

NEW BOOK.

"The Future of Catholic Peoples," an essay contrasting Protestant and Catholic efforts for civilization, by Baron de Haulleville, with prefatory notes by Cardinal Manning, Cardinal Dechaux and Pius IX., and an appendix containing notes from various authoritative sources. New York, Hickey & Co., Publishers of "The Vatican Library," 11 Barclay Street, pp. 310, price \$1.50.

The Divine Teacher of mankind, announcing the first principles of the new Christian philosophy which was to regenerate the world, began by preaching the blessedness of poverty. "Abandon all solicitude," He said to His followers: "Say not: 'What shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewithal shall we be clothed?' For after all these things do heathens seek." The heathens of that day, and those of every generation since until our own, have taken their revenge upon this doctrine, by asserting that even if the "Kingdom of Heaven" belongs to the poor the "Kingdoms of this world, and the glory of them, are their own. It is an old claim—but it is as idle now as it was on the lips of the father of lies when he first tempted, with it, the Saviour of men. For, though, in His will, at whatever cost, our Lord bade men "take no thought for the morrow," He promised that those who obeyed, and who truly sought just the accomplishment of God's justice, "all these things shall be added."

The work of the Baron de Haulleville, on "The Future of Catholic Peoples," just published by Hickey & Co., 11 Barclay Street, New York, (price \$1.50), is a brilliant and convincing proof that the history of all nations, which have preserved their Catholicity, illustrates the literal fulfilment of this Divine promise. It takes up the hackneyed accusations of ignorance, poverty, backward civilization, with which Protestantism, Modern Liberalism, and even Paganism reproach the Church, and, while it holds firmly to the Christian verity, that the goods of this world are not to be sought for themselves, it yet proves to demonstration that not only have none possessed these goods in so great a measure as Catholic peoples, but that the periods of modern nation's greatest worldly prosperity have been those of its most ardent Catholicity. It is a magazine of facts illustrative of this thesis, well arranged and admirably put. Its statistics of comparative Catholic morality and Protestant immorality are very important. Its value as a controversial weapon may be judged from the high praises it has received from judges so competent as Pope Pius IX., Cardinal Dechaux and Cardinal Manning. It has been translated in Italy, Germany, England, and America. The American publishers, Hickey & Co., New York, have added important notes to it. Its great merit, as Cardinal Dechaux points out, is that it continues and supplements the immortal work of Balmes.

CATHOLIC GLEANINGS.

—A correspondent in Philadelphia, Pa., has written to obtain full information regarding the different religious orders in the United States, male and female, and expresses a wish to have it given in the *Ave Maria*. To do this satisfactorily, would require much greater space than we have at our disposal. We refer our correspondent to Mr. J. O'Kane Murray's "Popular History of the Catholic Church in the United States," published by Messrs. Sadlier & Co., 31 Barclay St., New York, where he will find the fullest information.

—The Carmelite Order is dear to the faithful, not only for its great antiquity, but also because it is in an especial manner the Order of the Blessed Virgin. In its ranks there have been some of the most holy and illustrious men and women of the Church. Amongst them it will be sufficient to mention the names of St. Cyril and Albert, in the East; of Andrew Corsini and Magdalene de Pazzi, in Italy; of Teresa and the doctors of Salamanca, in Spain; of Peter Thomas, in France, and of Simon Stock, in England.

—The want is often expressed by zealous Catholics of a book to put into the hands of unbelieving friends who seem even to doubt Christianity itself. To such persons, most of the doctrinal and controversial works in common use are unsuited. "Evidences of Religion," by Father Jouin, S. J., published some time ago by Mr. O'Shea of New York, is a most excellent book, and fully supplies, we think, the want which has been so much felt. It is divided into two parts: in the first is proved the necessity and existence of a revealed religion, which is none other than that which Jesus Christ established; in the second, the Catholic Church is shown to be that religion.

—DEATH OF A SISTER OF GERALD GRIFFIN.—A very remarkable lady died on the 5th inst. at the Convent of the Sisters of Charity, Clarendon, Galway County. The deceased, who was superior of the convent for the past thirty-three years, was sister of the gentle and gifted Gerald Griffin, and was the subject of his world-famous poem, "The Sister of Charity." She had attained the age of seventy-three, and was able, up to a few months ago, to discharge her duties as rectress of the convent and schools. The death of the amiable and accomplished Sister is greatly lamented, as she was beloved by old and young for miles around the convent. —*London Catholic Standard*.

THINGS WORTH FORGETTING.—How much wiser we would be if we could remember all the things worth remembering that occur day by day all around us. And how much better we should be if we could forget all that is worth forgetting. It is almost frightful and altogether humiliating to think how much is in the common ongoing of domestic and social life which deserves nothing but to be instantly and forever forgotten. Yet it is amazing how large a class there is who have no other business but to repeat and perpetuate these very things. This is the vocation of gossip—an order of society that perpetrates more mischief than all the combined plagues of Egypt put together. Blessed is that man or woman who can let drop all the burs and thistles, instead of picking them up and fastening on to the passenger. Would we let the vexing and malicious sayings die, how fast the lacerated and scandal-ridden world would get healed and tranquillized. Forget the gossipings and bickerings, and backbitings and means innuendos, and remember only the little gleam of sunshine and poetry that can illuminate the humblest life, if we only drive away and forget the clouds engendered by things that should never be remembered.

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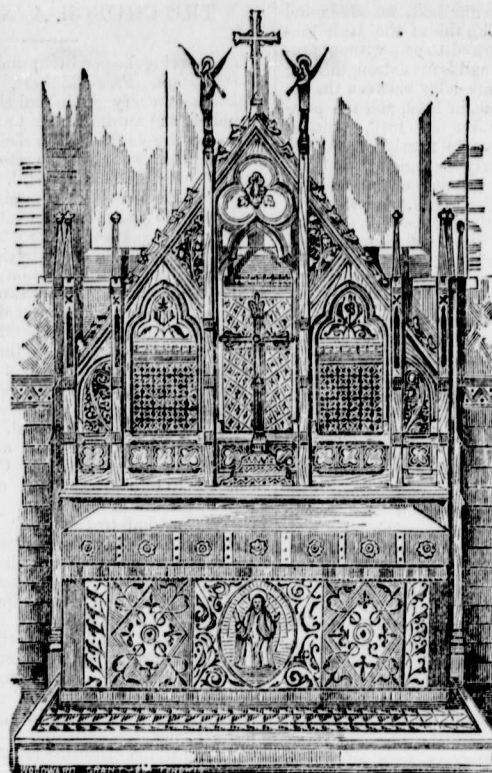
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