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

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WHY?

The New York Sun says that on a Sunday in September services in only about fifty of the three hundred and fifty churches of Manhattan and The Bronx were advertised. And still we have the ever-recurring question : Why is church membership declining?

HEALY AND THE LEAGUE.

It appears that Mr. Timothy Healy, M. P., champion political scrapper and holder of all records for vituperative language, has not desisted from his campaign against the United Irish League and the members of the Irish Party who are willing to put country before self. It is incomprehensible how any body of Irishmen desirous of the furtherance of the Nationalist cause will continue to support an individual whose every effort is devoted to the perpetuation of wrangling and discord. Why do they not turn him down? And why does Mr. Healy delight in washing his dirty linen in public? Is it due to disappointed ambition or to nation of selfishness. She forgets insensate vanity?

THE MINERS' STRIKE.

Since our last issue the great coal strike has begun. The operators are sanguine as to the issue—and that means that the miners will be starved into submission or goaded into deeds of lawlessness. And if the latter should happen, the good people who, propped up on silken cushions, are teaching en durance to those who are treading with bleeding feet on the stones, will wonder why such strange things should take place in our vaunted age. Aye ! strange things do happen; and the strangest is that a few men with money behind them can force human beings to spend themselves for a wage that dooms them to the scantiest living and keeps them and their children in hovels and beyond the range almost of refining and spiritualizing influences.

We hope the miners will hearken to the words of the clerics whose mission is to preach the gospel to the poor, and not to the rantings of walking delegates and professional agitators.

### HIS DUTY WELL DONE.

We read with sincere regret that Mr. Wall intends to vacate the editorial chair of the Antigonish Casket. It is a distinct loss to Catholic journal. ism and his action will be deplored by not only his friends but by those who have found him in controversial tour-Under his direction and with the assistance of the modest and scholarly professors of the College, the Casket has forged to the front as a brainy and elequent exponent of Catholic thought. Mr. Wall has certainly fought a good fight-and we have more than once ad. mired his whole souled contempt for the shams that lure so many from rational living-his loyal and loving championship of the Church. He, however, in laying down the editorial pen, has the consolation of knowing that he has done his whole duty—and greater happiness can, this side of the grave, come to no man.

THE WAR.

South African war is virtually at an end. The surprising feature of the campaign is that the Boers have held out so long against such overwhelming numbers. And not only that : they have shown themselves every whit as good as the trained and seasoned forces of England, and to prisoner and wounded have given evidences of kindness that proved they were as chivalrous as valiant. The gallant stand of Cropje will pass into the deathless deeds of history. It was a pineteenth century Thermopylæ: and the men who brought him to bay will not refuse their meed of praise to the brave Dutchman who against enor-

mous odds, with guns belching lyddite

into his dismantled laager, amidst his

dying and dead, fought on whilst there

was a gleam of hope for his country

and fireside.

solace in the contradictory answers of end. politicians. Ruskin said truly that the strength of a nation is in the men, and the long-continued aggressiveness of in their unity and virtue, not in their the European powers. And yet their standing room; a little group of wise hands are clean! They force their way hearts is better than a wilderness full into a country where they are not of fools; and only that nation gains true | wanted: they absorb portion after porterritory which gains itself.

A SOCIETY WOMAN.

Some time ago we happened upon a man who is longing for rest-some quiet nock where he can forget clients and the drudgery of professional rou tine. And, despite the fact that his labors bring him in a comfortable income, he cannot afford it. Every dollar goes to satisfy the social wants of shadowy land inhabited by Society-a sage, and a creation of Worth's more beautiful to the eye than a painting of Raphael's.

It never seems to strike a worldly wife that she is the very incareverything but her own ends. What these are depends upon her neighbors. To wear fine apparel - to be absent from her household-to turn her rooms endorse it enthusiastically. It does into a camping ground for casual acquaintances, constitutes her life's business. No wonder she becomes shallow - pated and shallow - hearted - a source of misery to her husband and of tions between class and class, must not moulding the minds and hearts of her for the purpose simply of protecting offspring and of sharing the worries of Catholic rights in every field, and the her husband, she is engaged in pro moting the interests of the denizens of the Kalamazoo Island or in clamoring transplanted old "Cawtholics." for rights that have been invented by female misfits. Says Artemus Ward :

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"The female woman is one of the greatest institooshuns of which this land can
boste. She is good in sickness, good in wellness, good all the time. O, woman, woman!
you air a angle when you behave yourself:
but when you take off your proper appaire
and [mettyfisically speaking]—get into pantyloons—when you desert your fresides and
with your heds full of wimin's rites noshuns,
go round like rosrin lions, seekin whom you
may devour someboddy—in short, when you
undertake to play the man, you play the
devil, and air an emphatic noosance."

CHINA AND THE WESTERNERS

We have more than once protested against the diatribes of certain newspapers anent the Chinese. That some must be punished is indisputable, but that all are miscreants is an assertion based on nothing but the vagaries of ingoistic imaginations.

by our standards. The workings of the oriental mind baffle the most acute observers, and this we are told by those who have studied it for years. Hence it is rather strange that the many who have but a bowing acquaintance with the Chinese and the magazine writers who, save what they glean from encyclopedias, know nothing about them, write reams of sanguinary rub

That they are unprogressive is true indeed in the sense that they are not consumed with the fever of gold, but that they are so ignorant as some would have us believe has no foundation in fact. In the thirteenth century Marco Polo described China as knowing the uses of navigation, painting, etc. Their literature is extens-Recent advices inform us that the ive, and though looked upon with contempt by Western writers is, according to the Abbe Remusat, a competent

imagination all its colours. Their conservatism has ever been a deadly sin in the eyes of Europeans. The fruitful country offering great op portunities for successful trade has been for a century a kind of promised upon it has been the problem for years. killed and his body burned by the mur And they have discovered it-a most soul-satisfying solution. Armed with time on a visit to Leiyan. The Boxers the Bible and goods which they are followed in search of the Bishop, bu

The Boxer uprising is one result of tion of its territory : their methods have been so at variance with the principles of the Christianity which they profess to uphold as to discredit it and to make it in the eyes of the Chinese but a pretext for commercial and national aggrandizement-and yet they claim immunity from blame! The good people who are advocating the dismemberment-another name for wholesale robbery -of China are the legitimate products of brute force civian extravagant wife who aspires to lization. But they are very tenacious make a place for herself in that of the proprieties at home. A starving man who benevolently assimilates a land of small talk and ostentation and loaf of bread, is sentenced to two or vanity, where the chink of gold is three months improvement, but a Comsweeter to the ear than the words of a mander who gathers in a whole country is awarded a laurel wreath and a niche in Westminster.

CATHOLIC FEDERATION.

The Federation scheme is now on a definite basis in the United States. A few timid-minded editors are lukewarm in their approval, but the many not aim to form a Catholic party, but Catholic sentiment. Our hickory brethren who look askance at it, as being a possible disturber of the relabad example to her children. Instead of be unduly exercised. Federation is individuals who see in this aught unreasonable must be hopeless bigots or

Courtesy and prudence are very good things in their way, but to use them as excuses for arrant cowardice is anything but complimentary to Catholic self-respect. Experience has proved that a firm front has brought about reform which could never be obtained by courtesy and prudence, Would nearly all of the odious statutes of the Kulturkampf have been repealed if the German Catholics had had not lined up and presented an impregnable array to the onslaughts of their opponents? Would French Catholics have been dragged through the mire of Freemasonry persecution if they had had listened to the words of of them are guilty of atrocities which the Bishop of Annecy? "We are," he says "as much citizens as other Frenchmen. We pay our taxes. And as the law not only imposes obligations but also confers and guarantees vested We should bear in mind, in forming rights, why should we submit to an estimate, that they cannot be judged oppression without a word of compression with the compression wi A good, united kick-especially at the poils-has been always a remarkable cure for grievances.

> We wish every success to the Federationists of the United States.

> > MURDER OF A BISHOP,

Details of a Boxer Massacre in South

Rev. Father Sette, a missionary who

scaped massacre in Southern Hunan by the aid of native converts, arrived at Shanghai on August 1 and gives the following story of the massacre of the Bishop of the diocese. Antonio Fantosill, three Fathers and some native Christians and the total destruction of the mission property in the district:

"The persecution began on July in the Christianity of Hen-Cian Fu. The reverend Father director of the Christianity had just time to fly from the mission when the Boxers arrived and immediately commenced their authority, a treasure of elequence vandalism. The churches, the procurand poetry, enriched by the beauty of ation and all the houses of Christians a picturesque language preserving to in the district were set on fire and utterly destroyed. their nefarious work at Hen Cian-Fu the rioters proceeded to Huan-Sa-Van and renewed the work of destruction Some of the priests fled to the neighbor hood of Pei Saen. The Rev. Father Querino Fleringh, from Belgium, was wounded and died two days later. land. How to lay rapacious hands Father Cesinio Ciacomantonia was derers. His Lordship the Bishop was willing to despose of at a hundred per some of the villagers gave warning of some of the Villagers gave warning of the profit, the Westerners have been sallying into China in order to teach the natives the grandeur of Christianity. Inch by inch, thanks to went to the river and got on And now comes the reckoning of the butchers bill" that will show that the war has indeed staggered humanity.

And for what? Widows and orphans where the same to the gun and bayonet, they have pierced board a boat to return to Huan. In many places the corporations are said to have the monopoly of stores of they were met by the howling mob of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of stores of they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of the said to have the monopoly of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of they were met by the howling mob of they were met by the howling mob of the monopoly of the monopoly of the said to have the monopoly of a main they were met by the howling mob of they were met by the howling mob of the monopoly of t

will ask the question, and find small trouble of which no man can see the to pieces and then burned, their very bones being burned to ashes, which were scattered in the air. Two Chinese priests were also killed in Chinese priests were also killed in other Christianities, and every Christian house in the vicarage was destroyed. The Rev. Fathers Besilio Radoni, Dalmasa G. Pedroni, Michell Intitta and Bonaventure de Solomons sought refuge in the mountains be-tween Hen-Clan-Fu and Chian Su, where at last accounts they had man

aged to elude capture by the Boxers. Father Sette, describing his escape, said that after hiding for three days in the hills he was sought out by some Christians, who carried him in a closed bamboo bier to the river side, where for three more days he lay hidden in a cargo of coal in a Christian native's boat, eventually making his escape to Kwang-Tung after many exciting ad-

#### GREED AND AVARICE OF MON-OPOLISTS.

Cardinal Gibbons Exceriates Trust and Corporations.

His Eminence James Cardinal Gibbons in the New York Journal.

I say labor contributes to the prosper ity of the country, and whatever con-duces to a nation's welfare is most worthy of commendation. It is not the ce or occupation that dignifies the man, but it is the man that dignifies

Cincinnatus lent dignity to agriculture by working at the plow. Cali-gula, by an infamous life, degraded his crown and imperial purple.

De Tocqueville could not pay a juste and more beautiful tribute of praise to the genius of our country than when he wrote in 1835 that every honest occupation in the United States was

The honest, industrious man is hon ored among us, whether he work with his hands or with bis brains, because he is an indispensable factor in the nation's progress. He is the bee in the social hive; he is the benefactor of his race, because he is always producing something for the commonwealth. ALL WORKERS SHOULD HAVE SYMPATHY

FOR EACH OTHER. Our sympathies for those in our employ, whether in the household, the mines or the factory, are wonderfully quickened by putting ourselves in their place and asking ourselves how we would wish to be treated under

We should remember that they are our fellow-beings, that they have feelings like ourselves, that they are stung by a sense of injustice, repelled by an over-bearing spirit, and soft-ened by kindness, and that it largely rests with us whether their hearts and homes are to be clouded with sorrow or

radiant with joy.
NO ENJOYMENT PURER OR MORE SUB-STANTIAL THAN IN SEEING THAT OUR FELLOW BEINGS ARE CONTENT AND

Surely men do not amass wealth for the sole pleasure of counting their bonds and of contemplating their gold hope that it will contribute to their onal comfort and happiness. Now, there is no epjoyment in life so pure and so substantial as that which springs from the reflection that others are made content and happy by our henevolence. And I am speaking here not of the benevolence of gratuitous bounty, but of fair dealing tempered with benignity. Considerate Kindness is like her sister, Mercy :

droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven pon the place beneath; it is twice bless'd; blesseth him that gives, and him that takes:
'Tis mightiest in the mightiest; it becomes
The throned monarch better than his

While applauding the tender feelings and magnanimity of many capi-talists, I am constrained in the inter ests of truth, humanity and religion to protest against the heartless conduct of others whose number, for the honor of our country, is, I hope, comparative-

TRUSTS AND MONOPOLIES LIKE THE CAR OF JUGGERNAUT.

No friend of his race can contemplate without painful emotions those heart less monopolists exhibiting a grasping avarice which has dried up every senti ment of sympathy, and a sordid selfish-ness which is deaf to the cries of distress. Their sole aim is to realize large dividends without regard to the paramout claims of justice and Christian charity. These trusts and mono-polies, like the car of Juggernaut, crush every obstacle that stands in their way. They endeavor, now aways, it is alleged, without success, to corrupt our National and State Legislatures and municipal councils. They are so intolerant of honest rivalry as to use unlawful means in driving from the market all competing industries They compel their operatives to work for starving wages, especially in min-ing districts and factories, where pro-tests have but a feeble echo, and are easily stifled by intimidation.

INDUSTRIAL SLAVERY THE RESULT OF THE PRESENCE OF CORPORATIONS.

wages, and their forced insolvency places them entirely at the mercy of thier task masters.

PUNISHMENT IN STORE FOR THOSE WHO DEFRAUD THE LABORER OF HIS

To such Shylocks may well be applied the words of the Apostle : to, now, ye rich men; weep and howl for your miseries which shall come upon you. \* \* \* You have stored up to yourselves wrath against the last days. Behold the hire of the law \* \* \* which by fraud hath been kept back by you, crieth, and the cry them hath entered into the ears of the God of Sabbaoth.

How forcibly this language applies now to our own country, and how earnestly the warning should be heeded by the constituted authorities! The supreme law of the land should be vindicated and enforced, and ample protection should be afforded to legitimate competing corporations, as well as to the laboring classes against unscrupulous monoplies.

WORDS OF ADVICE TO LABOR UNIONS.

But if labor organizations have rights to be vindicated and grievances to be redressed it is manifest that they have also sacred obligations to be fulfilled and dangers to guard against.

They should exercise unceasing vigilance in securing their body from the control of designing demagogues who would make it subservient to their own selfish ends, or convert it into a politi-cal engine. They should also be jealous of the reputation and good name of the rank and file of the society as well as of its chosen leaders. For while the organization is ennobled and commands the respect of the public by the moral and civic virtues of its members, the scandalous and unworthy conduct of even a few of them is apt to bring reproach on the whole body, and to excite the distrust of the community.

VIRTUES OF OUR ACTIVE LIFE.

Activity is the law of all intellectus and animal life. The more you live in conformity to that law, the happier you will be. An active life, like purling rivulet, is an unfailing source of gladness, health and contentment, while an indolent life, like the stagnant pool breeds discontent, disease and death. No man enjoys with a keener relish the night's repose and the Sunday and holiday rest than the son of toil.

A life of patient industry is sure to be blessed with a competence, if it is not crowned with an abundant remuneration. The great majority of our leading men of wealth are indebted for their fortunes to their own untiring industry. Take an active, personal, conscientious interest in the business of your employer. Be as much concerned about its prosperity as if it were your own.

PRACTICE ECONOMY AND SELF-DENIAL Foster habits of economy and self No matter how modest your income may be, always live under it. You will thus protect your liberty and business integrity, and guard yourself against the slavery and humiliation of debt, which is too often the precursor No; they acquire it in the and the incentive to commercial dis

While honestly striving to better your condition, be content with your station in life, and do not yield to an inordinate desire of abandoning your present occupation for what is popular ly regarded as a more attractive avocation. Remember that while the learned professions are overcrowded, there is always a demand for skilled and unskilled labor, and that it is far better to succeed in mechanical or manual work than to fall in profession al life. BE NOT OVER EAGER TO AMASS WEALTH,

FOR THEY WHO ARE ANXIOUS "TO BECOME RICH FALL INTO TEMPTA TIONS AND INTO SNARES OF THE DEVIL, AND INTO MANY UNPROFIT-ARLE AND HURTFUL DESIRES WHICH DROWN MEN IN DESTRUCTION AND PERDITION "

A feverish ambition to accumulate a fortune, which may be called our national distemper, is incompatible with peace of mind.

Moderate means with a contented spirit are preferable to millions with-

Sobriety will be an angel of tranquillity and comfort to yourself and family. While this virtue should be cultivated by all men, it ought to be especially cherished by the laboring class, who are so much exposed to the opposite vice. Intemperance has brought more desolation to homes than famine or the sword, and is a more unrelenting tyrant than the grasping

### MERIT REWARDED.

The official journal of the Paris Exposition has published a list of awards. The Brothers of the Christians Schools received 3 grand prizes, 13 gold medals, 21 silver medals, 14 bronze medals, 6 honorable mentions - in all 57 recognitions of merit. This is certainly gratifying, and very creditable to the cause of Christian Education.— N. Y. Emerald, Sept. 1900.

The romantic vision of the first half of a man's life is the most real survey of earth he will ever make. - David

#### SOME RECENT CONVERTS.

The True Church Receiving Recruits From All Ranks

The Rev. O. R. Vassall, C. SS. R., of London, England, recently received into the Church, Rev. A. Heurtley, grandson of the late Dr. Heurtley and perpetual curate of St. Mark's, Yarrow; the Rev. T. Gorman, curate of St. Clement's, City Road, London, and Mr. Malcolm Dunlop, late chairman of the Bishopgate Branch of the English Church Union.

Baroness D'Anethan, wife of the Belgian Minister at Tokio, Japan, has embraced the true faith. The Baroness is sister to Rider Haggard, the novelist.

The great sensation of the month among the fashionable world of the German capital is, it seems, the conversion to the Catholic Church of the leader in Austria and Germany of the women's emancipation movement, Frau Elizabeth Gnanek Kuhne. Her abjuration of the Protestant faith is, after God, due to the zeal of the Redemptorist. Father Koesler.

Paul Schaffel, the young convert from Judaism, who has been studying for the priesthood at St. Francis' Seminary, Milwaukee, will go to Rome early in the fall to complete his studies inary, in the American College. Mr. Schaffel was an orthodox Jew who came to this country from Russia. While attending school in Milwaukee he was converted about four years ago and entered St. Francis' Seminary to study for the priesthood.

At. St. Joachim's Church, Old Mines, Mo., recently, before Mass, Mrs. Chas Pinson, with her entire family of six children, was solemnly baptized and received into the Church by Rev. E.T. Gallaher. Mr. Charles Pinson, the husband and father, was received into

the Church on the 19th of January last. The conversion of the Rev. J. H. Filmer, the popular and hard working curate of St. Martin's Anglican Church, Roath, England, has created a great interest in that town, as Mr. Filmer is a preacher of quite uncommon power. He has long been studying the question "Did Christ institute an infallible teaching authority in His Church, with Peter for its mouthpiece?"

#### SAVED BY A CRUCIFIX.

Some American soldiers who had. by the fortunes of war, fallen into the hands of the Filipinos, had been con-demned to execution, and, as related by Lieutenant Commander Gilmor in McClure's, they owed their escape from death to a peculiar circumstance :

'I have always believed," says the soldier who relates the incident, the Lieutenant's refusal to obey orders and execute us was due to the effect produced in his mind by an incident earlier. At one of our stops he had shown me a crucifix which hung by a ribbon around his neck, and said to me; "The 'Americanes' are not Christians." 'Oh, yes, I reare not Christians." 'Oh, yes,'I re-plied, 'All the Americans are Christians.'
"But you never wear any cruci-

"I opened my jacket and showed him my breast. A crucifix had been tattooed there years ago, when I was a tattooed there years ago, when I was a midshipman. The Tagal leaped to his feet with an exclamation of surprise. He instantly crossed himself. eyes nearly started out of his head. I explained to him that any one could buy a crucifix and hang it around his neck, but that I had endured pain to have my crucifix pricked in the flesh, and that, as he could see, it must always be with me. There was a marked change in his manner toward me after that.

### WHAT THE CHURCH TEACHES.

The Catholic Church teaches nothing but what has been revealed by Almighty God or what is necessarily derived from revelation. All truth comes from Him. He is the Author of all scientific truth, as He is the Author of all revealed truth. "The God Who dictated the Bible," as Archbishop Ryan has hap-pily said, "is the God Who wrote the lluminated manuscript of the skies." You might as well expect that one ray of sun would dim the light of another as that any truth of revelation can be opposed to any truth of science. No truth of natural science can ever be opposed to any truth of revelation, nor can any truth of the natural order be at variance with any truth of the supernatural. Truth differs from truth only as star differs from star. from Each gives out the same pure light that reaches our vision across the expanse of the firmament.

CONVERSION. - Miss Helen Veader, & beautiful young lady, highly educated and prominent socially, has just been received into the Order of Dominican Sisters in Louisville, Ky., having recently become a Catholic. She is the daughter of Daniel H. Veader, an officer of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company.

Do you wish for a long and peaceful life? Then dream of heaven, where an eternal tranquility and a tranquil eternity await you.—St. Anselm, O. S. B.