FIVE MINUTE SERMON

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

THE JOY OF PENANCE He was transfigured bef ie them. Words from

At first sight, my dear Brethren, it seems strange that just as we have entered upon this season of fasting and penance the church should have chosen for to-days Gospel one of the few accounts which the Evangelists have given of the manifestation on earth of our Lord's glory and majesty. The Gospels, as you are aware, are mainly made up of the record of our Lord's words, actions, and sufferings; they tell us how the Son of God made man went about from place to place doing good, healing the sick, consolsorrowful, and in the end undergoing cruel sufferings and an ignominious death. There are but few instances recorded of his being glorified and honored with more than human glory and honor, and when such is the case no long and detailed description is given, the fact is barely entioned, and the narrative passe

But to-day's Gospel forms an exception to this general rule. In it special pains have been taken by the Evangelists to give us in detail a description of the other side, so to speak, of our Lord's life. We are told that our Lord chose, out of the twelve, Peter, James, and John, and led them up into a high mountain, and was transfigured before them; so that His face did shine as the sun, and even His garments became shining and exceeding white as snow, " so as no fuller upon earth can make white." there appeared to them Elias with Moses talking with Jesus. And so astonished and impressed was Peter that he exclaimed: "Lord, it is good for us to be here: if Thou wilt, let us make three tabernacles, one for Thee, one for Moses, and one

Now, why has the Church, by selecting the account of the Transfiguration at this season, turned our thoughts to what seems so inappro-priate a subject? It would seem that it would have been better to have chosen those parts of the Gospel which treat of sin, of the judgment to come, of the punishments which await the impenitent sinner. Well, I do not know that I can tell you all the reasons why the Church has made this choice, but I think I can give you one reason, and that is, that the Church wished to encourage us and to animate us at this season by placing before us the glory which is in store for those who do penance

and suffer here.

In this life there is nothing so familiar to most of us as suffering in some form or other. Most of us are obliged by our circumstances to pass our days in exhausting toil and labor Disease and anxiety and want and disappointment are to be met with on all sides, and there are but few who are free from all these evils. And to all—even to those who are the most favored in this life—there is an hour coming which nothing can avert-the hour of death. This, as every one may see, is the present state of things. Moreover, our Lord, so far from encouraging us to expect freedom from suffering, insists continually upon its necessity. "Deny yourselves," "take up your cross daily," "blessed are the mourners," such are the words, our Lord ad-dresses to His disciples. And the Church, that this teaching of our Lord may not be a mere speculation, brings it down into every-day practi-cal life by commanding us at this season to fast and abstain. From all this the necessity of suffering is evi-

is not an end in itself; it is only a means to an end; it is but a road to everlasting joy and glory. God permits and commands sufferings in order that He may give to those who endure their sufferings well an abundant reward. As St. Paul says

That which is at present momentary and light of our tribulation worketh for us above measure exceedingly an eternal weight of glory," And it is in order that we may ever remember this that the Church calls upon us to consider the manifestation of the glory of our Lord and Master, to whom we must be made conformable in all things—in suffering in this life, in glory in the next.

TEMPERANCE

NO RUM FOR THE "CUBS '

There is a particularly dark side to the performances of the human pests who tempt ball players to become shocking examples when important games are about to be played, says the Chicago Daily News. President Murphy, of the "Cubs," points out that an alleged admirer of a player may do an important service for the opposing team by putting the player nto a state of partial incapacity through a course of heavy drinking The rules of the training camp and the training table show general knowledge by athletes of the harmful results to any one of them who

drinks liquor. The mystified public which, having een its favorite team playing brilliantly and victoriously against its strongest opponents in the league, beholds it a few days later playing like an aggregation of amateurs and going down ingloriously before an inferior team, has had its suspicions aroused from time to time by the singular contrast. President Murphy's new rule may serve in the future to modify such reversals of form.

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absolutely prohibited. The penalty for the violation of any of the foregoing rules will be a fine, a suspension or both, according to the offense.

THE TABOO ON MODERATE

DRINKING The use of alcohol is receiving some hard knocks these days. A prominent railway system, not conent with the general rule heretofore in force on railroads forbidding employees to drink while on duty, new forbids employees to indulge at all in drinking out of employment hours, or in any other conduct which will impair their health or make them less alert and less capable while on duty. The owner of the nation's pets—a prominent baseball team—announces that moderation in drinking is not sufficient; the players on his team must leave alcohol en tirely alone and abandon cigarettes The justification for such rules may be found not only in the difficulty of being moderate in indulgence, also in the cumulative and after-effects of dissipation. The world is moving; the old fetich of "personal liberty" at whatever cost of danger to the public at large seems to be losing its power. The Journal of the American Medical Association But however true this is, suffering thinks that the time may come when York. be expected or even required to be as abstemious as ball-players and railway employees.

SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL FEATURES

If a story now going the rounds of the press be true, the Australian The speakers, refraining, perhaps liquor law presents some features wisely, from eulogizing those essenlecidedly different from those that mark our legislation. It appears, according to this story, that in Australia they allow as many saloons as there are men willing to pay the nominal license, which is just enough the Genius of Patriotism embodied to pay the registration fee. Every man who drinks, or expects to drink, in a saloon, must go to the City Hall and take out a license in the shape of a brass check, on which is stampe a number, and for this he pays \$5 a year and must always carry it with

Before he can get a drink in any saloon he must display that brass



check. If he is a native regular cus-

is drink entered up against him. Failure to do this, or selling a man drink without having been shown the brass check means the absolute and actual closing of the saloon, and there is no appeal. Every morning a blacklist is sent out from the City Hall to each saloon, and woe unto any barkeeper who sells a drink to a man whose name is on that list.

The Rev. J. T. Coffey of St. Louis has no love for the saloon. When has no love for the saloon. When asked recently his opinion of the American saloon, "the poor man's club," Father Coffey expressed himself as follows: "The American saloon has no degrees of goodness or badness; wherever it is planted it sows eyil. In fact, the finer and more attractive the saloon, the more dangerous and widespread its influence for evil. It grapples with the high and the low, the capitalist and the laborer, the educated and the ignorant, the God fearing and the blasphemer, the proprietor and them a parting salute with a mocking curse."—Sacred Heart Review.

JEANNE D'ARC IN NEW YORK

d'Arc coextensive with the world, the world approved with a unanimity and enthusiasm never before accorded a similar event. Secular and sectarian magazines and journals, writers of all demoninations, or of nonea few blantant French atheists excepted - were in accord in paying tribute to the matchless Maid of France. The London Times, the typical representative of the Protestant opinion most hostile to the faith that inspired her, and of her people whom she fought and at whose hands she suffered, heartily agreed that | which made the mistake their fellows. eulogy with the declaration: of all men.

America did not yield to Europe in than a soldier worries whether devotion to the maid, and among her most zealous devotees were found non-Catholic Americans. The charm that won and purified the blaspheming soldiery of Orleans melted the irreverent cynicism of Samuel into Africa—or England. A Dublin Clemens into a passion of knightly love, as for a thing divine, and trade in archaic Erse on his cart. He trained his trivial pen into the seri- knew that hardly anybody could read sion to write or speak, cherished her best they could honor her. A few distinguished Americans, mostly non-Catholics, determined that the great very hard to understand this steady Catholic heroine should be held up to the respect and reverence of the American people, and for that purpose a statue worthy of her, and of her nation and ours, should be erected in the metropolis of America. Having subscribed two-thirds of the deemed requisite, they searched the world for memorials of is a sentimentalist. The truth is the maid in sculpture, paintings, that he is a scornful realist who alone and in order to interest and instruct the general public, opened, January 7. a month's exhibition of this unique collection in the American Numismatic Society building of New The banner of every man to whom the life and Jeanne's device, Jesus-Maria sur-safety of others are entrusted may mounting the fleur-de-lis, was conspicuous, and the banks of lilies and roses and ferns that clustered around

her statue were not unworthy of the shrine of a saint. Her sanctity, as such, was not stressed in the dedicatory speeches. tually Catholic qualities of the Maid with which their creeds gave them slight acquaintance, followed the line of thought so eloquently expressed by Mark Twain: and made fresh . . . that noble child, that sublime personality, that spirit which has no peer in its purity from all alloy of self-seeking, selfinterest, personal ambition.

A slender girl in her first young bloom with a martyr's crown upon her head, and in her hand the sword that severed her country's bonds, she was the most noble life ever born nto this world, save only One

If the speakers failed to bring out Blessed Jeanne's Catholic devotion to Jesus and Mary, to Saints Michael and Margaret and Catherine, and the Sacraments of the Church, that in spired and sustained her heroism, the count of her life in the fine exnibition catalogue, freely distributed by the Committee, amply compensates for the omission. Her Catholic character is shown forth by Mr. Now if you know of any home Reynolds in much the same light as on which the curse of drink has fallen it appeared to Andrew Lang: was the most perfect daughter of her Church; to her its Sacraments were the very Bread of Life; her conscience by frequent confession was kept fair and pure as the lilies of Paradise."

Commissioner Stover, who has guaranteed a suitable site for a fitting statue of the Maid "who saw visions, but was no visionary"; Dr. Kunz, Messrs. Saltus, Hawkes, Hall, Delamarre, and the ladies and gentlemen who are devoting their energies and abilities to placing before our citizens the noblest type of purity and patriot ism, are benefactors of our city and

people. It is particularly grateful to tomer, a barkeeper looks over his Catholics that our non-Catholic book and tallies his drink or drinks. brethren are taking a leading park in If he is a stranger and has taken out his license the new man is entered memorial of a heroine whom the on the book with his number, and Holy Father has raised to the altars of the Church.—America.

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HIS ESTIMATE OF IRELAND AND THE IRISH

Ireland has in it a quality which caused it (in the most ascetic age of Christianity (to be called the "Land of Saints;" and which still might give it a claim to be called the Land of Virgins. An Irish Catholic priest but fierce when he is fighting. once said to me : "There is in our people a fear of the passions which is older even than Christianity." Every one who has read Shaw's play upon Ireland will remember the thing in the horror of the Irish girl being kissed in the public streets. But it is not this purity which I should chiefly count among the legacies of the old Irish morality. A much more nouncement has caused an explo important gift is that which all the saints declared to be the reward of

especially about results. Such pro fessions are the soldier and the lawthese give no opportunity for mere illusions. If you have composed a bad opera you may persuade your-When three years ago Pius X. made self that it is a good one; if you have the lodges in the Low Countries. There is no doubt that there vourself better than Michael Angelo. But if you have lost a battle you cannot believe you have won it; if your client is hanged you cannot pretend

that you have got him off.

There must be some sense in every popular prejudice, even about foreigners. And the English people certainly have somehow got an impre sion and a tradition that the Irish man is genial, unreasonable and sen timental. This legend of the tender. irresponsible Paddy has two roots there are two elements in the Irish "few more noble figures have ever First, the very logic of the Irishman been held up to the veneration of makes him regard war or revolution as " and closed a warm extra-logical, an "ultima ratio The which is beyond reason. When fight elevation and the moral beauty of ing a powerful enemy he no more Joan's character have won the hearts | worries whether all his charges ar exact or all his attitudes dignified cannon ball is shapely or a plan of campaign picturesque.

He is aggressive; he attacks. He seems merely to be rowdy in Ireland ousness of holy reverence. Our it; he did it to annoy. In his posi-secular writers followed in similar tion I think he was quite right vein, and many who found no occa- When one is oppressed it is a mark of chivalry to hurt oneself in order memory and quietly planned how to hurt the oppressor. But the Eng lish (never having had a real revolupassion for being a nuisance, and mistake it for mere whimsical im pulsiveness and folly.

When an Irish member holds up the whole business of the House of Commons by talking of his bleeding country for five or six hours, the simple English members suppose he remains unaffected by the sentimen talism of the House of Commons.

The Irishman is neither poet enough nor snob enough to be swept away by those smooth social and historical tides and tendencies which carry

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NONE SO EASY

Radicals and Labor, members comfort ably off their feet. He goes on asking for a thing because he wants it and he tries really to hurt his ene mies because they are his enemies. This is the first of the queer confusions which make the hard Irishman look soft. He seems to us wild and unreasonable because he is really much too reasonable to be anything

MASONRY IN AN ARMY

In the military reform introduced M. de Broqueville in Belgium, the officers are forbidden to belong to any secret or political society. nouncement has caused an explosion among the Freemasons of the country. They protest that it is aimed at them and are denouncing the customer, saturates them with its slime, makes them outcasts, kicks them into the gutter and gives them a parting salute with a mockceed so much in such professions as but it has never been enforced exrequire a certain crystalline realism, cept to prevent an officer from joining any Catholic society. He could not even be a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, while his companion in uniform could laugh at

There is no doubt that there as elsewhere membership in the Order meant promotion. There is no other way of accounting for the number of incompetents who have succeeded in being named to great and responsible positions. Nor can there be any doubt that the aim of the Craft is above all political in spite of its reiterated protests that i s merely "an assemblage of up right and free men whose cult is honor and human dignity." The Grand Master, Joseph Descamps, who was inaugurated in 1908, had no hesi tation in saying that he wanted his fellow Masons "to get together in or der to make the nation mistress of its destinies," and the Independance. which is one of the leading papers in opposition to de Broqueville, de-1911, that "the Grand Orient was meeting place where Radicals and

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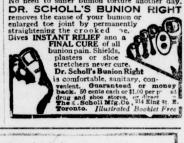
It seems to be admitted that Free masonry has had up to this a very strong hold on the Belgian army many of the officers, although no approving of it, perceiving in it help to promotion. The disasters brought upon Turkey and Portugal by Masonic cabinets ought to or the eyes of military men and politi cians all over the world to the fact that though the Grand Orient may help the advancement of individuals it is deadly to the nation on which it gets its grip.—America.

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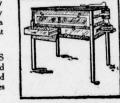
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