## Why Is It?

Oh, can you answer stranger. And tell the reason why. The worthless pass through danger.
When the useful often die; Why yonder drunkard reeling Along the crowded street, Devoid of hope or feeling, Death's reaper cannot meet?

Why is it, stranger, tell me, Death loves a shining mark, When he could just as well be Extinguishing the spark That burns within some creatures Whose lives with evil teem, Rograved upon whose features The brand of Cain is seen?

Why does death seek the bowers Where choicest blossoms grow, And pluck from thence the flowers That do nost beauty show? Is it that his dread portals More cheerful may appear, That we poor, trembling mortals In passing may not fear?

Why are young men taken, The aged left behind? Some weary and forsaken, Some wretched, halt and blind Why should our young men perish Ere they have reached their prime Why those whom most we cherish. To whom we most incline?

Our hearts are filled with sorrow Our eyes o'erflow with tears, As we think that each tomorrow Will blend into the years? And yet the well-loved faces That did our presence cheer Within their wonted places Will never reappear!

Ob, often have I pondered And asked the questions o'er, Until in thought I've wandered To the Galilean shore; And then the lesson taught us. "Submission to God's will," Comes wafted o'er the waters. And I listen and am still.

> The Danger of Bad Reading.

tained the following passages:

Protestantiam, that we have to conmasses of the people. Its extreme Erastianism, its fatal contradictions, its internal divisions and dissensions, as well as its modern and purely human origin, are facts which are becoming daily more and more clearly recognized, and render it utterly unfit to cope with modern infidelity and to withstand the attacks of the twentieth century Protestantism has had its day; it no longer satisfies any one whose mind is on the alert, so that thousands are now lapsing into total unbelief, and falling away from it as leaves fall from a tree that is blasted and with-

ering. not so much heresy as " It is downright atheism and godlessness that confront us, and that poison and contaminate so great a portion of the world's present literary out. put. There is not the slightest doubt but that an incalculable amount of barm is being done by this class of books; and the mores because even the good and pious fully rounded periods, that captivate persons often fail to appreciate the and charm the casual reader, to his risk they run in persuing them. In own destruction; reminding one, by fact, they will go so far as proudly and disdainfully to deny that for them there is any risk whatecever. which hide the deadliest poison Again and again Catholics may be under an exterior of the most brilheard asserting their right to read liantly beautiful forms and color, such pernicious authors. And on which tempt the simple wayfarer to what pretext? "Oh," they jauntily a deadly feast. Some, too, are pastexclaim, with an offended air, "if our faith be true and well grounded, we have no cause to fear what men ary show of planeibility. They will may allege against it!" Or they so dress up and deck out error that petulantly remark that the Catholic nine persons out of every ten will oreed must be a very milk-and-water take it for genuine truth; and surcreed if it cannot face the arguments of infidels and the onelaught of foes : that, in short, there can be nothing supernatural or divine in it, if it is going to totter and fall to pieces at the breach of mere men, however,

skilled in wordy warware. "What arrant nonsense! observations are, of course, common enough; but they disclose an extraordinary confusion of thought. We can only say that those who make them must be sadly ignorant of their own innate imbecility and weakness. It is true that the danger danger arises not in the least degree from any inefficiency or defect in the foundations of the Faith; for the Church stands on an impreg. nable rock and is absolutely invulnerable. We have the divine assurance that the gates of hell itself shall never prevail against it. No! The danger exists, but is subjective, not objective. The danger lies wholly in the blindness and duliness of poor weak human nature, which is easily misled by specious words, and be guided by fine-spun arguments, and which, having entered into a contest with the agents of Satan, is as li-ble

Itching Skin

Distress by day and night— That's the complaint of these re so unfortunate as to be a with Eczems or Salt Rhoun and ward applications do not of

The source of the trouble is in the blood-make that pure and this sealing, burning, itching skin disease will

"I was taken with an itching on arms which proved very disagreeable concluded it was sait rhome and boug bottle of Hood's Bersaparille. In two of after I began taking it I felt better an was not long before I was cured. He never had any 'kin disease since." I IDA E. WARD, Cove Point, Md. Hood's Sarsaparilla

rids the blood of all impurities and

to be deceived and fall miserably as were Adam and Eve when they tried onclusions with the arch-fiend him-

cures all eruptions.

"Such shallow excuses for flying into the very face of danger are in sober truth, but sad indications of a subtle pride and vanity, and suggest a really culpable ignorance of man's spiritual misery and dependence. Nothing is easier than to raise difficulties; nothing is more common than to angest doubts against the supervatural. That almost any one can do without offering any claim to superior knowledge. Nor is it strange. Cannot a child, with a match and a handful of straw, create a cloud which will, for the time being, hide even the stars? It is a trite saying that "a fool can ask more questions than a wise man can answer." And if this be true in the case of a fool, how far truer it must be when the questioner is not a fool at all, but a shrewd and clever reasoner, accustomed to dislection, who has an object to accomplish, and who is wholly unserupulous concerning the means he employs? How can we expect the average Catholie to read the effusions of rank infidels without receiving any barm? Has he the mental skill and training to -W. W. McWhan in The Tablet. parry every blow? Is he such a master of fence as never to be over-

come by any adversary? The vast majority of Catholics are without profound knowledge either of his-Moneignor John S. Vaughan's tory or theology or philosophy. article on "Indiscriminate Reading" They have never been trained for in the Ave Maria for July 27, con- such encounters. They are little accustomed to the insidious ways, "But probably the greatest peril the counterfeit speech, the perverted in the path of the omniverous reader sense, the false reasonings, the inuarises from infidel books. We mean endos, the tergiversations, the supall those publications in which the pression of the true and the suggestruth of Revelation and the doctrines tion of the false, and the other shifts of the Church, even the most sacred of a designing writer. They indulge ouled, or directly attacked and con- Silly flies suspect no danger in the tradicted. In these days it is down- spider's web so deftly spread to eatch right infidelity, rather than he brid their feet. In consequence, they perish by thousands. In like mantend with. In fact, Protestantism ner many a silly human fly appreis fast losing its hold on the great hends no danger whatever in infidel books, and is thus allured to his doom, being entangled in the cunningly devised meshes of some sophistical argument. "To suppose that Catholics of or-

dinary ability, or without experience

or preparation, should be able to see

through and to detect all the wilv sophistries proposed by some of the keenest and best practised intellects of the day, is sheer folly and madness. They seem to forget that amongst the immense number who write are to be found agnostics, materialists, positivists, and other infidels of unquestionable learning and ability. These are often men who have distinguished themselves at the universities; they are highly oultured; they possess an extraordinary command of language; they express themselves with elegance and ease, and sometimes with real eloquence; they set forth the most damnable doctrines and theories in well-balanced phrases and in carereason of their methods, of those exquisitely tinted tropical berries masters of deception, and will present their views with an extraordinround vice itself with such a halo of virtue as almost to deceive even the elect.

"The simple, self-confiding and nexperienced reader seems singuarly unconscious of all this. He, accordingly, throws prudence to the winds; he refuses to curb his curioreity, and calmly persuades himself that he may safely read and study the worst publications of the day and run no risk; skate on the thinnest ice and not tumble in. Many a time have we seen beardless youths. of the reader is very great, but this and even young ladies fresh from the academies, thus courting disaster, and rushing in where angels

Emulsion.

will result from the following treatment:

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themselves fear to treed. To this naturally

penetrating and all-seeing gate. I? I can see through every difficulty. I can looses every knot. I can me become acquainted with the duties of the Papacy? National jealousies would immediately be aroused if a Pope were abose who ways straight; detect falseshood under any units it was assume; drag forth error triumphantly from its hid line. Oatholic Virginian. ing place into the light of day, and

put my finger on every poles What presumption Also I their pride decrives them, and, unless corrected, will certainly tring upon them some terrible calamity. "Pride goeth and suffer the just consequence of beir rashess and disobedience. "Proessing themselves to be wise, they

ecome fools," "We have no right whatever to exof immunity if we do so. Quite the toucheth pitch shall be dulled with it." The plain truth in we are not wise enough or predent publish, or sufficiently courageous of sullightened to sail our own tragile barque over the pointed if that dollar for encompasses us upon every side. It we were, then Christ would never have commanded us to enter into the Barque of Peter, and to entrust oured and buffeted, will never be wrecked should not enjoy all the ad infidelity.

of life, can fail to note the terrible house in Canada. Absolut bayor that infidel and auti religious books are causing even within the The effect of these michievous publis pay the freight on all par-cations is often slow, and, as a rule cels over \$5.00 in value. scarcely perceived at the time, but for that very reason only the more dangerous.

"Drop by drop," it is said, "will by drop through the medium of evil publications, will in the course of est the most irreproachable faith. The I'm getting the business. example of prudence and modest and self-restraint set us by the saigts should not be without its effect. We should distrust our weakness, dept ourselves all dangerous license, and ask God to guide and safeguard us will pay you to give me from the sources and the fascinations call for your spring suit for of error. Then God will, in His yourself or your boy, as I great mercy, teach us prudence sed have an elegant range to rescue us from the effects of our own

Why Do Catholics Have an Italian for a Pope.

One might also sak why did St. Peter make Rome the seat of his primatial authorty. The fact that Rome is an Italian city is probably the main reason why so many Italian bave succeeded to the chair of from different parts of the Date of the country, and we have invariant there have been Popes of other named to the country, and we have invariantly of the country. tionalities, and the same may occur faction. If anything by any in the future. The fact, too, that for possibility might be wreng, so many centuries the Pope was also we are always here to make pointment of bishops, and even lottetown. considered and practical considerations are taken into account, It would seem strange, except for urgent and weighty reasons, to select Oardinal from some foreign coun- ing muchines from Willer try and make him Bishop of Rome Bros. You save all middleor Pope. The College of Cardinals men's profits. It is worth by whom and from whose number the Pope is elected, as we would

themselves fear to treed. To this fact, indeed, must be in a large of Italians. They are the hishops of Italians. They are the towns near Rome, and the works of Italians. It is true that the dignity of Cardinal is frequently parishes in Rome. It is true that the dignity of Cardinal is frequently only of Italians. The same and the works of Italians. They are the towns near Rome, and the works in Rome. It is true that the dignity of Cardinal is frequently only of Italians. They are the hishops of Italians. The sound of Italians. The sound of Italians. They are the hishops of Italians. The sound of Italians. as follows: "I run no risk. I am ment of the Church. They farm more than a match for all these infidels. Clever men may disquise are Italians, as they should be, on account of their close convention with Rome and its pavironments. Some intimate knowledge of diplocan never deceive. No: I am far too astute to be taken in. Let them weave their sublistics and their are appeared in one canable of assumption. weave their subtleties and their sop-histries about me, and prepare their pitfalls and their snares. Buch at-temps may entrap the less wise, but they are wholly unavailing before my

A Fall.

(From the Messenger.)

before destruction," says the Holy beaven, has been himself extinguished Spirit of God; "and the spirit is lifted at Corbell. These French officials up before a fall." Such conceit soon have a fashion of visiting with great receives its due punishment. They ceremony at the public expense variget entrapped in the toils of the east- our parts of the country. In the et, and entangled and held fast in the present instance there was a fair going twisted strands of error and infidelity, on at Corbell, and Viviani was annonnced to preside. Five hundred Socialists met him at the station with hooting and bisses and cries of "Resign." The ministerial cortege was formed, and Yiviani took his place in pose ourselves to temptations against ft pale and trembling. His former faith; we have received no promise friends led the procession denouncing him and singing the " Internationale. contrary. The Holy Spirit of God A riot began, and the once popular explicitly warns us that "he that Socialist took refuge in a back and escaped. The Socialist paper, Hu-

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He was only a plain American pas-andler, says the New York Globe but he ordered his "schooner" b Bowery beer with the sang troid of s plate American plutocrat. Midway in its consumption he sided to the tree lunch counter and reduced the pile of big sausages by one.

Two more gulps of beer an second and third large sausage disappeared. Washing this down, he concluded that he needed a sausage and got it; then for the door.

"Here, Bill," the general barkeeper called familiarly. "Come back a

The panhandler returned expect-"Say, Bill," the barkeeper continued in a confidential way, "the next time you want a gless of beer you go

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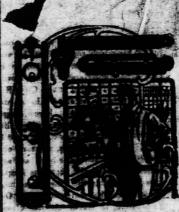
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