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A TIMELY PAMPHLET.

In a very timely pamphlet, "Social Reform by Legislation," Rev. Dr. Ryan advocates the creation of State and national boards empowered to endeavor to settle industrial disputes even before they are invited to do so by either of that many of us, who have no objection the disputants. A second step would to the giving of public monies for monuembody provisions for conciliation, and ments, etc., in order to make a city also for the compulsory investigation of beautiful, are against any expenditure the causes of the dispute, together with that would make life beautiful. the publication of the findings and decision of the board. This is the principle of the Industrial Disputes Act of the Dominion. If neither of these decisions proved sufficient the law could go further and establish, not only compulsory investigation and decision, but compulsory acceptance of the decision as obtains in Australia and New Zealand. Dr. Rvan admits the formidable objections to this proposal, but the experience of these two countries seems to show that they are not insurmountable.

THE UNEMPLOYED.

In regard to the unemployed he says that the first and simplest legal relief measure would be a system of State employment bureaus such as that existing in Germany. There should be a system of State insurance against unemployment and State subsidies for approved private agencies which provide the same kind of insurance.

THE SICK AND THE OLD.

Referring to accidents he is of the opinion that the employer should be sation for all injuries received by his if she were the thing blind zealotry

ing with sickness and old age with an "A representative Methodist preacher insurance fund created by contributions from the employed, the employee and ism had lost its hold on the lower classes, public treasury.

HOMES FOR THE WORKERS.

The problem of housing the working people grows steadily more perplexing and more dangerous. Rents are increasing, but the unsanitary state of many tenements remains. Congestion is but too visible. We should, like the advocates of fresh air, of hygiene, of manly

which can be sold in the market. "Since," says Dr. Ryan, "private this problem of housing, the cities must undertake the work in the interest of ity. They should not only condemn and prevent unsanitary housing and congestion, but erect decent houses and This reminds us that at the Congress of strongest and most influential associa-Liege, in 1890, Bishop Korum, of tions. Treves, said, in opposing the views of the let-alone-school, that the State must intervene in behalf of the workingman. And our readers are aware that Leo XIII. sanctioned the Bishop's view in his memorable Encyclical on "The Condition of Labor."

THE PROBLEM OF CONGESTION. This problem of congestion of unsanitary houses must, in the opinion of the thoughtful, be solved in some manner. It will not do to blind ourselves to it and thereby give the socialist an opportunity to say that we are poor in achievement. It boots little to talk of our Christianity as solvent of every peril if we do not make our Christianity a factor in lessening the misery of the community. It cannot soothe our conscience to build fine temples of stone to Christ if its best expression not in prayer but in temporal aid. This problem calls insistently for our attention. Some alder-

Christianity. Aldermen object to it on any other work or charity. the ground of expenditure. Taxes may be increased to the dissatisfaction of some citizens. But it is passing strange

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when an editor publishes, without comment, the assertion that "one of the chief reasons why the educated classes were falling away from the Church was that the Church was unable to rise above the mediaeval doctrines and superstimay please the very ignorant, but is woeful nonsense to anyone who reads. "It is not among the ignorant and vulgar," says a Protestant authority, "but among the intellectual and imaginative: not by appeals to the senses in worship, but by consistency and subtlety of thought, that in our days converts will be made to the ancient Church." And does the men, whose names are known to him, would make her. In the Reformed Germany solves the problem of deal- Quarterly, July 1896, Dr. Briggs says: remarked, in my hearing, that Methodthe State. England has a system of old- and was rapidly losing its hold in the age pensions entirely drawn from the middle classes, and it never had any hold in the upper classes."

A GREAT SOCIETY.

The organization of the Knights of Columbus in Canada are emulating the example of their brethren across the border. Not merely a society of Catholics, but a society Catholic in tone and aim and purpose, it is in the forefront of every movement for the common weal. vigor, see for themselves how the deni. They believe, with Dr. Brownson, that zens of the slums are obliged to live and the layman, under responsibility, may to note the anxiety the philanthropic take the initiative and not await it from landlord has for the public health; and authority. He may open such questions the overcrowding, the constant contact as he deems important and the business with dirt and lethal odors; the ceaseless of authority is not to close his mouth effort to keep the wolf from the door, but to set him right when and where he the communication with the base and goes wrong. And they are mindful of corrupt-all this must exercise a delet- Pope Leo XIII.'s counsel, to work for erious influence upon moral health. truth and virtue wherever they are Years ago Cardinal Manning said that allowed to work, and with men, who, the domestic life of a people is vital though not themselves Catholics, are above all: the peace, purity and duties led by their good sense and their naturof home are sacred far beyond anything al instincts of righteousness to do what in the life of our Divine Saviour, there s right and to oppose what is evil. The members, we hold no brief for agencies will certainly fail to cope with them, are true to their ideals. United in their devotion to the interests of the Church, conscious of their self-protection and elementary human- opportunities and responsibilities, proud of their organization and willing to make personal aggrandizement subservient to its success, they are earning the tenements for the poorest classes." right to be regarded as one of our

NOT PESSIMISTIC.

No, dear correspondent, we are not pessimistic even if we do not take too seriously some of our speeches on progress. When the atmosphere is agitated and hazy with the perfumes incidental to social gatherings one does be times see things that are not visible on the morning after. When, for instance, we are exhorted to marvel at our interest in education we don't as a rule. We dare not utter a disclaimer when an individual is astride an oratorical Pegasus that has the record trimmed a mile, because ejectment or sudden death might be visited upon our obscure person. But it may be that our optic nerve is not in working order. We cannot discern any great enthusiasm on our part for the Catholic college. If wind had a market value our instituwe ignore Christ's least brethren. We tions would be heavily endowed and should, indeed, pray for them, but there have a money deposit. A very easy are times when Christian charity finds thing, indeed, to exude rhetoric, but phrases can neither pay bills nor equip laboratories, nor provide specialists. A deterrent to undue talking is the power meu, we learn from the daily prints, to see that, while the section over us, and the beauty of creation. He gave speech grave the body of her only child, the last of the beauty of creation. He gave speech grave the body of her only child, the last of the dumb and hearing to the deaf. solace of her declining years. Jesus, as blind that they may rejoice in beholding widow's son! She is following to the protection over us, and the beauty of creation. He gave speech grave the body of her only child, the last of the dumb and hearing to the deaf. solace of her declining years. Jesus, as to see that, while the secular college is

the stage and declaim pretty nothings about it, to the edification of scribes waste time on words. Why talk of our who are in need of copy. But public opinion can do much toward removing problems if we do not train men to use the declaration of the widow and gave His blessings to children. Above all, He displayed His power which in the beginning infused a this disgraceful condition of affairs that the key. To our mind the college is an is a menace to the well-being of the ever pressing necessity, with claims to community as well as a reproach to our our encouragement and support above

As an aid to the equanimity of the eratic ideas. He but wished to sup-Christian Guardian we beg to remind press the religious in so far as they the editor that John Wesley says "that opposed the spread of democratic screed devoid of both we are dis- of the bigot. But the gentleman was but a special pleader who concealed the opinion of Italy. But we are perturbed of the enemies of the Church. The latest move of these upholders of democracy is to have anti-Christian textbooks, denounced by the French Bishops, and mitigating physical suffering? retained in the Public schools. The assertion that loyalty to the Republic demands acceptance of atheistic principles the mediaeval doctrines and supersti-tions to which it was bound." This the Archbishop of Paris scores in the following fashion: "It is not the intention of the French Episcopate to wage war against the Public schools. It is wrongth His createst miracles in their war against the Public schools. It is merely desired to call attention to the fact that in many of the schools it is an made to them: 'Blessed are the poor in open secret that a war against religion is being carried on. To pretend that one cannot denounce an irreligious to preach the gospel of the poor. He school without appearing to attack the hath sent Me to heal the contrite heart.' editor think that the many distinguished Republic amounts to a declaration that there exists a system that necessarily is compelled to give reasonable compen- would have joined the Catholic Church identified with impiety or atheism. The Church admits that it had demanded that the Republic apply to the Public schools one of its boasted principles, namely, respect for the liberty of con-

THE CHRISTIAN'S MISSION.

EMINENCE CARDINAL GIBBONS.— CHRIST'S COMPASSION FOR HUMAN

SUFFERING. On a recent Sunday His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons confirmed a class of one hundred and thirty at Corpus Christi Church, celebrated High Mass and Church, celebrated High Mass and preached twice. His sermon at Mass was taken from the text of the day. "When the disciples asked Christ if He were the true Messiah," said His Eminence, "what answer did He give? Did ence, "what answer did He give? Did He say to them: Know that I am the Son of God because I revel in splendor of imperial majesty; because I dwell in palatial mansions; I am surrounded by a retinue of courtiers? He said none of these things. But this is the text of the proof that He gave of this divine mission: 'Go, He says, and relate to John what ye see and hear. The blind see, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead rise again, the poor have the goosel preached to them. the deat near, the dead rise again, the poor have the gospel preached to them. And biessed is he that shall not be scandalized in Me. Blessed is he who shall recognize My divinity through the frail wall of My humanity.'

"Look at the majestic steamer as she
"Of all the virtues that shine forth lies in the port at New York. uous as His compassion for human suffering. This was his characteristic virtue; this was the salient point in his character, if we may apply the term to One Who was perfect in every virtue. On every leaf of the gospel that golden word ' mercy ' shines forth, brightening every page, cheering every heart. Never do we find our blessed Redeemen heart. exercising the rigors of his justice, but every day we behold Him doing works of elemency. Seldom do we contemplate Him uttering words of reproof, but at every step we see Him drying up

"Truly, then, can we exclaim with the royal prophet, 'The mercies of the Lord I will sing forever.' And with St. Paul we may cry out, 'Blessed be God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, Who comforteth us in all

our tribulations. "Observe the miracles of Jesus Christ. They are far more remarkable for their utility and beneficence that for their display and terror-inspiring effect.
There is as much difference between the miracles of the prophets and those of our Lord as there is between the lightning and thunders of Sinai and the lambent tongues of Pentecost. The one foreshadowed the law of fear and servitude, the other foreshadowed the law of

love and clemency.

CAME TO LESSEN SUFFERING. "He never imitates Josue by commanding the sun to stand in the heavens. He does not, as did Elias, call down lightdoes not, as did Elias, can down ingle-ning from heaven to consume an offend-ing people, though He was entreated to do so by His disciples, to whom He said: 'Ye know not of wine spirit ye are. The Son of Man came not to destroy souls, but to save. No, but the miracles of Jesus were wrought to lessen the sufferings and lighten the burdens of men. He manifested this power by going about doing good. He gave sight to the

merciful power by receiving with open arms the repenting sinner, by relieving her soul of the burden of her sins and

ner soul of the burden of her sins and saying to her: 'Be of good cheer. Go in peace. Thy sins are forgiven.'

"There are three kinds of persons whom the compassion of Christ was specially directed—those who were the When M. Combes was France's premier, a gentleman, heralded as scholarly and qualified to speak of the policy of the French Government, visited Toronto, and, during the course of an address in that city tried to evoke sympathy for M. Combes and his followers. Combes was but an exponent of democratic ideas. He but wished to suppress the religious in so far as they among thieves. They rob this garments money, they strip him of his garments and leave him on the roadside covered with wounds. His countrymen pass by, with wounds. His countrymen pass by, of the world which estimates a man's of the world which estimates a man's man's mealth and his degradaan ounce of love is worth a pound of ideas. His address was bland-like but pay no heed to the bleeding man knowledge." And when we have a and designed to provoke the animosity A Samaritan who is of a different country and religion also comes along: he lifts up the wounded man, pours medi-cine into his wounds and binds them, We are not troubled at Dr. Bartoli's facts and forgot the frenetic blasphemies places him on a beast of burden, provides for him in an inn and restores him to his family. Is not this an epitome of the life of Jesus, Whose whole public career was spent in healing diseases

HIS APOSTLES FROM HUMBLE WALKS. "He chose his twelve apostles fro the humblest walks of life, men without spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. The spirit of the Lord is upon me. Wherefore He hath anointed Me

body are sustained by one another. As an injury to one organ involves a shock to the entire human system, so shou'd

pressed.

"The eye,' says St. Paul, 'cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you." And likewise in the social body the strongest member has no need of the weakest.

CALLS FRIENDS BETTER THAN WEALTH. "I care not how rich or powerful you are. You might possess the wealth of a multimillionaire, but what would it profit you if you had no servant to minister to you, no companion to cherish you, no friend to grasp your hand? You would be poor and miserable and blind and

naked.
"What would it benefit a man to own all the coal mines in West Virgina or Pennsylvania if there were no hardy sons of toil to work those mines, to ex

stir an inch. As soon, however, as the officers, engineers and firemen are at their post she becomes instinct with life, she gracefully glides down the harbor and rushes like a huge monster of the deep through the ocean, defying winds and storms, bearing her precious freight across the Atlantic. What would it profit you to be the owner of Manhattan Island if you were cut off from all relations and associations with its inhabi-

PERSONAL MISSION ON EARTH. "I care not on the other hand, how limited may be your resources, or how circumscribed your influence, you have a personal mission from God in the Christian Commonwealth, and you can exert some good in your day and genera-tion. Society is like the planetary system which is composed of greater and lesser bodies held together by rec cal forces. The moon is the smallest body in our system, and yet what control she sways in the flow and ebb of the ocean tides. How much we would miss her monthly visits when she sheds over the earth her pale and silvery light.

"Thus we find Him healing the paralyzed man that he might use his arm to support life, cleansing the leper, that he might take his place again in society and feeding the multitude, to enable them to return to their respective nomes. My purpose to day dear brethren is not to commend to you indiscrimi nate charity. But my aim is to set be fore you a special class of persons in this city, that you may help to improve their conditions, to redress their grievances and enable them to earn by their indus-try an honest livelihood."

TERMS CHRIST'S SYMPATHY BROAD. Not less marked was the benevolence of Christ toward those who suffered from ental anguish. What a noble example of His mercy to this class of afflicted is furnished by the raising to life of the

power which in the beginning infused a living soul into Adam calls back the spirit into the lifeless body of the young man and restores him to his mother.
"We have only three instances re-

corded in the Gospel of persons being restored to life by our Saviour—Lazarus, the daughter of Jarus and the son of the

dignity by his wealth and his degradation by his poverty. He chose to be born of humble parentage in a wretched stable in an obscure village. Nearly his whole life was spent in a town that was looked upon with contempt. The saying was, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' He led a life of poverty, not from necessity, but from choice. He could say of Himself what could hardly be affirmed of a beggar: "The foxes have holes, the birds of the air nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head."

PROTESTANT WORK IN FRANCE.

The McCall Mission (Protestant) in

France was called into being (we are told by a non-Catholic contemporary) by the remark of a communist to the Rev. Robert W. McCall: "We are done, we workingmen of Paris, with an imposed religion; we are ready to hear imposed religion; we are ready to hear to the state of the s operated the gospel of the poor. He hath sent Me to healthe contrite heart.'

"I have set before you these features of the life of Christ not merely for your admiration but still more for your editeation and example. He is the ideal we are to follow.

"The closer we resemble this Divine Model the nearer we shall approach Christian perfection.

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Christian perfection.

"We are social beings. We were created to live in society. No man is sufficient unto himself. We are all workingmen who have shown themselves workingmen who have shown themselves." mutually and reciprocally dependent on one another, just as the organs of our by going over to Protestantism by going over to Protestantism.
All it gives is the number of meetings it holds during the year, etc. That the Mission has no roots in French life may be seen from the fact that onethe community at large feel a practical sympathy for their fellow-beings in any grievance by which they may be opgrievance by which they may be opposed in the support goes from Protestants in the United States who, ignorant of the control of the support goes from Protestants in the United States who, ignorant of the control of the support goes are led to believe that ditions in France, are led to believe that the French people are simply clamoring for Protestant Bibles. The McCall Mission and other such proselytizing attempts will never make any notable success in Protestantizing France. The who leaves the Catholic Church is almost invariably one who says in his heart there is no God. The best thing the good American Protestant can do, who is solicitous for the spiritual welfare of the French people, is not to hand over his money to the McCall Mission centers of population?

"Look at the majestic steamer as she lies in the port at New York.
"Her experienced captain is pacing the quarterdeck, but by his own power he cannot move the vessel; she will not stir an inch. As soon, however, as the officers are recommended by the description of the rest of the McCall Mission or any other Protestant agency, but to send it to the Catholic Bishops of France. It is they and they only who can do anything permanent in a religious way for the French people. Protestant inter-meddlers, applauding and abetting the action of the result of the medial Mission or any other Protestant agency, but to send it to the Catholic Bishops of France. It is they and they only who can do anything permanent in a religious way for the French people. Protestant of the catholic Bishops of France. It is they and they only who can do anything permanent in a religious way for the French people.

its priests, are simply increasing the number of enemies of all religion.— Sacred Heart Review. THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

whom they can influence to look with hostility upon the Catholic Church and

Many, even among Catholics, labor under a grave misapprehension about the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception of the blessed Virgin Mary. The meaning of this dogma is that from the very first instant of her existence the Blessed Virgin was preserved free from riginal sin.

Our holy religion teaches that every numan being is conceived in sin; that s. that, on account of the sin of our first parents, we all share in their guilt, and, consequently, every child born into this world is tainted with original s n. St. John the Baptist was sanctified

in the womb of his mother, St. Elizabeth on the occasion of the visitation of the Blessed Virgin. But Mary was oure and undefiled when she was coneived, and not for a single instant was she subject to satan by original sin. This, indeed, was just and meed; for

mother of Him. Who was to conquer sin and the powers of hell; of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, Who was to come into the world, to overthrow the power of the evil one. This singular prerogative of the Bles

sed Virgin Mary is called her Immaculate Conception. It has been the constant belief of the Church from its very in-

fancy, and was proclaimed a dogma of faith by Pope Pius IX.

When, on December 8, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception we should bear in mind the great intercessory power of the Blessed Virgin, and implore her to extend her maternal blind that they may rejoice in beholding the beauty of creation. He gave speech grave the body of her only child, the all our spiritual and temporal wants.—

1625

Shawn Rhui O'Connor.

From the glens an' airy peaks

Shawn Rhui O'Connor Draws the raw delights o' life. Snare an' gun' an' huntin'-knife Are his all, for ne'er a wife Wears his name upon her. Just his native hills alone An' his wild sweet will can own

Shawn Rhui O'Connor

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Knowing well the donor:
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May the peace o' God's free air Keep you ever in its care, Shawn Rhui O'Connor!

CATHOLIC NOTES.

Owing to the Irish National University taking over their buildings, the Jesuit Fathers are about to vacate University College, Stephen's Green, Dublin. They have already acquired a building on Lower Leeson street and a residence for students in Leeson Park.

The Right Rev. Dr. Cerebotani, the white-haired Italian Bishop and cham-berlain of the Pope, has invented a telegraphic typewriter which probably will be accepted by M. Millerand, French Minister of Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones, and installed through-

Mrs. Bellamy Storer has given to the Catholic University \$10,000 as a contribution to the endowment fund. Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia has contributed \$100 to the university toward completing the collection of publications of foreign learned societies for the university. The Rev. Stephen J. Theobald, a

young colored scholastic of the Josephite Order, will be raised to the priesthood at the close of the current seminnood at the close of the current semin-ary year, and will take his place among the clergy in the diocese of St. Paul, Minn. He will make the fifth priest of the negro race in the United States. The friends of Father Conrardy in

The friends of Father Confardy in this country will regret to learn that the zealous missionary who had recently gone back to his work among the lepers of the Canton province of China, is dangerously ill in a Canton hospital. The Bishop of Canton has sent another prices to take temporary charge of priest to take temporary charge of Father Conrardy's leper colony.

John Franklin Hardeman has just most they do or can hope to do will be to disturb the Catholic faith and piety of those who fall under their influence, and thereby swell the number of atheists in that country. And the same is true of that country. And the same is true of the country of the late Governor Peter Hardeman Burnet, the first executive of thoreby swell the number of atheists in that country. And the same is true of Protestant mission work in every Catholic country in the world. The man who leaves the Catholic Church is almost a country in the country in the world. The man who leaves the Catholic Church is almost a country in the country in the world. The man who leaves the Catholic Church is almost a country in the country in t

The Pope recently gave a proof of his friendliness to the press in a striking manner. A party of journalists from newspapers which support the Church were received by his Holiness at the Vatican and made the novel request that he should bestown is blessing on their pens. His Holiness readily complied using the same formula in blessing the newspapermen's fountain pens as he uses in blessing the swords of his guards.

In Cleveland, O., Nov. 7, a fire at St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum was put out by twelve of the Sisters in charge who organized a bucket brigade. The building houses four hundred little ones. Sisters quelled an incipient panic among their little charges, with the help of the older boys. Those who attempted to rush out were ordered back, and when help arrived from outside the children, part of them still unconscious of the peril, were at their books, and the nuns. almost dropping from fatigue, held the fire under control.

Right Rev. Daniel Francis Feehan. D. D., Bishop of the Fall River, Mass., diocese, has received two beautiful decorations from Manuel II., King of Portugal, who recently conferred upon him the eminent distinction of the commandership of the Royal Military Order of Our Lady of the Conception of Villa Vicosa and elevated him to the dignity of the Grand Cross in that order. This honor to Bishop Feehan from King Manuel, it is believed, has been be-stowed on no other American, is a signal mark of the royal esteem for Bishop Feehan, in return for his consideration of the Portuguese clergy and laity of the Fall River diocese.

On the feast of All Saints, in St. Joseph's Infirmary, Louiseville, Ky., conducted by the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, Sister Mary Anita, one of the most loved and experienced of the mem-bers of the community, while conveying an invalid's chair, fell down a flight of stairs, sustaining a fracture of the skull, resulting in her death three hours afterwards. Sister Mary Anita was a convert. In the world she was Miss Margaret Petet, a member of one of the oldest and most respected Presbyterian families of Owensboro, Ky. Twelve of her sixteen years in religion had been devoted to nursing the sick at St. Joseph's Infirm-ary and her earlier years as a Sister of Charity were given to the orphans of St. Vincent's orphanage.