

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

To the Catholic Church the Fed Appears Incongruous and Ridiculous.

A correspondent of the New York Sun writes: Mr. Willard Matos, in a letter in yesterday's Sun gives the view of Christian Scientists on marriage, or rather attempts to do so in the usual manner employed by them in explaining anything; that is by using very reddy but very ambiguous language which conveys no definite impression, which sounds nice, but does not explain, and leaves the poor groping non-Christian Scientist totally in the dark.

Now, what is Christian Science and wherein is it scientific? A woman Christian Scientist, to whom I addressed the first of the questions, replied "divine inspiration." She could not, although a very intellectual person, give a reasonable answer to my second question. Here are some other questions, which I asked her, with the answers:

Q. What is the flesh? A. Simply mortal thought. Q. What is disease? A. That, too, is mortal thought and can be obliterated by the demonstration of divine inspiration. Q. Is there such a thing as sin? A. Most emphatically no. Sin is like disease, it is error, and merely exists in mortal thought. Q. Do you admit anything material? A. No. Everything is thought.

Now, in all fairness, I should like to ask any Christian Scientist if such philosophy, if I may use the term, is compatible with the teachings of Christ. If the answer is Yes, I should like to ask why the scriptures were written in a manner which is certainly not compatible with Christian Science. Were the scriptures written in so incongruous a manner that nineteen centuries were to pass before they were to be correctly interpreted, and was Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy the chosen interpreter?

As a matter of fact, do not the teachings and life and death of Jesus Christ make the Christian Science cult ridiculous? Christ, according to the scriptures, was the Son of God. He was a material and a spiritual God. He preached the body and the soul, heaven and hell, fasting and feasting. He did not call sin error; He called it sin. Jesus Christ also suffered and died. Now, if Christ is the Son of God, why would He have mimicked suffering and death, if there were no such things except in the mortal mind? Would He burlesque suffering and death if He came into the world, or what, Christian Scientists are pleased to tell us, we think is the world, to preach against the existence of such things? Why did He feed the multitude when the multitude did not exist except in the minds of wraths?

The regular order of business was then continued and the members of the present assembly agreed that a very pleasant and profitable evening had been spent by the members and their friends.

A SUCCESSFUL PICNIC

Wednesday, June 13th, was a gala day in Brock, when nearly a thousand people attended the picnic held at Maple Grove. The weather was perfect, and the picnic was a success in every particular. The picnic was held at Maple Grove, and the result was the most successful picnic ever held in Brock.

DESTROYING THE FAITH

It has come to be no uncommon complaint among parents that their children, when turning into the great highway of manhood and womanhood, show no concern about practical Catholicity. And they are astonished at the coldness and indifference manifested. Nor can they assign a cause, though loudly boasting that they have done their duty in giving them a religious training.

TRUTH VINDICATED.

The late Bishop Ullathorne, of the Benedictine Order who was at one time a missionary in Australia, relates a remarkable occurrence. A beautiful almost full grown fig tree grows over a grave in the cemetery at Sydney, in Australia. This tree is a living witness of God. It is a wonder. As the man whose remains are beneath it was reconciled with God, He would not let his grave be a place of disbelief in God's existence. No prayers, no requests, no tears had any effect upon him. In vain did his relatives and friends seek to move him.

I was an old acquaintance of his, said the Bishop. They called me to his bedside, but every effort on my part was unavailing. He was hardened. "Leave me in peace," said he. "There is no God, no eternity." I redoubled my efforts, and the more I implored the more he rejected my overtures. Finally he derisively said: "Do you know what, when I am dead, put a branch of a fig tree in my mouth; if it takes root and grows up, then you may know that a God exists." The unfortunate man died on that same day—died as he had lived, without compunction, without faith.

His immediate family complied with his wicked wish. A branch of that tree was put into his mouth, and a splendid monument was erected over his tomb. Two years passed by. One day it was perceived that the heavy marble headstone of his grave was being slightly elevated; higher and higher it rose, until, from the opening beneath it, a fig tree sapling appeared. It grew, and continued to grow, and finally it became a stately tree. All who have visited the God's acre at Sydney will bear witness to the truth of this. Herein is confirmed the word of the psalmist in holy Scripture: "From the earth sprouteth forth the truth."

DR. MACCABE ADDRESSES C.M.B.A.

The open meeting of Branch C. M. B. A., on Wednesday, June 13th, was a most successful one, and a large crowd of members and of men eligible for membership was present to hear Dr. MacCabe's address. The address was a most successful one, and a large crowd of members and of men eligible for membership was present to hear Dr. MacCabe's address.

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ARCHDIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

In Farewell, the departing pastor, Rev. J. T. Foley, had an experience that rarely falls to the lot of a parish priest. The Low Township Council voted him \$100 in recognition of the services he rendered during his pastorate. The Rev. Father Fitzgerald, recently ordained, was the guest of honor.

ARCHDIOCESE OF KINGSTON.

Grand preparations have been made for the picnic to be held by the congregation of St. Mary's, Kingston, on Sunday, June 24th. The Rev. Father Fitzgerald, recently ordained, was the guest of honor.

NEW BOOKS.

A charmingly written life of Mother Mary Baptist Russell, pioneer Sister of Mercy in California, has been compiled by her brother, the Rev. Matthew Russell, S. J., and published by the Apostleship of Prayer, 47 and 29 West 61st Street, New York City.

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO.

The past week has been made up of days of devotion held in the grand old parish of St. Joseph's, Toronto. The Rev. Father Fitzgerald, recently ordained, was the guest of honor.

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DIocese OF LONDON.

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HONORS FALL THICKLY.

Mr. E. J. Kyle, son of Mr. Richard Kyle, has just gained great distinction for himself, and his great power of application and concentration, has won him a first-class honor at the University of Toronto. The Rev. Father Fitzgerald, recently ordained, was the guest of honor.

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MARKET REPORTS.

LONDON. London, June 20.—Wheat, per cental, 30s. 6d.; barley, 27s. 6d.; oats, 24s. 6d.; rye, 24s. 6d.; clover, 24s. 6d.; hay, 24s. 6d.; butter, 24s. 6d.; cheese, 24s. 6d.; eggs, 24s. 6d.; poultry, 24s. 6d.; live chickens, 24s. 6d.; turkeys, 24s. 6d.; hogs, 24s. 6d.; calves, 24s. 6d.; sheep, 24s. 6d.; pigs, 24s. 6d.

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"PETER THE PACKER."

P. G. Smyth in Donohoe's for June. The vicarious system of jury packing has been brought to a high conclusion in Ireland by Crown lawyers anxious to obtain conviction in political and agrarian cases. "Peter the Packer" is the name given to the man who packs the jury.

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BINDER TWINE

SEASON 1901. "FARMER'S SPECIAL" binder twine supplied to Farmers Only at 2c. per lb. in two-bushel bags, and weighing 20 lbs. per bag. Length over 300 feet per pound, quality and length guaranteed. Cash with orders, purchaser pays freight.

Address orders to T. GILMOUR, Warden, Central Prison, Toronto. Further particulars address James NIXON, Inspector, Parliament Buildings, Toronto. J. R. STRATTON, Provincial Secretary, Toronto, June 20th, 1901.

SEALED TENDERS

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Supply of Coal for the Dominion Buildings," will be received at this office until Saturday, June 22nd, 1901, for the supply of coal for the Public Buildings throughout the Dominion. Combined specification and form of tender can be seen at this office.

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POSTERS.

We are glad to learn that the crusade against the posters of the "high art" variety has been rewarded with a certain measure of success. Now will some individual turn the guns on the human posters that one sees wending their ways to theatre and ball room? It is a strange thing that any woman should consent to exhibit herself in an apology for a costume, and stranger still that Catholic women have no hesitation in adopting it.

NEWSPAPER "ENTERPRISE."

The freak advertising scheme of sending school-boys on a race around the world, in the interests of sundry newspapers, is exciting much comment from the people who like that kind of thing. It is of course, the "greatest race" of the new century, the greatest way of acquiring a practical knowledge of geography, presumably by edge from menu cards and train and steamer schedules, and when the boys return they will be the greatest exponents of young American manhood. That kind of business enterprise is about as praiseworthy as bucket shop methods. It may please the sensation-monger, but it cannot be commended by those who have old-fashioned ideas about the training of youth and who do not believe in gambling with the health and possibly the future of school boys even for newspaper popularity.

CULTURE.

From the many striking passages in The Triumph of Failure, the best thing to our mind that Father Sheehan has done, we take the following that may serve as an antidote to the hysterical eulogy that one meets with in the public prints: "What," he used to say, "talk to me of your modern culture, the thinnest veneering for a so-called civilization which is as fragile as a soap bubble, and as angry as a scorpion of Tertullian and the fierce invective of St. Jerome. I know well what it means. A superficial acquaintance with a few Greek and Latin authors, a mere intimate acquaintance with their mythologies; a knowledge of science deep enough to create an unbelief, not deep enough to dispel it; a knowledge of philosophy, that is of its shallow waterwords and shallow professors, and a profound ignorance of the history of philosophy worthy of the name of that which is the warp and woof of Catholic theology. As I have said, your cheap culture is the culture of geographers and the buffoonery of the philosophy of the German; but from all that high and lofty culture where saints and geniuses have found a home, you are as far removed as the moon from the earth, and as far from the boulevards."

OUR GRADUATES.

Here now many of our graduates have bade farewell to their Alma Mater. One word to our readers. Give them a helping hand. The young professional man realizes very soon after he leaves college that an education demands toil and pluck, enthusiasm and unflinching hope; but, to the strongest and most self-reliant among them, a word of sympathy and a kindly deed will be of value. And that they do not receive from too many of us. A prominent barrister told us no long since that the one thing given him with magnificent prodigality by his co-religionists was opposition to that in the beginning of his career he was constantly taunted by the proud Catholic who is forever taking off his hat to himself. That may be an extreme case. We do not want our graduates coddled, even to be invited to the social functions that are the dearest things ever invented by the wit of man. On the contrary, we should advise them to avoid them. The young man with a way to make has no business with small teas and talk, with the inanity of the nondescript world that valleys you for the crease in your trousers. But though we believe that every graduate carries Thor's hammer about him, we can, without harm to ourselves as well as good to him, remind him that he is conscious of his existence and is willing to make the way a little smoother for him.

CATHOLIC ARE NOT HIGHER.

From the Catholic Mirror. There is little bigotry among Catholics, common opinion to the contrary notwithstanding, and what little there is, is opposed to the spirit of the Church.

TEACHER WANTED.

CATHOLIC MALE TEACHER WANTED for separate school. Apply to extra teacher. Must be able to speak and teach German. Term begins August 19, 1901. State salary. Address: Rev. W. J. Wey, Treasurer and Secretary, Carleton Place, Ont. 1183.

TEACHER WANTED—MALE OR FEMALE.

MALE, holding a second class certificate for balance of year for S. S. No. 2, McDermott, St. Paul's, Carleton Place, Ont. Apply to Mr. J. J. Wey, Treasurer and Secretary, Carleton Place, Ont. 1183.

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