

THE READER'S CORNER

CONDUCTED BY "COLUMBA"
A MERRY XMAS TO YOU ALL
It is just a year ago to-day since Columba introduced himself to the Corner...

And ye take away my day of merrery
If ye take away the sea?
A Breton legend says that on Xmas Eve the child receive the gift of speech...

may be said that the bad example given
by the vicious among the poor is undoubtedly one strong reason why many non-Catholics are not converted to the true faith...

down seat, where his rheumatism now
kept him a constant prisoner, Uncle Joe could see the roofs of the houses across the street...

That Splitting Headache
will vanish if you take
"NA-DRU-CO" Headache Wafers
One wafer, one relief, and we guarantee they contain nothing harmful to the heart or nervous system...

The Christmas Guest
Before the Cathedral in grandeur rose,
At Jugelburg where the Danube goes;
Before its forest of silver spires
Went airy up to the clouds and fires...

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over the Slough of Despond. Non-Catholics have found this out, and go to our treasure trove eager for the beauties they contain. It is clear that they fully appreciate what many Catholics either ignore or know nothing about...

Feast of the Infant Jesus
No amount of charitable or philanthropic work, no happy home-coming, no earthly love or interest whatsoever, should make us lose from its chief place in our hearts and thoughts the divine fact that Christmas Day is the feast of the Infant Jesus...

Kind words to the unfortunate are
like diamonds hard to get.

Don't Throw It Away
MENDEL'S
They would all look in at once, but as they saw the box they turned away with a look of surprise...

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Don't Cut Out
A Gilt, or Wren for
A. CYSORNER
A. CYSORNER, 100 Temple St., Springfield, Mass.

Why do your plants wither and die in the house in winter?
BECAUSE the house lacks moisture—
BECAUSE the kind of Furnace you have is giving off a dry, unwarmed, parching heat...

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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

BAD EXAMPLE AMONG THE POOR

When seeking for a satisfactory response to the question, "Why is it that so many intelligent and good-hearted Catholics do not listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd and enter into His Fold?" it may be of great importance for some Catholics to make a serious examination of conscience to test whether or not their own methods of acting are a very powerful detriment to men who are of good will but of little religious information...

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

A LONELY MAN'S CHRISTMAS

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PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS
Madame Cecilia in her recent work entitled "More Short Spiritual Readings for Mary's Children," makes some remarks which are very appropriate for the present Ember week:
As the Ember Days come round, the Church prescribes special supplications to be offered that God may give good "Princes of Pastors" has singled out some to whom He has especially condescended the charge of the spiritual interests of the Church.
The Bishop called to be "fishers of men," and their whole lives are consecrated to this sacred ministry. "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, and that preacheth peace, of him that showed forth good that preacheth salvation." But, if the work of a spiritual pastor is glorious, it is also difficult and disheartening. How often are their plans and undertakings

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