

The Mariner's Evening Hymn.

BY WM. COLLINS.
[For Redpath's Weekly.]
Evening shadows fall around us,
And the sun sets in the sea;

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.
PASTORAL LETTER OF BISHOP FARRELL.

MICHAEL JOSEPH, by the grace of God and the favor of the Apostolic See, Bishop of Trenton, to the Clergy and Faithful of his Diocese, health and benediction.

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Such, then, dearly beloved brethren, is your spirit with regard to Christian Marriage. You believe it to be a divine Sacrament instituted by Christ to give every grace to the husband and wife to live happily together, and to bring up their children in the fear and love of God.

That every parent, still more every Christian parent, should provide for the wants, both temporal and spiritual, of his child seems almost a self-evident truth. The child is entrusted, in the most helpless condition, to the care of its parents.

execution. The brand of shame and dishonor is stamped upon them. Even the most wretched parents will try to find food and clothing for their little ones; and nature itself supplies what may be deficient.

And again, many of you may have listened to the story of Queen Blanche of Castile, the mother of Louis IX., King of France, whom in his childhood, when seated on her knee, she thus addressed: "My Louis, I love you above everything in the world, but I would rather see you fall dead at my feet than know that you committed a single mortal sin."

It will thus be seen that the first, the best, the most solid foundations of a Christian education are laid in the Christian home, where the gentleness and love of the mother, encouraged, sustained, and developed by the manliness, honesty, integrity, and high-mindedness of the Christian father, gradually form the character, strength and guide of the child.

Prayer becomes sweet to him; attendance at divine worship, a source of delight; religion, a consolation and a comfort. His intellect is awakened, his heart is lovingly drawn towards the beauties of faith. His children's joys are thus sanctified by and connected with the practice of his religious duties.

St. John Chrysostom, was in like manner directed by his admirable mother Antus, whose conduct in this particular drew from the pagan sophist Libanius the exclamation, "Ye gods of Greece, how wonderful are the women of the Christians!"

The father, too, has his recognized place, as the head of the Christian family, in the great work of home education. Without his example to fortify, his authority to confirm and support her, the teachings of the mother would often lose their efficacy.

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The education by the Church. The teachings of the father and mother must be supplemented, developed, and strengthened by the instructions of the ministers of religion, who are divinely appointed by Christ to teach the nations and to instruct the people in the way of life.

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perverted from the faith of their fathers, and drawn into the proselytism's nets, to become the worst enemies of that religion which was thus stolen from them!

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Yet, this consolation comes only to the priest when he has to deal with children who have a Christian home, and are under the direction of Christian parents; for, guided to what is good, and their intellects awakened to the beauties of truth, when they have no Christian home, the Christian parents, then there is labor and toil for the priest, and little consolation.

These hearts, that, if taken in time, would have been like soft wax to receive and retain the holiest impressions, have now through evil example, want of instruction, through evil example, and hard and unyielding example as flint. How will the priest speak the love of God to children who never learn it in their homes!

It is to expect an impossibility. Yet, this is what many parents count upon. This is what many Catholics imagine to be quite sufficient for their children. They neglect these children at home, they leave them without religious instruction for the entire week, and then they expect that a tired and exhausted priest will be able, in a half-hour on Sunday, to give to careless, undisciplined children a sufficient dose of religion which will last for the coming week.

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REMARKABLE DISCLOSURES.

Mr. E. S. Crane, manager and treasurer of the Alvin Joslyn Comedy Company struck Cheyenne the other day upon business connected with the appearance of that splendid company in this city at an early day.

"But," continued Mr. Crane, "I did have a pretty serious time of it last summer in New York."

"What was the trouble?"

"I had a very sharp attack of rheumatism. The disease attacked my left leg and left arm, and for a time I could neither walk upon the one nor raise the other to my head. I suffered horribly. Did you ever have the rheumatism, sir?"

"I believe a blood vessel was ruptured and the muscles severely strained. I could not walk for several days, and do not know that I would be capable of active locomotion now, were it not for the kindly offices of St. Jacobs Oil. Its powerful healing and stimulating properties put me right on my feet. It did, for a fact, and you can use the information if you so please."

"Almost everybody," remarked Mr. A. C. Stayart, representing Weber, Howland & Co., wholesale dealers in hats and caps at Denver, "uses St. Jacobs Oil where I came from. I once had a very sore foot and very naturally employed the Great German Remedy. It cured my foot in a very short time. I also can recommend it."

"Are there any other gentlemen present, who would like to endorse this wonderful specific?" said the reporter, "It has assumed the importance of a public question, and I intend to write it up for the benefit of others who may need the offices of this medicine."

"Yes," replied Mr. Wm. H. Dunlap, representing the great coffee house of Jewett, Sherman & Co., Milwaukee, "put me down as another believer in St. Jacobs Oil. I had rheumatism and St. Jacobs Oil cured me. You can just bet on it every time."

Scepticism and Suicide.

The Episcopal Register comments on a well-known fact in relation to the large number of suicides at the present day. It says: "The growth of scepticism, infidelity and atheism is concomitant with the increase of suicide, which shows utter despair of any hope of happiness or comfort in our present state of existence, and ignorance of a future life. The records of the daily journals present many cases of individuals who think that life is not endurable, and who do not comprehend the enormity of self-murder. That there is an incalculably greater amount of enlightenment in the world at the present time than existed in past ages is not disputed; and it is a remarkable fact that in that country of Europe which has produced many of the greatest scientific minds, and in which intellectual culture of the highest order is best appreciated, the number of those who abandon hope and resort to self-destruction is the greatest. A large percentage of those who commit suicide in this country are Germans, and it is so in other countries to which Germans have emigrated."

Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Kidney, Liver, or Urinary Diseases.

Have no fear of any of these diseases if you use Hop Bitters, as they will prevent and cure the worst cases, even when great puffing up pretended cure.

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