

but it is worth while. If we seriously devote ourselves to it, we have both the money and the ability to establish a system of Church schools, that will not only provide well and abundantly for our own children, but will, by their greater excellence in secular learning, so compete with the public schools and the Roman schools that they will be a most effective missionary agency, and will double the already wonderful aggressive growth of the Church. In the meantime we shall do best to be inactive in the question of reading the Bible in our public schools, rather expressing our regret that the word of God should be so unworthily dealt with, and making good use of this object lesson to point out the *reductio ad absurdum* of Protestantism.—*The Catholic Champion*.

A number in the parish contribute nothing to its support. They do not rent sittings or pews; they place little or nothing on the plate as it passes Sunday after Sunday; they give regularly and systematically to no parish or Church cause, and yet they are not poor either. In fact, they are what the world calls religious "deadheads." They occupy places in church, they appear to enjoy the worship, they get the benefit of the preaching and music, they call for the services of the clergyman in sickness and trouble, and expect him to lay them away decently and in order when they die, all free of cost. In the meanwhile they spend upon their worldly ease and enjoyment what they are thus saving from the parish and the Church. We submit that this is rather small, and if it is done intentionally, it is mean; if thoughtlessly it is reprehensible.—*Living Church*.

### ROYAL DISCIPLINE.

Royal children are not exempt from parental discipline, says *The Youths Companion*, and even a crown prince has occasion to learn what a spanking means. The emperor of Germany, sitting in his room one day, heard sounds of a violent tumult in the nursery, and speedily made his way to the scene. When he entered, the crown prince and Prince Eitel drew themselves up and saluted their father in military fashion, as was their wont. "What is all this noise about?" the emperor asked. "A little dispute, sire," replied the elder son, "and I thought I would let my brother know who is crown prince here." "Because I wanted to use the Latin lexicon first, sire," said the younger, "he slapped me." "I did, sire," said the elder lad, "for Eitel would not else believe that my rights are first in this house." "Good!" said his majesty. "I see what you mean, and I think it will be as well in the same way to let you know what rights the emperor, your father, has in this house." The emperor proceeded accordingly in a manner to impress itself on the mind and also on the body of the young crown prince.

It is rumored that a Nonconformist minister who holds a pastorate in Dudley, England, and whose powers of pulpit oratory are of a high order, will shortly seek admission to Holy Orders in the Church of England, with a view of undertaking duty in one of our most prosperous colonies.—*Family Churchman*.

The world is a beautiful book, but of little use to him who cannot read it.—*Goldoni*.