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DIME NOVEL HEROISM.—The authors of the trashy stuff commonly found in literature of the "Dime Novel" type, must be held responsible for a vast deal of such perversion of human life as in the case of the "Dalton Gang." Their seductions are more dangerous, so conveyed, than spoken.

"DID GOD SEND THE CHOLERA?"—It is well that such leading spirits of the day as Canon DuMoulin and Dr. Wild should—each in his special sphere of influence—teach their hearers to analyse the causes, direct and indirect, which lead to such visitations or plagues. They are not "accidents."

STRONG "SAXON."—The quondam French priest, Father Chiniquy, holds strong opinions, according to the *Daily Telegraph*, as to the superiority of English over French. He composes his books in English, because he finds its expressions more direct, its syntax simpler and its sounds more forcible.

ORIGIN OF "PUSEYITE."—Isaac Williams' biography records the curious fact that the use of this term arose from an article written and signed by Dr. Pusey as a protest against the hard usage meted out to Low Churchmen in the "Tracts for the Times," and in which he defended and conciliated Low Churchmen!

MARRIED FLIRTS are the worst, most inexcusable, and dangerous kind. The very fact of their superior knowledge and experience of the other sex, qualifies them for gaining advantages—which would not otherwise be open to them—for misleading and deceiving the unwary, who may foolishly dally with their temptations.

ST. ANDREW'S S.M.—The letters "S.M." have come to mean in English newspaper shorthand "simultaneous meetings." It was a happy thought to reproduce—on a small scale, of course—in Toronto, the general programme of the Brotherhood Convention, while the latter was being held in Boston. This shows enterprise.

A POET'S DEATH.—If we may trust the cable dispatches, England's great Poet Laureate of the Victorian era has died an ideal death of rare poetic beauty, as he had lived a life of singular purity and grace,—a whole-souled citizen of the mightiest empire of our modern world. His career was "monumental" to the end.

EPIDEMIC OF SUICIDE.—There can be no doubt that a kind of wave of folly moves kindred minds at times to desperation. When one shows the

way, there are many to follow. Cowards all!—men who desert their duties to self and family, and country and creator, in a fit of feverish dissatisfaction with their temporary condition of life.

"CARMEN SILVA."—In all the trial of her sickness, so long continued and distressing, the poor Queen of Roumania has had at least the comfort—and, surely, it is a great one!—of the entire sympathy and chivalrous affection of her husband. Though a king, and thus a part of governmental "machinery," he has proved himself possessed of heart and soul.

THE TABLES TURNED!—It reads curiously—for those "who remember the riots at St. George's in the East, and St. Matthias', Stoke Newington—that the violent protesters against a "Ritualistic procession" (as they thought it) in connection with the Folkestone Church Congress, should themselves be roughly handled and hustled away by the spectators. A Nemesis, truly!

TOO MUCH "HOME RULE."—The movement reported as beginning to stir some of the Maritime Provinces in the direction of more economical government deserves to be noted by Edward Blake *et al.* It is possible to pay too dear for amusement of unnecessary parliaments and cumbrous local government machinery. A little more consolidation is needed. Let Ireland mark!

AMERICAN HUSBANDS AND WIVES.—An American lady in the *Telegraph* intimates that it would be much better, as well as pleasanter for American wives, if they saw more of their husbands at home by the fireside in the evenings. The result is a lack of that mutual love and confidence which goes so far to make English wives, as a class, "the purest, the noblest, of all women in creation."

"ILLUSTRATED CHURCH NEWS"—new venture—marks at once the progress of the age and also the manner in which the Church of England keeps pace with it, seizing upon every new opening and agency as soon as its powers for good have been sufficiently tested and ascertained. The utility and attractiveness of illustrations have been established—so the Church puts this new weapon in her armory.

DIVINE PREPARATIONS.—Dr. Pusey, in his invaluable commentary on "Jonah," dwells very forcibly on the expression "God prepared"—the great fish, the gourd (or palma christi), the worm, and the east wind. It is just this factor of Divine "preparation" which upsets unseen so many scientific calculations. A hair in the pathway, or a straw, may give the finishing touch and vary the ultimate result.

CONTAGION FROM THE CHALICE.—In an article in the *Medical Times* on the subject of "Hygiene of Religious Worship," Dr. W. Thornton Parker dismisses the idea that disease has in any case been conveyed by passing the chalice at Communion. At the same time he advises the liberal use of the "purificator" in cleansing the cup as it passes, as a precaution, to say nothing of the decency and propriety of doing so.

FULL SPEED IN A FOG.—How often does it happen that valuable lives are lost through the reckless carelessness of one or two steamers, rushing blindly through a dense cloud until impaled upon

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