

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS.

Third Sunday After Epiphany.

PRIDE.

The advice given by St. Paul to the Christians who lived in Rome eighteen hundred years ago, "Be not wise in your own conceits," well deserves the attention of those who are living in our own days.

Look at our young men. Consider the want of respect and even decent regard so many show to those older than themselves.

Consider, too, the manner in which parents are so often treated by their children. I do not refer to those sons and daughters specially who are utterly bad and depraved—those who, by their vicious lives and their cruel treatment, are bringing the gray hairs of their parents in sorrow to the grave.

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Sainte Marguerite.

In the gallery of the Louve in Paris there is a well-known painting by Raphael of Sainte Marguerite trampling upon a dragon.

Ayer's Hair Vigor is certainly a remarkable preparation and nothing like it has ever been produced.

Totally Deaf.—Mr. S. E. Crandell, Port Perry, writes: "I contracted a severe cold last winter, which resulted in my becoming totally deaf in one ear and partially so in the other."

Holloway's Corn Cure destroys all kinds of corns and warts, root and branch.

Cardan, the Galley-Slave.

CHAPTER II.—(CONTINUED)

It was indispensable that he should be as speedy as possible in tracing out this horrible intrigue.

The consul took young Kerbriant to the back of the box, in order that they might converse without being observed by the audience, and Albert received the following frightful particulars.

"A stranger of indefinite age," said the consul, "came to my house about three weeks since, and announced himself under the name of Albert de Kerbriant.

At the first glance he saw the character of the man, who, not supposing that so scrutinizing an eye was fixed upon him, remained abstracted and gloomy, as if his body only belonged to the crowd of enthusiastic auditors who were applauding an Italian duet.

Cardan, dressed in black, his complexion displaying that peculiar copper tint which is the color of the galley-slave, his eye fixed, his brow depressed and his nostrils twitching convulsively, seemed like a supernatural being, disengaged from all frivolous pursuits, and meditating some project inspired by infernal agency.

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of the candelabra, which made a blaze like day under the portico of the theatre, they clearly perceived a man, pale, and baldheaded, with his shoulders naked, being dragged along by the police, and hooted at by the crowd.

"Good heavens!" exclaimed Madame de Mellan, "that is Albert!"

"No, Madame," said the consul, "that man is not Albert de Kerbriant. He is a felon, who has attempted to practise against you and your daughter a most abominable deception.

The agitation caused by the incidents of this remarkable evening prevented the two ladies receiving Albert de Kerbriant as his merits deserved; but on the following day Madame de Mellan and her daughter could not express themselves with sufficient enthusiasm or gratitude towards their young and chivalric deliverer, and on that very day, at the table of the French consul, it was agreed that the marriage of Anna and Albert should be celebrated at the Church of St. Louis, at Toulon, and that the admiral should be requested to witness the contract.

THE END.

MACAULAY ON THE CHURCH.

While Nations Crumble She Lives on in Constant Growth.

The history of the Catholic Church joins together the two great ages of human civilization. No other institution is left standing which carries the mind back to the times when the smoke of sacrifice rose from the Pantheon, and when camelpards and tigers bounded in the Flavian amphitheatre.

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EXTRACTS FROM A PAMPHLET BY ANGELO S. BURNARD.

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