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THE SHELL'S STORY.

I found a shell upon the sand, A rough and rugged shell, I laid it in my open hand And scanned its roughness well, "Uncomely thing," I said; but, turned, I saw its inner pearl.

THE APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER.

The League of the Sacred Heart, the Apostleship of Prayer, is too well known and too widespread in its influence throughout Canada, the United States, as in every country of Christendom, to need special mention here, still, for the benefit of the benighted few, we may say that it is the great crusade of modern times directed against the anti-Christian spirit.

RELIGIOUS TRAINING.

We are convinced that without religion there can be no perfect education in the true sense of the word. That is to say, no complete and harmonious development of the intellect and heart of man.

TOO MUCH CHARITY.

The subject of pauperizing fellow-beings by unwise charity is both too broad and too intricate for brief discussion; but in a general way it may be laid down as a fact that people who are worthy of charity do not want it, that they infinitely prefer self-respecting self-support; and that those who are unworthy are only for her degraded by unearned bounty.

NEEDED—PIOUS AS WELL AS LEARNED LEADERS.

All the great events in human history have been largely the outcome of man's thinking. Now, as a general result of historical observation, it may be stated that it is the masses who act, whilst it is only the few who think.

dices. Such men as Brownson, Ozanam, Ampere, the late Dr. Ward, are real bulwarks of Christian truth and piety. The bent of their genius is all for good, and those of us who could never reach the loftiness of their conceptions feel, nevertheless, the influence and the charm of their leading.

QUERY?

That genial joker, Dr. Osler, has suggested that perhaps chloroform would be the best thing for a man to take who finds himself verging on the seventh decade, and that the events that have made the world were all produced by men under forty.

A MISTAKE.

Application is often made by parents to our colleges for "a special training," which will fit the student immediately for business. Experience, however, proves that but a very sorry substitute for education is to be found in the almost exclusive development of a single faculty.

TAKE HEED.

Whoever discourages the youth, who ever takes the heart out of his small enterprises and shadows his bright fancy with ill predictions, begins in that young mind a process of destruction that may extend to all its energies.

"POOR RICHARD'S" ALMANAC REVISED.

Poor Richard would need to make many changes in his almanac if he were to issue it to-day, if he expected it to be accepted as a store-house of wisdom. Think of the thousands who have been taught that "early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise," only to learn later that there is little merit in this but its rhyme.

A PLEA FOR THE BOY.

There is nothing in the world so well worth looking after as the boy, and there is no being in the world so neglected as the boy. There is scant room for him.

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is very little, and very likely he knows more about you than you do about him. What he needs and what he will have is companionship. We must see that it is wholesome, healthy, helpful companionship which holds the boy up to his best.

WHY?

Sixty-nine students were dropped from a certain neighboring university as a result of failure at the recent examinations. This is six less than last year, which marked the largest number of failures recorded.

ALWAYS THE CHURCH.

There is nothing unusual in the news that comes from Spain this week. The Anarchists, Socialists and Red Liberals in Barcelona, made bold by Spanish reverses in Morocco, valiantly rose up, attacked and stoned the convent of the Little Sisters of the Poor.

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dedicated to the Blessed Virgin at Florence. It is veiled, and forty-two silver lamps are ever burning around it. On the veil, lifted only for a privileged few, is painted the head of our Saviour—the work of Andrea del Sarto, and worthy of him; but that which is behind the veil is reputed the work of an angel, or as one of the old legends has it, St. Luke was the painter and came down to earth in aid of a certain artist commissioned to represent the Assumption of Our Lady.

ARCHBISHOP MOELLER ON ELIOT.

When asked about Professor Eliot's "new religion of the future" Sunday Archbishop Moeller said: "The Catholic Church has stood through the storm and stress of two thousand years, and if the world is here in ten thousand years the Catholic Church will be here. Christianity, or at least the Catholic section of Christianity, is stronger to-day than it has ever been in its history."

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ing the 'church of the future.' God help humanity when it has to deal with the so-called religion of the future. Catholics always held that religion is a necessity, and it has been just as necessary in the past, just as necessary in the present as it ever will be in the future.

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Dream-Life.

Listen, friend, and I will tell you Why I sometimes seem so glad, Then, without a reason, changing, Soon become so grave and sad. Half my life, I live a beggar, Ragged, helpless and alone; But the other half a monarch, With my courtiers round my throne.

CATHOLIC NOTES.

The Duke of Norfolk has given the \$300,000 he received for the Holbein picture, over which there has been so much controversy, to the support of Catholic schools.

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Among the students of the Propaganda at Rome recently ordained to the priesthood, was a young Zulu, the son of a prominent chief who is still a pagan. He made a brilliant course in theology, and speaks fluently, besides his own language, French, Italian and English. A despatch from Lexington, Kentucky, tells us that the two daughters of Col. Milton Young, young ladies who were the leaders of the highest social set in that city, have entered the Sacred Heart Convent at Albany, N. Y. Another daughter, Miss Marie Young, entered the same convent two years ago. The Catholic charities of New York city benefit largely by the distribution of the \$200,000 bequeathed for the purpose under the will of Mrs. Graves, who was formerly the wife of Henry Plant, the railroad magnate, and share also in \$81,000 left to charity by the will of Frank J. Walgering of the same city. A few weeks ago two stands were placed in the north and south towers of the Paulist Church, New York City, for the sale of good Catholic reading. These desks are under the supervision of the Catholic Truth Society of New York, and a quantity of interesting and instructive reading is offered at a very small cost. A parish of over 14,000 square miles without a single Catholic Church has fallen to the lot of a young priest, now stationed at Cody, Wyoming. He is forced to pass Mass in all kinds of places—in private houses, dance halls, watch-houses and camps. He has one full set of vestments and an extra one, which he carries on his journeys from place to place. John Mitchell, ex-president of the United Mine Workers of America, said last week in Milwaukee, "I am reliably informed and believe that, during the executive session of the commission appointed to settle the anthracite coal strike of a few years ago, Bishop Spalding fought and pleaded harder to secure redress of the wrongs of the working-man than any other man on the commission." The magnificent memorial church, which is being erected in Birmingham through the generous contributions of world-wide admirers of the late John Henry Newman, is nearing completion and will probably be consecrated during the present summer. Its cost is some \$150,000. It has been built outside the old oratory, so dear to the heart of the late Cardinal. The Duke of Norfolk has a rent roll of \$1,350,000 a year. His London estate in Norfolk street, Surrey street and Arundel street, Strand, was erected on the site of his ancestors' town houses by speculative builders after the great fire in 1666. The original leases expired in eighty years, but those houses were still standing in 1887. The Duke gives liberally to every Catholic enterprise and dispenses charity with a munificence that earns for him the love of God's poor. There are 50,000 devoted Catholic women in the United States engaged in that beautiful work which finds expression in the labors of such organizations as the Sisters of Charity, Sisters of Mercy, the Little Sisters of the Poor. They have over 600 colleges and academies for women, 700 institutions of charity, and 300 parochial schools; they have 1,000,000 orphan, patients, strays, waifs and aged people to care for, 700,000 girls in their colleges and academies, and 800,000 children in their parochial school.