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A NOVEL IDEA. In his latest book Dr. Watson, bet ter known as Ian Maclaren, makes the astounding statement that "Chris tianity has been shifting her basis from the Latin to the Greek conception of God." The author is not speaking for the Catholic Church; nor does he claim it. But even so, it is strange that any religious doctrine or system should change. It is also remarkable that there is any difference between the Latin and the Greek view of God. And passing strange it is that the exponents of these views are St. Augustine for the Latins and Clement of Alexandria for the Greeks. Our opinion is that Ian Maclaren has done better as a storyteller than he will ever do as a student of patristic theology. Before going farther we must note a remark which Dr. Watson makes concerning the treatment dealt out to Clement of Alexandria by Pope Benedict XIV. The following is his statement: "Beneath the masterful hand of St. Augustine the profound and spiritual thought of the Greek was for the time crushed, and at last the Roman Church, or at least Pope Benedict the calendar of saints." There is a tangle. It all comes of a writer not having definite ideas or an exact stan- Whether this is an improvement or dard. To say the least, it is very peculiar if St. Augustine's writings looks like going back to ancient hishad such a crushing effect upon the and saintly Pope, who by his pre- possible revival of rules and orders of peace and love—indeed in this re- was converted, not one Indian tribe interest shown in their work and the vious offices was well fitted to sys- whose only purpose seemed to be that spect you have been a high example for saved from extermination, whilst the appreciation of it by the country at tematize the canonization of chosen they might shackle the separate all. The educational and moral adcandidates for the calendar, and to schools. Considering that the Unirevise carefully those already scatter- versity Commission recommends the ed through it. The fact is Clement's removal of its management from diendar. All that Benedict XIV. did Pyne is prepared to hand over the cheerfully undertaken by your Grace, of the Christian Era, Vol. 11, p. 311. Bishops and priests. was to prove to the King of Portu- supervision of all primary and second-

are to ourselves, yet absolutely dis- erty.

ent, the only One transcendent, inflnitely above any creature actual or possible. No matter how immanent God may be to as, His infinite transcendence keeps us in lowly fear. "Come, let us adore, let us fall down pensation of the Holy Ghost?" As tholic Church." if St. Augustine were not? But that A liberal discount on contracts.

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Remittances should be made by Post Office order, Postal Order, Express Money or by Registration of projection of pro century was specially led by the Holy Spirit? Then for any Christian to 'regard the doctrine of the Holy Ghost as little else than a speculative dogma of theology or a pretty conceit of the mystics," is simply to de-Christianize society. It is to deny the abiding presence of that Paraclete who was promised to teach all truth and who convinces the world of sin and of justice. How misleading is unsystematic theology! How confusing is a mistaken comparison of two such writers as St. Augustine and the saintly Clement of Alexandria! What a surety, support and consolation to be within the fold watched by the unfailing faith of Peter, led by the Holy Spirit in the second century in the fifth century and every other century. Ian Maclaren may write a touching story; but he is wofully astray on questions concerning God's attributes. He is guilty of the most serious errors about the action of the Holy Ghost upon the soul. Nor does a single argument he advances make for a change of basis in theology. Within the Church such a position could have no permanent endurance. In the sects they are continually shifting, but it was reserved for Dr. Watson to claim two Fathers of the

Church as proving his proposition.

tinct from us. He is also transcend-

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT. We see that quite an important change is proposed by the Minister of will be neither minister nor deputy. not we are not so sure. To us it tory, when an autocrat ruled in St. name was never on the Roman Cal- rect ministerial control, and that Dr. Catholic schools of the diocese was rence." Vide Guggenberger History strengthened by the cheering words of son "for ever inserting his name in we fail to see where is his own posi- in the interest of your people must 4th, and places him amongst the is playing fast and loose with salary in the cause of the afflicted, Your normal or prejudged. saints with this explanation that: and responsible government. Perhaps Grace's generous heart has evinced a "The authority of certain private cal- he will hold fast to the former and wide sympathy and tender care. endars and the custom of sacred bio- slacken on the latter. Work there can- Hence the hospitals for the sick, the colonizers appears the shrewd remark 3. With regard to the papers to be graphers suffices for giving his life in not be for the three-Minister, Super- homes for the aged and the orphans that great school of Alexandria which carry. The policy is a severe blow of the sick and for the comfort of the defence of Christianity against the dian too, a Minister is directly re- Holy Church Your Grace's labors ential body of men in the colonies. sceptical forms of Greek philosophy, sponsible to the people. If a man is have been blessed with singular sucteacher, and profound ascetic author. port his colleagues he resigns, and presbyteries and schools, and also by future sins." But all this is very different from a some one else is chosen whose duty it the gradual decrease of the debt by Greek's view of God is different from direct responsibility is a characteris- Diocese were encumbered. the view held by St. Augustine. Most tic of the United States. It is a Father, the Vicar of Christ, we wel- that a Ptotestant reader will take all have practical and educational pappoints, called forth by the heresies take root in the courtyards of our and to Canada. which they combated. Clement of constitution. But the new education-Alexandria contended with the gnos- al act is making for that end, or goodness and truth was the Christian, age his department. What is the dif-ever with you, crowning with glory St. Augustine on the other hand con- ference between a superintendent re- your distinguished episcopate. tended against the Manicheans, the sponsible to the Minister and one retion. Pelagians and the Donatists. He sponsible to Ministry? The superinturned his keen shafts of reasoning tendent cannot change with the Goveloquence against the first of these, ernment. That is trifling with the The Catholic Register joins with who maintained a twofold supreme constitution. With that since there the people of Kingston in welcome to principle, one of good, the other of are plenty to look after it, we are not their Archbishop and trusts he may evil. Then for years his theological so much concerned. The point we be with them many years to govern arguments were directed against the maintain is that it is reverting to a the past, wisely and well. Pelagians who were confounding the bureaucracy whose leader lost no supernatural and the natural. St. chance of baulking the demands of our Augustine thus dealt with certain spe- people; and afterwards showed his exclusion of His immanence. The lat- because it is a question in which the The managers say they were troubled In conclusion we would advise the Upon reflection it may still be neclear to the Father of the West as the cerned then the hypnotizing influence an order that in case of absence ex- of the very good Catholic standard cesan clergy to the necessity of the

THAT PROFESSION OF FAITH.

Some few weeks ago we challenged an abjuration which, it was claimed by the Star and the News, had been made by the Princess Ena on the ocbefore God who made us." Then wrote to the Bishop who had received United States alone, but elsewhere, thor has also mainly based his work upheld by the other will soon talk there is the supernatural immanence the royal convert. In his answer His of God which must not be confused Lordship says: "The Princess made with the natural presence which is the no such abjuration; she simply made cessity: plentitude of God's immensity. We the profession of faith contained in A new history of the United States Lodg" seem to possess. If they had results. fear that Dr. Watson does not keep the Creed of Pius IV." It remains has recently been edited in four vol- worked twenty years upon their four sufficiently distinct these two- the for these journals to correct their D., LL.D., and published by John D. done upon his three volumes, they natural immanence and the superna- misleading, calumniating and bigotry- Morris & Co., Philadelphia. In a might have probably produced a work tural indwelling of God in the soul by rousing statements. The Bishop pru- prefatory note it is stated that the which would satisfy the demands of grace. Evidently there is some con-dently remarks that papers printing purpose of the authors was to "write so exact a science as history has Approved and recommended by the Arch fusion. How else can he claim for such things do not want truth. "Their this age that "We are under the dis- only aim is to throw mud at the Ca-

Home

bishop Gauthier at Kingston after an absence of some months, the loved carefully to ascertain what Catholic reception and the many Catholic So- take leave to censure.

May it Please Your Grace:

cial visit to our Most Holy Father Pope Pius X., the Vicar of Christ "the most famous of all the work-

were in the faithful discharge of your and privileges for your Archdiocese.

the names of men renowned for piety and learning, and who in trying times pearing underneath. rendered valiant and faithful services alike to Church and State. And to the advancement of Catholic docwell-being of your people.

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James' Square and made future Caof broad toleration, wide sympathy
of broad toleration of the tions published a few years ago by ed from the calendar for twelve hun- tholic generations feel the weight of and generous interpretation of the dred years afterwards. Council after his power and the biased narrowness rights of all classes in the communcouncil met without a hint upon the of his views. We cannot think of a ity, so that sectarian strife and ra- "while the whole Atlantic seaboard great good. subject. Then in the eighteenth cen- Superintendent of Education and a cial differences have under your be-

that you might make yourself inti- Why, then, do the authors in their 2. The recognition of this work by mately acquainted with the educa-

always be that your years with us plained it a thousand times that ar country towards the movement; the

Signed on behalf of the Congrega-

EDWARD RYAN, Chairman.

in future as he has always done in

Were Dismissed

with the foreman for leave of absence, seemueller. were taken back.

Freeman's Journal. As it furnishes of the United States. a good example of the manner in casion of her reception into the which history - so-called - is often tory of the Christian Era is that of to the more conservative zeal of the Church. We were right. A friend placed before the public, not in the the Rev. A. Guggenberger. This au-older clergy, and the one tempered or

umes by James Wilford Gardiner, Ph. volumes as Rev. A. Guggenberger has for the general reader not for the come to be. historical specialist, a simple narra- Our final verdict is this: If Messrs. the present time" and that "no pre- demands of Catholic readers, how can

on investigation of primary sources.' If, as the authors go on to say, "it Professor of History, St. John's Colrests mainly on the standard and au-On the arrival of His Grace Arch- thoritative treatises of others who have made extended studies in special and revered prelate was given a sin-standard works have to say on the cere and brilliant welcome, the entire several points which have to say

We Catholics, and for that matter cieties forming a guard of honor for any impartian critical reader of histhe occasion. The following address tory, though he be no specialist in Ryan, chairman of the Reception work, much less encourage it. Why

Because there is such scant recognition shown of what Catholics have Your loyal and faithful people in done in the development of this coun-Kingston extend to you a cordial wel- try and all in all, Catholic matters come on your return from your offi- are touched upon very slightly and with a most unsympathetic spirit. The Rev. John Eliot is lauded as treal.

and the visible head of the Church. | men among the redmen" and "the Happy beyond measure, though you apostle to the Indians," whereas the glorious martyrs and French missiononerous duties and saddened to be mant, etc., are not even mentioned. seperated from your people even for a Charles and John Wesley and George short time, Your Grace felt it to be Whitefield must of course receive the centre of Catholicity, to lay at great missionary and explorer Marlove for the Vicar of Christ and to ington, we are merely told that he Historical reminiscences cluster of him in the text. In justice, how-On its venerable shield are inscribed plorations is given with names of Marquette, La Salle and Hennepin ap-

The glorious work of the French missionaries is merely hinted at a XIV., removed Clement's name from Education in his new bill. He intends among those illustrious prelates, your longe in the ridiculous, aspersive reto have a general superintendent who name, your influence and yaur life mark, repeated three times in the business. stand pre-eminent in all that pertains first volume in stereotype form, viz.: "Along with every fur trader went a trine and to the moral and social black robed priest and while the one bartered with the dusky savage for authors seem to have gleaned from the 76 volumes of the Jesuit Rela- of Covington writes:

speaking of the failure of the French go and teach all nations.

From the throne of our most Holy that sentence. And we are certain 4. I deem it most important to forgiven?

not so censurable, because of the neighbors and fellow citizens.

ANOTHER SO-CALLED HISTORY mary Shea, Life and Times of the such priests. However the best way Most Rev. J. Carrol-a history of to purge the clergy of such a spirit is the Catholic Church within the Lim- to begin in the seminary. Enlist the Under the above heading the follow- its of the United States-The Catho- sympathy and co-operation of the ing letter appears in the New York lic Missions among the Indian tribes directors and professors in the great.

we publish it as furnishing one more on standard authors, but he has done numerous victories. instance of the truth that eternal vi- so with infinitely more painstaking I am heart and soul in this movegilance in such matters is ever a ne- care and with tenfold the critical ment and I look forward to the next judgement that Messrs. Garner and Conference with hope of very salutary

United States from the discovery to please, much less to do justice to the REV. WM. J. WEIS, S.J.,

lege, Toledo, Ohio.

Popular Railway Appointment

Friends of Mr. John J. McConniff will be pleased to learn of his apcity of Kingston taking part in the on the several points which we shall pointment to the position at Montreal of passenger and ticket agent of the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways (Government systems). Mr. McConniff, who is well Grand Trunk Express Leaving of welcome was read by Dr. Edward the branch, cannot approve of the known to the travelling public and commercial community of the Dominion, has had practical experience and possesses intimate knowledge of the ticket branch of the railway business, having been for many years the representative of the Grand Trunk, Canadian Pacific, and other lines at the Union Office, Windsor Hotel, Mon-

Mr. McConniff has invariably manifested a keen interest in the development of International tourist travel and with that object in view, and bearies, such as Joques, Brebeouf, Lalle- ing actuated by patriotic motives, issued during his tenancy at the Windsor, several editions of "Illustrated Gem Souvenir Books of the principal your bounden duty to repair to Rome, their due meed of praise, whilst of the cities of Canada." These publications which circulated widely were favorthe feet of the Sovereign Pontiff the quette who has had a statue erected ably received and commented on by homage of our loyalty to and of our in his honor in the Capitol at Wash- many noted personages, as well as by the press at home and abroad. These have tended, in a marked degree, to solicit at his hand special blessings and privileges for your Archdiocese. Merely that, and nothing more is said advertise the numerous pleasure resorts and scenic beauties of the Doaround this ancient See of Kingston. ever, we must add that a map of ex- minion and attracted considerable tourist travel to this side of the line. Mr. McConniff, whose appointments is regarded with much favor in railroad circles in Canada and the United States, is the recipient of many con-

MISSIONARIES TO NON-CATHO-

gratulations on his return to railway

LICS. Apropos of the Conference of Mis-Born of the soil of Canada and with his skins the other talked to him of sionaries to non-Catholics that will an abiding faith in the destiny of this salvation and grace." This is all the be held at the Apostolic Mission house June 11-14, 1906, Bishop Maes

other Conference of Missionaries to The fact of the matter is that non-Catholics will be productive of

was growing into a great nation of 1. In the first place the missionaries Your administration has been one Englishmen not one Indian village themselves will be encouraged by the to your care has always claimed your sippi was traversed and evangelized the love of God and of souls, they are devoted attention. The arduous task in all its tribes by a little French human and they will feel encourageof a personal visitation to all the colony on the shores of the St. Law- ment in the fact that their hands are

108-page Index under "Christianity" all the Bishops of the United States gal that there was not sufficient rea- ary education to some new appointee, tional condition therein. How great merely refer us to "French attempts is a great step forward. I am sure to convert Indians, Vol. 1, p. 91" that there is not a Bishop who does the Roman Martyrology." So says tion. With an expert for general care that knowledge be to you especially and to the conversion of New Eng-Butler, who fixes his feast on Dec. and a deputy for detail, the Minister in this period of educational activity land Indians Vol. 1, p. 174?" Apparently because they are either ig- er the priests willing to devote themselves to it as the most perfect fol-Again on page 12, Vol. 1, after lowers of the Master who told us to

"the successful colonization of Am- read and discussed at the Conference, this place." Clement was a convert intendent and Deputy. If not a minto Christianity from paganism and lister without postfolio having a convert intendent and Deputy. The content is a convert intendent and Deputy. If not a minbenevolent hand, so that it may be

or mission rice." Did the priests reto Christianity from paganism, and ister without portfolio he is acting truly affirmed that nothing which mobecame the first leading master in wisely when he gives it to so many to dern science requires in the interests tard the colonization of Canada? plish are of little practical utility at this period of the missionary movenumbered amongst its disciples Origen, and which became the strong to all British precedent, and Capagen, and which became the strong to all British precedent, and Cana- In the promotion of the interests of extial holy of mon in the colonies. tion of the men engaged in the work On page 35, Vol. 1, we are told to these facts in order to spur on If not a saint upon the calendar he named for a ministership his first act cess, as is fully manifested in the that to all who joined in the crusades their zeal. If it is still necessary "the Pope held out the promise of to refer to them to awaken the Cawas a very saintlike man, a learned is to seek election. It he cannot suptee the erection of so many new churches, forgiveness for past and indulgence for tholics of the country to the importance of the missionary work, let it be We venture to say that the authors by citation of concrete facts, statistheory which maintains that the is to proceed in the same way. In which so many of the parishes of the had a very hazy notion indeed of what ties of abandonment and conversions, they were saying when they wrote lack and necessity of financial means.

of the Fathers wrote upon particular question we should be sorry to see come Your Grace back to Kingston the wrong meaning out of the sen- ers at the Conference, which will help tence he possibly can. Why express a the Missionary priests and enlighten In conclusion let us assure Your matter of this kind in such equivocal him on how to do things; v.g. the at-Grace that our earnest prayers shall terms? Have we Catholics not ex- titude of the various sections of the tics, and wrote showing that the true it is simply paying an expert to teach may be long and happy and that indulgence is granted only for the un- mental attitude of the various sects gnostic, the one who knew virtue, an inexperienced Minister how to man- God's blessing and guidance may be ishment due to sin after sin has been towards the Church; the specific manner of presenting Catholic truth to We need go no farther in trying to the various denominations. Such toprove our assertion that Catholic pics will be useful to the Missionarmatters are dealt with very unsym- ies themselves, lead them to compare pathetically in this new History of notes, ways and means. The printed the United States. Let those who report of these proceedings will be doubt our word examine the first vol- eagerly read by the Diocesan clergy, ume for themselves, where they will who ought to help in this work and find evidence of what we have said. | many of whom desire to do work of Volumes two, three and four are this kind among their Protestant

strong emphasis put upon the politi- 5. Then there are the many difficulcal side of the United States History. ties, drawbacks, criticisms, hardships in laundry work is what everyone calls By the way, for the benefit of the un- which the Missionary has to contend the output of this establishment—shirts, critical general reader we would call with. An exchange of experiences will collars, cuffs and all else washed withthe attention of the publishers to be very useful. There stands out a out tearing, fraying, ripping off of but cial points af theology. It does not want of sympathy with the system Twenty-five employees of the loco- what seems to be a typographical er- distinct success, or a notable failfollow that he had a different view which he so begrudgingly granted. If motive works, Kingston, who took ror on page 64. The famous map, dis- ure; the priest has analyzed the from Clement of Alexandria upon the this was a question about licenses or part in the reception to Archbishop covered a few years ago, probably the causes of either, he has profited by immanence of God. Nor does he electric power it would have been at- Gauthier on his return from Rome, oldest map of America in existence, the experience. His brother priests teach the transcendence of God to the tended to before this late hour. But were dismissed, not having arranged is that of Waldseemueller, not Waed- will be edified, instructed or warned by a recital of it.

ter consideration of God was just as interests of Catholic schools are con- with men staying off and had issued authors of this work to procure some cessary to awaken many of the Diotranscendence of God to the Eastern of inexplicable apathy keeps silent cept through unavoidable cause, men works of history and allow them Missionary feature of the Catholic Father. God is undoubtedly imman- both our leaders and our people. It is reported that fellow-employees them whenever they treat of matters flection upon their appreciation of ent, more intimate to us than we Eternal vigilance is the price of lib- threatened to leave unless the men concerning the Catholic Church or the the priesthood of Jesus Christ and I

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