PURIFYING THE STAGE

For the very reason that in these days of fierce competition men are worn out by the struggle for existence, they need recreation of one kind or another as never before.

one kind or another as never before. Anyone who has done an honest day's labor is entitled to, and needs, a certain amount of relaxation.

From the earliest times the stage has afforded one of the most popular forms of amusement—amusement which under the proper conditions is safe, sane and wholesome. Unfortunately, however, it has only too often been made to cater to the lowest instincts of man. But this is always an abuse. The cater to the lowest instincts of man. But this is always an abuse. The stage itself seems to cry out against being shunted upon false tracks, for from the very beginning the theatre had its roots in the sanctuary. As long as men's faith in God played a prominent part in social life, just so long did the theatre remain within proper bounds. This is true practically of all the nations from ancient times all the nations from ancient times down to our own. The Roman stage in the early days of Christendom became an abominable thing, and as such was sternly condemned by all the Fathers, because, forgetting its origin it appealed only getting its origin, it appealed only to the carnal part of man. The purification of the stage in the Middle Ages, when faith dominated social life, was not the least glorious achievement of the medieval

The fact that the early Fathers of the fact that the early Fathers of the Society of Jesus not only wrote but staged plays proves that they saw in the theatre a powerful means of keeping up a Catholic tone in life. Only since the con-science of Europe has fallen away from the Church has the stage taken a consistently downward course. Today it has probably reached a lower level, not of vulgarity but of positive indecency, than ever before. Only a short time ago we saw an English theatrical accompany return to England because company return to England because it could not bring itself to stage the plays assigned it. One of the greatest American producers recently admitted that the stage in this country had "gone completely to the devil."

When we call for the purification of the stage, we do not mean to ask of the stage, we do not mean to ask that the theatre, become a faint shadow of the Church—a "preachy" play is as intolerable and boresome as a "stagey" sermon—but what we do expect, if minds are not to be debauched and hearts poisoned, is a stage where the healthy, normal life about us is portrayed truthfully and artistically by men and women whose private lives testify to their belief that good living and clean thinking are as necessary to the artists as to the fathers and the artists as to the fathers and mothers to whom are intrusted the moulding of the characters of the coming generation of Americans.

coming generation of Americans.

There are those, of course, who contend that the public clamors for filthy plays. No doubt a certain proportion of our people do prefer the gutter to the sidewalk. So, during the War, there were sympathizers with the enemy to whom nothing was sweeter than the glorification of the Kaiser and the belittling of our own efforts. But glorification of the Kaiser and the belittling of our own efforts. But because this handful of men existed, it did not mean that they were given a free hand to carry out their given a free hand to carry out their carry out their carry of the second of th too, the small contingent of Americans who love indecent plays has no right to impose its wishes upon the vast majority of decent Americans who still believe in moral clears.

wast majority of decent Americans who still believe in moral cleanliness, even on the stage.

The purification of the stage will be effected as soon as the American theatre-going public repudiates at the box-office the plays that outrage common decency and the public conscience. No amount of denuniciation, however fiery, will cleanse ciation, however fiery, will cleanse the stage. It simply advertises it. -Rosary Magazine.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The subdivision of the Catholic Women's League, at Charlottetown, Women's League, at Charlottetown,
P. E. I., is making various preparations for the summer. They will
take charge of The Little Flower
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management of Mrs. W. J. McIntyre
convener of the Juvenile Welfare Committee of the League. An ice-cream festival will be held next Tuesday on Rockford Square to give all the camping girls an opportunity to meet and get

acquainted.
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