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a loss similar to that suffered by address one's father by the respectof the Apostle St. John. It is part more honored in the breach than in each century in the Church cer- rare pleasure to come across bility and the authority which are the interview with them was a tain apostolic bishops should have instances of the old time respectful their lives prolonged beyond the courtesy. It is a sure indication of the law of God. allotted span to hand down by good breeding; though, so compersonal contact the traditions and pletely have customs changed, the Ireland is mourning the death of unmistakable sign of an ill-bred theology in the Irish College in far off times, was always addressed Paris when the Protestant Church as Sir; but well-bred children and Ireland, when Napoleon III. was token of respect to age, to rank, Emperor of the French and Pope or in any circumstances where Pius IX. Temporal Sovereign of respect was due. Rome. In Michael Logue the Catholic traditions of that Ireland which servility in the custom. It was existed before the Great Famine only, as we have implied, the were handed down to that Ireland impudent, the ill-bred, or the which is divided between the Free ignorant who failed to observe it. State and the "Northern" Prov- One rather pitied the defective ince. In his life of four score and training than blamed the boy for four years he saw everything change his ill manners. in Ireland except the Catholic relig- And that reminds us of something ion. Born while Daniel O'Connell to the point. When the weakwas yet living, he lived to see the ling Kerensky was head of the rise and fall of the Young Ireland- Russian Government that succeeded ers, the Fenians, the Home Rulers | the downfall of Czardom, the first and the Republicans, and the fall decree-or one of the first-he and rise of the Irish language and issued was one, as he himself the Irish nation. A bishop in Done- described it, "abolishing the slavish gal as early as 1879 and Primate of 'Sir' when soldiers addressed their So wrote Byron. Great genius All Ireland eight years later, his officers." Many on reading this at though he was, and of imperishable ment Hill, Ottawa. Parenthetically life was devoted to teaching by word the time pronounced Kerensky a fame in English literature, he died we may say that amongst the civil and example the truth and charity weakling whose tenure of power a physical, mental, and moral of Christ in a land in the throes of would be short. It was not that wreck, at the age of thirty-seven. highly educated men. A little a struggle for national unity and such virtue was in the 'Sir' that its Fathers and mothers can find no reflection will make this clear to economic and political liberty. His abolition would spell disaster. But more useful subject of meditation anyone of intelligence. The busiapostolic simplicity and wisdom it was the fundamental misconcepthan his pregnant words above ness of Canada could not be conmade him a fit successor of the tion of things and values revealed quoted. By their neglect of duty, ducted otherwise. There are civil humble Patrick in the See of by his characterization of the 'Sir' or by their culpable ignorance of the servants who may not be of any Armagh, Like St. Patrick he was as 'slavish,' and his decree issued duties of their state of life, if they extraordinary capacity; and people, a friend of Pope Leo. The first Leo in deference to that morbid mis- do not wilfully and deliberately who are not civil servants, and of in 444 honored the first bishop of conception of 'equality' and 'auth- poison the springs of life in their much less capacity, rail at all civil Armagh by enriching his Church ority,' that revealed Kerensky's children they at least allow the with relics; the thirteenth Leo, essential weakness and unfitness to untamed young hearts to be the people talk as though all politicians fourteen centuries and a half later, rule. Thousands of our younger breeding ground for those things were fools or rogues. This is simply honored the latest bishop of Armagh | readers will recall the fact that in | that poison life. by making him one of his Cardinals. our own army-as in every army-If the life of Cardinal Logue that mark of respect for authority the question of giving their chilepitomizes the four generations which is shown by addressing an dren the advantages of education. politicians are not all that might be of Irish ecclesiastical history, officer as 'Sir' was always insisted In most cases—not in all—instituthe life of his See of Armagh epiupon. And we venture to say that tions of learning, no matter how who elect them. Such, at least, is tomizes the whole fifteen centuries none of them ever felt that it was great and deserved their reputation the theory of democracy. To talk Cardinal Logue's proudest title was in spite of the fact that some army essential foundation for all educa- is a mark of a low order of intellinot that of Primate of All Ireland, officers—like some fathers, some tion which is and must be given in gence. It is a foolish, it is a pernor even that of Cardinal Priest of priests, some in other positions of the home by the father and mother. nicious habit. This premised, let the Holy Roman Church, but that authority—inspired little respect Christian homes are God's school us return to our muttons. Civil of Coarb Padraig, Successor of St. on personal grounds. One felt system. Patrick. From a worldly stand- that they were entitled to the Are we not getting away from the chiefs invariably use 'Sir.' To the point Armagh is but a small pro- mark of deference by reason of 'Sir' from which we started? No, head of a department all, high and vincial town adjoining a low mound the office they held. It is the Sir. Not a bit. The whole failure low, say 'Sir.' The cabinet miniswhich the Ulster Kings abandoned as their capital as long ago as the ridiculous the characterization of disastrous results begins somewhere. reign of the Emperor Constantine the Great; but from an ecclesias- have in mind at the moment a which 'Sir' means and illustrates. tical standpoint, it is a religious father and son. From his earliest We do not pretend that you can not It mattered not at all which party centre founded by St. Patrick when years the son showed that loving have the thing itself without the the pagan Angles and Saxons were reverence for his father, that literal use of 'Sir' when the head of affiliations of the individual might invading Britain and ever since the deference to his wishes, of which the family is addressed. But we do be when speaking to one in authorfirst See of the Irish nation. A the use of 'Sir' is, or is intended to insist that we must have and great monastic and scholastic centre be, the outward and visible sign. maintain in Christian homes that from the sixth century, a frequent The father treated his son as an respect and reverence for parental victim of marauding Norsemen in the ninth and tenth centuries, the and yet, though the son had use of 'Sir' was the outward sign. object of the family greed of a race of lay coarba in the eleventh cen- which the father lacked, the father human beings is possible, without tury, the seat of the great religious never forgot the dignity, the the use of outward signs. It was reformer, St. Malachy, O'Morgair, responsibility, the authority, which almost a necessity for God, Him- Minister. Servile? No, Sir. in the twelfth century, an ecclesias- were his by the law of nature and self, to make use of outward or tical benefice for which both Irish the law of God. The son never visible signs in the institution of and Norman ecclesiastics struggled presumed that his superior educa- the sacraments. Doctors now tell in the middle ages, a citadel of tion lessened his filial duty of us that in the physiological order Irish orthodoxy during the Council honoring his father and mother; outward signs produce the corresof Trent, a leader of national unity not only respect and obedience ponding inward feeling. For in- children at all times to put off the during the Confederation of Kil- were freely rendered, but rever- stance the physical act of smiling works of darkness and put on the kenny, the episcopal home of the last Irish martyr, Blessed Oliver unexpressed wishes. And on both causes the smile. We have heard a in the day, not in rioting and Plunkett, the faithful custodian of sides there was affection, love, learned doctor, who was also a man drunkenness, not in chambering and during the Penal Laws, the See of was ideal. We have often had the explain the famous 'enigmatical Jesus Christ, that is, to live accord-Armagh, when Catholic Emancipa- memory vividly recalled. Contrast smile of Mona Lisa in this way. ing to His example. He spent His tion was granted, set about cele- as well as similarity is the cause of Mona Lisa, who was a dear friend of life in humility, sufferings and brating its liberty by building a the association of ideas. And often Leonardo de Vinci, suffered great prayer, in self-denial and fasting new Cathedral in honor of its first this ideal relationship between and lasting sorrow in the death of and watching; and His example bishop, a work which its last bishop father and son has been recalled by her little daughter. De Vinci, shows us that we are expected to do successfully completed. Thus ever similarity; but, we are sorry to knowing the effect, had her sit for penance, and, as the Apostle says, renewing its youth like the Catholic say, more often the memory has a portrait insisting always on a to "make not provision for the flesh Church of which it has ever been a been revived by contrast. Gruff smile. So she smiled through her in its concupiscence," but to chas-Armagh extends its beneficent and words some sons address their result.

activity from generation to genera- fathers as they would be ashamed her historic past and show forth to speak to their mothers. the children of the Irish now living Now in this little, impersonal this month of the Holy Souls.

NO. SIR !

THE COARB OF ST. PATRICK Very many of our older readers In the death of Cardinal Logue will remember the time when it the Church in Ireland has sustained was the invariable custom to the Church of Ephesus in the death | ful title, 'Sir.' Now the custom is of the providential plan of God that the observance. Indeed, it is a examples of the elders. Today all omission of 'Sir' is no longer an her patriarchal primate who taught | youngster. One's father, in those was established by English law in youths never omitted this little

Nor was there the least trace of

recognition of this fact that makes of the home with its consequent ters all give the respectful title the use of 'Sir' as 'slavish.' We It begins with the omission of that unlimited educational advantages No communication of ideas between

in five continents an example of though intimate talk with our begets that familiarity which orthodox faith, undying hope and readers we know we are going to breeds contempt. Christ-like charity is due under God get close to some boys and girls, So 'Sir' may or may not be used. warrior of Christ, Irish by birth, but whose training has been bearer of God's Church, Michael ence, is utterly wrong, will turn what it means, what it illustrates, God's blessing rests on those who used. honor their father and their mother. In the army, as we have said,

But the blame for the disobedi- 'Sir' is always used in addressing ence and gross disrespect of chil- an officer. During the War we dren rests chiefly with the parents. visited a military encampment to Such mark of respect as the use of excites the ridicule of many parents of them off duty for a day. This nowadays, parents who are un- meant seeing some officers. The worthy of the dignity, the responsi- higher officers were gentlemen and theirs in the order of nature and by pleasure. But we came finally to

some children who were ill- several unnecessary questions, "Yes, tempered as well as ill-mannered. Sir;" "No, Sir;" and finally, with And one of them quoted: "The a smile, "I really don't know Sir," childhood shows the man as were some of the answers. The morning shows the day." They officer, vested with a little brief were lovable children at times. authority, was bent on strutting his But they were ugly and repulsive little honor on the military stage. when giving away to anger and The private, a university student, in unbridled tongues. All agreed that civil life would probably give the the fault was not theirs but their little upstart officer a wide birth. parents'. These were little chil- But quite naturally, quite respectdren. Theirs was just the age fully, yet without a trace of servilwhen the whole blame rested on ity he showed the fussy little fellow their parents. These parents will, the respect due to his office. His later on, feel the results of their only comment afterwards when we neglect of duty. They will doubt- spoke of the matter was a goodless complain of the ingratitude of natured little laugh. We admired their children. As a matter of cold his use of the "slavish Sir," and fact it is the children, the spoiled the understanding spirit in which children, that will have the right to he complied with the military regucomplain of their ignorant, lazy, or lations. He showed there was noth-

tame

"My springs of life were poisoned."

a 'slavish' thing to do. And this may be, will fail to supply that slightingly of all men in public life

equal as he grew into manhood; authority of which the sometime

In any case it is unquestionably our day been able to remain true to strangers. Worse still, they so visible signs of respect induces a omission of all such outward signs

to the prayer of St. Patrick and the some young men and maidens, We think the use of 'Sir' would work of Cardinal Logue. That this whose hearts are in the right place tend to the conservation of and respect for parental authority. We Catholic by faith, Patrician by in- defective. We hope that some of know that in families of education heritance, Cardinalatial by appoint- them will think things over and, and good breeding we still hear it. ment, may be introduced into eter- when they realize that their con- But 'Sir' all through this article nal life by his patron, the standard- ception of manliness, or independ- is a symbol. What it stands for, the Archangel, is the prayer of all over a new leaf on which they will must be conserved even though the write a new story of a happy home. word itself be seldom or never

> see some of our younger friends and 'Sir' when addressing the father relatives. We wished to have some a petty officer who made our young Friends were just discussing friend stand at attention and answer indifferent parents' neglect of duty. | ing slavish or servile, but something 'Untaught in youth my heart to really fine about the use of 'Sir' in difficult-and, of course, unusual-

circumstances. Another place where the custom of using 'Sir' is habitual is on Parliaabsurd. Politics is the science and Many parents are keenly alive to art of government; and govern-'Sir' to the Prime Minister.

All this struck us as admirable ity over him he always showed that respect that the use of 'Sir' implies. uses it when speaking to one's man, venerable on account of his age; when speaking to a superior;

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or when addressing the Prime

BY THE OBSERVER The Catholic Church warns her penance.

tion. That the ancient See has in or perhaps afraid—to address true that the use of outward and penance is unnecessary; but, was told in the most unequivocal all Catholics do not agree, such as though no Catholic goes that far, terms that he would still be pun- the eight-hour law, real feeling of respect; while the many act as though it were not ished: "The Lord also hath taken necessary to do penance, simply by away thy sin: Thou shalt not die." desire for union manifested on all never doing any, or doing very . . . little and doing it very seldom. An hast given occasion to the enemies error has been, and still is, widely of the Lord to blaspheme, for this taught in the world, that true thing the child that is born to thee penance consists merely in the shall surely die." . . . "The amendment of our lives, and that so sword shall never depart from thy far as satisfaction is concerned, the sufferings and death of Our Blessed Me." There we see the forgiveness Saviour did all that, and that we of the sin so far as the eternal it would be folly not to heed. are not required to mortify and punishment was concerned, accomchastise ourselves for our sins. It panied with the positive assertion A DELICATE SITUATION has even been taught that sorrow of God's intention of punishing the for sin is unnecessary, that that is sinner, though He had revoked the covered by the atonement of our sentence to Hell. And King David a very grave heresy.

> that there are three kinds of tri-bunals, in which God judges in wash my bed; I will water my of London have done for centuries. different ways: first, the Sacracouch with my tears. His fastings by white horses, with a portly coach. nothing but mercy and goodness; ashes like bread, and did mingle in this, no atonement remains to be my drink with weeping." done; God receives the sinner fully | And then we have the example into His grace and friendship, and and the teachings of the great remits all punishment due to sin. saints of God. It is the fashion in Second, there is the Sacrament of this easy-going age to make fun of Penance, in which He shows justice the old hermits and solitaries, and pageantry. and mercy too; the Divine mercy, saints, who actually ill-used themin consideration of the sufferings selves in doing penance for sin, for the sins of the penitent, forgives sensuous and body-worshipping age 9th was Sunday. the guilt completely and forever, why anyone should ever dream of but in such a way that the Divine hurting himself or of suffering dis-Justice reserves to itself certain comfort at his own hands. But rights which must be accorded to they knew just what they were both sheriffs been Catholics. In God; there still remains some tem- about. What would you say to poral punishment due to sin which Maurice who took so long to say arisen. must be suffered.

> another man, injure him in his good What would you say to Guarinus name or his honor, or in his person who committed a sin of lust and or property, what is necessary? We crawled on his hands and knees to sheriffs. are required to acknowledge our fault, but that is not all. We beg his pardon and say we will never do able manner to his solitary resort it again; that is necessary but it is there to do penance for his sin? not yet enough. We are bound to What would you say to Saint repair the damage we have done Francis Xavier, who bound ropes sions. him. When the State condemns a with bristles so tightly around his man to death for his crime, and the feet that they caused him great from all consequences of his crime : world as a layman? he is still required to undergo Him, and injures Him by withhold. are so comfortable now, and we danger of perversion or scandal. Him, and injures Him by withhold-ing from Him the honor and the like ourselves so well, that we are interpreted and there is still a glory to which He is entitled. He tempted to believe that that sort of doubt as to how London's three has expressed contempt and insult thing was a mistake. But, let us Catholic civic heads will act. right in God's face, and the moment not forget that two things are not in the ordinary condition of affairs he does that by mortal sin, he is at all changed and never will be a deputy appointed by the Lord Mayor he does that by mortal sin, ne is sentenced to eternal death. It is an changed; the malice of sin, and the would still be ipso facto sentence. As soon as the atonement due to God. Human sheriffs. And if two Catholicsheriffs mortal sin is committed, the sen- customs may change; but these should go, why shouldn't the Cathtence stands against the offender. two things can never change in the olic Lord Mayor go too God's mercy remits that sentence in smallest degree. If we do not do history to throw light upon the the Sacrament of Penance, but God's penance here we must do it in situation. Justice remains; and that must be Purgatory. satisfied. God cannot give up anyone of His own attributes. His are permitted to offer to Him in mercy does not abolish or obliterate discharge of portions of that pun-His justice. No sin ever went ishment, certain good works which unpunished, or ever will. We are, He has by the authority of His holy however, by a wonderful provision | Church, appointed for that purpose. of the Divine mercy, allowed to No Catholic needs to be told that punish ourselves so as to secure a such means exist; but every Cathoremission of the punishment due to lic needs to be prodded on to make our sins, after the sentence of eter- use of them. We are strangely nal death has been revoked in the inert and insensible in this matter. Confessional.

Every sin must be punished. The sinner may run to Confession in a transport of remorse ten minutes after he has murdered a man. God instantly relieves him from the sentence of eternal death; but, can any reasonable man suppose that It is a democratic title too. One that is all about the matter? What of the terrible injury done to father; when speaking to an old the Almighty Master of life at stake are momentous and there other very neatly answered that he and death? One of His creatures has been hurried into His dread presence without His consent, and against His will; and now here at His feet is the wretched crim
tures has been nurried into His dream and the party might weaken the united front thus far opposed to the two parties—the Liberal and the Socialist—whose inal who did that dread and horrible anti-religious politics are the main gets the pardon; the sentence to called Catholic party. all his life committed a mortal sin? Catholic doctrine of good works for the remission of temporal punish-His Divine and unchangeable old age,

It is a grievous heresy to say that When King David repented, he

Saviour. This is a very great error; fully understood the situation. He said: "I am ready for scourges, The great Saint Augustine says and my sin is continually before

must be suffered.

Mass that a child he was sent to olics to take active part in non-Catholic services has prevented former the justice of penitential works by who laid down his mitre and served Catholic mayors means of similes. If we offend as a gardener for seven years? Anglican services. Rome, confessed his sin, and then

By the infinite mercy of God we Advent is a good time to arouse ourselves.

BELGIAN ELECTIONS

By Rev. J. Van der Heyden (N. C. W. C. News Service)

Louvain, Nov. 10.-The Belgian elections are not to come off until May of next year but already the Catholics have begun to prepare for them, because as the interests of the sheriffs also declined, and the is a latent fear that the divergencies of opinion among the different as was his duty.

groups making up the party might

The position was difficult, because

deed; sorry and asking pardon. He reason for the existence of the so-called Catholic party. hell for all eternity is revoked; but Hell for all eternity is revoked ence and deference even to induces that feeling which usually unexpressed wishes. And on both causes the smile. We have heard a with another man who has never in classes—the farmers, the workingmen and the bourgeoisiethe Catholic and national traditions deep and abiding. The relationship of wide and varied education, impurities, but to put on the Lord Even the human idea of justice is tive program was outlined by the di revolted by such a supposition; the President of the Union, the workingmen's deputy, M. Heyman. The country like ours, main planks of this platform upon statement, "as to the remission of temporal punishment due to sin, is absolutely inevitable; the doctrine of Purgainevitable; the doctrine of Purgaing for the Catholic schools of the ing for the Catholic schools of the services may be permitted or tolertory is absolutely inevitable; to same financial aid enjoyed by the ated, and the recent election of deny it is to put God in a position deny it is to put God in a position familial allocations to large famint in the City of London has naturally which is wholly inconsistent with dies; obligatory insurance against drawn new attention to incapacity to work, sick- matter. faithful member, the Church of and disrespectful in tone, manner grief and the "Mona Lisa" is the tize it and mortify it by constant attributes, to abolish His justice ness and slackness of work and the and leave Himnothing but His mercy. progressive inauguration of compulsory vocational training.

statute, foreign politics and the most "Nevertheless because thou sides justifies the hope that, for the sake of the important religious interests involved, a split may be averted through mutual concessions. Threatened religious persecution in France, where dissensions deprived the millions of Catholics of influence in politics and caused masses, is recognized as a warning

By George Barnard

London, Nov. 10. - A Catholic Lord Mayor, accompanied by his two sheriffs, both Catholics, drove through the City of London today

The ancient gilded coach, drawn man wearing a powdered the reins, carried the Lord Mayor (Sir Alfred Bower) through dense crowds of cheering citizens. In the picturesque cortege were detach-ments of famous regiments, tableaux representing the panies, and many other touches of

The city ceases its work for a few hours on "Lord Mayor's Show Day," which is normally November 9, but and merits of Jesus Christ, forgives it is not easily understood in this a day later this year because the

NO PRECEDENT TO GUIDE

Never since the Reformation, until now, have the Lord Mayor and consequence a curious situation has

The canon law which forbids Cath-They have got over the difficulty by appointing a deputy, and the deputy has been accompanied by the non-Catholic

When the sheriffs have been Catholic and the Lord Mayor non-Catholic, they have gone to Anglican services with the Mayor when requested to do so, their office requiring personal attendance on the Lord Mayor on all important civic occa-

man to death for his crime, and the King relieves him from the death pain, in expiation of some sins he said for the faithful in any manner to penalty, that does not clear him he had committed when he was in the assist actively or to take part in the religious services of non-Catholics. (ii). Passive or merely The whole history of the Cath-presence by reason of a civil office punishment by imprisonment. The olic Church is filled with such or for the sake of showing respect only good that God can receive from cases. The voluntary penances can be tolerated for a good reason His creatures is honor and glory; that men and women have put case of doubt) at the funerals, and to that He is absolutely entitled. Upon themselves would astound marriages, and similar functions of non-Catholics, provided there be no

to attend Anglican church function

The matter is not eased by the Hierarchy of England and Wales a few months ago:

The Archbishops and Bishops of England and Wales are gravely concerned at the serious departure from the established tradition and practice of conscientious Catholics in this country, which is involved in the attendance of Catholic mayors and like officials at non-Catholic religious services. They earnestly appeal to all to whom it may apply adhere faithfully to the well-established tradition of the past.'

Following the announcement of the Lord Mayor's election and that of his two sheriffs, a daily newspaper stated that they would attend Protestant services despite their religion.

LORD MAYOR REFUSES INTERVIEW Approached by the N. C. W. C. correspondent, the Lord Mayor elect would do what the Lord Mayor did,

several Catholic mayors of pro-vincial cities looked anxiously to London, ready to follow the lead if London's Catholic Lord Mayor should

At the recent congress of the selgian Catholic Union, which, the Lord Mayor's accession to office.

> STATEMENT OF CATHOLIC ORGAN It appears in the Westminster Cathedral Chronicle, the official organ of Cardinal Bourne's Arch-

the circum-

Canon 1258 of the Code of Canon and the statement proceeds