

A REASONABLE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

(General Intention for August Blessed by the Sovereign Pontiff.)

In the inspired text the Great Apostle calls the Gospel and the life of the first Christians built upon it, a "reasonable service."

IN HER DOGMAS—Heresy is but the exaggeration of a truth into denial of another which is equally part of divine revelation.

Certainly, the dogmas of faith contain mysteries which are above the comprehension of reason, but not one of them has ever been shown to be contrary to it.

IN HER PROFESSION, what is true of the Catholic dogma is still more striking in catholic profession.

is the expression of the interior and the invisible, or is conducive to it. This is the adoration "in spirit and truth" by which Our Lord in the Gospel tells us "all true adorers shall adore the father."

True religion in its practice as well as in its dogmas, though it admits nothing against reason, yet sanctions much that is above it.

IN HER INTERIOR LIFE—But nowhere do we find this higher reasonableness, the perfect accord of man's rational nature, mind, heart and senses, with the teaching and exercise of faith as in the interior life sanctioned and approved by the Church.

the same energy of his free and intelligent soul.

During the month of August, in union with our prayers, good works and sufferings, offered to the Divine Heart for His intentions, let us keep particularly in view this one: that all Christians may honor God with the reasonable service of an enlightened faith.

FACES OF THE AGED.

Have you ever noticed, as you journey through life, the different aspects of the faces of the aged? Some are hardened and dissatisfied; others, serene and happy.

COLLEGE SOCIALISM.

In our modern days colleges are becoming too much the nurseries of sport, of that innocent kind of gambling that takes insidiously possession of the mind, and that finally develops a taste that may some day find its logical or natural consequences on the race course or on the stock exchange.

controlled by a certain discipline and have as a basis the fundamental principles of religion; and these constitute a shield against more dangerous tendencies.

"One of the strangest of the educational manifestations of the day is the extent to which the facilities of some universities and colleges of the country are inoculated with one or other of the various socialistic notions afloat.

"It is well that all new theories of politics or society shall be studied by men in these high educational positions, but it is not well that they should enter on the advocacy of any doctrine until after exhaustive examination.

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CHAPTER IV.—Continued

"No, Mr. St. Clair, I could not say."

"There are reasons which I cannot explain."

"Is it on account of any fault on my part?"

"No, as a friend I have ever loved you in the highest esteem."

"Thank you for that, Miss Cecelia, your words assure me of your love at least. But—" he hesitated.

"Have you any objection to my calling you Cecelia?"

"None on earth," she replied slowly.

"None on earth! What do you mean?" he asked respectfully.

"That you once had a lover whose name he is dead you have seen yourself to live alone?"

"He could not see the smile on my face as she answered, 'No, I never remembered her strange words many other things connected with which had often greatly surprised me.'"

"They were soon at the hotel, Cecelia was bidding her good-bye, she had asked if he should not again before her departure, she replied that she feared she intended starting for home the next day.

"But you will remember Cecelia?"

"Yes, as a friend who has loved me in the highest esteem."

"Is it really true, as you say, that you have complete acquaintance with us and we know no more?"

"It is, and I am happy to say my voice has been heard for some time on the stage."

"You mean to remain at home?"

"Yes, for a time, but not permanently according to my present intentions."

"Have you any objections calling if I happen to be in the city?"

"As a friend I shall be pleased to see you if I am at home."

"Thank you for that much Cecelia."

Not wishing to trust himself to meet her again on the morrow, he bade her good-bye at the door, wishing her a safe home. Then he went to his solitary room and retired, to sleep. He who less than a year ago had declared that he never marry was suffering from disappointment in his first love, for he felt that so had gone from his life which was not to be replaced.

CHAPTER V.

"How good it is to be in dear home once more!"

Agnes's bright face fully verid words addressed to her cousin day of her arrival.

"You are no happier to be in Cecelia, than we are to have been so dreadfully lonely you?"

"Thank you, Agnes, I am selfish enough to be glad that I have been missed; but would my cousin say if I were to go away again soon and not return?"

"What do you mean, Cecelia, Agnes, in surprise."

Cecelia smiled a mysterious and said: "Never mind, dear, do not worry about it, I see me ready to go."

"You do not contemplate going to the stage, I hope, though I must blame you if you do, for it is a glorious thing to fame as you have within a few months. Even if you did not, enough for us to let us know your opinion of you, we let just the same. Besides what I wrote to us, we have been following your career through papers, and often your mother herself has wished that we were at the theatre to witness your triumph."

"The admiration of the people, is of little worth, one may be praised by many tomorrow a new star appears attraction of yesterday is forgotten. Preaching again, Cecelia, you used to do when we were in school. I thought that new life you would get over."