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### POPE LEO XIII.

# An Interesting View of the Great Pontiff by a Protestant Writer.

An account of Pope Leo appears in the current number of the *Review of Reviews*, Mr. Stead's London publica-tion, which is also being issued in America, which is exciting much atten-tion. The bias of the writer has allowed certain things to creep in that mar which might otherwise be considered a very fine production. We give the parts of the paper which will be most interesting to the readers of the Free-man's Journal, than whom there are none more enthusiastic in their admir ation of his character and work :

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A PEN PICTURE.

"Leo XIII.," says the *Review of Reviews*, "has just entered his eighty-first year. His thin and angular fea-tures, his alabaster complexion, the trembling of his hands, his bowed form, the almost diaphonous aspect of his entire figure, would mark him as a man on the threshold of extreme old age. In the Castel Gandolfo, and he was But when he speaks and becomes animated this impression immediately vanishes, and one feels that there is still beneath this fragile envelope a powerful life, and that the blade is infinitely a severe and sharp economist. He superior to the shade that covers it. His voice, especially when he speaks in superior to the shade that covers it, administers with scrupulous care His voice, especially when he speaks in public, has retained its ring, slightly nasal, by the way, and his eyes have lost none of their fire. . . . One of little to meet the innumerable needs lost none of their fire. . . . One of the most striking things, when one the most striking things, when one meets the Holy Father for the first time, is the almost convulsive trembling of his hands. This is not the result of meeting all requirements of the ecclesi-tical services. Of late years he has age, as is pretty generally supposed, but the consequence of typhoid fever, from which he suffered at Perugia some years ago. So great is this trembling that Leo XIII. can no longer write. When he has to sign a document he is obliged to hold the wrist of his right hand with his left hand in order to be able to trace letters that would other-wise be unreadable, and even then each stroke is an infinity of tiny zigzags. "Contrary to Pius IX., who was

favored with a robust and sanguine temperament — the 'temperament' of happy men—Leo XIII, belongs to the race of nervous men. However, in spite of what people say, when the con stitution is sound the nervous are the strong, because they bend and do not break. In spite of the apparent deli-cacy and fragility of Leo XIII., he is gifted with an extraordinary resisting force, which the most robust of men do not possess. Just think for a moment. For thirteen years now he has been imprisoned in the narrow limits of the Vatican, with no other exercise than walking in a garden and park a few hundred yards square, and this situated in a part of Rome that has always been noted for its insalubrity. Add to that the enormous work which the govern-ment of the Church gives him daily. and of which he supports the principal weight. Is not a prodigious elasticity of temperament requisite in order to support without breaking down such a support without breaking down such a life at such an advanced age? Others have already perished under it. The Holy Father has seen four Secretaries of State die at his side. One day most

of the ecclesiastical digni aries around him were ill. 'It is only we young men who are not broken down,' ex-claimed the Pope gaily. The truth is that since Leo XIII. has lived in the Vatican he has never suffered from anything more serious than a passing cold. Longevity is hereditary in the Pecci family. Cardinal Pecci, his brother, died last year at eighty-four years; another of his brothers who remained at the village of Carpineto,

tentive. When he] is satisfied "it is VERY REV. J. J. McCANN, V. G., rarely "that he expresses his satisfac-tion in words, so that when a prelate secures a word of praise from him it is a supreme recompense. As he is not liberal in compliments, those that he

does give have a greater value. "At eleven o'clock the Pope takes a light broth, which suffices till, dinner time. This, according to the old Roman custom, is at 2 o'clock in the Roman custom, is at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The repast is very simple; it consists invariably of boiled meat, a roast dish, seasonable vegetables, and afternoon. The repast is very simple ; it consists invariably of boiled meat, a fruit for dessert. EVERYTHING LIKE LUXURY IS BANISHED

parents, he combines within himself the best features of these two grand nationfrom his table, which cannot cost more than five francs a day. The doctor have ordered him to take Bordeaux wine, and the Archbishop of that city never fails to address him barrels of alities, the Irish and Canadian. As a pulpit orator he has few equals in the ranks of the clergy of the archdiocese, his commanding appearance greatly adding to the charm of the apt words

friend and physician of his flock.

the choicest brand. Traditional eti-quette requires that at Rome the Pope shall eat alone, and it is only when he capabilities are well known, and evinave guests around his table. Up till 1870 Pius IX. went went every sum-mer to Castel Gandolfo, and he was always surrounded by distinguished guests. Leo XIII. is not only an adroit politician. a sagacions diplomentiation of the cathedral by the same sector of the same sector o is outside the Eternal City that he can have guests around his table. Up till necessary to here dwell upon them. (of whom no better judge of men exists, and who, during his long career as politician, a sagacious diplomatist, he is also an excellent administrator, Bishop and Archbishop has not had recorded against him a single mistake administers with scrupulous care in the matter of his official appointments)-at a period when careful administratorship is most necessary. As Secretary-Treasurer of the Separate and ever-increasing requirements of Rooney, he has done valuable work for the cause of Catholic education, and undoubtedly will continue to fight the good fight. astical services. Of late years he has sensibly cut down useless expenses, Vicar-General McCann's ecclesiastical career practically commenced in 1859, in which year he commenced the study and reduced the outward luxury of his of classics at St. Michael's College, Toronto. After five years of assiduous Court to the strictly necessary. Some have thought to revenge themselves

upon him, accusing him of avarice, but bitter feeling alone has been able study at this famed institution he entered the Grand Seminary, Montreal, to express this reproach. No one is where, at the expiration of three years, more open-handed and generous than he received deaconship. Returning to Toronto, he, in St. Mary's church, of which His Grace the Archbishop (then the Pope when it is the question of sustaining some useful work or of succoring some great misfortune. Peri-odically he aids the Propaganda with Father Walsh) was at that time pastor, on the 21st June, 1867, was ordained priest by the late Archbishop Lynch, of happy memory. Father McCann was given charge of the parish of St. Cath-Royal munificence ; he has given half a million francs to the anti-slavery movement, and only lately he decided that the sums offered to him on the arines for three months, during the absence of its pastor, and in the follow-

occasion of his jubilee should be dedicated to African missions for the abolition of a grand artistic work — one which greatly honors him—the restoration of the apse of St. John Lateran, which costs five million of francs. Others have murmured the word 'nepotism.' This, it is well known, was long the reproach of the Roman Pontificates, but now this accusation can only be taken as a ridiculous anachron ism. The dower which Leo XIII. gave to his two nephews and to his niece when they married does not ex ceed that which a rich grocer usually gives to his children. The fantastic figures which have been published by newspapers do not approach the truth HE LOVES AND UNDERSTANDS THE

CENTURY. "Leo XIII. is a modern Pope as far as the Pontifical traditions will allow. Leo XIII. loves and understands his century : it is for this reason he has been able to act upon it to a high de-gree. Nothing in this century is strange to him. If in his Encyclical Letters he has sounded all its weak. Letters he has sounded all its weak-his resistless and tireless energy soon formed around him a parish of magnifneeds and its healthy aspirations. The social question, this redoubtable enigma which lies on the threshold of the twentieth century, has become the untiring labors.

the twentient century, may and at centre of his pre-occupation, and at the present time he is putting the fin-of regret at his removal by his parishremained at the vinage of carpineto, reached the ripe old age of ninety-one years. M. Coccarelli, the Pope's doctor, said a short time ago: 'The constitu-tion of the Pope is so solid that he\_could ishing touches upon an Encyclical Letter in which he utters his word upon the divers solutions which this memory of all, and need no words of terrible problem calls for. Of the press he understands the necessity very well live another ten years if he ours to give expression. They mourned his severance from them as the son does does not catch any malignant disease. It would seem that the Pope's lease of that of a father, so closely had he enand the strength, although at times h life will not be violently broken, but hesitates to make use of it. Leo XIII. twined himself around the tendrils of that he will die out like a lamp which is an assiduous reader of newspapers and reviews. Leo XIII. has always their hearts. In 1890 he was made Dean of Toronto by His Grace the runs short of cil. 'The Holy Father has a wonderful had a weakness for journalism, and has particular organs which he sub-Archbishop, and on Holy Thursday last was named Vicar-General; on After many years he can memory. After many years he can recall to himself the name and appear-ance of a person that he has seen but sidizes. The Popes of the Renaissance paid their weight in gold for antique which promotions he received the congratulations of the entire secular daily once in his life, perhaps in passing. Few old men have retained in the same nanuscripts to enrich their libraries. press of the city as well as those of his Is it not to-day as useful, as meritorown co-religionists. That he may long degree the possession of their intellectous a work in its kind, to sustain an be spared to enjoy the honors so unorgan which propagates the ideas and ual faculties. In spite of his eighty stintedly bestowed upon him, and to defends the interests of Catholicism? Crushed and humiliated as was the wield the force of his intellectual lance one years, no symptoms of decrepitude in the good fight, is the heartfelt wish are noticeable. His intelligence is as Holy See at the close of the reign of Pius IX., Leo XIII. has restored to the Popedom, with the respect of Governprompt and vigorous as twenty years of the Review and of its numerous readers. A good son, Holy Church has recognized his worth, and we doubt Leo XIII. is undoubtedly the most occupied and the most active of not that in the future even higher Not a minute of the day sovereigns. honors await him than in the past.

A Protestant Editor on Purgatory. Catholic Columbi Rector of St. Michael's Cathedral. Father Mulhane, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, was recently the recipient of a Toronto Catholic Review. letter from the veteran editor of the New York Journal of Commerce, impassable no sickness, however con-tagious, is formidable to the charity that

David M. Stone. The correspondence was concerning the Catholic doctrine burns within a priest-he is the father, was concerning the Catholic doctrine of Purgatory, or what the daily press now calls the "Doctrine of Future Probation." Last fall, in a series of articles, the Journal of Commerce valiantly defended "Prayers for the Dead." The following is the interest-ing portion of the letter : Brooklyn, N. Y., May 7, '91. 482 Franklin Ave. Rev. L. W. Mulhane : Of none more truly can the above be

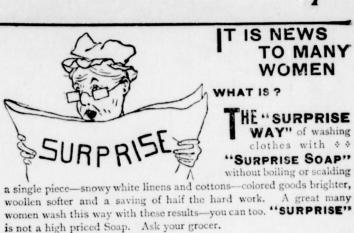
Rev. L. W. Mulhane : Rev. DEAR SIR—A clergyman in sermon said that the departed might pray for us, but we could not pray for them. I took this up, and, in an article on "Prayers for the Departed," showed, as I thought, conclusively, that our prayers for those who have left us were scriptural, reasonable and logical in the very nature of things. This was very widely copied in this country and Europe. Of course it led to sharp crit-icism, and I followed it with a still more elaborate essay on "Prayers for Those Gone Before Us," and in further answer to a variety of questions. I added yet another on: For What Men May Pray." We reprinted these twice; and the whole set, besides being copied into a large number of news School Board in conjunction with its papers, were also published by their chairman, the Very Rev. Vicar-General admirers in pamphlet form. All of our editions were completely exhausted.

Yours truly. DAVID M. STONE.

## BEAUTIFUL TILLAMOOK.

BEAUTIPUL TILLAMOOK. DEAR MR. EDITOR — Allading to the rever alarming exodul hast issue, though my never alarming exodus need be anticipated on rever alarming exodus need be anticipated on the attention of a great body of your and the laboring—those seeking to acquire honestly a home and happiness—and to these was addressed, in a special manner, the above-mentioned article. Allow me the privilege, it heads in a special manner, the above-mentioned article. Allow me the privilege, it heads in a special manner, the above-mentioned article. Allow me the privilege, it heads in a good cause, I would re-age the distant writer. With the respect due to all good men and the distant writer. This is a swell for my own as for the enlighten-ment of many others in whom I know amove-ment of many others in whom I know amove-ment of many others in the last hour, either to this as well for my own as for the enlighten-ment of many others in whom I know a move-ment of many others in the last hour, either to my his land at an exorbitant price or remain he hireling and dependent of those who may be ending and hole weapon in the hand of the invertion is inclead, on the one hand, a most phore of against the assertion. Endi-tration, is replete with the gravest re-or phose led. Upon its success depends the ele-ration or disappointment, the prosperity or inversion is success and well-being, or the disater and misfortme, of the country. Niceess in this scheme of bettering the com-mention, his religion, mationality, age-mention, his scheme of bettering the com-mention, his scheme of bettering the com-mention, his scheme of bettering the com-mention, has the harmony of many and vari-benedition, habits and matceedents, upon which depend his adaptability to the region which depend his adaptability to the re ing November was appointed assistant at St. Mary's church to Father Proulx, Father Walsh having been appointed Bishop of Sandwich leaving to take possession of his Episcopal See. In December the parish of the Gore of Toronto was committed to his charge. There he labored with good results for two years, at the expiration of which time, much to the regret of his parish-ioners who had formed a strong attachment to him, he was recalled to the cathedral as assistant to Vicar-General Jamot, the following year being trans-ferred to St. Paul's on the removal of Vicar-General Rooney to the parish of St. Mary's. In 1872 he was appointed pastor of Oshawa and Whitby, and five years subsequently was named rector of St. Michael's Cathedral. In 1882 Father McCann took charge of the parish of St. Helen's, at Brockton, then a suburb of Toronto, where he remained stationed until his appointment to the

cacy can be justified in him only who pos-sesses proportionately long and wide experi-ence. It is not a new thing to have held out to us the fairest inducements by land syndicates, Government agencies and the like. Common sense, the experience of hundreds in whose cases ball has been made worse by irrepar-able ruin and bankruptey, caution us to be wary of rascally and selfish motives. But when we see held out to us by one of our own clergy such fair inducements we are in-clined to give ear and to heed the appealing advice from one whose profession of smutty and science puts beyond all doubt Christian and clearitable motives. The scene of your missionary labors, Reverend and dear sir, is so distant, all experiment in such a project so costly and vital, that ven-ture is impracticable without much more in-formation that would give something like certainty of success. We have here, yet un-tilled, fair and extensive tracts of land, inter-sected by chains of benutiful and serviceable lab.es and rivers. Few people have any notion how blessed by nature is the soil of Canada. One would think, with reason, that Canada – with her inexhaustible treasures of forest and miceral weath, with her broad stretches of rich allayial soil, so level, so fercathedral as rector in January, 1891. When he entered on his occupancy of St. Helen's the parish was small and the church accommodation meagre, but icent proportions, and the present church of St. Helen's, which he built, is a standing monument to his zeal and



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ments and people, that prestige and influence which were her attributes but which has its purpose and its em-ployment rigidly fixed. The Pope's during the heroic times of her history daily life is the following : As a rule Rarely has the tiara shone with so bril liant and pure a light, or shed its rays so brightly and so far. The Popedom Leo XIII. gets up at six o'clock, and often at a still earlier hour. At seven has lost the material possession of Rome, but, on the other hand, thanks o'clock he celebrates Mass in his private chapel, and listens to a second one-d action de graces. At eight o'clock he to Leo XIII., she is preparing to take partakes of a light repast consisting of possession of the world, or, at any rate, she has splendidly enlarged the sphere coffee and milk and a few biscotti, of of her social action and the dominions which His Holiness is particularly fond. of her moral conquests. Catholicisn He then sets to work to examine documents, to study questions of policy, to may be proud to salute in its actual draw up letters or encycliques, etc., head a man whose greatness of charand at eleven o'clock he gives his acter and whose intellectual superiority command the admiration and the esteem attention to general business, and receives successively his Secretary of of his contemporaries, which place him unequalled amongst the sovereigns of State, the ambassadors, the secretaries the nineteenth century. of the various congregations, who, like

the ambassadors attached to the Holy That tired feeling now so often heard of, is entirely overcome by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives mental and bodily strength. See, have each their special day of reception. Leo XIII. insists on having a clear statement made to him of all mat

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Fort seems to be wanting in any re-spect, his severe expression betrays his dissatisfaction t) the unfortunate eccle-siastic who has, in the opinion of the Holy Father, been negligent or inat-

#### Relics for Protestants.

The famous and much caricatured Talmage, of Brooklyn, has just dedi-cated a big new tabernacle. A Protes cated a big new tabernacle. tant paper says : "The church has four holy relics," in the shape of four stones fixed in the wall. One is from Golgotha, two from Mount Sinai and one rom Mars Hill.

Surely there is something wrong here. "Holy relics" in a Protestant tabernacle! And yet these people who here. "Holy relics" in a Protestant tabernacle! And yet these people who honor four stones from sacred places, and call them holy, are filled with pious horror at the "debasing superstition" of Catholics who cherish and call sacred a piece of wood of that cross many which a piece of wood of that cross upon which the Saviour of the world died for us. A little reflection and comparison would be a capital mental exercise for the people of the Brooklyn Tabernacle sort. -Sacred Heart Review.

#### Jack Frost at Work.

Jack Frost at Work. While Jack Frost is at work it is well 'o know what will cure his bites, and Mr. Lorenz Nippoldt, Woedbary, Minn, U. S. A. writes, January 28, 1800: "St. Jacobs Cil was used in my family for forst bitten fet and it cured them thoroughly. It is excel-lent, also, for fresh cuts. I speak from my own experience." Every family should have it.

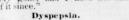
anda—with here inexhaustible treasures o est and mineral wealth, with reason, tha etches of rich alluvial soil, so level, so fer , so ripe for entivation, and with a cli-te so mild and favorable—was destined to ome a central granery for the adjoining timents. Her path to glory, though, is as locked up; and how long it will remain we know not. We should know though twhether the primeval forests of spruce fir of Tillamook county are of any more e than our counties of tamarack; and as griendural products, what is an average I per bushel of the grain sowed, and ket prospects.

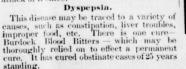
value than our counties of 'tamarack ; and as to agricultural products, what is an average yield per bushel of the grain sowed, and market prospects. I assure you, Reverend and dear sir, much like information will be gladly heard from you. In the meantime, perhaps, the secret to success in life for many at least, may be found nearer home. Let a man be sober, in-dustrious, animated with energy ; and if in this way be cannot better himself he will not, anyway, become worse. Life's battle is an onerous striffe to this we are heirs, and we ought to make this striffe honorable by our earnest and honest efforts. Let no man per-suade himself that without labor and purpose he will find himself in any land, placed in a comfortable cabin surrounded by ripening harvest fields that own no proprietor buthim-self.

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