THE REFUGEE

So many things happened, and happened so fast, on that memorable day, that only a blurred and distorted impression of them remained on Herman's mind. The first rode out seemingly never-ending stock — Herman, for all his twenty-six years, had not lost his youthful fear of earthquakes—dazed and bewildered him. Then came the smoke and the flame and the shoutings and the clatter of impotent engines ; and, their spirits frozen into apathy, he and Josie gathered together a coat or two, some cooking half a sack of beans and a few cooking utensils and started for — anywhere. South of Market was desolate.

It was a long, weary tramp out Howard street and well into the Mission district on that unforgettable eighteenth day of April. Men, women and children were there in the tape, all fleeing from a nameless horror, carrying bundles, and pushing baby carriages piled high with bedding and broa-tree, and dragging heavy, cumbersome trunks that grated over the pavements with a sickening, bloodcurdling noise. Herman followed with the throng, his nerves numb, his throat parched and dry. Once he cursed softly because there was no water, and the next moment he vaguely wondered why he had cursed. It was all like some monster spectacular performance in which he was a super ; he must go in, on, on, because the mob was going on ; but why he was fleeing he scarcely knew, nor whither he was fleeing he scarcely cared.

[The remainder of the story columns and the article "NE TEMERE DECREE / SOME IMPERIALISTS / BY JOHN S EWART, K.C. BARRISTER AT LAW (NON CATHOLIC)," and the column "A Little Care" are too faded and low-resolution to transcribe reliably.]

NE TEMERE DECREE

SOME IMPERIALISTS

BY JOHN S EWART, K. C. BARRISTER AT LAW (NON CATHOLIC)

A Little Care

Health Restored
Gained 29 Pounds

Many Years an Invalid—Untold Agony From Headaches

Dizziness, Sinking Spells, and Excessive Weakness Disappear With Use of

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Nerve Food

Nearly every woman will read with interest the letter of Mrs. Geo. Bradshaw, quoted below. It tells of years of great suffering from Nervous Headache and other symptoms arising from weak, watery blood and a starved and exhausted condition of the nervous system.

The same Confession provides that : "Such as profess the true reformed religion should not marry with infidels, papists or other idolaters." (Cap. 25 art 3.)

But that, too, has never had any effect upon the laws of Canada. These rules are binding merely upon members of the church adopting them. (There is no difficulty in seeing that, when the rules are Protestant, even when they declare that certain "incestuous marriages" cannot "be made lawful by any law of man" (cap. 24, art 4). And if in view of the Presbyterian church disobey its rules, they may incur such penalties as the church may choose to enforce—being always the alternative of withdrawal from its membership.

The law is common law took no concern in these matter, he said leaving them to the sole jurisdiction of the spiritual courts" (655).

A man belonging to the Anglican Church had been married to a Presbyterian woman by a Presbyterian clergyman, and inasmuch as the Presbyterian clergyman was not, legally, a clergyman at all, the marriage was held to be bad. That, of course, is not now the law either in England or in Canada. Statutes have changed it in very considerably. The view of the Roman Catholic Church, however, remains unaltered. It still regards marriage as a sacrament, and a majority of the Quebec judges would decline to declare a better or not two Roman Catholics were husband and wife.

Speaking very deferentially, I believe that the functions of the Quebec civil courts are thus limited, and that in a province in which all religions are from a legal standpoint, equal, the majority view is not only anomalous in theory, but impracticable in practice.

Very clearly, the Courts may have jurisdiction in cases in which the parties do not belong to any church. For it not, the validity of such a marriage cannot be investigated at all. Very clearly, too, the courts must also decide the question when the parties belong to churches which have no ecclesiastical courts accustomed to deal with such subject. In other words the Quebec courts must have jurisdiction in all cases except those in which both the interested parties are Roman Catholics.

Mrs. Geo. Bradshaw, Cosy Nook, Harlowe, Ont., writes : — "It is difficult for me to state in words the 27 years of great suffering from Nervous Headache and other symptoms arising from weak, watery blood and a starved and exhausted condition of the nervous system."

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