

Three Kisses.

An angel with three lilies in her hand, Came winging to the earth from paradise. They changed to kisses ere she reached love's hand.

NEWS FROM IRELAND.

Wicklow.

Recently attention was directed to the memorial which was got up at Bray, at the instance of Dean Lee, and signed by the Catholic inhabitants of that town.

Wexford.

Ellen Kinsella—one of the Kinsella girls of Parnell's Cross, near Ferns, who were evicted some time ago from their little holding—has been again sent to prison.

Westmeath.

A requisition is in course of signature, and has already a large amount of public favor among the electors of Athlone, calling on Mr. Justin McCarthy, Jr., son of the member for Longford, to come forward as a candidate for the representation of the borough.

Louth.

The Quarter Sessions for the Drogheda division of the county Louth, commenced on April 28, before Mr. R. W. Gamble, Q. C., County Court Judge.

Limerick.

A great sensation was caused in Limerick, on April 28, by a rumor that a letter had been received at the post-office threatening to blow up that establishment.

Antrim.

An incident occurred on April 25, in the House of Commons, which illustrates in an amusing way the vigilant suspiciousness of the London police.

Down.

At the Newtownards petty sessions, on April 25, four members of an Orange party were charged with being guilty of riot on Easter Monday, at Comber railway station, county Down.

Tyrone.

The Orangemen can be very humble and suppliant at times. The circumstances surrounding the late Tyrone shooting case afford an apt illustration of their present condition.

more on April 27, in the hope that young McLaughlin might be induced to co-operate with the memorialists by signing the document. Singular to relate, the first assistance sought was that of the local leader of the National League; and, in fact, it is understood that some difficulty was experienced in preventing the Orange petitioning company from appearing at a meeting of the Dromore branch.

Donegal.

The policy of defamation is now exercised against Mr. Daniel McSweeney, of Donegal. The electors of the Dunfanaghy Union lately elected him to a position on the Poor-law Board, where he now confronts his "suspectors," and has already turned his attention to the reform of abuses.

Galway.

In acknowledging some subscriptions for the relief of the distress in his diocese, the Bishop of Clonfert, writing on April 28, said:—"It must be painful to every Irishman to have to respond to demands of this sort, on behalf of people inhabiting a soil unrivalled for its fertility. It surely will be the fault of the Irish race, at home and abroad, if these cycles of mendicancy are not made to cease.

Mayo.

Mr. O'Connor Power, M. P., is on a new track, all the old ones having failed to bring him on the road to fortune. Seeing that his prospect of re-election for Mayo is hopeless, he is feeling his way to a chance of taking refuge in an English borough.

As to spiritual favors attached to the Association, it suffices to say that, besides co-operating in the maintenance of Catholic worship in the Holy Sanctuaries, such as those of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin, of the Nativity of Jesus Christ, of the Holy Sepulchre, and many others associated with the great mystery of the Redemption, members of this Association will gain for themselves many spiritual favors, for, by the Briefs of several Popes, and especially of Pius VI., inter cetera July 31, 1778, they share in the benefit of the Prayer, Fastings, Penances, Pilgrimages, and all good works performed in Palestine by the Franciscan Friars, as well as by the faithful, and of the many Indulgences attached to the Holy Sanctuaries, all of which are applicable to the souls of the faithful departed.

TO THE CATHOLICS OF AMERICA.

The Holy Shrines of Palestine, so closely associated with the sacred events of the Redemption, have always engaged the attention of the Catholic Church, which has spared no pains to preserve them for the veneration of the faithful. Hence, from the very beginning of Christianity, it was recommended as a sacred duty to the faithful to contribute in behalf of the Holy Places.

The Supreme Pontiffs, following the example of the Apostles, have from time to time enjoined that collections be taken up among Catholics for the benefit of the Holy Land. They have also granted spiritual favors to those who take part in such meritorious work.

A few instances will show how well the faithful of past generations understood the sacredness of this duty and how truly they discharged it, for not only nations vied with each other in contributing towards the Holy Land, but even private individuals, by their generosity, surpassed every expectation.

Thus, in the fourth century, St. Helena undertook to cover with magnificent temples every spot in Palestine which bore a mark of the sacred events that were associated with the life and death of our Saviour, thus leaving to posterity the glorious monument of her faith which can be seen in our days.

Later on, in the fourteenth century, the Catholic Church bewailed the loss of the Holy Places which had passed by usurpation under the sway of the enemies of the Cross, and an interdict was imposed on Catholics, who were forbidden to worship there under penalty of death. But God raised up another pious woman in the person of Sanctia of Naples, who restored consolation to many a heart.

This pious woman bought back from the Ottoman government all the Sanctuaries of Palestine at the exorbitant price of seventeen millions of dollars, restored them to Catholic worship, and secured Catholics against molestation.

These and many others are examples which the faithful of past generations have left for the imitation of posterity. But, alas! since revolution has introduced infidelity into society, Christianity has been either wholly rejected or waxed feeble.

The Holy Places, once sanctified by the visible presence of Jesus Christ while on earth, have ceased to hold their principal place in the human heart, and if not neglected altogether, they are looked upon with indifference even by those who profess themselves Christians and Catholics.

Owing to this lack of interest on the part of Catholics of our days the serious question has lately arisen: How are the Holy Places to be preserved to the Catholic Church? They can be preserved only by a revival of religious fervor among Catholics, and by a renewed interest on

the part of Catholics in the scenes and events hallowed by our Blessed Saviour when on earth.

The question is of such importance that it should command the attention of every Catholic. All are concerned in it, for if the preservation of the Holy Places reflect credit on the whole body of Catholicity, their neglect and downfall must entail equal discredit on them all.

To call the attention of the Catholics of America to this sacred duty which they owe to their religion, and to give them an opportunity to comply with it, the Commissariat of the Holy Land has been established in the city of New York by direction of the Sacred Congregation of Propaganda, under the auspices of His Eminence Cardinal McCloskey.

To accomplish the object for which it was established, the Commissariat will promote pious pilgrimages to the Holy Land, supplying all information, and giving letters of introduction to the pilgrims, to whom, without distinction of creed or nationality, one month's hospitality will be extended in the different Franciscan houses of Palestine.

The Commissariat will also receive offerings of the faithful to further the good work of the Holy Land.

Furthermore, an Association of the Holy Sepulchre has been established in connection with the Commissariat, and Catholics of every part of America are kindly invited to join it.

An annual contribution of twenty five cents, or more, if the contributors feel so disposed, will make them members of the Association, and entitle them to the spiritual benefits attached to it. These benefits are applicable to departed friends, provided certificates be procured in their name.

The Association has the blessing and cordial approval of His Eminence Cardinal McCloskey, who has also been pleased to head the list of its contributors with a generous annual subscription.

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In view of the great advantages to be derived from these annual contributions, the Commissariat hopes that the Catholics of America will cheerfully embrace the opportunity offered them to co-operate with their brethren of other nations in the holy task of preserving the glorious monuments of their religion.

The Commissariat would also kindly request all persons feeling a special interest in the pious object to canvass for members for the Association. On announcing their desire to do so, they will be appointed solicitors by the Commissary of New York. These solicitors will have the benefit of the Masses which are said for their special intention at the altar of the Holy Sepulchre, in the Church of the Saviour in Jerusalem, in the Sanctuary of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin in Nazareth, of the Nativity of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem, and of St. John the Baptist in Ain-Carem.

And God, who has promised to reward even a glass of cold water given in His name, will not forget to reward every deed done in favor of the places sanctified by His visible presence while on earth.

All contributions and letters should be directed to the Commissary of the Holy Land, Very Rev. Charles A. Vissani, O. S. F., 135 West Thirty-first Street, New York.

Subscribers are requested to give their correct address to enable the Commissary to forward to them the respective certificates of membership.

CHARLES A. VISSANI, O. S. F., Commissary of the Holy Land.

Essentials to Success.

There is no quality which pays so rich a dividend to its possessor as amiability of temper. Whether we consider the greater amount of comfort he derives from life, or whether we confine ourselves to a consideration of his business career, we must still admit the truth of the proposition.

Wherever you meet the man of smiling cheerful appearance and genial manner you may be sure he is on the winning side of the table. The people will find where his place of business is, and his pleasant disposition and courteous, winning behavior will build up about him a solid bulwark of friendship.

The distance between a smile and a frown is immeasurable. They are the opposite poles of the magnet, and one repels as surely as the other attracts. Too many men in business fail to realize that people will put themselves to a great deal of inconvenience rather than contribute to the welfare of a tradesman who has been wanting to them in either courtesy or respect.

They consider—and rightly too—that their money entitles them to decent treatment, besides the goods they purchase. Men in business who fail to realize this fall far short of the success they might otherwise win. Some men in business are impracticable and foolish enough, and are by nature sufficiently boorish to think that a show of courtesy betrays a mean and truckling spirit, and that it bespeaks a want of independence of character.

Thank Heaven, such reasoning is confined within narrow limits. What a world of soreheads we should be did the majority think courtesy was beneath them? It needs no prophetic foreshadow the end of the few who hold to this belief.

A Reliable Witness.

R. N. Wheeler, of Everton, speaks highly of Hagar's Pectoral Balsam, having seen its effects in his own case, a severe inflammation of the lungs and dis-

ressing cough was quickly and perfectly cured, which had resisted other treatment.

TRIALS OF A CONVERT.

The conversion of Rev. Father Selle, O. S. A., was attended by the persecutions and trials which, but too often fall to the lot of those who give up everything to follow the dictates of their conscience by joining the Catholic Church.

He was born of Catholic of England parents and became a Low Churchman. He was educated for a commercial career and, for several years, he conducted almost entirely two business establishments of his father, who was in easy circumstances. He became engaged to a wealthy lady, and his father willed him his large establishment, so that his worldly prospects were exceedingly bright and promising. Just about this time a doubt arose in his mind as to whether the Catholic Church might not be the true Church. Exercising the right of private judgment, as a Protestant, he searched the Scriptures with the result, that in ten days from the time his doubt arose, he recanted his Anglican errors, and was received into the Church.

He became, first a member of the Society of Mary, and afterwards of the Order of St. Augustine.

After he had abjured Protestantism, he relates his trials in the following terms: "Though not cast adrift, as so many, even of the gentler sex have been, on such occasions, my stout adherence to the Catholic faith for conscience sake, worked sad effect in my family circle. I was no longer looked upon as the right hand and confidant of my father, and there arose that estrangement that only converts ever experience. I cast not, however, a shadow of blame on my otherwise exemplary parents, because I knew too well the force of prejudice and bigotry. Should we not rejoice to suffer some temporal loss for so great a spiritual gain?"

When he states that he knows too well the force of prejudice and bigotry, he has reference to that when his own brother became a Catholic, he persecuted him and was very bitter towards him. He says that his brother finally had to leave his home for religious sake.

This case is but an illustration of what the great majority of converts have to endure at the hands of their Protestant relatives and friends. And yet, we hear a great deal about the emancipation of the human intellect and of freedom of conscience as achieved by the Reformation. But, perhaps, our separated brethren mean by the term, "freedom of conscience," that a man is free to connect himself with one of the myriad sects of Protestantism, but is not free to join the Catholic Church. So long as a Protestant does not become a Catholic, it matters little what he believes. He may be an agnostic, which is a genteel name for an infidel, but he will not lose caste, either with his own home circle or his friends. But let him aspire to the higher and better life, which only a sacramental religion can procure him, and he at once becomes a castaway and a social pariah.—T. A. B. in Morning Star.

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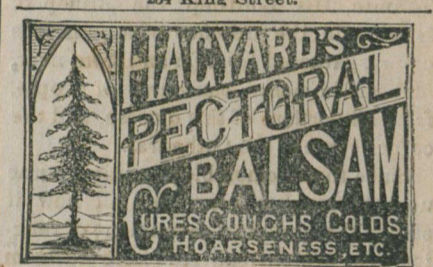
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