

still wending our weary way in the dust and the heat,—stumbling, falling, picking ourselves up, and so often losing heart and hope because the way is so long, and we are so tired and so weak—yet to look up to her, and think that she too had a long and weary way to travel, (particularly during the fifteen years between the Ascension and the Assumption) is enough to give us fresh hope and strong courage, particularly when we remember what the old darky so sweetly called her—"jest a human you wuz, dear blessed Mother."

Yes, hers was a human heart, even as the Sacred Heart of her divine Son, and in that very thought lies a world of comfort.

We are of the same human family—"Jesus and Mary and I" may each individual soul say with perfect truth, just as a child would say, "father and mother and I." What a claim—so sure, so well grounded, and so full of hope in life's long weary way when we sometimes fear that we will never reach the home, never be one of the family, never be safely housed. "Lady Day in harvest" will give us a longing for heaven, and God is greatly praised by desire. Wasn't David called "a man of desires?" and he was a saint of the Old Testament; so our desire for heaven will help us *also* to become saints. To learn to wait is a virtue; and to wait patiently for God will be rewarded by His giving us our heart's desire—what *is* our heart's desire, or rather what *should* it be? Let each one read the first question of the catechism, and in its answer find the answer to the other question.

Make the best of the last month of vacation, dear children— if you want to be lazy, thinking it is your last chance, why I'm quite willing—only keep the working days in mind and prepare for them by good, hearty resolutions.

Devotedly,

CARMEL'S SECRETARY.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR THINKERS IN JULY.

1. Leonardi de Vinci; Michael Angelo, and Raphael.
2. Collection of ancient marbles from the Acropolis at Athens, obtained by Thomas, seventh Earl of Elgin, and sent to England. Now in the British Museum.
3. The Inca of Peru.
4. Lydia at Philippi (see Acts).
5. Thomas Jefferson.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLERS IN JULY.

1. Belt—Bet.
2. Draw—Raw.
3. Malt—Mat.
4. Meat—Eat.
5. Hilt—Hit.

FOR THE PUZZLERS.

1.
I'm only a fish to be taken and eaten,
Or else I'm a rod which none have
been beaten,
I'm often a rest; so have weary ones
found;
Who, when I'm at hand, will not sleep
on the ground.
2. Divide a city of Ireland into a
metallic instrument and quick.
3. Behead one fish and leave another.
4. Curtail a wild swan and leave a
large deer.
5. Dissect a month into a bird, a
tree, a measure and an English river.

MAXIMS FOR AUGUST.

1. Blessed is he who has found his
work; let him ask no other blessed-
ness.—Thos. Carlyle.
2. The noblest mind the best content-
ment has.—Edmund Spencer.
3. Truth is the highest thing a man
may keep.