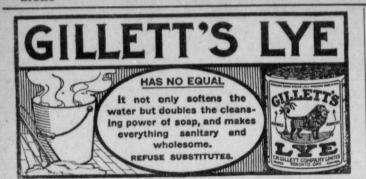
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A CANADIAN REPLIES TO MR. KENSIT

Sir, — Regarding the "creat War Lecture" given by Mr. J. A. Kensit at the Palace Pier, may I be per-mitted to say through the medium of The Observer, that Mr. Kensit here reaches the acme of absurdity?

To even attempt to try and prove that the Vatican was directly responsible for the tragedy of blood and tears is to my way of thinking the highest point of bigoted passion and clumsy prejudice.

The arguments used by Mr. Kensit to back up his latest onslaught against Her, in whose temples dwells the Everlasting Presence, may be very clever and subtle, and well calculated to deceive those who have never caught a full vision of the historic Church, or of Her worldwide and age-long mission to the human race but they would not deceive the most simple Catholic school boy; and I can assure Mr. Kensit that the task of bringing about Her death and ruin is indeed a forlorn hope

Nearly all generations have tried their strength against the Church Catholic, and they have tried their strength in vain. Does Mr. Kensit think he can succeed where the Roman Emperors failed ? To Her enemies she answers, in the words of Monsignor Dupanloup :

"Before Hapsburg, or Bourbon, or Romanoff, or Brunswick or Hohenzollern-before Bonaparte or Carignan, I was old ; for I have seen the Cæsars and the Antonines die ; to-morrow I will be, for I am ever the

The Catholic Church is "a thing unkillable." She is, what she has claimed in every age to be, the great teacher and satisfier of the human soul, and in the calm fulfilment of Her eternal destiny she fears nothing but treads the path marked Her by the hand of Her out for Divine Founder ; and she will continue to tread that path to the end of time.

In a word, the Catholic Church, the age long guardian of the very highest interests of the human race, stands today as she has stood across the centuries, supremely loyal to her destiny; the Cross, her symbol, endures, in spite of the furious waves that dash around it, the everlasting emblem of redemption and of true civilization.

> WILLIAM E. KERRISH, C. E. F. Sandling, Kent, England.

CARDINAL O'CONNELL

AIDS LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN

Cardinal O'Connell has given another example of his patriotism and public spirit by his zealous cooperation in the campaign to dispose of the second Liberty Loan. He has taken a generous subscription him-self and by his words and great in-

properly and well, but out of it also or other wear, but out of it also will come the support and sustenance of the chaplains, so that not only as citizens, but as Catholics, we are pro-foundly interested in the success of from the inscriptions on the tombs their writings. this loan."-Sacred Heart Review. Christian practice is from the '

fessions " of St. Augustine where he records the touching scene of his PROTESTANT MINISTER LAUDS mother's death at Ostia and how she told her gifted son whom her prayers and tears had converted, to remember her at the altar when she THE CHURCH

PRAISES ITS INSTITUTIONS AND ENVIES CATHOLICS THEIR SYMBOL, THE CROSS

was laid to rest. The great saint humbly requests his readers to remember the soul of his saintly mother Monica in their prayers. In the world's hour of suffering Rev. James L. Gordon of the First Congregational Church at Washington, D. C., preached a sermon last Sunday morning on "The Catholic Church from the Viewpoint of a and sorrow when myriads of chosen souls are being hurled headlong into eternity, the Catholic doctrine of Purgatory is a source of great conso-Protestant Minister ; its History and Splendid Co-operation During the Present War." "I have seen fit at lation and encouragement to the be-reaved who linger on in this vale of Gordon said. "My sermon this morning is to call attention to many excellent features of the Parce by our prayers, good works and especially by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, which applies to these Catholic Faith.

"Catholics have already shown how loyal they can be to the country during these times of strife. They souls the infinite merits of the blood of Christ Who died for our sins. are just as loyal to their Church and These souls are saved but they have we can learn many lessons from not yet reached their final end which is God, and that gives them pain. We should not forget our beloved

"I like the prominence given the crucifix in their services, their mother of God idea as an expression of the heart side, the devotion of the ing souls in Purgatory, but rememlaity shown in their attendance at all services ; their confessional, which I ber them in our suffrages according to the mind of the Church. They firmly believe should find a place in have left us forever and cannot return, but we shall go to them in God's own good time, and before the some form or other among other creeds, and I envy the Catholics their great white throne God shall wipe away all tears and death shall be no symbol, the Cross."-The Echo.

BATTALIONS ARE JUST LIKE CHUMS

HOW QUEBEC AND NOVA SCOTIA UNITS residence, 302 Besserer street, HAVE STUCK TOGETHER FROM THE FIRST

Ottawa, Agnes Martin, beloved wife of John G. Connolly. May her soul Montreal, Oct. - Canadian batrest in peace. talions, while in training or at the front, frequently form friendly asso-ciations, like friends or chums. Two and happiness in the holy words and works of God, who thus leads others close friends in the trenches are the 25th Nova Scotia Battalion and the to His holy love. 22nd French-Canadian Battalion.

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Wood PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD One of the paradoxes of the War An adventure-mystery story is that it has strengthened the moral of unusual power. You will and religious spirit and the belief in immortality in spite of the fact that read it with growing suswar is opposed to religion and civ-ilization and drags men down to the pense-you will stay with it until you reach its surlevel of brutal savagery. Recent books such as those of Sir Oliver prising climax . . . Lodge on his son fallen on the field of honor, and several of H. G. Wells's recent works show how the sacrifice Entertaining of millions of lives on the battlefield is turning the thoughts of men towards the solution of life's darkest "Myles Muredach" is the pen-name of Monsignor Francis Clement Kelley, the distinguished American prelate. enigma. In this crisis the constant teaching of the Church from the beginning on prayer for the dead is of the deep-est consolation to countless bereft and grief stricken souls in every land who are mourning for sound of a voice that has vanished and the clasp of a hand that is still. indifferent to the tremendous con-sequences which would result to the country in the unthinkable event of our failure to do our full duty at this truth and significance may be soon borne home to us when the honor lists come back from beyond the sea, telling of our brave soldiers who have offered up their lives for freedom. The Church prays especially dur-ing the month of November for the holy souls who have gone before us with the sign of faith, as our Holy Mother does not forget her children present or absent. She considers that the dead live in Christ the first fruits of those who sleep. Moreover, campments and they have assured me again and again that our boys are induced the fulness of holiness and their final destiny in Heaven, but are undergoing purification for their We are proud of what our boys are doing, and on our part we must do everything we possibly can, I repeat, to keep them in good condi-tion means and the second condi-tion the second condi-tion the second condi-tion the second co them by our meritorious works. Prayers for the dead are a part of

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