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THE CATHOLIC RECORD

neither food nor drink, I was going to suicide, as it were, to a thousand joys the happiness of his fellow beings. heard of it. As to question, the end all by throwing myself into the river out yonder. I stood on the bridge, and as I locked down into the cruel, black depths of the waters, I was authentically reported that at the in Catholic World for January.

crulel, black depths of the waters, I seemed to see in them the benediction service reflected. I could see the gleaming candles, the clouds of in-cense, and the old gray haired priest. I could almost hear my own voice sing-ing my favorite 'O Salutaris.' I couldn' do the act them and Later the set of the set of the service reflected. I could see the gleaming candles, the clouds of in-cense, and the old gray haired priest. I could almost hear my own voice sing-ing my favorite 'O Salutaris.' I couldn' do the act them and Later the set of the s couldn't do, the act then, and I stag-gered to your step and rang the bell." derest years, who has apparently learned to recognize father or mother

With these words he sank back breathless on the couch. As the priest, in a voice almost choked with tionship-makes its earliest movement in the stretching out of its tiny hands, sobs, pronounced the last sacred words of absolution, the dying penitent, raising himself, sang the "O Salu-ture born of its nature. If the child taris. His voice rang out with amazing sweetness and power, and Mother of God the Sin, that natural impulse for its earthly father or finally, with one grand burst of song, the soul fled from its earthly temple and nestled lovingly in the bosom of Him who had shed His life's blood for its redemption .- James W. Fitz Patrick, in Holy Cross Purple.

THE "CUI EONO?" OF INFIDEL. ITY.

Apart from the triumphant victories which Holy Church achieves in its contests against the beliefs-or rather unbeliefs and chronic doubts- of the ag nostic, or the free thinker, or infidel, by whatsoever name they who deny the existence of God or immortality choose to call themselves; and even separate from theology, infidelity as a possible debatable question may be successfully combated by addressing to any Ingersollite the old Roman question Cui bono ? which is collequially surviving in the English language in the con stant question regarding any proposi-tion of every day life, "What's the good of it?" When Ingersoll shall have negliged and be shall have perilled a soul by endeavoring to win its possessor in mortal life to his peculiar views-or, as he prefers to phrase it, "my doubts"-let that pos-sessor ask the doughty colonel, who has lately announced his adoption of assaults upon the church as his profes sion, vice jurispindence resigned, two questions, Cui bono? and also, "After you may have undermined faith, what do you propose to put in its place? Even, ex gratia argumenti, admit-

human satisfaction. ting that the churchman's belief in God and immortality is a delusion, behold, Colonel Ingersoll, what a sweet and which Ingersoll declares it to be, the crassest agnostic cannot deny that it is soothing faith it is, even if every man to millions not only a delightful but a should consider himself solely in the capacity of a worldling ! Colonel Incomforting delusion. Even in the iciest atmosphere which a mere world gersoll is a litterateur, and may be aping breathes he must admit that if propriately asked, "Suppose the Proprayer comforts-delusion though it phets and the Apostles to have been might be-it should not be frowned charlatans, where in the realm of upon, when it can impart delight and letters can there be found profounder comfort to one who prays. philosophy, sublimer poetry, or even Recuragaintoinfancy for illustration, wonder tales more dramatic than those and we can recall the look of many a alleged charlatans have bequeathed in child, or its words addressed to its writing to generation after generation nurse, when it was in pain or in want of the sons of men? Where even in profane fiction can be found, for in of food ; looks or words plainly inter-ceding that attendant to further inter tance, a sweeter horoine than the cede with its father or mother, possibly Madonna, or a tragic hero like her Son? Where in the world of belles in an adjoining apartment, to come to its relief. That also on the infant's part is natural impulse aided by dawnlettres will Colonel Ingersoll find more winning biography than appears in ing reason. Nurse heeds the interces the published lives of the saints, and sion and brings father and mother to the rescue. That child, when later where, for another instance, the rescue. That child, when later received into Church fold, calls upon Wiseman's Fabiola?" The sacrifi-ces which the agnostic is compe of the saints to intercede with the Father God, or Mother Mary, or for the pelled to make in matters of music lirect intercession of herself with the and art, as he passes his life here be-Divine Father or Son, much as when low, are of themselves painful. What to the agnostic, compared with the an infant the child looked upon its favorite nurse for an earthly interceschurchman, is the delight of listening sion. to the strains of Gounod's " Ave Maria or of Handel's sublime composition at

The same child, oppressed in con Redeemer liveth"? To the agnostic such music is as the warble of the can ary bird, without signification, and merely alluring to the sense of hear ing, but to the churchman doubly de lightful through his beliefs. What to science or doubtful as to the propriety

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Presence of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on the altar. (2) What is Vespers? A collection of Psalms, hymns and prayers which are sung in the after-

noon or evening.(3) Why do Catholics bend so low and strike the breast when the bell rings? As an act of adoration to God at the most solemn parts of the service. Also an act of humiliation and a begging of mercy in the manner of the publi-can mentioned in the Scriptures.

(4) What are those beads Catholics have and why do they say a certain breviary or Psalter. They are divided by the fifteen mysteries of our Saviour's history. See article in Cath olic Standard and Times on Mariolatry me weeks back. H. C. J. is in love with a Catholic

lady, who it appears, loves him, but will not marry a non Catholic. He is n need of advice. He should study the doctrines of the Church, pray earnestly to God for en lightenment and he may be vouchsafed the grace of conversion, when the obstacle would be removed. He should, lowever, not enter the Church because of love for the lady alone. C. J. M. asks (1) where was St. Patrick born ?

Cardinal Moran says at Boulogne sur Mer, France. Alban Cutler's "Life of St. Patrick " says in Scotland. "Faith complained that the Church

makes the way of salvation hard and uncertain, and concluded by saying: "Give me the blessed Bible and sal they restored Mrs. Frank Chase, a daughter in law of the gentleman above referred to, to health and strength after all other means had apvation by faith, without merits or huan works." "Faith" was reminded that Christ Him parently failed. Mrs. Chase says :self said that "narrow is the way and crooked is the path," and St. Paul (1. was, for even doctors could not agree Cor. xiii., 2) states that faith that will

as to the nature of it. One said it was nove mountains is nothing without consumption of the stomach, while an charity, and that St. James says that "faith without works is dead," and other was equally emphatic in declar-ing that it was liver trouble. One and all this testimony is from the Holy thing I do know, and that is for years I was a sick woman. I know that I was "A Trained Nurse" asked if it is afilicted with neuralgia, my blood was rong for her, an Episcopalian, to poor, and I was subject to depressing old the blessed candle while the priest headaches. My appetite was not good visits a sick person in the hospital or

at any time, and the least exertion left o kneel down when he gives the sacrame weak and despondent. A lady ment or to read Catholic prayers to friend who had been benefited by the ick Catholics. use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills adthrough mere courtesy, it is right from t worldly view; if she does it through ove of God, it is an act meritorious in a state of the She was told that if she does it

much cause for rejoicing that I did, for you can easily see that they have made the sight of Heaven. a well woman of me. I took the pills J. R. J., with all the decision of au steadily for a couple of months, and at infallible authority, asserts that pros-perity is a sign of God's blessing, and the end of that time was enjoying the blessing of good health. It gives me says the Protestant Church is very pros much pleasure to be able to bear public perous. The English Church is spread testimony to the value of this wonder all over the world. There are more ful medicine." poor, ignorant people in the Roman

De. Williams' Pink Pills cure by Church than any other. This strain going to the root of the disease. They renew and build up the blood, and continues throughout the letter of one who evidently missed reading the strengthen the nerves, thus driving article on Presbyterian vs. Catholic disease from the system. Avoid imita hospitals in a recent issue of this tions by insisting that every box you purchase is enclosed in a wrapper bearing the full trade mark, Dr. Wil-This line of argument is not new.

According to it, Dives was a good Protestant and Lazarus a good Catholic. We are told that it will be easier for a There can be a difference of opinion on most subjects, but there is only one opinion a to the reliability of Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. It is safe, sure and effectual. camel to pass through the eye of peedle than for a rich man to enter

of faith. They had travelled to the same goal from opposite directions.

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There are few if any people in Murray township, Northumberland county, to whom the name of Chase is not Mr. Jacob Chase, who has familiar. followed the occupation of farmer and followed the occupation of farmer and fisherman and fishdealer, is especially well known. He has been a great suf-ferer from rheumatism, as all his neighbors know, but has fortunately succeeded in getting rid of the disease. To a reporter he gave the following particulars. I had been a sufferer The beads are what is called the Rosary, one hundred and fifty beads, representing the one hundred and fifty Psalms, are called the layman's Rosary one hundred and the layman's portion of that time was confined to

> penefit of excellent medical treatment, but it was of no avail. I believe, too. that I have tried every medicine advertised for the cure of rheumatism, and I am sure I expended at least \$200. 00 and got nothing more at any time than the merest temporary relief A last I was induced to give Dr. Wil-liams' Pink Pills a trial, and from that time I date my good fortune in getting rid of the disease. I continued using them for several months and daily found that the trouble that had made my life miserable for so many years was disappearing, and at last all traces of pain had left me and I was cured.

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"QUESTION BOX "

O'Connor's question box at St. Teresa's, and it seems at times, from the irequent use of the phrase "our minister says," as though the leaders of the sheep not of this fold " were back of some of the questions intended as posers. Whether the question is one propounded by an earnest searcher for the truth or by one disposed to contro- number ? versy, the reverend lecturer takes the same pains to answer courteously and

clearly. M. A. R. asked four questions, as and make petition to its heavenly Father and Mother, and seek rest for

he soul. When we are suddenly placed in pain or in mortal peril our decree that the Bishop of Rome was on first thought is for help; and in effect an equality with the Bishop of Alex. decree that the Bishop of Rome was on andria?

The sixth canon of the Council of In providing for religious prayer the The sixth canon of the Council of Church is, therefore, merely following Nice insists in the case of the schisthe precedent of a natural impulse, matic Miletius, of whom the Patriarch but piously cultivating and improving of Alexandria complained, that the that impulse. In trial and tribulation latter may have full power over all of an earthly character we at once these places, as this is customary also appeal-or practically pray-to friends with the Bishep of Rome. It was a or relatives or superiors for succor and decision of the council against Miletius Colonel Ingersoll, at his brother's of Rome. Rather does it show that grave, simply and involuntarily re-sponded to and obeyed a natural mo-mentary hope and an instinctive im-who is Patriarch of Rome as well as

(2) Did not one of the Popes reprithe hope and impulse conquered. made an Eastern Bishop for assuming Doubtless obedience to the impulse cheered and comforted him in his grief. From this it follows that the primacy In the heart of the faithful member of af the Pope is an invention much later

Pope reprimanded a Patriarch, then two things are established which Cathlics contend for, first that there was a Pope, and, second, that his act of reprimanding a Patriarch would indi Were prayer the mistaken delusion cate that he was above a patriarch and

(3) St. Paul discountenances the use

Why, then, does your Church use Latin instead of the language of the people? The reference is no doubt to I. Cor.

xiv., which upon close examination will be found to refer to the miraculous gift of tongues and not to their use in the liturgy. The teaching in the Cath-olic Church is in the vernacular, and he liturgy in Latin which is not a strange tongue, but is, perhaps, the best known language in the world. The Catholic who has his prayer book r who is familar with the Mass and espers can go to any land and attend divine worship understandingly because it is in Latin everywhere but the Protestant has no such opportunity. Catholics in this city speaking nothing but English can attend Mass at the Italian, the German or hospita the Polish Church and understand all paper. that is taking place, and with his prayer-book follow the entire service. They tell a story of Proctor Knott, of "Duluth" speech fame, who visited a colored Catholic church and when he came home asked his servant why the

used.

Father O'Connor in Philadelphia Catholic Standard and Times. Many and interesting are the queries that our "separated brethren" continue to desposit in Rev. Joseph V.

-and long before it appreciates relature born of its nature. If the child be of Catholic parents, and early learns about God the Father and the

mother to take it to their arms and to their protection, becomes exalted into the desire to also stretch out its arms

follows: (1) Did not the first Council of Nice

we instantly pray for it.

pulse. He was in mental agony, and, head of the universal Church. forgetting his theories and prejudices,

Holy Church the natural impulse has than Apostolic times. become desire ; so that before his prie The conclusion is not warranted by dieu, or at the church altar, he cheers the premises. He might have been his soul and finds his life blessed by his reprimanded for vanity, as the Popes adoration and prayer. Of this cheer have humbly called themselves "serv. and blessing Colonel Ingersoll seeks to ants of the servants of God." If s deprive mankind. Agnosticism is, therefore, not only an unserviceable restraint upon natural feeling, as upon educated soul desire, but it also fetters

alone had universal jurisdiction.

of strange tongues in divine worship.

the agnostic are the statues of the he confessional privileges of Holy Apostles? Nothing more than those of Church applied to the sting. Yet Mars or Apollo ; while to the church agnosticism would destroy every man their sight inspires a delicious flocd of heartfelt delight, historic and holy memories, and ineffable comfort. such comfort and satisfaction. Yet again, Cui bono? Thus, turn which-over way we may towards the tenets of Cardinal Newman is known to have agnosticism-if it has any tenets at all -- and test these in the crucible of Cui been an admirer of the fiction of Charles Dickens, as Colonel Ingersoll bono? we shall find nothing but dross; professes that he also is: but to the for the true metal appertains to the former must have come deeper pleasure disciple of the Church. In every test in reading about the death of Paul Dombey's mother or of little Nell than applied to infidelity, as touched by the alchemy of Cui bono? its poison to the could possibly come to the latter, who joys of life is readily detected. believed that both of those characters Cui were merely annihilated. bono? in the mortar wherein chemist

Ingersoll compounds with pestiferous All the beauties of that Nature which in his pagan moments Colonel Ingersoll mysteriously and darkly substitutes for pestle his rhetorical mixture, and therein leaves not one drachm of either Hope or Faith, or even Charity, for the Christian, the unpleasant and useless a Creator of the universe are to the churchman doubly endeared because ingredients of his mortar are only to he says, with an English poet, when be measured by avoirdupois scruples. surveying ocean or mountain or land scape and the shining stars of night, Ingersoll at his brother's grave mused over a senseless clod, according 'the hand that made us was divine. Toward whatsoever point of the varied to his own views. Now, in another part of the same cemetery, at the same business of mortal existence any one time, there might have been a mother may direct his attention, the believer burying her child; kneeling beside in the doctrines of Holy Church will have greater - even selfish - delight the sod, how the hope of some day than an agnostic. What to the latter meeting the child in a blissful hereafter assuaged her grief as she fancied is the sight of the cross at the apex of a cathedral spire, or what the spire itit already under the care of angels ! Agnosticism would have destroyed that self, which to the faithful-in the words of Alexander Smith. an English poet -" rears its head toward heaven as if Cui bono?

to plead for sinful hamlets at its base? Even the most unregenerate scoffer Or what to him his meeting on a must s a that the infidel is a useless less they are any intelligent non Cathbuild up. He scoffs and contrives a himself or herself. The Bible was promenade of a Sister of Charity on her way to the bedside of some penitent sufferer? On every side Christian bevacuum, which none of his ingenuities printed and published by Catholics belief exalts sentiment and deepens can fill.

fore Luther was born. J. M. said it is a general saying emotions, while infidelity debases both. What can the latter realize of the "Pleasures of Hope" or the delights of faith? Whence comes his aspiration toward duties? Therefore, on every guestion Cui bono? as universally ap-plied to agnosticism. Not only is there no good in it per se, but it compels and Immortality can accomplish for emotions, while infidelity debases both. When, therefore, Colonel Ingersoll

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are lost because the vernacular is not expect any better treatment from the modern Pharisees.

The answer is the same almost. Cardinal Manning and Henry George. Catholics can obtain prayer books, and in most cases do possess them, which On one of his visits to London Henry

give the significance of all the cere-George interviewed Cardinal Man-ning. "It was a Sunday afternoon," nonies ; in fact, they are taught them at Sunday and at parochial day schools. says a writer, describing the meeting. "I have a vision of the two profiles facing each other in the dim light of

Laura J. K (1) Was our Lord born in a stable ? The Bible only mentions the growing dusk, and I recall the emothe manger. tion of tone in which each man made Tradition mentions a cave. Such frankly to the other a sort of profession

places were used in that country as (2). Who was Casar Augustus and did he know of our Lord's birth ?

'I love the people, said Henry George, and love brought me to Christ as their He was a nephew of Julia Casar. best Friend and Teacher.' 'And I,' said the Cardinal, 'loved Christ, and The ninth eclogue of Virgil, who was Cosar's poet laureate, mentions the birth of a divine Child, and Tacitus' so learned to love the people for whom He died." " Roman History says that there was an pinion universally prevalent that a

King who would rule the world would be born in the East at that time. (3) Is there any tradition as to what became of the three Wise Men?

Yes. Their remains rest in the Cologne Cathedral, in Germany. (4) Gave her minister's reasons for (4) Gave her infinister's reasons for the Reformation superstitution, wor-ship of the Virgin Mary and the saints, and he says the poor and even the educated people never heard about mother's hope and faith. But again, the Bible or knew that there was such

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