#### The Heart's Christmas.

Give me a clasp of thy hand, old love, And a tender glance from thine eyes; We may not be merry to night, old love— We have loved long enough to be wise— But the Joys of others, though ringing afar Shall shake all their bells for our ears; It is better to garner the light of a star Than to blot its one ray in our tears.

We know there are dancers afoot, old love Ah, thy foot was the lightest of all, And the small-st, nay hide it not, old love. We were foolish enough at that ball, Where our steps were the envy or many a

While our hearts beat a tumult of glee.
Can a violin sing on the trosty air
Without bringing that Ohristmas to me?

The "trees" and "caress" were our rhymes. The trees and calculated and love,
And our words flowed to many a tune,
Tho' they halted when "bless" sought "yes," old love.
By the light of a horn-tipped moon;
But it came from your cool, sweet lips a

Isst;
Yes, I know they were sweet and cool,
He who warms not his heart at the fires of
the past
Is not worthy of times of Yule.

Thy face was an angel's that night, old love, as it dreamed at the window frame, I saw it you know, from beneath, old love, After parting, nay, where's the shame? 'Tis thus we turn back to our best delights, And that was my golden time; It will sing for us ever on Christmas nights, And call all the bells to chime.

-Joseph I. C. Clarke.

A CHILD OF MARY.

AN EXAMPLE OF HEROISM AND

AN EXAMPLE OF HEROISM AND WOMANLY SWEETNESS IN HUMBLE LIFE.

Had I named the title "An Illiterate Child of Mary," instead of the one employed above, you would think this a strange character to give a Sodalist, yet it was true so far as worldly knowledge goes. She was not a graduate of a seminary or college, but the Christian virtues and the duties of her religion had been well learned and were regularly practiced. Foreign languages and the formation of ther mother tongue may have been mysteries, but the loving, merciful words of the Dlyine Heart she understood, and endeavored to teach to others less informed. Indeed, this Child of Mary could not write her own name, nor did she know the sweetest meaning of the "E de M," so dear to the convent girl. But I will let won indealified the title was ever bestowed on the Mollie was still conscious. On each of the saves af a captular of the sweets at meaning of the "E de M," so dear to the convent girl. But I will let was ever bestowed on the Sattle conscious. On each of the saves af a captular of the saves after a captular of the saves af a captular of the saves af a captular of the saves after a captular of the sweetest meaning of the "E de M," so dear to the convent girl. But I will let you judge if the title was ever bestowed on a more worthy soul.

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At the time I met Mary — she was a member of the Sodality attached to one of our city churches. One would never have taken a second glance at the slight figure clad in shabby black as it passed out of the church quietly, so accustomed are we to this meek and lowly class of God's poor. I for one never suspected the heroic qualities under the quiet garb.

On Sunday she was absent; only her consultor knew it and wondered at the consultor knew it and wondered at the cause. The next Sunday found her in the

consultor knew it and wondered at the cause. The next Sunday found her in the usual place. After the Office she came over to where I was seated and asked if she might show me a book she would like to sell. I was astoulshed; but the wan face, now crimson with sudden conscious. ness, stopped all uncharitable thoughts in

my mind.
"I don't need the book, but I do need "I don't need the book, but I co need the mofey," she said, opening the hand-kerchief and displaying her treasure, an "Imitation of Christ," worth about a dollar and a half. "The children gave it to me about two years ago. I know it's foolish, but I wouldn't feel so bad if you had the said looking at me with tearful. it," she said, looking at me with tearful

I have the reputation of being easily I have the reputation of being easily victimized by unworthy charity, but this was a genuine necessity—"a prossing bill that must be paid" was all the information I received. I had \$2.00 in my pures. "Would that pay the bill?" I asked.

Again the sweet face crimsoned.

"It is too much—\$1.00 would do;" and it was all she would take."

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In the midst of my daily occupations I could not forget Mary L.—, and anxious ly I awaited the coming Sunday. On the forenoon of that day, just as the Litany was started, a little giri in a diugy gray shawl and zephyr cap approached me and asked for the Prefect. I told her I was

cried bitterly.
I soothed her as much as possible and

asked the cause of Mollie's illness. "She fell down the factory stairs and the doctor says her spine is hurt. She can't move, nor talk, nor do anything, and we have to feed her with a spoon,"

"She is so good," little Annie gravely d me. "I believe she's a saint: she told me. "I believe she's a saint; she only gets three dollars and a half a week, and spends every cent on us; she never thinks of herself! When Moulle went to work with her, she sent me to school at the Sisters, and I staid there all day until they came for me. But now..."

Further information was interrupted by a flood of cears and the fact that home had been reached. This was two very small rooms in a small tenement hous and we found Mary bending over the

paralyzed child. At my entrance a painful blush hast-ened to her brow. She placed a wooden THE PRIEST AND THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.

chair for me, saying:
"It is so kind of you to come. You

ness in the midst of sorrow, what could one do but partake of the contentment which could exist where the stamp of want and poverty was marked on the pale, thin faces and every article in the room?

devotion from this patient, loving child of a sorrowing mother.

One morning little Annie brought me news that Mollie was dying and that Father Mailey was coming. She asked me if I would mind coming too. I went, and on the threshold I met the good priest. We found all prepared for the administration of the Last Sacraments, and Mary, on her knees by the bed praying earnestly and aloud.

"Oh. Jesus "he was saying "through."

world could not buy the happiness Mollie was now enjoying."

So one little life ended; its purity and goodness preserved from the corruption surrounding it by the prayers and exer tions of the devoted Sodalist, who in her lowly and quiet sphere had been an example of true herolem, womanly swestness and practical plety—had been a Child of Mary.—Pilgrim of our Lady of Martyrs.

CATHOLIC PRESS.

Ave Maria.

The Rev. H. I. D. Ryder, in his paper read before the Catholic Conference at Birmingham, Eagland, spoke on "The Controversy of the Future." Father Ryder justly thinks that the time for apologetics is over, and that the Catholic intellectual attitude should henceforth be one of attack rather than defence. "I assume," Father Ryder eatd, explaining his attitude, "That Christianity and the Catholic Church are synonymous, and therefore I am not careful to distinguish points on which non-Catholic Christians points on which non-Catholic Christians will instinctively range themselves on the

Catholic side from those on which they stand aloof." Father Ryder remarks that the modern non-Catholic has a sentimental regard for purgatory, but unlike his Calvinistic ancestors, will no tolerate hell at all.

Baltimore Mirror.

"Here are Mary L.—'s dues," she said, handing me 10 cents. "Aunt Mary could not come, because Mollie's sick." The little one hid her face in her shawl and wit that, while relieving the proceedings with specimens of wit that, while relieving the proceedings Baltimore Mirror. wit that, while relieving the proceedings from unwonted dullness, also illustrate their opposition to the coercive legislation which has so often forced some of them behind the bars of a prison, Recently Mr. Balfour taunted the Irish party leaders because they and their adherents objected to wearing the prescribed habiliments of the prisons. "If," he said heastfully, "I care in content she sobbed.

"How old is Mollie, and did she work in the factory?"

"Yes, in the woolen mill with Aunt Mary, and she was fourteen last Christmas."

Well, I went home with the little one; with a few questions, and the child willing to talk, I learned something of Mary L—'s heroic life. The children's mother, Mary's-sister, died when Annie, my little companion, was a baby; a month after this sad occurrence their father was killed on the railroad. Six months before this double misfortune Mary had entered the novitlate of the Sisters of Charity. Cheerfully she had left her peaceful retreat to take up the duties of a breadwinner for the young orphans.

"If," he said, boastfully, "I came in contact with the laws of my country, I should have no objection to prison dress." In rely Mr. Dillon, who is always at his best when a bit angry, said: "I should like to see the right henorable gentleman is greatly admired for in personal appearance. (Loud laughter and cheers.) I remember the story of an old lady in Ireland who was looking at the marriage of a lady who was not very handsome, but who duties of a breadwinner for the young orphans.

often thought of the story of that old woman when I saw the right honorable gentieman walk up the floor of the House of Commons, for I think dress does a great deal for the right honorable gentleman. I congratulate him on his tailor; but I venture to think if his admirers wno sit behind him saw the Chief Secretary walk up the floor of the House of Commons in the prison garb which he has put on Irish members they would not think him half so fine a fellow as they now believed him to be.' (Great laughter.)

chair for me, saylog:

"It is so kind of you to come. You have so many visits to make. Mollie, poor child, cannot recover, but may linger just the way you see her, for many weeks; what worries me most is she cannot speak a word to Father Mailey, or even make a sign."

I believe she feared my asking questions; real charity is diffident about asserting itself, but, nevertheless, I asked her if I might aid her in a financial or any other way.

Every unprejudiced physician will allow that the rites of the Catholic Church, as administered to the etck, have a decidedly beneficial and soothing effect upon the latter. Goethe, who had little if any memorandum entitled "Sacraments," in which he dwells asserting itself, but, nevertheless, I asked her if I might aid her in a financial or any other way.

"A thousand thanks for the kind offer!" she replied. "But I have a little money saved for a rainy day, and I am using that now. God will provide for the orphan. As for myself I want nothing."

In the face of such faith and cheerful.

ness in the midst of sorrow, what could the do but rataks of the contemment or focus sentiment, but as an edicacious. ness in the midst of sorrow, what could one do but partake of the contentment which could exist where the stamp of want and poverty was marked on the pale, thin faces and every article in the room?

At. Mary's request we recited the Rosary and the Little Office for Mollie, the three of us kneeling before a tiny statue of the Blessed Virgin. I left, promising to call the next day.

For two weeks I went daily to the house, taking little delicacles for the sick child, occasionally slipping in the necessities, and receiving the good aunt's blushing thanks and murmurs of "being too do the different seases of the body thing the patient that even now, though his life is in jeopardy, he need not fear. A special sacramental grace is given him when earthly remedies have been pronounced as no longer availing or greatly doubtful. Then the sincere Catholic is made to remember that, if the wisdom of deceived from the day at the first had available to the first had a through the ministry of man, by God through the ministry of man by God through the ministry of man, by God through the ministry of man a through the ministry of man, and always sure of being obtained so long as the sinner has a true sorrow for his offence.

Thus, too, in "Extreme Unction" the prayers which the priest pronounces as he anoints the different seases of the body and the patient that even mow though his life is in jeopardy, he need not fear.

A special sacrament agrace is given him when earthly r priceless lessons of true piety and ardent devotion from this patient, loving chi:dof a sorrowing mother.

One morning little Annie brought me fortified for the transit into eternity.

And the thought gives him peace, and the last struggle is one of hope and not of despair. If rightly understood, such disposition will be welcomed by every sensible physician.—Am Kccl Review for August.

NEW SCOTCH BISHOPS.

Aberdsen became vacant in August of last year through the sad death of Bishop Grant, six weeks after his consecration. Dr. Smith, the Bishop-elect of Dunkeld, was born in St. Mary's parish, Edinburgh, in 1841, and baptized in the cathedral church. After receiving his early education in his native city he entered Welburn Academy, and from thencownt to Blair's College, and subsequently to the Scote College, Rome. During the twolve years of his classical, philosophical course, he ever kept a foremost place in his classes. He is a brilliant, classical scholar, is an authority in Hebrew, and one of the best theologians in his Church in this country.

in this country.

After his ordination, in 1866, he served After his ordination, in 1806, he served at St. Mary's, Dundee, for a short time, and for twenty-five years has acted as Professor at Blair's College. He is of a quiet, retiring disposition, and has sell dom appeared in public. He was appointed by Archbishop Smith to be Canon Theologian of the Edinburgh Chapter. The See of Dunkeid became vacant in 1877. Since then it has been administration. Since then it has been adminis for the last two years by Archolshop Smith. Financial difficulties of a serious Smith. Financial difficulties of a serious nature prevented the appointment of a successor to Bishop Rigg, but through the tact and happy administration of Archbishop Smith, of Etinburgh, these impediments have been removed, and the appointment rendered possible. To fill the vacancy of Argyle and the Isles the Bishon of Socilora will mate and shows bishop of Scotland will meet and send it on three names, form a terna and send it on to Rome. The Cardinals will sit in jadg-the selected clergymen, and subment on the selected clergymen, and sub-mit their decision to the Pope, whose choice will determine the new Bishop.

Father Denisie, the learned Dominican who has charge of the archives at the Vat ican library, is the first recipient of a new decoration of merit instituted by the Emperor of Austria.

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