

SONG— FOR THE FATHER MATHEW CENTENARY CELEBRATION.

Air—"Wreath the Bowl." One hundred years Of smiles and tears, Of joys and sorrows blended, Since Earth first smiled Upon a child...

O'Connell was astonished, and asked the reason. "Well, by the powers above," said the driver, "if the poor baste saw the great Dan O'Connell paying me with a half crown, he'd smash the car into smithereens."

Among a hostile band in the House was a very bitter opponent of Ireland, fierce in attack, but defective in speech. During a passionate assault he stumbled over the word "conceive," and repeated it over and over.

Two combatants met on the field of honor. One was very bulky, the other was extremely thin, something like an "attenuated herring."

nounced the word "patriarch," as "partridge," the keen wit suggested that "the boy was making 'game' of the prophets."

One more example of the playful humor of the gifted son of Erin, even on commonplace subjects. He was pressed for settlement of a long overdue bill. The creditor was yet generous in his terms, for he gave his debtor the privilege to "name a day" suitable to his own convenience to pay up.

The following list of noted names among recent conversions to the Faith in the old world shows that there are here it is the brightest, most thoughtful and earnest minds that are being won back into the bosom of the ancient Church.

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN.

"When difficulties are to be overcome, the longer you look at them the larger they grow. When objects are feared, the more you ponder the more your fear will increase."

Strength Through Resistance. The young man cannot be strong unless he has been tempted and has learned to resist, but he will gain the strength of every temptation that he does resist.

The Cornerstone of Character. Over half a century has passed since a young man left his country home to make his own way in the world, with no capital but his mother's training, and her parting words were, as she pressed a Bible to his heart, "My son, you will be known by the company you keep, and this book—well read—will lead you into such companionships as will make life a blessing to yourself and others."

Nothing can take its place. It can safely be assumed that nearly all the men whose names will live forever—here as well as yonder—were the sons of Christian mothers who gave the keynote to the music of their lives, long before the stern duties were performed that made them famous.

My Influence. "Gather up my influence and bury it with me," were the dying words of a young man to the weeping friends at his bedside, as stated to whom he was dear.

Discipline. What logic is to intelligence and reason, what economy is to finance, discipline is to conduct and character. By discipline I mean the series of means by which we make life strong, mistress of itself, and by which we establish an equilibrium which, instead of bringing them into conflict, harmonizes them.

Discipline is necessary and salutary. You need hope to gain nothing without it. It is necessary to have undergone it, and to be undergoing it necessarily, if we would not fall into confusion, incoherence and sterility.

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nor resist anything, and who yield to the first wish, desire or whim, or to the impulses and caprices of events and wills other than their own. I wish to make them perceive it in order to awake the desire for a different life in the hearts of those who catch a glimpse of the abyss into which it is possible to fall.

Sisters. It is natural enough that a young man should pay attention to some other fellow's sister. There are even Biblical and profane historical precedents for this custom.

We are aware that all traditions, all precedents are in favor of this habit of regarding a man's own sisters as out of the question when concern and theatre tickets, boxes of candy and bouquets are in order.

One hears a great deal of sisterly devotion, but seldom of brotherly jealousy. And there would be less jealousy and misunderstanding between young wives and sisters-in-law, if the brother—the average brother—were more careful before marriage to show his sisters that he holds them worthy at least of some of the attention he lavishes on the sweetest of her sex.

Mary, who has shielded Dick many times from the paternal wrath, given him pocket-money from her scanty store, walked downstairs on cold nights, to open the door for him, after the sacred hour of tea, never receives books or boxes of candy or invitations to partake of the crisp ice cream or the succulent oyster.

Life would be made happier and there would be a glow and a sympathy in Catholic families, if the natural virtues were cultivated—and one virtue which is not cultivated as carefully as it ought to be is that which leads some brothers to treat their sisters with courtesy, reverence and tenderness—for love ought to have an outward form.—Catholic Citizen.

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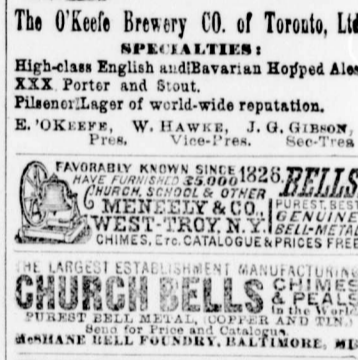
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Why do you tempt me ye Math. 23:16? What was it in the Pharisees that made them away unanswered? If we listen to the is nothing in what they was most true and appropriate told our Lord that they was a true speaker, that way of God in truth, that no man add did not of men. Could any said than that? And to be the light of me fine talkers still wrapped and ignorance. What for this treatment—a trifler to that which our gave to those who came.

The reason is plain. Their hearts were only on their hearts; they did their said; nor wish to said. In fact it was all came to our Lord to get Him into difficulties; they came to Him as He who not only but their dishonesty and measured out to it fit. The Saviour of mankind hypocrites, so far as forgiven and unsaved. And now how does the far and away the most for all of us that we from God the forgive which we have committed to obtain this forgiveness, each one, to go in peacefully as these Pharisees Lord, and we have certain professions of trition. We have to be heartily sorry for all of clear that the reason was is that those sins have who is infinitely good all love, or at least heaven or the danger punishment makes us above all, we have to mind is made up not sin again, nor willing selves to the dangerous. These are the professions have all made to Al and over again. If it and genuine, they we Most Precious Blood of to us the remission of many and great those been.

But the important professions should be true. How, then, are they are sincere and of course, if we know mean what we say, tend to make any ch and conduct, those plainly hypocritical down upon us a curs givenness. This is so needs to be mentioned.

But there are many tend to do right and take about the act of think that its sincerity depend on their feel that they ought to be truly sorry, to shed to or at least to have pi Now, no one will d be a good thing to be cere tears of sorrow f saints have done so structured us that we sh grace to be able to d of contrition may be sincere and true if— dition — we have m not to sin again, a dangerous occasions This is the test of contrition, and it is every one must know the point. If we ha sincere determination trition is good, how may be our feelings not got that determin not resolved to avoid on the contrary, we much as before, the might deluge the floods of tears, our Pharisees would be "Why tempt you me?" This, then, dear b important application pel to ourselves: the great care not to ap God with words and and especially, in sion, that we must true determination tious sin in the future.

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