It is not of lofty or heroic deeds that the enduring pattern of character is woven, but rather of the seemingly small things of life; little unheralded acts of helpfulness, slight self-denials that bar against selfishness, conscientious attention to trifling details of duty, standing firm to the right in spite of banter and contempt—really the most difficult thing for young or old to withstand—adherence to scrupulous to withstand-adherence to scrupulous honesty in word and deed, even in what others consider of no import, sticking to principle, though one may be called "old-fashioned," unprogressive;" these are the golden strands which, woven into the fabric of daily living, make men invincible.—Success.

Bishop Spalding on Success. Bishop Spalding recently delivered an eloquent address in the Lyceum theatre, Scranton, Pa., before a large audience. His Lordship said :

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"If life is interesting, success is interesting, for it is, I suppose, the most universal aim of conscious being to succeed in whatever ends they propose to themselves. If we are seeking knowledge, we wish to succeed. The same may be said of power, or virtue, or faith, or wealth, or aught else that or faith, or wealth, or aught else that is presented to us that is desirable is question. Here it is easier for the

the natural resources of a world whose treasures had been hidden for countless ages. Here came the poor of all the earth, and, seeing that by industry and intelligence and energy it was possible to produce wealth the whole people threw itself upon this material basis of our existence, and consequently the predominant character of our life has been commercial. In fact, this age in which we have grown to power has been a commercial age. New inventions, facilities of transportation and of travel have made one part of the carthhelpful as it were to every other part. The nations have been brought into indicate contact with one another and have thus been embled to mutually exchange their proctacts.

"As regards the causes of business failure we have very definite information. Being above all a people engaged in commerce and manufacture and in all kinds of business, and then greatest streamousness, with indestigable industry we strive to know all about the conditions of business."

The Bishop here recited the various causes of failures we have strive to know all about the conditions of business, and then continued as follows:

"I will ask you to impress upon your mind the fact that our angeostact were mind the fact been chiefly a business life, our situa-tion inviting us to the development of the natural resources of a world whose treasures had been hidden for count-less ages. Here came the poor of all the earth, and, seeing that by industry and intelligence and energy it was possible to produce wealth the whole people threw itself upon this material basis of our existence, and consequents

ure is treacherous. It is apt to take us into downward paths. It is apt to take from us aspiration, yearning for noble things. It is apt, in one word, to lead us into the path of dalliance.

"The habit of yielding to those impulses of our animal nature weakens little by little the spring of action, takes from us the power of thinking, of resolute resolve, and as I look upon it, the most universal cause is this: that we prefer what is easy and pleasant to what is difficult.

"As we look at the race and this little ant-heap which it inhabits," said he, in conclusion, "we are forced to the conclusion that it were all failure, all emptiness, were it not for the love of God shining upon us through religious faith. We are but a little breed of microbes here below, fighting and wrestling and doing little things in a little space called history. Without that love of God, without that faith I speak of, all would be a mockery, and who would care whether he succeeded

Some Helpful Thoughts. It is far better to be trampled in the battle for right than to become a hero by compromising with the wrong.

for some time past, excepting when it was said openly in church, was in her hands, and following an instinct that came from this time of serious thought, she knelt down in the twilight and said ten decades with a fervor that showed the was truly touched. It was a day

Determination counts for more than anything else in character-building, as it does in other forms of effort. Every temptation to desist, to let things go, "to let well enough alone," unless resisted, will keep you from arriving at the goal first set. Hold to your purpose to have a perfect character, as a helmsman holds to his course along a recky coast. There is denoter in every rocky coast. There is danger in every deviation.

A man without a predominant pur-A man without a predominant pur-pose in life is much like a drifting ship on the ocean. Hence the necessity of early determining upon something de-finite to be done and then the direct-ing of all our energies to its accom-

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The Bishop here recited the various causes of failures in business, and then continued as follows:

"I will ask you to impress upon your mind the fact that our successes or our failures is largely due to ourselves. Consequently, that if we fail, wisdom would lead us to look within rather than without, to find fault with ourselves rather than without, to find fault with ourselves rather than with our environment or the circumstances in which we are placed. We are all guided by ideals whether we are fully conscious of the fact or not. The ideal of pleasure is traceherous. It is apt to take us into downward paths. It is apt to take from us aspiration, yearning for noble things. It is apt, in one word, to lead us into the path of dalliance.

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Our sacred Duty.

For the laity no less than for the clergy, it is an imperative, a sacred duty to show—and show so plainly that no man, in or out of the Church, can misread the showing—that as truly as the Church lives to point the way to Heaven, so truly she lives likewise that truth and justice, honor and patriotism, good faith and fair dealing may

also live among men .- Hon. Charles J. not only during the last fortnight, but THE EMPEROR AND THE LITTLE

WILLIAM II. OF GERMANY IN CONTRAST WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

The Emperor of Germany recently battle for right than to become a hero by compromising with the wrong.

Duty has the virtue of making us feel the reality of a positive world, while at the same time detaching us from it.

We never fail to express our appreciation for the smallest gift and courtesies shown us by our associates. Yet how many fail to make the first morning offering to God for the gift of another day of life—the gift they prize the most.

Determination counts for more than anything else in character-building, as it does in other forms of effort. Every temptation to desist, to let things go, "to let well enough alone," unless resisted, will keep you from arriving at the goal first set. Hold to your purpose to have a perfect character, as a helmsman holds to his course along a received the petition of two Little Sisters of the Poor on board the Hohen. Sister Juliana, consider at well-well and save the well-well and save the staircase of the Emperor's fident of the greatness of the Emperor's kind heart, would not refuse her petition approached the Hohen. Sisters of the Poor on board the Hohen. Sisters of the Poor on board the Hohen. Sisters of the Poor on board the Hohen. Sister Juliana, consider of the greatness of the Emperor's kind heart, would not refuse her petition approached the Hohen. As some one has the lings ago of repetition," and Lucy. The language of repetition, and Lucy. The language of the Hohen. Sisters of the Poor on board the Hohen. Sisters of the Poor on board the Hohen. Sisters wind the ndecades with a fervor the sale deserves.

Then, when her beads were over, there came back to Lucy's mind the new resolve to be more sincerely and truly an imitator of the hidden life of Mary, and she asked her in all humility to help her to fight her battle and win her crown. She was startled by the voice of Phil calling to her, and she rose and went to the schoolroom. Rome was not built in a day and faults long left unattacked are not conquered in a moment. That day in May started Lucy on the good showing her devotion to Our Lady in a new and hitherto untried manner, and many were the observable.

SOCIALISM AND THE IRISH.

In the August Messenger the Rev. J. Campbell, S. J., writing on Socialism," pays the following tribute the Irish, when mentioning the in-mence of religion on Catholic Bel-

"A better example of this influence is found in the effect which Catholicity has had not merely on a country but on an entire race. Centuries of misrule would naturally have hurled the entire Irish people into the hands of the Socialists, but the Irish reverence for parental, civil, and ecclosiastical authority ingrained in them by the Catholic training and tradition of long centuries has, to the amazement of the revolutionists, kept them as a body solid as a wall of brass on the side of order. There is no more faithful father A better example of this influence So the days passed on, with long letters coming at various times from the travellers, containing but indifferent news of Mrs. Charnley. She seemed to make little progress until she had been a couple of months at sea, and then the accounts were better.

Lucy, who dotested her pen, and writing letters of all things, made herself write long cheery letters full of all the home news, and Mr. Charnley reported her as doing very nicely at home order. There is no more faithful father of a family and no more self-sacrificing his native or his adopted untry than an Irishman. There are me, unfortunately, on the wrong side but an Irish anarchist or out-and-out socialist is a recreant to his race and eligion."

> DR. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

came back from school and college, the house was very much alive with them, and Lucy and Tom seemed to have more to say to each other than usual. They were more like in character than the rest, both being high-spirited with a good deal of fun in them, both being lond of excitement. M. S. L. tells the following anecdote

M. S. L. tells the following anecdote of Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, in the Catholic Review of Reviews:

During a visit to the late lamented trebbishop Corrigan, his Grace related he following conversation which was epeated to him by the late Dr. Metall of Easten: alf of Boston:
Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, on the

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, on the occasion of a call upon his friend Dr. Metcalf, was interrupted by the entrance of a young man, who had some words with Metcalf and hurriedly redistributed by the condition of tired. His words, which were dis-tinetly audible and related to some message from a priest, arrested Dr. Holmes' attention, and when they were alone he said in a startled manner: "Metcalf, you are not a Catholic?"
"Oh, yes," replied Dr. Metcalf, "and have been in the Church for the past

br. Holmes, astonished, looked at his Dr. Holmes, astonished, tooked at his friend during a long pause, and then leaning forward placed his hand upon his knee, saying: "And you are right, Metcalf, you are on an old ship that will land you safely on the other side. The old hulk is covered with barnacles, but 'twill take you safe into port—I'm on the high seas.". Pilot.

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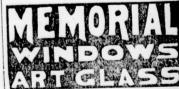
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