very success of our democracy must come from the sacrifice of our per-sonal likes and tendencies unto the good of the whole body politic-and is not sacrifice the supreme test of all religion? We can also affirm that our ideal democracy must ultimate-ly depend upon the developed sense personal responsibility in each individual making up the nation, for as the individuals are, so will be the nation. Every man, no matter of what estate, must take his place; he in particular, he must, with wise appreciation, and without hope of personal advantage, choose the men whom he places in authority over This must mean a high appreciation of man's personal dignity, a clear insight into the value of liberty, a knowledge of the checks necessary because of man's frailty, and the willingness to sacrifice every personal interest that would stand in the way of the great good of the larger group. Here again, it is man's deep religious convictions which make him appreciate his dig-nity, and his God given freedom, and force him to forget his private, perhigher rights and privileges of his brothers may rest secure.

INSPIRATIONS TO HIGHEST IDEALS OF

In the ideal democracy, where the people really rule, religion must ever be a directing, energizing power, and if we hope for such a democracy in the future, the Church which represents religion, and bears unto the world the message and the power of will ever be democracy's Christ. greatest bulwark.

It has ever been the boast of democracies, especially in our age, that they mean naught save solicitude for the welfare of men because they are men; that they mean anxiety for the equal rights of our fellows before the w, no matter what may be their station, that they mean care for those who because of their circum-stances in life, are least able to care for themselves-in a word, "a benev-In this, too, history teaches us that religion has been effective. Christ, when He came unto our estate, was born on the wayside: His early life was one of exile in a foreign land; His Nazareth home was among the poor; He earned His bread with the sweat of His brow, and when He came forth unto the light of public gaze, He astounded the world by His simplicity of life: by His attitude towards the rich and powerful; by His championship of the cause of the weak, the poor, the downtrodden, and through the ages the religion of Christ, as personified by the Church, has ever been the champion and the advocate of the cause of the people. I need not re-Christian Church whose democratic spirit has passed into proverb. I need not tell the the organizations for relief, that under the leadership of the Bishops, lifted the awful burden of hunger and sickness from the poor, in the time of Constantine, and during the reign of the Emperors that followed him. Did not Julian, the bitterest of foes, exhort his pagan priests to emulate the Christian elergy, in the field of popular action? when the empire fell, and the feudal lords began their sway, the Catholic Church continued to advocate the claims of the masses; and in the laws of Charlemagne, her impress is marked to a high degree. Is not the great rule of St. Benedict the charter for popular action? Did not the crusades in which men fought for God and not for gold. bring in an era of democratic feeling such as was never known before The great Franciscan movement is mocratic, surely, and the guilds of Medieval Europe, under the guidance and leadership of the Church, taught the people the power of organized effort, and taught them, too, that they could gain for themselves much greater advantage than they could hope for from kings and princes, who promised much and did so And the highest places in the gifts of the Church, went unto the men who rose from the poorest and lowliest of places, while her theo-logians, from Thomas to Suarez, spoke with uncommon clearness, of the inborn rights of the people, even in an age when the privileges of caste were not questioned. Surely, too, the monasteries, in all time, have been the center of democratic action, and the Church celebrates the deeds and the prowess of one, who with organized effort, did more to help the social fabric; did more to champion the cause of the poor, than any man since the days of Christ—and his spirit today, marches triumphant through the land. Nor was the interest in the people's cause ever asserted with stronger emphasis, than in the great Leo, whose pronouncements on democracy, and on the rights and duties of States and of peoples, form the Greater Charter of all our modern Christian Sociology. To many of the modern democrats, these things indeed sound strange, to them religion seemingly has no place in advancing the people's cause, for they have abandoned the God of their Fathers, they have forgotten that the laws made of men, must reflect the truth, and the justice which are God Himself they have, by asserting too great a freedom, thrown off the yoke of authority which is from God, or they have robbed man of his own individual dignity, by making him a slave, a plaything of the Dominant State they have weakened the place of conscience in the life of man, and forgetting that they must give to God an account of their gifts and

their stewardship, they have used the vast opportunities of freedom for selfish aggrandizement, and for imposing upon their fellows burdens more onerous than were known in the days of the tyranny of kings and of feudal lords—of these things, the traditional doctrine of the Church is the corrective ; against this impiety, in all its forms, the Church has been teaches man's subjection to God's behests; she teaches man's high estate, and that he must not be a slave; she teaches man's obligation to listen to the voice of consci speaking with the authority of God she tells of justice and judgment b fore God's august tribunal; she de tests greed and dishonesty : she defines the obligations of wealth, and the rights of the poor; she inspires unto highest ideals of justice, and purity, and truth; she ministers strength unto men, that in spite of inborn weakness, they may stand valiantly for the things that contrib ute most unto the great purpose of our life here and hereafter.

RELIGION THE BULWARK OF IDEAL DEMOCRACY

Religion, then, will be the great bulwark of our ideal democracy, re-ligion provides, and has provided ever for the betterment of the masses, and for increasing the measure of men's happiness here below, while it always avails itself of the chance to fashion minds and hearts to things which are everlasting. You who gather here, are representatives of religion in a very high sense; speak as others may not, for the Catholic cause; your deliberations shadow forth the Catholic mind, as others do not, cannot, and of a consequence upon your utterance, your own people will stand, while those outside the pale of the Church will listen, at least, with that respect which is due to the great institution. the wisdom of which, you so honorably represent.

What, then, is your message to the American Nation in these awful days of ruin and bloodshed? word of strengthening, of hope and of consolation, do you send forth from the city of St. Francis? Watchman, what of the night! And the answer rings clear—with banners unfurled you call us to battle, to battle for God, to battle for Christ, to battle for truth, to battle for justice, to battle that our fellows may be truly free, to battle for the highest national ideals that have ever been set before a people, to battle for the inheritance of light and of power, which has been transmitted to us adown the centuries, to battle our children may live in peace, and may grow unto the fullness of the which is in Christ. More efficacious than the crash of cannon and the clang of arms, will be Christian teacher, at whose fest we can learn the answer to the questions that vex our age, and can learn the cause of the desolation, which has come upon us; more efficacious than embattled militarism will be the Christian School wherein the children of our great Republic will learn that there is a God in Heaven to whose behests they must bow, and before whose judgment seat they must stand-wherein they will be taught the place of Christ in the economy of Divine Providence. and that He lives and teaches in the Church against which the "Gates of Hell cannot prevail." The Christian School wherein they will know the great moral sanctions of the law unto the children of men wherein they will con the counsel of Christ, and from His Hips that their rule of life—wherein they may find that man is God's image, and of mind of the nation in khaki; stronger mind of the nation in khaki; stronger all the forces of earth, find that man is God's image, and of find that man is God's image, and of the nation in knaki, swant of the nation in knaki, s of personal interests for the higher ority behind all temporal sovereignty will be made to recognize the higher rightly solve the mystery of that code taught by Christ, in accordance silent, khaki line. The voice of the with which men are ruled by moral force, not by armed power—wherein they will search out the mystery of he commands, God commands, man's weakness, and learn God's way of strength—wherein they will know the power of humble prayer, and the moral strength that flows from the heavenly Sacraments— her doctrine the arms wherein they will be trained unto bidding her children: self-conquest, and be made, verily great by becoming verily humble, where, in a word, mind and heart, in the School of Christ, will be made to reflect Him, who, in the end "must reign," yea, until He "puts His en-emies under His footstool." Thus will you fulfill your great task, and through education and through its mighty force, place our Republic on a foundation so strong and so deep that it may rise majestic through the years to come, to be unto men of every clime, a refuge from danger and a home of peace : to be unto all men, the opportunity to develop what is best and noblest in them while they journey here below; to be in very deed the City of God here, that ever leads to the City of God, which is everlasting. - San Francisco

BENEFIT OF BEING QUICK-WITTED

Monitor.

The quick wit of a traveling sales man who has since become a well known proprietor was severely tested one day. He sent in his card by the office bey to the manager of a large He sent in his card by the concern, whose inner office was sep arated from the waiting room by a

waste basket the boy came out and told the caller that he could not see the chief. The salesman told the boy to go back and get him his card the boy brought out five cents, with the message that his card was torn Then the salesman took out an er card and sent the boy back, say ing: "Tell your boss I sell two cards

He got his interview and sold a a large bill of goods.—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

THE MYSTERY OF THE SILENT KHAKI LINE

Preaching at a military Mass before thousands of officers and men and in pusants of officers and men and in a presence of the Governor the State at Newport Camp, Rev. Joseph N. Dinand, J., president of Holy Cross the the College, paid a worthy tribute to the exceptional heroism and humanity of the American navy. Looking out then over the cantonments and navy yards of the nation, each a "crucible of sacrifice," he asked the pertinent

To me as I visited Camp Bartlett and Camp Devens, Newport and Charlestown, and saw the fusing process in action, the overwhelming ushing thought that seemed to baffle and benumb me was: Why this annihilation of the individual? Personal ambitions, past experiences, individual talents-all all were swal. lowed up in the military routine of the present.

At the call of duty every man had laid aside his tools, his pen, his books, life's bright hopes, future success, the affection of dear ones, the very center of his heart's love, home, all were foresworn as each boy contributed his best and his all to the crucible of sacrfice. As he stood in that silent. strong, khaki line, each man, no matter what his qualities, his studies, his influence, his race, his creed, was "one," "two," "three," or "four" when the order was given. This was the mystery of Bartlett and Devens to me, and what is the mystery of Bartlett and Devens is the mystery of Upton, Dix, and every camp clear across to Lewis on the Pacific

Is it not a crime against reason? Is it not folly and madness of national pride to demand such sacrifics, so utterly to crush and seemingly annihilate the individual ? Every man in that line is a living breath ing witness of sacrifice. Was it for this service uniform and hat that the college man exchanged his academic cap and gown? Was it for this service rifle he exchanged the parchment of his degree? Was it to fit him for a commission in a camp that his Alma Mater gave of her life, her talents, her years of toil?

Shall the mystery of Bartlett, Devens, Upton, Dix and Lewis be solved, when before the bow of the transport the mist clouds of ocean shall lift and, revealed in clear vision. shall be seen the outline of the shores of France? The man who stands beneath that emblem of our liber ties, the man who takes that sacred standard in his hands can never. according to our American mind, too worthy of it, whatever be his education, his environment, his character. When his country's honor is at stake, when her safety is to be guarded, her preservation maintained no sacrifice is too heroic, no obsdience too irksome, no labor too difficult, no annihilation too profound. Sacrifice " is the call from the soul of America : the reply from the heart of the peo-

they will be taught to make sacrifice the nation in khaki: That the authof the Spirit-wherein they is from God. Thus alone can legitimate ruler of these United States is the voice of God. When man in obeying him is obeying God. So in every century and under every rightful form of government the Catholic Church has upheld by her doctrine the arms of authority, unto your temporal lords as to Christ Himself." But neither has she feared, by the sole might of that same doctrine and in the name of the same Christ, to check the abuse of power and declare: "Thus far shalt thou go and no farther."-America.

THE SPIRIT OF EVIL

The Church does not put forth decisions without good reason. When she speaks, no matter what the subject, we listen attentively, A few months ago she spoke in no uncertain ones about the present dangers of Spiritualism. Those dangers, as we know, have increased through the War. How great they have become is evident alone from the fact that the Church with so many serious subjects ever holding her attention

a sin against the first commandment. But there are times when we need to be warned. And surely we are living in such times. All the dangers from

twenty circles looking for business. We even find one "ordained medium," whatever an ordeined medium may be. We find, too, a "Reverend Mrs.—," medium. So, down the line through all sorts of promises—psychic heal-ling, free flowers and even "circle and supper."

Where there are so many advertised mediums there must be a great number of patrons. It is terrifying when one thinks of it. Let one re Benson's 'Necromancers," so filled as it is with the conviction that Spiritualism is essentially diabolical and then run down the list of advertised mediums in Boston; the thought arises that the devil is still the roar-ing lion going about seeking whom he may devour.

It cannot be dismissed with a smile at the utter silliness of it. It is one of the modern evils infecting society. It is a thing to be feared, to be guard. against, to pray against.

THE CHAPLAIN

How often in the letters that come from France we see clear and im-pressive evidence of the love and es em in which the Catholic chaplain is held by the soldiers. The priest is the real "padre" over there, and although others may appropriate the title, the soldiers know when the word rings true. And the priest, in turn, loves the men under him, and is happy in the continuous sacrifice which his position demands. In all his dangerous and exhausting trials he is amply consoled and rewarded by the strong attachment of "his

It is some time since the following etter was written to the Chaplains Aid Society by the Rev. John Valles one of the chaplains with the Expeditionary Force; but we publish it now because the spiritual conditions it describes are continuous 'over there' and because, too of its deresting reference to the Little Flower:

'With my heart's desire fulfilled. here I am, right in the danger zone in a Massachusetts regiment of 3,700 men-70 per cent. of which is Cath-olic. They had been clamoring for an English-speaking priess. You may then imagine what a royal welcome I received when I arrived and established myself in their midst. The regiment is quartered along three neighboring villages, in which there are medievalice cold stone churches, without even the luxury of old fash. ioned stoves. The men do not, how-ever, compiain even after waiting three or four hours on confession nights for their turn. We are suffering hardships and privations, but I wouldn't exchange the experience for the best parish in the land. 'Tis an inspiring sight to see these churches filled to every inch of space with our soldiers in khaki. Every evening they file into the church for Rosary and night prayers. In these medieval inland villages, far from the theatres, dance halls and saloons, these men are closer to God than ever before.

"I believe I've already told you in my previous letter that I made a pilgrimage to Sister Theresa's convent neither man nor child could and grave. Devotion to her has be me very popular among the men. rush for medals and souvenirs was York and how I relied on prayer.
Well, the Little Flower has been a great help to me in my work over

Way the bells of Maurepas soon all my men to the Sacred Heart and to the protection of Sister Therese.

Since this letter was written Father de Valles and his boys have gone into the trenches. Gold stars on the serv ice flag of many a Catholic church in Boston tell the result. As our read ers doubtless know, many of the survivors, including Father de Valles were decorated on the field of battle for conspicuous bravery.-Buffalo

HENRY SOMERVILLE COMES TO ST, FRANCIS XAVIER'S

Henry Somerville, M. A., the well-

onish, N. S., in September next, Though only a young man of twentyeight years, Mr. Somerville has had a great deal of experience in social work both in England and in Canad ». Some years ago he won a scholarship at Ruskin College, Oxford, where he spent two years, devoting himself ex clusively to the study of Political Science, including History and Esonomics. He received the University Diploms in this densytment with subjects ever holding her attention has deemed it necessary to call the attention of her children to the evils to Canada Mr. Somervilla was sub of Spiritualism and the dangers to those who even play with it.

Sity Diplomation.

Set of German corruption are ubiquitous—but these, I believe, the Manchester Guardian. Have diminished in number as the He is a contributor to the Dublin truth has come more and more to light. But I feel equally certain. sity Diploma in this department with towards the Central Powers—for the the highest honours. Before coming forces of German corruption are hose who even play with it.

Catholics know that all this is say in the Month, Studies, The Boulding is an against the first commandment. Spectator, America and other periodicals. He has also written much is warned. And surely we are living n such times. All the dangers from Torouto Star. Before coming to Special spe Spiritualism are not on the other side Canada he lectured extensively for of his acquaintance. It is easier to of the ocean. Modern Spiritualism is after all, an American product. And one of the founders of Catholic this kind than by any other. arabet from the base waiting food saves ground-glass partition. When the boy handed his card to the manager the salesman saw him impatiently tear it in half and throw it in the sales we find no less than of the ocean. Modern Spiritualism is after all, an American product. And one of the founders of Catholic Social Guild and was be carried away by a prejudice of this kind than by any other.

'It would be easy to demonstrate in the absurdity of stating that the absurdity of stating that the absurdity of stating that the operation of the Holy Spirit, in Love of Sacred Heart...

Love of Sacred Heart...

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"THE BELLS OF MAUREPAS"

The Rev. Thomas Tiplady, a Methodist chaplain, describes in his recent book, "The Cross at the can be no dallying with it even it to forms which may seem but as appeals Front," how he found nothing left of to curiosity. It is all of the devil the church at Maurepas but two great bells which lay just where they fell when the steeple tumbled down under shell-fire. He writes:

"The church had gone, but its music lingered. In peace time, the music of the bells had floated out over the rolling downs and through the sleeping valleys that lie around the village. As the people ploughed the land, gathered in the corn, or tended their stock, the sound of the bells came to them as a voice from heaven. Daily, like the peasants in Millet's picture," The Angelus," they had, at the call of the bells bowed their heads and said an evening prayer ere the passing of the sun brought on the night, with its train of stars. On the first day of each new week they had left their fields at the sound of the music, and, donning their best garb, had sought the church the absolution of their sins, and a fresh start. Mothers looking on the picture of the Virgin and Child had felt a new sacredness in the duties of motherhood. Fathers had gazed upon the crucifix and become reconciled to a life of self-renouncing labor for their off-spring. Children, with wondering eyes, had looked upon the picture Angels surrounding the ascending Lord, and felt the power and giory of the world to come. All had listened to the simple words of the village priest and been reminded that they were but pilgrims, and must not set their affections too deeply on farmstead or field, but on things which are eternal and beyond the chances and changes of this mortal life. When Christmas had come the bells had rung merrily calling to the farmers as aforetim the Angels of Bethlehem had called to the shepherds, "O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. days had come and gone, but never without the bells calling the people from the toil of the fields to rest and rejoicings in home and church. When the children went to First Communion, or when the Church's blessing was given to a bridal pair, how happily the bells rang! And how sadly, when some old man finished his journey and went to his long home! Back home in Eng. land] old people and young children often die without any notice being taken of their passing. They just slip away like the birds in autumn But in the district about Maurepas The balls tolled the news to all and The Protestant boys have often asked expressed the sorrow of all. Now me for medals and are wearing them. I gave a lecture on Lisieux and Sister young had prayed, bridal parties re-Therese in the Y. M. C. A. hut and the joiced, and mourners wept, was no more. Only the bells remained. something to be remembered. You But as "Music, when soft voices die remember how troubled I was in New vibrates in the memory," so there

here. The night before going into again ring forth a jubilant peal in resurrected France !- America

DEFENDS THE POPE'S ATTITUDE IN THE WAR

The following letter was addressed to the London Tablet by Rev. Spencer Jones, an Anglican minister, who commended the protest made by the ministers against bigotry :

"Sir: May I say how overjoyed I was to read 'the protest,' in your paper of May 18th? Had I known of before, I should have begged to be allowed to add my name, and I am sure there are many others in the same case. As it is, I salute the known writer and authority on signatories and thank them for what social problems, will join the staff of St. Francis Xavier's College, Antig-step in the right direction.

"I am as certain as I am of my own existence that from the very outset, the Pope and Cardinal Secre tary of State have held themselves firmly, as it were, in the presence of

cent form, because the Pope's proposal in effect is onesided, and exhibits partiality in favor of our ene-

"In other words the German journal is sure the Pope means well, but it is equally sure that he is partial to England and her Allies; and if Engish journals are equally sure that he is partial to Germany, that suggests that he has succeeded in securing his neutrality after all. No reader the Tablet would respect any of us Anglicans if we rejoiced in posing as enemies to our own people; but the point is, that we should step forward as chivalrous gentlemen, and not leave to God alone the task of repu-diating what we, equally with yourselves know to be a grave misunder standing."

THE KAISER PRAYED

The little birds were flying north. And on Cathedral spires
They stayed their homing flight

awhile To hear a King's desires, The birds that sing the love of God At dusk and break of day Folded their little wings and stood To hear the Kaiser pray.

Now, God, send fear to children. And give my great guns power To scatter der Forget the promises you made To those who weep or are afraid. The swallow said : " My wings ar

come from sun-warm palace walls Across blue seas. The way is long And-I have stopped and heard men pray

By wayside shrines and in great halls, In house and hovel by the way But I have not heard anywhere A prayer that was like this man's

The sparrow said: "No sparrow falls Without God's pity! Does know-

This man who prays-on Whom he The King of Prussia stood below In the Cathedral nave and said:
"Now let their harvests be their

dead Let gas and shell go tear and kill, Until the world bends to my will! The birds on the Cathedral spires

Waited to see the prayer go by. (The little birds can see your prayers. White-winged, ascending to the sky! Pale lilies on the marble grew,

Carved saints were on the walls, and through The flower windows shone the sun. The sparrow said: "His prayer is

The swallow said: "Where did it go ? It is a strange prayer, flying low!"

They rose and searched the larkspur They asked the clouds that drifted

But the prayer had no wings and In the dark heart where it was made.

TRIBUTE TO THE CONFESSIONAL

The late Rev. Dr. Watson, under his pen name of "Ian Maclaren," con tributed an article to the British Weekly, shortly before he died. In One thing I have learned, and it ha kept me from criticizing the Roman confessional with the high spirit or many Protestant writers. There are certain situations where a man or woman must confide in some person to obtain advice or sympathy, or simply to unload the soul, and there is no one to whom it is more becoming they should turn than a sincere and honorable minister of Christ. For one thing he knows more of life, if he has been a receptive person, than even a lawyer or a doctor, and he is bound by every sacred consideration to absolute secrecy. During the course of his life he has become the depository of many hidden sorrows and family tragedies. He has been with people through many a cruel trial of which the world knows noth ing, and has suffered with them in ways even his nearest friend does

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF CANADA

PERSONAL INTEREST

To do the will of God as expressed Thy Kingdom Come' missionary work or the extension of the Catholic Church. Every mem-ber of the Church is called to this work and expected to use his energies It is a remarkable disposition of Divine Providence that God saves

wrought. The continuation of this salutary work is given by Christ to other men. So we really carry in our hands the Eternal fate of others! How seldom however, does it ever strike us or influence us that some sacrifice, some act of self-denial, some prayer of curs, is the very means upon which depends, by the dispen-sation of God, some souls glorious immortality! Too true, we are each one of us our brother's keeper, more than we suspect or reckon

When God, without any merit of ours, gave us the true Faith, it was not that we should take it and greedily relish it in private and wrap it up in the napkin of self sufficiency and selfishness. Far from it! Our precious gift was bestowed purpose, for the honor and glory of God, for our own salvation and for the benefit of our less favoured brethren.

By taking an active part in mission work we are doing the will of God fulfilling our obligations as members of the Church and meriting the "Well done" of the Lord.

As citizens of the Kingdom of God we have privileges, but, we have, too, responsibilities. The supreme law of the Kingdom is obedience to the King's mandate. This mandate says: Go forth and teach My doctrine to every creature, make My word known to the uttermost parts of the earth."

The mission-field of the Church is of vast dimensions. The Vicar of Christ and the successors of the Aposites are the directors of the sowing and reaping of the barvest. We are the labourers under their direction. Without our co-operation, our prayers and sacrifice, the field will not be tilled and sown; without our aid the harvest will not be garnered into the storehouse of the L and the field will remain barren and hateful to the Master's eyes.

Why do not Catholics give person al service and material gifts sions more than Protestants do? Reasons are alleged: "Protestants have more money and Catholics are poor." Again, "Catholics have so many urgent needs at home that they are to be excused from their seeming lack of interest in mission work.

These explanations are not to be mitted. The reason for Catholic indifference—to call it by an honest name—is that Protestants lock upon mission work as something peculi their own, a work for individual church-goers. Catholics look upon mission work as something belong-ing to the ecclesiastical authorities. Why is this? Just a matter of training. Once upon a time our people were well trained in mission work. They had the mission habit. Persecution, poverty and the resulting ignorance destroyed the habit. We must commence all over again and by frequent missionary actions acquire gradually the salutary pratice, once ours, and lost by no fault of ours.

When will this happen? When we learn and realize the meaning of our daily prayers, for example, Kingdom Come" "I believe in the Communion of Saints" and that the gift of Faith bears with it not only privileges but also responsibilities

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Taichowfu, China, Nov. 26, 1916. Dear Readers of CATHOLIC RECORD That your charity towards my mission is approved by the highest ecclesiastical authorities of Canada let me quote from a letter from His Excellency, The Most Rev. Peregrins F. Stagni, O. S. M., D. D., Apostelic Delegate, Ottawa: "I have been watching with much interest the contributions to the Fund opened en behalf of your missions by the CATH OLIC RECORD. The success has been very gratifying and shows the deep interest which our Catholic people take in the work of the missionary in foreign lands. . . I bless you most cordially and all your labors. as a pledge my earnest wishes for your greatest success in all your under-takings." I entreat you to continue the support of my struggling mission, assuring you a remembrance in my prayers and Masses. Yours faithfully in Jesus and Mary

J. M. FRASER.

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