WHY WE CANNOT BE CORDIAL

People ask sometimes why it is that, though we can speak kindly of Methodists, Presbyterians, Low Church Episcopalians, Evangelists in general, we never have a kind word for Protestant Episcopalians of the High Church party? The reason is simple enough. The members of those denominations know perfectly well how the Catholic Church regards their principles. Church regards their principles. They understand that in speaking well of them, we speak of them as Christians, notwithstanding their doctrinal errors, which we are only too glad to ascribe to invincible ignorance. They, on their side, treat Catholics in much the same way. They do not dream, therefore, of taking any cordiality shown, to transfer it to the system, as if Catholics were coming round to their point of view. With the High Church party the case is different. They do not dream, therefore, What they want is recognition, to be recognized not as what they really are, but as what they would like to be. Hence, any civility from Catho-lic or Greek is made much of as a sign that Rome, or St. Petersburg, or Constantinople, is coming round, and is getting ready to recognize the High Church par y as a branch of the true Church. If they would follow the example of other Pro-testants, admit that Catholics must look upon their sect as not only utterly heretical but, what is worse, regarding the very doctrines on which they rest their claim to be called Catholic, and accept civilities as mere signs of good will, and of a hope that they will come to see their errors, and embrace the Catholic Faith, we should be most happy to be kind, and to accept their courtesies, when offered, in the same

As it is, attempts at the kindness desired are received in such a way as makes the attempter resolve to try it never again. Thus the Catho-lic World published a kindly article on the late General Convention of the Episcopal Church. The object of the writer was clear enough, namely, to show the High Churchmen that, despite their ideals, they are in the air, with no chance of ever finding a solid place of rest. The Living Church took the article in the usual style, claimed the writer as a sympathizer with the system, practically an admitter of Anglican claims, and suggested that when he can be called a true re-presentative of the Catholic Church the way will be open to the realiza-tion of all sorts of fantastic dreams.

Is is not quite the thing to repay kindness with misrepresentation. But then recognition is for High Churchmen a matter of life or death. For a small body to claim to be a branch of the Church and to be

SACRAMENTS AND SPECTACLES

Though the Church indulges her children in taste for spectacles which nations allow themselves, she would be ill-satisfied were they to be content with them. They are only a means to an end; on the one hand, a recognition of God's Sovereignty, and so a due act of homage from His lieges, a reminder to them of their debt towards an invisit. Viv. ebt towards an invisible King; and on the other hand, a condescendance to a very general need of men by whose help they may be lifted out of the flatness of dull or common things to some remembrance of

A nation may, however, become too fond of pageants or fall into too dependent an indulgence of its taste for them; and, should this happen, the effect on national character would be enervating. A people may become so given to spectacles, may acquire so morbid a craving for the excitement of watching games or shows, that it leaves its business unor suffers others to do its

And individuals are subject to the same danger, since nations are only very large groups of individuals, and what would hurt the big group will hurt its members one by one.

The Church would not think him a

satisfactory Catholic whose religious acts consisted in watching her ceremonial, as it were, from outside. He has his business also, a spiritual business, to do himself, and should he absorb himself exclusively in an enjoyment of ecclesiastical pageantry he would be apt to leave that business undone, or trust to some one

else doing it all for him. The countless ceremonies of the Church's year are used best when they are used as a sort of sacramentals, but they can never be sacraments, or do the work of sacraments. And this some people are willing to forget. It is much easier indolence to watch than to act, and far more congenial to a skin-deep spirituality to frequent ceremonies than to frequent the Sacraments. You will find many very willing, even to carry something in a procession who want a great deal of persuading to go to confession and Holy Com-munion.

No doubt, the taking part in the procession, even as onlookers, without carrying anything, does draw out carrying anything, does draw many to the Sacraments, partly by force, as it were, of mere reminder, partly by the operation of graces of and though his face was so terribly

which the procession is the occasion; but it is true also that some will take part in the procession without being moved to confess their sins and receive the Blessed Sacrament.

That is not saying that in their case the taking part in the procession is cuite received.

case the taking part in the procession is quite useless, a merely empty, outward act, without any spiritual result; every religious act is good for religion; and among such acts here is an incalculable gradation—from that of the most perfect who takes part in it, down to that of the most imperfect; even in the lowest case the outward participation must serve as a reminder, must help to keep up a certain intimacy with the Church and her Faith, must tend to ward off estrangement and coldness.

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And the Church will never quench the flax that only smokes. She will not obey the chill admonition of hard and unloving critics who cry out:
"That fellow is not much of a Christian, even your Christianity he does not practise; he fights shy of your sacraments—and will only come to Church when there is something fine to see; what business has he walk-ing with a banner, or a torch, in his hand? Why do you not send him off ?"

Were all they who cast their garments before Christ, and tore down branches from the wayside trees to strew His path withal, in the grace of God? Who can tell? But we know this, that he forbade none of them coldly them, and sent none of them coldly away. It may have been but an outward tribute with many of them, but

He did not refuse or scorn it.

Nevertheless, it is true that the Church wants her good things to be used in the best manner; she will snatch no crumb out of any mouth, but she longs to give fuller food. And the business of the without waiting for her hand to scourge.

So that they who are content to indulge themselves with ceremonies, and hold still aloof from sacraments, are but dull children, surface listen ers whose ears are filled with sounds and keep hearts empty of her noble meanings; and silly, too, for it is a fool's part to grasp the pretty wrap-pings of a great gift, and fling the gift aside.

The worldly-wise are not imprudent thus, in their generation; when they know what is worth most, they will not seize what looks finest in-stead. But some of us are foolish fellows, and, because there is little show about a sacrament - how sim ple a thing is the giving of Holy Communion, how plain is the brief, Divine Word of absolution!—we like better to walk in a procession, or take our ticket for a pilgrimage. Not, again, that we are to leave these last undone, but that we must not, on pain of blindness, leave the form-

Long ago a quiet voice said that they who go on many pilgrimages do not soon become perfect men. We know he did not mean that pilgrim ignored by those to whom it addresses the claim, is the height of absurdity. To point this out on every occasion is the truest kindness to every High Churchman. greatest means of grace to be the most costly — we know He does not — the most priceless cost nothing, and are as easy to the penniless as to the rich.

In some "Poor" Missions you shall hear those who love to excuse themselves complaining that there is not this or that; that some fair function they have seen elsewhere is not to be seen where they are ; that its center; as if Jesus Christ in the White Rainment of His Love-Prison depended for His Majesty on trap-

pings that form no part of Himself. By no people is the patience of the most patient priest more hardly tred; they do not perceive that they are snobs of religion though they are keen enough at noting the snob-bery of those who are dazzled by the fine feathers of the world's fire birds, and think more of a man because his house or his clothes are sumptuous.

They cannot or will not, them-selves remember that a king in a mean hovel makes a more potent appeal to real loyalty than when he is in his palace, surrounded with all the outward signs of majesty. They can condemn the sycophancy of earthly courtiers, that love to stand near jewelled thrones, while them-selves are in the same case, holding aloof from their King till they can see Him in a grander place with finer things about Him.—John Ayscough, in the London Universe.

PRIEST BRAVES DEATH

A story of heroism on the part of a priest is now going the rounds of the Denver Diocese. It concerns Rev. Bernard Naughton, of Central City, Col., who, recently, crawled under a wrecked locomotive in the Colorado & Southern railroad, although his life was in grave danger, to adminis-ter the last Sacraments of the Church to Engineer James T. Duffy, Denver. All efforts to release Mr. Duffy from his perilous position failed, and when Father Naughton arrived many persons warned him not to approach the

dying man, as the engine was liable to topple over.
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scalded that he could not speak, he pressed the priest's hands and let it be known that he knew what was going on. While the victim lan-guished in bodily torment, the priest administered the last Sacraments.

CONVERSIONS IN ENGLAND

The movement of conversions to the Catholic Church in England is admirably illustrated in the following paragraph from the Catholic Universe (London): "It is only a little over three years ago since the Brighton emeute brought seven or eight High Anglican vicars and curates and over two hundred of their people into communion with Catho-lic Unity. Ever since, clergymen, laymen, and laywomen have been submitting to the Church in increasing numbers all over the country, but dropping in, as it were, singly and unnoticed. Then, in March last, came the great and remarkable manifestation of God's grace at Cal-dey and St. Bride's Abbeys, which brought upwards of seventy chosen souls into the Ship of Peter. As might have been anticipated, the spots of consecrated ground where abide these neophytes, who have proved in their own persons the truth of the words of SS. Paul and Barnabas, 'that through many tribu-lations we must enter into the kingdom of God, are acting as spiritual magnets to many scores of distressed Anglicans. Close upon a hundred of these pilgrims to the Welsh island have already found the gift of Fatth, and letters are pouring into Caldey from clergymen in high positions in the Church of England whose bitter the Church of England whose bitter cry may be expressed in the words; 'We cannot long remain as we are. Pray for us.' Seven ex-Anglican ministers have been received into the Church during the past few months. They are all celibates, and each of them has decided to enter at once upon the usual course of study for the Catholic priesthood.

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QUINN .- At St. Andrews West, on January 18, 1914, Mrs. John Quinn, aged fifty seven years. May her soul est in peace!

KLEIN.-At Detroit, Mich., on Jan uary 31st, 1914, Miss Vera Klein, aged fifteen years. May her soul rest in peace!

TIERNEY .- At Mount Hope, Lon don, on Thursday, February 5, 1914, Catherine, widow of the late Henry Tierney, and much respected mother of Rev. Edward L. Tierney, of St. Peter's Cathedral, aged sixty - two years. May her soul rest in peace!

A HAPPY OCCASION-Mr. and Mrs. James Dewan of London, Ont., cele-brated their golden Jubilee on the 4th inst. It was made the occassion of a happy family reunion.

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MOTHER M. CELESTINE

"Bereaven is earth when her holy ones leave her for heaven." The Sisters of St. Joseph realized this sad truth when, the message "Mother Celestine is dead "filled their hearts with grief.

Mother Celestine Burns, who died at St. Joseph's Convent, Mount Forest, on Wednesday, January 28th, was born in Hamilton on July 25th, 1825. From her earliest childhood she gave unmistakable signs of a calling to the religious life, and in her sixteenth year entered the novitiate of the Sisters of St. Joseph where she received the holy habit a few months later. The fervent novice pronounced her vows on July 10th, 1871, and from that day followed faithfully in the divine Master's footsteps

During her long religious life, Mother Celestine filled many important offices in the Community, having been mistess of novices, Superior of St. Joseph's Convent and St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton; the House of Providence, Dundas, and at the time of her death, Superior of the Convent at Mount Forest. There she was remarkable for the same virtues that shone before her Sisters in the larger communities over which she had presided. The eve of her departure found her visiting the sick, speaking words of comfort to those who, no doubt, the good Sister thought would leave this world before her own summons to eternal life.

Mother Celestine's death was a shock to all her Sisters and friends. Gr apparently she was in good health until mad 38th. Ret un Mass was sung by Vey Rev Dean Kelly at Mount Forest on Thurday, after which the remains were taken to the Mother House, Hamilton, and on Friday morning Solemn Requiem Mass was sung, by His Lordship Bishop Dowling, assisted by Rey J. F. Cox, S. J., deacon and Rev. J. O'Sullivan, subdeacon. In the sancturary were Ivery Rev. Dean Kelly of Mount Forest, Rev. Father Brick, C. S. S. R., Toronto, Rev. J. F. Craven, G. Glit, Rev. G. Cleany, Caledonia, Rev. D. F. Kenoe, Kenilworth, Rev. C. Casaidy, Paris, Rev. A. C. W. Walter, D. P., Rev. J. Bonomi, Rev. P. J. Maloney, and Rev. J. J. Flahaven, Hamilton. The i

RECEPTION AT CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' NOVITIATE

The first ceremony of the reception of the holy habit at the newly-established Novitiate of the Christian Brothers, Toronto was held on Sunday, Feb. 1st., eve of Our Blessed Lady's Purification. On that day nine young men laid aside their worldly gard and were clothed in the humble livery of the Brother of the Christian schools.

Rev. Brother of the Christian schools.

Rev. Brother Edward presided at the simple but touching ceremony and in the name of the Superior General, adm tted the postulants into the great family of St. John Baptist De La salle. The reception was followed by Banediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament celebrated by Rev. Father Heydon of St. Michael's Cathedral.

The young men who have entered the re nks of the Christian Brothers and are now preparing to labor for the cause of Catholic education in Ontario are Joseph Lynett, Ayton, Ont., in religion Brother Stephen; Stephen; Stephen; Temeau Montreal, in religion Brother Raymond; Thomas Shanahan, Montreal, in religion Brother Raymond; Thomas Shanahan, Montreal, in religion Brother Raymond; Toronto, in religion Brother Authony; Harold Sehl, Waterloo, Ont., in religion Brother Cyril; Leo O'Reilly, Drayton, Ont., in religion Brother Authony; Harold Sehl, Waterloo, Ont., in religion Brother Authony; Harold Sehl, Waterloo, Ont., in religion Brother Authony; Harold Sehl, Waterloo, Ont., in religion Brother Levin.

DOMINION BANK

Net Profits of \$950,000 are reported by the Dominion Bank for the year ending December 31st, 1913. Not only were these the largest profits in the history of the Bank, but further examination of the report shows evidence of many other gains. The proportion of quickly available assets is unusually large. It is also somewhat exceptional in view of the period of tight money to note that nearly all the new stock offered by the Bank has been subscribed by the Shareholders.

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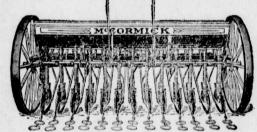
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Payments to Policyholders\$	1,396,445.	Gain	over	1912\$ 1	20,558
Income	4,169,660.			" 4	
Total Assets	22,252,724.			2,1	81,921
Surplus	3,816,612.			3	44,279
New Assurances	14,412,962.	••		3,2	91,538
Assurance in Force	87,392,026.			9,4	70,883

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