SEPTEMBER 3, 1892.

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost.

THANKSGIVING.

Where are the nine? (St. Luke xvii., 11.) Of the ten lepers whose cure is related in this day's Gospel, only one reand well kept than the others. turned thanks, and he was a Samaritan ; the others went their way ; they were cured indeed of their dreadful disease, but disgraced by our Lord's sad question, Where are the nine?

Thanksgiving, brethren, should fola little maid of seven years. low after God's mercies to us, not only as a matter of justice, but in order to secure the effect of those mercies them. Just as, in our bodily life, in order to get the benefit of fresh air, breathing *in* must be followed by breathing *out*, so the giving of thanks vegetables. must follow the reception of all divine favors. The grace of God is to the soul what the breath is to the body; and the body, to live, must not only draw the air in, but give it forth again to make room for new and fresher air. So in the life of our souls we breathe in God's

grace and ,we breathe out thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is furthermore a mat-ter of justice. The holiest debt we owe to God or man is the debt of thanks. Every honest man gives thanks for favors received from other men, and every upright soul gives thanks to God. It is the most indispensable of all our obligations, because it is the least that we can do. In all our traffic with heaven, gratitude is the only coin we can mint ourselves. Thanksgiving is that part of our sanctification neces-sarily our own. Well, brethren, if this be really true-and who can deny it ?--then a great many of us are in-solvent debtors of the worst kind. Now you hear it said sometimes that the man who does not pay his debts is as bad as a thief, and in many cases this is perfectly true. So the difference between an open sinner and a thankless Christian is that between a thief and a man who by his own fault does not pay his debts. Indeed, we sometimes feel as if God ought to thank us for the favor we do Him by condescending to serve Him. Confession and Communion and daily prayer, forgivenness of injuries and resisting temptations so puff us up with conceit that we are apt to blame God because in view of our holiness he does not exempt us from the ordinary ills of life ! npt us from the ordinary ills of life! his sister Louise, come to Madam As a matter of fact it is with God Herman's door.

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and us as with a storekeeper and his customer. You know why a man cannot get trust at a store; it is because he was trusted before and didn't pay his debts. Now pretty nearly all the pay that God asks for his favors is that we shall give Him thanks, and if we will not do that much He can hardly think us worthy of his further bounty If we do give thanks He multiplies His favors; for He is determined to keep us in His debt, and as fast as we re turn thanks so much the faster does He lavish His love upon us. So when we ask why we suffer this

miserable stagnation in our spiritual career, perhaps the true answer would be that we are members of a big mul-tiple of that original thankless nine. Oh ! let us thank God that we have the blessings of the true religion, that He is our Father, Jesus Christ our Re-deemer, and the Blessed Virgin Mary our Mother. Let us thank Him for His gracious promise of the everlasting joys of Paradise. For these unspeakable favors our thanks should be cease-

only-begotten Son.

Let us give thanks, too, in our fervent morning prayers that we have escaped the dangers of the night, and in our night prayers that we have been saved from the noon day demon. When we rise from our meals let us

Toronto Industrial Fair.

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prevail on all railways.

THE CATHOLIC RECORD.

CATHOLIC MISCELLANY. Catholic Truth and Religious Error.

It is an easy matter to tell a Protest-ant that his religious belief is an error. Two hundred years or more ago there was, not far from Leyden, but nearer still to Leydendorp, a little It is much more difficult to convince hamlet of eight or ten cottages, each one more beautiful, shiningly clean, In one of them, on a certain bright morning sat Madam Teressa Herman, preparing with her own dainty hands the dinner for her husband and her-

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Story of a Great Artist.

self and the child of the house, Greta, "Is it not time for me to take the basket to Mother Vander Heyden?" asked Greta presently, for her small, chubby fingers were tired holding the knife with which she was helping her mother prepare the fruit and The mother smiled. Well she knew the little maid perferred tripping through the hamlet, meeting perhaps a neighbor's child for company, to help-ing with the household duties, how-

heyden. Thou knows I wond hot have thee run from neighbor to neighbor like a beggar maid." This seemed to be a reasonable charge; yet Greta looked troubled triumph over error. For the Conversion of America. and disappointed, and irresolute after An exchange suggests the organizathe mother had given her a parting

"May I cross old Gerretz's doorstep, tion seems to be quite in harmony with the celebration of the fourth centenmy mother?" she asked presently. "Oh, just for a brief visit! I will be nial, preparations for which are now back in time to fill my father's mug and carry his platter." being made. Every Catholic must desire that not only America, but that "Why art thou so fond of going to the entire world, should be converted

that house, my child? True, poor Madam Gerretz carefully trained these to the faith which illuminated the dark Atlantic for Columbus, for it was nothyoung people during her lifetime ; but ing but faith in Supreme Power that she is no more, and old Jacques Gerretz nerved the daring navigator to seek to is drinking more than ever. I fear it liscover a new world in order to spread is no longer a fit place for thee to go.' the divine truth among heathens, as Yet the fond mother yielded to her well as to rescue the Holy Land from entreaty, and Greta went off with bounding steps. She came back in time, as she had promised ; but there Now, when we are Saracen control. which crowned his efforts, we can was a restless look about her, as if she adopt no better method than to pray constantly expected some one. This look was explained when about dusk, the lad, Paul Gerretz, accompanied by that the seed he brought here may germinate in every American heart and come forth to bear rich fruit.

Devotion to Our Lady.

Fathers and mothers teach your chil-Madam Teressa a portrait of little Gretchen, taken on the sly, when he could coax the child into their house. dren to lisp and love the name of Mary. What a gush of joy wells up in our hearts as we hear the children's voices It was her very chubby little self. She was really a beautiful child, and the how old faces come and go. It re-thow old faces come and go. young artist had given the delicately cut features a most natural expression. Madam Herman was charmed, "Paul," she cried, "thou must be a minds us when we were young and innocent as they. We love and cling to the prayer and sweet loving "God bless you," of the devout old woman, " Alas !" answered the boy, gloomily; the client of Mary, fast verging to the grave, as lost in love she sways to and fro and tells her beads. How great is "what have I to become a painter? I long to go to Leyden and learn under Master Jacques Van Swaneburg, but my father will not hear of it. Not the love of the Blessed Virgin Mother ! How it whispers hope and drives away that I would listen to my father," con-

tinued the boy passionately, clinching his fist; "for I will be a painter, let him say what he will. But he threatdespair ! An Important Consideration, The education of youth is the most important point in these days for the attention of Catholics. The Catholic faith of our children is more precious ens me, that if I run away, he will punish my sister every day till I return. My good Louise, who has been a mother to us all, how could I endure the than money ; their moral training is thought of her receiving my blows!" "And I tell him," said the loving more important to us than the share that we contribute to the support of a sister, "that, while I would willingly system that we can not participate in.

bear the blows, yet it would not be right for him to disobey his parent; bear the blows, yet it would not be system that we can her participate that we can be participated by the participate that we can be participated by the participated right for him to disobey his parent; and we must wait and hope for a better day." Madam Herman felt the deepest interest in the young genius and his loving Louise, and set her woman's wit to work to help them. "Paul Gerretz," she said to him one day, "dost thou remember thy sainted mother's face?" "Ah, lady," he cried, "how could 1

THE HOLY FACE. Art Has Not Yet Succeeded in Doing it Full Justice.

Every effort hitherto made to con-It is much more difficult to convince ceive or portray this face, by line or him of that error, not that his religion hue or word, has been a failure from him of that error, not that his religion is none the less an error, but the fact that he will not be convinced of such error. The proof of the pudding is in its eating. This is an old and homely saying, but its author was a thinker and a philosopher. So it is with relig-ion; the proof is in its analyzation. It is pecessary to bring the Protestant saying, but its author was a thinker in the effort to do the and a philosopher. So it is with relig-ion; the proof is in its analyzation. It is necessary to bring the Protestant mind to a consideration of the funda-child they have been able to draw before much can be accomplished in the way of conversions. The Catholic seemed more than infant has Church invites complete investigation. When the Protestants raved and stormed against her in other times she field, the painter has been able to draw did not go out of business just to please upon the resources of life, and their whims. She kept on the even to make death pulsate with some tenor of her way and is to-day getting a hearing in the whole world. Many who rave against her now don't really Durer and Francia, have expounded brown linen apron, tied on her small red cap, and put her basket contain-ing dainties for the sick woman on her arm. "Now, my Gretchen," she said, taking her hand, "go not into any house but that of old Mother Vander Heyden. Thou knowest I would not have thee run from neighbor to neighbor like a beggar maid." judices of a reckless and murderous mob-the face to which little children

turned with confiding love, and before which penitent harlots and the dying tion of a national league to pray for the conversion of America. The proposi-tion — transcends representation. Rev. Dr. Reynolds.

Words of the Saints.

Those who, from excessive fear of some inconvenience of suffering, avoid fatigue and deem it injurious to the health, are persons prudent according to the flesh, but very selfish and sensual.-St. Vincent de Paul. In every occupation obedience will help you to advance with increasing merit in the way of perfection, like

those who are navigating : for even to show our thankfulness for the success when resting they are still sailing onward. - St. Ignatius. The mysteries of the Passion of Jesus

Christ, well pondered are so many sparks capable of inflaming us with His holy love.—St. Teresa.

Our Lord Jesus Christ would not permit him who had begun to follow Him to go and bury his father. He excludes from the number of His disciples him who renounces not his father and mother and particularly himself.—St. Vincent de Paul.

He who cannot make up his mind to give up all for Christ ought at least to refer all to Him ; and to consider the highest honors as infinitely in-ferior to that one only thing which our Lord and Saviour has declared necessary.-St. Ignatius.

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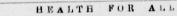
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The boy brought as a present for

ceiving holy Communion let us give long and heartfelt thanks for all God's of her as you to paint me a portant of her as you remember her," said Paul's friend. And in a few days' time she supplied him with material from Leyden, so that his picture might dealing with us ; and we have then re ceived the greatest of all His gifts, His

be as good as he could make it. Paul now spent all his spare moments in the little loft over the mill,

which was his studio ; and Louise did

The great event in Exhibitions in Canada is the Toronto Industrial Fair, many a task for him in order to give him more time to paint. It was some which opens this year Sept. 5th and closes Sept. 17th. It will be specially interesting on account both of the months before the boy could take it to his friend finished.

Madam Teressa was more than satis-fied—she was wonderstruck. "Take it home, my children," she cried, and place it where your father will see it as soon as he enters the house, but say large and comprehensive prize list and because of the special attractions to be offered. So great has been the demand for space in past years and to such large proportions has the Fair nothing about it."

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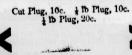
This is how the Chicago Herald handles the notorious bigot Fulton who at present is delivering a series of lectures in that city against Catholic-ism : "An individual who styles himfelf the Rev. J. D. Fulton, and who im-agines he has received a call to trave over the country and assail the Roman Catholic Church whenever and wherever he can secure an audience. delivered a harangue against Grover Cleveland and Catholicism at the Immanuel Baptist church, in this city, Sunday afternoon. He repeated here the charge which he has made else-where that Mr. Cleveland's administration of the presidential office was dominated by the Catholic Church. It seems to make no difference with the purpose of this frenzied bigot that Mr. Cleveland has denounced the charge he makes has being 'unqualifiedly false. Misrepresentations is his stock in trade, and he persists in it. The wonder is that in an enlightened population like that of Chicago there should be found people intolerant enough to listen with any degree of patience to the utterances of this wandering

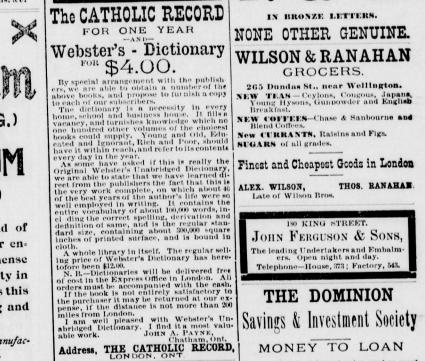
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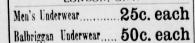
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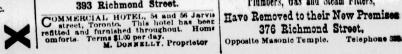


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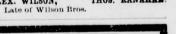


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