THE POPE AND GERMVNY

The following summary of the interesting discourse pronounced by the Holy Father, in an audience, recently accorded to some German deputies, has been most favorably received in Germany Leo XIII. spoke in the following terms; 'The religious law in Prussia is a new step towards peace. The Government we believe, has sincerely expressed its desire for pacification, and we hope to secure in time a sound and durable peace He considered the reopening of the diocesan seminary important above all because they are the nursery grounds of the clergy and the sources of the Cath olic revival. An accord with the Government might be come to by the profes sors of the seminaries; but it is necessary that the Bishops should have the choice of the titulars. The reestablishment of the pastoral ministry will be a bulwark against the progress of irreligion and of the socialist movement. We beheve it justifiable to look forward with trust to the future, Count upon the solicitude of the Holy See. His Majesty the Emperor, attests to us in his tnrn his benevolent sentiments and his decision to yield to the desires of his Catholic subjects, From the beginning of our Pantificate, we have thought of Germany every day; we have prayed to God with out ceasing to accord peace to this coun. try. An improvement seems to show itself. We have constantly watched the development of affairs in your country and done what was in our power for it. It is difficult to reach one's aim in a moment. Slow insensible improvement is in the nature of human things; so much the more in your country, in which unity of Faith does not eixst any more, the antagonism of the Protestant with the Catholic Church, obliges the seek-' ing of

A MODUS VIVENDI.

-It is to the interest of the State that the vacant parishes should be reoccupied and the moral influence of Catholicity should be felt. It is the religious prin. ciples of the Catholic which preserve him from Socialism. To satisfy his dasires and his religious wishes is to promote the good of the State itself. Catholics know that they have duties of conscience towards the Church, the State. and the imperial house. We dearly love Germany, and we pray daily for its happiness. We congratulate ourselves on the admirable conduct of the Catho. lies who have in the Parliament so excellent a representation, so meritorious for what concerns the interests of the Church so preserving and so glorious for its devotion, And therefore, thanks to this the Church reconquered a little more liberty. If new struggles should spring up they would be sustained with courage and tenacity; but we have no apprehension of this necessity. It is well to receive with thankfulness to God all the ameliorations given us. You will soon have to vote the new law. A certain reserve will be necessary according to the circumstances but we will not make ourselves ludges of this matter, You know of what the Church has need : and you will enjoy the counsel of wise and prudent leaders, Accept ectionate by nature and timid by temthis law with satisfaction and goodwill though it does not accord all that is necessary to the Church."

BISMARCK'S CRITICS.

The decoration recently sent by His Holiness to Prince Bismarck, has had, according to the Radical Swiss organ, the 'Bund' the wonderful effect of turn. ing the "man of blood and iron", into a member of the Society of Jesus! In Proof of the accuracy of this statement the 'Bund' quotes several articles of the constitution of St. Ignatius. The person most surprised at this peculiar and unrecognized transformation will be Bismarck himself, provided he devotes some of his leisure moments to the study of the Bunds' information, The Sacred Congregation of Rites has published a ing woman of soft manner whose mind decree, by which it orders the examina tion of the writings of the venerable ser. Vants of God, Glicerio Taudrini, religious of the Pious Sohools; Bernard Maria Clausi of the Ninims of St Francis of Paul; Madeline Sophie Barat, foundress of the Daughters of the Sacred Hearl The persos who possess or who have knowledge of manuscripts written by these servants of God are requested to Present them to the Congregation of Rites within the space of two months.

WHY MEN SMOKE

A number of literary men smoke simp. ly to make an income. They have learn ed that with a pipe in their mouths thoughts not only come more readily. but in better order, and that while it is, interesting, and the reason womankind | fear.

cannot grasp it probably is that psychology, is not unforunately, taught in ladies seminaries. Smoking is a great safegaurd against infectious diseases. It is only by reading up the subjects scientifically in medical treatises that one thoroughly gets to understand the thousand risks of this kind that we run every day. In the country during the summer months, when men are on their holidays, they look forward to having a temporary respite from smoking. Then it does not so much matter how the temperament is: living so much in the open air, the smoking of other persons has little effect on them and less danger of infecton, It is to keep off the flies that men smoke at the seaside and on the hills. Their own weather beaten countenances can stand the flies, but these little demons would not only spoli the summer for our susceptible wives and sisters and children, but would dis. figure them as well. That is what a man cannot endure. You may have seen picnics on the river or among the fields with all the men smoking and the ladies standing quite near them' Nith many men, smoking is merely an excuse for staying at home. A man looks foolish of an evening doing nothing, Yet he is too tired to do much. A cigar supplies the amount of labour he' requires, and he does not mind the trouble of smoking it so long as it enables him to stay at nome without loss of dignity and look over it admiringly; and yet undemonstratively, at his wife. Should a man with a small income be an epicure, or naturally of an irascible temper, it will add greatly to the happiness of his home if he compels himself to smoke. And at present when times are so hard as to affect every one more or less, a cigar is a cheap and excellent substitute for ex pensive amusements.

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Model mothers are of the first importance in molding the nature of a child; and if we would have fine characters; we must necessarily present before them fine models. Now the model most con. stantly before every child's eye is the mother. One good mother,' said George Herbert, is worth a hundred school masters. In the home she is loadstone to all hearts and loadstar to all eyes.' Imitation of her is constant-imitation which Bacon likens to a globe of pre. cepts.' It is instruction. It is teaching without words, often exemplifying more than tongue can teach. In the face of bad example the best precepts are of but little avail. The example is follow. ed, not the precepts. Indeed; precept at variance with practice is worse than useless, inasmuch as it only serves to teach that most cowardly of vices-hypocrisy, Even children are judges of hypocrisy, and the lessons of the parent who says one thing and does the opposite are quickly seen through.

THE GENTLE DIGNITY OF WOM IN,

There is in particular that soft dignity which belongs to women who perament, but who have a reserve of self-respect that defends them against themselves as well as against others.

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This is the woman who gets a precise obedience from her servants without exacting it, and whose children do not dream of disputing her wishes; who, though so gentle and affable, stops short of that kind of familiarity which breeds contempt, and with whom no one takes liberty.

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She would not stamp or rave if she were displeased, she would not scold, she could not strike; but there is a certain quality in her which we may not be able to formularize, yet which would often difficult to get the proper word if make us ashamed to pass beyond the they are not smoking; it runs to the boundaries of the strictest respect, Point of the pen the moment they light which restrains others less consciously up.' Psychologically, this is the most critical than ourselves as certainly as

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