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THE TRUCE OF GOD

The Rev. Dr. Paschal Robinson spoke a few weeks ago at the University of Pennsylvania on "Some Mediæval Peace Movements and Organizations." The chief cause of the instability of life in the Mediæval Ages was the propensity of the feudal lord to carry under one pretext and another fire and sword into the neighboring territory. These high-placed knights of the road flayed the wretched peasantry, but their power was far inferior to the coal stant source of wonder to the Prusand oil lords of our own day. Of sian, who believes in the omnipocourse our lords do not sally forth tence of the State. With his Belgium Knights of Columbus. harness on back to make us part in bondage he should at least conwith our possessions. These methods ciliate the persecutor, deprecate his are too crude, though once in a while, wrath or propose a compromise. as in the Homestead strike, a benig- Not so Cardinal Mercier. He turns Pinkertons to stop indignant speech his menaces. His strength comes with bullets. Ordinarily, however, not from the world. He fears not score of centuries." their sorties upon the public are done Cæsar, who, like other beasts of excuse for such action; there could with radiant good-humor and inspired prey, has claws and can use them. have been no justification. Thank least well. The Church was unwearied the soul. during the turbulent mediæval Von Bissing rages furiously,

cils, so as to leave not more than He hath thrown into the sea." about eighty days in the year for

NOT TRUE

his faith means that he has lost his morals. It is more complimentary to Cathedral. As he is about to enter, himself to declare that his highly cultivated intellect cannot accept this or that dogma. But a visit to a confessional would cleanse his heart and restore harmony between it and his intellect. Sterling Catholic liv- and clash of arms, and known for of justice and liberty?" ing is not incompatible with profound thought. They whose names fear abides not within the heart of a of Columbus is as follows: sparkle gem-like in the pages of history were not only the filial children of the Church but have found in her eternal law on which every human faith inspiration for the most pro- law must rest as upon a foundation, found thought, the most lofty poetry, and when a government enacts the freest art of the age. And not so statutes which violate that law, it struggle is apt to breed indifference long ago Pasteur, who opened up a abuses authority and deserves not to its true meaning and its inherent new epoch of medicine, said, "The obedience but, resistance. St. menace. It seems to methat I am but more I know, the more nearly is any Ambrose forbids the Emperor to fulfilling one of my duties as state faith that of the Breton peasant.

ambrose forbids the Emperor to chaplain of the Knights of Columbus enter. "Did not David sin and yet in Ontario in drawing the earnest

There is no poem like a man's life. There is but one view of things which is true, and that is God's view of them. A man is not what he has, but what he is. Much disappointment is caused by the parents who bring up their children in the market place of the world.

THE HUMBUG

conceits of years presumes to tell us savagery. what we should believe is out of the phenomena of this century. In the ordinary affairs of life he seeks expert advice; but in the things which transcend human reason he, to the accompaniment of large words, is quite sure of himself and of the to convert non-Catholics is through gullibility of certain individuals. This disturber of the atmosphere is a severe test of patience, but we think that the female who wanders over the country talking about birth control is a provocative of language that would not be passed by the editor. She takes no account of God, and does not understand that ample on the part of Catholics. the Christian family was not made for the State but for the glory of God. She does not understand that the more human lives the greater the told that it has been because of the glory. But she chatters without any sense of shame of the quality of the small family. Under her auspices advertisements of the most pernicious character blossom forth in newspapers. And many, allured by her chatter, which pleases their habits of the best interests of society, abhor true. tent themselves with meddling with the affection of which they are of him.—Denver Register.

capable on pug dogs. Catholics know that any interference with the law of nature is condemned by the Church. Hence they should not countenance these opinions, and newspapers, advocating small families should be avoided as vehicles which emanate the virus that corrodes and eventually destroys the stamina of a nation. We know that we can point to the most diseaseridden child with twisted frame and say, "Thou hast made him a little less than the Angels."

UNAFRAID AND RESOLUTE

Cardinal Mercier must be a conby the motive to do us if not good at But Cæsar can kill the body but not

period in her striving to protect the threatens the Cardinal and would poor, and to mitigate the oppression doubtless like to adopt extreme reand outrage which marked the progress of feudal warfare. Notably know that there is one man who does was the institution known as the not walk with bated breath and "Truce of God," which imposed a whispered humbleness; one man who Ireland dashed into the foremost of temporary cessation of hostilities in risks all for duty's sake, and is the the fray and many of the most all parties. This "Truce of God" watchman in the tower for his glorious of the pages of her history extended only from noon on Satur- fellow-citizens. This Prussian Jehu fields of Europe. day until daybreak on Monday of drives furiously, but his wheels will each week, but it was gradually come off and the Belgian will be made a fervent appeal to the people extended by successive Church counsing in The horse and the rider of Ireland to continue to the end the

the despotism of the Emperor Theodosius. The Emperor had, in a fit of anger, ordered the citizens of A few days after he goes to the Milan not speedily ending, they may the Bishop Ambrose confronts him on are his men of war, renowned for their prowess in battle. Around St. Ambrose clerics, strangers to the din their learning and saintliness. But Bishop, who knows the responsibili-Could I but know all I would have find pardon?" exclaimed the attention of the membership of the "Thou hast David in thy guilt," replied St. upon us.

Mercier has touched the conscience of the world, and has taught it once more that moral dignity and unflinching fearlessness in pursuit of duty as to require no proof. are more impressive than poisoned The man who out of the garnered gas, brutal exactions, and ruthless

GOOD EXAMPLE BRINGS MOST CONVERTS

From time immemorial Catholic theologians have said that the best way the force of good example. The Rev. E. J. Mannix, who is still young in the priesthood but who has already obtained a nation-wide reputation as convert-maker, declared in an address recently that most of the men and women he instructs have been sent to his convert class, conducted at 1854 Grant every Monday evening through good ex

Almost invariably, when a new member is added to the inquiry " and when I example set by some Catholic friend."

Father Mannix said that a Protestant who knows that a Catholic is approaching the sacraments frequently, and who knows that this Catholic is leading an irreproachable Columbus who is fit and free for life, frequently feels impelled to join the inquiry class merely to learn whether or not the stories he has luxury, their disregard of law and of heard about the Catholic Church are When he discovers that they fruitfulness of child-bearing and con. are unfounded libels, and has progressed far enough in his instruction to have seen how logical the Catholic the business of others, or lavishing faith is, it is easy to make a Catholic

BISHOP FALLON'S STIRRING CALL

STATE CHAPLAIN WRITES TO A. O. H. AND K. OF C. OF ONTARIO

His Lordship, Bishop Fallon, state chaplain of the Knights of Columbus and also of the Ancient Order Hibernians of Ontario, has recently sent out recruiting letters to the members of the two orders of whom there are 7,000 of the former and between 4,000 and 5,000 of the

The text of both letters is the same with the exception of the following special appeal to Irishmen in the letter addressed to the Ancient Order of Hibernians which takes the place of the appeal to the chivalric deals in the one addressed to the

'Let us learn a lesson from the conduct of our people in the Old Land. When the war broke out, Ireland had an opportunity, by standing sullenly by, to become a nant millionaire summoned the a deaf ear to his blandishments and thorn in England's side and thereby make a blind attempt to settle the

There might have been some God, we are faced with no such shame. When John Redmond, the leader of the Irish people, promised to the British Parliament the cooperation of his native land, he gave a pledge that has been fulfilled to the extremest limit. Forgetful of past wrongs, heedless of her diminished population, but hateful of oppression and keen for liberty,

"Only a day or two ago, her leader under no compulsion,' said he, 'save Cardinal Mercier reminds us of that of duty. In the name of honor, warfare. It was finally adopted by that immortal page of history which justice and religion; in the name of the Lateran Councils of 1139 and 1178.

The that immortal page of history which justice and religion; in the name of common gratitude and in their highest self-interest, I appeal to the young men of Ireland who are still available to join the reserve The man who says that he has lost Thessalonica to be put to the sword. training so that, in event of the war ready to fill every gap in the ranks of the Irish army at the front.'

"Should the children of the the threshold. Around the Emperor mother who still have upon them the marks and the memory of bitter persecution outdo in loyalty the sons of the daughter who have lived in the fullest possession

The letter as sent to the Knights

His letter to the Knights Columbus follows: ties and is aware that there is an To the members of the Knights of

Columbus in Ontario The civilized world faces one of the supreme crises of history. Familiarity with the horrors of the order to the obligations that

I shall waste no time in discussing Ambrose, "imitate him also in his undeniable principles or fundamental undeniable principles or fundamental truths. That the British Empire is Von Bissing who has his little hour engaged in a just war, that the war does not seem to realize that Cardinal is as much Canada's as England's, and that Canada's citizens have bounden duty to spare no effort in bringing that war to a victorious issue are statements so self-evident

Neither shall I attempt to fix a term to the duration of the war. The time of its ending is known only to Him who holds ourselves and all our interests in the hollow of His hand But I shall write of what I know. At this moment the imperial authorities are urging enlistment by every available argument and are appealing to all British subjects to place atriotism and the national cause pefore personal considerations. The Canadian Government has issued a call for half a million men. I agree that the provision of such a number of men will tax our population to the limit. What if it does? Is not the cause worthy of the supremest sacrifice? I am not competent to measure the possible effect on commerce and industry of the withdrawal of so vast a body of men-from peace pursuits. I assume that good judgment and common sense will prevent the crippling of enterprises that are necessary for the proper what brought him or her there, I am conduct of a war. With all other phases of finance, commerce or industry, I have no present concern nor have you. There is a work to done; our efforts must co-operate in the doing.

Honor calls on every Knight of overseas service to offer himself for the work. Shall we leave the burden the duty and the glory of this work

call of honor. The danger is just as real to Ottawa, Toronto and London as to the shores of Sussey and Sussey an as to the shores of Sussex or the banks of the Thames. Shall we State to the Archbishop of Ravenna, forget the sacred truth that it is in the Pope's name, will show his.

sweet and glorious to die — or at Cardinal Gasparri writes: "I have

that we make the sacrifice. Serbia and sorely-pressed France no on the part of hostile aviators.

that suits—that is in jeopardy. Are we prepared to willingly accept at the same time a sense of affliction another kind of civilization? Do we because of the perils and losses to realize that the exercise of personal responsibility in political affairs, "His Holiness, as vigilant in the balance?

conscience. It were folly to emphasize that aspect of the present hour. The man who is dead to the appeal of honor and patriotism, of humanalive to the call of conscience

swords had not leaped from their scabbards to avenge even a look that "The Holy Father would wish even threatened with insult the gentle Queen of France. The Knights of Columbus draw much of their meaning and much of their inspiration from the glorious deeds of the great military orders of the days of I can assure Your Grace that this has chivalry. Let us beware lest, when chivalry. Let us beware lest, when the struggle is over and the victory interest shown by the common father won, we merit the rebuke that in the hour of trial a long distance lay which I shall expose to your Grace between our principles and our viva voce whenever the opportunity practice. I do not know to what extent our membership has enlisted. I write much more in dread than in to express, in the name of the Holy reproach. My sole purpose is to place before every Knight of Columbus some considerations that should cause him to reflect, that should give him matter for meditation, that to make known to the same families should inform his judgment and the fervent prayers which His Holi-

"Man am I grown, a man's work must I do Live pure, speak true, right wrong, follow the King— Else, wherefore born?"

+M. F. FALLON, Bishop of London, State Chaplain. Holiness heartily sends to you.'

POLAND

The Holy Father has received the ollowing beautiful letter from Messrs. Henryk Sienkiewicz and Anton Osuchowsky of the General Committee for the relief of the Polish

Most Holy Father; Filled with the deepest gratitude for the generous gift of Your Holiness, a fresh proof of the sentiments you cherish for our country, we kneel at your feet to express to you, Most Holy Father, our warmest thanks and those of our unhappy countrymen who have been cheered by your help and pity. With us all Poland prostrates itself before Your Holiness, Catholic Poland bleeding to-day, trampled upon by the warring hosts, famishing from hunger, buried under her ruins, and vet feeling that all is not lost for her, because she has the will to live and because your hand has been laid in Pontifical commission for the codifiblessing upon her martyred head. cation of canon law being engaged Supported by the fatherly affection Your Holiness shows us, by the faith

There is something else of a difference of the fatherly affection. justice for the oppressed. With this firm certainty we lay at your feet. Father most dear and Vicar of Jesus Christ, the expression of our veneration, of our attachment, of our deepest gratitude and we are ever the faithful children of our Holy Mother

Thus heroic Poland is faithful to the last.-America.

NEWS FROM ROME

AS TO ARMY CHAPLAINS

Mention of the Sacred Congregation of the Council reminds me that it is either this body or the Sacred Consistorial Congregation that will sit in two or three days to deliberate on the situation in which many Catholic soldiers in the British armies are concerning the question of chaplains. As recently set forth, the lack in some parts is deplorable. In other places Catholic chaplains are superabundant. However, the Sacred Congregation will, as I have said. study the question and make arrangements accordingly. When one compares the magnifi-

cent organization of Catholic chaplains in the Italian army with that of others one must say to them "Hats off!" Italy has proved herself Catholic to the core in this respect. PONTIFF ON THE HORRORS OF WAR

We certainly live in sad days. We are growing callous to death in Europe. Probably I am not far mistaken in saying the most broken-hearted man on this continent is the

least to offer to die - for one's not failed to bring under the notice of the august Pontiff the accurate The rights of humanity require report forwarded to me by Your Have Grace on the 14th, inst. martyred Belgium and stricken the recent bombardment of your city power to awaken a responsive cry in fresh incursion has not alone thrown The defense of civilization demands an entire city, but it has occasioned that we hurry, to its assistance It bitter grief to the heart of the Holy is our civilization - the civilization Father, who experiences profound sorrow for the innocent victims, and

"His Holiness, as vigilant custodian upon which rests civil liberty, hangs of the supreme interests of religion. of history, of art, has not failed to I say no word of the demands of solicitously renew his paternal and insistent requests to the Imperial and Royal Government of Austria-Hungary with the purpose of the war being carried out according to recogity and civilization, is not apt to be nized principles, thanks to which, by respecting open and undefended cities, the monuments and the More than a century ago Edmund
Burke lamented that the age of
chivalry had gone because 10,000 ure of thesecities may be safeguarded ure of these cities may be safeguarded

more. He would wish that in the Italo-Austrian war the throwing of bombs from aeroplanes should be en-tirely suppressed, and if it has been impossible to reach so noble an aim. of the faithful, but from causes

"Your Grace will be good enough Father, all the affectionate sense of condolence which His Holiness cherishes for the sorrow-stricken families of the poor victims, and also ness offers up for the peace of the

"Meanwhile, as an earnest of heavenly favors and as a consolation in such a disaster, Your Grace will receive and be good enough to communicate to your beloved people the apostolic benediction which His

A NOBLE REVENGE

It is worth recording here how upon the Mayor and anti-Catholic new significance for humanity. clique of the city who prevented is the heritage of her tradition them from taking an official part in the funeral of the victims of the bombardment. The clergy are reexpenses of the rearing and the education of the orphans of the victims.

The Ravvennesi are now ashamed of themselves for their weakness in were, on this side of the Atlantic permitting a little clique to browbeat both their priests and their own selves, and well, indeed, they ought to be.

NEW CODE OF CANON LAW It was only to be expected that the Holy Father would defer the promulgation of the new code of canon law for the Universal Church until the throughout Europe. The colossal work is coming to a termination, the

and the hope you inspire in us, we ent character which I should like to shall be able to wait with confidence see postponed until after the war for the new dawn which is to break This is the observance of the fourth for us, when peace, the object of your centenary of the death of The O'Neill, Prince of Tyrone, who died in Rome and with it the reign of love and on July 20, 16:6. Over two years ago I mentioned here the intention of the Irish in Rome to make this a grand event, one right worthy of the grand old Lion of the North.

But I would like it in the light of events of the day to be postponed until Celts residing in the Eternal City may be able to once more join thoroughly and freely in some ject or other. I should not like to ee Celts in St. Pietro in Montorio, on the Janiculum Hill, one body standing this side, the other body standing that side of The O'Neill's tomb. Let them stand around it or let them not go there at all. This is what the grand old warrior beneath the slab would say himself.—Veritas in Philadelphia Standard and Times.

THE CAUSE OF THE IRISH MARTYRS

Ecclesiastical Record, Dr. Walsh, two to four years. This hope is everywhere expressed that Archbishop Walsh and Cardinal Vannutelli that all appreciate. The Church is Billings, of Billings, may be spared to see these 280 even to-day doing her utmost to stop martyrs finally and solemnly "raised the bloody carnage of Europe. She to the highest honors of the Altar." is beset with many difficulties, but In Rome it is deeply regretted that gives her noblest efforts with unspar-Cardinal Moran and Mgr. Murphy ing energy. cause of the Martyrs are not alive to ment about the Church would better toward Cardinal Vannutelli and in and further strengthen her_children. - America.

THE LEADER OF THE IRISH PARTY

SPEAKS FOR IRELAND AND THE WAR

Just now, when a little flurry has been raised by men in America who ian, and who are willing to take the office and rule her from a distance of three thousand miles, it is well to M.P., in his preface to Michael Mac onagh's "The Irish at the Front." It is important for Ireland, and I

am sure it is also important for the British Empire, and perhaps for America as well, to appreciate the part taken by the Irish troops in this war. The war, which in a night changed so many things, offered to Ireland a new international place and her brave sons, not hesitating, acting upon a sure and noble instinct, have leaped forward to occupy it for When the war arrived Ireland had at once a charter of rights and liberties of her own to defend, plighted word to make good. The war, by a most fortunate conjunction, united in a common cause the defence of England against a mighty danger and the defence of principles for which Ireland, to be true to herself, must ever be ready to raise her voice or draw her sword. Besides her honor and her interest—her interest, always the last thing to Madame de Navarro (Mary Ander-Justice, Pity and the cry of the small nationality crushed under the des-Gilbert, which will be produced in the her history, mostly, up to now, to her soul; in that is her distinction now. Her sons, fighting for her honor and subject. her interest, are fighting for these things too. It is for these thingswill stand in that new place of influcouncils. There, acting with and through her sister democracies, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and Great Britian-in all of which, as in the great Republic of the West, her children are a potent noble has been the revenge which leaven—her spirit will help to bend the clergy of Ravenna have taken the British Empire to a mission of new significance for humanity. That

We know the persistent attempts which have been made ever since the war began to discredit Mr. Redmond paying the insult by defraying the and his associates. Having attained the object for which he took up the leadership of the Home Rule movepersons who were sorry when his success deprived them of a grievance. Not being able to undo the vote, they took it out in denouncing John Redtoo true a patriot and too wise a land, still loves him and trusts him.

POWER OF POPE FOR

IS CAUSE OF FAVORABLE COMMENT

There are those who carp at the Church as though she were the foe civilization, Others, however, more broad-minded and consistent, find in her the ultimate solution of the terrible crisis that is at present horrifying the world. The times were ripe for a powerful hand. influence and tact of His Holiness Benedict XV. were equal to the occasion. Eulogizing the Father of Christendom and lauding his noble work for prostrated humanity, the Review of Reviews remarks: Of all the powerful religious sects

in the world there is only one which has dared to try and bring about peace. The head of but one has had the courage to lift up his voice and urge the combatants to settle their differences by conference instead of by sword, to stop killing each other, war to a speedy close. Never has the Roman Catholic Church shown itself so great as when the Power to the Roman Catholic Church shown itself so great as when the Power to the Roman Catholic Church shown itself so great as when the Power to the control of the co In a late number of the Irish its official head, endeavored to induce color. the fighting powers to consider the Archbishop of Dublin, expresses his gratitude to Cardinal Vannutelli for the spiritual ruler of a people far possibility of making peace. When inquiry class, in St. Mary's Church, Pittsburg. Kansas, we are informed the care and zeal which, as "Cardinal more numerous than those which Ponente," he has manifested in the owe allegiance to any of the kings Process of Canonisation of the Irish and emperors and presidents at war wartyrs. Dr. Walsh himself, acting urges them to end the strife, his in the name of the Holy See, is now voice is heard, his protest is contaking the next step in the case sidered. Even if no immediate action known as the Apostolic Process. is taken, he has done his duty, has This last stage may consume from laid the foundation for that peace

who worked so generously for the and less hostile criticism and comshare in the gratitude of Ireland have the spirit of American freedom the glory to be soon conferred upon power in the world that can finally bring order out of chaos.

CATHOLIC NOTES

The Holy Father, in a letter, commends the work of the Catholic Press Association of Bavaria, and urges a more extensive circulation of Catho-

From Pekin comes the news of the conversion of a Chinese prince, Paul Cgai, of the Imperial family, to the Catholic Faith. Father Planchet, Procurator of the Catholic mission in Pekin, states that the young prince was baptized in the cathedral

The Federated Holy Name Societies of Essex County, N. J., have appointed a committee to draft a bill providing for a State Board of Motion Picture Censors. It is hoped to have the bill passed in the present session of the New Jersey legislature.

The Cathedral of Sora, in the Abruzzi, withstood the awful earthquake of a year ago though every thing around it was in ruins. By the irony of fate on the anniversary to a day it was almost totally destroyed by fire. His Holiness at once sent 10,000 francs to meet emer-

after travelling in three and a half years, 107,000 miles, and preaching or lecturing more than 1,200 times, from Nome, Alaska, to the Straits of Magellan, is now in New York as the special Lenten preacher at Patrick's Cathedral, by invitation of

move her, but now happily involved in the same cause—human Freedom, short play, "Comedy vs. Tragedy." pot's heel appealed to her. These Theatre Royal, Worcester, England, things she has followed throughout this month. The play is given on behalf of the wounded soldiers, and bitter loss, but not to the loss of her the whole of the proceeds, without

His Holiness Pope Benedict, has received a detailed report from Cardinal Scapinelli, nuncio to Vienna, instructions, visited the Italian prisoners taken by Austria. Cardinal Scapinelli reports that the health of the prisoners is good, and adds that they are treated humanly. The Cardinal explained in his report that the Italian prisoners were grateful to the Pope for his interest in them.

For the fifth time in six months, Father Timothy Dempsey of St. Louis succeeded in settling a workingmen's strike to the satisfaction of both sides. The strike was that of the American Stove Company, where 200 tinners polishers and mounters have been on strike because of a refusal of the company to collect back dues of union men who refuse to pay.

Mary A. Halloran, who died on March 12, in New York, in her will bequeathed \$250,000 in cash and realty valued at \$10,000 to the Sisters mond as a traitor! Mr. Redmond is of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Mount St. Vincent-on-the-Hudson. philosopher to mind the penalty of success, and he knows that the best Joseph's Hospital at Yonkers and of America, as well as the best of Ire- \$5,000 each to the German Hospital, the Catholic Institute for the Blind and the Knapp Memorial Hospital.

The Danish explorer, writer and lecturer, Dr. Fritz Holm, New York City, has received official notification from the Papal Secretary of State, His Eminence Cardinal Gasparri, that it has graciously pleased His Holiness Pope Benedict XV. to confer upon him the Knight-Com-mander Cross of the Ancient Order of St. Sylvester in recognition of his Chinese explorations, which were mainly concerned with Christian archeology. A notable fact in connection with the bestowal of the Papal honor is that Dr. Holm is a Lutheran.

Under the will of Robert J. Noonan. eweler, of Baltimore, who died March 7, nearly his entire estate will eventually pass to religious and charitable organizations of the Catholic Church, subject to a life interest in a sister and brother. Sisters of pital, \$50,000. Little Sisters of the Poor, of this city, \$50,000. cent de Paul Society, \$25,000 St. Joseph's German Hospital, \$5,000, Sisters of Bon Secour, for the care of the sick, \$1,000. St. Agnes' Hospital,

As a result of a Converts' League Pittsburg, Kansas, we are informed the Western Catholic, 11 Protestant business men of that city received baptism on a recent Sun day at the hands of the Rev. Dr Pompeney. The men are: Ira Clemens, president of the Clemens and Sons Coal Company; Harold Thomas Wright, of J. P. Wright and Standard Oil Company; James H. merchant tailors; Fred W. Doll, of Dunn and Doll, tea merchants Robert W. Bixler, expert electrician with the Pittsburg Electric Company; Henry E. Fintel, dealer in music; W. F. McLaughlin, former Registrar of Deeds and journalist; J. E. Donohue, purchasing agent for the Cen tral Stores Company; Charles R. Steele, of the Smelter Company, and his son, Francis.