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THE INFANT IN PRAYER.

"The smile of childhood on the cheek of age." A child heside a mother kneels, With lips of holy love,
And fain would lisp the vow it feels,
To Him enthron'd above.

That cherub gaze, that stainless brow. So exquisitely fair!
Who would not be an infant now,

To breathe an infant's prayer? No crime bath shaded its young heart, The eye scarce knows a tear; "Tis bright enough from earth to part, And grace another sphere!

And I was once a happy thing, Like that which now I see, No May-bird, on ecstatic wing,

More beautifully free. The cloud that bask'd in noontide glow, The flower that danced and show All hues and sounds, above, below, Were joys to feast upon!

Let wisdom smile; I oft forget To bie where infant hearts are met, To look into the laughing eyes,

While o'er each cheek a thousand dyes, Of mirth and meaning play. O Manhood! could thy spirit kneel

Beside that sunny child,
As fondly pray, and purely feel
With soul as undefiled;

That moment would encircle thee With light and love divine; Thy gaze might dwell on Deity,

And heaven itself be thine.

REV. R. MONTGOMERY.

THE LENTEN SERVICE. A TRUE SKETCH. (From the Evergreen.)

of those who call themselves Christians, (as has been the warmth and earnestness of her ardent character, of every persecutor's sword; and upon the sting of well observed by one of the ablest defenders of the she had come into the very place where he was a every calumniator's, and accuser's tongue. In the Reformed Catholic Church in this country,) in the beloved and useful minister, and accidentally became mournful fact, that heresy and schism have entered located in the midst of the people of his charge. A the "consecrated host of God's elect," rending it few words of intercourse sufficed to make her acquaintasunder, dividing the "body of Christ, which is His ed with the name of their spiritual guide, and a few Church, and arraying the professed followers of the more, to awaken in the ignorant and uneducated same Lord against each other in hostile bands." The among them suspicions of his soundness and integrity authority of the Church is disregarded—her ancient as a minister of Christ, whom they had hitherto loved landmarks removed—her most important institutions and trusted as their safest example and surest guide. Sad indeed as it is, it is no less sad than true, that an institution as an Apostle has told us, an unbridled tongue have no singured distinction. The second death well invest me not with the second death well as the second deat derided by those who should be "one in Christ Jesus." "Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth!" institution so primitive in its origin, so valued and improved by the best men who have ever lived, and so excellent in the second death proceeds to that execution. And whereas the iniquity." How often, to employ the sentiments of a second death proceeds to that execution. And whereas the iniquity. How often, to employ the sentiments of a second death proceeds to that execution. And whereas the iniquity. How often, to employ the sentiments of a second death proceeds to that execution. excellent in its design and all its tendencies, should the same Apostle, does the same tongue, at one the same Apostle, does the same tongue, at one the same Apostle, does the same tongue, at one the same Apostle, does the same tongue, at one the same Apostle, does the same tongue, at one the same Apostle, does the same tongue, at one the s

improved, to "mortify all our evil and corrupt affections," and enable us daily to advance in "all virtue and godliness of living," was vividly recalled to mind by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the present return of this Holy season, and certain by the door, by the way of sickness whatever journey, and explore field to mind the present and opinion, and you will find perhaps to you will; for there will be no one to exist that under different circumstances, their characters and opinions appear so different, that one uninitiated support the body, is, but to come in at the window by while I linger on the scene, endure to abide with me, whatever journey, and explore field to mind field to mind field to come in by the door, by the way of sickness dided: to come in by the door, by the way of sickness dided: to come in by the door, by the way of sickness dided: to come in by the door, by the way of sickness dided: to come in by the door, by the way of sickness of the beautiful presented. The presence of the present return of this Holy season, and certain field to mind field to mind the mind represent the present return of the standard present return of the standard present the presence of recollections of events connected with the "Lenten a parochial visit to a humble but most attached mem-Fast," which it was the happiness of the present ber of his flock, he became acquainted with the unfoundsketch of these circumstances, as they really occured, which involved not only his own personal feelings, but shall contribute in any degree to produce a conviction what was far dearer to him, the interests of that present subministration of supply to the enemy, (for of the value of the "Lenten Fast," faithfully observed, Holy Apostolic Church, at whose altar he was permitand gentleness which was in Christ, the object of this imperfect notice will be answered.

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the Church, they had sought to "turn unto the Lord est his heart, and pitying the mistakes and delusions adheres: when sin and Satan have weakened body me, that you have a thousand friends who love you; with all their hearts, and with fasting, and weeping, which had occasioned these injurious reports, he rewith an their hearts, and with lasting, and with lasting, and which of them would foil, that you might live free and mourning"—"worthily lamenting their sins and acknowledging their wretchedness, that they may obacknowledging their wretchedness." tain of Him who is the God of all mercy, perfect retain of Him who is the God of an inercy, perice to mission and forgiveness through Jesus Christ, their Lord." The daily service of the Church, in companionate spirit was to recompense evil with good. Like his Divine was to recompense evil with good. Like his Divine was to recompense evil with good. pliance with her evident design, was devoutly observed Master and unerring Guide, it was not only his duty that which we call honour; but in the enemy that under the impulse of excited maternal tenderness, for by their excellent pastor, and on the recurrence of the but his delight to render "not evil for evil, or railing, reserves himself unto the last; and attends our weak a moment forgot the remaining part of the sentence: by their excellent pastor, and on the reculrence of the Ember Days and other Holy seasons, earnest supplications were unitedly offered up, "that those who called." With the intelligence respecting himself, he called." With the intelligence respecting himself, he called." cations were unitedly offered up, "that those who should be ordained to any holy function, should receive grace and Heavenly benediction, so that by their lives and doctrine they might show forth the glory of the markful remembrance of all those who had departed in the faith and hope of the Gospel, thanksgiving was offered for their good average for the property apply for employment, and with a native offered for their good average for the discussion of the subject is a deep conviction, in the discussion of the subject is a deep conviction, in the midst of the markful remembrance of all those who had departed in the faith and hope of the Gospel, thanksgiving was offered for their good average for their devoted attention to the spiritual instruction of their children, was Nonna, who had the satisfaction of witnessing her solicitude crowned with the happiest effects. She resided at Arianzum, a village in the second Cappadocia, near Nazianzum, of the subject is a devoted attention to the spiritual instruction of their children, was Nonna, who had the satisfaction of witnessing her solicitude crowned with the happiest effects. She resided at Arianzum, a village in the second Cappadocia, near Nazianzum, of the subject is a devoted attention to the spiritual instruction of their children, was Nonna, who had the satisfaction of witnessing from the discussion of the menely upon the hearts a deep conviction, impressed not merely upon the hearts a devoted attention to the spiritual instruction of their children, was Nonna, who had the satisfaction of witnessing from the discussion of the cause of Christ.

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The winter of 1040 was under the suffering of the poor, in the all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus brought my remediless body and my disconsolate soul there, thy departure. Unruffled by the passions' storm, The winter of 1843 was unusually severe; and few are ignorant of the sufferings of the poor, in the large towns on the sea-coast, especially from the difficulty of procuring fuel. Many affecting instances of this kind had already met the view of the writer, as the almoner of the excellent Rector just mentioned, an office with which he often honoured her, when, one morning, she received a call from him at an earlier hour than usual, which he soon explained by saying, few are ignorant of the sufferings of the poor, in the sufferings of the suffering thus brought to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus brought to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus brought to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus brought to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus brought to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus brought to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus brought to his notice; and, full of the most benevolent plans all in his power to alleviate the suffering thus did not here to did the to die, the suffering thus did not here to did not he preact an apparent magnitude.

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Learns that bless freedom, which he only knows,
It is one of the most beautiful features of the system prescribed by our primitive and Holy Catholic
Church, for the spiritual benefit of her children, that her revolving months bring in succession before the attentive worshipper each important event in their
attentive worshipper each important event in their
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But this good mother had needed not the praise of men. Let us rather turn to and heavenly wisdom. But this good mother had needed not the praise of men. 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Conduct like this naturally shocked all strumentality of His Church, her services and sacrachasten their hearts, by prayer and fasting," and the religious feelings of the subject of our little narrathus to prepare themselves to follow in His steps, who tive, and with a warmth and injudicious zeal, but too the faithful observance of each holy season as it returns; was "made perfect through suffering!" The benefits common in new converts, she hastily condemned ALL the regular system of Fasts and Festivals, especially of such an appointment are too obvious, one would Episcopalians as alike destitute of the essential characthink, to the most careless and indifferent observer, to teristics of true Christians. Of my clerical friend, be overlooked or forgotten. The proneness of all of who had now applied to me in her behalf, she knew as to neglect duties for which their is no fixed time, is but little. They had both early left their native vilwell known. It becomes then of vital importance, lage, he to prepare for future usefulness at school and that the Church should set apart certain seasons in at college, and she to engage in some employment by which we may more particularly examine ourselves, to which to gain a support. Their visits to their distant ascertain our besetting sins, exercise true repentance home were "few and far between;" and not often for the past, and by a rigorous course of self-denial, occurring at the same time, they had not met for many Prepare ourselves in future, "to live soberly, righte-ously, and godly in the world."

occurring at the same time, they had not meet the same time, they had not mee different, so that she knew little of him, but as the If such indeed be the beneficial results of the minister of a Church which she had been led to regard didst."† Whence then came death? The same wise Lenten Fast," why, we are led to ask, is it so little as wholly destitute of spiritual life. She knew also man hath showed us the father: through envy of the regarded by those around us? Is it less necessary that the progress of religion in his heart had been devil, came death into the world; and a wiser than he, for us, than the early Christians, those holy men, who unaccompanied by those strong emotions of alarm, never forgot that they were "strangers and pilgrims on terror, distress, joy, and ecstacy, which had marked the earth," living always as those who have here "no her own progress from sin to holiness, and that of her But yet it God have naturalized death, taken death into continuing city?" Have we greater deadness to the friends and favorities. She was therefore wont to the number of his servants, and made death his comworld; are we more prone to follow on with unfalter- speak of him as one still in the "bonds of iniquity"— missioner to punish sin, and he do but that, how is ing step "the straight and narrow road" to Heaven "as a blind leader of the blind,"—who, ignorant of death an enemy? First he was an enemy in invading the true Gospel himself, was guiding to destruction Christ, who was not in his commission, because he

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the was during a period of great visions. These, there was reason to hope, had impressions. These, there was reason to hope, had not passed away, like too many others, but had ripened not passed away, like too many others, but had stood the into a firm and consistent piety, that had stood the into a firm and consistent piety, that had stood the into a firm and consistent piety, that had stood the influences of the solitude—have been imbedded in the generating grace. His broad and lovers of the wand and consistent piety, that life which is in Jesses Christ as the begin to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as she began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and thanks, I as the began to pour forth her blessing and the believes the began to pour forth her blessing and the believes the began to pour forth her blessing and the believes of the world and lovers of the world and lovers of the believes t

" Solemn Lenten Fast."

THE LAST ENEMY. (By Dr. Donne.)

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God did not make death, says the wise man.* And therefore St. Augustine makes a reasonable prayer to God: "Suffer not, O Lord, death, whom thou didst not make, to have dominion over me whom thou "By sin came death into the world." (Rom. v. 12.) We may seek the true cause why this Holy season is so imperfectly understood and appreciated by many of these who all of the souls committed to his charge. With these had no sin; and still he had

It was the season of Lent in 1843. The parish of M. had met on Ash-Wednesday, and united in its most solemn services. In the expressive language of personal injury, he thought only of that dear cause near- to make benefit of that assistance. And so death ence, let this constrain you to my will. You will tell

the hands of that enemy that hath reserved himself to eloquence as the Christian Isocrates. Her daughter of its ter the last,-to my last bed-then, when I shall be able Gorgonia became the wife of Alypius, and, after a to stir no limb in any other measure than a fever or a palsy shall shake them; when everlasting darkness shall have an inhocation in the present dimness of a meek, forcearing, forgiving spirit, may the research of down in peace!" "These things," says Gregory, her traced as was done, in all humility, by the now sainted hearted but ignorant informant, who having drank less shall have an inhocation in the present dimness of down in peace!" "These things," says Gregory, her pastor, to the influence of the Lenten services, repeated deeply into the spirit of the religion she professed, had mine eyes, and the everlasting gnashing in the present brother, in his funeral oration for her, pronounced pastor, to the influence of the character and subduing not yet learned the difficult lesson of returning good chattering of my teeth, and the everlasting worm in A.D. 370, "were chanted by thee, and happened unto for evil, while he endeavoured to inspire her with a the present gnawing of the agonies of my body, and thee; the psalmody which thou didst breathe was the The winter of 1843 was unusually severe; and more forgiving spirit, he expressed his intention to do anguishes of my mind; when the last enemy shall watch event which did befall; thine epitaph accompanied

PICTURES OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS. (From "the Sanctuary and the Oratory.")

first book of his treatise on the Priesthood, Alluding

"When she understood that I was meditating such counsels, she took me by the hands, and led me to her private chamber. There, having seated me by her side, and the bed where I first beheld the light, she poured forth a flood of tears, and, addressing me in words more piteous than her tears, she thus gave utterance to her afflictions:-

our fath r's virtues: such was the will of Heaven. His death succeeded to the pains which your birth occasioned, bequeathing orphanage as your portion, an unseasonable widowhood as mine. Together with with the griefs of widowhood, which none can tell, save those who, like me, have borne them; I heard, indaunted, the roaring wave; I braved the storm; I did not feel the iron furnace, for I was especially aided from on high, and I enjoyed the sweetest consolation when I gazed upon your features, and recognized there the image of your father's countenance, glowing with life, and wearing an inimitable semblance. Thus, when you were yet an infant, and your lips had not yet learned to speak, -at a season when parents chiefly derive pleasure from their children,-you afforded more than pleasure: you gave me consolation. And truly you never can complain, that while I bore bull of Phalaris, in the bulls of Basan, in the bulls of Babylon—the shrewdest bulls of all—in temporal, in happened unto many, whose hard fate was orphancy;

writer to witness, not many years since. If a short ed calumnies by which his character had been assailed, that you were reared by me, that you shared every thing with me; but abjure me as a deceiver, and fly me as an enemy. But if I have said every thing, and

"Her wealth, her strength, her all, with ardent vows,
At Jesu's altar she had long devoted:
What could she leave, when weeping, save her spouse,
The friend beloved, on whom her spirit doated?

"But soon Alypius quits this mortal life, And goes where lov'd Gorgonia went before :
Ah! blessed husband of a blessed wife!

peculiar workmanship! O God of thine own people, their parent and their ruler! O arbiter of life and death! O guardian and benefactor of our soids!—

Them and of one party sincerery regards the Children admirably fitted for the holy work that lies before her.—
Episcopacy, he looks upon as an institution favoured by all the analogies of human society. Sanctioned not only by the wisdom of the Reformers, but by the long line of Thou that createst and changest all things by thine energising word, in the depths of thy wisdom and administration, mayest thou receive Cæsarius, the first over her child than the father; and seldom has maternal solicitude, directed to the formation of religious to take the youngest first, we bend before that unerrless ages!

deavours and ceaseless prayers for his spiritual welfare.

Monica had the affliction of beholding him in early life pursuing the paths of vice, and captivated with brought under a religious influence, and her prayers to be absolutely no difference of opinion, unless among a were answered in his genuine conversion. The last very few men of extreme and ultra views. No one surely as a interview of Monica and Augustine would be a fine subject for the pencil of a painter. At Ostia, where the Tiber joins the sea, she was attacked with fever; and leaning upon a window that looked into the garden belonging to the house where they lodged, their conversation turned upon the glories of the heavenly conversation turned upon the glories of the heavenly world. "We entertained ourselves," says Augustine, "with these thoughts; and thou, O God, knowes, that in consequence of this conference, as all that's charming and agreeable in the world, seemed contemptible in our eyes, she said: "I assure you, my son, that with regard to myself, there is nothing in the world can give me any pleasure, nor do I know what I do or why I abide any longer in it, seeing I have nothing more to expect from it; for the only have nothing more to expect from it; for the only should have occasioned so much controversy, and have nothing that made me a little desirous to live in it, was bour fath r's virtues: such was the will of Heaven.

What I do of why I adde any longer in it, seeing I have nothing more to expect from it; for the only should have occasioned so much controversy, and have produced so great a feeling of alteration between those who are in a special manner bound to dwell together in to see you a true Christian before my death. God unity. has been pleased to do more, seeing he has not only One great cause, however, by which our variances are granted me that favour, but also that of seeing you entirely His servant, by the contempt which you shew of all the pomps and advantages of this world. What should I do here, then, you have here almost a first which we ought all so deeply to deplore. should I do here, then, any longer?" Fuller says, that Monica, drawing near her death, sent most pious thoughts as harbingers to heaven, and her soul saw a glimpse of happiness through the chinks of her sickness-broken body. This is the sentiment which Waller has versified in the well-known lines-

"The soul's dark cottage, battered and decayed, Lets in new light through chinks that time has made; Stronger by weaknes, wiser men become As they draw near to their eternal home; Leaving the old, both worlds at once they view, That stand upon the threshold of the new."

Augustine had every reason to be affectionately atched to his mother: with many tears he closed her eyes, and sorrowed over her grave. "All day long,"

> Thou dost heaven's rolling orbs direct, Clothing the day with beauteous light, And with sweet slumber silent night; When wearied limbs new vigour gain From rest, new labours to sustain; When hearts oppressed find relief, And anxious minds forget their grief.'*

"If any one should find I have done amiss in la-The above train of reflections on the excellence of the whole who had so many years wept for me, that I smerely a step that it is merely a step th Lenten service, and its tendency, if faithfully are commanded to love and cherish as brethren!—

to the tomb, and mingled my ashes with your father's dead, she who had so many years wept for me, that I to the tomb, and mingled my ashes with your father's low much evil might have been done by the rash and that should burn him, who were condemned to be improved, to "mortify all our evil and corrupt affections," and easile us daily to advance in "all virtue" and easile us daily to advance in "all virtue" whatever sea you will. for there will be no one to ex-

"Deus Creator omnium"
Polique rector, vestiens
Dien decoro lumine,
Noctem soporis gratia,
Artus solutos ut quies
Reddat laboris usut,
Mentesque fessas allevet
Luctusque solvat anxios."

Communications.

[We deem it necessary to follow the example of the London Church periodicals, and to apprize our readers that we are not responsible for the opinions of our Correspondents —ED. CHURCH.]

To the Editor of The Church.

Rev. and dear Sir,-There is perhaps no single verity Rev. and dear Sir.—There is perhaps no single verity of our Holy Faith, which now excites a greater degree of attention among those who profess and call themselves Christians, than the doctrine of outward unity. The yearning after oneness which is now present in so many hearts, is manifested in a thousand different ways, and its workings are visible among those who in days not long since past, would have told you without hesitation, that division was a blessing to the cause of Christ.

The result arising from the discussion of the subject is

Notwithstanding that this view of the case is unques-

the danger of outward separation.

Now, it certainly appears to be almost self-evident, that
the much talked of divisions to which I have alluded, are far from being so great as their reputation would lead us to believe, nor would it require any great amount of talent, to show the cause which confers upon them so

present day to excite that enmity which the truth ever calls forth when exhibited in its completeness.

While therefore it is admitted that differences of a weighty character are to be found among us, it is never-

weighty character are to be found among as, it is never-theless a melancholy and most unnecessary feature con-nected with them, that they should ever be allowed to become a cause of separation between sincere and earnest minded men, or lead those who are bound by the same vows—labouring in the same cause, and looking for the same high reward, to regard each other with feelings of

not a greater amount of scriptural authority than any other form of ecclesiastical polity.

His brother of the other party cordially agrees to all this, but he goes one step farther, he believes its authority

The advocate of the first party addressing all without The mother of Augustine deserves to be mentioned exception who are twing in sin, solemnly assures them with special honour, on account of her unwearied enthat except they be converted and become as little chil-

in avoiding the further aggravation of those disagreements which we ought all so deeply to deplore.

The theological differences which have been alluded to, have unquestionably attracted a large measure of attention; and, universally among the clergy, and frequently among the laity, a feeling of the deepest and most absorbing interest has been excited.

Since it is almost a necessity of our nature, that the lips should give utterance to that which strongly influences the mind, it can be a matter of no surprise that when men of opposing views meet together, their differences, rather than their agreements should occupy a very prominent place in their conversation. The advacate of one class of opinions will dwell foreibly upon the danger of putting the observance of forms, festivals and ceremonies, in the place of vital spiritual religion, while the representative of the other school will argue with equal zeal and earnestness, that as man is constituted in the present state. earnestness, that as man is constituted in the present state, forms and observances are essentially necessary to the maintenance and full development of that vital godliness which the other so highly and so deservedly esteems.

who began in a murder, to the time of Antichrist, who proceeds in massacres—death hath adhered to the enemy, and so is an enemy.

Death hath a commission:—"The reward of sin is death;" but whereas God gives a supersedeas, upon that commission—'As I live, saith the Lord. I would be to many proceed to man and the serpem, from the time of Cam who began in a murder, to the time of Antichrist, who in the time of Antichrist, who mind being full of trouble, I earnestly besought Thee to cure my grief. Falling asleep, I found when I to cure my grief much diminished; and, as I lay alone almost inevitable result will be, that the opponents in bed, recollected those verses of thy servant Ambings by way of reprehension. I wish not to rething the commission—'As I live, saith the Lord. I would be steems.

Both parties will strongly maintain their ground, and mind being full of trouble, I earnestly besought Thee to cure my grief. Falling asleep, I found when I would in their anxiety to establish the correctness of their percentage in the curie in their anxiety to establish the correctness of their percentage in the correctness of their percentage in their anxiety to establish the correctness of their percentage.

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difficulty mistake one for the other

He who enrolls himself under the Evangelical banner will, perhaps, be found enforcing up in his people the duty of rubrical observances—the necessity of creeds—and the inestimable benefit of forms and formularies. While his brother, whom he is inclined to regard as unsound in the faith, because he looks upon these, and kindred matters, as of great importance, may at the same instant, in his distant pulpit (with a fulness and fervency over which