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A Large Congregation Present

After the Truth .- Some of the Num-

On Sunday evening last the Rev. Father Eiliot, C. S. P., opened a mission at the Paulist Church, 59th street and Columbus avenue, New York, and which was intended solely for non-Catholics. Long before the hour of opening, 8 o'clock, the church was

pretty near full, and by the time that the

pulpit was occupied standing room was

only at the disposal of those who came A cordial invitation was extended to non Catholics, and if Catho-

lies put in an appearance they were accommodated with a seat provided

they were accompanied by a Protestant But this was not so in every

case, and when the crowd became pressing those of the Catholics who came

were accommodated with seats in the left hand aisle. Everything was relig-

ious and nothing of a controversial nature was imported to disturb the con-

sciences of the too sensitive. The serv-

ices were conducted after the fashion of ordinary services in any Protestant

church. There was general prayer; then the hymn "Come Holy Spirit," in

which all joined; next a reading of a portion of Scripture from St. John,

first chapter ; then two hymns suitable

to the occasion, and subsequently a

sound, instructive and wherewithal a

most touching and appropriate dis-

course on the happiness of being united

to God. Then there was another bymn,

blessing brought the services to a close.

THE QUESTIONS.

A notable feature of this mission

was the question box for the receipt of

about the religion and practices of the owing to the cold that prevailed, yet

really present in the Holy Communion, and therefore I cannot tell how. For (3) Is the Book of Macabees an

example, my heart beats and keeps on beating, the muscles keep acting, but (4) If Christ died, was not redemp

but whether true or not Catholics are preaching, teaching and sufferings-

Likewise the cup, saying: Drink ye all of this; for this is My blood of the Supreme head of the Church? New and Eternal Testament; the (10) Is not the advice of 1

ward, yet I know the image of them | from the merits of Christ?

Catholics are not required to believe in them. They may be true or not; (7) Our Lord not

honest and conscientious questions

Catholic Church, and which the rev.

Fathers answered most sincerely and honestly, and it may be added fully to the satisfaction of those who

On Sunday night there were but two

little Infant in the Holy Communion.

I cannot tell how a voluntary muscle

acts for that matter. I look at my arm; the fingers of my hand I see up

placed on my eye is upside down.

But how does it get to my soul down-

side up when it falls upon my visual

there are and have been true visions,

not bound to decide. As to our Blessed Redeemer being really and

"He took the bread into His hands

and blessed and broke it, and gave to

His disciples, saying: Take and eat

ye all ot this, for this is My body.

mystery of faith which shall be shed

for you and for many unto the remis-

St. Paul to the Corinthians, eleventh

chapter: also in the account of the

Last Supper given by the evangelists, Matthew, Mark, Luke. Then, again,

take the common universal belief of all Christendom for fifteen hundred

years, unbroken scarcely by a mur-

mur against it, and you will hardly say that God would fail of success;

that He would stumble, as it were, at

the very first step in His religion. It

would be a most utter delusion. We

that He is really present in Holy Com-munion, but how He works this

miracle I do not know.

believe upon the word of Jesus Christ

The second question was in relation

to Sabbatarian privileges and indul-

gences, something like those claimed by the old Scapularians, and asked "If it was true that those who ab-

stained on Wednesdays, Fridays and

Saturdays the year round from flesh

meat, recited certain portions of the

little office, went to confession and

Holy Communion frequently and said

a great many other prayers were promised to be released from their

purgatory on the first Saturday after their death." This was a matter which

they might believe or reject at will,

and still be good Catholics. But they

would not surely reject the fact that those who did all these things for the

love of God, who practiced self denial

You can find the account given in

low, with regard to these visions,

organs upside down?

'Nearer, My God, to Thee," and the

LONDON, ONTARIO, SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 1896.

PAULIST MISSION TO NON-CATH-the hearts of Catholics toward their Protestant neighbors; that they enter-Much Earnestness Shown in Seeking Catholics-namely, kindly sentiments, a fraternal feeling and a downright hearty welcome among them. The Fathers were not belligerent. Some of their Catholic friends were not satisfied sometimes because when they gave missions they were not more controversial, and came out without black eyes and bloody noses. Now, the first condition toward the accomplishment of spiritual good was that persons should for the dead that they may be lossened. His power; it was incomprehensible—who could understand it?

Who could understand it?

Cheists Vicar on earth, etc.?" What the book was in the Church, why, then, the was an oright to walk into a baker's and small places, where there is only one priest, the person must be subject to the ethical judgment of the priest.

When the advance in the confessional upon the pouldance of the priest in the confessional upon the confessional upon the pouldance of the priest in the confessional upon the pouldance of the priest in t friends, and begging of them at the was the belief in practice at the time such upright, good living men. same time to take advantage of the question box and patronize it for, the of our Saviour. It existed, therefore, in the time of our Lord, and it exists "About harmful advice in the con-

> made inquiry.
> It is estimated that 35,000 non-Cathof Catholic doctrine from a more friendly source before. The same can much of a devotional character all round that appealed to the inquiring that there must be a middle state.

MERIT IN THE CREATURE.

street. The church was beautifully and tastefully arranged, and there was

spirit of those who came to listen, and who cannot fail to be moved by a kind-

lier and more charitable feeling toward their Catholic fellow-citizens in future.

MONDAY. -THE QUESTION BOX.

On Monday evening there was a good attendance, but not quite so

large as that of the previous night,

the attendance and earnestness were

tion from sin and hell free?

body, present in the Lord?"

therefore the idea of merit or of suffer-

ing in the creature, does it not detract

(7) Our Lord never addressed the

The Pope being an infallible

teacher in faith and morals, how do

Catholics understand that such an evil

(10) Is not the advice of priests in

the confessional harmful and product

ive of evil and fits of melancholy

an explanation concerning the con

duct of lax and jovial priests.)
(11) Is the Bible the same in the

Catholic Church as that in the Protest

opposed to the Public schools of the

THE DOCTRINE OF PURGATORY

Father Elliot then proceeded to

answer each question in the order in

which it was put. Coming to the first,

"Can there be any salvation for a soul after death?" he said that in the

meaning of the question as he under-stood it, no, there can not be. If a

death he remained so forever. The

time of probation for salvation was

In reference to the second question,

concerning the scriptural proof of purgatory, and the time when the dogma was first speken of, the speaker

said it was not true that it was not heard

of until the time of Pope Gregory the Great in the eleventh century. The

middle state of souls in the next world

preparing themselves for their eternal

eward in heaven has been looked

upon as a true doctrine from the be

ginning. Certainly there was abund-

ant evidence and proofs of Scripture,

belief of the Jews, as far as that went,

is undoubted, and was quite as itrong

especially in the Old Testament.

Why is the Catholic Church

ant Church?

United States?

limited to this life.

and showed honor to God, would benefit at the time of our Saviour. They be

Another part of this question asked

Pope as Alexander VI. was permitted

death of Christ and the creature's merit, Father Elliot proceeded to explain that this was not at all opposed to Scripture, as many supposed. There was certainly merit in the creature, the merit that he possessed in the exercise of his liberty. When God subject to the discipline of their Bishops. Priests, as a rule, were as well congave the creature His grace, during a body of men honest and deit was unbought; it came from quite as, if not more, apparent than on Sunday night.

But all were on the qui vive for what many of our Protestant friends

Catholic Church it was heresy to say that one could have no merit with Christ and by Christ. When given to

The BIBLE: WHOSE IS IT? consider an important and very inthe creature it was his, but it was none the less God's because it was the in the Catholic and Protestant churches, of these questions asked, and both teresting part of the evening's service, came by mail. The first was a question concerning a vision which it is Father Elliot entered the pulpit at creature's. Persons who were prayed Father Elliot said that we Catholics for in the next world were not had it first and have kept it through said a holy man was favored with during Mass, the Mass being said by an of interesting inquiries, and he proceeded to deal with them seriatim as

Can there be any salvation for The question proper was: "How can it be that what was bread and wine can turn into a little child?"

In answering, Father Elliot said: "Just how it can be I do not know. I do not know how our Saviour can be contained by the con little defects to say that they shall be THE CHURCH AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

debarred forever from Divine clem The Catholic Church was not opposed ency was most unreasonable, to say the least. Prayers for the dead were a historical fact during our Lord's time and ever since. Even in the Christian Church, throughout all ages, here a multiplied of the transfer of the United to the Public schools of the United preacher, "I am not," said the preacher, "opposed to your store because I go to another; I am only exercising my liberty. I am not say-(5) How can you explain the following text: "To be absent in the Is it not a fact that your only proof of purgatory is in the second

Virgin Mary as mother in all His physically present, it is the doctrine of the Catholic Church. This fact we know to be so, because Christ the Lord says so, and what He says, it is real: what way does she hear them? practice the hay and the stubble of our lives ing the Public schools. Nothing of mingling with the gold and silver and the sort. We say the Public schools precious stones. But the questioner are good, and when circumstances said that these texts of Scripture did favor us we get schools which are not refer to purgatory at all. Such an better, opinion was against the entire Church, found. Such an better, and so far no fault can be against Holy Scripture, against the necessities of the case, and against the beautiful and glorious doctrine of

> MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD. the feeling toward her that a good, model son would have? The very language that our Lord spoke when adwhich is a real theological fact as well question, said Father Elliot, believes person was in enmity with God at

to a central office, shows a vast development of one's intelligence. Here a great many persons may be in vocal then preached a powerful and instruct A short time ago a chess player played and leprosy of sin, taking as his text, a game of whist, a game of cards and "Tribulation and anguish on every five or six games of chess all at the same time, in different rooms of the same institution, and won all the games. Now how did he do it? Compare this with the spiritual development of souls in the agen. Whatever there was in the

the hearts of Catholics toward their Protestant neighbors; that they entertained toward Protestants what very many Protestants entertained toward Catholics—namely, kindly sentiments, a fraternal feeling and a downright hearty welcome among them. The

dition toward the accomplishment of spiritual good was that persons should have a kindly feeling toward each other, speaking words of kindliness and genspeaking words of kindliness and gentleness, and with those sentiments he opened the mission extending a sincere, heartfelt welcome to all Protestant friends. It tells us what miracle from God that they had been brought to assist at the forty hours' do

olics have attended the lectures given by Father Elliot and his associates in the Orthodox Jews' synagogue. Dur priest had any right to exercise such ing the time of our Lord the practice authority as that suggested by the may be concluded that a majority of these never listened to an explanation of the control of the control of the priest does not effect the efficacy of the priest does not effect the efficacy of the questioner. If a priest's advice was that suggested by the priest did not affect the sacrament of penance. it. He spoke about "the sin against to go to. They could go to confession the Holy Ghost which shall not be for anywhere; in any chapel, any parish, be said of the mission held during the given either in this life or the life any diocese; they could pick and past week at the headquarters in 59th to come." St. Augustine also said choose to suit themselves or their parthat there must be something equival-ent to forgiveness in the next world—did not guarantee that every priest was to be perfect, and where were injured by the injudicious advice Answering the question about the sath of Christ and the creature's melancholy. Protestants had fits of melancholy from time to time as well as Catholics.

With regard to "lax and jovial priests" it might be said that all were hands of God, trusting that he was subject to the discipline of their Bishops. ducted a body of men, honest and de-voted, as could be found, and this fact

Alluding to the Bible being the same for in the next world were not persons in mortal sin, but persons who were not able by their own free will to help themselves. We must make up for the merits of Christ by our own free will.

"Absent in the body, present in the Lord," was explained in this way. Catholics did not say that everybody went to heaven. The blood of Christ will cleanse from all sin, even cleanse. will cleanse from all sin, even cleanse from all imperfections. Persons who some years ago was a very good verswere good servants of the Lord were ion, and came close to that of the subject to imperfections, and for those Catholic Church.

there are multitudes of facts to prove ing anything about your store deroga-this. The burden of proof lay with Catholics, but they were not bound to other store which I cannot get at say any more than that the practice existed at the time of our Saviour, and It is just the same with the schools. has continued ever since.

Not only the Book of Maccabees, but also passages in St. Matthew, St. Peter they cannot get in the Public schools, Dankin is continued ever since.

Catholic parents want something in ture, which speaks of Cain having gone into the land of Nod to take unto himself a wife, which was not Catholic Schools, Since the cannot get in the Public schools, Since the cannot get in the cannot get in the Public schools, Since the cannot get in the and St. Paul in his epistle to the Corin and when circumstances are favorable thians, third chapter, fifteenth they follow the rule in the Catholic verse, speak of this being the schools. I think the idea of the quespractice in the early Christian Church. St. Paul speaks of the wood,

THE CHURCH AND FREEMASONRY.
"Why does your Church object to
Freemasonry? Is it not a fact that at

being able to help our departed friends one time one of the Popes was a and of being united to them in prayer. member of the order?" No; it is not a fact. The reason Another questioner said our Lord why the Church objects to Masonry is never once called the Blessed Virgin because Masonry is a sort of religion 'mother" during His preaching and in itself : it has a code of morals, a teaching. Was this person going to say that our Divine Lord did not have the feeling toward her that a good, denomination. In the original oath for the degree of Master Mason there dressing her took the place of mother, is a clause against sound moralityhe death penalty is inflicted by himof history. The person who asked this self if he violates it. We know this is not right. Masons say it is only a as well as I do that our Lord loved His form, and that they do not mean it mother most tenderly, and He does so If this be so, why not leave it out, then? to-day, and if she asked Him for any-thing her prayer would be answered. The oath is something which the Cath-olic Church objects to. Masonry in "Can we reach the Blessed Virgin Southern Europe and Spanish America Blessed Virgin hears all prayers, addressed to her, in God. In the natural order of things the sources of communicate many. The telephone, Mason everywhere. Hence the Catherina is assailed by Masons in

France, Italy and Spanish America.
The Rev. Father Younan, C. S. P. ommunication with a single person ive discourse on the agony, slavery

heaven. Whatever there, was in the next world was a source of spiritual welfare to us all, God would not keep of which, with one or two exceptions, by it sooner or later.

Father Elliot reminded his hearers prayers of the living were available us assunder. But how the Blessed was of the frivolous, nonsensical kind. Virgin could come to hear the prayers Nearly all were of the sensible, reason-

have another priest And, again, persons can at all times go elsewhere, even Fathers would be only too happy to day, this very same practice of confessional." Every Catholic could if it took half a day to travel, to one, answer any conscientious and honestly-praying for the dead. Father Elliot said he remembered at above. A person can go to any priest the time President Lincoln was assassin be or she likes. Persons are not under clares that the unworthiness of the

ABOUT ABSOLUTION.

(2) Another man wrote, saying that he did not believe in "priestly absolution," and said he did not understand the doctrine of the Catholic Church in this respect, though he thought a great deal about confession as a guide apart from the "confessional." He said he had also consulted priests on ethical matters and always respected their judgment.

Father Elliot said that if such a man the Church he should leave him in the sincere. Our Lord Jesus Christ did institute the sacrament of confession as she was living, the second marriage a means of pardon; it is an obligation upon us to confess our sins. As to the evil influences of priests, if they were evil men they would not hear any confession if they could help it, because it was too laborious, and they could not go far in their evil ways before they got caught. In the course of the ordinary discipline they would be de

olic persons walking on the sidewalks?
Answer: We do not claim any miraculous knowledge of people rule Catholics gave their priests a little salutation as they passed by, and that was one, perhaps the only, way they

GENEALOGICAL. .) If Cain and Abel were Adam and Eve's children, and we their descendants, where did Cain get his wife?

-for instance, there was Seth. And that question refers to the reading of the King James version of the Scrip gratitude to God. the King James version of the Scrip-ture, which speaks of Cain having

WHY THEY DON'T MARRY

do not marry.

Answer: This is a very important question — the question of the un-married state of the Catholic clergy. There was something peculiarly pleas ing to God in men and women practising entire celibacy to enable them petter to save souls.

Some of the greatest heroes were celibates, like Elijah, St. John the Baptist, St. John the Evangelist, St. Paul, and hosts of others. Jesus chose a virgin for His mother. In St. Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians, second chapter, they would get the entire dectrine and the sentiment of the Church on the subject. With the exception of a small portion of the Eastern Church, the entire Catholic clergy are unmarried, and are re quired to be so. It gave the clergy greater power for good among th people, for how could they attend to their work as well as they did it they were married men and had care of families? Let any person who wants to know ask the Catholic what he thought, and if he would rather have a married clergy, and they would get some enlightened answers. Perhaps at the back of all this ques tioning there might be some foul suspicion that the Catholic clergy were a licentious lot of men. They were an onest, clean, good body of men. A FAINT HEART.

(6.) What is the use of trying to win heaven, for the Scripture says: "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away.

Answer .- It was not meant that the heaven of the blessed would pass away but what people usually understood by the firmanent, the stars and constella tions. If a Protestant, let him take courage and try to get to heaven. It will not pass away.

NECESSITY KNOWS NO LAWS. (7.) If a person should be in want of food and shelter through adverse ing, and the very life giver, and He circumstances, would be be justified in obtaining it in any way that he could? either of them or any portion of them. Answer.-It was the opinion of all

"PRIESTLY INFLUENCE"

(1.) Concerning the influence of the has no right to walk into a baker's

when, that the Pope was declared infallible?

Answer. - He was so declared infallible in faith and morals and in a decree of the Catholic Church. This question was always believed as a deg-matic article of faith. "Blessed are thou Simon, son of Barjona; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father, who is in heaven: And I say to thee thou art Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever thou shall loose on earth shalt be also loosed in heaven

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

(9.) A question was asked as to the unthority upon which the Catholic Church married persons who were divorced and which also referred to a recent marriage celebrated in this way, and also to the case of Napoleon and Josephine. Father Elliot exas divorce in the Catholic Church be tween persons lawfully married. The Church had no power over such cases. Sometimes there was a separation between persons when the original marcould not understand the doctrines of the Church he should leave him in the hands of God, trusting that he was married under the impression that his first wife was dead and finds out that was invalid.

(10.) Inform me what would I have to do, as confession is necessary to the forgiveness of sins and as the Protestant Church has no confession, is not open confession the surest?

Answer: If a person is under the delusion that our Saviour did not institute confession as a means of pardon, if he has that delusion honestly science. Confession, abstinence from food, fastings have been practiced from time immemorial and were practiced by our Saviour. Fasting on Friday called to mind the death of our Blessed Redeemer for us.

(11) What is the theory of pre destination?

Answer: It is that Almighty God gives the kingdom of heaven to sinners from out the abundance of His love, and they not only attain to it because He gives it to them, but he gives it to them, but he cause they exercise their free will and use it. God had predestined all men to attain to the kingdom of heaven, but there were some who refused His grace, and in refusing it they made (4) If Cain and Abel were Adam and Eve's only children. There were others and perplexing subject, but Catholics hell for themselves. It was a different understood it, and it was not one that

(12) Why do Greek Catholic priests

marry? Answer. - Some portion of the Greek Catholic priesthood belonged to and was in communion with the Catholic (5) We want to know why priests Church. There were some allowed to marry because they were permitted, according to the custom of the East but this was not the discipline of the Western churches. Ask any Catholic if he would like to see the priest's wife and family dragging after him when he came to attend to his spiritual wants, and they would get the answer that "he would not."

NAPOLEON AND HIS TIME. (13) Is it not a historical fact that Napoleon was married the second time by a Cardinal, and was not his second marriage recognized by the Church. and his son, King of Rome, declared

legitimate?
Answer: The marriage of Napoleon never came before the court of Rome During the memorable years 1808 9 10 he had his own Cardinals in Paris and wanted to transfer the Church from Rome to the French capital. He swore his second marriage through; that he never gave his consent to his first marriage with Josephine, and that other circumstances occurred, with his sistern-law which rendered his marriage invalid. The case was never allowed to get to Rome ; it was an extremely difficult case, and he was married secondly by a Cardinal who was his own uncle, a creature of his, and solely because he swore the case through.

There were a few questions on "mental reservation," "the massacre of St. Bartholomew," "the expulsion of the Huguenots," and one or two more of some historical importance with which persons are more or less ac-quainted, and all of which were answered with satisfaction. THIS IS MY BODY."

(14) Why was not communion given in both kinds?

Answer: Catholics get neither bread nor wine, but the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. It was bread and wine in appearance only. must be there, if at all, in the form of

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