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# An Impressionist Sketch of Pius X.

(By Marie Donegan Walsh, in Dona hoe's.)

Plus X., is now the property of the world, yet the time is but short since the Cardinal of the patriarchal see of Venice led his busy apostolic life almost unknown to the world slight and intimate sketch may still be of interest, a few touches of hu-thoritatively pronounced upon it man nature which show the beautiful, lovable character under many sidelights, as no accurately compiled any other Pontiff sees his way records of a splendid pastoral life work could ever hope to do

Even before the election of a sovereign pontiff, the world felt reverent interest, not unmixed with sympathy, for the person who would be the choice of the Sacred College. When the anxiously expected Pon tiff appeared before us in the per a child of the people, coming son of the Venetian Cardinal, not hardy north country stock, he vigorous and confident, but bowed his high appointment, the impression old Catholic stamp. intense personal sympathy with the | blood of centuries of upright that first glimpse one realized that Divine Providence had once more given the Church not only a ruler but a father in the tenderest sense of the word, a pastor who would be loved by his universal family as the beloved Patriarch of Venice was idolized by his flock. Nor was this first impression merely a passing idea, it was an instinct, an intui-Now that we have known and re-

we love to dwell on those "Post-Conclave" hours in the Sistine Chapel, when by virtue of that wonderful election the Patriarch of Venice was changed into Pius X. so gloriously reigning. As priest, as bishop, as cardinal, his first thought was for others, nor did this characteristic fail him as Pope. The Sovereign Pontiff's first visit on leaving the Sistine was to the aged and infirm Cardinal Herreras, (who had been struck down with illness during the Conclave) to bring him greeting, comfort and apostolic lessing. Nor had the kindly heart of bishop and father forgotten for one moment his desolate flock. The Pontiff's first thoughts were for Venice, and his first telegraphic message as Pope was to his Venetians, his people by the sea-to quote the words of the brief yet touching message, "my most beloved people of back afraid.

In all times peatedly from his gondola, under tions our prestudent. the shadow of St. Mark's, ere his student, departure for the Conclave. In all a world of meaning, of the pangs of a world of meaning, of the pangs of a homesickness and lonelines have-ly borne, of the first trial to a free and active spirit accustomed to the keen life-giving air of the north, of being confined within palace yet

The biography of our Holy Father, the one moral hope for Italy's prosperity and true unity, perpetually menaced as it is by the lurid thunder-cloud of socialism. It is a question that cannot be entered into without an intimate knowledge of the existing "statu quo" in Rome, and no outside judgment can be au-Surely it should suffice for all Catholics to know that when this or coming out of the Vatican without injury to the interests of the Church, he will certainly do so, for tais is not a matter of personal inclination or fear for personal safety, as many still appear to think.

All the world knows now that Pius X. glories in the fact that he is God-fearing countrymen of the good almost to old age with the weight of pontiff was the heir to a fine inhe-The future produced on all minds was that of ritance, for in his veins runs the 'man' apart from the Catholic re-verence given to the "pontiff." At their bread in the sweat of their brow; honest men to whom God and conscience were before all other considerations. To this heredity Pius X owes his splendid simplicity and straightforwardness of character.

Even from earliest childhood, Gui- are always piety and zeal for learning which the Holy Father's very gentleness ship association within the delay of led his parents to hope that their lies his sovereign strength. There is two years after the promulgation of idea, it was an instinct, an interest of the priesthood. Could they in those cast in a more arrogant ized by decree." As the separation Now that we have known and reverenced Pius X, and watched him crowned in that most solemn, myssee her son elevated to the cardinal- borne by the saintly Pius IX, and for other than religious ceremonies. sweet for their touch of sadness. It nice in audience, after the Consistory, His Holiness warmly congrable in portraits than in reality, the cution. However, if the government the Deanes, and the Pullets? (If ful ecclesiastical career were due to sor. To the Catholic world at large priests will be punished with imhis own merits. One can follow our present Pontiff has come as the prisonment if they dare enter. That him through it all, first as the ener- true ambassador of Christ, while to they will dare enter there is no sort once more, with their odd, old-fashgetic young curate of the Village of those immediately around him or of doubt. Tombolo, then the vigorous parish connected with him in the govern- Though I do not pretend to know Tombolo, then the vigorous parish priest of Sarzano, strong as a lion against all that was abuse or evil, yet gentle and generous almost to a strong and state he guires no great perspicacity to be straight black hair, and her sallow champion of the poor and weak and he regards the awful responsibilities priest will, after the 11th of Defriendless. They still speak of his of the Papacy can be gathered from cember next, continue to celebrate pink and white face and golden

by borne, of the first trial to a free and active spirit accustomed to the keen life-giving air of the north, of being confined within palace yet prison walls.

The Venetians stand to their guns in asserting that the Pope will return one day among them. "He highest dignity save one, which he was afterwards to attain, the promised," they say obstinately, in their soft, musical dialect, "and what he says he does." How this will be accomplished under the present conditions of the Papacy and its relations to the State it is difficult to imagine notwithstanding the ficult to imagine notwithstanding the premonitions of an "entents."

Which could it be realized, would be every charge the same encomium was and active spirit to the proposal seminary, but with all the new horowors Guiseppe Sarto remained the same another proposition that the asense of the came and unfamiliar. For twenty-six years of his Pontificate, Leo XIII had been the proposition of an life with the highest dignity save one, which he was afterwards to attain, the Cardinalate and Patriarchate of Ventical assumed to a source of friction between the Italian Government and the Various of the Papacy and its relations to the State it is different to imagine notwithstanding the ficult to imagine notwithstanding the figure to improve the same encomium was a source of the contract of the promotion of an "entents."

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There are the varied records of the life-work of our Holy Father. a life spent in the vinevard of souls. In the promotion of the promo

passed upon him, the best which What May Happen in France could be pronounced upon any ec-clesiastic, "always a model priest and bishop, full of the 'burning zeal of souls." Firm, unflinching as a rock, where conscience and duty are concerned, but with the compelling have declared, says the Paris sweetness of personal goodness, integrity of purpose can be read on office they will never close a his every feature, a keen observer, tireless worker, charity, and surely we have the worpontifical vineyard.

All his life Pius X. has stood close known them intimately, is fitted to direct the Church whose proudest boast is that it is the Church of the people? A saying somewhere runs past and the one of the present, represent respectively their period, Pius IX the man of heart, Leo XIII the man of mind, and Pius X the man of action. Now, Pius X is essentially the man of action, and the development of Catholic social organization has been a study especially dear to him, for on it he builds his hopes for the future of Church

Until now the Holy Father's career has been altogether remote from diplomatic relations and internationnations and peoples may rest content. The pessimistic and fearful ready with timorous seppe Sarto betrayed an intelligence, doubts, but they need not fear. In son might one day attain the dignithat in his character often wanting the separation law, can be secular-given in King's Hall, 590 have but known the sovereign office mold. The iron hand of authority to which he would be elevated, they is within the velvet glove. Even in of December, 1905, and promulgat- can be had from any club member, earthly sovereign. As it was the Pope irresistibly, first on account of beloved mother of Pius X. lived to the name so dear to them when question of disposing of the churches ate in 1893, and when Leo XIII. re also by his resemblance to that received the Cardinal Patriarch of Vevered Pontiff. This curious liketulated him on the fact. All the physiognomy of Pius X. being much carries out its threats the church successive elevations in his wonder- stronger than that of his predeces- doors will be left open, but the old friends from St. Oggs and the

appointment to the Canonry of Tre-viso Cathedral, and the professorate of Moral Theology at the episcopal Leo XIII, the first visit to another

## on December 11.

Both M. Briand and M. Clemenceau man whose nobility, honesty, and tholic, that so long as they are in a respondent of the Dublin Irish Ca-, a keen observer, church. However, those Ministers' and strict discipli- words are full of cunning. They will narian; add to this a truly apostolic not close the churches, but they pretend that unless public worship thiest recommendation for the wider sociations are formed they will not allow the priests to celebrate Mass in them. They will apply the law to the mighty heart of the people. If a priest should venture after the The large number of young ladies 11th of December next to cross the present was an encouraging threshold of the sacred edifice and celebrate either a Mass, a baptism, a marriage or a funeral service, he is to be regarded as a criminal and that the three popes, the two of the dragged before the tribunal and condemned to fine and imprisonment.

And that is not all! The priests will have accomplices. All those who will have encouraged the priest to commit that violation of the law will be punished.

The truth is that they can scarce ly seize the churches and allow their so-called proprietors, the departments and communes, to dispose of ter the expiration of the second year from the date of the promulgation of the separation law. Indeed, Clause cert, or, as in this case, a al politics, but with the reins of 13 stipulates that "The buildings in is held to make up the deficit. The been celebrated during a year previous to the promulgation of . present law, and those which shall

yet gentle and generous annose to a latter. For point and state the quires no great perspicacity to be straight black man, and fault. He was ever the friend and cares but little. In what manner able to predict that every parish little face. Tom's mild eyes and friendless. They still speak of his splendid sacrifice during a cholera epidemic at Sarzano, when "Don Guiseppe Sarto" risked life and health fearlessly, where others drew the saying which Pius X. uttered at mass, to baptize, to marry and to perform funeral services just as benefines, when the saying which Pius X. uttered at mass, to baptize, to marry and to perform funeral services just as benefines, and will only cease when he has been forcibly prevented from thoughtfully under the trees of the has been forcibly prevented from the saying which Pius X. uttered at mass, to baptize, to marry and to perform funeral services just as benefore, and will only cease when he has been forcibly prevented from thoughtfully under the trees of the has been forcibly prevented from the saying which Pius X. uttered at mass, to baptize, to marry and to curis? Or Phillip Wakem walking fore, and will only cease when he has been forcibly prevented from thoughtfully under the trees of the has been forcibly prevented from the saying which Pius X. uttered at mass, to baptize, to marry and to curis? Or Phillip Wakem walking fore, and will only cease when he has been forcibly prevented from the saying which Pius X. uttered at mass, to baptize, to marry and to curis? Or Phillip Wakem walking fore, and will only cease when he has been forcibly prevented from the saying which Pius X. uttered at mass, to baptize, to marry and to curis? Or Phillip Wakem walking fore, and will only cease when he has been forcibly prevented from the saying walking the saying health fearlessly, where others drew back afraid.

In all times and under all conditions our present Pontiff has been a student, even from his boyhood, when he travelled so many miles when he travelled so many miles has been connected with the number nine. He was the same of the sacred difficulties to be noted in the life of the present Pope that all most every event in it has been connected with the number nine. He was thought fit to send me as best I can, and by His sovereign help."

It is a curious fact to be noted in the life of the present Pope that all times and thought fit to send me as best I can, and by His sovereign help."

It is a curious fact to be noted in the four sisters and their four husdifice. And then those who may bands? Do you remember the cowning the threshold of the sacred diffice. And then those who may bands? Do you remember the cowning the threshold of the sacred diffice. And then those who may bands? Do you remember the cowning the threshold of the sacred diffice. And then those who may bands? Do you remember the cowning the threshold of the sacred diffice. And then those who may bands? Do you remember the cowning the threshold of the sacred diffice. And then those who may bands? Do you remember the cowning the threshold of the sacred diffice. And then those who may bands? Do you remember the cowning the threshold of the sacred diffice. And then those who may bands? Do you used to squirm whenever and will continue their sacred duties. departure for the Conclave. In all human probability Pius X. will never see Venice again. As the Pope school. It is said by an old servant paces the enclosed and leafy alleys of the Vatican Gardens he sighs for the Salt sea air, blowing fresh and parish priest, that the only extrased across the Adviation to the Salt sea air, blowing fresh and parish priest, that the only extrased with the number nine. He was nine years parish priest, nine years Bishop of Mantua, nine years Patriarch of Venice, created Cardinal in 1893, and will continue their sacred duties. The Ministers, after the last Ca-binet Council, were, of course, as sailed by a flock or journalists, who had been with him many a long day, both when he was curate and parish priest, that the only extrased duties. The Ministers, after the last Ca-binet Council, were, of course, as sailed by a flock or journalists, who one and all demanded to be informed what the government proposed to do in presence of what most of them.

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### LOYOLA CLUB.

On Wednesday, October 17, promise of a successful year. new names have been added to the awarded to Miss Tansey membership roll already; and club rooms present anything but a Nov. 7th at 4 p.m. in the club half-filled appearance; still both roll and rooms have a liberal welcome awaiting any young ladies who have been unable to join their ranks so

A good deal of practical interest Dombey and Son. was shown in the progress of arrangements for the coming lecture. The club being a benevolent as well as a literary institution, a certain amount is annually invested in them as they may think fit, till af- Christmas charities. The club funds not being sufficient to include this ir its ordinary expenses, a sale or conwhich public worship shall not have lecturer will be Mr. Joseph Jordan Devney, of Cleveland, Ohio,, who has acquired quite a reputation as such on the other side of the line.

Mr. Devney addressed the Ca tholic Summer School during Catherine street, on Monday, Nov. law was definitely voted on the 9th 12, at 8 p.m. Tickets, 75 cents, or from the corresponding secretary,

The Mill on the Floss is a name was a happy thought to introduce the subject with the magic "Do you course everyone did remember the Floss; but it was very sociable . to have them brought into our midst ioned ways, which were not always very wise ways and too often com-

to be executed after the legal delay liver, with a brown loaf of bread ship Associations. and a pitcher of water for my even-ing meal, I knew such hours of keen happiness as an emperor might well envy."

As the members of Loyola Club

wonderful to hear. Most of questions touched on favorite books and characters. It is easy to grow eloquent when discussing hobbies. Rev. Father Devine took his place in the circle, and won much praise as a conversationalist. When were taken, however, the prize for Several the most interesting talker was

The next meeting will be held on rooms, 96 St. Alexander street. The day's programme will include: 1. The Crimean War. 2. Child Life in Dickens. 3. Readings from The Old Curiosity Shop, Christmas Carol,

#### Irish Bishops Issue Statement to Their People.

The Catholic Archbishops and Bishops in Ireland held a meeting last week at Maynooth College. Cardinal Logue presided, and there was full attendance of bishops. The following statement was adopted unanimously: "As it has come to our knowledge that mixed residential colleges have been established by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, we have to direct the attention of the faithful to the following declaration of the bishops published on May 16, 1899: 'We desire to impress upon the local bodies concerned the primary importance in the establishment and direction of technical schools and colleges avoiding anything to which Catholics should object on religious grounds, whether in the teaching or in other departments of such schools and colleges. It has been the duty of the bishops to repeatedly warn their people against the institution of mixed residences for Catholics and Protestants. The principle already so successfully maintained for many years in the working of training colleges in Great Britain, and applied within recent times with the best results in the case of similar institutions in Ireland, should be followed in this instance also if residential institutions are to be set up.' In addition to this a decree of the last Synod of Maynooth, which has been already sanctioned by the Holy See; enacts as follows: 'Since it appears to us that instruction in technical subjects for our people is necessary, we consider permissible for Catholic youth frequent the schools attended non-Catholics where this instruction, as distinct from a general training or education, is given. We, " however, strictly forbid Catholics to reside with non-Catholics in such schools, unless, on special grounds,

well envy."

As the members of Loyola Club enjoy the privilege of expressing individual opinion on every subject, when the hum of remarks had subsided one voice was heard to say emphatically "I think Masgie Tulliver was just an ordinary hypochondriac."

One of the features of the club is to introduce occasional half hours original or otherwise, presided over by different members. Miss Wickham had prepared a long list of yeary good subjects for "Progressive Conversation," and the progress was considered in the first week of November on a day most suited to the convenience of those who will come from Dublin.

President Suspenders: Style confort, service 50c everywhere.