

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS.

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost.

BAD THOUGHTS. "Why do you think evil in your hearts?" (St. Matt. ix. 4.)

What harm can there be in mere thoughts? They are only light and momentary fancies, various and fleeting as summer clouds...

Yes, my brethren, God does regard our thoughts. Our Lord Jesus Christ tells us that all sin has its birthplace in the heart...

Once upon a time—that is a good old-fashioned way of beginning a tale—a worn-out weary man named Joseph, oppressed with many cares and anxieties, was making his way rather dolefully along the Strand...

Now, my brethren, it is perfectly true that we cannot help such thoughts coming in to the mind; but we can help their staying there. We can prevent our hearts and minds from being hives and nests for them to dwell in...

Helping out a Mind Reader. At an entertainment in Dublin a mind reader boasted that he could find a marked pin hidden by one of the audience. The pin was hidden by a Trinity student in an adjoining room...

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OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

Forming a Habit.

No effort is required to form a bad habit. It forms itself by mere repetition. Unpleasant habits are usually the result of thoughtlessness in the beginning...

Was It a Dream?

Joe was a soft-hearted fellow in his way of most of his troubles in life had come from the same falling or virtue—it may be either, according to the use or abuse of it—and followed the sad looking woman. She sat down on the step of one of the houses, and he noticed she was sobbing bitterly...

There, mother, said he, "it's the last I have, but you're welcome to it. She looked up and gasped out something he did not hear; but her look of gratitude he never forgot—no, not to his dying day.

Secret Societies. "No defenceless mob in front of troops armed with weapons of precision, no rabble of the inferior races of Africa before a Zulu impi, could have been reduced to greater impotence than the Catholic multitudes on the continent in presence of the disciplined ranks of the secret societies, rallied to the watchwords of the revolution and backed by all the influence of the press."

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He prayed long and fervently, and at last in sheer weariness of body sat up and prayed no more—at least vocally, but his soul was still engaged in heavenly thoughts as he gazed in silent love and reverence upon the beautiful face of his Mother.

Presently he fancied that the whole scene changed, he looked around him and countless troops of angels were flocking into the church; their wings glittered like polished silver, and their faces shone like the sun.

While Joseph gazed in rapture at their wondrous beauty, a most serene melody seemed to fill the church.

While Joseph gazed, to his surprise the Mother of God left the manger, came down to where he was sitting and touched him. A peace and joy which he had never known thrilled in his soul as the Mother of Jesus laid her hand upon his shoulder.

"Come with me," said the Virgin Mother, and as she spoke the church and the wondrous scenes within it seemed to disappear.

"Mother," they cried, "we are so hungry; do give us some food."

Presently he thought he heard our Blessed Lady, who held him by the hand, say, "watch and listen."

The Queen of Heaven bent over that poor woman, and marked the sign of the Cross upon her forehead, and stooped down and kissed her children, while she said to Joseph:

Joseph's friends said he was tired out, and had been dreaming, but he stoutly maintained that all that had happened was literally true.

Which will you do—smile and make others happy, or be crabbed and make everybody around you miserable? You can live, as it were, among beautiful flowers and singing birds, or in the mire, surrounded by frogs.

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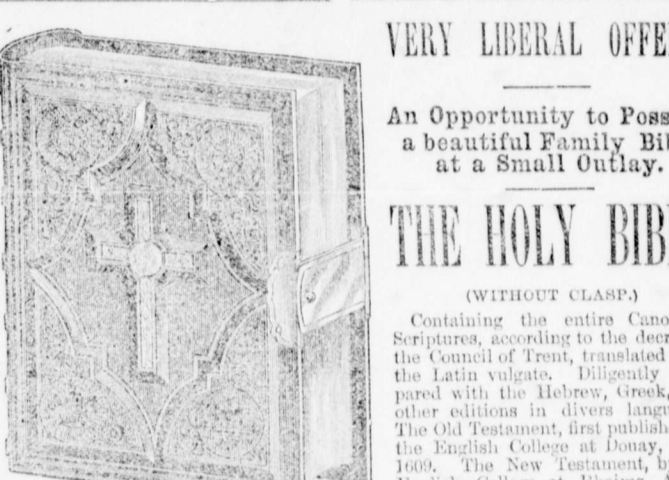
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