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CONVERSION OF HERETICS AND UNBELIEVERS.

To understand fully how great an evil heresy or unbelief is, we should first consider, in the light of heaven, what an incomparable boon our faith is, especially that lively faith which it is in the power of every child of the Church to render more intense within him. We should also in some degree have experienced the consolations of hope, or we should have at least some idea of how far-reaching it is, how potent, since it inspires the Christian, exposed to endless trials and afflictions, with so much true joy, security and strength.

How sad must not be the lot of all those to whom the nestimable advantages which go hand in hand with faith and hope are unknown! And yet, while we are in possession of them, whole nations are shut out from their enjoyment; and though the light of truth has been shining