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Blood of Christ is the Price of our Ransom. That Blood He shed on Calvary and thereby obtained eternal redemption. Our ransom was then wrought, but the price was not yet paid over, so to say, and accepted with all the requisite legal formalities. That is now being done both here on earth and in Heaven, where our High Pricest is ever living to make intercession for us, where He pleads the merits of His Passion. "Himself, says St. Ambrose, "offers Himself as Priest that He may remit our sins: here in give you instant relief."

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To conclude then. In the Mass we have the same Sacrifice once offered on the Cross, and now pleaded in heaven by our High Priest. The things that are seen of sense, the things that appear and pass away, are, to the eye of faith, but the shadows of the one Reality—shadows that fall athwart altars of wood and stone, and flit about earthly tabernacles, where hides the sun behind a veil "till the day break and the shadows retire."

avoid going to him for marriage is that marriage is one of the seven sacraments which Our Lord has entrusted to the keeping of His Church. These sacraments, then, belong to the Church, and we cannot recognize the right of those who separate from her to administer them or to assist officially at them, though they may have the power to do so validly. Therefore, though marriage hand that of every other country in Europe. The United States Commissioner re-WHISKEY HOLDS ITS VICTIMS WHISKEY HOLDS ITS VICTIMS Until Released by Wonderful Samaria Prescription

who separate from ner to administer them or to assix officially at them, though they may have the power to do so validly. Therefore, though marriage be real and valid when contracted before a Protestant minister, and though insown people of course, are not to blame, if in good faith, for availing themselves of his services, we cannot do so. Indeed this would be the case even if marriage were not a socrament, but merely a religious rite or ceremony; we cannot allow the ministers of any sect separated from the Church to act as such for us in any religious function; to do so would be to allow their claim to act in the name of Christ. This we can never do, and above all, where the sacraments are concerned.

Another, and a very weighty reason, why Catholies cannot go before a minister for marriage, is that no one but the Catholie clergy can be supposed to be sufficiently acquainted with the laws of God and of the church regarding Christian marriage. There are impediments, as they are called, which make marriage invalid unless a dispensation is obtained from the proper source. Some of these are commonly known, such as those which proceed from a near relatiouship of the parties; but there are other which are not known even by name to the great mass of the faithful, and which a Protestant minister, even should he happen to know them, would never for a moment regard. Catholies, therefore, if they go to a minister to get married, run a great risk of not beaug really married at all, owing to these impediments should exist, and not have been removed by dispensation and this holds, even though no suspicion of such an impediment should exist, and not have been removed by dispensation and this holds, even though no suspicion of such an impediment should exist, and not have been removed by dispensation and this holds, even though no suspicion of such an impediment should exist, and not have been removed by dispensation and this holds, even though no suspicion of such and the protestal transfer and the protestal transfer and th

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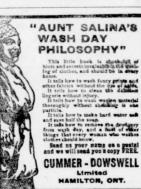
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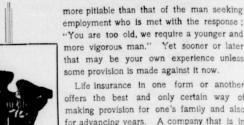


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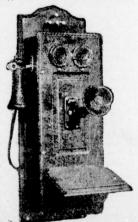
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