THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

The following beautiful tribute to the Church is from the pen of Professor Fairbairn, in the Contemporary Review The Professor is an agnostic, he views the Church only as a human institution. The wonder is that he can beleive her so beautiful and strong, and speak of her so lovely and yet not ask himself the satisfy the heart, regulate the conduct question-Could a sociéty so perfect be

merely human? If to be at once the most permanent and extensive, the most plastic and inflexible, ecclesiastical organization were the same things as to be the most perfect embodiment and vehicle of Religion then the claim of Catholicism were simply indisputable, The Roman Church may not hesitate; once let him assume that a visible and audible authority is of uth seas. Italy longs for Egypt Austria is the essence of Religion, and he has no choice; he must become ,sr become or ns. Gibraltar is a thorn in the side of get himself reconed, a Catholic, The Spain Clouds are rising along the whole Roman Church assails his understanding horizon charged with electricity, dark with invincible logic, and appeals to his imagination with irrestible charms, Her ow English diplomacy. It is not a sons say proudly to him; "She alone is time for a domestic convulsion. Ireland catholic, continues, venerable, august, the very Church Christ founded and His Apostles instituted and organized, She possesses all the attributes and notes of catholicity-an unbroken apostolic succession, a constant tradition, an infallible Chair, unity, sanctity, truth, an inviolable priesthood, a holy sacrifice, and efficacious Sacraments. The Protestant churches are but of yesterday St Louis Republican. without the authority, the truth, or the ministries that can reconcile man to God; they are only a multitude of warring sects whose confused voices but protest their own insufficiency, whose impotence almost atones for their sin of schism by the way it sets off the might, the majesty, and the unity of Rome. In contrast, she stands where her master placed her; on the rock, endowed with prerogatives and powers He gave, and against her the gates of hell will not prevail. Supernatural grace is hers and miracle; it watched over her cradle, and her in all her ways through all her centuries, and has not forsaken her even yet. She is not like Protest antism, a concession to the negative spirit, an unholy compromise with naturalism. Everything about her is positive and transcendant; she is the bearer of Divine truth. is representative of the Divine order; the supernatural living in the very face of the natural. The saints too, are hers, and the man she receives joins their communion enjoys their goodly fellowship, feels their influence, participates in their merits the blessings they distribute. Their early life made the past of the Church illustrious; their heavenly activity binds the visible and invisible into unity, and lifts time into eternity. To honor the saints is to honor sanctity; the Church which teaches man to love the holy helps him to love holiness. And the Fathers are hers, their labors, sufferings, martyrdoms, were for her sake; she tressures their words and their works; her sons alone are able to say. "Athanasius and Chrysostom, Cyprian and Agustine, Anselm and Bernard, Thomas Aquinas and Duns Scotus are ours. their wealth is our inheritance, at their feet we learn filial reverance and Divine wisdom." But rich as she is in persons, she is richer in truth, her worship is a glorious sacrament, her mysteries are a great deep. Hidden sanctities and meanings sorround man, the sacramental principal invests the supplest things, acts, and rites with an awful yet most blissful significance, turns all worship now into a Divine parable which speaks the deep things of God, now in a medium of His gracious and consolatory approach to men and man's awe and contrite, hopeful and prevail ing, approach to Him. Symbols are deeper than words, speak when words become silent, gain when words lose meaning, and so in hours of holiest worship, the Church teaches by symbols truths language may not utter. And yet she knows better than any other how to use reasonable speech; The Fathers and doctors of theology have been For every possible diffculof reason, or heart or conscience, she had not one but a thous and solutions! If men are gentle of heart. and do not like to think that all men without the Church must be lost distinctions are made as to the body and soul of the Church as to kinds and degrees. of ignorance, softening stern doctrines into tenderness. If they have difficulties about Infallibility, whether due to

conscience; in her school theology has became a complete science, which has systematized her body of truth, explicated her reason justified her being and her claims. And so the Catholle Church is in a sense altogether her own, not only an ecclesastical institution, but a Religon a system able to guide the conscience. adjust and determine the relations of God and man.

ENGLAND'S COMING STRUGGLE Some time the battle of Dorking mu st be fought. Some time England will be upon defence of her title of the sovereignty of the world Britania rules the ware if the torpedo boats are a match for ironclad. Russia is reaching for India. Germany means to have Africa and the Sotired of British interference in the Balkaand lowering, and they already overshad pacified, free and prosperous, would be an ally not a foe- Her sons could be counted upon to do their full part to keep, the silver streak" rgainst the worl d. But Ireland fired with a hot sense of wrong that has alternately smoulded and blazed for six centuries, would be a bad neighbour for a nation s min med to go into a struggle for life or death-

THE FARM. .

Good seed and rich land for cabbages It will soon be time to sow seeds in hotbeds of the earliest crop.

It seems likely that the word "yard" will be left out of the "farm manure" of the future. There is no reason why home fertilizer should be thrown into an open space to have the goodness washed out of it. It is well worth a shed.

The first eggs of the season are always most prolific, few failing to if the hens are faithful sitters. It is therefore good policy to pay the higher prices demanded by breeders for eggs early in the season rather than to wait until the can be had at less price. Besides the early hatched pullets will make good layers the subsequent winter' while those late hatched will not.

I is idle to think of growing a good crop of onions unless previous preparation has been made by thorough cultivation the preceding year. The crop will never succeed on a sod, and a two years' crop of potatoes where sod has been turned under is better than one. Onions require very rich soil, and it is not always easy to secure this without making it also foul with weeds-

The kind of grain best adopted to poultry feeding depends upon the season weather, condition and breed of fowl Corn is only allowable and in small quan. tities during severe cold. The Asiatic breed should rarely have any, as they naturally take on fat to readily. For thebest egg production in heavy fowls oats are as good a feed as any. The give bulk, while the nutriment they contain is of the kind which goes to make eggs rather than fat,

Few farmers know how much feed for fowls can be grown from a small pach of sunflowers. The seed to be planted on rich soil, as its rapid and enormous growth is very exhaustive. It gives to any other stock than fowls sunflowers seed should be ground and its hull sifted from the meal, as it is very injurious to animals not having very strong digestive Carthy O

Hens often learn to eat their eggs from eating the egg shell which are given to them with their food. They find it easy to crush the shell which are thus scattered in their way. If you have plenty oyster and clam shells or ground bone, the amount of lime in the egg shell is scarcely worth saving for your fowls.

Watch your fowls closely and ascertain if the falling of the feathers is not caused by weather-eating hens. When poultry are housed all winter, or not given sufficient exercise, they often resort to feather-eating. Give them a dust bath of fine wood ashes, in which the can wallow, and scatter their food through straw or hay, so that they will be compelled to scratch before procuring it. RETAIL MEAT MARKETS.

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