

## THE LENTEN LEGACY.

There are legacies of knowledge, legacies of freedom, legacies of institutions from the past. Some of them have been much handled and mis-handled. Some of them are little more than ecclesiastical ornaments or bric-a-brac. Others are still full of significance. So there are spiritual legacies from the past; and Lent is one of them. To be sure, as often observed, it has very little spiritual significance, and may be reduced to a mechanical, routine form of service. A large section of the Protestant Church pays little regard to it, and can furnish very good grounds for giving up a service the observance of which ceased to be beneficial. Nevertheless, the main interest of Lent for us is that it is a legacy which is related to the spiritual and moral life of man. It tells us of a hush in the busy life of the world, of retirement from this rapid whirl to get a new poise which can come only through a deeper calm. Any withdrawal from the life of the world for monkish self-perfection is a form of pietistic selfishness. The office of religion is not fulfilled in this way. But to withdraw from the active service and contention of life for a season, be it a week or a day or even an hour that we may prepare ourselves better to enter again the arena has in it the essence of a sound philosophy. We may or may not keep the lent of the Church; but we all need to seek some Lent for the soul.—*Christian Register (Unitarian).*

A Dundee navy on awakening one morning, told his wife of a curious dream that he had during the night. He dreamed that he saw a big fat rat coming towards him, followed by two lean ones, and in the rear one blind one. He was greatly worried over it, and swore that some great evil was about to fall upon him. He had heard that to dream of rats foreboded some dire calamity. In vain did he appeal to his wife, but she could not relieve him. His son, who by the way, was a bright lad, hearing the dream told, volunteered to interpret it, and he did it with the wisdom of a Joseph. Said he: "The fat rat is the man who keeps the public house where ye gang to see often, and the two lean ones are me and ma mither, and the blind one is yersel,' father."

G. F. S.—the Bishop of Durham, speaking at a gathering of ladies in his Cathedral in connection with the Girls' Friendly Society, said he did not think that the ordinary standard of society, either in dress, living, amusement, or literature, was the standard of the New Testament.

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