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libel. Turner's defense was that the libe was published concerning a class and not concerning any particular individual, and that there was no malice directed towards the prosecuting witnesses. The upper court held that the defense was not good ; that any publication which libeled a class of men libeled the individuals which made up the class and could prosecuted by any particular individual of the class .- Denver Catholic Register.

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## RELIGIONS IN THE WAR

ness for citizenship and public "Once in a while we are compelled o take cognizance of unwise and inwarranted agitation against the Roman Catholic Church, Many of "Catholics were with us in the Revolution, in the Civil War, in the war with Spain, and in the death roll of the army and navy at Vera Cruz, their names are also to be found, not the people, who still cling to the spirit of religious protest, believe that they see a real menace in the activities of the Catholic Church in a proportionate minority, but in a One particularly contemptible sheet large majority; and in any struggle called The —, finds its way t that may yet come in which this our village and succeeds in arousing country may become involved, you a spirit of antagonism and breeding will find the Catholic in the front a dangerous suspicion. At the rank, giving his blood just as freely as they did of old in defense of our

a dangerous suspicion in the present time, a movement called the "Stonemen Movement," is rapidly gaining headway in Philadelphia

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## HOW THE BELLIGERENTS ARE DIVIDED AS TO FAITH

An Exchange says : They're all praying to the same God in all the warring lands ; but it is interesting to note the way the belligerent nations are divided in their religious faiths.

The religious census of Germany, taken in 1907, but which does not include the entire population, shows "that of the 61,720,529 people counted 38,374,648 professed adherence to the Evangelical Church ; 22, 540,485 to the Catholic Church, and 566,999 to the Jewish faith.'

Austria's population in 1910 was 28,571,984; Roman Catholics, 22,580,-000; Greek Catholics 3,417,000;

000; Greek Catholics 5,47,000; Orthodox Greeks, 666,000; Protest-ants, 588,000; Jews, 1,314,000. Hungary's population in 1910 was 29,886,487; Roman Catholics, 10,888,-338; Greek Catholics, 2,025,425; Orthodox Greeks, 2,986,874; Protest-outs, 2,061,696; Jews, 932,406. ants, 3,961,696 ; Jews, 932,406.

France's population in 1911 was 39,602,258; Roman Catholics, 38,50 000; Protestants, 650,000; Jews, 75, 000

000. England's (the United Kingdom— Ireland is not in the United King-dom) population in 1911 was 45,370, 530.; 40,000,000 are Protestants 5,000,000 Roman Catholics, and 250,

000 Jews. Russia's population in 1912 was 173,359,000; of these about 34,000,-000 are in Asia; Orthodox Greeks, 87,123,600; Dissenters, 2,204,600; Armenians, 1,218,080; Roman Catho-lies, 11,478,000; Lutherang, 2,57, lics, 11,478,000; Lutherans, 3,574, 650; other Protestants, 194,280; Jews, 5,228,700; Mohammedans, 13,-907.000.

Belgium's population in 1910 was 7,428,784; Roman Catholics, 6,712,-7415; Protestants, 27,900; Jews, 13,-

2,911,701, most of whom belong to the National Church, which is Ortho-dox Eastern, or Greek Catholic. The figures for Bulgaria, and Turkey do not seem to be available. any honest man have for a moral weakling, who sells his birthright under pressure of human respect. Who can estimate the influence which this act of sinful frailty will being," we are further informed, "are in their right adjustment the life of the individual runs smoothly : proportion as this adjustment in the Serbia's population in 1910 was

and is untenable and reminds them of the fact. He finds that in an almanack of the Anglican Society o Saints Peter and Paul, one of the feasts he is bidden to observe is that of "The English Martyrs" (May 4).

Jpon this discovery he makes the ollowing remark : "I do not think I can be wrong in assuming that those who suffered under Henry VIII., and Elizabeth for their belief in the Papal claims are here intended. We

of their homes ; or it can be had of

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It is obvious that the Anglicans

who recognise that the doctrine and ritual of the Church of England do

not satisfy the Anglican congrega

tions and that it is therefore advis-

able to imitate the Catholics canno

stand still. Anglicans who assent to this habit of imitation are bound to

ask themselves why they should not

nter the Catholic Church instead

of remaining in the Church of Eng-land. The Rev. A. F. Webling, a

Suffolk rector, who writes to the

Church Times sees very clearly that their position in the Church of Eng-

all hold that many of these were holy people who were brutally murdered. But surely the Society loes not ask us to commemorate them upon this ground, but for the reason for which we commemorate any martyr in the calendar, that he died for the Truth. If the principles for which these martyrs contended

are the Truth, then the Papal claims must be admitted." The argument youth is perfectly logical, and we can only hope that the Anglicans who admir our martyrs, our doctrine and our ritual will see that there is no escape from it.—Catholic Times.

## THE WEAK-KNEED CATHOLIC

The Monitor of Newark, N. J., says The Monitor of Newark, N. J., says: "There are Catholics and Catholics. There are some Catholics who go through life apologizing. They are almost afraid to let the world know that they are Catholics. And when the moment comes for them to pro-

ess their faith by an overt act, they veakly yield and hide their Catho "It is a day of abstinence; they are

thrown in with a promiscuous com-pany of friends at the dinner table of their host; meat is served; the dish is passed to them; all eyes are on hem; they serve themselves to meat

s the platter almost falls from their trembling hands. The whisper cir-cles round, as the 'Catholic' chokes down the meat: 'Is he not a Cath-olic?' And what but contempt can

Combined with this, is the feeling that the Catholic Church is directing its energies towards becoming the state church, evidence for which i claimed in the number of public

officials in our country who are members of the Catholic communion "Nothing could be more unfair or unwise. As to the Church dominat-ing the State, that day has passed and with it the danger. The possi bility of any church assuming the reins of government is as remote as the return of mediæval autocracy The unfairness of such agitation is clearly shown in the instance of The , which has been mentioned There is no organization in existence against which could not be brought

serious charges. Especially is this true of a large institution like the Roman Catholic Church. If all the weaknesses and hypocrisies of the Protestant church were to Protestant church were to be exposed, the exposure would not constitute good reading. If all the wrong things in an individual's life were to be heralded abroad, it would prove rather shameless stuff to

"The Catholic Church doubtless has weaknesses, but in my opinion, it is a source of great good to our country and a strong factor in help ing to establish the Kingdom of God on earth.

"This vicious agitation is not only unfair but unwise. We have come upon other conditions than those of the Middle Ages. The evils of that time are not the evils of our time Protest, then essential, is now a spent force. To-day is the time for cooperation. I heartily believe that the Protestant and Catholic com-

the Protestant and Caubic con-munions can cooperate for the building of the Kingdom of God. Personally, I can worship within the walls of the Catholic Church as truly as within our own. If she would accept my confession of faith, I could

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have their home. In other words men, no matter what their religion

may be, should only be judged in accordance with their individual fit

affairs.

"The necessity of education !" It is a phrase which has a singularly as a phrase which has a splitting familiar sound, reminiscent of the attitude of Catholics in this country in the matter of the training of the young. But now it is not known from Catholic sources that its litera tion comes. Others have learned that there must be a training of the whole man, that there must be trengthening of his spiritual as well as his physical and intellectual life And so we hear from many places at the present day this demand for a religious education of the nation's

The New Church Review, "A Quarterly Journal of the Christian Thought and Life Set Forth From the Scriptures by Emanuel Sweden-borg," as it describes itself, is an

other recruit to the ranks of those who are asking that our education give some thought to the spiritual. In its January issue there appears an article on "Religious Education in the Public Schools," which is a

nost interesting contribution on this abject, as much by reason of what it ncorrectly as well as that which it corectly says. It emphasizes the neces-ity of a "training of the heart" as " a training of head and

" To complete the trinity of activities it remains to find means for right training of the heart-for that kind of training which results

n character the individual is like a iece of machinery out of gear, and ociety made up of such individuals

uffers consequent disorders and dis-To all of which hearty assent can certainly be given. The spiritual aculty of man does decidedly need faculty of man does decidenty heed training and development. "When all of the faculties of the human being," we are further informed, " are in their right adjustment the