

Calendar for Jan., 1907.

Moon's Phases. Last Quarter 7d. 9h. 48m. a. m. New Moon 14d. 0h. 57m. a. m. First Quarter 21d. 3h. 42m. a. m. Full moon 29d. 8h. 45m. a. m.

Table with columns: Day of Week, Rise, Sets, High Water, Low Water. Rows for days of the month.

Get the Most Out of Your Food

You don't eat it if your stomach is weak. A weak stomach does not digest all that is ordinarily taken into it. It gets tired easily, and what it fails to digest is wasted.

Among the signs of a weak stomach are uneasiness after eating, fits of nervous headache, and disagreeable belching.

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Strengthens and tones the stomach and the whole digestive system.

and bitter Persecution of the Church in France; that this Persecution has been going on since 1879; and that it is carried on by anti-christian organizations.

3. To understand the present Persecution aright we must look back one hundred and fifteen years to the time of the Reign of Terror, in 1791, 1792 and 1793. After the destruction of the good King Louis XVI, France was ruled by revolutionary bodies: First, "Constitutional Assembly," then "Legislative Assembly," and next, "National Convention."

4. Before that century closed, Napoleon Bonaparte had seized the reins of government in France. Seeing that he could not rule a people without religion, he addressed himself to the Pope to have religion re-established. The Pope was willing to enter into an agreement. In 1801 there was signed the Concordat or Articles of Agreement. By the Concordat the Pope allowed such of the stolen property of the Church as had been sold by the government during the ten years, to remain undisturbed in the hands of the holders. He thus relinquished the ownership of such churches, hospitals, monasteries, schools, etc., as had been sold. But he relinquished no right to any other of the stolen property which had not been sold. With few exceptions, the churches had not been sold. These churches had been put at the disposition of the bishops. By way of making a little restitution, a slight support was to be given to the pastors—not even a small fraction of the interest due, upon the property stolen and sold by the government.

5. In a short time, then, the churches again had pastors. Very soon new colleges, seminaries, academies, lycées, hospitals, orphanages, homes for the poor and the aged, etc., were once more provided by the zeal and charity of the people; so that in the course of the hundred years, up to the present time, more than one hundred million dollars have been contributed and put in trust with private citizens, with the bishops and the pastors, for purposes of education, of charity, and of religious services.

6. Now, in this our twentieth Century, one hundred years from the signing of the Concordat, the reins of government have again fallen into the hands of the men who represent the Reign of Terror.

"These men set about their work as early as 1879, and in the next year, 1880, hundreds of Catholic churches, colleges and schools were closed by force, and the religious teachers were driven out of their homes.

8. Within the last three years, especially, at least sixteen thousand Catholic schools, academies and colleges have been closed. The religious conducting these establishments were told that they could ask for an authorization, and when they asked for the authorization, their

requests were thrown into the waste basket. Between one and two hundred thousand religious convicted of no crime, and without trial, were then put upon the street. Priests and brothers, aged and feeble men, were all turned out into the highway as so many cattle, with no provision made for a crust of bread, a shelter from the storm or a night's lodging.

9. Of course, the terrible scenes of these three years were not allowed to be sent in the telegraphic dispatches.

10. The Catholic schools have been replaced everywhere by atheistic schools of every grade, for the purpose of bringing up the children and the young men and women to a hatred for Christ and without Christian morality.

11. Finally, as the last step, just now, all the bishops and parish priests are being driven from their homes; and these homes together with the thirty thousand churches and all properties are being seized by the government.

12. This is being done under a law passed last year, the notorious law of "Associations for Women" (Associations catholiques). By this law the bishops and priests are ordered to give up all control and management of everything connected with the church property and church services. Everything must be put into the hands of Committees (Associations) of laymen, who will manage everything—churches, property, residences, bequests, the Holy Sacraments, the Mass, Confession, Holy Communion, Baptism, the Sacraments for the dying, etc.—all according to the dictates of the atheistic government.

13. It is easy to see that no man with half a conscience could thus yield up his trust and his obligations before God and man. And so the Pope and the Bishops and the Pastors with one voice have said Non Possumus, we cannot. And this is the pretext under which the entire episcopate and the whole body of the secular clergy, the pastors of the churches, are being turned into the streets, as the hundred or two hundred thousand religious teachers and servants of the poor have been turned into the street before them.

14. During the past twelve months, the government of Terror, in order to be sure of the plunder, has sent its agents to each of the thirty thousand parishes, and these agents have made a complete list of every scrap of property connected with each church. This list includes everything, even to the vestments and chalices used for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and the vessels in which the Sacred Body of Christ is preserved in the Tabernacle on the Altar. All this is now being seized as each Bishop and Pastor is being put upon the street.

15. And, finally, this law of "Associations" is so worded that if any Bishop or Pastor should—which God forbid—so forget his conscience as to consent to the sacrilege, and betray his trust—the law is so worded that no Committee could possibly avoid one or another of a multitude of acts on account of any one of which confiscation would immediately follow.

16. But the whole case is made plain by the words of M. Briand, who is a member of the French Cabinet, and is the framer of the law. M. Briand, as the Minister of Education, in addressing the school teachers of the new atheistic schools, said:

"The time has come to root up from the minds of French children the ancient faith which has served its purpose, and replace it with the light of free thought. It is time to get rid of the Christian ideas. We have banded Jesus Christ out of the army, the navy, the schools, the hospitals, the insane asylums, the orphan asylums and the law courts; and now we must hunt him out of the state altogether."

There is no need of further testimony.

A Community of Blind Nuns.

Till the birth of Christianity into the world, the lot of the blind was a most terrible one. Among Eastern races for instance, no one dared to kill a blind person, since he was looked upon as being punished by God for some crime committed either by himself or an ancestor; he was allowed, however, to starve and he

was not encouraged to solicit the assistance of his fellows, so becoming almost as much of an outcast as the leper. Among the Greeks and Romans, on the contrary, the blind were considered favorites of the gods though they were on all occasions, treated with great respect, nothing was done to alleviate the misery of their condition in any way.

Christianity was the first to come to the help of the afflicted by founding establishments for those who had lost their sight. France, more than any other country, writes Auguste Boucher in Le Correspondent, Paris, exerted herself in the earliest days of the Church, to do for the blind what pagan civilization, even under its most enlightened leaders had failed to achieve. It was not, however, until quite a modern date that the Catholic Church could boast of a community of blind Sisters. This community which is today in a flourishing condition, was founded by Anne Berguinon at Paris in 1804. At the age of sixteen, this lady had entered the order of the Mother of God, only to leave it to care for her mother who had just recovered from a dangerous illness. Once again in the world, her relatives were anxious to see her married and on her refusal in 1837, to agree to remain in the world she was driven from her home. With a very small amount of money, Anne started a small establishment for poor working-girls, which in the course of a few years, prospered so well that the profits resulting from her girls' labor enabled her after assuring the comfort and happiness of her establishment, to start the blind girls' home in 1848. In 1853 the home was definitely established as a religious community with thirteen nuns, seven of whom were sightless, the title taken being "Sisters of Saint Paul."

The little community had adopted no particular model. Indeed it had no previous model to imitate since the blind communities which existed in the reign of Saint Louis were not bound by any religious vows. The founders was, besides, too practical a woman to draw up a set of rules which had not been submitted to the test of experience and the rules of the Order evolved themselves by degrees. In her plans the reverend foundress had followed the methods of St. Vincent de Paul and with the happiest results. The habit is black, with large sleeves; from the cincture hangs a Rosary and on the breast a silver Cross; the usual white wimple with the forehead band is worn, a long veil, covering a shorter white one, completing a picturesque attire. Equality among the Sisters is absolute and, as one may suppose, the office of Superior, which lasts for six years, is invariably undertaken by a Sister who has not lost her sight; she is elected by a vote of all the Sisters and is re-eligible. The postulants must be at least eighteen years old and not more than thirty-five. The novitiate lasts for two years, and five years must elapse before the Sister is admitted to her perpetual vows. It is by no means a closed Order and with the permission of the Superiors, the Sisters are allowed to go wherever their services are in request. Neither is there any undue austerity prescribed; the fasts are those of the Church and no others; the comforts are not inferior to those of ordinary convents.

The blind are received by the Sisters of St. Paul from all ages up. Children of five years old as well as Septuagenarians are to be found among those who receive the benefactions of the community. Work is distributed among all with even justice. A blind person is invariably accompanied by one who can see, each doing an appropriate portion of any given work. Thus, in the laundry the washing of linen is performed by one possessing sight, while the wringing of clothes, or the spreading of them to dry, is the work of the blind or half-blind. In her schools, the children are taught according to the Braille system of instructing the blind to read by the touch. So perfectly trained are the children, indeed, in reading the Braille type, that many of the afflicted are thoroughly accomplished readers of music, and one may say so—at sight. The community and its branch houses growing very rapidly, care for some 10,000 blind persons of all ages, the few of the remaining 30,000 blind persons in France who are assisted by religious institutions being tended and cared for by the "Sagesse" and "Providence" Orders.

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Many Women Suffer

UNTOLD AGONY FROM KIDNEY TROUBLE.

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"I Will Gather Me Sticks."

"Thou fool, this night do they require thy soul of thee; and whose shall those things be which thou hast provided?"—LUKE XII. 20.

"I will gather me sticks," said the woodsman wise,

"While the morning yet is young; And I'll build me a fire of a goodly size

As the vesper bell is rung. And then, when the evening dew-damps fall,

And the chill air starts at the night-bird's call,

I will bask me there, while the flames dart tall,

With sparks from my sticks are flung."

So he set him to task, did this woodsman sage—

Sage in the wisdom of men. And his keen-edged sickle cleft him a gauge

'Mid the copse and brushwood den; And the swift speeding hours unnoted fled

As the woodsman toiled, till his fingers bled

And his brow-sweat mixed with a crimson red

Where the brier thorns had been. Until thrice had the bells from the cloister walls

Tolled their three times three and nine;

And thrice prayed the monks in the chapel stalls,

While answaring to their chime. But the man in the deep woods could not hear,

For the stroke of the bill hoo dimmed his ear,

Till the hooting owl in a pine tree near

Proclaimed the day's decline. So he gathered his sticks, did this woodsman woe,

In a great heap, high and long. And their bulk was far more than his rope could span—

Than his back could bear, though strong. So he took of the heap a goodly load,

And he trudged him, spent, on his homeward road,

And his shoulders ached 'neath the sticks' sharp load—

'Neath the bruise of thorn and prong. Till at length, when in view of his hut he came,

The darkness quite conquered day. Then a something touched him and spoke his name,

Whose breath seemed of freezing spray; And its rude hand gripped with an icy lock,

And he sank with his burden beneath its shock,

As a weird voice rose in a hollow mock,

"Thou fool of fools!—Come away!" Sacred Heart Review.

The Facts of the Persecution in France.

(Rev. Father Polak in New York Freeman's Journal.)

As there is much misinformation regarding the Persecution of the Church in France, the following facts will be of interest to those who care for truth and justice.

1. This misinformation has come from the newspapers. The newspapers do not print the truth, because the truth is not sent to them.

For thirty-five years the facts have been suppressed or falsified. This has been done in the German Persecution, in the Italian Persecution, and in the French Persecution.

During this present week the news agency has represented the war of France against the Church as the war of the Pope against France.

2. The fact is that there is a real



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