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Eucharist, or of the singing of the Mass, for this would be simonical, but as an offering for his support." Of course, knowing of the frailty and iladelphia passions of humanity, we shall not 28th ult., deny that there have been individual instances of unlawful trafficking, but these cases should naturally fall under the jurisdiction of the diocesan authorities for correction. They form no basis for the sweeping condemnation of a lawful practice. But there is no doubt that the High Church view of the matter is a mere afterthought. It is only of late years that they have put their present interpretation on the words of the Anglican Article of Faith, the intention of which was to abolish the Mass, and all belief in the real presence of Christ in the the desire Eucharist, for without the real presence ifice of the hest act of Scripture, the victim, who is Christ Himself, the prophet whose death on the cross the sacrifices

> petuates. It was the aim of Cranmer to abolish both belief in the real presence and in the Mass. Thus he said in his answer to the Bishop of Winchester:

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"Christ is present in His holy supper as that hely council saith, even as He is present in baptism, but not carnally, corporally and naturally, as you with out ground imagine. And if He were so present, yet He is not there sacri-ficed again for sin. For then were His first sacrifice upon the cross in vain."

His whole book on the "oblation and sacrifice of Christ" is to the same effect. And the opinion even of the divines of Oxford University was similar so recently as 1844, since in that year they published his writings with the statement that "he was burned at Oxford for the confession of Christ's true doctrine, Anno, 1556."

It is well known that the Church of England's Edwardine Articles were framed to accord almost wholly with Cranmer's views, and these are the views which were constantly held by Anglican polemists, until the Tractarian movement, which has since merged into Ritualism or High Churchism, gained strength at Oxford within the last half of the present century.

From all this we can only infer that Anglicanism, with its various parties, nearly equal in numbers, and teaching all sorts of doctrines from Broad to High Churchism, is totally inadequate to fulfil the duty assigned by Christ to world? The reply is that man distinct this Church to teach all nations all trusts his fellowman. Free governto fulfil the duty assigned by Christ to things which He revealed and com- ment would have existed always,

LEO XIII. ON TEMPERANCE.

For the Catholic Record.

There has been so much intemper ate language used by some advocates of temperance, and so many chimerical schemes have been proposed for its promotion, of late years, that some people seem to have become so disgusted as to lose sight of the fact that genuine temperance is one of the Cardinal virtues. At least this would seem to be the reason why some people, who imagine themselves to be good atholics, sneer at those who practice temperance, and treat as little short of heresy total abstinence, and the practice of that virtue in a heroic degree. such people the following extract, from a letter from Leo XIII. to Archbishop Ireland, of St. Paul, Minnesota (quoted in "Temperance Truths," vol. will, no doubt, be a revelation, and, let us hope, an incentive to a greater respect and love for such an ennobling "Above all, we have rejoiced to learn with what energy and zeal, by means of various excellent association, and especially through the Catholic Total Abstinence Union, you combat the destructive vice of in temperance. For it is well known to us how ruinous, how deplorable, is the both to faith and to morals, that is to be feared from intemperance who recently, in the Plenary Council of Baltimore, with weightiest words be a perpetual incentive to sin and a fruitful root of all evils, plunging the down to everlasting perditione; declaring, moreover, that the faithful become thereby a scandal to non Catholics, and a great hindrance to the

propagation of the true religion.

"Hence, we esteem worthy of all commendation the noble resolve of your pious associations, by which they pledge themselves to abstain totally rom every kind of intoxicating drink. and truly efficacious remedy for this Buddhism is the gospel of eternal life.

very great evil; and that so much the more strongly will all be induced to put this bridle upon the appetite, by Now, it was to a world absolutely how much the greater are the dignity greater are the dignity. more strongly will all be induced to put this bridle upon the appetite, by how much the greater are the dignity sum for his support and extra work. and influence of those who give the The infallible Church of Christ is itself example. But the greatest of all in this matter should be the zeal of priests, who, as they are called to instruct the people in the word of life, and to mould them to Christian morality, lawfully done in the case. Thus, St.
Thomas, the "Angelic Doctor," says:
The priest does not receive a stipend as the price of the consecration of the Experiest on of the singing of the preaching and exhortation, and to shine before all as models of abstinence, that so the many calamities with which this vice threatens both Church and State may, by their strenuous endeavors, be averted. And we earnestly beseech Almighty God that, in this important matter, He may graci-ously favor your desires, direct your counsel, and assist your endeavors.

"CHARITY."

Eloquent Lecture by Bourke Cockran.

Bourke Cockran lectured on "Charity - the Vital Principle of Damocracy," in Boston a few nights ago, in aid of the Working Boys' Home. The house was crowded. Mr. Cockran, says the Catholic Review, was at his He handled his theme with great skill and quite carried his audience away by his masterly style. The auditors expressed their delight in fre-Eucharist, for without the real presence there cannot be a sacrifice, inasmuch as the sacrifice implies the presence of stage was a notable gathering of distinguished citizens. The mayor, in a brief but happy speech, presented the speaker to the audience, who gave Mr. Cockran an unusually warm greeting. The orator spoke in part as follows:

From the beginning of the world men have sought for virtue, but Christ alone taught that the pathway by which it might be attained cannot be trodden other than shoulder to shoulder with your brother, supporting him that totters and guarding him that hesitates or loses his way. The pagan schools, he went on to say, established standards of morals, but did not inculcate love for our neighbors. They enjoined men to practice virtue and self restraint, but only that each individual could widen the sphere of his enjoyment.

From all this, charity differs as the solid hills from the shadows which they project. For the true conception de mands not merely charity of action, but charity of thought; it commands us to use gentleness of speech and forbearance in judging our neighbor'

Now, Christ's view of charity was a progress, to political emancipation, to free government. This conception has been controlling the race for two thousand years, and to-day we owe to it the establishment of free government wherever it exists, as well as the wonderful growth of commerce and learning, which has issued from the existence of free institutions. Philosophers may differ as to the form of gov-ernment under which man's liberty may best be secured, but all concur in the belief that prosperity can only be widespread where liberty flourishes and is protected by law.

How is it, then, that free government does not exist throughout the tyranny would never have been tolerated, the domination of cast would have been unknown, if men had not feared that the masses of their fellows, if clothed with political power, would use it to perpetuate such oppression that condition would be worse than under a despot.

When the gospel of Christ was first preached not a free government existed on this earth. There have passed since then 1,900 years, and to day we find the march and trend of the human race everywhere toward free institutions, and we see republicanism triumphant on the widest threatre that man has ever yet experimented upon.

It is beyond question that Christian ity and freedom are coincident; it only emains to be shown that the one is the consequence of the other. And we have but to look at the ancient philosophies to see what fruit is borne by any ethical system which excludes the idea of charity.

At the birth of Christ all the institutions based on foundations of freedom had perished. Democracy had risen for a brief period, but it had perished in tumult and disorder. Rome, whose empire extended over the whole field of civilization, was governed by a despot. The moving power of the sys

tem he administered was slavery. Instead of being strengthened by the sense of co-operation, the cohesive in drink. Nor can we sufficiently power of Roman imperialism was praise the prelates of the United States Rome entered upon a condition of such appalling degradation, corruption, condemned this abuse, declaring it to cruelty and crime that every tradition of the ancient Roman virtue became obliterated; the foundations of Roman families of the intemperate into direst ruin, and dragging numberless souls patriotism were sapped; public morals were degraded; even literature was corrupt; the very extinction of the race was threatened. But the rest of who yield to this vice of intemperance the world was wrapped in even darker gloom because it was unrelieved by

the ray of hope. I have heard it said that the doctrine of Christ was preached centuries before Christ was born. I am told that Buddhism contained it. You can judge of these two philosophies by their fruits. Buddhism has produced univerit at all be doubted sal despotism; Christianity is producthat this determination is the proper | ing universal and progressive freedom.

governed by these two principles, totally given over to despotism and tyranny, that a message came, not rumpeted forth and supported by ser-

tined to change the whole aspect of the world, the whole relation of men to each other, the entire condition of the race.

The greatest political movement ever inaugurated was the revelation of Christ, and yet Christ Himself and all His ministers declared they had no concern with politics. Christianity was not an attack upon any existing institution, but it created conditions under which institutions based on tyranny and oppression became impossible. It did not aim to overthrow any particular government, but it crime.—Ave Maria. any particular government, but it established principles which have affected the governments of the world and which will affect them to the end of time. Man was everywhere spirit-ualized, improved, and uplifted, that, though he might submit to injustice, he would not perpetuate it.

The principle of love to one's neighbor was absolutely inconsistent with tyranny, and when a man began to look upon every man as his brother the principle of the equality of men was established and institutions, based on the inequality of men before the law, were doomed.

Mr. Cockran here sketched the grad ual disintegration of the Roman empire, and its unavailing struggle with the new doctrine that was henceforward to rule the world, saying that the blood of martyrs that dyed the thirsty sands of the amphitheatre-the blood upon which the Casars looked with indifference, if not with scorn, became a mighty tide that snapped the foundation of the Cæsars' throne and litted Christianity, and the cross, its symbol, triumphant o'er the city where Christ's followers were persecuted, and cast the light of that cross over all the universe as the emblem of hope to the sons of

So charity, continued the speaker, was not an abstraction—it was the practical rule of life which governed the early Christians. And the seed sown by them has spread abroad in the world. Persecution relaxed, but the new light kindled before the footsteps of men; it showed the way to social principle embodied in that great hoscratic government must depend.

So Rome fell, and the "dark ages followed, but they were ages of prep aration for a newer, a better, a grander civilization. The savage who overthrew Rome was an instrument of God, in order that on the ruins of that empire, founded in crime and wrong, might be erected a temple of justice and peace. The ancients had every-thing we possess. But they could not make the upright men and pure women

wise and discreet friend. Nearly every person of experience has had things told him by acquaintances about sins regretted and repented, and some of the confidences exchanged aduly are often of a character that Burns indicated you should "hardly tell to any." Of course, it is well known that our High Church friends have a spectro of course of its well known that our High Church friends have a spectro of resistant of the state of th

WHAT SAY OUR CANADIAN EDITORS ?

rumpeted forth and supported by serried hosts emanating from earthly potentates, but issuing from the lips of a bruised, scourged, dying, outraged man, nailed to a cross on the top of Mount Caivary.

These words from His lips were destined to change the whole aspect of the support of the su

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The account of Satterlee Hospital, edited by Miss Sara Trainer Smith, in the current Records of the American Catholic Historical Society, is vivid, interesting and edifying. It abounds in stories of wonderful conversions. Many of the Protestant soldiers who ear brought to the hospital during our Civil War seem always to have had a vague conviction of the truth of the Catholic Church, and appeared glad enough to be baptized into her pale in their illness or death. But the major partof them were either strongly prejudiced or profoundly ignorant of Catholicity. It is surprising, however, to note how speed illy the prejudice was dispelled by the kindliness and piety of the Sisters of Charity; and—more remarkable still—the reading of a single good Catholic book was generally enough to inspire conviction, and, under God, to effect a conversion. There are two valuable hints here. The way to uproot biggory is by good example; the way to dispel religious ignorance is by kindly and dignified explanation of Catholic truth.

It appears, too, that others than the poor soldiers were edified by the Sisters. The executive officer of the hospital once asked the superior: "Sister, has there ever been any dissatisfaction or misunderstanding between the officers and the Sisters since you came to the hospital?" To She answered: "None at all."

"Well," said the officer, "the other day we were at a party. The conversation turned on the Sisters in the hospitals; and I said there had never been a falling out between us at Satterlee. Some of the city hospital doctors said it was hard to believe that forty women could live together without quarreling."—Ave Maria.

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"PROGRESS" AND "IMPROVE-MENT.

sown by them has spread abroad in the world. Persecution relaxed, but the Christians remained faithful to the doctrines of Christ. Then, 400 years after the hospital of Loyola was founded, it embodied the principles of the Christian faith, and had multiplied a hundredfold throughout the world wherever Christianity was spread. The principle embodied in that great hospital was the principle of cooperation, the same principle of mutual assist ance, which underlies democratic government, and on which all democratic government must depend.

Thoughtful people who are weary of the averlasting clatter about progress, education, culture, refinement, etc., ever on the flippant lips of rattlebraned pretenders, will appreciate these menningful words of Marion Craw-ford. In the course of his lecture on Leo XIII. he observes: "We have progresses means wearing clothes like other people, having splendid cities like other paralies, splendid cities like other process." Improvement means helping or people to earn more wages and to live better—giving them a possibility of happiness, instead of taking the title they have in order to give ourselves the appearance of greatness. That is why! say that in Italy where the progress and too little improvement." Thoughtful people who are weary of the

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The peculiar "progress" which the distinguished writer has in mind began with the robber domination of Italy and Rome—with its manifold lootings, oppressions and public scandals. The "improvement" ceased when the Poutiff was plundered of the Papal patrimony that came to him from the charitable bequests of more than a thousand years.

The wealthy women of to day who bury their dogs in satin-lined caskets and adorn their cats with diamond ear rings, while they heed not the cry of the starving in the shive ring street, are "progressive" and "cultured" and "refined," etc. But they have cold pagan hearts; and all the 'oligies ever taught in the schools would not instill true refinement into their alleged souls.—Buffalo Union and Times.

nartyrs and champions of Christianity. In the homes and even in the schools the famous nadomas of the great Catholic artists find a place. The influence exerted by these mar-rels of artistic and religious paintings cannot

the homes and even in the schools the fanous madonns of the great Catholic artisis ind a place. The literature of the carry the catholic artisis ind a place in the policy of the early Protestant is the policy of the early Protestant settlers in this country to exclude the mother of God from the home and the Church. The Catholics alone held her in affectionate reverence. It was natural that those who were taught to ignore the mother and to regard devotion to her as sinful and idolatorus should gradually lose respect for the Son. Hence we find that of the descendants of the Puritina and the Fligitin a large proportion have gridlen away from the Church a high per fallen away from the contraint and the vigitin and indifferent. The artists of the middle ages, inspired by religions tervor and enthusiasm, painted the Virgin and Child upon immortal canvas, but their paintings were frowned upon by Protestants as "Popish" evils tending to lead the people to idolatrous practices. The saw where Discord in the tide. The reaction has come. Respect for the mother of God is growing in the central and sublime fact of His linearnation.

The reaction has come. Respect for the mother of God is growing in the contraint of the Protestant Episcopal church said recently in reply to a question as to what work of art had exerted the most whelesome influence in furthering the cause of Christianity. There is a restfulness, a repose about much, with just a tinge of salmess, a pepus large planting which has had the greatest in both, engraves itself upon the memories of all who see it. A study of this painting in spires one with mingled reverence, fath and belief. As it is the best known religious synthesis and belief. As it is the best known religious pointure in the world, I believe it has had the greatest influence for good.

The advanced Anglican Ritualists include in their devotions and religious exercises all who see it. A study of this painting in the protess of the protestant of all stripes and sects in this country are decorating th

the nonconformists are becoming less hostile in their demonstrations, while Protestants of all stripes and sects in this country are decorating their walls with pictures of the Madonna. The effects described by Bishop fruttle are sure to follow this revival of veneration for the sainted woman selected to be the mother of God Incarnate.

A secular publishing house in London has just issued a volume entitled "Christ and His Mother in Italian Art." It contains fitty Madonnas by the best Italian masters. Canon Eytoun, a Protestant clergyman, says in an introductory essay: "The humanization of Christ has been effected for the masses by means of words like these, portraying the most moving of all spectacles wherever seen on earth—the Child in its mother's arms. The thing that draws Him closest to us and ourselves to Him, at all times, is that He had a mother; and that His mother was to Him what only a mother can be; and this idea the 'endless' Madonnas have put into shape, and have given to it a concreteness which makes obscuration of His real manhood impossible."

—Boston Republic.

RELIGION IN EDUCATION.

Christianity.

In these modern days, out of the same principle of charity, there have come our schools and colleges and asylums and institutions, our trust in a manner of the first of the manner of the first of the manner of the first of the same principle of charity, there have come our schools and colleges and asylums and institutions, our trust in a manner of the first of the weithins in the humblest.

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Here in this country we see the complete fruition of the Christian principle, there, where we have equality in the eyes of God and equality in American Review the question of religion and education, in a manner which indicates that the Catholic position on this subject will soon have the approval and sanction of all conservative and thoughful Protestan s. He

which its importance warrants. He is con-vinced that the State cannot inpart religious instruction, because the teaching of religious is not a legitimate public function. He al-most says that the work must be done by persons duly qualified and acting independ ently. The instruction which he declare necessary, he says, "can be given only by an almost entire change of policy and prac-tice on the question of religious teaching it

York and other centres of the aristocracy of money. By others the retirement of Dr. Hall is regarded as the natural result of the disintegrating process in the Presbyterian system begun by the incident of Dr. Briggs and the Theological Seminary. When the belief of Protestants in the intallibility of the Scriptures is shaken, who can wonder at their being in a quandary? The honester ones will follow the example of Dr. Briggs and "get out." but the vascillating and undecided will hang on desperately to the wreck.—Philadelphia Standard and Times.

HONORING GOD'S MOTHER.

One of the most encouraging signs of the times is the interest shown by our separated brethren in Catholic art. Everywhere we note evidence of a newly-developed and constantly increasing desire among Protestant men and women to possess paintings or photographic reproductions of paintings of the mother of God and of the saints and early martyrs and champions of Christianity. In the homes and even in the schools the famous madonings of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great Catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic artists find a first part of the great catholic cathol

Every well wisher of Ireland will rejoice in the union which has been formed between the lately-discordant wings of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Like most family quarrels, there was no very serious cause for that which divided those Brothers. Now that it is ended, the sooner it is forgotten the better. The mission of a great patriotic and benevolent order is too serious to be hampered by personal dissensions. The A. O. H. has a high duty to fulfil, and willing and loyal members to do it.

There is more than the welfare of the A. O. H., important as that is, in this ending of an old disagreement. It furnishes an object lesson to men of our race at home and abroad, wherever the evil genius of discord, the bane of the Celt, holds sway. There was more of sadness than of hope in Moore's allegorical verses:

As vanquished Erin wept beside
The Boyne's ill fated river.

She saw where Discord, in the tide.
Had drooped his loaded quiver,
"Lie hid," she cried, "ye venom d darts, Where morted eye may shun you; Lie hid—the stain of manly hearts
That bled for me, is on you."

But vain her wish, her weeping vain,

"Is the doctrine of reincarnation, as taught by Theosophy, contrary to the Christian faith?"

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It is. According to Christian (Catholic) faith souls on departing from this life go to heaven, purgatory, or hell, and do not return to reanimate their own, or other bodies until called to the final and general judgment.

Theosopy, at least that of Oleott and Blavatsky, which is a rehash of Indian Brahmasism and Buddhism, teaches that the soul at death passes from the body into some other body—that of man, beast or insect—and this continues a sort of spirit tramp until it is fit for nirvana. This is called metempsychosis or transmigration of souls. The difference between this and the Christian doctrine is too evident to need pointing out. But this is not the only difference, Theosophy, as explained by its most conspicuous exponents in ancient and modern times, involves a denial of the creative act, and is consequently in its last analysis, toathleism. It also denies revelation as commonly understood. When you meet a professed theosophits ask him to state clearly what he believes so that you can get a good intellectual hold of it, and you will find a very puzzled man.

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