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# CATHOLIC GROWTH

The table of statistics prepared by the compiler of the Catholic Directory for 1917 is a record of the growth of the Church in this country. The tabulated figures from the dioceses of the United States and possessions show that the number of Catholics under the protection of this great republic has passed the 25,000,000 mark. In over half the states of the Union the Catholic population is over 100,000; in four it is over 1,000,000.

In the United States there are 19,000,000 Catholics, who are ministered to by 20,000 priests. In every department of education and charita. ble work there are numerous institutions carrying on the work of God. which promises great things for the future of the Church here is the increasing number of parochial schools of which there are nearly 6,000 with an enrollment of over one million and a half children. In every line the Church has made progress during the past year.

The growth of the Church in this country makes one of the most remarkable pages in the history of a nation whose expansion and progress have been the wonder of the whole world. At the time of the Revolution the Church was as insignificant, numerically, as the tiny mustard seed, while today she resembles the great tree under whose sheltering branches are gathered the children of all the nations of the earth.

In our own diocese, the former stronghold of Puritan rigor, the little flock that worshipped in the dilapidated Huguenot Chapel on School Street has grown to the majestic proportions of one of the greatest sees of the Catholic world with activities which extend to every human need. Where, a century ago. there were but a few hundred Catholics scattered throughout six States. today the Church counts her children by the millions.

And similar growth has taken place throughout the length and breadth of our great and noble Union. God has surely blessed the Catholics of this land.

The continued growth and progress of the Church is brought into greater relief by the unconcealable decadence of American Protestantism. Consternation reigns among the sects as they behold the constant falling off in their membership. The number of the unchurched is appalling. Protestantism has lost its hold upon its former adherents who have become indifferent and deaf to its appeals.

In spite of all efforts-many of them sensational in the extremeorganized Protestantism is fast breaking up. The principle of private judgment is rapidly bringing about the result predicted by the Church at the very beginning of Luther's revolt. The fundamental truths of Christianity which Protestantism took with it from the Catholic Church are being gradually abandoned, and in their stead have sprung various systems of rational-

THE ROSARY AT THE FRONT What the rosary means to the

Catholic soldier at the front is sug-gested by this incident, related in the London Chronicle :

At one side of the hill where the men lay a fife and drum band was playing well known Irish airs, and they were listened to with keen ap-preciation and followed by cheers. At the same time, these men, so gay and light-hearted, are filled with the deepest and purest feelings of religion. On the particular night the writer refers to, just as the camp fires were dving down and the men were preparing to wrap themselves in their coats for the rest which they might be able to snatch, an offi came over the hill and down to the centre of the camp. It was the Cath-olic chaplain—a devoted priest who had been with the Irish troops in Ireland, in England and in France, and whose never-ceasing work is keenly appreciated by all ranks. In a moment he was surrounded by the men. They came to him without orders-they came gladly and willingly, and they hailed his visit with delight. He spoke to them in simple, homely language which they liked. It was a simple yet most movfinished his address he signed to the men to kneel, and administered to them the General Absolution and the dying person cather is reached and the dying person is ready for baptism. If the dying per-son is willing to be baptized, let the Catholic administer Bantiem in the in times of emergency. The vast majority of the men present knelt ference of Protestant friends prevents and those of other faiths stood by in the Catholic from speaking of Bapattitudes of reverent respect. The chaplain then asked the men to re-cite with him the Rosary. It was he or she is willing to do whatever is most wonderful, the effect produced necessary for salvation. This is an as hundreds of voices repeated the implicit desire of Baptism. Upon prayers and recited the words, "Pray for us now and at the hour of death. desire, the Catholic party is Amen,"—the hour of death now approaching on swift wings for many a dying Protestant. As Father Splaine gallant son of the "ould land."

WHEN A PROTESTANT DIES

A CATHOLIC MAY DO MUCH TO

CONSOLE HIM IN HIS LAST MOMENTS

To counteract the somewhat prevalent false notion that a Catholic can do nothing to help a dying Protestant, the London Catholic Truth sus Ligouri : "It is far better to give Society has published a pamphlet by Rev. James F. Splaine, S. J., with the "Imprimatur" of the Archbishop of the risk of refusing it to one who Edinburgh.

It may interest readers to learn just what they may do to help a quam volenti negare, ulbi velit an ravages of war. dying Protestant. It may console a convert to learn that he or she need also the teaching of SS. Antoninus not stand idly by, while a Protestant relative or friend is leaving this Finally, let the Catholic assisting world. We assume that no friend at the deathbed of a Protestant rewill be admitted to the dying Protestant. All depends on the Catholic layman or the Catholic woman. How shall these act to help a Protestant to die well? Attention to the

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age.

than many people imagine. Talk ity anywhere to deliver a distinct about the Good Shepherd and His message of Christian truth. love for the lost sheep. Get the dying person to pray to the Lover of the souls of men. This prayer will engender a conviction that Jesus is a dren, the cutting off of every means friend. Now love begets love. And of support for myself and family, the when a dying person turns to God as entire overturning of the old life and to a good friend; and tells God that he (the dying person) is sorry for his strange one—a somewhat difficult he (the dying person) is sorry for his sins because God is good and a friend thing for a man of sixty four years of man; then you have changed attrition into contrition. And the soul of the dying Protestant is in the state of grace. So much for helping my conscience. Then I called upon a dying Protestant who has been Father J. A. Reis, pastor of the properly baptized. IN THE ABSENCE OF BAPTISM

Now, if the dying Protestant has never been baptized or has been improperly baptized, the Catholic's chief concern is to see that such a person is properly baptized before he or she leaves this world for baptism is absolutely necessary to salvation. Wherefore, whenever there is any doubt about a person's baptism such a person may be rebaptized condition ally. The condition may be made in the mind of the Catholic. There is

no need of expressing the condition in words. Verbal expression of the condition belong to public or solemn baptism Your dying Protestant relative or friend has never been properly bap-

Now, religious controversy is tized. out of place at the death bed. It may do much harm. It may change a good will into a bad will. Therefore good will into a bad will. let the Catholic steer clear of religious arguments at such a time. Pay strict attention to the essential or necessary truths of salvation. Your dying Protestant must believe in God "and Jesus Christ, whom He has sent." Try to get the dying person to do this. Read the 102d Psalm. Talk of the Good Shepherd as above Arouse sorrow for sin because of the punishment they have descended. If the Catholic gets this far with the dying Protestant, the state of attri-

If ingrained prejudice or the inter-

tism, then let the Catholic get the says a sick man desires health, but may object to a certain medicine. Now the objectionable medicine is very necessary to the recovery of health. The prudent physician ignores the sick man's prejudice, gives him the medicine, and rightly interprets the sick man's real desire. Reputable theologians and the common sense of mankind will agree Father with Splaine that the physician did what he should have done. The Reverend Jesuit emphasizes this quotation from St. Alphona Sacrament accidentally to one who is unwilling to receive, than to run wishes for it.'

"Multo satius est nolenti dare nolit jam non apparet." This was

member that unconsciousness is no

bar to Baptism. And above all things let the Catholic be tactful.—Sebastian, in The Tablet.

### "To become a Catholic meant the severing of old ties, the grieving of Full compound interest paid at highest bank rate on Savings Deposits of One Dollar and upwards. I consulted no one but God, talked with no man or priest, until I was about ready to stand publicly by THE the English-speaking] the Church of San Lorenzo, City of Mexico ; and later I called upon the Archbishop, who pious advice, given to me only a short

and have been found wanting.'

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time before his lamented decease, I shall never forget. And on the 20th of January, 1908, I was baptized by Father Reis, General J. B. Frisbie and Judge Ignacis Sepulveda being my sponsors. I have found 'the peace of God which passeth all suffering, and famine and desolation understanding.' The false philosophies of the age

THE CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY

The President of the society, Mr. James P. Murray, has been visiting Eastern cities during the past two weeks in the interest of the society. While in Quebec he had a very pleasant interview with His Emin-ence Cardinal Begin, who expressed his approval of the work of the society and gave assurances of his cooperation.

In Montreal he visited the offices of the Canadian Messenger of the Sacred Heart, and was taken over the splendid printing plant by Rev. E. J. Devine, S. J.

The influence of the society is now sions, it will be a pleasant surprise found in the Diocese of P. E. I. in to learn of the results in High school the East and Vancouver on the West. Christian Brothers in Toronto Fifty-eight parcels, containing 293 pounds of remailed newspapers and magazines were forwarded to mission. aries, homes, hospitals, etc., through out Canada during the month of May from the office of the Society, 67 Bond St., Toronto. ince.

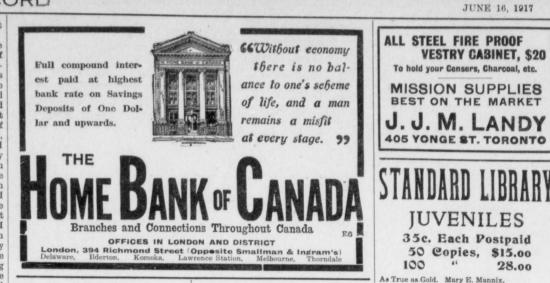
#### ORDINATIONS AT MARYKNOLL

Twelve students from the Foreign on Honor Matriculation and 10 Mission Seminary at Maryknoll participated in the recent ordinations at New York. One of these, Rev. John J. Massoth, of Kansas, was advanced to the priesthood. Two others. Rev. William P. O'Shea, of New Jersey, and Rev. Alphonsus S. Vogel, of New faim that we and our brave Allies York City, received the deaconate. may have bread. Minor orders were conferred on Joseph Hunt, Raymond Lane and Robert Cairns, of Massachusetts, and on Anthony Hodgins of New York. stay long enough at High school to Tonsure was given to Philip Taggart, matriculate. Such is not the case at the De La Salle as the following also of New York, to Joseph Sweeney of Connecticut, Joseph Stack, of Washington, D. C., John Murray, of figures will show: 227 pupils entered the matriculation course at the De Massachusetts, and Frederick Gregory La Salle from 1907 to 1913 (incluof Rhode Island.

The Seminary at Maryknoll now ready obtained Junior Matriculation counts ten priests, and, it is understood, will soon take the necessary steps to secure its first field of labor. Its development is being watched with keen interest, not only by the course. bishops and priests of this country, but by hundreds of priests in heathen and by the Seminaries lands. Europe, now almost emptied by the

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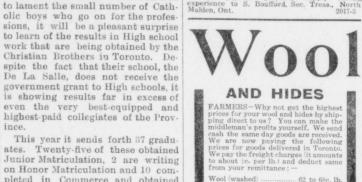
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for politics, economics and various isms, and is not concerned with the preaching of the Gospel. The Bible toward is not now the word of God, but a grace.

great poem, or some such nonsense. Only in the Catholic Church is Christ recognized now, as from the beginning, as the Son of God. our Redeemer and Savior. She alone has kept undefiled and incorrupt the deposit of Faith received from Christ and His Apostles. And so He is with her always, to bless her, and give her abundant increase.-The Pilot.

#### NO MIRACLE WOULD BE GREATEST MIRACLE HERE

"To change the face of the uniand verse, to convert, without force or violence of any kind, to the Christian Religion persons of every age, sex, and condition, old and young, rich and poor, learned and unlearned, and this with immense sacrifices on their part, at the expense of their goods, and loss of their lives, amidst torments of the most cruel-to establish the foundation, to promote the extension, and secure the continuance of this Religion in spite of the resistance of princes, the opposition of the wise men of the world, and the contradiction of the passions of human nature—to accomplish all this, did the Apostles and first Pastors of the Church perform miracles? Yes, or no? If yes, that is if they performed miracles, then the Christian Religion is Divine, proved so by these miracles; if no, that is if they performed no miracles, then I would ask would not the conversion of the world without miracles, by such instruments and against such opposition, be in itself greatest of all miracles, stamp. ing thereby on the Religion of Christ the most undeniable mark and seal of\_its Divinity ?-St. Augustine.

These are the principles : God is merciful. God is just. Invincible ignorance is not a crime. Good will towards God will attract divine

Human prejudice, a long line of bigoted ancestors, social surroundings, may have prevented your Pro testant relative or friend from seeing the truth of Catholicity. But he or she has followed his or her conscience. A wall of traditional prejudice separates them from the One

True Church of God. Must these Protestants be lost? Not so! The highest authority in the Church has told us otherwise. Pius IX., in his Encyclical to the Italian Episcopate, August 10, 1863, wrote these consoling words : "It is known to us and to you that those who are in invincible ignorance of our holy religion, and who, carefully fulfilling the natural law and the precepts thereof inscribed by God in the heart of all. besides being in the disposition to obey God, live a good and upright life, can, by the aid of Divine light and grace, attain to life eternal." These words of a great Pope should

encourage us to help the dying Pro-testant. The manner of our help will depend upon circumstances. If the dying Protestant has been properly baptized there is one way of helping him or her. If the Protestant has not been properly baptized there is another way to help.

WHAT TO DO

The dying Protestant has been properly baptized. You are sure of this. There is not the slightest suspicion in your mind about any carelessness in the baptism of your dying relative or friend. Now, once bap-tized, always baptized. Having made certain of the dying person's bapstate of attrition. From attrition to Baptist congregation of which I had are bowed down in sorrow, how they perfect contrition is an easier step

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"I labored for seven years on the compiling of a [Spanish] Concord-ance of the Holy Scriptures, and I scrutinized every text that could bear upon the subject I had in hand. I found the authority of the Church 'pillar and ground of the truth. the Primacy of Peter, the power of the priest to forgive sins, Transubstantiation, the efficacy of the Sacraments and one or two other greater dogmas to be so clearly taught in God's Word that I dare no longer close my eyes to the truth. Once I was convinced of the truth that ultimate authority lay in the Church, and that she was the authorized interpreter of Writ, the rest followed as a natural consequence. The Holy Spirit said to me : 'This is the way ; walk in it.' It was more difficult for me to accept the discipline of the Church, its ceremonies and ritual.

but here again I was aided by Him who guides into all truth when the seeker is willing to be led. "On the other hand, I asked my-

self : By what authority am I persuading these people to give up the faith of their fathers? No church has given me such authority, for none in so, how is it that a hundred others go. tion, and yet each one leads the people along a different road ? For most frightful slaughter the world

tense and untruth. "In seeing old castles and cathedrals," he writes, "I sometimes say, as today in front of Dundee Church tower, which 'is eight hundred years old : This was built by another and a better race aries, 6 than that now looking on it. . . . England felt the full beat of Christianity which fermented Europe and drew, like the chemistry of fire, a firm line between barbarism and culture. The power of the religious

sentiment put an end to human sacri-fices, checked appetite, inspired the crusades, inspired resistance to tyrants, inspired self-respect, set bounds to serfdom and slavery, founded liberty, created the religious architecture, -York, Newstead, Westminster, etc., works to which the key is lost with the sentiment which created them."

Thus, out of the mouths of prophets, not of our own household, comes the meed of appreciation we ourselves often cannot give, because we know so little to understand the glories which are ours by right of inherit-ance from so ancient and worthy a mother.-Catholic Bulletin.

WE MUST GET BACK TO GOD "

"We must get back to God," is the keynote which the Right Rev. Joseph

Chartrand, D. D., Coadjutor Bishop of Indianapolis, Ind., sounds in a war pastoral just issued. The following

Protestantism claims any; the money. We have in our intoxication, Missionary Board is not a New Testa-our unparalleled material prosperity ment institution, and does not pre-tend to be. Did Christ send me? If come, and to whom we must Behold now how our very around me claim the same authoriza- boast, our inventions and discoveries.

tism; bend all your efforts to arouse not only among the multi-colored has ever known. Have we not sorrow for sin. Read the 102d Psalm. Protestaut church, but in my own made ease, and self-indulgence and This, by the grace of God, will arouse church there were a score or more of pleasure, and luxury our highest in the soul of the dying person the different faiths, many, even in the aims? See, now, how the nations

Toronto University, Nine De La Salle pupils completed a course in higher studies this year; Theology (ordained) 2, Toronto University B. A. 3, Dental College Graduates 2, School of Science Graduates 1, School of Science C. E. degree 1. It is worthy of note that all three who obtained the Univer-sity B. A. are studying for the

commercial course.

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