

When the first believers accepted what Christ said because He was God, and what the Apostles said because they came from God, and those who wanted to argue about points of faith were allowed to go. Faith demanded an act of obedience to some constituted authority.

The Catholic Party in Germany.

The force of united Catholic action is made clear by the present attitude of the Catholic or Centre party in Germany. The formation of this party was due to the anti-Catholic laws which Bismarck caused to be passed by the Reichstag, banishing religious orders, interfering with ecclesiastical administration, and impeding Catholic education.

Prince Hohenlohe has replied to the Centre, stating, on behalf of the Emperor, that the anti-Jesuits law is not to be repealed, and much interest is manifested in regard to the course which the Catholic party will take in consequence of this blunt refusal to undo an act of gross injustice.

Bismarck was obliged to yield to the demands of the Catholic party, notwithstanding his oft-repeated offensive boasting that "he would never go to Canossa"—which meant that he would never recede—and it is highly probable that the Government will even now be obliged to accede to the demand of the Catholics; for otherwise it is almost sure to be defeated, so that in any case the Catholic party will be victorious.

The Centre in Germany.

The Centre, or Catholic, party in Germany is once again the arbiter of political questions in the Reichstag, and is making effective use of its power for the removal of the last traces of the Kulturkampf. When Herr Windthorst, many years ago, at the head of a solid phalanx of over 100 Catholics, members of the German Parliament, made Bismarck's government impossible without a repeal of the persecuting May laws, he won a great but not an absolute victory.

The present political situation makes the support of the Centre necessary for the Liberal Government. The Centre has demanded a quid pro quo in the repeal of the Jesuit expulsion law. Chancellor Hohenlohe, instructed by the Emperor, has refused to agree to the demands of the Centre, and, as things stand now, the Government is doomed.

cellor Hohenlohe, instructed by the Emperor, has refused to agree to the demands of the Centre, and, as things stand now, the Government is doomed. Possibly the Liberal leaders may persist in their refusal; possibly they may repeat the capitulation of Bismarck, who yielded in the face of his repeatedly expressed determination not to yield.

Our Lady's Intercession.

The Remptorists in Paris preach in season and out of season if that be possible, devotion to Our Lady of Prompt Succor. The Rev. Pere Bouchage cites from his personal experience an instance of the efficacy of this form of devotion. It was in 1880. The cure of the parish where he was preaching a mission asked him to go and see a woman who was dying at variance with her brother.

When he spoke to her of prayer, she replied; "If I were to pray for the grace to forgive, I do not wish to obtain it." "Shall I pray?" he asked. "You may do as you like." Pere Bouchage says: "I fell on my knees, and taking from my breviary a picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Succor I placed it in her hands, while I recited the 'Ave Maria.' At the second 'Ave' she stopped me, saying: 'Father, it is not necessary to go on. I forgive; hear my confession.'

Mr. E. R. Lloyd.

A figure that was familiar on the streets of Winnipeg for several years has been removed with shocking suddenness. About five o'clock Saturday afternoon Mr. Edward Lloyd was in his office at St. Boniface when he was stricken down with heart disease, with which he had been troubled, expiring almost instantly. The news of his death, coming so unexpectedly, was a severe blow to his family and his friends, though it will be a consolation to them to remember that he received Holy Communion only a few days before his death.

The children are married, except Ernest, who resides in this city, and who was a member of the four-oared crew which visited Henley last summer. One of the daughters is married to N. D. Beck, a barrister of Edmonton. The funeral took place from St. Mary's church at 10 o'clock yesterday morning to Fort Rouge cemetery.

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