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from South West Scotland in 1834 or thereabouts. One of her great possessions was a prodigious memory which enabled her to retain everything which she ever heard told by the good pioneer priest about the things of the spiritual world, as well as traditions and folk lore. She had the gift of story telling or of nar-rating whatever she knew. There is truly as great a diversity of this gift, if gift it may be called, among the unedu-cated as there is of eloquence or bril-lancy of speech among the educated. It may be that the former develop the art of narration, as well as the latter ; the former by telling tales and the trad-itions of the people as the latter do by studying their books well and taking pride in clothing the thoughts in fine language.

Catherine was left a widow nearly forty years ago with five daughters and one son. She was blessed indeed with a good loving family who always remem-bered the hardship she had to undergo while bringing them up. She was very in-dustrious,s woman siter the prophet's own heart. And the children imitated her a children always do their industrious children always do their industrious parents. One by one they left the home to be companions to their husbands in to be companions to their husbands in new homes and to bringing up families, till at last she was left alone excepting when her only unmarried daughter came to visit her, and the latter also was still more devoted to her aged mother's com-forts when she was left alone. She could have lived, and in fact lived, during the minter months with one or other of her vinter months, with one or other of her laughters or with her son. With the return of summer, however, she returned to her cozy little home, for she loved the fields on which she toiled when she had fields on which she toiled when she had sufficient strength. It was her own home, there was no other habitation so comfortable. In the whole wide world there was no other place like it. It was the scene of happier days per-haps; it was the spot where her chil-dren played in innocent glee, and they sometimes came back to it with their children and their children's children children and their children's children That was the reason that she remained there the last summer, although she felt it herself, and it was evident to others who observed, that she must at least have some one with her, lest death, grim destroyer, and thief that comes in grim destroyer, and thief that comes in the night when we least expect him, may surprise her and find her alone. She will therefore spend the winter with her daughter who lives nearest her old home. When she told her pas-tor of her intention on the occasion— she always consulted him and asked his opinion of what she was about to do— she laid Latioular stress on the fact she always consulted him and asked his opinion of what she was about to do--she laid <code>L</code> articular stress on the fact that she was in her eightlicth year and death cannot be far off. "If I should take suddenly sick-and I expect to have a very short last illness as my people had before me-there will be some one to go after the priest, and to die with all the sacred rites of the Church, and to be soon after with God is my only desire now." Still she came on the following First Sunday, and on the feast of the Inmaculate Conception. She was devoted to the Sacred Heart, and to the Blessed Mother of God all her life. Even when she had to walk seven or eight miles to church, she often came on special feasts. It was no wonder then that when she took sick last December, she at once spoke about the priest. It was late in the evening the priest. It was late in the evening of one of those December days when the air is chilled, and the roads hard and rough making it anything but pleasant for one to ride over them. Many people die at night, more breathe their last in the dark part of the twenty-four hours than during the period of light. It is the beginning of a long dark night, this ceasing to hear, to feel, to see, to taste, to test the quality of the particles of matter in the surrounding

see, to taste, to test the quality of particles of matter in the surrounding atmosphere. It is the initial step and the last heginning of the silence and the last beginning of the silence and darkness of the tomb. Those days im-mediately preceeding death are also affording us the last chance to do an act of kindness to a friend for which he will be able to express his gratitude to us. They are precious moments to the dying and to the friends and enemies of the dying. How much do the whisperings of words of forgiveness of injuries, or of regrets for offending a fellow man during those valuable hours conduce to the expressive words of the Prophet "I happiness and satisfaction in the lives of Christian people! But above all the con-

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S, NFLD. PASTORAL LETTER OF HIS GRACE MOST REV. M. F. HOWLEY Michael Francis, by the grace of God and the favour of the Apostolic See Archbishop of St. John's, and Met Health and Apostolic benediction. Dearly beloved Brethren and Ohli fron Ohrist, -Our Biessed Lord Jeaus Christ, over and over again warned His followers against the danger of faist exchers : In that most sublime exhor-stion, known all over the Christian world as the "Sermon on the Mouri, which is related in the (v. vl. and vit, hapters of St. Matthew's Gospel, Her of false prophets, who come to you in the stores this grave warning "Bewars of false prophets, who come to you in the solution of sheep, but inwardly they say. Ther the Ascension of Our Lord into his most important admonition. Thus St. Peter in his Second Epistle (ii.-i) " But there were also false prophets

After the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven we find the Holy Apostles and Evangelists constantly dwelling upon this most important admonition. Thus St. Peter in his Second Epistle (ii.-i,) "But there were also false prophets among the people even as there shall be among you, lying teachers, who shall bring in sects of perdition, and deny the Lord who bought them." Again St. Paul cries out to the Bishops of Ephesus, (Acts, xx. 29), using the very words of the Divine Master Himself, "I know that after My departure ravening wolves will enter in among you not sparing the flock." But these false teachers, and ravening wolves were not to confine their teachings to matters of Faith only. They were to ravage the domain of mor-They were to ravage the domain of mor-als also, bringing in every sort of wick-edness, and sin; "bringing upon them-selves switt destruction: and many shall

selves swift destruction : and many shall follow their riotousness, through whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of." More than that, they will enter into every department of your lives ; they will corrupt every branch of human science and industry : they will seek to poison the sources of all civil activity. "Through covetousness shall they with fairned words make merchandins of you" feigned words make merchandise of you" feigned words make merchandise of you " (verse 3) " alluring unstable souls " (v. 14.) " These are fountains without water: clouds tossed with whirlwinds. . . speaking proud words of vanity, they allure by the desires of fleshly riotous-ness." (v. 18)

" Promising liberty, whereas they

of the world : and so St. Peter says : "But the end of all is at hand, and the time is, that judgment should begin in the house of the Lord." (iv.7.)

Hence it is that, opening the Sacred Volume almost at any page, we shall find wainings adapted to our own wants: admonitions subject to our own wates: admonitions suited to our own minds and our own special needs. It is a sad thing to recognize that now after nearly two thousand years of Christianity these threatening words of

the Sacred Writers are still applicable all over the world. The false teachers are still at their wicked work. They begin by soft phrases, and specious promises, to gain an entrance into unsuspecting souls, to devour the prin-ciples of Faith and Religion : to root out the sentiments of truth, honor, and morality : To infuse the poison of false morality: To infuse the poison of false Doctrine: and infidelity. It is on this account that the Church of Christ, the Holy Catholic Church, through her Pastors, and particularly through her Chief Pastor, the Pope of Rome, is ever watchful over her flock throughout the whole world : He is like a faithful watch-dog, ever alert to eatch the fainthave made thee a watchman to the House of Israel," (Ezechiel iii., 1.7); is deration, to be so closely united to Gar as to feast on His sacred Flesh and Blood is the desire of the Catholic. He wishes to undertake that long disma journey through the valley of Death free from the impediment of sin, his soul sweet ith des des distribution of the Vatican Hill, looking watchtower of the Vatican Hill, looking the target of the destroyed to the target of t out over the tomb of St. Peter, has, ever since the dawn of Christianity, be first to sound the note of alarm at the revolt of traitors within, and the assaults of enemies from without, the Church of God. At times when the Holy Father speaks At times when the Holy Father speaks out above the turmoil of the world, pointing out some hidden danger that is menacing the Fold, people immersed in their worldly affairs start in wonder say-ing, "What is the meaning of this Alarm? Is not all now calm and quiet? But they forget the grave charge im-posed upon the Supreme Governor of the Church by her Divine founder, the Charge of perpetual Vigilance "Behold he shalt neither slumber nor sleep, who keepeth Israel" (os. oxx. 4,). The saintly and indefatigable Pontiff who now fills the Chair of Peter, our beloved Pius X., has proved himself a worthy representative of the great line of Pon-tiffs who have governed the Church for

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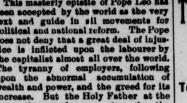
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ties or obligations towards the countries in which they have amassed their wealth, and that they may retire to dis-tant parts to enjoy the fruit of their gains. Recent events happening among

us show that a new spirit has arisen; ney

feelings are springing up in the hearts, new currents run in the veins of our

public men. They do not look upon their employees as mere money-making implements, but as fellow-beings, in whom they have a heart-interest and companionshin : and in whose comfort



for circulation only among Catholics has just been issued, and will be sent free and postpaid to any reader of The Catholic Record who has \$20 or more to nvest. The book tells of a line of busine that has and is paying enormous divi-dends, and which is being supported by Catholics to the extent of \$75,000,000 a into his mind sentiments of jealousy, distrust, and envy, sgainst the possessor of wealth. This only generates discon-tent with their own condition, a desire to plunder the possessor of property, and a false sense of ownership degener-ating into entirely communistic prin-ciples. The employer should recognize in the workingman, a fellow-being, a brother. He should reward him fairly for his labour. On the other hand the work-man should safeguard the enterprises of Catholics to the extent of \$15,000,000 a year. It contains most complete facts and figures relating to this particular business and the astonishing dividends paid stockholders. It shows how Cath-olics may, for the first time, now become stockholders and receive their share of the stockholder of the store their share of the profits of this great business. The stock of old-established companies in this line is worth ten to twenty times par value, and original investors are receiving 100 per cent. dividends. This is not a get-rich-quick scheme, but a high-class, legitimate business enterprise, endorsed by leading banks and the Catholic hierarchy and laity. This is the opportunity of a lifetime to make a safe and profitable investment and investigations. this line is worth ten to twenty times

labour. On the other hand the work-man should safeguard the enterprises of the employer. He should take an act-ive interest in the welfare of the busi-ness. He should, in fact, look upon him-self as in a certain sense a shareholder or partner in the concern, and take a pride in its success. As it often happens, that employers will not be reasonable, and will, where they get an opportunity, grind and oppress the workmen, or force them to accept a wage insufficient for their sap-port and comfortable maintenance, in this case the Pope says it is the duty of the Government to make laws for the

bit is ase the Pope says it is the duty of the Government to make laws for the protection of the poor man; and should it neglect to do so, it is lawful and proper for the laboring classes to com-bine in Leagues, Unions, or Associations in protecting of their own rights and in-terests. "It is gratifying to know," the Holy Father writes, "that such Associations exist. It is greatly to be desired that they should become more numerous and more efficient." The Church has never condemned those Unions of workmen; on the con-trary, she has always encouraged them, and they flourished very prominently in old Church times. They were called "Craftsmen's Guilds" and "Train-Bands," as they were banded together

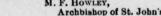
"Craftsmen's Guilds" and "Train-Bands," as they were banded together in a sort of semi-military, semi-religious companies, both for business purposes and for mutual protection of their par-ticular villages, towns and cities. Their objects were generally mutual assistance in cases of old age, accident, or shiowreck: poverty, loss by fire and or shipwreck; poverty, loss by fire and so forth. They aided each other by loans, providing work, the burial of the dead, and such like corporal works of

mercy. But they were all deeply im-bued with the principles of religion and Christian charity. They all had their oratories or chapels and chapiains. Their daily Masses and devotions: Their daily Masses and devotions: Their processions, retreats and religi-ous exercises, their pageants and pil-grimages, but above all the frequent re-ception of the Holy Communion in com-mon. They were all under the patron-age of some saint or mystery of religion. The modern spitt of irreligion world The modern spirit of irreligion, worldliness, personal independence, unchecked and unbridled individual liberty which overspread the world in the sixteenth

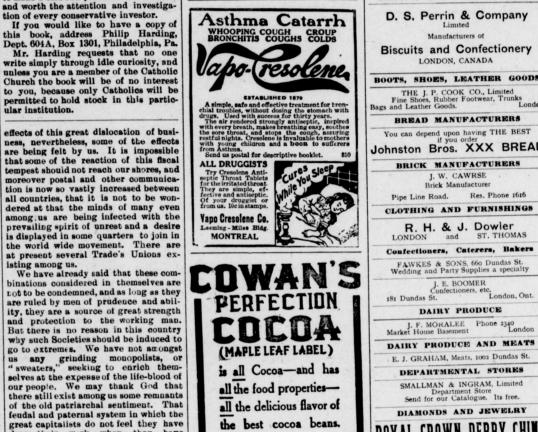
century, and which has been highly lauded as the principal fruit, and the crowning glory of the "Reformation," this new spirit of rebellion to authority under the false name of "freedon of conscience," soon changed the old state of affairs. The mild paternal sway of the Church, and the charitable rule of the religious Orders, gave place to the stern authority of the State. The friendly cloister of the monastery and the con-vent, and the generous kitchen of the guildhall, where the poor were treated with kindliness, delicate respect and chivalry, were supplanted by the "Poor House" and the supplanted by the "Poor

them. It may be welded to the destruc-tion or to the uplifting of their country. Let us hope it may be used for the ben-eft of all. Few of us find opportunity to do great things or to attain great perfection. We are so numbered with cares, we are so sure the world will go to smash if we let go for a minute, that we forget to strive after little things. THIS MONEY-MAKING

son or so the upiliting of their country. Let us hope it may be used for the ben-eft of all. To the children of our own Fold ; the faithful members of our Holy Church, We can speak with confidence. There is but one way for them to act, one sure and certain path to follow. If they keep to it they shall be safe from all perils and pitfalls. One course which shall bring them clear of all shoals and quick-sands; and that is, to hear and obey the voice of their Holy Mother the Church. She calls on us now, My Dear Children, at the commencement of this Holy Season of Lent, to enter with the true spirit of religion into the Holy Exercises, with which She consecrates this blessed season. All those who can, should try at least to some extent to fulfil the obli-gations of fasting : a portion of each day should, where possible, be set apart for some plous practice, spiritual reading or meditation ; the attendance at Holy Mass daily if possible ; the following of the public devotions in the Church ; Stations of the Cross, Sermons and Ros-ary, the giving of alms as far as on means allow and above all the great obligation of "The Easter Duty." The diligent preparation for Confession and the re-ception of the Most Holy Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ in the Holy Communion. This is the great test of the "practical Catholic." If this be neglected all our other practices and de-votions are of no avail, and the Catholic who neglects it is no longer considered a true child of the Church. We exhort Tells of an Investment Safer and More Profitable than Bank or Endorsed by Leading Bankers Government Officials and the Catholic Hierarchy and Laity A valuable book of interest to and who neglects it is no longer considered a true child of the Church. We exhort es in you all then beloved people, to enter with fervor and perseverence into the spirit of the Holy Lenten tide : and pray that abundant graces may be poured down upon you. May the Charity of Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen. M. F. HowLEY, Archbishop of St. John's.



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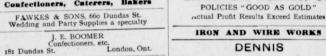
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One of the most beautiful things we can behold in this too often unhappy world of ours is the sight of a faithful son or daughter surrounding with marks of true filial love and devotion the aged and infirm parents to whom they owe their existence.

the State and Society. The Church, while not desiring to put The Church, while not desiring to put an obstacle in the way of legitimate com-bination, has nevertheless always watched with zealous care the develop-ments of these societies, and has never ceased her efforts to prevent them from When they falling into excess or error. When they have persisted in spite of her admonitiffs who have governed the Church for the past almost two thousand years. the past almost two thousand years. At the beginning of his Pontificate he sounded the glorious note, which was to be the hattle cry of his Rule of the Church to "restrue all this Rule of the tions in their erroneous ways, she has felt herself bound, as the agent of Christ on earth, to condemn such societies, and brand them with her anathemas, and for-bid her children to join them.

be the nattle cry of his Kule of the Church, to" restore all things in Christ" (Ephes, i.-10), and the years of his Pon-tificate up to the present time, though short, have been full of work. He has well sustained the attacks made by his great predecessor, Leo XIII. upon the enemies of the Church, and driven back We read every day of the great state of unrest and upbeaval existing at pres-ent in almost every civilized country. Strikes and Lockouts are the desperat Strikes and Lockouts are the desperate means taken respectively by workmen and employers, to try and remedy the evils which are prevailing. These con-tests are appalling in the misery and wretchedness which they produce. Hundreds of thousands of men, women and children are reduced to the un-speakelle accounts of moverty. cold. es of the Church, and driver back their outposts, in confusion. He began his pontificate by sending forth to the world the crushing encyclical letter, condemning the insidious errors of "Modernism." This was, as it were, the and children are reduced to the un-speakable agonies of poverty, cold, hunger and actual starvation. The whole fabric of trade and business and comparential life is namelical complement and development of the Great Encyclical Letter of Leo XIII. "Rerum Novarum," (18th May 1891). in

commercial life is paralized, and universal disaster must surely follow, unless a remedy be soon found.

which were assailed the errors of Social ism. But though apparently crushed and annihilated by these authoritative pronouncements, still, like all noxious weeds these errors are again constantly cropping up, and require to be constant ly condemned and anathematized.

Let us hope that such examples as those to which I allude may be the har-House," and the unsympathetic dole, and the distribution of the legal ration of binger of an era of peace and harmony, and good will among all classes of our the State allowance. Poverty becam mark of inferiority and disgrace. The people. We are passing at present through a period of great temporal pros-perity. Money and means of earning pageants and processions were sup-pressed or deprived of all their religiour were never so plentiful. Let us then beware of the evils which may ensue from a too copious flood of prosperity, when not guarded by prudence, econ-omy and public honesty. May our Trades' Unions direct all their efforts to aspect, and converted to some vain and aspect, and converted to some vain and frivolous commemoration of national or historical events. The tendency to unite and band together, which is strong in the human breast, could not be sup-pressed, and so men, driven out as it were from their religious stronghold, the maintenance of these virtues: to the internal management and develop-ment of their own affairs; and may they began to form secret and dange Societies and Unions. The moment ent they were separated from the wise and mater-nal guardianship of the Church they benever be misdirected to the cause of strife and acrimonious bitterness. A great and powerful lever is in the hands of those men who are leaders in these societies. Let us hope they will gan to fall away from the straight paths of honour and rectitude, and to hatch secret combinations dangerous to both fully recognize it, and act up to its re-quirements. A great power rests with

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