

ROMAN CATHOLIC PROGRESS.

The Methodist Times of September 10 discusses editorially the subject of Roman Catholic Progress.

It is claimed that in 1800 there were in Great Britain 120,000 Roman Catholics, and that now there are 1,600,000.

Even with the assistance of Irishmen, Frenchmen, Germans, Italians, and others, the Roman Church in England has not retained its natural increase.

But this is not the whole loss. Follow these millions of Irishmen to America.

Yes, that is the official return of the last census, and let it be remembered that the total population is 65,000,000.

If the significance of the disastrous figures from The Economist's Francis, is not yet realized, contrast the progress of Romanism and of Methodism in England during the last ninety years.

Now let us carry the war into the enemy's country, and inquire what progress Rome has made in what she calls "non-Catholic countries."

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calamity has ever befallen a Protestant Church. We scarcely realize in this country how low Rome has sunk.

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our divine Teacher had a wonderful power of condensation. He could put a sermon into a sentence, and a dozen sentences spoken to Nicodemus make a great volume of theology.

This parable is as fresh to-day as ever, and has a very practical bearing upon that vital thing we call character.

Ministers and Sunday-school teachers make a sad mistake when they direct their main efforts against particular sins, instead of striking at the source of all sin—a godless, unconverted heart.

Christ's method of dealing with human character is the only thorough method. He says: "Behold, I make all things new."

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the Lord," which meant repentance, and "cleave to the Lord," which meant a life of faith and obedience.

It was quite in line with this idea of spiritual clothing that, to Apostle as he exhorts everyone to "put on the Lord Jesus Christ." This was a very different thing from mere outward ceremonial.

With such a complete and comely robe offered to us, why should we envy our neighbor, who is clothed with a life that is only a bit of shreds and patches?

My prune orchard is not separated by a fence from that of my neighbor, and there is no extra space between my last row of trees and his first row.

I had some children helping me to gather prunes. This is just the kind of other men would be the prunes, when ripe, either fall or are shaken from the trees, and a child with his or her nimble fingers can pick them up as fast as a man.

I saw some extra nice prunes over the fence, and I said to myself, "I would like to have them in my box."

I have tried to make my ministry a ministry of exposition of Scripture. I know it has failed in many respects.

Richard Coell called on a celebrated physician for medical advice. On returning home he told his wife, with glowing enthusiasm, of the accomplishments of the physician, the extent and variety of his information, the fascination of his manners, and the charm of his conversation.

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POPULARITY.

What is it? Webster says: "Favor with masses." But this is what all our candidates are claiming.

Paul evidently did not think so, for he wrote to Timothy that an elder must have "a good report of those that are without."

The minister of the gospel, the Sabbath school teacher, the christian in any and every sphere, must be popular without compromising his principles.

A ministry of power must be the fruit of a holy, peaceful, loving intimacy with the Lord. Oh, how much depends on the holiness of our life, the consistency of our character, the heavenliness of our walk and conversation!

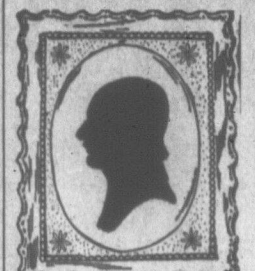
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Fifty Years Ago. This is the way it would look when grandfather had his "plaster took."

Ayer's Sarsaparilla began to make new men, just as the new pictures of man began to be made.

Free Preaching. The late Dr. A. J. Gordon often told of a Sabbath on which he went in the morning to hear a distinguished preacher who was celebrated for his biblical knowledge.

ABIDE WITH ME. BY LEWIS CLARK HARDY. In the garden's glen morning, When my heart with peace is filled, When my feet are on the mountain,

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Large advertisement for Hair Restorer, featuring a portrait of a woman and text describing the product's benefits for hair health.