

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The magazine is away behind the times nowadays that has not something to say about the Philippines, which islands Admiral Dewey's splendid victory has invested with a prominence which they might never otherwise have won. The average Protestant publication can always be counted upon to paint the condition of the Philippine islanders in the blackest possible colors. The mere fact that the religious orders of the Catholic Church are strong in the islands and exercise considerable influence there is sufficient to condemn the insular government, schools and everything else that exists out there, in the estimate of these publications, whose contributors write their articles accordingly. For instance, here is Rymon R. Lala, who has a short article on the Philippines in a recent monthly OUTLOOK, wherein he declares that the Manila university and all the Philippine colleges are deficient not only in technical training but in almost everything that is progressive in modern thought. And not content with misrepresenting the island colleges in this sweeping fashion, he goes on to assert that the Philippine monasteries "are not unlike the worst types of those cancers in the body politic that vitiated it during the Dark Ages," and to charge the inmates of those institutions with all manner of ignorance and vice. The individual would do well to read up what the best Protestant historical writers have said about the medieval monasteries and the influence they exerted upon the world during the so-called Dark Ages. A writer who nowadays calls the medieval monasteries "cancers in the body politic" simply shows to his readers his utter unacquaintance with the history of the period he presumes to write about; and he should read Maitland, Lecky, Hallam, Stubbs and other Protestant authorities—if he will not accept Catholic testimony—before he again undertakes to talk about the Dark Ages and their monastic institutions. Dom Gasquet and many another writer have conclusively proven that Protestantism invented all the charges of immorality and other vices which it brought against the monks of the pre-Reformation period, in order to justify its confiscation of their establishments; and as far as the Philippine Islands are concerned the REVIEW has already, in earlier issues, shown, by non-Catholic testimonies, that the religious orders in the islands are deserving of praise for the work they have accomplished and are still doing there. To those testimonies it may add the following extract from a paper which Joseph T. Mannix has in this month's REVIEW OF REVIEWS. "The establishment of schools under monastic auspices," says that writer of the Philippines, "has unquestionably done much to elevate the natives. These schools have at least provided hundreds of thousands with the rudiments of education. A great many of the more ambitious have taken advantage of the university at Manila and the higher schools in the other places of large population." And, finally, this OUTLOOK contributor may be reminded of the fact that

the United States government holds the Manila University in such repute that it recently sent Admiral Dewey a lot of meteorological charts prepared by its observatory professors, and instructed him to protect the university at all hazards against attacks from the insurrectionists.—SACRED HEART REVIEW.

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poor intimately cannot realize what vicissitudes they pass through without murmur and without fear, through the power of the living God, whose indwelling is so constantly realized. Cold, hunger physical weakness, illness, without money or the prospect of getting it, are borne without complaint or even disquietude of mind, because they correspond to grace and derive from within the hope and strength which others seek outside. Their happiness and confidence is the effect of special illumination of the Holy Spirit which gives them consciousness of the inner life and enables them to possess that peace and tranquillity of mind which those absorbed in cares of their own making and efforts to keep up false appearances pursue, but cannot reach.

In everything, no matter how commonplace it may be, the poor discern the spiritual sense underlying it, or its use. All that others search for in travel or laborious research the poor find in realizing the nearness of God. They know that we meet no trials we do not need, and a wise soul thanks God for pain. I can do better, is the conviction of every earnest soul, and I will do better, its resolve. We are often impressed by the "badness of good people and the goodness of bad people." Vehemently zealous people appear to be of two classes (1), mechanical, who repeat certain ceremonies, while belief stops at the stage which requires more than a mechanical exercise of the intellect. (2). Chemical, whose emotions are

easily aroused, which results in making a novena in the church most remote from their residence or giving way to frenzies of selfishness. To make the experiment of bringing such light weight, "I know it all" people in contact with earnest souls in the hope of bringing them under the subduing virtues of our Lord, which can alone give enlightenment, is similar to trying to blend an acid with an alkali—effervescence the result in both cases.

Every day is a festival to the poor. They are merrier and contented with the bare necessities of life than the rich with all their superfluity.

God is the comforter of the poor and support of the humble, and they sometimes receive a foretaste of the happiness looked forward to who continually live in His presence.

MIRIAM T. COOGAN.

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8:15a	2:44p	3.0	Portage Jct.	1:11p	7:00p
7:50a	2:28p	9.3	St. Norbert	1:25p	7:20p
7:30a	2:13p	15.3	Cartier	1:37p	7:30p
6:50a	1:55p	23.5	St. Agathe	1:55p	8:05p
6:45a	1:49p	27.5	Union Forks	2:03p	8:17p
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4:52a	12:46p	56.0	Letellier	3:04p	9:55p
3:30a	12:20p	65.0	Emerson	3:25p	11:00p
2:30a	12:10p	68.1	Farmington	3:40p	11:45p
8:35p	8:45a	168.1	Grand Forks	7:05p	7:55a
11:40a	5:05a	223	Winnipeg Jct.	10:45p	6:00p
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8:30a	2:55p	0	Winnipeg	1:00p	6:45p
8:30p	1:05p	0	Morris	2:50p	7:00p
7:55p	12:43p	10	Low Farm	3:20p	7:45a
6:34p	12:18p	21.2	Myrtle	3:25p	8:45a
6:04p	12:03p	25.9	Roland	3:45p	9:10a
5:27p	11:51a	33.5	Rosebank	3:55p	9:47a
4:53p	11:37a	39.6	Miami	4:09p	10:17a
4:02p	11:17a	49.0	Deerwood	4:25p	11:27a
5:23p	11:04a	54.1	Altamont	4:40p	11:45a
2:45p	10:47a	62.1	Somerset	4:59p	12:23p
2:08p	10:32a	68.4	Swan Lake	5:12p	1:00p
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12:32p	10:07a	79.4	Maripolis	5:37p	2:07p
11:52p	9:55a	86.1	Greenway	5:52p	2:45p
11:52a	9:38a	92.3	Baldur	6:20p	3:25p
11:02a	9:17a	102	Belmont	6:43p	4:18p
10:20a	8:59a	109.7	Hilton	7:00p	5:02p
9:45a	8:49a	117.8	Ashdown	7:11p	5:32p
8:22a	8:36a	126	Wawanesa	7:25p	6:02p
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