

FIVE-MINUTE'S SERMON

Second Sunday after Easter.

BEARING INJUSTICE.

Who, when he was reviled, did not revile; when he suffered, he threatened not; but delivered himself to him that judged him unjustly. (1 St. Peter II. 23.)

One of the hardest trials, my dear brethren, to which we can be exposed; indeed, perhaps the hardest one of all, is to be condemned unjustly. And the condemnation need not be pronounced in court, and published to the world. It need not even be given by public opinion; no, there may be only a few who share in it, perhaps only one, and that may be one whose judgment is not of much weight; still, to be falsely judged, to be accused of what we have not done, to have even our motives misinterpreted, is a pretty heavy cross to bear.

It is of little use to point out that the person who is or seems to be a false accuser, may really not intend to be guilty of falsehood, nor be conscious of rash judgment, but may in his or her heart actually believe the charge, and feel not only justified, but even under an obligation of conscience in making it, and thus be guiltless before God.

Let us, then, lay to heart our Lord's example in this matter, as St. Peter tells us; let us keep it always by us, to be ready for use at the first moment. Let us consider how slight and insignificant are all the false judgments that can be made about us, miserable sinners that we are, compared with that which was passed on Him, the Saint of saints; on Him who was not merely holy, but holiness itself, the source of all sanctity, the Giver of every virtue that we can have.

Let us then, when thus tried in our poor way, ask Him to give us the grace to do as He did, and even, if it be possible, to rest for a time at least under accusations which we might remove, when the honor of God is not concerned. And let us remember not to be guilty of rash judgment in our turn, but make, as He did, every possible excuse for those who belie us; let us believe that, so far as we are wrong, they know not what they do. And, lastly, let us take the greater pains to abstain from uncharitable thoughts or words about our neighbors, thus exposing them to a trial which we have found so hard to bear.

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OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL.

It has always been to the meek, the humble, and those of great faith that God has been pleased to manifest Himself in those miracles which live forever in the history of the Church, and are the seals, stamped by the Almighty hand, of its truth and divine origin. To the sweet virtue and simple faith of a Sister of Charity the Church is indebted for the "Miraculous Medal" so extensively used throughout it, and the marvelous powers of which have again and again been attested.

Sister Catharine Laboure, a French Sister of Charity, of the Order of St. Vincent de Paul, had a great love for the Blessed Virgin, and was possessed by an ardent desire to look upon the face of God's Mother and Heaven's Queen. So simple and child-like was her faith that she used to pray that this desire might be granted.

On Saturday, the 27th of November, the eve of the first Sunday in Advent, the Blessed Virgin again appeared to Sister Catharine. The latter was making her meditation in the chapel when she again heard the soft rustling on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Looking in that direction she beheld, near the picture of St. Joseph, a wonderful vision of the Blessed Virgin: she stood, clad in robes of luminous light; a white veil covered her head and fell to her feet, which rested upon a hemisphere. In her slightly uplifted hands she held another globe, while her eyes were raised to Heaven, and there was a wonderful radiance on her beautiful countenance as she seemed offering to God that symbol of the earth.

Then her beautiful, loving eyes looked down into the enrapt, wondering ones of the Sister, and a voice seemed to whisper in her heart: "The globe that you see represents the whole world, France particularly, and each person individually. These rays are the symbols of the graces I shed upon all those who ask me for them."

Then she slowly formed about the figure of the Blessed Virgin a slightly oval frame, on which appeared in letters of gold these words: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us, who have recourse to thee." At the same time the Sister heard a voice say distinctly: "Have a medal struck upon this model; all those who wear it indulgenced; all those who wear it indulgenced; especially if they wear it around the neck. Graces will be abundantly bestowed upon those who have confidence."

All these marvelous manifestations from Heaven Sister Catharine confided to her confessor, Monsieur Aladel, who at first refused to believe them anything but imagination, conjured up by much devout dwellings on things heavenly and advised her to take no notice of them.

As the manifestations continued, however, and Sister Catharine told him how the Blessed Virgin had complained to her that nothing had been done about the medals, M. Aladel became impressed, and then uneasy, and finally decided to consult the Archbishop of Paris on the subject. The latter listened with the deepest interest, and at once declared his belief in the reality of the revelations. It was by his advice that M. Aladel had, on the 30th of June, 1832, two thousand medals struck off according to the description given by the Sister. Some of these were sent to the Archbishop, and the rest distributed among the priests and Sisters of Charity of the Congregation of the Mission.

Great and astonishing results soon followed. The most wonderful conversions and cures were effected by the use of the medal, and the demand for which grew so great that hundreds of thousands of them had to be distributed; and so wonderful were the miracles wrought that the medal acquired the name it has ever since retained of "The Miraculous Medal."—The Sodalist.

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN.

Work is the law of life.

Work is the law of life. To the first man was set the task of earning his bread, and in him it was laid on all his descendants. God Himself works. He is infinite and eternal activity. All nature imitates Him—it is in constant motion. The world has no place for the idle. It holds its highest honors for the greatest achievements. Work, therefore, and work willingly, hopefully, usefully. And put a noble motive back of your work, the motive that will make it honorable and meritorious, the motive of doing your work for God's sake.

Don't be Improvident.

Improvidence guarantees a lifetime of poverty. It is indiscrimination, intemperance and self-indulgence that bring about a general loss of life which utterly demoralizes a man. Economy is rarely justified in going into debt. Credit ruins many a young man, and the "installment plan" is a delusion and a snare. Then, too, there is the risk of losing a position by sickness, etc. It takes considerable bravery to say, "I can't afford it," but better make that speech twenty times a day than to allow a foolish pride to run you into extravagance. Make it a matter of principle to live within your income. This is a thing which effects character.

Hardships.

It is tiresome to hear young men talk of their "hardships." Young men in life's full strength, able bodied, well-fed, whinpering like school children over some little deprivation or ten hours a day of hard work. Rugged life, hard work, difficulties and trials and temptations are the kindest schoolmasters a young fellow may have. Efficiency and delicate carelessness deteriorate the manhood of a country worse than war.

How to Apply for a Situation.

Situations have pay attached to them. Be sure in the first place that you can do something worth pay. Be a specialist. Learn to do some one thing well. The man who can do almost anything fairly well isn't drawing half the salary of the man who can do one thing better than other people. writes Prof. Seymour Eaton in the Chicago Record.

In line with the above we note this from the S. S. Times:

Hardships become less of hardships when they are seen to be a necessary means for a longed for end. Candidates for a "varsity" athletic team do not lock on the often severe trials incident to training as very great hardships, having ever in mind, as they do, the coveted position on the team as their goal. Nor does one of these candidates, when he is allowed by the captain or trainer to exercise even more severely than his fellows, have anything but a feeling of pride that his ability to meet such a test has been recognized.

How to Get on in the World.

Most of our successful men began life without capital. They have won success by hard work and strict honesty. You can do the same. Here are a dozen rules for getting on in the world:

1. Be honest. Dishonesty seldom makes one rich, and when it does riches are a curse. There is no such thing as dishonest success.
2. Work. The world is not going to pay for nothing. Ninety per cent. of what men call genius is only a talent for hard work.
3. Enter into the business or trade you like best, and for which nature seems to have fitted you, provided it is honorable.
4. Be independent. Do not lean on others to do your thinking or to conquer your difficulties.
5. Be conscientious. In the discharge of every duty. Do your work thoroughly. No one can rise who slights his work.
6. Don't try to begin at the top. Begin at the bottom, and you will be sure of reaching the top some time.
7. Trust to nothing but God and hard work. Inscribe on your banner—"Luck is a fool; pluck is a hero."
8. Be punctual. Keep your appointments. Be there a minute before time, if you have to lose dinner to do it.

9. Be polite. Every smile, every kind word will help to win friends.

10. Be generous. Meanness makes enemies and breeds distrust. Spend less than you earn. Do not run into debt. Watch the little leaks, and you will be able to live on your salary.

Blessings of the Bible.

Some one has figured it out that walking requires five times the exertion required to pedal a bicycle. In other words, one can go twenty-five miles on a "bike" with the expenditure of power necessary to walk five. The pedestrian carries himself, besides effecting locomotion, while the cyclist is carried by his wheel and expends his strength only upon the forward movement. To be added to this is the fact that the exercise obtained astride the steel horse brings more of the various parts of the body into harmonious play than walking does. Walking is good as far as it goes, but it exercises only certain muscles and leaves many others unemployed. It is not, as a rule, exhilarating, but requires a strong will and becomes tiresome.

Agreeable places for walking are not in easy reach of the average city man. The parks for the majority are dreary miles away and to be gained only by a long tramp tramp over brick pavements and street crossings of an uninspiring character. By the time the pedestrian reaches the green fields he is so completely fatigued that he is in no condition to enjoy anything. The sun total of his energies has been exhausted and he returns to the city on a "bar," feeling anything but refreshed.

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A Miracle Recalled.

World wide as was the celebration of St. Patrick's day this year, its observance in Raab, Hungary, was rendered unique by the solemn commemoration of a miracle witnessed in that city two hundred years ago. In 1652 Walter Lynch, Bishop of Clonfert, was forced to flee from Ireland by the violence of the persecution, and carried with him a treasured picture of the Blessed Virgin. When the Bishop died he bequeathed this picture, as a token of gratitude, to the Cathedral of Raab, where it was hung up. On the 17th of March, 1657, while the holy Sacrifice was being celebrated, a bloody sweat was seen issuing from the picture; and when the painting was wiped, the sweat broke out anew, continuing for three hours. The testimony of Christopher Sologny, a canon of the Cathedral of Raab, who was personally acquainted with many of the eye-witnesses, is as follows:

"It is impossible to describe the commotion which arose owing to the holy horror, pious ardor, and desire to see the picture close at hand. In order to obviate doubt . . . and any suspicion of fraud or deception, the ecclesiastical authorities first had the picture taken down from the wall, then denuded of the ornamental frame, even stripped of the stretching laths, and finally closely inspected and shaken. But since it was found free of natural moisture, and the wall quite dry, and, moreover, being detached and held by the hands alone over a table, it ceased not to sweat blood, this manifestly constituted a miracle."

It is an interesting fact that the year in which this marvel occurred marked the passage of one of the most harassing laws of the infamous penal code. It can hardly be regarded as a mere coincidence.—Ave Maria.

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T. P. O'CONNOR ON REUNION.

Predicts Success for the Movement—How Mr. Harrington's Proposals Should be Met.

T. P. O'Connor in the London Weekly Star says: I have only a few words to say on the important movement which is going on in Ireland in favor of reunion. I was a reunionist before reunion was even mentioned, and I have never receded from the position I took up in the speech I delivered on the subject more than three years ago to my own constituents in Liverpool. I thought then, and I think now, that a reunion of the National forces of Ireland would accelerate Home Rule by many years, and would make life once more worth living for every man who prefers the interests of Ireland to personal ambitions or personal hatreds. As to the articles on Mr. Harrington, it is very significant, that though he has been fiercely assailed, the response to the demand of the Independent for a denunciation of his proposals has not been loud while all the manifestations of feeling from the anti-Parnellite side have been most friendly. I am not prepared at this moment to discuss the conditions which Mr. Harrington puts forward—some of them are acceptable at once, others are not. The great thing is to establish—first, that Ireland is sick of disunion;—secondly, that no ignominious or humiliating conditions will be imposed on any man because of his opinions or acts upon the great controversy as to the leadership of Mr. Parnell. Thirdly, that no man on any side shall place his own personal claims or position above the interests of unity—and on that point I can certainly speak with confidence for Mr. Dillon, who is far too high minded a man to stand for a second in the way of the country's reconciliation. And, fourthly, that a united party should pledge itself to complete independence of all English parties—and on that point again there could not be the smallest room for difference of opinion. Whether the consummation of the beneficent work of the Archbishop of Dublin and Mr. Harrington will come immediately, there is no doubt that their efforts are attracting the sympathy of every true lover of Irish freedom.

What We Inherit

We are not to blame for. We cannot be held responsible for the dispositions and tendencies which we derive from our ancestors, nor are we responsible for the germs of disease which may manifest themselves in our blood as a heritage from former generations. But we are responsible if we allow these germs to develop into serious diseases which will impair our usefulness and destroy our happiness. We are responsible if we transmit to our descendants the diseases which it is possible for us to eradicate by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla, the one true blood purifier. This medicine has power to make rich, red blood and establish perfect health in place of disease.

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