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Now for the New Testament. Did Jesus Christ write the Gospel? He wrote not a single word of it, not even the ten commandments. Who then wrote the New Testament? r'allible men. Two of the Evangelists were not even apostles. Luke was a physician, Mark a disciple. Are all doctors and disciples infallible? Of course not. You are not, therefore, sure that you have the Word of God even in the Gospels. This is precisely what the ever-advancing troops of agnostics and infidels say. You have been blindly admitting for three hundred years those pages to be the Word of God which were written by fallible men. No Protestant can answer this on Protestant principles; for, according to them, to teach that the Pope is at any time infallible is to make him practically God; therefore, to teach that Luke, the doctor, and Mark the And Lord's Day Observance. disciple were infallible in writing their Gospels, would be to make them practically gods.

Remarkable Cures.

Two recent Instances Attributed to Faltl And Pious Appeals.

New York, November 23 .- To the effieacy of the prayers of school children, in the opinion of many, is due the remarkable change for the better in the condition of Mrs. Adrian Iselin. Mrs. Iselin's death was hourly expected a month ago, and her symptoms became so alarming baseless are the reflections cast that Rev. Father Kellner, pastor of St. on Catholics in the connections Gabriel's Church in New Rochelle, was called to the Iselin homestead at Davenport Neck, to administer the last sacraments to one of his most cherished parishioners.

Mrs. Iselin had built the handsome church structure, which is one of the notable buildings in New Rochelle, as well as the parish house and the church school which adjoin it. She has given \$150,000 for this purpose, and otherwise had materially aided the work of the

Father Kellner was summoned. The children of St. Gabriel's Church Sunday school were in session at the time, and at the suggestion of their pastor they offered prayers asking for the speedy recovery of the church's benefactor and friend. Day after day the little ones offered up prayers for Mrs. Iselin's recovery. Within a few days, despite the gloomy views the family physicians had taken, Mrs. Iselin's health began to improve. The physicians were unable to explain the change. The patient is now rapidily convalescing at her city home, No. 23 East Twenty-sixth street, facing Madison Square. Mrs. Iselin was brought to this city from New Rochelle in a special train on Sunday.

A St.Louis Cure.

St. Louis, November 24.—James Mur phy, a boy, who was at the point of death from concussion of the brain, has been saved, seemingly by a miracle wrought through the prayers of a pious and venerable monk, Brother Arnold, who sprinkled the sufferer with holy water of Lourdes and implored Our Lady of Lourdes to save him.

Anna Prud'homme,

The eldest child, Anna, of Hon. Judge Prud'homme, died of typhoid fever last Saturday. She had been ill six or seven weeks. Though this beloved girl was cut off in the bloom of youth at sixteen years of age, she was perfectly resigned to God's Holy Will. Her bereaved parents, with whom we deep- The "Paters" and the "Aves." ly sympathize, must feel their loss

The funeral, which took place at nine o'clock yesterday morning in the Cathedral was very largely attended. Rev. Father Messier was celebrant. Rev. Father George, O.M.I. as deacon and Rev. Father Garon as subdeacon. There were present in the sanctuary Rev. Father Cherrier, Rev. Fr. Guillet, O.M.I., Rev. Father Chartier, S.J., Rev. Father O'Dwyer, O.M I., Rev. Father Gravel and Fathers Mirault and Carriere, S.J. with the classmates of Joseph Prud'homme, brother of the dear departed one.

R.I.P.

A Papal Diamond Jubilee.

Rome, November 20.-Arrangements are already making in Rome for the celebration of the diamond jubilee of Pope

Leo's first Mass. It was on January 1, 1838, that the then Father Pecci offered up his initial Mass in the chapel of Amadeo in the Quirinal. Pilgrims are expected from America in considerable numbers to visit Rome and to join the celebration.

BRIEFLETS.

At the annual meeting of the C.M.B.A. branch 52, Winnipeg, the following officers were elected for 1898: Chancellor, Geo. Germain; president, M. Conway; first vice president, G. Gladnish; second vice-president, J.O.D vy; recording secretary, H. A. Russell; assistant recording secretary, R. Hinds; financial secretary, D. F. Allman; treasurer, W. Jordan; marshail, John O'Connor; guard, A. D. McDonall; trustees, R. Murphy, John O'Connor; delegate, D. Smith; alternate

A very venerable Irish priest has just passed away in the person of the Very Rev. Thomas Bennett, D. D., a member of the Carmelite Order, whose demise at the advanced age of ninety-six years was announced recently. The deceased, whose death occurred at the Carmelite College, Terenure, County Dublin, was considered to be the oldest Catholic priest in Ireland He was a priest for close on three quarters of a century, and was ex-Provincial of the Carmelite Province in Ireland.

CATHOLICS

Catholic News, Eng.

Catholics are occasionally taxed with a remissness in the due observance of the Lord's Day, and Irish Catholics are set down by their critics as special sinners in this regard.

Those who have a right apprehension of what the Lord's Day by divine ordinance is, and those who know the real condition of things in Ireland, are aware how stated.

That the Catholics of Ireland have a due regard for the sanctity of the Lord's Day has just been shown by an incident reported from Clonmel. An American minstrel troupe visiting that town, having occasion to remain in it over Sunday, proposed to give a concert on that evening of what they designat. ed "sacred" music. But not Mrs. Iselin was fast sinking when even the palliative "sacred" could reconcile the Catholic authorities to the proceeding, which they publicly denounced. Notwithstanding the denunciation, the concert proceeded, and though Cor. Portage Ave. & Fort St. hundreds of people assembled at the entrances "to see who would enter," only a few dozen people of any or all denominations entered the hall.

There was no scene of the kind anticipated. The troupe gave its concert as it had the right to do (we suppose : in the absence of a complete knowledge of the circumstances it is impossible to speak absolutely). The priests, as they had the right and duty, warned their flocks not to violate the sanctity of the day by attending. The flocks hearkened to the advice. All concerned can conclude that in Ireland a real respect for the Lord's Day exists healthily; that the people having observed the obligations of the day do not, with their Scotch neighbours, consider it a sin to indulge in decorous relaxation, but that they are just as far from the other extreme of the Continental Sunday. Long may they remain so !

The Holy Father, in his latest Encyclical, urges anew the Catholic teaching that prayer to Our Lady does not derogate the supreme worship due to God, Whose creature Mary is, but rather honours Him, since honour to the creature refers to the Creator. In Aubrey de Vere's "Recollections" there is printed a readable anecdote bearing on the same point It was in pre-railway days, and the scene a stage coach. One of the travellers way "a pretty girl, with modest but arch eyes.

On the way she took out her rosary and began to say her beads. A Protestant clergyman beside her thought the opportunity a happy one for her conversion. "What is the name of this large bead?" he said. "A Pater Noster"she replied. "And what is the name of the small one?" "An Ave." And those priests make you say ten Aves for every one Pater! Now, you see how much more they think of Mary than

"Well," the girlanswered, "I always thought that anyone, even a parson himself, knew that one Pater was the equal of ten Aves any day." There was another laugh, and the controversialist took to studying the signs of the weather.

Which, let us hope, he found more profitable than his attemptsat Papist-baiting.—CATH-OLIC NEWS (England).

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reason to hope that this arrangement will fill a long felt want.

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