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or sister of an intending home-  
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upon and cultivation of the land in  
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vicinity of the land entered for, the  
requirements as to residence may be  
satisfied by such person residing  
with the father or mother.  
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# News From Catholic England.

## Jubilee of Catholic Truth Society--Unscrupulous Advertisers Wrongly Use Priest's Name to Boom Trade--Canadian Scores Success in London.

London, Sept. 9, 1909.  
There is a lull in passing Catholic events, which appropriately precede the great invasion of Manchester by priests and people that will be witnessed in a few days' time. All the arrangements for the Jubilee Congress of the Catholic Truth Society are now complete, and they cover a wide field of interests and activities, being as it were an index to the steady flow of useful work which has come from the Society since its inauguration. As we may hope to go through the Conference amongst its members, it is scarcely necessary to give dry details of the printed plans, and it need only be added that in view of the public spirit enthused into our people by the Eucharistic Congress, this gathering is likely to be the largest and most influential which has been held in similar circumstances, and will do honor to the occasion.  
The success of their plan, the originators never imagined that a London paper could penetrate to the wilds of Ireland! Some time ago the soap baby—I decline to add to the advertisement by further definition—was placed upon the hoardings of Drogheda. Soon after the Billposters' Association received a call from the parish priest, Father Curry, who pointed out to them that he considered the baby extremely indecent. We were then informed that Irish billposters did not dare disregard the opinion of a P.P., and therefore it was decided to send round to the chief cities of Great Britain and ask their experience concerning the effects of the poster on public morals. Of course the reply was in all cases that no one had yet complained of the little innocent. But we were informed, the priest was in-  
decent, and stated that he had his Bishop at his back, and that if the hoardings were not instantly removed, he would send out his flock with cars of kerosene to burn the same down. In fear and trepidation the billposters held a conference, and one of their number suggested that men should be sent out with paint pots to drape the objectionable baby in the netting garments of a Marathon runner. To this the priest agreed and during the night the awful deed was done—with the result of revived interest in the soap and an extra rush on the Daily Mail. Now for the sequel.

### IRISH PARTY ACTIVE.

In view of the possibility of a General Election in November a rumor which is gaining currency—the Irish Parliamentary Party has again been active in their efforts to impress the thoughtless English people with the needs of their brethren so close at hand. Last week saw another open air mass meeting in London, addressed by Mr. Joyce, M.P., who drew his hearers' attention to the better housing accommodation secured for Ireland by the efforts of the party in the shape of the Laborers' Act and the Town Tenants' Act, and emphasized the injustice of denying the Sister Isle that freedom which was granted to British Dominions beyond the Seas.  
Under the auspices of the United Irish League of Great Britain a similar series of meetings for the education of the British voter has commenced in Manchester. While at Coventry Mr. Swift MacNeill had a rousing reception from a large body of British workmen whom he reminded that before any Labor member was admitted to the House of Commons, the interests of the workers were the care of the Irish Party. At Woolwich, another Irish Member, Mr. Mathew Keating, the newly elected member for South Killarney, was the orator, and Mr. Boyle, who followed, urged upon Irish residents in England the realization of the fact that the Irish Party was the army and navy of their beloved country and could alone be relied on to bring the cause dearest their hearts to a successful issue. Certainly if sheer hard work and dogged perseverance have any effect—and they are generally supposed to be leading features in the British list of admirable virtues—the efforts of the Irish Party should meet their reward.

### MISCHIEF MAKERS FOILED.

Apparently the plotters had miscalculated the fame of the journal to which the story was given, for a copy reached even unto Drogheda, and fell into the hands of Father Curry. That good priest has now beautifully exposed the whole business, and in doing so has released Catholics here from an unpleasant position, for if the writer's experience is a specimen, we have had to endure much ridicule, and many worse innuendoes from our acquaintance. Father Curry tells the public he, of course, never gave any ultimatum to those responsible for the poster, neither did he take the view of his Bishop thereon, or suggest that it should be clothed or threaten such a lawless action as burring down the hoardings. Some months ago—mark you, it takes time for ideas to hatch in the brain of "ad" writers—he suggested to the billposters that the picture should be removed because, from the point of view of the people of that locality, it lends itself to suggestions which are objectionable, and it had already been tampered with. Removal was refused, and there so far as the priest was concerned, the matter rested. But after a good lapse of time the secretary of the Bill Posters' Company suddenly appeared one day at the presbytery and informed the priest that they had decided "to accommodate him and proposed to partially clothe the figure, which they did on their own initiative. The urgent meeting last week in consequence of the Father's ferocious ultimatum is, of course, all a myth. Father Curry adds that he does consider nude life size portraits as advertisements in public thoroughfares frequented by the young are quite unnecessary for trade purposes, and few will gainsay such a statement, or the fact that in the moral atmosphere of the present day, they are objectionable. The case is one which shows upon what tenuous foundation rests the stories which are circulated from time to time for one purpose or another having Catholics and their morals as a central feature. Of course, from our own point of view, it is a hideous outrage that an appointed minister of the mysteries of God should be used as a puppet to supply the material for a vulgar boom of a common trade article, and that one of our priests should be held up in the press as an example of narrow and distorted Catholic virtue and the lawlessness of Catholic Ireland.

### HOUSECRAFT GUID.

"In the world a home; in the home, my world," the charming old German house motto would be a good indication of the useful and beautiful object aimed at by the organizers of the new occupation for Catholic girls of gentle birth who have founded the Guild of Housecraft. A residential College is to be opened in London as a branch of the Catholic Women's League, and here competent ladies will give a course of training in all matters relating to the Home in which the gentlewomen of the past were so well versed, but which have latterly fallen into disuse with the gradual advance of flat and hotel regime. If a census were to be taken in England to-day of the women who could perfectly control a household and hold, like the chateleine of old, the keys—not merely the actual piece of iron, but the governing knowledge as well—of every department from the still-room to the linen closets, I fear the numbers would be few indeed. And yet, when to gain the airy height of the Suffragettes' platform, or the Smart Set plateau, the modern woman flung away these old impediments, there are some who think she has lost amongst them a little golden key to the hearts of her

household which made her in very truth the Lady Paramount of that Kingdom of Home. In the new College whilst all the usual curriculum of what is known in modern parlance as "household drudgery" will be taught, special attention will be paid to cookery, laundry and other important branches. There will be an employment bureau in connection with the work and it is safe to say that in the present state of the domestic market, there will be plenty of vacancies for the pupils of the college to fill after they have passed through the short and inexpensive course arranged.

### ENGLISH LOURDES.

The beautiful shrine of Our Lady at Spalding in Lincolnshire called by the Bishop of the Pyrennes "the English Lourdes," is to-day the scene of the annual pilgrimage. The Great to be erected last year, and solemnly blessed at the close of the Eucharistic Congress, in presence of many distinguished visitors, is a beautiful replica of the famous site of Bernadette's vision. It is under the charge of a Belgian priest, Prior Tyck, and every day during the year Mass is celebrated for numerous intentions which are sent from far and near. To-day there will be an impressive and beautiful procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the extensive grounds, and the numerous railway companies have made special arrangements for conveying Catholic contingents from various parts of the country.  
Catholic trades unionists from every district made a gallant stand at the Trades Union Congress at Ipswich in the beginning of this week against the unparliamentary and undemocratic manner in which the Union had attempted to represent itself as undividedly in favor of the secular education policy. At Blackburn, Carlisle, Manchester, Salford, Middleton, Ashton and other places, resolutions condemning this action were passed by the local Catholic members of the Union. The Catholic Young Men's Society issued a strongly reasoned protest to the executive, and freshshowered concerted action, if these obnoxious efforts to identify the honest rights of Socialism were persisted in. The Parliamentary Committee of the Congress has also been approached by the Salford Catholic Federation, which has addressed an open letter to the Committee deploring the irregularity by which the resolution was placed on the Agenda, and expressing the members' determination to resist by every legitimate means the realization of the baneful influence of secularism on the education system of the country.

### CANADIAN MAKES NAME.

Among the great successes which have been scored by the Moody Manners Company, who have just given a season of English opera at the Lyric Theatre, with the object of sufficiently interesting the British people to secure a rational opera, one of the greatest triumphs fell to a young Canadian singer who has been making a name for herself in Paris and has already been heard in a minor part at Covent Garden. M'selle La Palme commenced her musical career by winning a violin scholarship at Montreal, which was presented by Lord Strathcona. Years of hard work have intervened—between that day and this when she is taking the part of leading prima donna before Paris and London audiences, and they were years of disappointment. But the Canadian songstress got her chance one night when asked to sing with M'elba in La Boheme at a moment's notice through the sudden illness of one of the company. She worked all night and acquitted herself wonderfully before a great audience, and since then her star has been in the ascendant. That it has not yet reached its zenith can be safely prophesied.

### PILGRIM.

Scottish Cabby (explaining historical landmarks of Edinburgh to American tourist)—Yon's the house of John Knox.  
Tourist—Wal, who was this John Knox, anyway?  
Cabby (shocked)—Mon! Do ye no read yer Bible?—Punch.

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## Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food.

## How Should Catholics Regard Mixed Marriages?

### Dangerous Enemy of the Home--Church Has Always Set Her Face Against Them.

In answer to the above query we would say: As a most subtle and dangerous enemy of the Christian home, one that is further reaching in its consequences than divorce, for it undermines, and not infrequently succeeds in utterly destroying the faith of the family.  
And this is not strange since it introduces into the home two religions opposed in principle and in practice; disunion is the result, and a household that is divided against itself shall fall, for it has within it the element of decay and ruin. In a home of this kind the father would have the children reared according to his religious views, while the mother claims a similar privilege. A very common result is that the little ones grow up without any practical religion, or if they have any it is not deep-rooted, and like the seed cast on the rocks, it withers away before the burning heat of passion. The Church, to use her own expression, abhors mixed marriages. She has ever set her face strongly against them, and she never allows them except for grave reasons and even then with great reluctance.  
Lavish of benedictions and supplications in other cases, the Spouse of Christ shows her displeasure by not allowing a marriage of this kind to take place within her sacred walls and by forbidding her officiating minister to wear stole or surplice, or make use of any prayer or blessing whatever. A cold and cheerless performance, indeed, compared with the beautiful and impressive marriage ceremony of her ritual.  
A marriage contracted in the presence of a priest and two witnesses by a Catholic and a baptized Protestant, without a dispensation from the higher authority of the Church, would be valid but not licit; that is, a real marriage binding until the death of one of the parties, but sinful, because contracted without the necessary permission. If the non-Catholic in question were unbaptized the marriage would be both sinful and invalid, and invalid it will remain until the neglected permission is obtained from the bishop, and the consent of the contracting parties renewed. Once the proper dispensation has been procured, the church regards a union of this kind as lawful and valid, and she censures anyone who would hold or teach to the contrary.  
PROMISE EXACTED.  
Before a mixed marriage takes place the non-Catholic must give a written promise that he or she will not interfere with the religion of the other, and that the children of that union are to be brought up in the Catholic faith. If this promise were always made with sincerity, and afterwards faithfully kept, it would diminish to a great extent the evils of which the church is so fearful. The logic of facts proves that promises so readily made on such occasions are often insincere, and that the non-Catholic party afterwards strongly insists on the very opposite of what was agreed. A concrete example will drive home the truth we are trying to inculcate. A few years ago, I was called one evening to baptize a sick baby, and the mother had to take the dying child to a neighbor's house, because the bigoted Protestant father would not allow a Catholic priest to enter his dwelling. This woman had a number of children, and not one of them, I was told, had ever been allowed to the church or a Catholic school for any instruction. The wife, when asked whether her husband had promised before the marriage to allow the children to be raised Catholics, said that he did so promise in clear and explicit terms, but soon after gave her to understand by word and by deed that he had no intention whatever of fulfilling his promise.  
If Catholics contemplating mixed marriages will close their eyes to evils like this, or persuade themselves by some logical jugglery that their case offers no ground for gloomy forecast; if they will risk their earthly happiness, their holy faith, and the faith of their posterity by unions of this kind, let them at least harken to a word of friendly advice. Before marriage may be broker, at will promise which may be broker, at will induce your non-Catholic companion to sign a legal contract which will have force in the civil courts, and if afterwards he tries to prevent you from practicing your religion, or the children from being brought up in the Catholic faith, the iron hand of the law will prevail more with him than your salty tears of vain regret.

### CHURCH VERY STRICT.

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### VALID REASONS FOR DISPENSATION.

Are there at times sufficient reasons why the pastor may apply for permission to perform a mixed marriage? There are some valid reasons for this, and one of the strongest, one which frequently urges him to prompt action in the matter, is the fear that the parties, if refused to go before a civil magistrate or a sectarian minister, which would be sinful on the part of the Catholic and a scandal to the whole parish. Besides a marriage before anyone except the proper authority of the church is, according to late rulings, of the present Roman Pontiff null and void—no marriage at all. Let not the infatuated lover think that the priest's heart is in the work because he readily applies for a dispensation. Prudence and experience guide him in the case. He knows full well his inability to change in ore iota the settled condition of affairs, and he knows too the result consequent on his refusal to act, so he makes choice of what seems to him the lesser of two evils.  
It sometimes happens in matrimonial alliances that the heretical or unbelieving party not only keeps the required promise, but becomes a zealous and devout member of the Catholic Church. This is an exception and it cannot weight against the fact that the divine Spouse of Christ, ever ready to make ample allowances for times and circumstances, abhors mixed marriages, and after reluctantly giving her consent, she fears the sad consequences which generally follow them.—Rev. John McGuire, in New World.

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### INFLUENCE OF UNBELIEVER.

Suppose that the heretical or unbelieving husband has no concealed prejudice or hatred against the Catholic religion; suppose, further, that no bad influence is brought to bear on him by bigoted relatives and friends, he has not the light of true faith, he knows nothing about the church, he cares nothing for her commands or prohibitions; religion may be in his eyes a mere sentiment, a farce, a something inferior in value to the commonest good of the present life. What influence, think you, will such a father exert on the faith and morals of his children?

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