# TOLD OF MODJESKA.

There are Catholic actors and There are Catholic actors and singers, of course, who are small credit to the faith they profess. There are others whose noble lives are an in-spiration to goodness to all who come near them. Everybody has heard of Mary Anderson's virtue and sweet in-fuence, and in days to come similar fluence, and in days to come similar stories will be told of Ethel Barrymore, stories will be told of Echel Barrynolee, Margaret Anglin and a few others. The fact that so many Catholics are on the stage is not one to excite pride unless those men and women of genius show themselves worthy of the religion which has given the world all the saints it has It has.

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They are now telling beautiful tales of They are now telling beautiful tales of that great Catholic actress who died only a few weeks ago—Madame Helene Modjeska. Her life was singularly noble and withal strangely sad. She was one of the most practical Catholics on the stage and the stories told of ter all go to show that she proved her faith by her works. Recently a group of stage people were discussing her, and this is what one recalled with regard to her nature: her nature:

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"Once at a summer resort she heard through her open window a soft little moan. A baby was crying. She rang the bell and inquired about her little neighbor. She found that the little chap was being devoured by mosquitoes while his frivolous mother left him alone and displayed her finery and her empty head on the hotel veranda. Mme. Mod-jeska went to the veranda, sought out the woman, and asked her if she might visit her room and amuse herself with the baby. The mother much gratified, consented, and handed her key to Mme. "Once at a summer resort she heard conserted, and handed her key to Mme. Modjeska. Madame at once made friends with the little fellow. She undressed and bathed him and rubbed cold cream all over the bruised little body. An hour later they found her sitting beside the open window, the baby fast asleep in her arms, and she singing a Polish lullaby softly to him.

Ethel Barrymore recalled that when her mother, Georgie Drew Barrymore, died in Southern California and upon the girl of thirteen devolved the sor-rowful task of taking the remains back to Philadelphia for burial, Mme. Mod-jeska gave her a mother's love and blessing, the noble figure being the last she saw through her tear blurred eyes as she looked back at the station of the little California town.

"Howard Kyle, for three seasons her leading man, said : "Mme. Modjeska

had rare stage integrity. She always gave every actor in her company, how-ever subordinate, his full meed of opporgave every actor in her company, how-ever subordinate, his full meed of oppor-tunity on the stage. Her standard of art was so high that she never changed the lines nor situations an iota to add to her stellar glory. I never supported a star whom I so reverenced," he says. "She seemed wrapped around with an atmosphere of ideality. When she play-ed Marie Stuart, those who played with her felt that she was not play-ing, but that she was not play-ing, but that she was not play-ing the relation of the most beautiful arms I ever saw. Their beauty was in their delicacy and expressiveness. They were the synonyms of grace. She seemed always to be enveloped in sadness. The conditions of her birth and girl-hood had taken deep root in her nature. Paderewski and the De Reszkes were countrymen and friends of hers. Once after she had given a reception to them in Chicago she had said: "They are wonderful artists, and they should be. There is nothing to do in poor Poland but to develop art. We may not fight. We may only entertain!" But Modjeska did more than enter-tain. Wherever she went she sowed sweetness and light by countless deeds

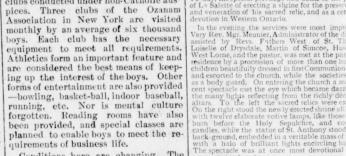
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Conditions here are changing. The old temptations assume new guises. It is necessary for us to change our tactics in order to meet and overcome them, not only for ourselves but for our weaker brethren-the little ones - who, un-less the more fortunate Catholics help them, may lose their faith. It is easy to condemn the work of the Protestant settlement house and the non-Catholic

boys' club as a fad. But fad or not it is a fact. It faces us and our children. What are we going to do about it? -Sacred Heart Review.

# A REAL FRIAR.

ND NOT AT ALL LIKE FAMILIAR FRIAR OF ANTI-CATHOLIC MISSIONARY FIC-

In the Philippine Catholic we find a brief sketch of the career of Rev. Salvador Font of the Augustinian Order who formerly labored in the Phil-ippines and who has just died in Madrid. Protestant'missionaries who go to Catholic countries to enjoy the warm climate and write fiction have made the world familiar with the friar as he really isn't the Philippine Catholic, which ought to know gives us the

" Mani'a, says our contemporary, will remember the terrible cholera epidemic of 1882. There were days in demic of 1852. There were days in which 1,500 deaths were reported. Dur-ing that season of anxiety and of mourning Father Font proved himself a real apostle of charity. Putting aside all fear of the dread malady, he went about from street to street and house to house encouraging the frightened

But Modjeska did more than enter-But Modjeska did more than enter-tain. Wherever she went she sowed sweetness and light by countless deeds of love. She took her holy religion with her on the stage and she lived its precepts off the stage. Now the world is saying that, notwithstanding her many sorrows, her life was a beautiful one. It was—ah, no doubt it was!— but what made it so? Unquestionably, that Force which made beautiful the lives of St. Francis Assii, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, and thousands similar since Christ walked the earth and gave to ppropri. Christ walked the earth and gave to men the Sermon on the Mount. If all women were guided by that which guided Modjeska there would be fewer family ties that should be sacred.— Catholic Sun of those who had lost their lives during the epidemic, one for the boys in Tanpobong and another for girls in Man daloya. In Madrid, where he spent the later years of his life, Father Font continued his good work in the cause of the poor. Aided by a number of rich ladies and gentlemen, he founded some six years ago, a charitable or benevolent society which has received the special blessing of Pius X. The good that has been done by this society God alone knows. Several times the famous Augustinian was proposed for episcopal honors, but he preferred the simple life of his brethren."

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We all agree that the proper place for a boy to spend his evenings is in his own home. But many a boy has a home own home. But many a boy has a home made miscrable by drunksuness or other failares on the part of unworthy parents. Many a boy has a home which through no fault of his parents, but merely because of the hard lot of the poor in all large cities, is cramped, crowded, noisy, unsanitary, and hardly worthy of being called a home. Thousworthy of being called a home. Thous-ands of homes in New York and other citles consist merely of three stuffy rooms. Put a family of five, six, ten or more persons in a home of this kind, and where does the boy fit in ? Where does he find room to spend his evenings at home ? Such a boy will naturally drift to the street and its temptations. drift to the street and its temptations. Because of the theory—admittedly correct—that the boy's home is the proper place for the boy, shall nothing be done to save the boy who is homeless or nearly so, from going to destruction in the streets? Everybody who lends a hand to save our Catholic boy's from this fate is doing the Church and the State a notable service. Non-Catholic societies are active and aggressive in this field of work. By means of their clubs and work. By means of their clubs and settlement houses they capture many a child who belongs of right to the Catho-lic Church. Condemning them and their methods does little good. The only way from disaster to their morals in the streets, or disaster to their faith in the clubs and settlement houses of the non-Catholic workers, is to be active in this

field of endeavor ourselves. In New York City Catholics are making a noble effort—although they have begun late—in this work of boy-saving. The Ozanam Association there has founded several clubs for boys wherein the young fellows are not only kept off the street, but are saved from possible shipwreck to their faith in

## DIOCESE OF LONDON.

ST. ANTHONY'S SHRINE ERECTED AT LA SALETTE. Sinday, June the 13th, was a memorable day for La Salette, the occasion being the canoncal erection of a shrine to St. Anthony of Padua. Among the im-mense congregations at the morning and evening services, were many devoted clients, who had come from every city, town and village within a radius of fifty miles. High Mass was sung by Rev. Father Loiselle, who, in compray with the pastor, Father Loiselle, who, in compray with the pastor, Father Loiselle, who is a compray with the pastor, Father Loiselle, who is the start form a visit to all the sacred shrines in Europe, Egypt and the Holy Land. Dur-ing Mass the pastor delivered a powerful discourse on the different shrines they had visited, drawing special the visitors. These manifestations were most marked at Padua, where a magnificant basilica, erected by our densing of the citizens, ensitines the body of St. Anthony, and where, on this day, over two bundred thousand pilgrims gather every year. But St. Anthony belonged not to Padua alone : he was the saint of the whole world as Pope Leo XIII. Iad said. America, too, was devoted to this saint, and evidences of this devotion were to be found in Washington to the South and in New York and Boston to the East. Whist Catholic Quebee had instituted an association in honor of St. Anthony and of the work entitied " St. ANTHONY'S SHRINE ERECTED AT LA SALETT of St. Anthony and of the work entitled

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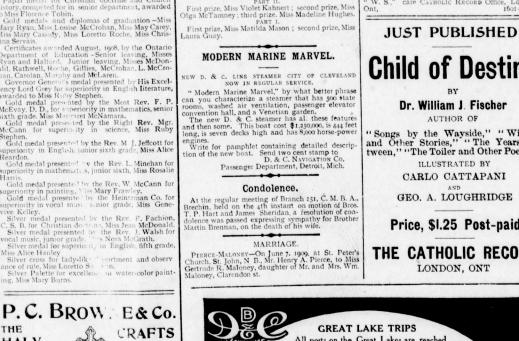
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