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during the meal or an ice at the close of the meal will reduce the temperature of the stomach sometimes to 95°, which would stop digestion and sooner or later render one a confirmed dyspeptic.

FRANCE LOSING IN POPULATION.

THE NECESSITY FOR COMPULSORY FATHERHOOD.

The New York Sun's London despatch says—Frenchmen, or a large section of them, are beginning to manifest serious concern over the revelation of the last census that France is the only great nation which is no longer obeying the Divine command to increase and multiply.

The National Alliance for the increase of the population of France has presented a petition to the French Minister setting forth certain drastic measures which the Government is urged to adopt.

Already something has been done to encourage large families. For instance, every seventh child may be educated and boarded at school at the expense of the nation.

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The Self-Denial of Its Priests Dwelt Upon by a Non-Catholic.

The Mexican correspondent of the Boston Herald, in the course of a very interesting letter, in which he deals with the Catholic Church in Mexico, presents the following pen picture of the labors of the priests:

A few priests. In a parish house in a town near the city are six young priests who say Mass in the mountain towns inhabited by Indians, as well as officiate at times in the churches of the town.

Once, for seven months, they went without meat, in a time of scarcity of food; to be able to give what they saved to the poor. I never saw any other kind of a parson do that!

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TRAINED NURSES. The Graduating Class of St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, Receive Diplomas. That there are a large number of our Catholic young women who are adopting the profession of trained nurses, is made manifest from time to time during the year, by reports which appear in the Press of the different leading cities of the Dominion.

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he graduating class. The latter were arrayed in their spotless robes—snow-white aprons, blue and white striped gowns, broad white collars and caps. From pink sash depended bunches of sweet violets and the effect was heightened by bouquets of choice flowers handed each of them by little Louisa McPherson.

Amidst applause Miss Higgins, on the conclusion of the three-fold presentation, stepped forward and, in a clear resonant voice, in the name of the class, returned thanks to all who had taken part in the ceremonies of that evening, and to the medical superintendent, the staff, the visiting physicians, the Mother Superior and the Sisters of St. Joseph, to the head nurse, Miss Doyle. Gratitude and deserved praise were the theme of the address, which was at once eloquent and pertinent. The references to the munificence of Mr. Hugh Ryan were specially applauded.

The Archbishop, in response, gave a most felicitous address. He aptly showed how useful, meritorious and responsible is the nurse's vocation. In addition to the profuse advice which had been given by the members of the faculty, he added his own, given in touching tones and with fatherly kindness. Pathetically he pointed to the Divine Model, upon which true nursing is based—the love and sympathy for the sick, the poor, the suffering. The medals just distributed bore the very appropriate motto, "Whosoever doeth unto My little ones doeth unto Me." "Let this," said His Grace, "be the motive of your life's work. If you work in that spirit your duty and ministry will be greatly blessed. You will win the blessing of Him who will give you a heavenly reward."

Turning to the nurses His Grace said: "My dear children, I convey to you the heartfelt wishes of this assembly, and I wish you a happy and blessed career, and that the blessing may go beyond yourselves as you prosecute your noble life's work." (Loud applause.) Those who took part in the musical programme were: Miss Burns, Signor Delacoe, Mrs. McPherson, Miss Collam and Miss Clark. Refreshments served by the Sisters of St. Joseph concluded the pleasant proceedings.

Miss Prior (quoting)—Wise men make proverbs and fools repeat them. Miss Smart (musingly)—Yes, I wonder what wise man made the one you just repeated.—London Tit-Bits.

Perry Patten—I hear that soap is even mentioned in the Bible. Waymont Watson—Why not? They had things spoken of in the Bible just the same as they are good.—Cincinnati Enquirer.