

FIVE MINUTE SERMON

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LOVE OF OUR NEIGHBOR

"But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother shall be in danger of the judgment." (Matt. v. 22)

Among the commandments given us by God, that of loving Himself and our neighbor is the greatest. It is easy to fulfil the first part of this commandment; since God is so good and confers only favors upon us; but the second part is not so easy of fulfillment.

Our neighbor is not always our brother in the pure sense of the word. A brother loves a brother, cares for him, and helps him willingly when needed.

But it may seem strange that God requires that we love our neighbor on all occasions, and even when he renders himself unworthy, that we treat him as a brother.

But we can go further into this strange command, and see a reason for it. God wishes us to aim at perfection. Certainly it is more perfect to treat every man as a brother than otherwise.

But why, we may ask again, has God planned that our behavior toward all other men be as brothers toward brothers? He has done this, we may say, because this earth is a place in which man is to be purified.

Justice is not to be done here. Were it to be, its course would have been started long ago. On earth every man is given sufficient chance to save his soul.

be the reward of the just, and in heaven can be only the purest love of brother for brother. If we have not loved our brethren while on earth, even though in other respects our lives may have been just, we can not expect God to transform us.

The second part of this commandment is difficult because it is opposed to our feelings, and because of the repulsiveness of him who makes himself our enemy, with no blame on our side.

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ACTIVITY IN SPAIN AND BELGIUM

Since the last Catholic Press Congress held in Toledo, the organization of the Spanish press has entered a period of great activity, and as Spain is the nation in which the Catholic press has had its greatest development, it would seem opportune to outline its present position during what is "Catholic Press Month" for Catholics of the United States and Canada.

According to the most recent official statistics, of the 2,101 periodical publications issued in Spain, 1,008 are Catholic. Of these 70 are dailies, of an exclusively Catholic character, while about 20 more may be considered as such, although they devote themselves more to politics; 230 are weeklies, 145 fortnightly and 225 monthlies.

APPOSTLESHP OF PRESS FOUNDED

runner of social Catholicism in Spain, and Father Turin, intrepid missionary by spoken word and pen, were their contemporaries.

In 1900, in addition to the 50 official diocesan bulletins, there were already six Catholic newspapers and 20 good reviews which had influence on public opinion. In 1908 there was founded in Seville a "Local Association for Good Reading" and in 1901 the "League of Prayer for the Catholic Press."

The first national act was the first Catholic Press Congress held in Seville in 1904. The effect was overwhelming. Various prelates condemned several newspapers nominatim, forbidding Catholics to read them, and the whole Hierarchy began to take a direct interest in the press.

As a result also of the first Press Congress, Dr. Ildefonso Montero founded in Seville in 1905, the Institute "Ora et Labora," the first Catholic School of Journalism in Spain or in Europe, which won many vocations for the press.

Each arrondissement has an organization of its own made up of a delegate from the Bishop of the Diocese, of delegates from the arrondissement committee of the Catholic Association, of one from each of the groups of the Catholic Union, and finally of one from each of the regional Catholic organizations.

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lating libraries are being established, by means of which the faithful in every parish are able to obtain good reading matter for a few centimes. A new form of journalism is the field of children's papers, and some very good ones have already been started.

Belgium claims a twofold Catholic Press organization: one for the diffusion of Catholic periodic literature, and another for protection against the calumnies and attacks of the anti-Catholic and Socialist press.

The lay institution bears the long title of "National and Inter-diocesan Federation of all Societies for the Propagation of the Catholic Press." Cardinal Mercier is its Honorary President; but the effective President must be a layman. Just now it is a layman of noble lineage and of high prestige in the land, the Count Adrien d'Ursel.

During the War, the committee was allowed a respite, for want of adversaries to combat. The truce continued for a time afterwards. When the enemy broke it, it was to aim high—apprising the memory of the sainted Benedict XV, and calumniating Benedict XV, by accusing both of having favored the Central Powers.

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the rules in force for the election of the officials of the central committee. A delegate from the Bishop of the Diocese is ex-officio member of the governing board.

The unit in this chain of press organizations is the local committee, which convenes at least twice a year and sends an annual report of its activity to the arrondissement committee.

The duty of the local committee is to collect, for propaganda purposes, fifty centimes a year from students and workmen, and a franc a piece from all other Catholics who are interested in the development of the Catholic Press.

A few severe sentences secured by the Committee of Defense had the effect of rendering the anti-religious knights of the quill more circumspect.

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At all events one of the sectarian sheets, made wise through personal experience recently wrote: "Be aware of the Committee of Defense! For it sees all, spies all, reads all, and has the courts working overtime."

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