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Too often the light of love's lamp ceases

burning Whes merged 'neath the shadows of cold-ness and gloom. While the glare of the torch of sad discord returning Exultingly glitters above its fair tomb. One drop of the gal of ingratitude may Tinge the pure stream of kindness while flowing;

flowing; And the hand is, alast often spurned away That has just been rich favors bestowing.

It is not while health, youth and beauty are

twining Thy brow, yet untouched by the fingers of Care; 'Tis not while the sun of prosperity's shin-ing,

Thou'lt ever discover true Friendship so

Robit even incores the best 'neath the sum-mer's bright ray, That 'round each sweet flower fiv humming, Will bask in thy sunshine, yet fice far away When adversity's dark clouds are coming.

Not thus my dear friend, have we darkened

life's morning. Not thus shall we over its golden noon glide; with flowers of friendship life's path-

A nest, narrow bed for reposing.

And, oh ! when the sun of my hour is declin-And life seems a day dream I scarce can recall, If alive-to my pillow with fond lips reclin-If alive-to my pillow with fond lips reclin-ing Thou'lt whisper hope, comfort, joy, friend-ship and all, Thou will oft to my tomb, when my spirit has flown. From the fountain whence life was im-parted, Come to join with the evening wind mourn-alone.

And pray for the soul that's departed. -M. C. O'Donnell.

FRANCE IS A CATHOLIC

Despite the strange circumstance that the Government of France is in the hands of infidels-a fact due to the blamable indifference of the Catholics to politics, and the foolish clinging of the old nobility to the dream of a restored monarchy-religion flourishes. We quote from a recent letter of Helen Stanley's

in the New York Commercial Advertiser: Paria, July 2 — People have a way of saying that religious faith is dead in France, and, looking at the question superficially, it does seem indisputable. superficially, it does seem indisputation. But, it one considers things religious from their practice, it is easily seen that irreligion resides far less in the popular mind than in official tendency. God is mind than in official tendency. God is driven out of schools, the Sisters from the hospitals and monks from their convents, but sculs are not less faithful to religious faith. Not only are the churches full at the hours of Mass, but even Vespers and other services, which are not obligatory, are celebrated amid great crowds belonging to all classes of

society. On last Sunday, the Festival of the Sacred Heart, I was present at Vespers at St. Sulpice in the organ loft. The organist of this great parish is M. Charles M. Widor, one of the most elegant comt Sunday, the Festival of the leart, I was present at Vespers pice in the organ loft. The of this great parish is M. Charlet com-the young cchool, and the first irtuoso on this instrument, as o one of the most fashionable t petted of Parisian musicians. g up to the organ loft last Sun as to witness, on the contrart. posers of the young school, and the first French virtuoso on this instrument, as he is also one of the most fashionable and most petted of Parisian musicians.

To a Friend. True friendship, dear friend, is a tree of That always, when planted in genial clime. Should flouriah and blossom, bear fruit to mell savered by favors, if seasoned by time. But, alas! its bright foliage too often decay When shaded by favors. If seasoned by time. But, alas! its bright foliage too often decay When shaded by fark cloads of sorrow. Too often the light of lower to

Of course this river of pious liberality which has never ceased running with a steady current has been enlarged by im-portant donations, such as that of the Pope Pius IX., who, when the subscrip-tion was opened, gave 20 000 france, placed in a rich gold chalice, and by offerings of many generous Christians, who could be named if they did not wish to have their names kept silent, for it is a notable fact that this pious undertak ting has for twenty years advanced in a silent, peaceful manner, without ostenta tion or show, and the subscribers do not give in order to be talked about. It is only by the coloseal work itself that the progress of the vow is shown. Bat it is especially the stream of small gifts

tion or show, and the subcribers do not give in order to be talked about. It is only by the coloseal work itself that the progress of the vow is shown. But it is especially the stream of small gifts which has made this enormous total; alms given to God by humble souls and collected by the monastic orders, still so powerful in France. In this "The Work of the National Vow," is purely of the Christian demo. Vow," is purely of the Christian demo-cracy, and if one examines it, it is a most curious spectacle, carrying one back to the fervent era of the Middle Ages and

Yet Almighty God, in the case of the dead, made His love depend on ours. We are to the souls in Pargatory some-what like the saints in heaven are to us on earth. We can alleviate their suffer-ings, and not only that but we may shorten the term of their imprisonment. Let us then do as we would be done by. But with nowers of friendship life's path way adorning, From bright rosy morn till dark eventide. Yes, oft as we journey through life shall we meet On the green banks of kindness with pleas-ure. And of its pure waters from our verdant seat Drink of Friendship's bright goblet full measure. the fervent era of the hindup life's and with such wealth of gifts—offerings from the rich and widows' mites—the architects of the basilica have not been obliged to economize. Everything in it is of extreme luxury, which will be still more apparent with the interior decora-tions : sculpture, mosaics and colored

Their state is one of incomparable un-imsginable pain and helplessness. And our hands are full of the most wonderful measure. No dark clouds and sunshine shall chase one another O'er our bright horrizon, so calm now and clear: For our lamp I have lit with the love of a horder, is a more apparent with the interior decora-clear: For our lamp I have lit with the love of a And constantly brilliant its light will appear. Which as mortais, we'll tread at life's clos-ions A neat, narrow bed for reposing. more apparent with the interior decora-atoms is sculpture, mosaics and colored glass. The stone employed in its con-struction comes from the quarries which the polish of marble. For fifteen years two hundred and fifteen workmen have two hundred and fifteen workmen have two hundred and of Loing, numbered and the dead ? A little or a passing thing ? What then, must be our devotion for the dead ? A little or a passing thing ? Does not our heart prompt us to give the by the canal of Loing, numbered and ready to be put into place. At the work-shops at the church an equal number of workmen are employed, and the amount of the salaries paid since the beginning proper answer ? On friends ! only think of all your past

On friends ! only think of all your past years, and all your past loves, and all those old faces, all those unforgotten eyer, and all those well-remembered voices that are silent now. Need we say more ? Well, then, hear the voice of each of them sounding up to you from the depths of the prison of God's mercy : "Have mercy on me, have mercy on me, at least you my friends, because the hand of the Lord has touched me." of the construction exceeds to-day 12,000,000 francs. A kind and firm discipline reigns over A kind and firm discipline reigns over them; strikes are unknown, and there are many who have worked there steadily for ten and fitteen years, without any stoppage, except on Sundays and on feast days, scrupulously observed, as is befit-ting for a religious work. Although the Parisian workman is considered impious

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 COUNTRY.
 -and it is true he often is -those who, by the way, have not been especially selected are glad "to work for the cures," according to the popular expression, and this can be understood when it

A benevolent-looking little man in a clerical garb landed at the Barge Office last Sunday with the steerage passengers from the steamship La Bretagne. He was registered by one of the inspectors merely as Louis Marle Petit. He was recognized by Gen. O'Beirne's secretary, Col. Barquet, as a French missionary Bisbop. He had letters of introduction to Archbishop Corrigan and several other prelates of this country. He said that his object in travelling in is known that one of them, for instance, a carpenter, has earned as much as 500 frances a month, an enormous salary in France. As to the source of fortune the erection of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart is to the poor quarter of Montmartre, it can be appreciated by the fact that the Arch-

be appreciated by the fact that the Arch-bishop of Paris, paid 15 francs a yard for his ground in 1879, and to day the land adjoining it sells for 180 to 200 francs. Great blocks of houses are being built on the heights, shops are being opened, and hotels abound for the pingrims. The entire quarter is transformed. No site in Paris could be better chosen for the erection of a protecting temple, which seems to cover the whole city with its shadow. Napoleon I. once conceived the idea of erecting a Temple to Peace on the same spot, only he never made peace. He said that his object in travelling in the steerage was to observe human nature, the steerage was to observe human nature, study nationalities, and incidentally do some missionary work. He had no com-plaint to make of steerage fare. As a re-tired chapiain of the navy he receives a small salary from his Government. He belongs in the south of France. He says that although he has been retired from active service he will not cease to do what he can to help teach the neonle how

what he can to help teach the people how to be good and happy Christians. He is going to take a tour through the United States, mingling with the plain folks of the work day world, and do what mission the same spot, only he never made peace, and it is curious that it is reserved for our time to see this dreamed of monument spring forth from a war, and con secrated not to the heathen god Janus, work he can among them. He has visited Asis, Persia and Central America, where he has established missions After jourbut to Christ. HELEN STANLEY.

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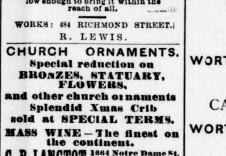
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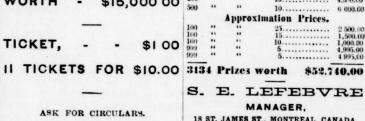
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On going up to the organ loft last Sun day, it was to witness, on the contrary, the touching spectacle of the enormous crowd of worshippers prostrated along the passage of the Holy Sacrament, which the clergy carried in process.on through the three large naves, escorted by three bundred young Lavites belong ing to the seminary attached to the church, who were clad in surplices, bear-ing candles in their hands and walking the centers or scattering rose leaves in front of the sacred dais. Behind them walked a crowd of laymen, dressed in full evening dress, black coats and white caravist, merchants, men of property, soldiers and officers, engineers, lawyers, etc, belonging to the parish. They also carried lighted candles ; and people say that faith is dead in France ! A few days before Monsignor, the Cardinal Archbishop of Paris, had in-

A few days before Monsignor, the Cardinal Archbishop of Paris, had in-augurated and consecrated, amid an im

The Basilics of the Sacred Heart, erected on the heights of Montmartre. This is a striking proof of the persistent force of Catholic feeling in France. It was during the anguish of the war of 1870 that the thought of dedicating France to the Sacred Heart and of con-structing to this end, by private sub scriptico, a monumental church at Paris, was vaguely harbored in the minds of some particit Christians. When, in 1879 the subscription was opened by a some patriotic Christians. When, in 1879, the subscription was opened by a decree of Cardinal Guibert, then Arch-bishop of Paris, "the Work of the National Vow" had aiready gathered in three months nearly a million of france. This same year the first stone was laid, and to-day, freed from its shell of scaffold-ings, the imposing building rises high, which it overlooks from a height of 300 feet above the level of the Seine. In four or five years the ornamental work will be finished by the erection of two platforms flanking and jutting out from the basilics with two gigantic equestrian tatues of St. Louis and St. Martin, of

will be finalled by the erection of two platforms finking and jutting out from the basilica with two gigantic equestrian statues of St. Louis and St. Martin, of another statue of the Archangel Michael, which will crown the top of the choirs, and, finally, of a central dome and of a tower which will rise above all the rest, and will be copied from the Campanille

Sun. LOVE AND KINDNESS. Is there another word worth naming in the same breath with love? There is a better word—kindness. Love is the miser that hoards up treasures of human kind-ness that were meant to gladden the world. Kindness is a beautiful princess, born to bless and be blessed by millions. Love is an ogre that carries her off to his enchanted castle and devours her bones at an unholy feast of his own. * * * There might be so much happiness in the world, and there is so little. There are so many tender hearts hungering and thirsting for affection, and love flashes by in his gay chariot and bruises them under his wheels - William O'Brien, " When We Were Boys." that hoards up treasures of human kind-

and some who have shared our sorrows. It is but natural to keep their memory alive in our minds. That is the case with those particularly who helped to bear our burdens The young men of Cork are engaged in carrying out the project of erecting a memorial church to honor the memory of Father Mathew. It will be built by shilling subscriptions, so that every admirer of the great Apostle of Temper-ance may have an opportunity to con-tribute towards it.

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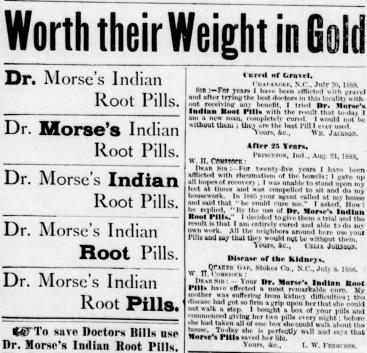
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