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In connection with the Paris fire of last May, the Curé of a church in that city relates the following incident concerning one of his parishioners : A young man, the reverse of a practical Catholic, had accompanied his mother and sister to the Bazaar. He was there when the fire broke out. Having succeeded in rescuing his mother, he rushed back to save his sister, whose garments were already on fire. The flames were around him. He took his sister in his arms and was carrying her away when a burning rafter fell on his head. These tarred rafters in flames, falling on the victims, helped the tragedy to do its work with terrible speed. The one falling on the head of the young man in question left him uninjured, and he succeeded in bearing his burden away in safety. A day or two after, talking of what had happened with his sister, who was suffering from severe burns, he said : " Did I belong to the pious people I should say that my escape was simply miraculous. " " Go and fetch the hat you wore, said the young lady. He brought it. " Look inside, " she said. He looked inside and saw what appeared to be a small coin gleaming in the lining. It was the " miraculous medal. " His sister had placed it there. The young man understood and approached the sacraments the next day.—Liverpool Catholic Times.

According to recently compiled statistics, the Bible is now printed in 381 languages, 52 versions having been added in the last five years. Forty-two of these versions are credited to English and Scotch societies, and 5 to American societies.

The anthem for Queen Victoria, " Domine, saluum fac Reginam nostram, " has been sung daily by the nuns of the Benedictine Abbey of Princethorpe, England, throughout the whole of her reign. This has been done in gratitude for the cordial welcome and hospitality extended to the Benedictine community by the English govern-