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"Christianus mihl nomen est, Catholicus vero Cognomen."-(Christian is my Name, but Catholic my Surname.)-St. Pacian, 4th Century.

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A SUGGESTION.

We advise the formulaters and revisers of creeds to adopt the following Parents weep when their chilhis comedy of English Protestantism: "Every man who is born into this within himself, with full power to absolve, bind, dispense or excommunithere is no further reason of being for bors' offensive Alliances, Leagues, Unions or Associations, or indeed, for paternal injustice and neglect. ever mentioning the subject of religion to another person. This would save all difficulty and inconvenience, and would get rid of the perpetual breaches of amenity."

This charmingly simple plan would give a long-suffering public immunity from the linguistic attacks of the Mc-Giffert-Parkhurst-Hillis people and bring comfort to heresy excavators.

DAMIEN'S SUCCESSOR.

Damien's place at Molakai, is prepar- for himself. Is not this statement on ing to go to the largest leper colony of a par with Ingersoli's, that he could China. One would imagine that the beat the Ten Commandments. To years spent in ministering to the vic- maintain that God has given a mestims of the dread disease were more sage of truth to the world and to affirm than enough to dampen his enthusiasm; that every man has the right to modibut that he is as full of ardor as the fy and to change and to revise that day when he first put his hand to the truth-to manufacture, in a word, a work is evidenced by the fact that he better sort of Christianity than Christ's intends to again cast in his lot with is a proof of madness that cannot be

ment of fifty thousand persons cut off mission of determining what God must from the world, disfigured and recking say when He speaks to His creatures is with corruption; think of the heat and subversive of revelation itself. It the filth and the stench ; of the loneliness and desolation that broods over it, one year can be denied the next, and and you will have a very imperfect so on until we eliminate God from our picture of what awaits this heroic religious programme. There is no priest. But he is glad to go. While medium. Truth is what we make it. men scheme and plan and quote Christ is on trial, and His acquittal or without believing Him, he is going to condemnation depends upon man. show the world that the love which Aud this is the Protestantism of these prompted the Master to give His life days! for His friend abides in the hearts of His disciples.

Deeds like these are oases on the desert of life.

BISHOP POTTER AND THE PHILIPPINES.

made some surprising statements anent that which you have received let him be the Philippines, to rehabiliate his char- anathema : and yet presumably Chriswhether the good Bishop was taken in by Manila claiming that Christ did not mean confidence men or whether he simp'y gave a holiday to his pent up anti-Catholic tendencies: but certainly some one has blundered, and he should, in justice to himself and to the public, come forward and make the amende honorable. His charges of concubinage and emorbitant marriage fees have been given the lie direct. Men who have been in the Philippines for more than four days have declared that the public. If he had had contented him-Bishop knew absolutely nothing of the self with airing his own peculiar true condition of affairs and that his views none might have rebutted them, criticisms of the friars were calumnies.

It is a pity that he left his own unchurched thousands to lay himself open but of two splendid contributions to to such grave changes. We are sin pedagogical literature, the one by cerely sorry that he has been guilty of by Father Brosnahan and the other by conduct unworthy of a Christian and Father Campbell, S. J., in the shape that he has brought upon himself a defeat so crushing that the consolation of dinner of St. John's College, Fordham. saying "that all is lost save honor" is denied him.

OUR BOYS.

The parents that take their children and we advise our friends of Catholic from school as soon as the law permits education to file it for future reference. them cannot be condemned too severedepends on your self-sacrifice

Catholicism is a barrier to one's ad- place in every walk of life is triumphvancement. But do we believe that antly borne out by the facts adduced care "may mean, but we do know that tents of the English Establishment,"

London, Saturday. May 19, 1900. be true, we admit, in some bigotry saturated communities; but ability and perseverance are as a general rule the key that opens the door of success. scheme suggested by Mr. Marshall in dren die ; but they laugh with strange unseemliness when they bid them seek their fortune. They may have an world is born a complete CatholicChurch abundant store of health and in heart and brain may be lurking forces that would if allowed to mature give them a cate himself—but no one else—and thus grip on the world : but they are already dead. They will become, as unpleasant remarks about our neightheir fathers before them, hewers of wood-with life wasted because of

A SAD CONDITION.

Dr. Hillis' arraignment of Presbyterianism has opened the flood-gates of the most glaring blasphemy. Back in the centuries we hear Cicero asserting: "It would require a God to decide which of the opinions is true; as for ourselves we cannot even determine which is the more probable: but to-day we hear the Independent declaring that a man of intelligence Father Conrardy, who took Father ought never to tire of making creeds described. To maintain, again, that It is not easy to describe the magnitude of his task. Imagine a settle natural problems is entrusted with the leads to Atheism. What is affirmed

True He sent His messenger into the world to teach all nations whatsoever He had commanded them: that He gave no one the right to pick or choose how much He will believe : that He laid down for all time what man must do and accept for salvation : that St. Paul declared to the Galatians that if any-It is time for Bishop Potter, who one preaches to you a gospel besides tian men have no hesitation in prowhat He said, or that His doctrines can and should be revised.

This, we ween, is the ultima thule of arrogant impiety.

JESUITS AS EDUCATORS.

The receent onslaught of President Eliot on Jesuit colleges has, in a way, been a veritable boon to the reading but his going so far afield has been productive of not only his discompture of an address delivered at the alumni

In reading the address of the rev. gentleman one is struck by its elequence and purity of diction. Every sentence bespeaks the scholar,

We know that the Jesuit is regarded ly. The lad who goes out into the world as a terrible personage. He is associated with untrained mind is doomed to with plots and schemes, with designs failure. He does not see it : but years against the Government and with hence when he is a mere Gibeonite he various other things that exist only in will realize the extent of the injury over-heated imaginations: but we done him by paternal foolishess. Give know them as men who have fought the boy then a chance for his life. for truth and justice; who have been, Do not permit him to leave school at as they are to day, the fearless and unfourteen years of age. But you say compromising soldiers of the Cross. that the miserable pittance earned by They have ennobled everything children in factories or as messengers they have touched: and so we are is sadly needed. Even so, bear the not surprised by the glorious pressure of poverty for a few years story of their educational triumphs, longer : economize : curtail your That they have given scholars whose saloon expenses. Their success in life names are not writ in water to the world is indisputable : and that they We hear from time to time that have formed men who have taken high

The Catholic Record worn out excuse for laziness and want by Father Campbell. Their enemies dale says that for nearly three centuries the Jesuits were the best schoolmasters in Europe: and that, at a time when primary and even secondary education had in most places become a mere effete and pedantic adherence to obsolete methods, they were bold enough to innovate less in system than in materials, and putting fresh spirit and energy into their work not merely taught and catechized in a new and attractive manner, but provided new manuals and school books for their pupils which were an enormous advance on those they found in use.

In America they have attained a proud position in the intellectual world. Despite antagonism and prejudice they have placed their colleges on a par with the very best of the country. They do not waste time on educational experiments. Father Campbell points out wherein lies the peculiar power, that is common to all Catholic colleges, in developing the intellectual capabilities of its students in a manner and to a degree that no other training can effect, viz., it subjects them to a therough discipline in the study of mental philosophy that stands erect upon its mountain peak and in the clear light of revelation which shines not to limit but to enlarge the powers of the mind, scans the mysteries of this world and the world beyond and gives as it alone can give the answers to the problems that puzzle and disturb the souls of

Catholic education develops the whole man, and the nature of that development may be seen in the average Catholic student.

In view of these facts we say that parents who thrust their offspring into the anti-relig cu; r indifferent atmosphere of non-Catholic colleges are recreant to their duty and are guilty of gross and culpable negligence.

PRESBYTERIAN DIVINES ON FOREORDINATION.

Dr Hillis has, by his arraignment of the Presbyterian doctrine of foreordination to everlasting damnation, made a bid for notoriety.

The rev. gentleman began his career in Reymouth church by a series of lectures on literary celebrities. They were very good in their way, but they aroused in this age of sensationalism little or no attention. It would seem, then, in quest of pabulum to stimulate the jaded appetites of his flock, he betook himself to the study of the Westminster, Confession, and discovered the grim Calvinistic doctrine of Predestination. It is all what the doctor styles it-but it is strange he did not see it sooner. It has been thundered from pulpits, and has been, while the doctor was phrasing in his pulpit, creating types of the creature described by Dickens, whose religion was veiled in gloom and darkness, with lightings of cursing, vengeance and destruction,

been floating through the sable clouds. That the doctrine is the fruitful mother of despair cannot be denied : and it is not to be wondered at that a great many have, at the mere statement of it, joined the ranks of infidelity. We venture to say, however, that Dr. Hillis' announcement of the doctrine was, though the very foundation of Presbyterianism, something new to his congregation. In the first days of Protestantism there was some attempt at systematic instruction: but a glance at the sermons appearing now in the public prints will convince anyone that they are productions, if you will, of more or less literary merit but absolutely without doctrine. The result is that the average Protestant has no creed. He hears from his spiritual guides moral disquisitions and political harangues, and blasphemous attacks on the Bible, but no definite teaching. The truth is the sects have no platform. A revision of creed is now demanded by divines; and we may have a few individuals commissioned with the mission of tinkering up a creed that will guide us infallibly to the celestial haven.

The Presbyterian Review says that the Westminster divines warn us that the "doctrine of this high mystery of predestination is to be handled with special prudence and care." We do not know what "special prudence and

Calvin formulated with a terrible and repellent preciseness that

"God, by an eternal and unchangeable de-cree, hath determined whom He shall one day permit to have a share in eternal felicity, and whom He shall doom to destruction. In respect to his elect this decree is founded on His unmerited mercy, without any regard to human weakness; but those whom He de-livers up to damnation, are, by a just and irreprehensible judgment, excluded from all access to eternal life."

Could human folly go further ? That allegiance can be given to doc-of God for souls. Help her. Help him. W. F. P. S. trines that do away with free will and fill the weary stretch of life with dreams and visions of God's vengeance is proof indeed of what an abyss of error men can fall into when deprived of the sheltering care of the Church. Instead of the bright and consoling dogmas of Catholicism, that every soul born into the world receives grace sufficient for salvation, we have the following from Jonathan Edwards, who perchance did not exercise the special prudence of which our contemporary speaks, but who nevertheless interpreted correctly the sentiments of Calvin.

Edwards draws for the delectation of his hearers this rosy picture :

"The bigger part of men who have died heretofore have gone to hell; the whole heathen world is hopelessly doomed; against the non elect the wrath of Cod is burning, the furnace hot, the flames rage and glow, and devils are waiting for their coming like lions restrained and greedy for their prey."

Judging from present indications the General Assembly will draw up a shorter creed to be obeyed under pain of anathema. And yet people will talk of the priest - ridden Catholic ! And preachers will descant on their independence of thought! They, however, pledge themselves to abide by the decisions of men who are prone to error and give abundant proof of it by their desire to eliminate what has been hitherto considered their fundamental doc-

We cannot help thinking that the lifeless sects are something like the dry bones seen by the prophet. The hot breath of error has parched and left them in Time's highway as trophies of man's foolishness and of blind fanaticism.

THE CHANGE OF RELIGION.

Reverend Sir,-Turning over an admirably interesting book, which may be recommended to all Holy Year pilgrims, "Wood's Ecclesiastical Antiquities of London" (Burns and Oates,) we read Bishop Gardiner's words de ploring the part he had taken in the schism under Henry VIII.:

"Iwas awfully in error in my past conduct.

Let me impress on you, good people, (he was preaching at St. Paul's Cross, under Queen Mary) that Catholicity and the Papacy can never be severed by any earthly power; they will remain united together to the end of time." (p. 91.)

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number of wild peasant maids, and did make them a most goodly discourse on the health of their souls; and you showeth to them how goodly a thing it be for them to go often times to confe sion. I am mighty glad of your dis-When the serpent cometh in the shape of man to whisper the thought of a bad action, the maid that goeth to a clean, honest confession is the one that cannot be led astray; and so satan is thereby disappointed. And the man who is dishonest (sic) becomes changed; and the spirit of revenge will not any longer have a dwelling in his heart Confession be a most goodly thing for the soul's health and rest."

Souls of men! when one thinks of the litle innocent children and the maidens f those wild days, and the Reformation roving at will and riot and insol-"Liar and slave," as even a Macbeth might contemptuously exclaim on the Cranmer of Macaulay's pages, taking one solemn oath in private to save himself from the conequences of the one more solemn he took in public; and pandering to the

Heartsick and weary of having part or lot with the inheritance of those children should be reared; that they bold, bad men, of "dwelling in the are being taught that their Saviour

Ritualistic, the other day. And have done, they are constantly remind travelling to his church, Miss Kath- ed of the fact." The "gentlemen" erine Conway found herself "feeling at home," when, as her last book tells us, she heard the little innocent children Alban's, Holbern, praying : Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for

In the month of the Holy Virgin Mother, remember Craumer's victims of to-day. The Church is but the love

FATHER O'LEARY AND DR. FISET TO BE HONORED.

Lieutenant - Colonel Hudon, of Quebec, recently received a letter from his son—who is with Company "E" of our gallant Canadians who front-in the course of which he states that in all probability Rev. Father O'Leary will be one of the persons to receive the Victoria Cross, as his name mentioned in the despatches to the War Office as being one of those entitled to it. The letter, further, con-This old man (Father O'tinues: Leary) followed us on the march, although he is sixty-eight years of age, and on February 18th at Paardeberg he passed the whole day in the firing line giving succor to the wounded and dying. He is an old blood and is adored by the men. He has been very kind to me.'

In referring to Dr. Fiset, Private Hudon writes to his father :

"You will be glad to hear that Eugene Fiset has been recommended for the Victoria Cross for bravery on the field, and I assure you he deserves it, for he was the only doctor in the firing line at the battles of Paardeberg, Osfontein and Drietfontein."

LETTER FROM FATHER O'LEARY.

In this geometry, the following.

In this connection the following letter from Father O'Leary to his brother, Mr. James M. O'Leary, of the Ottawa P. O. department, giving a graphic account of the Battle at Paardeberg and of the bravery of our Canadian boys, which we take from the Quebec Telegraph, will be read with renewed interest

with renewed interest:

My dear Brother—Well, at last we have been in it, and though our baptism of fire was a costly one, willingly would we go through it again. Canada may well be proud of her noble boys. It is true that many a once happy home is in mourning since the fatal 18th day of February, but the deep sorrow that has entered into the hearts of the loved ones far away will undoubtedly be tempered by the consoling assurance that all have done their duty. All, every one. So say the brave Gordons, the famous Black Watch, the Argyles, the Seaforths, the sturdy Cornwalls. So say they all.

And oh! that wild mad charge against an invisible enemy. Never shall I forget it, nor shall I attempt to describe it, at least for the present. Hell let loose would give but a faint idea of it. On, on we rushed, through a hail of bullets, the air alive, again with deadly missiles. On we rushed madly, wildly, tearing through brambles, stumbling over prostrate comrades eager in their delirium of bloodshed and destruction which had seized on us all to reach the enemy's trenches. And above the din of the battle. Oh! that wild, soul-stirring cheer, or rather that savage yell. Like tigers, our brave boys bounded over the open, but it was not to be. Darkness closed on us ere the position was carried and the day won.

Darkness settled down on that well-fought field, mercifully casting a veil over its horrors.

Papacy can never be severed by any earthly power; they will remain united together to the end of time." (p. 91.)

He had seen what he had seen, and what schism meant: and the cogency of actual facts overpowered him. The antiquarian arguments had at the first convinced that man of better will, blessed Thomas More, who spent seven years studying whether indeed you could be Catholic without the Pope. No such thing, the great scholar and saint found.

Then again—at page 375—words of Cranmer, when a priest fellow at Cambridge. He writes to the last abbess of the strict and enlightened convent at Godston:

(a) "I send you by Stephen Whyte forty shillings, as it bs Christmastime, for the comfort of the sickly children of the poor. I beg that my soul's health be remembered in your prayers, and those of the little innocent children. I recommended you to the care and protection of the Holy Virgin Mother.—T. C."

(b) "Stephen Whyte hath told us that you lately gathered around you a number of wild peasant maids, and did make them a most goodly discourse

boys!
I must draw this letter to a close. I feel sick at heart when I recall to mind the scenes of blood I have witnessed, and the stirring events I have gone through.

"SAY 'YOUR GRACE,' " AND "THE SIGN OF THE CROSS."

Says a correspondent of the CATH-OLIC RECORD: These two headings to paragraphs in your issue of 28th April bring to my mind an incident recount. ed to me as having occurred in Ottawa some years ago. While four gentlesome years ago. men were partaking of a meal in the dining room of the Russell House, a lady, accompanied by two children, entered, and, before sitting down at an adjoining table, blessed themselves —in other words made the "Sign of the Cross" and said "Grace." This proceeding being remarked by the four gentlemen, it set three of them sniggering and sneering, whilst their unseemly conduct aroused the indig-nation of the fourth, who was a Cath-olic. "I do not see," said the latter, " what you, gentlemen, see to snigger king's shame, and making marriages and sneer at in the action of those children. To my mind it is a proo that they are being reared as Christian children should be reared; that they

so says a philanthropic, unself-seeking in making the sign of the cross, as they were abashed, and the sniggering The children were those of ceased. General Herbert, the then command ing officer of the Canadian Militia, and a fervent Catholic; the lady who accompanied them was their Governess and the gentleman who administered the well-deserved rebuke was the late Doctor Darby Bergin, M. P., of Cornwall, Ontario. The Doctor afterwards spoke in the highest terms of the General in the education of his children.

#### A TIMELY REMINDER.

Reader, have you conformed with your Easter duty. If you have not already approached the holy sacra-ments, do so at once, and do not put it ments. off until Trinity Sunday. Something may happen to make it impossible on that day and you will be outside the pale of the Church. While on this subject it is well to remind all Catholies that the frequent reception of Com-

munion is very commendable.
On this subject the Holy Father, writing in commendation of the advocacy of weekly reception of the Sacrament, by an eminent French priest at the Eucharistic Congress convened at Lourdes last year, says : "He alone is able to fulfill the duties of a Christian life who has put on Christ, and Christ is not put on except by the frequentation of the Eucharistic table. For by this does Christ dwell in us and we in Him. Hence, the wisdom of those who, laboring in the cause of faith and morals, make it their duty to excite Catholics to approach, as frequently as possible, the Lord's table. The more The more that table is frequented, the more abundant the fruits of holiness derived We wish with all from it. . . . We wish with all our heart that a very large number of Catholics make it their practice to receive every week the Sacrament of the

### "OUR LADY OF PEACE."

The romantic history of the two huge cannons that ornament the campus of famous St. Mary's Academy, Notre Dame, Ind., is to have a new chapter The ponderous and rusty machines of destruction are to be melted and cast into an image of Peace. Shey have been resting on grassy mounds since donated to the Sisters of the Holy Cross in 1863, but will soon be transformed into a statue of "Our Lady of Peace.

At the outbreak of the Civil War the two guns were among the war materials that fell into the hands of the Confederates. They are of the Parrot type, of ten-inch caliber, and were used by the Confederates in the defense of Fort Charles. These guns were two of the heaviest possessed by the Southern forces, and were named with great pomp. In honor of Mrs. Jefferson Davis and Mrs. James K. Polk they were named "Lady Polk" and "Lady Davis.

# A STRANGE CONVERSION.

A strange story of the conversion of Jewish rabbi is related by foreign journals. Becoming involved in a versy, the rabbi. whose name is Tism na, undertook to overthrow Catholicity by making a close study of its teach-The result was that he accepted the divine character of the Courch established by Christ and eventually became a Christian and joined the Franciscan order. A few days ago his sister, distinguished as a physician, also entered the Church and became a Franciscan nun. The conversion of the two illustrious Jews has caused a profound impression throughout Hun-

# BAN ON MACCABEES.

Milo Meredith of Wabash, Ind. Grand Commander of the Maccabees of Indiana, was Tuesday advised that the Catholic Church had placed the order under the ban. Mgr. Martinelli, Apostolic Delegate, it is claimed, has written a letter to the Ordinary of that diocese to the effect that the obligation taken by the Maccabees is binding; that it comes in conflict with the duty of the communicant's loyalty to the Church, and that all Catholics must withdraw from the society.

After God. Mary is our great advocate and our deliverer from the temptations which cause us so much annoyance and so greatly endanger our souls. The motherhood of Mary elevated her to a dignity so sublime, that the Angelic Doctor calls it almost infinite. In the opinion of some doctors Mary obtained the title of Mediatrix, not by her merits, nor by having prayed for the salvation of men, nor by having given birth to Jesus, having freely and willingly offered her Son to the death of the cross to deliver us from the slavery of Satan and

O Mary ! if I am under thy protection I have nothing to fear, for thy devotion is a weapon which God places only in the hands of those whom it is His will to save. - St. John Damascene.

Right and wrong are so far apart that they never touch each other; and yet they are so close together that there is not room for a soul to walk between them. Every one must he on one side or the other.—Henry Norman. and ours died on the Cross, and that,