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If the English Speaking Catholics of Montreal and of this Province consulted their best interests, they would soon make of the TRUE WITNESS one of the most prosperous and powerful Catholic papers in this country.

I heartily bless those who encourage this excellent work.

PAUL, Archlishop of Montreal.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9 1910

BISHOP RACICOT.

We read of a great and good Jesuit who died in St. Louis other day-Father McErlain. was praised in both the daily and the weekly press for all the good he had done for male prisoners and the wayward sinners of the other sex. But, here in Montreal, we have a great and good prelate, Mgr. Zotique Racicot, who, amidst abundtoil in a thousand ways found time to devote, in his truly humble, but, indeed, effective wav. towards rescuing the souls and spirits of poor sinful girls under the motherly care of the Good Shepherd Sisters, over whose community he acts in the capacity of ecclesiastical superior. God alone knows what he has done for the poor wayward sinners, and God's Angel must hold consoling testimony to his earnest burning charity. His name shall live from generation to genera-

Not in a spirit of flattery do we write this tribute, but out of sense of heartfelt duty. Bishop Ra cicot has gone among men and always in a way that kept his left hand unknowledged in the deeds of his right. Nor is surprising that His Grace the Arch should have, with wonted wisdom, chosen Bishop Racicot to share the onerous duties of his pastorship. And how faithfully he has worked!

It is safe to say that when Bishop Racicot's men will wonder at all he did of good in his lifetime. They will then understand how much Montreal, in all its worthy activities, owes to mble co-adjutor of His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi. Some of us have deep memories of his kindness written indelibly in the best and innermost recesses of our hearts. He is still with us, still willing to continue his noble apostolate of good and worth. We hope that God will spare him to us, and that he may continue for long years yet the true, loyal, earnest, saintly co-ad-jutor of His Grace Archbishop Bru-

ONE OF HIS GOOD WORKS.

Paving a deserved tribute to Dr. homas O'Hagan, the new Ontariorn editor of the Chicago New World, our esteemed contemporary, he Catholic Record, declared that never penned a line that did breathe of loyalty to the Church not breathe of loyalty to the Church and its representatives. He never voiced a sentence that did not ring rue to Catholic ears."

Now, that is a very soothing compliment, we feel sure, for good Dr.

atholic's first duty is to be a olic, and that no excuse spect for episcopal authority. act, any son of the Church, who, as editor of a Catholic paper, forgets he is but a hardworking me the Church taught, would be better employed making overalls for grass-hoppers or soldier's tunics for June

There is a special tribute pay the new editor for Catholic Chicago. For years he has been in the front rank of those English peaking Catholic Canadians are endeavoring to plan and devise the best means of getting into full harmony and healthy understanding with our French-Canadian fellow-be lievers. Many a line he has penned in the good cause, and even very exacting French weeklies have stopped to notice his good will and their concurrence.

Under existing conditions, and in the face of the amount of opposition the devil is suscitating on all through the intervention of sects and preachers seemingly obsessed by something different from Pentecostal real and fervor. Catholics cannot of ford to be disunited. Let us be firm in the assertion of our own rights; but, with Gavan Duffy, we must re member that "prejudice cannot be taken by assault." If we are loyal to our own flag, we must expec that others feel they should be loyal towards theirs. Otherwise we are simply patriotic for what it pays to be such.

THE TABLET'S BIRTHDAY,

On Monday, May 16, the truly great London, England, Tablet kept its seventieth birthday. It has come to old age and respectable old age, with naught but the richest service to its credit and with the strongest claims to respect, admiration, thankfulness on the part of tholics throughout the British Em-

The Tablet, indeed, is a credit to the Church in England, solid, sincere, learned and interesting; land's best Catholic scholars are its most ardent supporters and correspondents: even the Anglicans nothing like the Tablet, while the others do not deal in such wares. The first number of the paper,

'quite as interesting reading to future generation as it was to its bears date May 16, 1840. It has for its bold motto: "My errors are my own. I have no man's proxy"; and, as the editor of today remarks, "that was Lucas all over-and it preshadowed a policy which was continued by Lucas, and confirmed by Cardinal Vaughan, who, at moments of great stress, and seemingly against its materia prosperity, conducted the paper with but one single thought-how it could best serve the truth, and be, every respect, what he knew would wish it to have been in hour of death.'

Then there was T. W. M. Marshall. the youngest man of the Oxford movement, only twenty-eight and without any fortune, freely resigning, although married in the gain, from the Anglican ministry, and willing to face the world quest of an honest livelihood, on with which his conscience could find no fault. He worked hard for the Tablet, and, perhaps, made it what it is to-day. His style was healthy, vigorous, and compelling, with nothing wishy-washy to it, no thing of a nature to help people be ieve the Church is right, but that etiquette is more important than blunt honesty, a feigned feminine etiquette.

Now, we hope the Tablet will prosper with even ten times as continued success as its editors would wish it; we hope it will give Redmond a heartier help in the bar gain. The Tablet is, as we said above, a credit to the Church. Catholic with any literary ambition at all could afford to do without it, Thousands of Protestants read and wonder how it is that they have nothing like it. Long life to present editors!

THE SAME OLD WAY.

An esteemed friend and admirer of the True Witness, now familiarly known to our readers over his initials, "M. F. C.", has again sent us the following, under the above cap-

putence so conspicuous among in Tipples, whether in Rome, Bird Cen-tre, or Athens.

"Luther began the mischief by dis-torting the truth, and his follow-ers continue to bolster up the crumb-ling fabric of a decaying revolt by the same unholy means."

Well, done, M. F. C., those few reflections on John Wesley's er rors from the masterly pen of Milner. Hoping M. F. C. tinue to share our views on all mat ters and in our common opinion of Methodist bishops, and, hoping that hundreds will take interest he is taking in our meant efforts, we thank him for his contribution.

DOLLARD DES ORMEAUX.

We are heartily glad something is going to be done to perpetuate the nemory of Dollard-des-Ormeaux that brave and intrepid young man, who, in the early days of Ville Marie, sacrificed his life for the good and safety of the little colony; and, perhaps, there is no other episode in the whole history of Canada, if we except the martyrdom of those glorious Jesuits whose blood proved the very seed whence sprang the grandeur of to-day.

Dollard and his brave companions met the Iroquois at Long Sault, and having taken a kind of shelter in an old fort, they fought as only earth's best heroes can fight, falling, it true, in the end, but not until they had spread carnage and bloodshed among those demons of the forest, as the Iroquois were at the time, in very truth. They were prepared to die, for they had approached Holy Table in all fervor and sincerity before they set out from They saved young, young, Montreal; they stood pledged, fearless, and champions of its cradle; and strange, indeed, it is that while we have been putting up monuments to demi-gods we have not been mindful of

A change has come over the at last, with His Grace our Archbishop again in the front rank of endeavor. In accordance with expressed wish of His Grace, a new school shall bear the name of Dollard; well it is, too, that the hero should be remembered in this Eucharistic year, since the story of his devotion to the Most Blessed Sacrament and of his last Holy Communion so serenely beams fortn in the sacred annals of New France.

Let Dollard-des-Ormeaux have grand, a costly, a lasting monu-ment! May the memory of his deeds ever prove an incentive to heroic Canadianism! Let him be given his place, and let his epitaph be writletters of gold! Englishspeaking Catholics must join with the French in honoring one of nada's heroes.

A SINFUL TASK

It is a sinful task for any so-called Catholic paper to undertake to lecture Bishops. For the life of us, we do not see what they mean, or how they expect to do good Some papers continually casting aspersions Bishops in the Eastern States, over of diocesan rule, control and polity; many of their diocesans take such papers, read them with ignorant delight, and in subsequent s, the editors write articles on holy subjection to authority. If that is not hypocricy, what is it? We may rest assured that numbers of Catholics have been taught disrespect for Church government and for the bishops in control by Happily the number of pious schis-matics who offend after this way and manner is decidedly small cheeringly insignificant, all consider ed. It once was a trade with editor-pigmies to assail Archbishops Ireland, Keane, and even Cardinal Gibbons, but when deviltry ceased, to be too alarmingly admired, the pigmies decided to go home "and carry their tails behind them."

The Bishops are answerable to the Holy Father and the Church; they do not need lessons either from upstarts or head-inflated humbugs; they can well attend to their behind the control of the co It once was a trade with edi-

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We feel justified in making the temarks, for we know that great rank and file of our Cath weeklies (and all those approved

for Church authority will have give a terrible account to God of mischief and struction.

A LITTLE COURAGE.

We notice that certain dailies pleased to picture the person of an imaginary monk, as an advertisement for a special kind of gin. True, the True Witness was the very first paper to denounce "The Foreigner," by Ralph, Connor, and the too, to compliment the Weekly Star and Family Herald for having dertaken to publish the selfsame tempt at a novel in serial dress and array. Some months ago, alluded to the advertisement we now again denounce; but, as Catholics are poorer hands at drinking gir than some others, perhaps the prietors do not care whether like the advertisement or not. If it can be kept up long enough to disgust all Catholics with the first, last, and all the intermediary brands of liquor, then let it prosper.

An example to the point is that of a Catholic army officer here in Canada. He went into a drug store one day, and noticed that in window there was the picture of Pope relishing a glass of wine, and quoting Scripture as he did, while winking his eye. Now, that officer was in the habit of dealing with the druggist. On the day which we refer, he noticed the ture, and, while the clerk was filling his order, the officer kept wicked eye towards the picture, saying nothing, but, through a silent speech, giving the clerk to understand how much he (the officer) was pleased to see a Pope pictured as was the one in the window near them. The lesson had its effect, for when the officer returned to store, a half hour afterwards, the picture was no longer on exhibi-

If only all our Catholics, or ever half of them, had some of the manliness characteristic of the Catholic officer-and we happen to know him very intimately-our Catholic papers would not be obliged to pre courage and effort so often. of the insults Catholics are offered are made possible through the fact that there are too many paltroons of our own kind abroad

CHECKING THE INDECENT PLAY

Not Buffalo alone, but Philadelphia, too, is willing to welcome and encourage ugly plays, and that under the benign control of its may or. The Catholic societies are up in arms, however, and things promise to wear a cleaner face in the City of Brotherly Love.

Montreal, with our Archbishop to the fore, set the pace against stage filth; Boston took notice; even Ohio was shaken, and now the good work is telling with a vengeance. It is remarkable, too, that Catholic influence is bringing about the needed change all over. When Catholics. working under their spiritual leaders ealously and faithfully, unite in action against evil, the power of their forts is soon felt and conditions remedied in short order.

Discussing the topic that now terests us, particularly in its bearing upon local issues, the sand sturdy Catholic Standard strong Times, Philadelphia, closes its fective remarks with a tribute His Grace of Montreal, one well served, indeed.

It is our duty to check the indecent play, and, under no condition may we encourage or even counten-ance the lewd men and women who turn histrionics into agencies damnation

To quote the Standard and Times:

"There is no danger more deadly to the soul and body than the shameless, defiant and aggressive immorality in word, in act, in dress presented in garish colors on the public stage. No longer is it confined to suggestion or play upon words or leers or facial trickery interpreting the vile mind and intent; but tearing off all disguise, reveals the hideous countenance of Sin herself, as she disports and revels in the dens of the deprayed. This is perhapa a fact to be thankful for. It is the last stage upon the road of aggression against the moral law, and the conscience of the better part of society rises in indignant revolt against the audactous panderers to human. To quote the Standard and Tir

ration of the outside world, architectural, commercial, philanthropic, and other. A high plane of public morality ought to be the greatest claim of all—but such a one seems to have been forgotten in the framing of the programme.

Clergymen of every denomination pleaded repeatedly, individually and by delegation, at the Mayor's office against the production of shows whose posters and advertisements openly proclaimed their character and purpose, and the results they were intended to produce, but in vain. The great Federated Catholic Societies have now voiced the swelling indignation of outraged morality, nor will they cease to clamor for a change in the official attitude toward emboldened vice until the victory is won. In Montreal a little while ago an attempt was made to brave public opinion in a similar way, but it was futile, for Archbishop Bruchesi, as a last rearch laid an intendict on the three Archbishop Bruchesi, as a last re-sort, laid an interdict on the thea-tre where the indecent show was to be given, and this was decisive. No more attempts will be made there more attempts will be made there to set at defiance the laws against lascivious stage exhibitions."

FACTS ABOUT JOHN WESLEY

Now that Rev. B. M. Tipple, with his fellow-Methodists of the United States, has been spending his love and kindness upon Catholics, gratitude should prompt us, in return, to offer a few Wesleyan memorials. We shall simply state facts for the edification of all.

Although John Wesley was of bious and sincere turn of mind, his life, as written by Dr. Whitehead, Dr. Coke, and others of his disciples, exhibited the errors and tradictions of his ways spiritual.

After his return to England from America, in 1738, he wrote: many years I have been tossed about by various winds of trine," and he then enters into details of his different schemes of salvation. Strange that his inspira tions left him helpless!

After John Wesley had fallen influence of Peter Bohler and his Moravian brethren, who met in Fetterlane, he became a proselyte of theirs, declaring that thitherto he had been a Papist without knowing it. So, then, pity the hearers to whom he first preach-

To cement his union with Moravians, he made a pilgrimage to Hernbuth, in Moravia, seat of the United Brethren: viously he had exclaimed, on departure of Bohler from England: O what a work God hath begur since his (Bohler's) coming England; such a one as shall come to an end until heaven and earth shall pass away." That fervor for you!

It was whilst a Moravian, name ly, "on the 24th of May, 1738, quarter of an hour before nine the evening," that John Wesley, his own account, was "saved the law of sin and death." This all important event happened "at while a person was reading Luther's Preface to the Galatians." A remarkable conversion, in all truth! And yet he soon found out that

the Moravians were not on the right way to Heaven. In fact, he found them, "and nine parts in ten of the Methodists," who adhered to them, stillness, opposing the ordinances namely, prayer, reading of the Scripture, frequenting the Sacrament and public worship, selling their Bibles. etc., in order to rely more fully on the blood of the Lamb." A strange course for an enlightened prophet! What about the Moravians he made? Is that the way God works?

On leaving the Moravians, Wesley

on reaving the more than the set up his own religion, as it is detailed by Nightingale, in his Portrait of Methodism. This happened in 1740, soon after he had broken from his rival, Whitfield. What proof is there that his doctrine was the

right one at that juncture?
Wesley and Whitfield maintained quite opposite doctrines on several essential points. As neither claimed infallibility, which of them was right? Now use a little sense and

eties to which it led, he, at aned too much to Calvanism Antinomianism." There is an inspir-sed prophet for you! No wonder Methodists in number lose all faith. In answer to the question, 's Antinomianism?' Wesley, i conference, answers, "The doc that Christ abolished the moral law; that, therefore, Christians are not obliged to keep it; that Christian liberty is liberty from obeying the mmands of God; that it is bondage to do a thing because it commanded, or forbear it because it is forbidden; that a believer is not obliged to use the ordinances God, or to do other good works, that a preacher ought not to hort to good works," etc. Had the

Antinomianism had previously been a part of Wesley's programme, as it is of some branches of Methodism to-day. Hundreds of his disciples were up in arms when he spoke of abolishing it as part of their creed.

circular letter, though himself Methodist, declared blasphemy! He later summoned an World" admit the authority of that general council. Does it rank with the Occumenical Synod of Binghampton, N.Y.?

writer, whom he had destined succeed him. Instead of being and acknowledges it before his prea astray? His doctrine was man-made. What right had he to undo the teachings of Our Saviour

Fletcher published seven volume of "Checks to Antinomianism," vindication of Wesley's change this essential point of his religion. No wonder the nowaday Methodists are improving the Apostle's Creed! In his works, Fletcher shows the utter blasphemy of Antinomian vinism. man, executed in the neighborhood, who vindicated his crimes in virtue of the Calvinistic tenet. knowledge other more odious stances of wickedness had found an A charming religion! excuse in it! as modern literary critics

Wesley invented a twofold of justification, one without repentance, the love of God, or other works: the other. works were essential; the former was for those who die soon after their pretended experience of saving faith, the latter for those who have the time and opportunity of performing

pierre might have been established in the grace of God, and in a right realms of infinite purity, without one act of sorrow for their enormities, or so much as an of their belief in God! It is well to remember, however, that Bishop (?) Horner and Harold Patrick Morgan have improved upon Methodism. Now, the substance, and often the very words. of this article of ours are drawn from Dr. Milner's Postscript to his Letter XIX, in "The End of Controversy." Some do very little to his pills. Any convert made through his pages, how-ever, will never develop into a Pro-testant Catholic as some others do

The reason why so many college traduates look, walk, think, act and peak like old women is due to the act that, instead of having tired that, instead of having tired selves on the campus, receiving sent knocks and giving them, marched around day after day, their hands in their pockets criticism on their tongues for ority, discussing whether the in the Moon is a follower of or of Locke A good Labrador first, then a iscrasse stick of seball hat could prevent many loss gentlemen from becoming inhers later on. A boy's body the set of the property of the seball has been a boy's body the making an old

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Sublime, isn't it? Yea! The Hon. and Rev. Mr. Shirley,

chaplain to Lady Huntington, in a "dreadful heresy" of Wesley, which, against the as he expressed himself, "injured the foundation of Christianity." What a other conference, which severely censured Wesley! We wonder whether the 'Methodist Bishops of the

Wesley was generously supported and defended by others, by Fletcher of Madely, in particular, an able fended at his master's change, Fletcher says: "I admire the candor of an old man of God, who, instead of obstinately maintaining an old mistake, comes down like a little child, chers, whom it is his interest to se-Wesley came "down like a little child" very often. How could God have helped him to lead people

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