

TO-DAY.

Lord, for tomorrow and its needs,
I do not pray;
Keep me, my God, from stain of sin
Just for to-day.
Let me both diligently work,
And duly pray,
Let me be kind in word and deed
Just for to-day;
Let me be slow to do my will
Prompt to obey;
Help me to mortify my flesh,
Just for to-day;
Let me no wrong and idle word
Unthinking say;
Set thou a seal upon my lips
Just for to-day.
Let me in season, Lord, be grave
In season gay;
Let me be faithful to Thy grace,
Just for to-day.
And if to-day my tide of life
Should ebb away
Give me Thy sacraments divine.
Sweet Lord to-day.
In purgatory's cleaning fires
Brief be my stay.
O bid me if to-day I die
Go home to-day.

So for to-morrow and its needs
I do not pray;
But keep me, guide me, love me,
Just for to-day. [Lord,
—Hilda Schmier, Worthington, Ia.

A Saint's Answer.

In the days of St. Aloysius, when the latter made his home at the college of St. Andrea at Rome, there were a number of novices, with Aloysius among them, enjoying themselves during the hours of recreation by playing a game of draughts or checkers. All at once one of the youths asked: "If by Divine assent an angel from Heaven stood in our midst to tell us that a moment hence we all must die, what, my friends, would you do?" Various were the answers given; one would hasten to the chapel to tell his beads, another would make his confession, and so on until only Aloysius was left. He was bending over his game and took no notice until one of the novices whispered in his ear: "Fratello mio! What dost thou say, good Gonzaga?"

Then in the sudden hush the holy youth—"Dear brother, if this hour, in very truth, Death's angel with the awful summons came Methinks"—he, smiling, pointed to his game—"I would continue this;—the while, surprise Held all the others dumb—with drooping eyes He added: "Doth not he commence The noblest work, who in obedience To holy rule, and for the greater gain Of God's dear glory, doth his will constrain?"

"He who performs each duty in its time, With sinless heart and ever watchful eye, His very pastime maketh prayer sublime, At any moment is prepared to die."

"Loyal Rebellion"

Some thirty years ago an Orange M.P. protested in the British House of Commons against the vigorous measures taken to put down Orange riots in Belfast. "It is a shame," said he, "that such treatment should be meted out to men for rioting through loyalty."

"Loyal Rebellion" is a favourite term with Orangemen and other bigots when governments do not see things through their "yellow spectacles." It is a curious phrase, this "loyal rebellion." One feels that a man who speaks of "loyal rebellion" may be expected to speak of many and unfamiliar things: Sober drunkenness, per chance; or sad gaiety, or wet dryness, or black whiteness, or ignorant wisdom.

Any of these is as sensible a phrase as "loyal rebellion." Is it not curious how even the familiar meanings of the phrases and words in daily use, are lost in the heat of racial and religious animosity; and men can use such contradictions in terms as "loyal rebellion."

But the phrase is very illustrative of the effect of Orangeism on the human mind. Orangeism is the

negation of reason, because Orangeism is, essentially, hatred organized and systematized; and hatred prevents the ordinary processes of reason. Therefore it is that the Orange Society has always been profuse of such phrases as "loyal rebellion." The word "loyal" with them means faithfulness to anti-Catholic bigotry; not faithfulness to the British Crown, but merely faithfulness to a Protestant Crown as Protestant while Protestant, and while Protestant in the narrowest and most bigoted sense; which is the Orange sense of the word.

Not faithfulness to British law; for they keep British law no better than anyone else, merely violent support of such laws as create a discrimination against Catholics or reverse the ordinary relative positions of majority and minority; putting the minority over the majority on religious grounds, and giving to the minority the bulk of the offices of power and of profit.

Orange loyalty is given to this, and not to the British Crown, Constitution, Parliament and Laws, as such "Loyalty," in the sense in which the term is understood in the Orange Society, is not the same term defined in dictionaries and interpreted by British courts. Loyalty, in its true and legitimate sense means faithfulness to the King, Constitution, Parliament and Laws of the country of which one is a citizen. The man who rebels is a rebel. In extreme cases, his rebellion may be justified; but he is none the less a rebel. Justification of his rebellion does not make him loyal. His rebellion proves him disloyal. In an extreme case, a man may say: "I will no longer be loyal; I will rebel." But he cannot rebel and still claim to be loyal.

It is rather wonderful to note how great is the effect on the majority of human minds by the continual, unceasing reiteration of an arbitrary statement, of a statement that is entirely gratuitous and wholly unsupported by facts.

Much has been done for the Orange Society by its continual reiteration of the word "loyal." In this, as in other human affairs, the power of suggestion is so great as to be beyond computation. The word "loyal," stands over the door of every Orange lodge; it is written into the title; embodied in the description of every Orange body, and of all Orange movements, and the ceaseless repetition of the word has produced the intended effect; a phenomenon well understood by advertising agencies.

The average human mind is open to suggestion at all times. Advertisers understand this; and the Orange Society is an advertiser—of loyalty. As in the case of many other much-advertised articles, the goods are spurious; but, as in other cases also, advertising has established a reputation which is wholly undeserved.

The Orange Society organized a vast and deep plot to prevent the accession of Queen Victoria, and to substitute for her on the throne the Duke of Cumberland, then head of the Society. Anyone who will go into a good library and look up the British Hansard for 1835 and 1836 will see the whole story spread out before his eyes. The Grand Lodge of Ireland was suppressed. The House presented an address to the King—William IV—praying him to forbid army officers and public officials to belong to the Society. The reports of the Special Committees appointed to investigate the plot are still to be read. The Orange Society was then at the height of its power. Its peculiar aims came then to the point where the Society had well founded hopes of having its Supreme head on the throne. Orange lodges in Canada were involved in the plot.

But the whole affair has been buried in oblivion; and how? Just by the continual reiteration of the

word "loyal." Just that, and nothing else. Vociferous assertion of a non-existent virtue has buried the Cumberland plot, as it has buried many another plot since then; less alarming but no less disloyal.

A dozen Royal Commissions, in the last sixty years, have given us official information regarding the nature of Orange "loyalty." They have all been shouted down; and the continual striking of British ear-drums with the word "loyal" has been so far effective that it is still the fashion to regard the Orange Society as loyal to the Crown and the law.—*Cath. Record*

SPARKS FROM THE ANVIL
(Special for St. Peter's Bote.)

—The thoughts are the father of the act; the word of the deed. Tell me the thoughts uppermost in a man's mind and I will tell you what he will do and become to-morrow. If his thoughts are miserly, he will become niggardly; if benevolent, then charitable; if pure, then a man in whom there is no guile.

—Surely my thoughts are my own," said some one. They certainly are, but they dominate you more than many material things or temporal circumstances.

—Thoughts are factors in the mold of a life. They may not be seen, but they betoken latent power, the trend of the mind, the hopes and aspirations of the heart.

—Keep at work, have a vocation and an avocation—a job and a hobby. Do not overeat. Do not underbreath. Live out-of-doors as much as possible. Work, pray, play, study, laugh—flavor all with love, and you have the key to happy living.

—There is no one who has not a mission to fulfill, without going out of his state of life; not a single person who ought not to connect his own salvation with that of his brethren.

—How much God is like a mother! He not only watches the footsteps of His children, but He listens to hear their cry.

—The doors of your soul are open on others, and theirs on you. Simply to be in this world, whatever you are, is to exert an influence—an influence, too, compared with which mere language and persuasion are feeble.

—Be patient my soul; thou hast at another time suffered something still worse than this.

—Happy days vanish and leave scarce a trace behind, but sad days go away, too, and if we have known how to use them, they leave us stronger and wiser.

—Beauty lies not in the things we see, but in the soul which makes them spiritual, and mirrors itself in them for its own delight. Hence the poet's eye from the meanest objects drinks ethereal light, which he transuses into words that glow and sparkle like the steadfast and enduring stars.

—Sincerity is like travelling on a plain beaten road, which commonly brings a man sooner to his journey's end than by-ways in which men often lose themselves.

—Fortune gives too much to many, enough to none.

—The rich are bound to be moderate in the enjoyment of their wealth, and to restrain the excess of their desires, remembering that as men they, like the poor, have no absolute claims to more than is sufficient for good and decent life.

—Home is a comfortable and necessary retreat and shelter for us in advanced age. If we do not plant it while young, it will give us no shade when we grow old.

—The worst bankrupt is the bankrupt in character.

CORRESPONDENCES.

CUDWORTH, Sask., Oct. 23, 1919.

Dear St. Peter's Bote:—

Yesterday, Oct. 22nd, was the first exhibition of schoolwork held at Cudworth. Only the schools of the municipality were permitted to send in their work and it certainly was a success, considering the short time the teachers had to prepare.

Inspector O'Brien and Miss Campbell, B.A., of Regina examined the exhibit and attached the prizes. Miss Campbell spoke about Domestic Science, especially of how to prepare the noon lunch, and that girls (and boys too) should learn how to mend clothes and darn stockings. She remarked that too much crocheting is done and not enough of the more necessary sewing. She praised the work of our girls though.

Inspector O'Brien in a few words told that the Cudworth exhibit was one of the best among these local fairs and that the Cudworth District including about ten schools can be congratulated on the number of good teachers they have.

Following is a list of children and schools who won prizes, which were given for Domestic Science (sewing, knitting and fancy work), Manual Draining (Basket-weaving and making of little stools or bird houses etc.), Compositions, Hand-writing, Drawing of maps and objects, for best Exercise books, exhibits of vegetables, canned fruit, bread, butter, eggs, ducks and chickens.

CUDWORTH SCHOOL.

I. PRIZES: Hilda Neis, 1
Elenora Eull, 2
Elvira Eull, 1
Harry Eull, 2
Mary Kindrachuck, 1
Annie Kindrachuck, 1
Michelena, 1
Monica Green, 3
Louis Singer, 1
Max Singer, 1
Mary Czelak, 1
Mary Feddler, 1
Hugo Green, 1
Bernard Duerr, 1
Ernest Shewaga, 1

II. PRIZES: Elenora Hoffman, 1
Mary Feddler, 1
Elenora Eull, 3
Monica Green, 2
Elvira Eull, 1
Alice Cunningham, 1
Louis Sader, 1
Mich. Kindrachuck, 2
Math. Neis, 1
Walace Reid, 1
Annie Kindrachuck, 1
Max Singer, 1
Lizzie Hoffman, 2
Raymond Green, 2
Ernest Shewaga, 1
Harry Eull, 1

III. PRIZES: Mary Wasyluk, 1
Jessie Villeneuve, 1
Math. Neis, 1
George Feddler, 2
Stella Cunningham, 1
Ernest Shewaga, 1
Clifford Cunningham, 1
Bernard Duerr, 1
Hilda Neis, 2
Elenora Eull, 1
Lizzie Hoffman, 1
Mary Feddler, 1
John Czelak, 1
Christine Sader, 1
Louis Singer, 1

Total for Cudworth:

19 I. Prizes. 22 II. Pr. 17 III. Pr.

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PRIZES: I. II. III.
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Lizzie Weber, 1 - -
Mary Lepinsky, 1 - -
Benedict Billesberger, 1 - 1
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