Somebody's Mother.

The woman was old, and ragged, and gray And bent with the chill of a Winter's day: The street was wet with a recent snow, And the woman's feet were aged and slow. She stood at the crossing and waited long, Alone, uncared for, amid the throng

Of human beings who pass her by, Nor heeded the glance of her anxious eye.

Down the street with laughter and shout, Glad in the freedom of "school let out."

Came the boys like a flock of sheep, Hailing the snow piled white and deep.

Past the woman so old and gray Hastened the children on their way.

Nor offered a helping hand to her, so meek, so timid, afraid to stir,

Lest the carriage wheels or the horses' feet Should crowd her down in the slippery street

At last came one of the merry troop— The gayest laddie of all the group— He paused beside her and whispered low, "I'll help you across if you wish to go."

Her aged hand on his strong, young arm She placed, and so, without hurt or harm

He guided the trembling feet along, Proud that his own were firm and strong

Then back again to his friends he went, His young heart happy and well content.

"She's somebody's mother, boys, you know For all she's aged and poor and slow:

And I hope some fellow will lend a hand To help my mother, you understand. If ever she's poor, and old, and gray, When her own dear boy is far away."

And somebody's mother bowed low her head In her home that night, and the prayer she

Was, "God be kind to the noble boy Who is somebody's son and pride and joy.

HALF HOURS WITH THE SAINTS

Saint Severinus.

ZEAL FOR TRUTH.—To love truth does not always suffice, nor is it enough simply to defend it when attacked in our pres. ence. There are circumstances where it is needful to sacrifice oneself for its sake. To needful to sacrifice oneself for its sake. To cause that to triumph is a great glory; but martyrdom in her behalf is a triumph greater still. The Council of Chalcedon, by condemning the errors of Eutychius, did not restore peace to the Church. A portion of the religious communities of Palestine remained attached to the heresy. to the heresy. A monk named Theodosius even drove the patriarch Juvenal from Jerusalem, usurped possession of the see, and persecuted the adherents to Catholic truth. The town was deluged with blood, and cases of assassination were rife. blood, and cases of as assination were rife. Severinus, bishop of Scytopolis, had the courage to stand forth in defence of the truth. He did not shrink from encount-ering, wholly unsupported, his redoubtable adversary, who was alike God's enemy. The generosity of his zeal, however, had no other issue than to secure for him the crown of martyrdom: the soldiery laid hands on him, dragged him out of the town, and put him to a violent death.

MORAL REFLECTION-Never let us grow MORAL REFLECTION—Never let us grow insensible to the excesses of error and falsehood, remembering that generous exhortation of Mathathias: "Every one that hath zeal for the law, and maintaineth the covenant, let him follow me."—(Machab.

This occurred in 453.

covenant, let him follow me."—(Machabii. 27.)

St. Peter's Chair at Antioch.

The Honour of Bearing the Name of "Christians. It was worthy of a Church founded by the chief of the apostolic college to transmit such a glorious surname to the world at large. The remembrances that are bound up with the celebration of this festival are hallowing and glorious, recalling, as they do, the custom rife amongst Christians of celebrating the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their foundation, not simply as a day of happy memory, but furthermore as a new consecration, and fresh engagement to the surname engagement to the surname to the world at large. The remembrances that are bound up with the celebration of this festival are hallowing and glorious, recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism. The accounts of their dacounts of their labors which, from time to time, accounts of the raccounts of their labors which, from time to time, accounts of their labors which,

the labour of his hands, the produce whereof served to maintain him. He divided his time between prayer, labour, and meditation. To avoid the persecution, he took to flight; but God did not

MORAL REFLECTION. - What more glori-

Written for The Pilot.
COLORED CATHOLICS.

An English Mission to Convert American Negroes.

Are the Catholics of the United States aware that our English brethren are sending missionaries to this country to labor among the colored population? Some of us, no doubt, have heard and read something about such a movement, but it would seem that the impression must be rather a varue one else more interest. rather a vague one else more interest would be manifested among us and greater efforts made to co-operate with those zealous men who have cheerfully given their lives to this laborious and self-deny-

ing work.
These missionaries are sent out by St These missionaries are sent out by St. Joseph's Foreign Missionary College, Mill Hill, near London, England. In 1872, the writer had the great pleasure of visiting this institution at the kind invitation of the Very Rev. Herbert Vaughan, them Superior of the College, but since promoted to the See of Salford, and now one of England's ablest and most earnest and enterprising bishops. The acquaintance of this eminent and devoted priest had been made in this country during a visit made in the interests of the institution of which he was the founder.

he was the founder.

Through the generous liberality of some of the rich Catholics of California and

of the rich Catholies of California and some of the South American States, he succeeded in raising some \$50,000, chiefly in purses of \$5,000 each. Among the contributors of purses were Daniel Murphy and James Donahoe, of San Francisco.

At the time of the visit alluded to, the College building which formed a grand quadrangle, 200 by 120 feet, and was built after the style of the old masonic institutions, with chapel, cells, corridors, library, refectory, kitchen, etc., was in an unfinished condition, though sufficiently advanced to be occupied by a goodly company of students, all aspirants for the labors and sacrifices of the missionary life.

is about nine miles from London on the line of the great Northwestern Railway, between Liverpool and London, and is a charming rural spot, and admirably adapted to the purposes of the institution. The College grounds embrace an area of forty-five acres, and the College itself commands an extensive and magnificent view of the surrounding country. About quarter of a mile distant from the Colege is the Convent of the Sisters of St. Francis, delightfully situated in the midst of trees, shrubbery and flowers. The founders of this Convent were originally a community of Protestant Sisters who were converted, in a body, to the Catholic faith, and seemed to have been providentially raised up to assist the zealous foun-der of Mill Hill in his important enter-

The first two missionaries were sent to labor among the colored people in this country. Since then the College has been completed, the towers and beautiful chapel finished, the number of students increased, and about fifty missionaries have

correspondence with such a glorious title.

"Be mindful of your vocation," said St. Paul to the faithful of Corinth.—(1 Cor. i. 26.)

Saint Serenus.

Chastity Crowned by Martyrdom.—
Serenus, a Greek by birth, having quitted his own country in order to live in far-off retirement, purchased at Sirmium, in Pannonia, a garden which he cultivated by the labour of his hands, the produce whereof served to maintain him. He Society during the past year there was one of £773 (about \$3,800) left by the late Rev. John Hackett, of the United States, forwarded by His Grace the Archbishop of Baltimore; and what is still more cheering, and meditation. To avoid the persecution, he took to flight; but God did not permit this virtuous servant to be deprived of the crown of martyrdom; for, after an interval of calm had allowed of his resuming his habitual occupation, a certain woman tried to lure him from virtue. Like another Joseph, he knew how to get the better of the temptation, and, as in the case of Joseph, the temptress, irritated by what she deemed to be an affront, laid her complaints before her husband, who was serving in the body-guards of the Emperor Maximian, pretending that she had been insulted grossly by Serenus. The latter justified his behaviour with such candour as to establish his innocence; but the very uprightness of such conduct caused him to be recognized as a Christian, and in that character he was sentenced to the block, in the year 307.

Kev. John Hackett, of the United States, forwarded by His Grace the Archbishop of the wastiment of the general appreciation of the general appreciation of the labors of these total valuations of the city authorities of Baltimore have recently recognized the labors of our Fathers in behalf of the colored people by granting an annual subsidy to the Francis Can Sisters of Mill Hill who are in charge of the schools at St. Francis Xavier's colored congregation." This, indeed, is a noble and praiseworthy example, and speaks well for the liberality and freedom is ster city, and we cannot but hope that it will, in time, be extensively followed by other cities and by individuals whom God has blessed with an abundance of the wealth of this world. Let us not forget the tremendous responsibility that rests the termination of the general appreciation of the glation of the general appreciation of the labors of the city authorities of our Fathers in behalf of the colored people by granting an annual subsidy to the Francis Can Sisters of Mill Hill who are in charge of the schools at St. Francis Xavier's colored congregation." This, indeed, is a noble and praiseworthy example, and speaks well for the lib the tremendous responsibility that rests upon us Catholics to do all in our power MORAL REFLECTION.—What more gloricus claim than to be recognized as a
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Holy Scriptures praising Judith as much
on account of her "chastity" as for her
"courage."—(Judith xv. 11)

Her spiritual direction, and the majesty of Her divine authority, impose upon them that wholesome restraint which shall pre-serve and develope their manhood and make them stable and consistent Christ-

The Lime-kiln Club.

"Gem'len, I has a painful bit o' news to spread befo' de meetin'," began the old man as he mentioned to Elder Toots to put down the alley window. "Nicodemus Pembroke Scott, a local member of dis lodge, has crossed into Canady an' will not reappear among us. Fur do lar."

The love of God is strong—So strong, that death, the strong, lies van-And love, the victor, stands with crowned So strong, that human frailty, human fear, Canado and the soul by God held dear.

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mus Pembroke Scott, a local member of dis lodge, has crossed into Canady an' will not reappear among us. Fur de las' three months I have bin expectin' some sich climax, au' dis mawnin', when a messenger informed me dat he had disappeared, arter failin' in an attempt to shoot hisself wid an ole hos pistol, I war not a bit surprised. He leaves a wife an' two chill'en an' about fifty creditors.

"What sent him off? De same reasons dat am daily workin' to bring about anoder panic—de same reasons dat explain de hundreds ob bizness failures—de same reasons dat am criplin' de efforts of thousands of hard-workin' men to secure homes of their own—fam'ly extravagance. No, you can't call it extravagance foolery is a better name for it. Up to a y'ar ago Brudder Scott was jobbin' aroun' an' makin' a dollar a day. Den he got a situashun by which he airned fo'teen dollars per week. He was poo' off in de house an' had debts hangin' ober him, but heah was de chance to get eben. How was it improved? In less dan one month his wife was rigged out wid a twenty dollar hat an' an opera fan. He had no peace ob min' onless he obeyed her. In six weeks she became too high-He had no peace ob min' onless he obeyed her. In six weeks she became too high-toned to wash an' iron for odder folkses. In two months she wanted a better house,

In two months she wanted a better house, wid a red parlor carpet an' cane-seat cha'rs all around de room. In three months she had to have a black silk dress, gold bracelets, a tony bonnet, kid shoes an' gold fillin' in her teef.

"Dat foolery has reaped its harvest. De kusband found dat he was runnin' behind, his home was been neglected, his wife was been gossiped about, an' in despair he has picked up his feet and slid out. It was the natural result. I tell you my frens, the tomfoolery of de women of dis kentry am strainin' on de chalk-line till de cord can't stand much mo', an' it an high time dat somebody sets his foot down. De man who airns \$25 per week has somehow got de idea into his head dat de world expects him to dress his wife nas somehow got de idea into his head dat de world expects him to dress his wife as if he airned a banker's profit. Wives of men who can't keep up wid deir house-rent am canterin up an down wid seal-skin sacques an' six dollar shoes. Wives of men who dodge de butcher an grocer an tailor am now selecting spring carpets an orderin' \$30 lamberking. Wives of men who could'nt raise \$50 at de bank to save deir necks am rushin' to balls an save deir necks am rushin' to balls an parties an havin deir expensive dresses discribed for the benefit of de public.

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"De so-called society of de aige am composed of false hair, false pretenses, debt dodging an ba-e deeption. Our rich people am distinguished by deir plain dress an quiet manners. De snides an duds an dodos do all de swaggerin', rush on all de colors an monopolize de biggest sheer of de street. You wait! De man who lives for anoder ten y'ars will hear sunthin drap, an arter the drap takes place de thousands of idiots who now feel ashamed to admit dat they doan' keep but two servant gals in de house will go back two servant gals in de house will go back to deir cook-stoves an wash-tubs an take deir proper places in de proceshun."

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are never imirated or counterfeited.
This is especially true of a family medicine remembrances that are bound up with the celebration of this festival are hallowing and glorious, recalling, as they do, the custom rife amongst Christians of celebrating the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their baptism, and also the observance among the different churches of recalling the anniversary of their foundation, not simply as a day of happy memory, but furthermore as a new consecration, and fresh engagement to remain worthy of their vocation. Now there is no "calling" more glorious or more holy than that of Christian. The designation implies "disciple of Christ," and means, consequently, His imitators and successors. This it was which upheld the martyrs in the midst of their torments, after having rendered them intrepid in presence of their judges. "I am a Christian!" Such was their ever-ready answer to all questions, insinuations, and threats.

MORAL REFLECTION.—We are "Christian," let our works then be in perfect correspondence with such a glorious title. "Be mindful of your vocation," said St. Paul to the faithful of Corinth.—(I Cor. i. 26.)

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The man who takes it for granted that everybody else is a fool, only shows how neatly the character suits himself.

lic Church, alone, can furnish full scope to the religious zeal and enthusiasm of this mercurial race, and, at the same time, by the simplicity of Her teaching, the consistency of Her doctrine, the beauty and sublimity of Her services, the wisdom of the people."

The love of God is deep—
So deep, no earth-line ever yet hath fath
omed it
Dip in the chalice of thine heart, and steep
Thy thirsty soul in that unmeasured
stream:

Children should be taught courtesy by precept and example. Listen to them when they talk to you. Answer their questions. Please be polite everywhere, politest of all at home. Politeness does not even require or insinuate the slightest infringement of truthfulness. An agreeable, winning manner is an accomplishment of far more worth, in the long run, than anything taught in the colleges and the seminaries. Do not undervalue so great a gift, but if it be not yours by nature, try to acquire it. Some, like Paul, are "free born" to life's best things, and others are not; but tact, social ease and lovingness of manner in mingling with our kind are worth the payment of a great price to obtain.

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