FIRST MONTH THE 31 DAYS HOLY INFANCY * 1903 * Holy Day of Obligation. CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD. T. Octave of S. Stephen. Octave of S. John the Evangelist. The Epiphany of Our Lord Su. M. T. W. Octave of the Holy Innocents. Vesper Hymn, "Salvete Vigil of Epiphany, EPIPHANY. Holy Day of Obligation, [Flores ' Collection for Of the Octave of the Epiphany. African Missions. Of the Octave of the Epiphany \mathbf{w}_{\star} Of the Octave of the Epiphany, First Sunday After Epiphany. Su. M. T. W. Vesper Hymn, "Crudelis Herodes." Of the Octave of Epiphany. w. w. w. Octave of Epiphany. S. Hilary. S. Paul the Hermit. T. F. r. w. S. Marcellus I S. Anthony, Abbot. S. Second Sunday After Epiphany. Most Holy Name of Jesus. Vesper Hymn, "Jesu dulcis M. T. W. 19 SS. Fabian and Sebastian. S. Agnes, SS. Vincent and Anastasius. r. T. F. r. Espousals of B. V. Mary. S. Timothy. Third Sunday After Epiphany. Holy Family. Vesper Hymn, "O Lux beata goelitum. Su. M. S. Polycarp. S. Vitalian. S. John Chrysostom S. Francis de Sales. T. S. Peter Nolasco.

HOME CIRCLE

I will, hence thus I command.

There are texts from Scripture

which lend color to such a method of

the whole truth, is to be learnt from

supremely right-that He doeth all

To formulate it again with rever-

And is not that a more alluring as-

tract the modern mind that too great

an emphasis on what seems to us an

aspect of mere arbitrariness and pow-

But to return. As by ordinary

laws the development of our physical

powers is in relation to their exer-

cise, so there is a natural and rea-

sonable development of our intellect-

ual powers and faculties in any spe-

cial direction from our own use and

exercise of them. The mind in that

respect is like a muscle or a physical

It is true that in moral things -

Hence the profound truth that the

Still, on the whole, do we not in

pure of heart shall see God.

ence in a counter-phrase; that He is

a God of "adequate reason."

things well.

that exercise.

THE OLD YEAR'S DEATH. Full knee-deep lies the winter snow, knowns of the Church. And the winter winds are wearily

And tread softly and speak low, For the old year lies a-dving. Old Year, you must not die; You came to us so readily,

You lived with us so steadily, Old Year, you shall not die.

He froth'd his bumpers to the brim; A jollier year we shall not see. But tho' his foes speak ill of him, He was a friend to me. Old Year, you shall not die;

We did so laugh and cry with you, I've half a mind to die with you, Old Year, if you must die.

He was full of joke and jest, But all his merry quips are o'er. To see him die, across the waste His son and heir doth ride post But he shall be dead before.

Every one for his own. The night is starry and cold, not friend,

And the New Year blithe and bold, my friend, Come up to take his own.

How hard he breathes! Over the pect of His infinite perfection to at-We heard just now the crowing cock. The shadows flicker to and fro; The cricket chirps; the light burns er?

'Tis nearly twelve o'clock. Shake hands before you die Old Year, we'll dearly rue for you; What is it we can do for you? Speak out before you die.

His face is growing sharp and thin Alack! our friend is gone. Close up his eyes; tie up his chin; Step from the corpse, and let him in

That standeth there alone, And waiteth at the door. There's a new foot on the floor, my plex. There comes in the rightness

friend, And a new face at the door, my friend.

A new face at the door. -Tennyson.

A WAY OF KNOWING GOD. (Albert Reynaud, in Catholic World.) in the quest of various truths has its The Saint seems to have short-cuts legitimate reward in proficiency? And to knowledge which almost extort ad- so in a measure must it be with the miration; yet we often remain stolid highest truths. at revelations of that knowledge, per- The saints know most about God, haps because It seems to us natural at least in part because they most that he should have it. Take away diligently apply themselves to the the S from his name, ascribe the study of God. statement to a Confucius, a Plato, The moral of all this, if it possess a Bacon-nay; to some modern phflo- any, is the error of shutting our sopher or poet, and we would go in- mind off from thinking of God and to ecstasies over it. Societies would the beauties of His truth, from the In union there is strength. be formed to interpret it and find new knowledge of God, from study and meanings and mysteries in it. Schools inquiry into these divine truths-un- A COUGH, COLD OR SORE and systems would be built around it der a belief that they are beyond us, THROAT REQUIRES immediate at-

countered here and there in the writ- lights which these truths enclose, and 25 cts a box.

plentifully, to honest and diligent in-

And, much worse, under pretext perhaps that the "Spirit breathes where it listeth," under ban of mir- INORDINATE LOVE OF TALKING. shut the doors and windows of our in "The Little Imperfections:" truth and of His grace.

FRATERNAL INSURANCE NEARING A BOG

(From The Catholic Universe.)

ance organization among Catholics, give in to excess in speaking. the recruits from the younger portion of the members would supply the

er men of their early days. dollars, are carried in the policies of spared. * * *

mistakes in reading the cost tags. ings of so many of the great un- 000 of insurance carried by the mem- but for this it cannot be so; to know

But this leads to a wholly different reflection. God works by general against fraternal insurance as he is bers. laws. His dealings with us are not whimsical. We may not always un- teen years of one of the oldest Cathand has been a member for over seems to us a mistaken way of presenting His Providence, His conduct

money. towards any part of His creation, presentation. But is not their purpose and meaning to bring out the sense of our dependence, and at times the inscrutability of God's counsels?-not their non-reasonableness. The truth, which assert His judgments to be sovereignly wise, His counsels to be

> enter for insurance for their heirs or boy. to pay their debts. They do not submit themselves to assessments for pure charity. They expect the associations to be permanent. But perfounded is quite evident.

and thought cannot escape moral quality-the problem is more comand wrongness, and not merely the correctness or incorrectness of the thing-of the purpose presiding over printed next week.

fact note that the use of our mind nency.

as entirely necessary.

-But he is only a saint. Let him that they are only miraculously made tention, as neglect oftentimes results

yet yield so readily, so variously, so Chats With Young Men

aculous agencies acting for the saint alone—infused lights, what note— we F. P. Garesche, says on this subject new year

soul, the very crevices of heart and conscience, to the slightest breath— this defect chiefly to women, and the A Temple unto Thee; to the divine agitations within us, run of satirical wit upon this point is Wherein each rounded day may stand which seek entrance into a moment's inexhaustible; but of this inordinate A column grand; impulse, welcome in a passing wish talkativeness, as of curiosity, we may Grant that the walls may be or effort on our side-some habita- claim that many men are equally Of work for Thee. tion with us;—while we loudly pro- culpable, and consequently both sexes With faith for buttress firm; claim as an excuse, the mystery and should guard against this imperfec- And for the shadowing arch above arbitrariness of God's ways, of His tion. Doubtless, my deas friend, in Oh, roof it with Thy love. the ordinary condition of society, we And on the spire of hope are not to be reduced to the silence The cross of Courage set, of the Trappists; and the Catholic re- Lord, this were yet ligion, so large in heart, does not An empty temple and a barren yearimpose on the generality of men a Oh, be Thou present on the altar severity of life or a stern constraint testants have affected. Far from Rates are advancing and have an this, the Catholic ought to be affable, Make sweet the air. upward tendency for some time. This unconstrained. When he is engaged in Thou, Lord, the builder and the indicates that the cost of insurance conversation with his family, or in is greater than formerly in fraternal the world, he should take his part I organizations. Why? Man is mortal with simplicity and ease, carefully and time is fleeting, and hence death avoiding all that savors of ultra rig- A Temple to Thy praise. is reaping his harvest and placing orism; for nothing would render deburdens upon those who remain. The votion more odious to persons who young may die, but the old must. New judge only the conduct of those who societies spring up and take most of practice it. But between those effus-the young recruits on the plea of ions of frankness and cordiality and cheaper rates. The plea is well an exaggerated love of speaking, there founded, but the shifting sands of is all the difference that exists betime will soon dispose of that argu- tween a reasonable use and an evident ment as younger societies still will abuse. It is good, useful and necesuse that same argument to kill off sary to bear part in the conversation those who originated the contention.

Were there only one fraternal insurity is wrong and even dangerous to

When we grant the tongue an unlosses of the older men before whose limited freedom, it is very difficult, homes the black camel of death so not to say impossible, that it should frequently kneels. The young men not be at the expense of charity. How would have no reason to complain for is it to speak, much, or to talk inthe reason that they cannot always cessantly, without finding a temptaremain young. Others would do for tion, almost a necessity, to criticise them what they had done for the old- this person or to censure another, to attribute evil intentions to A third "Time and tide wait for no man." or to place in a ridiculous aspect Millions, several hundred millions of lesser faults, even if the greater are

fraternal members. The assets to What means, then, shall we employ meet these policies when due are di- to be delivered from such an atrocious minishing for the reasons already pre- imperfection? It is difficult, I admit, sented. Men who began on \$12 a but to a generous Christian nothing year assessment per \$1,000 do not is impossible. As with all all our see any reason for being assessed from faults, we must first be conscious of \$20 to \$24 per year per \$1,000. In its existence in ourselves. When in the beginning insurance was sold be conversation with others, we should, March, J. Scott (equal), and J. Nelow cost. The inexperienced made after leaving them, recall what has ville. mistakes in reading the cost tags. been said, to discover whether we Jun The "reserve funds" are essential. have said too much or endeavored to and S. Horley. But with other conditions prevailing attract too large a share to ourselves they will inevitably be swept away or interrupted others, or deprived when the deluge comes. The average them of what was their due. In some reserve amounts to only \$4.32 per \$1,- faults it is easy to deceive ourselves, ton and T. O'Hagan. it, sincerely alone is necessary.

A TOO FAMILIAR TYPE

(From The Republic.) derstand these laws. Their applica- olic fraternals. Hence he writes from Of all the contemptible youths with the reasons for them, may es- experience. There is a letter now on whom a father's patience and a cape us. but munite Wisdom pre- our desk from a clergyman who says: mother's aching heart have to cope, cludes the notion of caprice. If we "I intend to let my policy lapse, even perhaps the meanest sneak is the cowmay emphasize our meaning by a though I have paid a large amount of ard who sponges on the family for phrase, with all reverence, these insurance, as I do not feel safe in luxuries when he is not even paying 'sending good money after bad his board at home. * * * What shall we say of the specimen who, at the We do not regard the investment on age when a boy ought to be forming merely as "Sic volo, sic jubeo." Thus these lines as a good future. How- habits for life, idles away his time ever, while the fraternal pays its pol- in barrooms and pool parlors instead icies the insurance is good to date. of looking for chances to earn some-The supposition is that we get it at thing out of school hours, and asks first cost. Though the house does not his father (or, by no means seldom, burn before the policy on it expires, his mother on the quiet) for cigarwe do no consider the premium mon- ette money or theatre fares instead ey wasted. But there is another view. of turning to and giving a lift on the Had that same amount been invested price of his winter clothes? The fathin an old line company, the policy er who is well enough off not to miss conjunction with all the passages would have a present cash value. the money which his son spends fool-True. But in case death had inter- ishly may well consider how far he vened, the policy in an old line com- can prudently give free rein to the pany for the same premium would extravagances of a boy who has got have been much smaller. Having lived some day to be a man. To the father "we are out." Had we died, we who finds it hard to make both ends would have "been in"-in the ceme- meet by the strictest economy such extravagance is doubly a grievance; McEvoy, J. Nicholson, P. Spelman; But all who enter the fraternals, it drags him down and it injures the

TRAPPING BEARS. The Mexicans in California in early Ryan, H. Sullivan, C. Watson, F. manent they cannot be when the foundays had an ingenious method of Ryan, P. Tenute. dation is on sand. That they are so trapping bears before the advent of Honor Roll.-Excellent, H. Landrethe Yankees brought modern fire- ville, T. Shannon, L. Murphy; good Men who carry policies of \$2,000 arms into the region. A piece of meat F. Fensom, H. Doran, J. Deferari, J. and expect to pay only \$20 a year in was nailed to the stout, horizontal Cronin, F. Hickey, J. McDavitt, J. assessments, though their life expect- limb of an oak tree. From a limb Skain, G. Moore, A. Massey, J. ancy is only thirty years, really cal- five or six feet above a rope was sus- Smith, J. Lane, P. Haffey, T. Cavanculate to get \$2,000 for \$600. Who pended, to the end of which a large agh, O. Hickey, E. McTague, E. Deshall pay that \$1,400? Who will con- stone was made fast, so that it hung vine, C. Edwards. tinue to pay the \$1,400 on other poli- about six inches above and a trifle nearer the trunk than the meat on A table containing financial statis- the lower limb. When the bear Testimonials-Excellent, W. Cartics of four prominent Catholic mu- smelt the meat from afar he would roll, A. Gentle, W. Kirk, L. Lamtual life insurance associations, which climb the tree and make his way to brick, F. Carey, S. Jamieson, F. Mcthrows light on this subject, will be the meat. In doing so he would push Ginn, F. Glynn, B. Barrett, R. Halli-We would advocate the consolida- as he was about to fasten his teeth ledge; good, J. McManus, A. Johntion of all fraternal Catholic insur- in the meat the stone would swing son, E. Glynn, T. O'Brien, J. Tracey, ance associations for mutual protec- back and bang his head. This would L. Donville, W. Hennessy, W. Quinn, tion and as the only means of perma- rouse the anger of the bear, and he J. Noonan, J. Cooney, M. Turano, T We would further advocate an ad- paw which would send it swinging Kelly, J. Britton and G. Atkinson. vance in rates demanded by experi- further out. The consequence was a Best attendance for first half yearence and upheld by mortuary tables harder bang and more anger. The S. Jamieson, F. Glynn, F. Bero, W. more he struck the stone the harder Kirk and L. Ryan. The cut-throat policy is that which he would be hit in return, until, multiplies such associations. The ar- from ferocious anger, he would lose guments of the young society will be his caution and attack the pendulum used as a club to prevent new acces- with all his vigor. One powerful sions to its ranks when old age will sweep, then bang, and bruin would be be its heritage. If mutuals are to tumbled out of the tree to the rocks live they must live on the principle: below, where, disabled by his fall, he would be at the mercy of those who set the trap whenever they chose to take him.

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A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER. I kneel in prayer;

there, like those which certain sects of Pro- And may the incense of unceasing prayer

mate be.

but the mason under Thee My hours the blocks to raise -Catholic World Magazine.

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL

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ST. FRANCIS' SCHOOL-BOYS: the stone pendulum to one side. Just gan, F. Bero, L. Ryan and W. Rutwould give the stone a sweep of his Granery, P. Kearns, J. Harrigan, F

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