her alone he promised, "I am with you all days, even to the end of time." The command and the promise we believe have never been withdrawn. Science, art, all teaching come within her influence, under her direction. So she has ever believed, so she believes to-day. A fricind she must be to true education; a foe she never can be. The non-Catholic world may revile her and despise her claims, yet she says to the world, come to me. Buddy my work. Examine my credentials. Verify my claims. Look at the world's record of my claims. Look at the world's record of my deeds in education; study the spirit as well as the letter of my teaching, and learn from my works what I have done, what I am doing, and what I will do in all educational movement of to-day. Some men dismiss the Catholic Church from consideration in educational movement of to-day. Some men dismiss the Catholic Church from consideration in educational movement of to-day.

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of making men Catholics and preserving them as such. Suppose this be her motive, is it less true that she is AN AGENT IN EDUCATION, when by her guidance men are led to know God and nature and themselves, and are thereby impelled to better lives, to more loyal citizenship, to higher character? What is education if not the dovelopment of the whole man toward his best in character, in manhood and in religion. If she reaches such results in any marked degree she deserves to be considered as a factor in the educational move ment of every age. She deserves honest, candid, impartial investigation. When one is satisfied that he is doing hit best at forming good citizenship in those confided to his care, it is a source of great pain to have his motives impugned and his aims and objects misinterpreted. On no point is this more puinfully evident than on the educational question.

One would imagine from reeding the statements of persons interested in education, that our church was a great engine of evil, developing a particularly well directed spleen against popular education, and built upon a purpose for the preversion of all that men hold desr, that misguided leaders were leading astray multitudes of credulous people, and undermining the foundations of social and religious liberty.

If we could could come together and honestly and candidly discuss the question, much misunderstanding would be averted. Why can we not be honest with one another? Why may we not agree that

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RAGII ONE IS STRIVING FOR THE BEST as he understands it? Let us understand one anothers' motive, and judge of it honestly from one another's work. The work of the Catholic Church in education is not hidden from the view of those who seek to find it. It has not been dorfe in secret places, but in the open field and before the eyes of men. Its purpose is a very definite one. Its means are well known. It object is religion in the individual life. It cannot believe that men can live for God unless their lives be in accord with God's truths. Its morality is NOT THE GREATION OF LEGISLATURES,

with God's truths. Its morality is NOT THE CREATION OF LEGISLATURES, nor subject to the whims of men. If, as it believes, the revelation of God has come to us in its perfection through Christ, can you blame it for demanding that religion be a factor in the school as well as the church?—that religion be the great teacher of life? The Catholic Church, with its experience of twenty centuries, believes that if religion be left out of the school it will not take many generations before it will be left out of church and home. (Loud and long applause.)

E. B. A. Notes.

At the last regular meeting of St. Paul's Branch No. 8, E. B. A. a resolution of condolence was unanimously adopted in reference to the death of Mrs. Anne Hurley, mother of Bros. Patrick and Edward Hurley, setting forth that they have sustained the loss of a fond and affectionate mother. We carnestly pray God to give them grace to bear with Christian fortitude the sad loss they have sustained; that this secolution be published in the Catholic Register and Record and presented to Brothers Patrick and Edward Hurley, A. McDonald, H. P. Shelton and J. Cleary.



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