

Zeal in Social Life.

Never, as in our day, has such activity been displayed in the social uplifting of the race, have so many sacrifices been made in the cause of humanity. It is astonishing, the movements, the societies the leagues, the endowments, even the wars that have been undertaken or set afoot, to usher in a new era which would afford to all the largest measure of happiness with the least amount of pain!

WORKS OF CHARITY.—Without this zeal in furthering works and movements directed to the relief of bodily pain and want, we should soon drift away from the true ideals of charity which have been set by Gospel religion and handed down from the sources of Christianity. Son of God coming into the world assumed our infirmities and bore our sorrows, that He might the more effectually heal them.

WORKS EDUCATIONAL.—Zeal in matters educational is more essential still. To withdraw from this

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field of social work, or fail to occupy it, is to make surrender to the enemy of the souls of the young. All systems and institutions of education outside the Church and independent of religion, are consciously or unconsciously animated by a spirit hostile to Catholic faith. It has been truly said that to bring up a child in contempt of all that he ought to respect, it is not necessary to tell him to despise and mock, he has only not to be told to reverence and adore. Knowledge of itself cannot achieve the true happiness of man. A sad experience proves that it is a two-edged sword that can kill as well as cure. There is, besides, in human nature, a strong tendency to its abuse. Knowledge puffeth up. Education, to be a real benefit, must be tempered with religion and guided by faith. As Thomas D'Arcy McGee, who was a deep thinker as well as orator, averred in the Canadian House of Commons "every truth of reason requires a truth of revelation" to preserve, strengthen and direct it to man's supreme end and highest happiness. Hence Leo XIII. has laid down that for Catholics, education must be religious and Catholic all along the line—primary, secondary, collegiate, university, it is only in exceptional circumstances that departure from this rule can be tolerated and then the danger to faith must be removed by special safeguards. In these days of parochial and separate schools of acknowledged efficiency, of Catholic colleges and universities, parents cannot send children to non-Catholic or non-sectarian schools without incurring the stigma of disloyalty to the Church of Christ and treachery to the cause which she has most at heart. Loyalty, however, is not sufficient. In the presence of millions voted annually by Governments, or donated by private munificence for the establishment and maintenance of non-Catholic institutions. Catholics of fortune should not hesitate to open their purse even till they feel the sacrifice, others ought to confer their time, study and endeavors. With a little we can achieve much and compete successfully with the best endowed schools. We have got on our side factors that money cannot purchase and which with a little effort will place us beyond the range of competition—first, the obedience of the children, springing from their Catholic faith, and secondly, devotedness on the part of teachers, who equip themselves for their work and courageously encounter its difficulties, not in view of an earthly salary, but moved and strengthened by the love of the Sacred Heart.

WORKS INDUSTRIAL.—The importance of zealous co-operation in works and movements that tend to the relief of the toiling masses and the betterment of their condition, is manifest from the scenes which daily confront us—gigantic trusts, strikes of labor against capital, destruction of life and property, recourse to military repression, dangers which menace the very organization of society. Who would have thought that when Pope Leo, not two decades ago, lifted his warning voice and announced the signs of the approaching storm that it was so soon to break upon the world? "The elements of the conflict," he said, "are unmistakable; the growth of industry and the surprising discoveries of science; the changed relations of master and workman; the enormous fortunes of individuals and the poverty of the masses; the increased self-reliance and the closer combination of the working population; and, finally, a general looseness of morals. The seriousness of the present state of things fills every mind." The remedy is not in socialism, which, working on the poor man's envy of the rich, endeavors to abolish private property and transfer the possessions of individuals to the community, but in religion and the church. "Without her aid all the striving of men will be in vain." To the rich she says: "It is one thing to have the right to possess money,

but quite another thing to have the right to use money as one pleases." "Man," says St. Thomas Aquinas, "should not consider his outward possessions as his own, but as common to all, so as to share them without difficulty when others are in need." Whence the apostle saith: Command the rich of this world to give with ease. There is a dictate of nature above any bargain between man and man, namely, that the remuneration be enough to support the wage-earner in reasonable and frugal comfort. To the sons of toil she says: Keep the Ten Commandments. Respect the property of others, the rights of employers to make free agreements, the rights of fellow-workmen to bargain for their labor. To capitalists and workmen, she says: Unite to arbitrate differences and to protect and promote your common interests. She especially warns workmen against demagogues, and "walking delegates" who are the agents of socialism and sowers of discontent. Such to reach their ends will insinuate secret suspicion and, perhaps, preach open revolt against authority and ecclesiastical superiors. The remedies which the Church points out she only can apply, for she alone is possessed of the agencies which can touch the innermost heart and conscience. She demands, however, the help of the State and of all the influences which make for order. It belongs, in times like ours, to societies like those of St. Vincent of Paul, Tertiaries, Men's Leagues, which are in touch with the masses and can appeal to their confidence, to enlighten and warn against the snares of designing men. They will thus promote the welfare of their fellow-men and lay claim for themselves to the special beatitude promised to peace-makers. We shall all unite our prayers this month with those of the Divine Heart that His followers, all the world over, may be devoted with enlightened zeal to those social works on which the welfare of humanity and religion depends.—Rev. J. J. Connolly, S.J., in the Canadian Messenger of the Sacred Heart.

FRENCH BUDGET. M. Rouvier, French Minister of Finance, puts the French national expenditure estimates for 1904 at about £143,000,000, being an increase of nearly £2,000,000 on the previous year's, and an excess of over £2,000,000 on the revenue.

KIND TO CHILDREN. The annual treat of the Marquis of Bute was given to the Catholic children of Cardiff. In fine weather the youngsters, to the number of quite 4,000, sported or romped for hours in the Sophia Gardens Fields, whilst refreshments supplied the inner demand.

IN AUSTRALIA. His Eminence Cardinal Moran is starting in July on a tour among the islands of the Australian archipelago, devoting special attention to those of Fiji. In the capital of these, Suva, His Eminence will open the Catholic Cathedral.

RIOTS IN FRANCE. The rioting at Nantes recently, in which one old Socialist leader was killed and many persons injured, was certainly provoked by the French authorities through the medium of the Nantes Prefect, who had forbidden the regular Corpus Christi procession through the streets. The clergy were asked not to hold the public procession, and did not, but the lay Catholics nevertheless went in a kind of procession, and were met with violence, which the absence of the religious ceremonies prompted them to repel with equal force.

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Society Directory. ST. ANN'S T. A. & B. SOCIETY, established 1863.—Rev. Director, Rev. Father McPhail; President, D. Aallery, M.P.; Sec., J. F. Quinn, 625 St. Dominique street; M. J. Ryan, treasurer, 18 St. Augustin street. Meets on the second Sunday of every month, in St. Ann's Hall, corner Young and Ottawa streets, at 8.30 p.m.

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NOTES. SCHOOL METHODS. been a common idea that either Protestant or Catholic elements. We have known of Catholic parents who tried to all rule and sense, and then to the Protestant impression that their children not receive a proper education of their own right other day professors Ed. Burton and Shailer the Chicago University book in which they modern Sunday schools hind the public schools a methods. This is a the Sunday school, for a pamphlet, by Mrs. Young, a professor in university, on "Scientific Education," in which that the method of schools is incorrect and Then if the public school incorrect and unscientific Sunday school method still, what are we to do entire system? Above we to say in regard to trusted with the Catholic which combines in a due religious and secular moral and intellectual Above all; what have parents, who are so Protestant methods and full and ungenerous to the sacrificing educationalist excuse for their unCatholic Let Catholics read this

GERMAN CATHOLICS cent elections in Germany proved very beneficial to or Catholic party. In the party numbers one hundred members. The next on the list has eighty-two members. The Catholic party while inferior to the combinations of the go to make up the government numerically stronger, but score, than one of them are. It is not at all that Germany will ever have a persecution of the element. The fact is that of Bismarck and his lawless mission have passed away. of the present ruler of Germany so favorable to the Catholic that the various grades seem to take their cue from spoken attitude, and it is fashionable to favor the cause, just as it is becoming in England to be "Pro-Catholic." If the Catholic party in has grown so powerful, its organization. They have force of the old saying "strength;" they have expected the disastrous results of the situation. They, to-day, learn that is the reverse of the situation. They are in the midst of population, in Germany the most powerful political all the land. If in France the Catholic element would only become united, they would be ruled by a small minority fanatics as they are to-day. They are lessons yet to be learned from the world, from energetic co-religionists in

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