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Christianus mihi nomen est, Catholicus vero Cognomen."-(Christian is my Name, but Catholic my Surname.)-St. Pacian, 4th Century.

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so err on the side of conservatism as The Catholic Record. to not press into its service all that is London, Saturday, April 13, 1901. demanded by the educational necessi ties of the time.

THE SOCIETY OF JESUS. We may also remark that the problems that are now discussed, and ott There are as yet some journalists times with barbarous ignorance, in who think that the Jesuits are the crafty, unscrupulous plotters so dear even the novelty of originality. My Daar Fatherto the heart of the novelist of the ul-They are draped, it is true, in modern tra sensational type. There are, however, a few books written by non-Catholics who do not support the thesis and for all time, hundreds of years of the learned journalists, and to them we refer them for much needed information. The scribe who resorts to the devices of prejudice and of antiquated ignorance in order to throw that has done not a little for the better. ment of humanity, and that is to day in perusal would bestow upon students night from 7 till 7:45 we took turns at discredit upon the magnificent society and professors. the vanguard of progress, is beneath contempt. He can, of course, cling to

the little tin gods that have come to him as a heritage, but he will, if wise, conceal them from the public.

CARD PLAYING.

We have received an indignant letter in connection with our few words on card playing. To prevent any misunderstanding, allow us to repeat that we merely referred to the fact that " euchre parties " may set a bad example for the young. We know that in gatherings of that kind everything is done decorously, but again, that does not obviate the danger of inoculating some one with the of history. gambling mania. It may not, and statistic may be adduced to prove that it does not, but there is always the possibility of evil. We can agree, however, that it is not an ennobling method of doing away with time, and that the spectacle of enlightened men and women wasting precious hours in card manipulating is not calculated to im press the children with the seriousness of life. And to this phase of it principally we took exception. If we ever hope to fashion the young into workers- to teach them at an early age the necessity of economy of time-we must not neglect the all-conquering argument of good example. We should for this end deny ourselves even in things licit, and we can promise ourselves that if we devote the time demanded by card parties to the perusal of a good book, we shall add to the mental and moral stature both of ourselves and of our children.

"Games and other amusements," says Bishop Spalding, " doubtless have their uses, especially for the young, and for all who are feeble in body or in mind, but when we consider that they are generally occasions for was ing time, and so, a chief obstacle to human advancement, it is difficult not to condemn the apathy, the indiffer ence to the meaning and worth of life which makes possible their universal prevalence. They are least harmful in the home, and even there what ir reparable loss they involve."

THE GREAT CHICAGO MISSION. pulpit, instead of the gospel of Christ? The following letter was not written

for publication, but there is about it the glow of a great victory. In this the almighty dollar, and they went away Catholic people will certainly rejoice. never to return. That they may be sharers in the en-thusiasm that are born of success we newspapers and magazines have not present the letter to them to read.

Chicago was a delightfulex perience, attire, but in substance they are the and for immediate results and enthussame questions that were answered, issm was indeed a record-breaker. Two weeks for the non Catholics were all too short. How ignorant of the ago. Hence we have often thought details of a successful city mission are that if non-Catholic colleges were pro vided with the ordinary text-books of Work as easy work! After Taesday of Catholic philosophy we should be the first week, we were busy from 8 a. spared much tiresome prosing, not to say m. till 12, and again from 1 till 6 p. the convert class, and then from 7:45

As to science—and this is the chief diet of many colleges—Laval does certainly give every encouragement to the between the trans, and then from 1:45 till 8:30 answering questions, and from 8:30 till 9:20 gave the hours lecture. We rarely got to bed till 12:30, for dozens called after Banedicits legitimate phase. We say "legi-tion, and talked and quizzed and made private appointments for the made private mass minimum for the scientific jargon is learned and value less noncense, and however modulity less nonsense, and, however useful to constant ringing of the door bell. the newspaper notoriety of its utterer, Many of these folk are difficult subthe newspaper hotoriety of its hitter, its, as for example Christian scient-can scarcely be credited with being an iss, Dowieites, and Christadelphians. addition to the fund of scientific knowl- As well talk to the moon, and convince edge. It is simply a waste of time and the man therein. Yet it is an awful fruitful source of prigs and charlatans. school of patience, and a penance far Laval, we believe has no scientific superior to eating eggs or fish for a

seers, but that it can boast of men who number of days. At the end of two weeks of the Cath have been recognized authorities in the various departments of physical instruction. At the end of the obstruction we had six converts under instruction. At the end of the first investigation and research is a matter week of non Catholic mission we had sixty seven ; at the end of the second

week of the non Catholic mission we A reason, we think, for the high had one hundred and thirty four, position of Laval, and its hold upon the twelve of whom were negroes. many who look to it for light, guidance great majority were however, not affili and encouragement, is its care in the ated to any Church, but went accordselection of professors. Not that all are known to fame, but that all are in love with their work, bringing to bear upon it the resources of the trained in upon it the resources of the trained in One man said to me : "Father, last tellect, and striving to teach that " to Monday night, was the first night I know well is of quite other importance him before the end. One One woman who had taken poison in despair and been Prominent amongst the men who lately saved by the doctor after over guide the destinies of Laval is twenty four hours of unconsciousness Dr. A. A. Paquet, who has but short time since published boy of twelve. "Father," said an old the last volume of his commentaries on Presbyterian of fifty, who had travelled S:. Thomas. This work is now the everywhere and seen everything and theological text-book in many semin. knew his bible from cover to cover, aries, and has, we believe, a chance of being adopted by the Propaganda being adopted by the Propaganda. the infallible God settled the question Cardinal Satolli has sent the author a I knew that back of you was the evergracious letter of approval, and, more- lasting God." Another, " I despise over, has been anxious to see Dr. Beonet in the professional hand of the Paquet in the professional band of the crites at heart-all, from the priest that Elernal City. All this, whilst cer- prated money to take trips abroad, to tainly an unimpeachable tribute

our minister, who was trying to supto the ability of the author, is also a port his wife and family. I have known so many wicked respectable proof that Laval has still great teach ers. Enown so many wrech reported report that I gave up the God they stood for. "Will God pardon ers. Dr. Paquet is comparatively a young man, and will, we know, do more for the cause of truth and glory of the the cause of truth and glory of the Church. And he is a modest man, a six said : "Father, as a little girl some stranger to the self conceit which is one taught me the 'Hail Mary 'and the beatitude of vulgar characters and said something about the Rosary. I doub:s. Why, on the other hand, are Protestants continually disputing about religion ? Is not the reason in the beatitude of vulgar characters and shallow minds. Were we to write as our hearts prompt us, we might be sus-pected of undue partiality. But we partiality is a processing in a little country town where Catholics were unknown So I loved this Mother of Jesus, and I planted some rose bulbs in my garden, and the truth shall make you free," and while Catholics, depending entiremay say that Dr. Paquet is our ideal and when in summer time the rosen A NOBLE INSTITUTION. Amongst our institutions of learn-ing there is none we think more dignified diction that we have never the Mother of the Lord to keep more statement of the lord to keep me always good and pure. My prayer past master in the rapier play of de- a saint, if ever there was one Out of the one hundred and thirty bate-a strong, simple personality up lifting the students into the unseen worlds of faith and hope. Laval men worlds of faith and hope. Livel men proportion we thought beeks nightly a all over the country will be glad to class of forty-two adults for first confession and Communion. Inquiry Class will net about two hundred more converts which, under Father Riordan, will ever increase with God's blessing. If only this field could be worked ! One year in Chicago would easily net one thousand five hundred souls.

As luck would have it, many have en. understand which the unwary turn to their own destruction ? Where in the tered a Catholic church but once or twice, and then heard nothing but the Bible do you read that the first day of

the week (Sunday) shall be the day of never to return. Some said, "Why don't you invite us more?" Others said they did not which the Bible explicitly appointed for the Schleck 2. And if you observe which the Bible explicitly appointed for the Sabbath ? And if you observe go to a Catholic church because " We are afraid to intrude. Again "We have been ordered out of an indignant Catholic's pew." One such fact repeat-Sanday, it is not who ly on the practice and authority of the Catholic Church that brought about and decreed ed, will keep all that person's acquaintance away, etc. We had the five priests of the house

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MONGRELS.

From time to time we feel obliged to

lift our voice in earnest protest against

that eminently unsatisfactory school

among our people which affects to rise

superior to Catholicism as commonly understood and practiced. Of all the

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mits pastors of souls to be afflicted, the

the most wearisome is the generation of curb stone reformers, back office

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And what do you know about the Catholic Church? Did you ever try to learn just what she believes and teaches? Would you feel justified to to assist us zealously-God bless them They instructed anyone we named and at any hour. The result was that everything was perfectly organized, and our baptized converts passed a attack any other society or organiza. tion, any individual or body of men. any State or nation with so little knowledge, with scarcely any fund of pretty good examination before crossinformation but prejudice ? ing the line. come on earth, to have preached His doctrines, to have spent His time and

There were always a dozen or so non Catholics for an interview and this was the case even if three or four of us were busy giving ten or fifteen moments to each soul. We felt that moments to each soul. we could not afford to disappoint any, some of whom had possibly been wait irg as many as ten years, some even twenty, and occasionally fifty years for this moment of grace

believe as well as do to save our souls? And since He said that those who be Remember, too, we had three thou lieve the Apostles shall be saved, but sand six hundred and fifty confessions at the Catholic mission and about four those who believe not shall be con demned, is it not wisdom and duty to hundred or more in addition during believe the Church which alone has the non Catholic. In closing Friday night, I announced that I would stay any union with the Apostles, which alone has their doctrine and teaches in over Saturday to hear any backsliders, and urged Catholic and Protestants to the name and with the authority not of mere human reason, which is capable bring delinquents. One, however, now mere human reason, which is capable under instruction, brought a Catholic of all errors, but of the Master of the

woman who had been away for thirty years, and they came in droves from 8 a. m. till 12:30, and even a few in the afternoon. We gave baptisms to two other converts who had been detained (one a Chicago University girl) so that the last of the thirty five came after I had packed away my cas sock. I could readily have been busy every moment for two weeks longer. We gave out eighteen hundred "Plain Facts," and seven hundred and fifty " Mass books." The attendance of non-Catholics was twelve thousand to thirteen hundred some nights, out of a total of nineteen hundred persons.

#### THE ORDER REVERSED.

of out-eiders. The breed is not a rar-ity hereabouts, as "the man in the Questions Awaiting Answers From All Honest Protestants in Search of Truth.

A Catholic, grown weary answering the many questions propounded by our Protestant brethren, turns questioner himself. Here are some of the queries which he asks in the columns of Dono-

eked out with a jumble of wrong nohue's Magazine : Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God? Do you believe that He spoke the truth? Do you believe tions, sociation with indifferentists, socialists and other latter day prophets, can He meant what He said when He said have the face to pose as patrons of the to an Apostle, "Thou art Peter, sud upon this rock I will build My Church?" Did He not expressly indi Church and her ministers, is one of those mysteries of human nature which are past finding out. The harm done cate one Church, and only one? Where to day is that one Church? Which of than is done by professed assailants of the numberless sects of Protestantism can claim the title? In what do Pro- Catholicism. testants agree? What is your belief? A Catholic knows the articles as well as the grounds of his faith. Can a the grounds of his faith.

LEO XIII.

How the Venerable Pontiff Impressed Rev. Mr. Zimmerman, of Syracus

NO. 1.173.

Ray Jeremiah Zimmerman, pastor of the First English Lutheran Church, Syracuse, N Y., recently returned from a European trip, which included a visit to Rome. Speaking of a cere-mony in St. Peter's, when Mr Zimmerman and his wife were " within fifteen feet of where the Pope sat," the minister says

"You ask me what is the most striking thing about Pope Leo. His face. It is the most remarkable face I ever It is characteristically looked upon. It is characteristically refined. Culture and gentleness, refined. spirituality and Godliness are depicted in every line of his facial lineaments "The Pope's face is almost ashen

white-as white as the robe that he wears. It is a long, thin face. The eyes are the most striking part of it. They shine. When the Pope smiles you are almost bewildered at the expression that comes over him. As he mission to preach (not to write, you was carried down through the main aisle to his throne he blessed the vast Does it not belong to Jesus concourse of people-there were thirty thousand present that morning-and now and then he would smile. Suddenly his face would relax and you could really see that nature was assert ting itself and that it was only by the aid of that indomitable will power that is pent up in the great Pontiff that he was prevented from collapsing. The strain on him physically must have been great, but his will power was asserting itself, and although fatigued he would beam graciously out upon Apostles and of us all, the Lord Jesus the vast concourse of pilgrims as sembled from all parts of the world, and his blessing was given without his showing signs of breaking down.

"I think the Pope's will power must be extraordinary. His mouth is as firm as a rock. It is a mouth that is a true guide to his entire make-up, telling the person who studies him that he maintains with a firmness his convictions.

"Pope Leo is ninety one, and his life appears to be hanging on a silken thread. He is very slight in body. almost shadowy, but the great intellect is there in that minute framework, and one cannot but be magnetized by his powerful presence when one meets him for the first time. The Pope grows upon you-the wonderful eyes, the remarkable character of their brilliancy and lustre, the wide and finely chiseled mouth, the firm nose-all tend to stamp him as a man who was born to be a power in the world.

"No matter what a man's religious beliefs are, when he enters St. Peter's in Rome and sees for the first time seated on his chair Pope Lso XIII., a feeling of awe comes over him, and he says to himself, ' there is a man with a face such as perhaps I may never see again.' I studied the Pope's face for more than an hour, and I came away from the cathedral feeling that I looked upon a man who was most divinely marked by nature and whose breadth of mentality, culture and re-finement, gentleness, kindliness and unto false brethren-no enemies like firmness of character stamp him as one whose like the world rarely looks upon.

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We have heard it stated that Laval is loth to part with the traditions of

the past, and cannot, consequently,

take advantage of the new fashions

thatifind their way into other institu-

tions. We confess, however, to a feel-

ing of "dubiousness as to whether the

up-to-date improvements are deserving

of the eulogies pronounced upon them,

and are, to use a phrase much in vogue,

of more "practical value than Mr.

life.

worthy of cur gratitude than the Uni-versity of Laval. For a long time it ings of Dr. McDonald of Antigonish-versity of Laval. has been the potent factor in the true development of the country and an intellectual home for thousands of eager hearted and truth-loving youths. We are not going to limn its history, learn of the success of D:. Paquet. but we may be pardoned for saying And they who sat under him in times that with its earnest and splendid propast are proud that the brilliant theofessors it is; an impassible barrier to logian whom they knew and loved and listlessness, lack of ambition and ignor still remember has given such a notance, and gives its students a profound able contribution to theological litera knowledge of religion and the firm

than to know much."

ture. THE CONFESSIONAL IS SACRED.

asked whether a confessor was bound in the that he can be the numbered at least to put certain questions to his peni-catholic lecturesthey numbered at least to be after responding, the witness one hundred and fifty. I had over Before responding, the witness

appealed to the judge for guidance, thirty marriages cases in a few days, and received the following reply: and if we could have settled divorces, 'You are not entitled to ask what our convert list would have been inquestions priests put to their penitents creased to at least seventy five. Many in the confessional, or the answers craved to become Catholics, but alas given." In England, the confessional they were married validly before. given." In England, the confessional they were married validly before. erjoys no legal immunities. The Only a half dozen were saved by the seem to be silent on the point. "unbaptized " saving clause ; but the But all judges who are not absolutely sacrifice is not generally made. blinded with bigotry are agreed that the confidences reposed in the con ressor are too sacred to be disclosed I expect this will be the starter in

I expect this will be the starter in even in a court of justice. Similar Chicago, for Father Riordan felt rather cases have developed in America, and atraid of the non Catholics not coming. Tesla's airy imaginings. But what-ever may be thought of their impor-tance, certainlit is that Laval does not giver's prying. -Hartford Transcript. people tell us about the Church? Why

Why can not it be done? With the enthusiastic crowds, every inch of the church was filled and hun

or lost her position as the Church of An interesting point was raised the dreds being sent away, we did with other day during the course of a libel God's help speak like the whirlwind. action in one of the London courts. A dumb man would speak under such Christ, what Church for one thousand A priest was on the stand. It was circumstances. And then the Catho-asked whether a confessor was bound lies that came back through the non-

the They

Bible to know religion and be saved, what of those who cannot read in all parts of the world? What of those

" " intelli gent" Catholic is an incarnation of ignorance, vanity, human respect and envy. The envy shows itself in his "yellow-dog" attitude toward the and do not seek arguments to satisfy clergy. He thinks they ought to work

by them is greater, we honestly think,

There are no foes like

for a living. He thinks they are in tellectually and morally a much over this, that they are uneasy, unsatisfied rated body of men. He thinks that i in their longings after truth? Christ the Apostles were to revisit the earth promised, " You shall know the truth, they would not recognize their success ors in the ministry. If any move-ment is proposed in the interests of the Church in general or of his own ly and without any fear upon the word of Christ, are free from anxiety in matters of religion, Protestants, who take only what portion of His word partish in particular, he opposes it on the usual "yellow-dog" principles. Protestant smiles, and Protestant "taffy" are dearer to his heart than pleases themselves are always restless. If you say the Catholic Church of to the faith of his fathers. From his point of view, loyalty is bigotry. He day is not the same as the early Chris-He tian Church, then what Church is? thinks that there is a great deal of truth in the up-to date notion that one Some Church must be, because Christ promised His Church should always enreligion is as good as another. He dure ; that "the gates of hell shall not has been known to declare that the prevail against it," and that He will clergy did an excellent stroke of busibe "with it all days, even to the conness when they invented the Mass summation of the world." All the others outside the Catholic Church that who is too conceited to be a conthousand five hundred years or more eistent Catholic and too cowardly to be a frank Protestant? When we hear after His death; The Catholic Church has all the links of an unbroken chain his smug "I think," we recall the re-mark made by good old Doctor O Leary up to the Apostles themselves. If the Catholic Church failed in her mission when somebody sought to make him a present of his opinion. "You think ! present of his opinion. "You think ! You think ! What right, sir, have you to think ?"

Gentlemen, buy yourselves catechisms. You will learn thence, if you have the mind, that there is no need of your everlasting apologies for a faith whose beauty and consistency compel the ad-miration of all fairly intelligent, liberal thinkers. Your ignorance is your radical trouble. Golearn the meaning of charity which thinketh no evil and in its name stop your ill natured bick erings against men whose fair fame ought to be dear to you, whose shoestrings you are not worthy to tie, and of whose services you will be glad to avail yourselves one of these fine days. - Providence Visitor.

The ordinary man dwarfs when com-pared with Pope Leo-his presence is dominating and fills the entire space surrounding him.

"Oar visit to St. Pater's and seeing Pope Leo will forever linger in the memory of Mrs. Zimmerman and myself.

SPIRITUAL WRITERS OF LONG AGO.

Father McSorley the Paulist, in his able articles in the Catholic World Magazine, is dring not a little to draw the attention of spiritually minded people to the older spiritual writers. There are undoubtedly many treasures in these old musty volumes. They were written by men whose whole lives were wrapped in contemplation and who tasted of the divine sweetness, and who for this reason write of divine things with a marvellous eloquence. In the last issue of the Catholic World Maga zine he gives us a translation of Hugo of St. Victor's " Praise of Love." The claim to be the Church of Christ did not come into existence until one and talks in this strain-to a prig very charming. It is but a taste of the real sweetness and holiness which consumed the heart of this mediæval monk. Hugh of St. Victor is but one of those scholars who poincered the university movement in Europe. He is but a type of that class of men who prayed, and labored, and studied, and wrought until they made the Church

of God the beloved of the nations. Yet in their lives there it a wonderfully attractive human side. felt, and suffered, and renounced, in the cloister perhaps, with serge gown and tonsured head, with much chanting and long fasts, and with a fashion of speech different from ours, but under the same silent far off heavens, and with the same passionate desires, the same strivings, the same failures, the same weariness.

Religion and life are one, or neither i anything. Religion is no way of life, no show of life, no observance of any sort. It is neither the food nor medi-cine of being. It is life essential.---

five hundred years took her place? What became of the promises of Christ? What means of salvation were placed before the people for one thousand five hundred years, and how? Where do you get the Bible ? Is it not from the Catholic Church that pre-

through all the raids and destruction of barbarism and through what you call know anything of the Bible during the fifteen hundred years before Luther; except through the Catholic Church? If every one must read the

who could not afford to own a Bible in the days antecedent to printing, when a house was cheaper than a book? The intellect of the wise is like glass; Where in the Bible do you read that flects it.—Hare.

served it through centuries and "Dark Ages?" How do you