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# was taken in to catch this very con-tract. But no one could have fore-seen this. It meant a first-class house and the best sort of education for the children—high-priced—get. In the was completely ignorant of the to a least common denominator of such a tremendous story, only Luke is absolutely straight, and prefers right to wrong doing, though it costs to do right. However, that's the people know—of course, you know I mean the best moral teaching, too."

"That's a laudable ambition, Luke, but I think we can secure your children pretty well, even though you are back on a salary somewhere. Indeed, I don't think e could keep Fabian from learn-g." said Father Doran, proud of his favorite boy. "No, Father," Luke agreed. "But

-there's Lucy! She hasn't silly ambition, but she has lots of another kind. Of course, it doesn't make any difference to me what I do ; why should it? But-there's Lucy! I never said it, even to you, but I'm not up to her, you know. She never meant me to know she knew it, but I do. Honest, Father, I can't see such a lot in the things she fairly trembles over. I'm just a—" Luke waved his hands as if grasping for a word, caught it and uttered it in a sort of melancholy triumph—" lump -that's what I am ! She's not proud of me; good reason why! I sort of thought she might be, in a way, you know, if I was a member of the firm and making money, giving

her a fine house and the children such an education that she'd be able to read bec poetry and stuff with them, and they'd—well, make up to her, don't you see? That's the only reason I care."

Luke had risen and stood with hanging head, holding his hat before him, fumbling its brim much as he must have stood when, a small boy, he had been sent by his mother on an errand to the parish priest. His humility and disappointment were very like a small boy's.

Father Doran's face melted into a look of profound, admiring affection. Luke's; it would be precisely like He laid his arm across Luke's shoul- him to take a reliable witness in He laid his arm across Luke's shoul-ders with a gesture that revealed his recognition of the boy that had remained within this big man. inferior blocks, telling the story of how Luke Stafford had saved the

don't worry about conse-ices," he said. "Lucy is a lucky not been a party to the terms upon and quences," he said. voman, and I know she thinks so. ad of you today, and she'd be too, if she knew. To be sure, you're doing no more than what's right, but all poor mortals don't get even so far as that. I'll lose my guess, also my reputation as a prophet, if Lucy isn't prouder of you later on, than the secret. she'd be if you had been able to carry out your plans and nothing when Luke, resting comfortably at had gone wrong.

no one must ever find out what happened.

'I see that." agreed the priest. "Nevertheless—Well 'seek first the kingdom of God ' and I'll be sur-prised if a great deal isn't 'added unto you.' You are a fortunate man to have the man lived near by and they walked grace to stand fast when love, and a praiseworthy longing to do for those you love, strain at your principles." Mr. Stafford," he began portent-

Luke went home no longer excited, ously,

new employers, but the salary was not quite equal to the one he had received from Philips & Garrett be fore he entered the firm. Altogether these were hard days to surmounthard for Lucy, harder for Luke, who felt responsible for her unhappiness. Then, suddenly, unexplainably, something new crept into the sensi-tive atmosphere of the small city.

People began to nod eagerly, with emphasized friendliness, to Luke. Men began to joke him about "being dropped from Philips & Garrett's favor," and to smile as if they knew how funny it was to look at it that

way. Women began to be more than cordial, almost deferential, to Lucy; she was invited to join five cardclubs in one week-she who never joined clubs ! One woman said to her impressively : "My dear, civic honor is a great thing, a very great thing; it is of the same piece as patriotism. People are beginning to realize what we owe your glorious husband.

'Her glorious husband !" Luke ? Lucy marvelled. But, of course, no one but Luke was her husband, and if he were glorious-Lucy mar-velled more and more.

Luke wondered, too, but with a clearer clue to what might have turned him into a hero. If they

knew, how had facts transpired? Father Doran would not talk ; he would consider himself bound by the bargain that Luke had made with his former firm to keep silence if they made good to the city. Philips & Garrett certainly would not talk. Some one in the office ? Tim Regan

the yards? Altogether likely. Tim was a tremendous partisan of there on the sly, and show him those You do your duty, Luke, my son, I don't worry about conse-was not bound by silence ; he had which Luke had settled—indeed, did not know them. Nothing was more probable than that this was what had happened, though it had not occurred to Luke as possible till he

gone wrong." home in shabby slippers, and the Lucy can't be told, Father, cried chair worn to fit his body, which Luke, looking up in alarm. "No one must know. If I make Philips and Garrett do the square thing it'll deputation "of Crescendo's best citionly be by promising to keep still, so zens," as the Morning Eagle said the next day.

They were formidable, though admirable, in long coats, shining linen and faultless ties, gloves and hats, and their spokesman addressed Luke as though he were a formal Go in peace, my son. acquaintance, although the spokes down the street together five morn-

Luke went home no longer excited, not less determined, but with the sadness inevitable to a resolution to the wait upon you this evening, sir, as do what is right at the cost of heavy sacrifice. A week of contest fol-lowed. The embattled forces of the beautiful city. We shall not forget firm of Philips, Garrett and Stafford were drawn up against each other, numerically stronger on the side that enlisted the two elder members of the firm, but with the advantage wholly on the side of the solitary junior member. Luke announced big attract wholly on the side of the solitary junior member. Luke announced big attract solution of magnificent wholly on the side of the solitary junior member. Luke announced his ëterms without possibility of capitulation, and, atter days of fur-ious discussion, recriminations, important threats, Messrs. Philips

embarrassment was both funny and pathetic. Lucy listened with parted lips and every particle of color gone from her face, tears in her eyes. When Father Doran's dramatic end and turned to her hasband with the look in her eyes, at last, for which

his soul had always hungered. "Oh. Luke, dear, splendid, great Luke, I am so proud of you !" she ridd determined because he heard the voice of his heart, replied : "I would have hanged myself to the neck of good Jesus." "Some of the little ones laughed

cried "Who—me? Oh, say, Lucy darl-ing !" cried Luke. But the sob in, his throat did not spring from grief ing !

TROUBLE AND PRAYER

GOD LOVES AND COMFORTS THOSE WHO PERSEVERE IN PRAYER Have you felt that curious unrest

that envelops you when in time of distress you have tried to carry your

burdens to One Who has promised us lift the sorrow from your soul and to give you peace.

Though you desire that favor more than anything in the world, you cannot concentrate your thoughts upon it and again your heartaching desire is buffeted about like wisps of grass in a storm. You begin to feel that God has hid His face from you and

will reach a plane of thought that is to be compared to a beautiful upland where fragrant flowers and oling waters seem to bloom for you and those you hope to lift out of want. Some seeker of peace out of trouble

has written, "The darkest hour is just before the dawn." This old, old old saying has comforted many a sad The severer the storm, the heart sunshine," bears an old and familiar bit of optimism that never fails to cheer. A less quoted saying but none the less comforting one is this: "God

never shuts the door on your hopes, but He opens the door to something better." All these sayings, and they are truths, shows us that God loves better." All these sayings, and they are truths, shows us that God loves those who persevere, even though brought low in everything necessary

GIFT OF GOD

The Host on the altar is to the Church like the sun in the heavens, the source of light and beauty and fruitfulness. Every act of faith, and hope, and thankfulness, and patience; every act of charity towards God and

right to wrong doing, though it costs to do right. However, that's the material of which martyrs are made. And all that the Gospel says of St. Joseph himself, is that he was 'a just man.'' Then Father Doran told the story, and saw to it that it lost nothing of its value in the telling, though Luke's embarrassment was both funny and embarrassment was both funny and pathetic. If the priest, 'but what is the thought that takes you?'

THE CATHOLIC RECORD

Some of the little ones laughed

at the idea, but most of them understood better and felt as if their hearts

will press him to His heart."-Bombay Examiner.

## UNREAL UNION

A writer in the Minneapolis Journal

proposed union of these churches of shores.

convince most church people that the Kingdom of Heaven on earth is wide enough to hold in one church ence! those who are in essential harmony of balief. It proves to wise church people that if they can sew bandages in harmony for wounded soldiers, they might do the ordinary church work of peace time without friction If they can sit in war finance com mittees together, they might endure to sit in church finance committees together. And above all, the tremendous world catastrophe makes the doctrinal differences that have hith-erto separated many churches, seem

trivial indeed.'

The fundamental tenet is the right the same privilege. He claims he is right in his belief, but at the same time admits that his neighbor may be right, too, according to his own light.

That being so, why divide into our neighbor; each effort to resist various churches? Two men in the temptation; to begin again without same sect belonging to the same live, it seems, in the great cities discouragement after a fall: every look of love at our crucifix; every word of love to Mary; every distaste. If they can still remain members of the same sect, why can

REPORTS FOLLOW PRINCE OF WALES

VISIT TO PONTIFF AND BETROTHAL RUMORS

### Canadian Press Despatch

London, June 26 .--- Many interest-"If these lines fall under the eyes "If these lines fall under the eyes of a soul who despairs on account of his sins, let him go and hang himself made in the House of Commons, to the neck of good Jesus, and Jesus when Colonel Craig, a noted bigot, asked questions regarding the visit of the Prince of Wales to the Pope. The question of the responsibility for the visit was greeted with laughter, the Government's reply that it was responsible, and that the visit was according to precedent, eliciting cheers.

The Catholic Sun. Your mind whirls from one thought to another and often strange thoughts, words and bits of disjointed sentences. You try to force yourself to calmly consider your great need so that you may the better petition the Almighty God to if the sorrow from your sonl and to be so great as timid people seem to the same condition prevails in avery other state. The reason the writer gives for the would be welcomed after all to these

different sects is material economy in the cost of upkeep and the saving of ministers' salaries. Besides the ton with the decision of the Govmaterial, he beholds a moral gain as ernment to respect the feast of emphasized by the war activities. Corpus Christi as regards the air "All churches have in the war itself," attacks on open towns behind the God has hid His face from you and that He has found you unworthy of His care. You feel that God has been very hard to you in denying you hard to an denying you he says, "its multiplied charities and front. Questions were asked as to Was 'reeking" with Vatican influ-

### SERGT. JOYCE KILMER LAUDS SOLDIERS' FAITH

SAYS CHURCH MAY BE BROKEN BY

SHELLS, BUT NO DAMAGE IS DONE TO RELIGION

The friends of Sergt. Joyce Kilmer of the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Infantry, the well known poet, will be pleased to read the following lines, quoted from his letter "somewhere in France," to a religious : We see a simple, generous, and The thing we have never been able pious race, who have suffered, through

prevent a recurrence of them, and of private judgment. According to the work is the more welcome to me that a man has the right to interpret the Scriptures as he chooses, and has no right to deny to his neighbor the scriptures are to his neighbor the scriptures to his neighbor the scriptures are to his neighbor the scriptures a fight are Catholics. They are Catholics—these French

people of the villages in which we have been stationed. Catholics whose

lives are a good lesson to us. France has, of course, many Protestants and

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bappened? Oh, can't you get back? Think of the children, of all it was to do for us! Can't you patch it up? You must have quarrelled?" You must have quarrelled?

"Well, yes, I suppose—why, of course we quarrelled—fought it out good and plenty," Luke rallied to accept this easy way of avoiding an base with the nervous movement accept this easy way of avoiding an base with the nervous movement base a main believes, no difference whether a man accepts or rejects revelation? Here is a man who be-lieves Christ is God; here is another who believes the state of the section explanation. "But it can't be and trembling. explanation. natched up, not ever. Sorry, Lucy. Luke grinned sheepishly : he was

d up, hot ever. Sorry, Lucy, ar sake; believe me I'm awful borribiy embarrassed, not because of But it's not only spilled milk there's no use crying over; pilled and soaked into the bala and soaked into the for your sake ; believe me I'm awful SOFTV. that there's no use crying over; it's spilled and soaked into the ground all the way through to China

Then he turned to the deputation, -can't scrape up a drop. Sorry, Lucy !" he repeated, seeing her woepulling up his smoking jacket collar, and pulling down its sleeves.

begone face with a new pang. Lucy folded her lips tight and said no more. She had a wholsesome con-Why, its mighty good of you to want me to be mayor. As to the rest to do further ?-it sanctifies our joys, of it, what could any man do when tempt for a nagging woman, and she had learned that when easy-going he was right up against it? Any-body would do as I did; it's ridiculous to talk as if they wouldn't. It puzzles me how you found out. Noth-Luke felt that he must put his foot down he put it down in such wise that nothing could raise it. ing ever got out through me; not even Mrs. Stafford ever heard a sylla-

Lucy's gloom deepened as ensuing ays brought to her fuller realizable till you began to-night. Well, at tion of the extent of the possible consequences of Luke's failure to Now, if you want me to run, I'll run, For in spite of her reof course, and be much obliged for solve to be loyal to Luke in thinking the honor. Honestly, friends and of what had happened, she uncon- neigbors, I'm deeply obliged to you." of what had happened, she uncon-sciously did think of it as his "failure The deputation went out ; Father Doran passed them as he was comto make good."

It was hard to meet the curiosity

ing in. Oh, Father Doran, tell me; I've that Philips & Garrett implied a cause for dropping Luke from the firm that was discreditable to him— one of those implications which can-not be combated because they say

in the Blessed Sacrament. And just as the fruits on a south wall will be the ripest and sweetest, so will the work of grace be richest so will the bride in the neighbor-Mass will work a change in your soul. You will find your faith confirmed and your good purposes strengthened. You will begin to see the things of

for eternity to those which pass with time. You will be strengthened to has a wonderful power of bracing us for sacrifice and helping us over diffi-

culties. It brings us counsel in doubt, it prospers our plans as far as is good for us-and could we wish it supports us in temptation, or raises crowning grace of final perseverance, and a safe passage out of this world into the eternal happiness of the next. — The Sentinel of the Blessed

GO THOU AND DO LIKEWISE

Sacrament.

gems for so many of which we must be grateful to Catholic writers like the well-known Rene Bazin. Of Authority in matters of faith is put

the well-known Rene Bazin. Of course there is always the difficulty of translating a play upon words which does well in French and looks rather poor in English, but even then the idea is there, and it is the idea we wish to put on record. The bar the idea is there, and it is the idea we wish to put on record. The bar the idea is there and it is the idea we wish to put on record. Authority in matters of faith is put outside consideration entirely. There is no thought of uniting on the plane of course a return to the Catholic Church. Hence if there is to be union it must be on the level of primple vationalism by gatting down The sum of course are our deep-est needs, says Father Hecker. There is no peace till they are satis-fied and contented. The attempt to stifle them is in vain. If their cry be drowned by the noise of the world, they do not cease to exist.

and their reward from Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. And just as the fruits on a south expressed by the writer quoted, that doctrinal differences are "trivial, in-deed." To him and to many others,

sweaters. It people can unite in these things, then fundamentally they believe the same religion To call such a thing a united religion is ridiculous. Is dogma trivial? Does it make no difference what a man believes, no difference who believes He is a mere man. Here is one who believes that Baptism is necessary to salvation bear bravely the burdens and failures another who rejects it as a silly cerother who believes that all men

Yet it is suggested that these things make no difference, that a Christian may reject them on his Ah, Jesus ! Jesus ! Son of man ! my own whim yet be of the same religion us when we fall. It secures us the as the man who lives in accordance with these doctrines.

All this shows the tendency of the day. It is to minimize belief, to come down to pure rationalism. It come down to pure rationalism. It could not be otherwise if things are looked at honestly. There can be no stopping between faith and rationalism, between authoritative

'I was present," writes Bazin in a simple rationalism by getting down They must be answered.

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