

PUBLICATIONS.

The *L. C. B. A. Journal* for May gives our REVIEW the following complimentary notice:

"The CARMELITE REVIEW, published at Falls View, Ont., needs no further recommendation than the name of the illustrious and learned Order, the Carmelite Fathers, under whose management the REVIEW comes out more interesting each month. It is published for the benefit of the Hospice at Falls View, which noble object, as well as its superior literary and mechanical make-up, commends it to general support."

The Carmelite Fathers have long ago recognized the great advantages held out to our Catholic women by the L.C.B.A. We are glad to see this already powerful association gaining ground every day. The number of branches is nearly 400 now, and many new ones are in process of formation. That the Ladies know a good thing when they see it is evident from the notice of our REVIEW quoted above.

Professor Schoenfeld, of the Columbian University, Washington, D.C., contributes a strong paper on "Spain, Cuba and the United States" to the June number of the *Rosary Magazine*. We note with satisfaction that the article is fully endorsed by the editor. When Catholic instinct was unable to warn our Catholic editors against a cause which was so suspiciously popular with freemasons and sectarian preachers, good common sense should have put them on their guard against the crude and palpable misrepresentations of the secular press. But truth and justice will always prevail in the end. Spain has gained moral prestige in the same proportion as the United States are losing it in the estimation of calm spectators.

The June number of the *Globe Review* shows us Mr. Thorne from his most charming side in the lay sermon on "The Reconciler," and some inspiring sonnets on the most sublime theme of all, the love of God. His other articles are in the usual style, so obnoxious to many, and so disturbing even to his friends. Caroline D. Swan gives a short but exhaustive history of the Oxford movement, and

Priscilla Alden presents the radical measures proposed by Father Casas of Madrid for the settlement of the Cuban question, without commenting on them.

Our Lady of Good Counsel for June is a good number of this progressive monthly. We encounter among the names of its contributors the familiar ones of Henry Coyle, Mary Angela Spellissy and Matilda Cummings. All lovers of our Lady will enjoy the scholarly articles on "Characteristics of the Blessed Virgin," by Rev. Dr. Zelinger.

The *Popular Science Monthly* for June has an article by Robert N. Reeves on "Suicide and the environment." The writer states all the causes usually leading to suicide, except the main one—despair. He suggests all kinds of preventatives, except the principal one—supernatural hope. He proves by statistics that family life is a check on suicidal tendencies. And yet, how many suicides can be found among the thousands of consecrated celibates in religion? Dr. Max Muller, the professor of comparative religion at Oxford, says that more Protestants than Catholics commit suicide. The fact is, that good Catholics, who frequent the sacraments of the Church, never seek self-destruction. Most of those with suicidal intent would shrink from the awful deed if they could open their troubled hearts to a sincere friend. Catholics have such a friend—the priest—the father. And love of Mary, the daily recitation of a prayer in her honor, infallibly stays the self-assassin's hand. We know how unscientific this is, but science fails so miserably when the heart is starving. There is no scientific remedy against suicide.

NEW BOOKS.

Love Your Enemies by Father Spillmann, S.J. B. Herder, St. Louis. (45 cents.)

This is another one of the fascinating stories so dear to our Catholic youth, which this dear good Jesuit father has embodied in his "Tales of foreign lands." It treats of the Maori insurrections in New Zealand in 1860 and teaches a noble Christian lesson, one of the most difficult to learn, it is true, but one which makes us most Christ-like, when put into practice, the love of enemies.