

An Irish Summer.

Wandering steps have brought me hither, from the island of the shamrocks, To this larger home of freedom, where her sun shines on the land; But my thoughts will wander ever back to the Emerald Isle, where the Fergus looks on smiling valleys lit with glory, flowers, and waves and emerald strand.

FATHER BURKE, O.P., AT MANCHESTER.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, sermons were preached at St. John's Cathedral, Salford, by the Very Rev. Thomas Burke, O. P., in aid of the schools. High Mass was sung by Rev. Father Hennessy, Rev. Father Derris being Deacon, and Rev. Father Maguire Sub-deacon.

Spirit's Cures.

Record, a Protestant Wellington county, traces is said to be the only one never ceases of which is a cure of this young lady in for some time, and attendants declared she heard of the wonders of the Rev. Father Maguire, and went to see him, completely rid of her gentleman merely offering up a prayer.

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SACRIFICE AND PRAYER.

No Religion Without Sacrifice can be Divine.

Sacrifice is and must be the chief and central act of a divine religion. There is, of course, and there can be no true religion which is not a divine religion. There are many systems to which men give the name of religions, but of these, inasmuch as they contradict each other, or differ the one from the other, all save one must be false, and one only can be divine.

PRAYER NOT SACRIFICE.

Sacrifice is as distinct from all other acts of worship or of religion, as the Creator is distinct from any one and from all of His creatures. Any act whatsoever which can be offered by the creature to the fellow-creature is not sacrifice. The fact that it could, under any circumstances or by any possibility, be so offered, is itself an essential part of its being a sacrifice.

WORSHIP OF PROTESTANTISM.

Protestantism is a system without sacrifice. The ordinary Protestant prays to his maker, praises and adores Him. He does so more. He has nothing else, and he knows of nothing else to offer to his Maker. He gives his best to the extent of his ability and knowledge, and yet he gives to his Creator nothing, in kind at least, that he might not give and need not almost daily give to his fellow-creature.

IMPOSSIBLE RELIGIOUS POSITION.

And no wonder that inconsistency is its natural and well-nigh result. He prays to, praises and honors his fellow-creature who is yet in the flesh, mortal, fallible, ignorant, weak, and miserable as himself, and he will not pray to, or praise and honor his fellow-creature who has entered on the life immortal, who is wise with the wisdom of God, who is powerful to aid and rescue, and who is being honored by his Maker and by his fellow-saints with that honor which is his due.

HOMAGE NOT SACRIFICE.

He knows full well that such an act of homage he could not make to Mary. He prays to Mary, and trusts all things to her advocacy—he praises Mary, and his heart rejoices as his mind contemplates the unparalleled privileges which belong to her position. There is but one religious act which he can never make to Mary. He may say Mass in Mary's honor, but he can never say Mass to Mary. The idea represents to his mind a blasphemy, and he knows that the act would be a most foul idolatry.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER.

Cardinal Manning and the Late Dr. Pusey.

The following extracts from a letter addressed, nearly twenty years ago, to Dr. Pusey, by his Eminence Cardinal Manning, who was then at St. Mary's, Baywater, have a special interest at the present time: MY DEAR FRIEND—I do not know why twelve years of silence should forbid my calling you still by the name we used both to give and to accept of old.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

In individual souls, as I have said, as old as the fall of man, and as wide as the human race. It is not we who ever breathe or harbor a doubt of this. It is rather they who accuse us of it. Because, to believe such an error possible in others, shows how little consciousness there must be of the true doctrine of grace in themselves.

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CONFESSION BY TELEPHONE.

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