## THE TRUE WITNESS AND CATHOLIC CHRONICLE.

The Clark County, Ohio, Agricultural Society has called a Convention-with a poster almost large enough to cover the front of the City Hall-of all the babies in the United States, to meet at Springfield, in that State, on Thursday, October 5, 1854, and to bring their parents and admirers with them. What is to be done, or what business is to come before assembled babydom, does not appear by the poster. Indeed, suspicion may well be awakened, that the main object is to discover how the rising generation looks, perhaps some far-seeing politician has a design that will require the co-operation of the next generation to carry into effect, and wishes to get a look at the persons that will second him, or head him off. But probably the Agriculturists think that by offering premiums to the finest specimens of Buckeye babes, the race may be improved, as beets and turnips have been by Agricultural Shows, and horses by Horse conventions and "National Race Courses." With this thought, they offer three handsome prizes, as follows : " 1. A grand sweepstake premium of a splendid set of silver plate, consisting of a complete tea set of six pieces, to be given to the finest child not over two years of age." 2. A similar prize of equal value to the finest child aver one and not over two years of age." "3. A similar prize of equal value to the finest child not exceeding one year of age."

# EXTRACTS FROM "LAING'S NOTES OF A IRAVELLER."

CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT WORSHIP .- Catholicism has certainly a much stronger hold over the human mind than Protestantism. The fact is visible and un-deniable, and perhaps not unaccountable. The ferdemande, and pernaps not unaccountable. The fer-vor of devotion among these Catholics, the absence of all worldly feelings in their religious acts, strike every traveller who enters a Roman Catholic Church abroad. They seem to have no reserve, no false shame, The peride, or whatever the feeling may be which false pride, or whatever the feeling may be which, among us Protestants, makes the individual exercises of devotion private, hidden-an affair of the closet.-Here, and everywhere in Catholic countries, you see well-dressed people, persons of the higher as well as of the lower orders, on their knees upon the pavement of the church, totally regardless of, and unregarded by, the crowd of passengers in the aisles moving to and fro. I have Christian charity enough to believe, and I do not envy that man's mind who does not believe that this is quite sincere devotion, and not hypocrisy, affectation, or attempt at display. It is so common that none of these motives could derive the slightest gratification from the act-not more than a man's vanity could be gratified by his appearing in shoes, or a hat, where all wear the same. In no Protestant place of worship do we witness the same intense abstraction on prayer, the same unaffected devotion of mind. The beggar-woman comes in here and kneels down by the side of the princess, and evidently no feeling of intrusion suggests itself in the mind of To the praise of the Papists be it said, no either. worldly distinctions, of human rights or property, much less money payments for places in a place of worship, appear to enter into their imaginations. Their churches are God's houses, open alike to all His rational creatures, without distinction of high or low, rich or poor. All who have a soul to be saved come freely to worship. They have no family pews, no seats for genteel souls, and seats for vulgar souls. Their houses of worship are not let out, like theatres, or opera-houses or Edinburgh kirks, for money reuts for the sittings. The public mind is evidently more religious than in Protestant countries.

CATACHISING IN A CATHOLIC CHURCH .- The Cathotic religion adapts itself, in fact to every degree of in-telligence, and every class of intellect. It is a net which adapts its meshes to the minnow and the whale ....... The Lazarone is a Catholic, as well as Gibbon, Stalberg, or Schlegel. I strolled one Sunday evening in Prussia into the Roman Catholic Church at Rown on the Rhine. The Priest was catechising, examining, and instructing the children of the parish in the same way, and upon the same plan, and with the same care to awaken the intellectual powers of each child by appropriate questions and explanations, as in our well conducted Sunday schools that are tanght on the system of the Edinburgh Sessional School. And what of all subjects was the subject this Catholic Priest was explaining and inculcating to Catholic children, and by his familiar questions and their answers bringing most admirably home to their intelligence ?- the total uselessness and inefficacy of A mere forms of prayer, or verbal repetitions of prayers, if not understood and accompanied by mental occupation with the subject, and the preference of silent mental prayer to all forms-and this most beautifully brought out to suit the intelligence of the children. I looked around me to be satisfied that I was really at the altar steps of a Popish church, and not in the schoolroom of Dr. Muir's or any other well-taught Presbyterian parish in Edinburgh. EDUCATION IN CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT COUNTRIES. -In Catholic Germany, in France, Italy, and even Spain, the education of the common people in reading, writing, and arithmetic, music, manners, and morals, CL wa is at least as generally diffused and as faithfully promoted by the Clerical body as in Scotland. It is by their own advance, and not by keeping back the ad-vance of the people, that the Popish Priesthood of the cer cei present day seek to keep a head of the intellectual progress of the community in Catholic lands; and they might, perhaps, retort on our Presbyterian Clergy, and ask if they, too, are in their countries at the head of the intelectual movement of the age? Education is in reality not only not repressed, but is encouraged by the Popish Church and is a mighty instrument in its hands, and ably used. In every street in Rome for instance, there are, at short distances, public primary schools for the education of the children of the lower and middle classes of the neighborhood. Rome, with a population of 158,678 souls, has 372 public pri-mary schools, with 482 teachers, and 14,099 children attending them. Has Editaburgh so many public schools for the instruction of those classes ? I thoubt it. Berlin, with a population about double that of Rome, has only 264 schools Rome has also her university, with an averge attendance of 660 students; and the Papal States, with a population of 21 millions, and the Papar States, which a population of a population contain seven universities. Plussia with a population of 14,000,000, has but seven. These are amusing statistical facts, and instructive as well as amosing, when we remember, the boasting and glorying carried a few years back, and even to this day, about the Prussian educational system for the people and the establishment of governmental schools, and enforcing by police regulation the school attendance of the children of the lower classes.

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