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FIVE MINUTE SERMONS. Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost.

HOW TO BE MASTERS OF OULSELVES. "Many walk of whom I have told you often (and now tell you weeping), that they are the enemies of the Cross of Christ; whose end is destruction; whose God is their belly; and whose giory is their shame: who mind earthly thinks." (Phil. iii., 18.)

Sensuality is the bane of man's existence. The dominion of the passions over reason is the source of his greatest misery. "Every passion," says St. Ambrose, " is a slavery," because smiled and shook her hea it subjects man to an unjust and tyran-The present, or at least the ultimate.

happiness of the creature is wrecked unless he resists the attacks of sensualy and frees himself from the control of the passions. The Spirit of God and the spirit of the world, the flesh and the devil cannot exist together in the Whoever seeks to serve at once God and mammon is of those " whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is their shame, who are "the enemies of the Cross of Christ," because they strive to destroy a fundamental principle of the Christian religion, namely, self denial.

"We must live in this world," says St. Francis of Sales, "as if our spirits were in heaven and our bodies in the tomb." We must live a dying life, and die a living and a life giving death in the life of our King and mos sweet Saviour ! This we do by self denial

stairs.

Kathleen was prepared to have

first hunger for sweets, groped around

till she found some cream puffs, mean

where the jelly-cake was.

disposed of them all.

then-how she did scream !

Kathleen could be found.

Mamma ! mamma !"

bo hoo !"

know.

lonely.

placed.

Yet the very word-self denial-fills the mind of some with terror, with thoughts of long fasts and of scourgings, of mental suffering and of bodily misery. These are they "who mind They cannot appreearthly things." ciate the necessity of self denial be-cause they are insensible to spiritual things. Their world is the region of the senses. They love their bodies and serve them with fidelity, they devote their time to the study of how they can get the most pleasure out of life, and they wander along through their probation wondering why they find so little comfort for their pains. Self-denial does not consist in mere bodily mortifications. Fasting and other corporal austerities are but means

by which the animal man is brought into subjection. The real end of self denial is that the soul may be the mas ter of the man. St. John of the Cross tells us " That there is great reason to lament the ignorance of some who bur den themselves with indiscreet pen-ances and with many other disorderly exercises of their own self-will, putting all their confidence in such acts and believing that they become saints by means of them. If they would but use half the same diligence in mortifying their unruly appetites and pas sions they would make more advance ment in a singe month than in many whole years with all other exercises.

"Be assured," says St. Francis of Sales, "that the mortification of the senses in seeing, hearing and speak-ing is far more profitable than wearing even sharp chains or hair-shirts. It ought to be our principal aim to

conquer ourselves, and from day to day to go on increasing in spiritual strength and perfection. But above all it is necessary to overcome our all it is necessary to overcome our with sugar and created with sugar little temptations to anger, suspicion, jealousy, envy, duplicity, vanity, fool-ish attachments and so on, for by so foing we shall gain strength to resist jelly cake with a neatly scalloped edge doing we shall gain strength to resist more violent temptations.

A man's chief care, then, ought to had escaped greedy Kathie's groping be turned within himself, for a man master of hands who governs his passion the world. We must either command them or be enslaved by them.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS. gins to tear the figure the trainer What Kathleen Did. Kathleen was perfectly positive that could she have just as much cake and preserves to eat as she liked, she would be perfectly happy. She would would be perfectly happy. She would moves the mannikin he has gripped a give up having butter on her bread ferocious growl warns the bystanders ferocious growl warns the bystanders and milk in her tea and go to bed at that all such nonsense had better stop at once. When he carries out his role 6 o'clock and do anything at all to well he is patted and caressed, for please mamma, if she could only have kindness plays quite as important a as much cake and preserves as she part as the whip in the schooling of But mamma the new policeman. smiled and shook her head. As soon as it is certain that Master It was an autumn evening when

Dog has learned his first lesson they let him loose on a living model. This Aunt and Uncle Brownson had come t call that Kathleen had sat wonderfully xperiment is never quite free from still, and Aunt Lucy asked the little girl why she was serious. "I am a little sleepy," said the little child. The china closet where the preserves danger, so the man who feeds him is usually chosen for the first experiment. as the dog will not be so likely to tear him, although in all cases the man puts and cake were kept was open, and on a leather collar around his neck to guard againt accident. Then these mamma had been there for some refreshments for her visitors. They all experiments are carefully renewed on stood at the door, when suddenly Kathleon disappeared into the pantry, trangers, who naturally demand pretty good pay for their services, and who constitute a sort of a board of regents. and squeezing herself into the closet among the jam jars and tin-cake f the dog passes this examination, he boxes, stood perfectly still. Mamma takes his degree, and is ready for work. came in, and, closing the door, turned The German government hopes to make key in the lock, and naughty use of these dogs in the service of the Kathie heard her retreating footsteps customs to catch smugglers on the as she walked down the hall and up-

rontier. Apropos of these dogs we are reminded of a story of a policeman in this country in a country town who nice time of it. So greedy was she that she forgot to be afraid of the was always accompanied on his beat by his devoted bull dog. One day the darkness, and so often had she longingly gazed at the pantry and it

policeman discovered two men in a case of assault and robbery. When they saw him coming they took to their treasures that she knew precisely She found the box, lifted the lid and heels, running in opposite directions. Of course, he could not go two ways at put her hand down into the box, and out came the big jelly cake. Even in once, so he called Nick's attention to one man, while he made off after the the darkness she seemed to realize how brown it was, how redethe jelly looked other. He secured his man, and, com in between the layers of cake and how well powdered the top was with sugar. ing back, found the second man pros trate with Nick standing guard. She took little bites all around the edge, and when she had satisfied her

THE OBSTINACY OF UNREASON. ING PREJUDICE.

for dessert to morrow when the pastor was coming to dinner. The little rob Everybody is opposed to prejudice, ber decided that she needed cream specially to unreasoning prejudice, at ast in theory. Reasonable men, it is puffs more than the pastor did, and so Then she sat aid, should be above narrow and hidedown on the floor and began to get bound prejudice and seek only for the

truth. A Christian man above all things should be a sincere seeker after "I wonder," she said, " if Molly made any custards for dinner?" and truth and ever open to conviction on the presentation of a truth even though then ran her hands along the shelf where the custards were usually sed to his previous convictions. placed. There were none-all the cups were empty except one. Kath-This is the theory, but how about the practice? Is it true that even Christian men-men who claim to be conscieneen put cup and all to her lips, and

ious seekers after and lovers of the In the meantime mamma and papa truth live up to their professions? On had hunted the house over, but no Kathleen could be found. Finally he contrary is it not too true that men ecome so attached to their favorite papa took a lantern and scoured the theories and so opposed to the theory garden and the neighborhood, but no that is supposed to contradict theirs, that they deliberately shut their eyes Kathleen. Then suddenly mamma was startled almost into hysterics by to the claims of the opposing theory, and refuse to be convinced even by the piercing screams from the pantry. vas followed by frantic cries of most pointed, logical and convincing arguments?

The door was opened in an instant, Take the case of our Public schools and into papa's arms fell the most for-All professedly Christian people ac orn-looking little girl that ever was cnowledge the importance of religious education. The various Protestant denominations have established de-

Her hair was rumpled, her face smeared with tears, dust, jelly and nominational schools and colleges, and cake crumbs, and her dress ruined with sugar and cream. The shelves they urge their members to patronize these institutions, and to see that their children are thoroughly trained in the principles of the Christian religion as hey understand them. Yet, strange to say, they are all opposed to religious instruction being given in our Public lay on top of it, and a jam jar was placed on top of a cream puff which

For instance, our esteen ed Baptist itemporary, the



very place where positive religious in AND THE REPORT OF A DESCRIPTION OF A DESCRIPANTI OF A DESCRIPTION OF A DESCRIPTION OF A DESCRIPTION OF A DES struction should be given, where the young and plastic minds of our youth hould be formed to habits of virtue by a thorough training and discipline in the principles of the Christian religion and forestalled and fortified against the temptations to which they will be subjected in their future lives. Now, why do not our Protestant

friends make provision for this kind of education ?" Why do they not insist upon some arrangement being made by which every class of religionists-every denomination-shall have the right to teach their children the

principles of Christianity as they understand them ? There is really no practical difficulty in the way, provided there was only a good will, and a sincere desire to do so.

The answer is plain and simple : it is because our Protestant friends ; under the influence of the old, hereditary Protestant prejudice, have determined that Catholics shall not enjoy the bene fit of State aid for the education of their children. They know it is unjust to the Catholic minority to impose upon them a system of education of whose benefits they cannot conscientiously avail themselves. They know that

nere secular education in which religion is entirely ignored is not only inconsistent with their principles, but that it is an irreparable damage to the

rising generation and a detriment to They see the evils conthe State. stantly developing around them in the low tone of morals, the spirit of supreme worldings, the scramble for riches at any price, however base the dis-honest. They know well that it is because the consciences of the rising generation have not been educated and developed by the constant and systematic application of the principles and imperative sanctions of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Yet they will not yield. They have made up their minds definitely and it as become common the public sentiment of Protestants that the Catholic Church shall not in many way be aided by the State. They have the majority-they can do it and therefore they will do it. They do not care to reason about it. Their position is best expressed by the old stanza:

" I do not like you, Doctor Fell, The reason why I cannot tell; But this I know, and that quite well, I do not like you, Doctor Fell."

They do not like the Catholic Church, and that is reason enough. They can-not deny that the Catholic Church has its good points, that at least it tends to make good citizens, but that makes no difference. They shut their eyes to all that is good in the Church and they simply determine that so long as they have the power the Church shall not enjoy any advantage from the State. It is simply and solely the unyielding obstinacy of unreasoning prejudice. The reproach of illiberality, of incon-sistency, of intolerance, of bringing



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of these "servants of the poor."

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Mamma looked on in speechless dismay, while Kathie howled, and pointing to the mustard pot, cried between her sobs : "I-I thought it was a-a -custard and d drank it. Oh, bo hoo,

schools, discountenances "broaden-ing" the system of education in their Mamma said nothing. Kathie decolleges and universities. The writer served punishment richly, and she got remarks : it. When the closet was cleared up

"The point which we wish to enforce and Kathie put to bed, she said humbly, as she put some cracked ice in is that if it is a worthy ideal to Chris tianize commerce and politics and lit her burning mouth : " It hurts dreaderature and art, it is a pre-eminently worthy ideal to Christianize educa-" It was good that you took it, bad

tion. Yet, strange to say, the man who is so deeply convinced of the importance

girl," replied mamma. "It will be good for your digestion." Dogs as Policemen.

In Germany they have conceived to

train dogs for the police service, and hey believe this new system is going to do great things. The object is not denominational college less unequivo to have the dog jump on a man and tear him to pieces: an uneducated cally Christian than it has been, and to do this in spite of the fact (mark th dog can do that. But he is trained to admission!) that among large classes of our people there has been an insistent knock the criminal down and keep demand that the education furnished him motionless until the dog's assistant by the state should be more distinctivecan come up with the handcuffs. The breed they use are bulldogs al y religious than it has been."

most exclusively, both on account of their tremendous jaws and because a same writer, apparently with unconscious inconsistency, declares : "We do not claim that Christianity

bulldog loves a fight. They are very intelligent, and when they have once should be taught in institutions supported by public taxation ; but those fcstered by Christian Churches and sustained by Christian people have a supreme duty to the kingdom of God, seized an idea, they hold on to it as they do to everything else. A bulldog never forgets anything, whether it be a kindness, or an insult, or a good education ; so he is in this respect quite unlike the celebrated Thomas B. and the Christianization of our civiliz ation to make their influence not Macaulay, who boasted he had forsimply unequivocally, but distinctively, Christian." gotten more things than most people

The schools supported by public taxation are the public schools-the The training of the dogs requires a schools in which the great body of the certaia knack, combined with great rising generation are being educated kindness, patience and firmness. For. -the primary, the grammer and the high schools, in which the great majoralthough the trainer is sparing of the whip, when a dog deserves a whipping he gets it after being made to underity of children graduate, if they grad-uate at all, and out of which only a

stand why he is punished. The first step in his training is the placing of a small proportion go to college. Is it not a most extraordinary fact maunikin behind the door, and makthat intelligent Christian men should ing the dog understand that this is a criminal he is to seize. This lesson is so earnestly advocate the thorough Christianizing of the education of their not hard for him to learn, for a bulldenominational schools and colleges dog would much rather jump on a man and yet be willing, and even insist up

than not. Then the trainer catches the mannikin by the shoulders and on the great mass of our children in lowers it slowly to the ground, with the public schools being educated with the dog still hanging to the rags around the neck. When the dog be- Why, here, above all things, is the Why, here, above all things, is the around the neck.

late number has an article ou "Chrisuntold evils on the rising generation tianizing Education," in which the and through them upon the State, has writer earnestly advocates more zeal not the slightest effect. They ought to be ashamed of it, but instead of being n support of their deroninational ashamed they glory in it - they glory in their name. Perhaps they may persuade themselves that they are loing a service to God, but most sens ble and candid persons will be apt to conclude that they take counsel more of their prejudice than they do of their f their common sense, or of reason, heir Christian principle. - Catholic Review.

"Turn the rascals out "-the familof making education in their college iar party cry — may be applied to microbes as well as to men. The germs of disease that lurk in the blood thoroughly Christian, and who is de cidedly opposed to the tendency which has been developed in certain quarters "to make the influence even of the are "turned out" by Ayer's Sarsapar illa as effectually as the old postmasters are displaced by a new administration. are displaced by a new administration. Thousands like Her. — Tena McLeod, Savern Bridge, writes: "I owe a debt of gratitude to Dr. THOMAS' ECLECTRIC OIL for curing me of a severe cold that troubled me nearly all last winter." In order to give a quietus to a hacking cough, take a dose of Dr. THOMAS' ECLECTRIC OIL thrice a day, or oftener if the cough spells render it neces-sary. This

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Mr. David O. Corkum, of Scott's Bay the fifth he began to notice a change. Road, is the owner of one of the best farms in King's Co., N. S., and is one Feeling encouraged he kept on, and from that time he rapidly of the best known farmers in that secimproved, and after using the Pink Pills for a period of some twelve weeks tion of the county. He is naturally a he was restored to perfect health. Such was the wonderful story told a hard working man and when strong is always to be found busy on his place. representative of the Western Chronicle last winter he spent the whole season in the lumber woods, was strong and Mr. Corkum a short time ago. Mr. nealthy and worked as hard as any-Corkum is now fifty-nine years of age one. But it has not always been so and perfectly healthy and feels younger In fact it is the wonder of the neigh and better than he has for years, and borhood that he is able to work at all. attributes his recovery solely to the use of Dr. Williams' Pills, and he is Before moving to Scott's Bay Road, Mr. Corkum lived at Chester, Lunenwilling to prove the truth of these statements to anyone who may call burg Co., N. S., and while there statements was a great sufferer from theu-matism, which affected him in such These pi

These pills are a positive cure for all way that he was unable to do mentroubles arising from a vitiated conual labor of any kind. About this dition of the blood or a shattered nervous system. Sold by all dealers or by mail from the Dr. Williams' Medicine ime he moved to his present home, but he could not get a moment's respite from the effects of his disease. Feeling Company, Brockville, Ont., or Schenectady, N. Y., at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50. There are numerthat he must get well at any cost he had his old doctor brought from Chester to his relief, but he was unable to do ous imitations and substitutes, against anythink for him. He tried many which the public is cautioned.

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anythink for him. He tried many kinds of medicine, hoping to receive benefit, but to no avail. Being deter mined not to die without a struggle he had doctors summoned from Halifax, but still continued to get worse. About three years ago he took to his bed, and his case developed into bone and mus-cle rheumatism of the worst type. I spread through all his bones, up into his neck and into his arm, causing partial paralysis of that limb, render-ing it utterly useless since he could not lift it above his waist. All the strength left his muscles, and he was unable to turn in bed without aid. He was able to stand upon his feet, but could not walk. Still the doctors waited upon him and still he took their medicines, but with no beneficial result. During this time Mr. Corkum paid out several