THEFE WITNESS AND CATHOLINESS THE



M ANY and varied are the contribu-tions to newspapers and magazines and criminal practice of adulteraupon the all important subject of family life.

worth living, it is to be one of an affec- English journal says :--tionste family.

the really nice families they know; the days is not to be found-is not to be in. ing to her well chosen and in good taste; families, that is, in which there is not a tender care for each other, but an unselfish deportment and a kindly interest always manifested by each towards other fellow member.

This is the household into which a young man, who wants a good wite, will do well and wisely to marry. There may not be much show about the girls, but he will find they are compassionate, and that their dispositions stand the test of wear. The Catholic Review, N.Y., refers to a

custom which was in vogue many years ago in Montreal, but which is now, we are happy to say, but very little prac tised. It is the permiscuous one of stop ping at hotels near the cometery after | their market value."" funerals.

ingly, all over the country is the practice yet the ratepayers are allowed to be of stopping at hotels on returning from iswindled and slowly poisoned. funerals. Around nearly every cemetery there are clustered together a number of these hostelries, and towards one of these a returning carriage is always sure to be directed, not on account of any desire of its occupants but because of the rewards which the hotel keeper of debt. The busy women of to day, promises to the driver for bringing his fare there. To say the least this shows a lack of respect for the one interred. If the matter were treated in the marner suggested by Archbishop E der the prac-tice would soon cease: "We earnestly appeal to all Catholics not to patronize these saloons, abstaining from entering them, not only on returning from a funeral, but also when making visits to the graves or relatives or friends.

It is a cause for surprise to the calm observer of things in the social world that their should be so many people whose sole aim in life it is to be fault finding and unhappy with their position in life, and so immersed in self. The Church News says :---

The majority of men, women and children are too careless regarding the bad habit of complaining at every little thing that does not please them. They seem to imagine that they were created for no other purpose than to enjoy themselves, and that every other person should contribute to their happiness. They do not stop complaining long enough to reflect how unhappy they render their relatives and friends.

A little meditation upon the object for which we were created and our future life would prevent many from uttering several times. complaints as they do, upon the slightest ovocation. We should not forget that we were not created simply for this world, and that we are only here to prepare for a world of unalloyed happiness. And then we should never fail to remember that there are so many far more miserable than ourselves, and yet we very often find those who suffer the most annoyances the most patient.

ANY and varied are the contribu- IN England, as elsewhere, the vicious tion followed by manufacturers and vendors of food and drink is becoming If there is anything which makes life one of the great evils of our time. An belongs to every true woman. She ought

Coffee has been the victim of adultera-Strange to say, however, most people tion to such an extent that what we see it. Coffee at the end of the pineteenth century is a money-making

> and dry the coffee berries in centrifugal machines with sawdust, so that the crevices become filled with powdered wood. The process is said to make them of a fine white color, and thus to enhance

And we have food inspectors and sani tary inspectors and public health officers

> Paving cash for everything used to be, says a writer in the New York Post, a woman's standard of thrift, and the feminine mind still recoils from a load however, find that weekly or monthly bills are a great saving of time and energy, and possess two other distinct advantages. A regular customer is well treated, and if poor or short-weighted goods are delivered, a protest insures prompt improvement. The business woman who does not have to concern herself with the commissary department of the home has discovered, too, that the same principle applies in her shopping needs. An account with a reliable house, if she is a sensible enough woman not to overrun it, saves her time and

> strength. [Despite the above comments upon the good old system of cash payments. the fact remains that it is much the safest plan for housekeepers to adopt, as there is a tendency to incur expenses under the credit system, of monthly payments even, which causes much unpleasantness. and in many instances are fatal to domestic harmony. Pay cash as you go is a good motto for women in charge of the household.

A single expedient to alleviate the fly nuisance is to sponge the window and sills with a strong solution of carbolic acid. Do it while the sun is shining and the flies are most plentiful. They will, it is said, die at once and in num bers. The brushing may be repeated

A health journal says that the subs

MUCH has been said in regard to the fashions. A correspondent to the Catholic Witness, Detroit, says:

The love of beauty and refinement

to desire in moderation pretty dresses. and delight in beautiful colors and graceful fabrics; she ought to take a certain, not too expensive pride in hercould count upon the fingers of one hand used to know as coffee in cur young self, and be solicitous to have all belongdulged in nowadays. It seems to have abe ought not to like singularity, either gone out of existence simultaneously of habit or appearance, or be able to with the old London coffee house. Time stand cut against a fashion when fashion was when you had the inviting aroma has become custom; she ought not to of your coffee before your eyes came to make herself conspicuous only by the perfection of her taste, by the grace and harmony of her dress, and unobirusive swindle. The genuine article has been good breeding of her manners; she ought and the custom has survived the ages manufactured out of existence to such to set the seal of gentlewoman on every an extent that only a very faw people square inch of her life, and shed the

> been adopted by women in New York and other great cities, where thousands of women devote so much time to the study of the fade of fashion, says a writer in the New York Herald, perhaps none will be hailed with greater delight than the latest one of dispensing with gloves during the warm months. The absence of gloves to day is a mark of good breeding and sign that the gloveless woman belongs to the upper tend, while a year ago the unglowed hand would have been stamped as belonging to a person utterly unacquainted with the

first rule of good society. Originally the wearing of gloves was conducted on the same sound principle that inspires a miller to wear a white hat, but long ago the custom departed from the primitive idea of usefulness. According to the encyclopedia and other heavy literature, proceeds this writer in his historical retrospect Laertes was the first to wear a glove. The farmer King was not fashionable, but it is set forth forth in the "Olyssey" that in his ca pacity of farmer he had to deal with certain bramble bushes, and he must also keep his hands in a kingly condition.

Since then gloves have had many and strange significances, from a seal of the transfer of property to a challenge to mortal combat. Not until centuries later did they begin to take on class significance. It was when they were adopted by royalty that the wearing of gloves was first regarded as a mark of station.

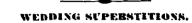
Some of the early kings were buried with gloves on, and when the manufac ture of gloves was introduced in Great Britain it was considered as a craft of great dignity and importance. During the reign of Robert III. of Scotland the incorporation of the Gioves of Perth, a wealthy guild which still exists, was chartered and received armorial bear

Although gloves were started on their career by men it has fallen to the women to bring them into universal popularity. After bringing about such a fashion it is to be supposed that women

Parisian manufacturers are turning out epaulett a with fringes hanging to the waist and deep fly unors of tringe are being woven to hang from the kness to the hem of the skirt.

THE STORY OF WEDDING RINGS.

"The wedding ring is made of gold of the purest quality, signifying how noble nad durable is our affection." writes Frank H. Vizetelly of "The Romance of the Ring" in the September Woman's Home Companion. "Next, in form the ring is round. a symbol of eternity, implying that our regard shall be without end. Why is this golden circlet worn on the third finger of the l-ft hand? Because among the ancients it was tucught that there was a velu in that finger that come directly from the heart, and come down to us from remote an tiquity. But there are other reasons why it should be worn on this finger: Because, being a finger least used, it may be least subject to be worn out, because its distinct purpose is that it is to be the visible, lasting token of a solemu covenant which must never be forgot. It has been suggested also that the form, being round and without end, imports that mutual love shall flow from one to the other, as in a circle, and that continnally and forever.



Here are some quaint wedding super

stitions: The bride who finds a spider on her wedding dress may consider herself blessed.

The bride who dreams of fairies the night before her marriage will be thrice blessed. If the groom carry a ministure horse shoe in his pocket he will always have

good luck Ship marriages are considered andthing but lucky. Get married on land or don't get married at all.

No bride or groom should be given a telegram while on the way to church. It is positively a sign of evil.

If the wedding ring is dropped during the ceremony the bride may as well wish herself unborn, for she will always have ill-luck. Maidens eager to wed should give

dishwater heated to the boiling point a wide berth. It means that they will not marry for a long time if they attempt to cleause dishes in water so hot. Shu'd a bride perchance to see a coffin while being driven to the railway

station prior to departing upon her wedding tour, she should order the driver to turn back and star, over again, or else she will sarely meet with bad luck.

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING.

It is said that lightning may be recog nized at a distance of two hundred miles when the clouds among which it plays are at a high altitude, but that thunder can seldom be neard at a greater distance than ten miles. The sound of thunder is also subject to refraction by layers of different density in the atmosiere, ss well as to the effects of "sound shadows," produced by hills and other interposed objects. These are among the reasons for the existence of the so called "sheet" or "summer" lightning, which seems to be unattended by thunder.-Youth's Companion.

but the newest design is of black alls hand had become liquid and was pouring not with lace sprays in gream or white, with a border to match. The veilings its unpleasant contained into the bottle. That was almost exactly what was hap with chenille dots grouped in sets of three, five or seven have not met with favor, as they tend to give the wearer an uncanny appearance. venience.

ADVANTAGES OF A BAD NOSE.

" Had man developed, during his early earth walking career, olfactory powers apything size equal to those of the dog, I make bild to say that all of us, if we were 10 w existing, would be getting our livings by entiting for roots and grubs like a badger, or by yelping along a trail

like a pick of jackals! Because, happily, he could not profitably follow his nose, primitive man was abliged to use bis with.

"Where the dog or the wolf gallors blindly or without thought along the tainted line left by the feet of his quarry, the primeval i unter had, irom the first, not only to learn to notice each displaced or shifted stone, or sh. k-n dewdrop, but had also-from these and a thousand other data-to lofer what had passed that way, when it had passed, and often, in the case of one wounded animal in a herd, how it had passed, and whether it were sufficiently disabled to make jursuit a profitable speculation. As far as I can see, this faculty, engendered and necessitated by olfactory shortcomings. formed the basis of much of our vaunted reasoning power."- "Wild traits in Wild Animals," by Louisa Robinson.

BREVITIES.

Men presented of an idea cannot be reasoned with.

The region where no man hath ever set foot is called To morrow.

Pity is so near akin to contempt that an honest man duean't need it.

He who excuses himself before he has been censured 'accuses himself,' says the proverb.

Affected dispatch is one of the most daugerous things to business that can be. -Francis Bacon.

No man ought to forget that if he ows wild oats he will have to reap the same kind of crop-

R bert Louis Stevenson said that when a cneerful person entered a room it was as if another candle had been lighted.

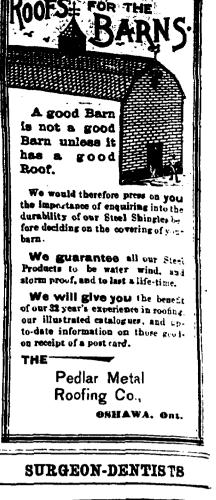
In the greatest minds the partition dividing wit from foolishness is very thin. In a small mind it is absent altogether.

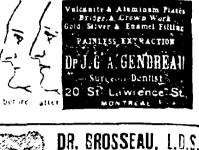
The law of the barvest is to rcap more than you sow. Sow an act, and you reap a habit ; sow a habit, and you reap a character; sow a character, and you reap a destiny.

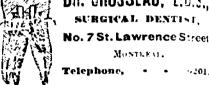
There is no rest from labor on earth ; there are always duties to perform and functions to exercise-functions which are ever enlarging and extending in proportion to the growth of our moral and mental station.

There is one sort of labor which adds to the value of the subject upon which it is bestowed, there is another which has no such effect; the former, as it produces a value, may be called productive ; the latter, unpreductive labor.

Suiky labor and the labor of sorrow are little worth. If you could only shed tranquility over the conscience and infuse joy into the soul you would do more to make the man a thorough worker than if you could lend him the force of Hercules or the hundred arms







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It now appears that a course of study has been recently introduced in a woman's college in the neighboring republic. A council of etiquette is form ed, to which mooted questions are submitted, the council not pronouncing judgment until authorities have been consulted and every effort made to secure a wise decision. Papers on relevant topics are prepared and discussed, an effort being made to remove the study from the consideration of minor arbitrary points of etiquette to the broader range of gentle breeding.

Reverence for the memory of the dead, however rational and admirable, says the Catholic Sun, should not be allowed in any way to prejudice the rights of the living. It is not difficult to find how far and in what way this applies to Catholic methods. It may excite some comment to say so, but we feel justified in saying that some of our people go almost too far in their reverence-as they regardfor the memory of a deceased relative or friend. One of this class of limited means and a large family will sometimes be heard to say. 'I'll spend every dollar I have, if it takes it, to give him a decent funeral.' What a mistaken idea of post mortem reverence is involved in so thoughtless a proceeding. Give the dead a decent burial by all means, but let it be in proportion to the family means and have due consideration for the maintenance of the survivors What a foolish, not to say vicious. course it is to strip the little household or plunge it in hopeless debt, in order to be able to say that everybody at the wake was treated to the best and that so large a number of carriages had not been seen going to the church in a given number of years. Jus tice to the living should precede our duties to the dead, and it is manifestly. criminal to expose the child to possible hunger that the father may have a silk lined casket or that the sister should go shoeless, that the brother's coffin should be covered with floral offerings that all have to be paid for. While there is some degree of gratification in noticing that, owing to the timely admonitions. of the reverend clergy and the remonst trances of Catholic papers, the senseless has been considerably modified in late wears, yet is still prevails in some famil lies to an extent that is neither credit able to their creed, nor their intellid constant of their creed nor their intellid constant of their descendants go down to the valle of death panoplied in took, and we hope it is all right with their with their the solution of the solution of

tution among enlightened cooks of whatever the cause, men have never be lemon juice for vinegar is to be highly commended.

It is always interesting to know how royalty interest themselves in matters of domestic economy. It is said that utility idea, differing from the other sex, the sound business capacity and mar vellous memory for details which serve Queen Victoria so well in her greater office of sovereign do not fail to render housekeeper. She is the mastress of although the actual daily housekeeping pendence in the matter of glovee. is, of course, done by deputy, the royal head of the establishment remains ever in a very real sense the mistress. She perceives immediately anything smiss, and perceives also the remedy.

She is a kind but also an exacting mistress, and as she pays well, and never fails to consider a reasonable excuse, quite properly demands good service and tolerates no shirking. A recent little volume upon her private life re lates several entertaining household anecdotes of the royal lady's ways.

She has, it seems, a dislike of cold meat, which she never eats, but etiquette sion of the well dressed must expect to demands that at luncheon a side table be inconvenienced. The princess gown shall stand ready, provided with cold owes its charm to this arrangement in a fowl and a cold joint, no matter what great measure. Word has come from daintier hot food the dining table may offer.

her valuable household possessions, and | shaped, oval, and square, are to be used is fully aware of their individual merit and the places where they ought to be kept. She does not know them all. for they number thousands, but hundreds catalogues are kept of the rest-furniture, bric a brac, china, glass, silver, draperies and other furnishings-by her White stockings are coming rapidly order, and in large leather bound books into fashion again in France and are provided in accordance with her ideas. Only a small proportion of her many hundred articles for table service are ac. tually in ordinary usse, and she is in the Castle.

But once, after a talk with the German Ambassador, who was visiting her, the satin foulard is far richer looking members of the Queen's household were the other and wears twice as well. surprised on coming to the table to behold strange china set before them, each plate adorned with landscape paintings. are being much worn with white duck

his birthplace was Fürstenberg, the buttons trim the sweet little coats. Queen had recalled to mind a service of china never used, and for nine years puthas been considerably modified in late hway and forgotten by every one but

have left they must stand by it, for come addicted to the glove habit after the manner of women.

A man is bound to be comfortable, and when gloves are a discomfort he casts them off. He never loses sight of the which was created blind to it.

With the introduction of the shirt waist, the short skirt and the sailor and Fedora hats, a woman's c' stume has beher successful also in her lesser one of come comparatively simple and sensible, and it is this new freedom and comfort palaces, castle and country houses, and, in dressing that accounts for her inde-

> The only men to suffer by this new whim of ever charming woman are the merchants and glove dealers, who say that the barehanded fad has greatly affected the sale of gloves. June, July and August are deadly dull in the glove trade usually, but this year even silk gloves have failed to find purchasers.

Many of the gowns of the immediate future will fasten at the back. The wo man who does not have some one to help her will find this an inconvenient style. But those who keep up with the proces Paris that we must prepare for the return of buttons; and wonderful buttons Like every good housekeeper, says Tit they are, too. Large stones, cameos. Bits, the Queen knows and remembers emeralds, and amethysts, diamond extensively as the season advances.

Grace-loving French women declare that the fad for flounced ekirts has gone of them she does know, and elaborate too far, and that they have never approved of the fashion.

considered quite smart with light gowns.

The ordinary foulard nearly covered with a white design has been extremely habit of using but three of her many ser-vices of plate and china at Windsor autumn wear satin foulard in the most exquisite new tints. with small white or cream designs, is taking its place. The satin foulard is far richer looking than

Short red jackets made of light cloth It soon apprared that, the Ambassador suits by those fortunate enough to be in having mentioned in the morning that the morutains or by the sea. Crystal

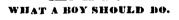
> Overskirin and draperies are becoming general on the light, fluffy type of even

TO DRAW OUT A SPLINTER.

Removing a solinter from a suffering hand is not always an easy task, but home surgery may sometimes give someone a feeling of heartfelt joy. The suf-ferer who illustrates the matter on this occasion was a carpenter. He was working at his trade at an institution over which the sisters of the Roman Catholic Church presided. One day he broke off an ugly splinter in his hand and could not get it out. He went home at the close of the day's work feeling no annovance from the wound but by the next morning his hand was in a serious condition and so painful that working was an impossibility. On his way to the doctor's the carpenter stopped to tell the sisters why he must delay his work. "Let me see what I can do with your hand before you go to the doctor's," said one of the sisters. The man demurred. "Yes," said tue sister, with gentle insistence, 'it will do no harm, anyway." She quickly filled within an inch or so of the top a rather wide mouthed bottle with steaming hot water, and as she held it, another sister pressed the influmed part of the injured hand gently down over the opening. Such a peculiar sensation! It seemed to the man that his whole hand was being drawn with great force into the bottle. He would have taken it away,

of Briareus.

I have faith in labor, and I see the gordness of God in placing us in a world where labor slone can keep us alive. Manual labor is a school in which men are placed to get energy of purpose and character-a vastly more important endowment than all the learning of all other schools.



A boy should learn the axe to use, And never his sisters to abuse, To shovel snow, to be polite. And not thing he is always right.

A boy should learn not to be cross, And think he is his sisters boss; Ne'cr be a bully, tyrant, bear, And never, at any time, to swear.

A boy should learn to rike and hoe, To dig the ground, the seed to sow ; To brush the boots, to clean the knives, And brighten other people's lives.

A by should learn when he goes out, Never to leave his clothes about, When ne returns, with bat and ball, Not to leave them lying in the hall.

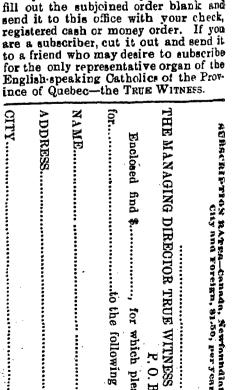
A boy should learn to read and write, And how to do his sums just right, His lessons never to neglect, His teachers always to respect.

A buy should learn to be just nice. Not tease the cat, nor torture mice; A boy like this is sure to be The pride of the whole family.

but the sister was holding it gently but firmly. Then there was a feeling of re-lief; it seemed as if the inside of the come in late to church just as of yore. American factories turn cut a cart



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