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which there seems to be no forgive ness. All their youth and innocence destroyed forever. All the world at war, and every man's hand raised against his brother. Do you wonder why? It is because the world is full of doubts. Children are raised with carcely any religious teaching, some with none at all. They attend schools where no word is ever spoken concerning their Creator. They hear certain beliefs expounded by one teacher, and denied by another. Nothing is sure-every man's opinion is mere guess work. Can you wonder that with this foundation of sand our younger generation is sliding farther and farther away from all that is good and pure, and is caught by every passing wave of vanity and foolish-ness? The Catholic faith moves serenely along, united under one Shep herd, teaching in this century the great truths that it taught when Christ walked with it in person, standing impregnable-truly a rock of strength - amidst the tumult around it. I love it for its courage, for its mystical beauty, for its infallibility, for its all !

His voice died away. He had for gotten his friend, forgotten every-thing but the vastness of his subject. A long eilence followed, broken at last by Tom.

last by Tom. "I, too, have studied life," he said, reminiscently. "I have stood by beds of pain and wondered what un-seen Comforter could uphold them through such suffering. I have seen the shadow, of death pass over a home, bearing its best loved one away, yet the flight of that soul was too beautiful for grief to mar. I have seen burdens laid confidently at foot of the Cross, when every bead of anguish turned into an answered prayer. I have seen old age grow welcome as being one step nearer home. Young men and young women have been kent from paths of sin by the firm faith of home sur-roundings, and I have seen little children kneeling at the altar rail, like angels around the throne of

God. Will turned to look at his friend, but the touch of Tom's hand on his arm kept him silent. Tom went on : 'I saw all this. I found out what hidden Manna these blassed ones partook of : I could scarcely believe it true. Even you, my once insepar-able friend, had found a dearer Com-

to tell you-can you guess ?" Will sprang joyfully to his feet. 10" shouted. us-united by one faith! You will

become a Catholicno time. I am one."

ST. FRANCIS

For seven centuries, the name of St. Francis has inspired the tenderest thought and the most profound devotion. He in truth, was "not of an age but for all time." Intensely ferant, fanaticism never scorched his piety; severe to himself, he was ever onsiderate of others; self sacrificing. he never paraded his life of abnegation or imposed it on others, so that even at this late day, his gracious record has been only partly written. Infidels, like Renan, who discounted his miracles, had to admit the splendor of his qualities, while kindred characters, as Thomas of Celano, could find in the life of Assisi's saint, so hidden is it, only a fraction of his great deeds. This fraction, however, has proclaimed his magnificent sanc-tity to the generations. Rich and

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Basilica, Santa Croce, in Florence. All his sublime stanzas bear testi-moriy to his devotion to St. Francis. In Shakespeare we have the splendid creation, the Franciscan Friar, who creation, the Franciscan Friat, was divorce court. A change must could, more than any other character shows divorce court. A change must could, so that the shows if it does not come spontaneously if it does not come spontaneously will repeat itself once again and the whip sanctuary of a priest's mind. of God will recoil from our backs and sorrow and suffering will cause us to bend our proud heads in re-

AN EXAMPLE

In eloquence, Bossuet and Lacor daire drew their inspirations from St. Francis whose piety they copied flection, and force us to give thought in their lives. to ways and means of bringing up In art, Giotto, the creator of the

Florentine Campanile, called by Longfellow 'The flower of Tuecany our children in the love of God.-America blossoming in stone," was a Francis cap, while he, with Ghirlandajo and o hers cast the glow of their genius on the freecoed Franciscan churches of Southern Italy. Thus does St. Francis mould every-

Times (Anglican) who has been studying the attitude of the French thing which aided and abstted menclergy voices his admiration in these tal as well as soul progress, until in history he stands as the Colossus of words the Middle Ages. Truly, the humbled The temper of the French clergy exalted finds its best exemplar in the at this critical time is one of the finest things in history. For years they had been treated with conmeek and majestic Saint of Assisi. Catholic Columbian. tumely by the Government of their country, and the country had toler-

A DIVORCE RECORD

of the funds accumulated from their The United States is fast establish own slender savings; the Bishop of Meaux himself had been driven from ing an unenviable divorce record When Justice Newburger took his the historic maneion of the great seat at the opening of the present fall Bossuet-now in process of conver in special term, part three, of the Supreme Court, he was faced by a sion into a dreary museum-to find a humble abode in a by street of the calendar of 198 undefended divorce city. Have they sulked ? Have they watched with malign satisfac. cases. He was to be the patient listener to history after history of tion the troubles which have befallen domestic discontent. The evidence rade, and my coldness could not shake your faith. So I sent for you, to tell you—can you guess?" make any defense, or even to urge the nation guided by their enemies Have they refused to work with the disturbers of their peace ? Nothing of the kind. They have not only done with eager loyalty what the laws eprang joyfully to mess," he course, I can guess," he ed. 'Nomore barriers between The plaintiffs represented no particu-lar race or nationality, as the cosmo-lar race or nationality, as the cosmothe slightest opposition to breaking made by their oppressors demanded of them, even to the last sacrifice of all, but, in a hundred ways, they have ren politan list of names offered the Tom interrupted him. "No," he said. "Thank God, I lost time. I am one." Court indicated. The evil so black ly exhibited to the world, and already so common that it hardly evokes to the provide the solution of the sol dered help neither enforced nor expected, they have supported the de facto Government of France as if it were a Government of their own more than a cynical smile, may be choice, they have thrown themselves said to be typically American. into every breach left open by radical Feminist and the Socialist glory in it; the rationalistic press deconstituted authorities and without receiving or expecting a word of thanks have cheerfully yielded every place thus occupied to the returning authority which could claim it as a fends or excuses it, and scarcely any-body denounces it.

Yet this evil is gnawning at the very heart of Society, and unless something is done to check its ravages, the State will suffer irreright. nediable barm. And there is but one CARDINAL MANNING ON thing to be done : educate the chil dren in the principles of morality and religion. In this is our only salva

tion. There is a subject too large for me A democracy is founded on the to do more than touch-I mean your wills of the people ; it is firm with the firmness of those wills, weak with dress. I put it first upon the ground of costliness and expense and waste of money; but I may not put it on that only. Dear brethren, I always avoid their weakness, pure with their purity, corrupt with their corruption. Hence the necessity of strong characonly. entering into details on this matter. I have nothing to do with colors, forms and fashions-these are things ters unflinchingly devoted to upright. ness. But our numerous divorces bespeak a widespread lack of just which belong to you; but I have to such characters. In one place, there is one divorce to every six marriages; in another, one to every twelve marriages ; the story is the same every where. In view of such conditions, it is pitiable indeed to hear so much clamor for "adequate defense" and not a word about the regeneration of national morality. Defense from external foce is necessary ; protection from domestic enemies is no less necessary. Thew and sinew cannon and havonet are useless, if souls are corrupt. Physical strength and instruments of war may beat off the foreign foe but neither will save a nation from a nation's vices, the most dangerous of all disintegrating elements. Safety from them comes from the individual will. Such the lesson of reason and history. Amer-ica has not learned that lesson, how-

THE CATHOLIC RECORD

up and masqueraded in a way, some times, to provoke laughter, or pity, or regret. I must tell you what once happened to me. I was walking happened to me. I was walking through one of our parks and I saw three persons, of whom one was dressed according to the novelty of some fashion then coming in, and there followed behind her two plain working men. I heard one say to the other, "She only does it to be looked at!" Remember these words of just reproof. That is the estimate which is formed of fashion by the good solid sense of the English people. They pity and despise it. Our forefathers and the woman of another age did not bend and undulate with every wind that is wafted over the sea. They dressed and at tired themselves as Christian women, taking counsel of their good sense, and attiring themselves as was be-fitting their station in life, without

singularity of plainness, which is one of the affectations of vanity, and without a servile copying of fashion, which is the spirit of this world.-Cardinal Manning.

KING AND QUEEN OF SPAIN

EDIFYING STREET SCENE IN MADRID

A characteristic little incident occurred on a recent Saturday after-noon in Madrid. It is the custom of the Sovereign to go in state with his A correspondent of the Church family, the highest officials of his civil and military households, some grandees and ladies in waiting to

the "Salve," which is chanted in the Church of Buen Sucese. Afterwards, followed by a brilliant escort of horse guards, the whole party drive through the principal streets and park of Madrid before they return to the palace. They were doing this on that day,

ated this usuage ; within the last ten when suddenly they met the Host, vears they have been despoiled even Which was being carried by a priest to the house of some dying subject of his Catholic Majesty.

THE KING'S HOMAGE

The King himself gave the order to stop. He uncovered, got out of the carriage, and knelt on both knees in the middle of the street, and in a few seconds the Queen and others of the royal party were all kneeling by the side with the whole

of their brilliant suite. Alfonso XIII., placed his own car-riage at the disposal of the priest parrying the Host, who, with the chorister boys and assistant bearing

The King, Queen and princesses returned to the palace in another carriage without an escort, as the King ordered his guards to accom pany the carriage bearing the Host to the house of the sick man and to the the church. - Edinburgh Catholic Herald.

FIRST EDUCATOR OF AMERICAN NEGRO

CATHOLIC CHURCH PLAYED THIS ROLE, SAYS RECENT WORK

The commonwealth of Georgia has further blackened its hitherto not too immaculate record by a piece of legislation which prohibits the teaching of negroes by people of white color, aimed directly at the work of the Catholic priests and Sisters among the black men of the South. In this action, Georgia is in complete accord with her past, which has been one continued struggle against the education of the blacks and against the efforts of Catholics in particular in that direction. As early as 1740 the teaching of negroes has been for-B. of C. V. bidden by that state, and this has



able churchmen, should put the Protestants to shame." (pp. 23, 42.) The early Protestant masters, in fact, unced the education of the Negro as "an impracticable and needless work of popish superstition." (Note, p. 25)

The "Code Noir," or Law for the Blacks, promulgated by the French king under the guidance of Catholitism, which led to this action on the part of the Protestant English, is de cribed as follows : "The Code Noir obliged every planter to have his Negroes instructed and baptized. It allowed the slave for instruction, worship, and rest not only every Sunday, but every festival usually observed by the Roman Catholic Church. It did not permit any market to be held on Sundays or holidays. It prohibited, under severe penalties, all masters and managers from corrupting their female slaves. It did not allow the legro husband, wife, or infant children to be sold separately. It for bade them (the masters) the use of torture, or immoderate and inhuman punishments. It obliged the owners to maintain their old and decrepit slaves. If the Negroes were not fed and clothed as the law prescribed, or if they were in any way cruelly treated, they might apply to the Pro-

cureur, who was obliged by his office to protect them." (Note, p. 23) It was not only the French and

Spanish Catholics that manifested this interest in the Negroes. The English Catholics of Maryland set a like example. (See p. 107, 108.) All through pre-Revolutionary history, and even after that, it was the Cathothe bell, was thus conveyed to the house of the sick man. as the Negro's friends. The first seminary for the education of Negro girls, established in the Districts of Columbia, was conducted, through the encouragement of Father Van-lomen, by Maria Becraft, a Catholic who afterwards became a Negress, member of the Sisters of Providence. (p. 133.) When the "Snow Riot" closed so many of the Negro schools in the District, it was the Catholics and the Quakers who boldly con-tinued to teach; when sentiment compelled the Protestant churches o confine the Negroes to the galleries. the Catholics, of course, continued to admit them to the body of the church on an equal footing with the other worshippers. (p. 135.)

EVIL

This little historical review, which could be supplemented by many other quotations from Dr. Woodson's work, ives a clear insight into Georgia's ction. It also reminds Catholics of the necessity for them to continue the work of their predecessors, in the support today of the Indian and Negro missions. In the conversion Negro to the Catholic Church lies the basic hope of his social as well as religious salvation ; and it is the first step toward the solution of the Negro Problam.-C.

and friendless, it was O'Reilly, then a successful and honoured citizen of this country, who helped him. No thought of revenge enters into the souls of the truly great.-Sacred Heart Review.

> THE COURAGE OF CONVICTION

We all like the man who has the courage of his convictions. We may not agree with them, we may take them from a different viewpoint and arrive at a different conclusion, but we admire in him frankness, honesty sincerity. He is not afflicted with the sense of fear or the humiliation of human respect. He is rather saturated with the truth contained in the words of a writer : Human respect is a concession to nothing-ness." Human respect amounts to nothing, is a figment of the mind, unless it has back of it divine author-

ity. We must not offend against charity in our human relations, for charity is the highest law, but with charity in our hearts and in our practice to all we need not fear to proclaim to

the world our convictions. All the Saints of God had the courage of their convictions, nor were they ashamed to publish with humility and contrition their past transgressions. Augustine in his Confession opened up the lascivious career of his earlier lite, when he was in the prime of his manhood - no one can read them without profit-for they are the outpourings of a soul converted to God. St. Teresa confessed to a vicious and uncontrollable taste for novels. Monica related with compunction her troubles with a mother in law and how she once had fallen into the sin of intemperance. We might multiply examples from the lives of the Saints A courageous Christian cultivates the virtue of humility : a Christian under the influence of human respect is on the road to vanity and pride. Humility at bottom means truth, and a ourageous Christian will always be glad to openly profess the truth. A writer in "The Catholic Convert" says apropos : "How inimitable would the saints

have been for poor human nature

had they not thus immortally revealed themselves ! Thanks be to God, they left us as well the formula of the divine medicines prescribed for the cure of their follies and extrava-gances. Once cured, they have remained cured, and we have only to read their self revelations to realize the odium of concessions to nothing ness, by way of human respect. This accomplished, we shall, with a firm hand, apply the caustic of correction to 'that pride which apes humilty.'" Surely the published confessions of a Newman, Brunetiere, Brownson and Benson have done an incalcula-ble amount of good. "Let your light shine before men," especially when you can point out the darkness which you have left behind.-Intermoun tain Catholic.

GENEROUS DEED

A recent press despatch from Pitts

burgh chronicles an act of justice and disinterestedness on his part of Bishop Canevin. The late George Vilsack, of Millvale, Pa., having be-queathed \$5 to each of his four chiliren, leaving the rest of his money (amounting to \$8,000) to St. Anthony's Church for the purchase of a bell, the Bishop promptly preasking sented a petition in court, permission to execute a quit deed to John Ferguson & Sons

much in vogue among Anglicant especially, of dividing Christendom into "Roman Catholics, Greek Cath-olics and Anglican Catholics" — a practice that is without warrant or precedent to ecclesiastical history. We are Catholics purely and simply -a truth that should be kept ever in mind.-Truth.

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poor, learned and ignorant, virtuous and vicious, all make a chorus of voices in announcing the undying worth of him whom many emulate and all admire.

In the obscured corners of the days of St. Francis, there is enough of sanctity to make a thousand saints. His gentleness was so far from weak ness that its impelling power is felt to day; his love of poverty, so genuine. made greed abominable; his piety, so radiant, contrasted strange ly with the world, gloomy even in its brightest successes; his humility made vanity blush for its stupidity for, receiving almost worshipful rev erence, his heart was grafted to Christ's with the thorns of His crown. Not only have thousands of the members of the order he left to sanc. tify and ennoble mankind testified to the beautiful character of St. Francis by practicing his virtues, but men and women in the world have become intimates with the Seraphic Patriarch. In the fields of Tuscany, you may now see the farmer in his furrow wearing the habit of our saint and singing hymns of praise to the deathless character of his hallowed name. From Gregory IX to our great modern Popes, all looked lovingly at St. Francis. Leo XIII. gives this tribute in his pithy period : "Francis un dertook to place before the eyes of a decrepit world the image of the Christian ideal and made domestic peace, integrity of morals, public tranquillity, the legitimate use of pri vata fortune, all those things which are the best foundations of social stability and civilization, reflourish in Europe.

The great saint's usefulness died not with him. In this, our selfish time, his denials are an antidote to the worldly tenets of Socialism that would fain make earth Heaven, in-stead of a stepping stone thereto.

What wonderful influence our saint diffused into departments foreign to his formal purpose. Poetry, art and eloquence exalt him. Dante, in his divine song, was ever near Francis-can piety, so that now his monument adorns the yard of the Franciscan



do with the morals of dress 1 have to do with the faults that spring from luxury in dress ; and the sin to which luxury and ostentation of dress may lead, that I have to deal with and what I always try to dc is to lay down counsels of broad Christian ommon sanse. I only wish you knew where fashions come from - from some obscure room, in some luxurious and corrupt city, where by a sort of secret society of folly, rules are laid down and decrees come forth year after year, which are followed with after year, which are followed with a servility and, I may say, with a have been the first in this country to want of Christian matronly dignity, so that the foolish fashion that some foolish person has foolishly invented is propagated all over the civilized countries of Europe. From winter to winter and spring to spring our nearest friends are hardly to be recog

WOMAN'S DRESS

been supplemented at other times by farther legislation. (See "Digest of the Laws of the State of Georgia" by Marbury and Crawford, p. 438.)

This hatred of the negroes and the Catholics has in it a fatal logic, for it is influenced by the memory of the It is related of Karl Bitter, the distinguished sculptor, who lost his life last April in New York in an autohave endeavored to raise the black people from their state of degradation to some stage of enlightenment. In the recently published interesting book by Dr. C. G. Woodson on "The Education of the Negro Prior to 1861" G. P. Putman's Sons, 1915,) we have the record of this fact, and also the testimony that the Catholic Church ever consistently continued in this ourse, even in the face of violent race persecution. "The Spanish and French mission-

aries," we read in the introduction, set an example which influenced the education of the Negroes throughout America. . . Being anxious to see the Negroes enlightened and brought into the Church, they courageously directed their attention to the teaching of their slaves, provided for the instruction of the numerous mixed breed offspring, and granted freedmen the educational privileges of the highest classes. Put to shame by this noble example of the Catho lics, the English colonists had to find plicant did not recognize his former a way to overcome the objections of victim, but Bitter knew his persecutor at once. What a chance to get even! What an opportunity to those who, granting the enlighten-ment of the slaves might not lead to ment of the slaves ingut hot lead to servile insurrection, nevertheless feared their conversion might work manumission." (p. 3) "It was not until the French provided that masters pay off old scores. The great sculp-tor was too magnanimous for revenge. He received the lieutenant kindly, gave him food and suitable clothing, and for two years furnished should take their slaves to church and have them indoctrinated in the him with employment.

A similar incident is told of John Catholic faith, that the proposition was seriously considered by many of the Puritans. They like the Angli-Boyle O'Reilly. When the man who testified against him on his trial and who was in some measure respon-sible for sending him for years to the prison colony at West Australia, came to Boston in later years, needy cans, felt sufficient compunction of conscience to take steps to Christian-ize the slaves lest the Catholics, whom they had derided as undesir-

the children of the deceased for the entire sum. He said that they needed the money much more than the church needed a bell. The judge who granted the Bishop's petition declared that it

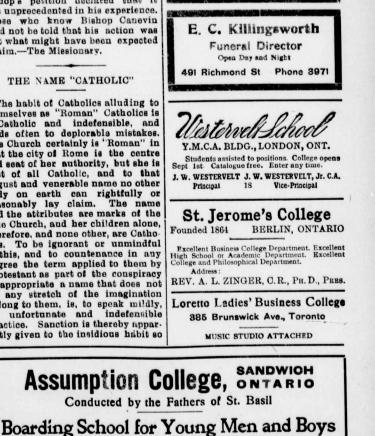
vas unprecedented in his experience Those who know Bishop Canevin RETURNING GOOD FOR need not be told that his action was inst what might have been expected of him,-The Missionary.

THE NAME "CATHOLIC"

mobile accident, that when he was The habit of Catholics alluding to serving as a young conscript in the themselves as "Roman" Catholics is unCatholic and indefensible, and Austrian army he was subjected to great abuse by one of his superior ands often to deplorable mistakes. officers. This man, a lieutenant, took pleasure in making miserable The Church certainly is "Roman" in that the city of Rome is the centre the life of the young sculptor who, and seat of her authority, but she is splendid in physique, commanding first of all Catholic, and to that in personality, sensitive in tempera-ment, refined in taste, was just the august and venerable name no other ody on earth can rightfully or one to whom a petty and malicious officer would take an aversion. At reasonably lay claim. and the attributes are marks of the true Church, and her children alone

last Bitter was given a furlough from which he never returned. He therefore, and none other, are Cathomade his way to America where he lics. To be ignorant or unmindful won eminence, and where he reof this, and to countenance in any ceived the pardon of the Emperor of degree the term applied to them by Protestant as part of the conspiracy Austria for his desertion. One day, so the story runs, when to appropriate a name that does not

he had become famous, an Austrian stretch of the imagination immigrant in distress, unkempt and belong to them, is, to speak mildly, out of work, called at his studio in an unfortunate and indefensible New York, and asked for help. It practice. Sanction is thereby apparwas the very same lieutenant wh ently given to the insidious habit so the old army days had so shamefully ill-treated Karl Bitter. The sup



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