# THE CATHOLIC RECORD

#### A FIRST COMMUNION AT THE anctified it by the devotion and he VATICAN. To the CATHOLIC RECORD :

were being made to administer the sacraments of confirmation. "Now, my child, kneel down and repeat the Creed in Latin." said the Holy Father. The boy, being only six years of age, hesitated, not knowing the Creed in Latin : but one of the attendants came to his assis-ance and he repeated it word for word. The Pope himself began the "Pater." Here the little fellow was at home and he readily and prondly recited the prayer, finally receiving on his forehead the holy chrism—the sacra-ment that confers on us the title of perfect Christians.

# Two Grand-Nieces of the Pontiff Re-ceive the Adorable Eucharist From His Hands.

To the CATHOLIC RECORD: At a special meeting of St. Patrick's Com-mandery 213. Knight of St. John, the following resolutions were adopted: Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call to his eternal reward Mr. Patrick Ryan, the father of our esteemed brother, Percy P. Ryan; be it Resolved, that the members of St. Patrick's Commandery, 212, extend to our bereaved brother and family the most sincer and heart-feit sympathy in their affliction; and heart further His Hands. On the feast of the Ascension two grand-neces of Pope Leo XIII. made their first Communion in his private chapel. Their names are Gabriella and Agnesina Pecci. They were accompanied by their parenta, the Count and Countees Pecci; their grand-mother, sister-in law of the Pope; a young brother named Stanislaus, who was to re-ceive confirmation, besides Madame de Montenard and Mother des Agnes, uppe-rioress of the Convent of the Trinita dei Mont in Rome, where the nicces of the Pope are being educated. This not necessary to dwell on the simple majesty of the ceremony, on the deep piety of the venerable officiant, the recollection of the privileged assistants, or on the heartfeit emotion of the young communicants as the Holy Father placed on their trembling lips the adroible Eucharist. When Mass and tanksgiving were over the Pope sat down and desired all present to do the same. He took him on his knee, while preparations were being made to administer the sacrament of confirmation. — Now, my child, kneel down and repeat

ived that a copy of these resolutions by o our afflicted brother and family, by on the minutes and be published in the Lic RECORD Keiz, Pres., W. H. Callahan, Rec. Sec.

K. S. J.

FATHER BARRALL.

Since the appearance of the clipping the Philadelphia Catholic Standard and T in reference to Fathel Barral, we have calls for further information from some o rs. The editor-in-chief of our ontemporary is on his vacation the matter will be referred to ely on his return.

TWEED SEPARATE SCHOOL.

From every part of the Province come reports of the excellent results which have at tended our Separate school as the recent en trance examination. In this general wave o success Tweed Separateschool also has a share seventy-five per cent of the poplis from this school passed the entrance examination credit school passed the entrance examination credits where the entrance of the success fraction where the trance of the success fraction credits where the entrance of the entrance

EFFICIENCY OF SEPARATE SCHOOLS. We note with gratification the very credit stand taken during recent years by the pup the North Bay Separate schools at the entr-examination. This year was no exceptifi-the rule. Seven candidates presented to solves for examination; of these four ' successful in passing, some obtaining high marks. One in particular, Master De Seguin, is worthy of special mention. H sined foll marks, beating all competitive ca dates from the Public and Separate school the District of Nipsing. He certainly honor to himself and his energeticizeacher. Bryson, the principal of the local Sepa-school. We note with gratification the

# FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

On Tuesday, July 26, the feast of St. An Ar, and Mrs James Doyle of the 2nd Co AcGillivray, celebrated the fiftieth annive Mr. and Mrs James Doyle of the 2nd C MrSUIIvay, celebrated the fifteth anni-tary of their wedding. High Mass was brated at Mount Carmel, by the pastor. I Father Traher. The choir, under the direc of Miss B. Carey, rendered excellent musi-the occasion. Dinner was subsequently set at the residence of their daughter. Mrs. T Rowland, at which there were present: Mr. Mrs. Wm. Rowland is daughterl, their James (with wife and family) and Matnias well as a large number of relatives and frie Suitable momentoes of the bappy event presented to the worthy cound by the ass presented to the worthy couple by bled guests, while Mr. and Mrs. Doy ed to the pastor of St. Peter's churc of \$50 as an offering for a chalice and This venerable couple have ber of years residents of Me and good-wishes. And our earnest trayed Almighty God may abundantly bless t this world and grant them eternal happ

Recently Mrs. Ellen Fogarty, an old and specied parishioner, made an offering of 3 for an actensorium for the same church. The three articles will be used for the first time the forty hours' devotion beginning at 5 Peter's church on August 7.

# PERUGIA'S CATHEDRAL ROBBED.

The recent vandalism perpetrated in the Cathedral of Perupia must have greatly pained and grieved the venerable occupant of the Vatican, who, as is well known, held the Perupian see for a long period of years. Among the objects stolen from the church was a costly coronet adorning the statue of the Madona. This crown was presented to the Church by a number of pious ladies of Perupia forty-three years ago, so that, as he held the See at that time, the Sovereign Pon-tiff probably accepted it from the fair donor, and with his own hands for the first time placed it on the brow of the Madonna of the cathedral.

#### ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH PICNIC. TORONTO.

St. Joseph's Church annual picnic, which

Deepen's Child and a the drift holidar, S free and J am not free." place as itenal of the drift holidar, S free and J am not free." The beautiful grounds of Leslie's Grove A Anges, speaking to her of France, which she r Jones avenue and Queen, which exc had just left, and of Belgrinn, always dear to so much admiration last year, have been the near to the Pontiff. Then the Holy ed again, and this in itself will be almost of Father inquired with paternal interest about int to bring the same large crowed down of Father inquired with paternal interest about the to bring the same large crowed down of Father inquired with paternal interest about the to bring the same large crowed down of Father inquired with paternal interest about

ms. Their valuation is crowded will es of knightly men and saintly women a faithful unto death and of dauntier , fearless as those who centuries as i quest of the golden fleece. In it of heroic men like Cartier and Chan xplorers, fearless as those who centuries are et out in quest of the golden fleets. In the resence of neroic men like Cartier and Cham-iain, of warriors like La Sails and Veren-trye, of martyrs like La Sails and Veren-trye, of martyrs like Lallemant. Jogues and reboeut, and solders like Monteaim. Fron-mac, De Levis and De Saisberry, we stand to ay with uncovered heads. And yet the race s still full of its old vitality. All Canada onors judges like Bouthier, pets like Fre-hette, orators like Chapleau, statesmen like aurier, pariots like Joly, historians like Gar-eau, and writers like Chapleau, statesmen like agrien. Perish the hand and mute be the ongue that would endeavor to separate these eople from us, and strong may be the hand nd loud the voice that makes for the eternal uion of these people with ourselves! I speak oday on behalf of national unity, and with the oei I plead for national oneness, so "'Let us be strong and united. One country, one flag for us all; 'Inited, we each of us fail. " Bear with me for a moment if I raise my pole in behalf of religious toleration. No stilon, no common-waith, no country may one d the sole tho spirit of religious ration, no common-waith, no country may one d the sole and embalte prediction hat the only hope for the prospering and de-alms alond this one and embalte prediction at the only hope for the prospering and de-ionment of a great poople lies in the orac

mosity and intolerance which she n permitted to return to the dust es with which they were interred. Our common hope is God's great love, Your Saviour, too, is mine; And o'er us from His throne above Looks down His love divine.

'If we stand by these great principl tional unity and reli earth can make u age of the Scotch po us slaves, for in the lan

# "We stand a wall of fire Around our dear loved land." SPAIN'S BOY-KING CONFIRMED.

OBITUARY.

MRS. ANN MULLIGAN, CORUNNA.

relatives and friends at a distance s those near to the family of Mrs. 2 can, of Corunna line, heard with s and sadness of her death on July 2.

er our profound sympathy and pra rest in peace.

IRENE BULGER, DOUGLAS.

on his foreleast too Gory the title of pertect Christians. It was now the breakfast hour and all ex-cept the Pope retired to a refectory, where they were served with the usual repast. When it was over the little group were in-troduced into a room next to the study of the Pope. Here took place a delightful scene-Leo XIII. surrounded by his family and con-versing with them with affectionate simplic-ity. Every one being seated, the Holy Father called his little grand nethew to him. passed his arm round his neck and kissed him. The two first Communicants stood The young King of Spain was recently confirmed by the Bishop of Sion (Switzer and). He was prepared for the reception of the sacrament by two years of careful instruc-ion at the hands of Rev. Father Montana, S

him. The two first Communicants stood before him. "I have beard, my dear children," he said, "that you have learned a piece of poetry to recite to me. Begin, Gröriella; A gneesina will recite her piece aiterward." The two sisters declaimed the varses with perfect composure. Then the Pope spoke of the first Communion, that most important action of all, upon which one's whole life often depends, quoting the well known saying of the great Napcleon, that the day of his first Communion was the happiest of his life. Then he added: "I made my first Communion seventy-seven years ago. I was at Viterbo, a pupil of the Jesuit Fathers." "Do you hear. Stanislans?" said the Countess Pecci. "The Holy Father used to go to school." According to the traditional etiquette of the court of Madrid, says a press dispatch, the confirmation and first Communion of the young King should have taken place at the ancient abbey of Covadonga, where all the Kings of Spain and their heirs apparent haw until now made their profession of faith for hundreds of years past. It was felt, however that with the present condition of affairs i

hundreds of years past. It was felt, howeve that with the present condition of affairs would be unwise in the extreme for either th would be unwise in the extreme for either til-young King or the Queen Regent to abeeu themselves from the capital or to makes royal progress through the provinces. Ac cordingly the ceremony took place very quietly in the chapel of the royal palace it the presence of the principal members of the court and of the government.

"Yes," continued the Pontiff; "but I was eleven years old. And you, my little Stanis-laus-how old are you?"

eleven years old. And you, my little Stanis-"I am six." "Well, then, you have still some time be-fore you. It is remembered at Vierbo that I was there, and they intend repairing the church in which I made my first Communion; even a book has been written on the subject. Where is it ? I thought it was beside me." The Pope rose quickly, went into his study and soon came back with a book in his hand. "Here, my child," be said. "Jook at this picture: it is I making my first Communion; eventy-seven years ago." "We are very happy. Holy Father, said the young Conntess, "to see you always in "Yes, I teel very well: I have none of the nifmities of old age. I walk well and my mind is perfectly clear. It is a real blessing rom Providence, due, no doubt, to the pray; exoft he faithful. And see what a life I ead! Every day I spend many hours at work or in audiences : I hardly sleep two bours at night, and this for the last twenty as attended by a from ds and neighbors from Requiem Mass was who had rk or in audiences : I hardly sleep tw urs at night, and this for the last twent hours at high, and the been twenty years years; besides, I have been twenty years prisoner. What would you do, Stanislaus if you were shut up for twenty years?" Mulligan leaves a husband, three

"Ob. I would wait until I was let out !" "That is just what I shall do," replied the

"That is just what I shall do, reprict the Pcpe with a smile. "Let us hope, Holy Father," said the Countess, "that this twentieth year will be that of your deliverance." "Yes," rejoined the Pontiff: "for my position is intolerable. It cannot last. You see the revolutions that take place. Hunger is said to be the pretext, but the real cause is that religion is destroyed in the minds of the people and then they retel. They want to be brought back to God. The Pope alone can do this, because he is the first element of union and streampth, but for that he must be

to announce through the colu HOLIC RECORD, to the many fri Mrs. Michael Bulger the di nt for that he must h 17th ul nday, the 17th ult., she sl ptoms of illness, and day af traingly worse. All the id could render was unavi on Monday, the 25th, the

Government, and also ex ministers, the Chief Justice of Quebec, numerous judges and members of Parliament. Men of note of all shades of politics, and all nationalities joined to do honor to the dead prelate. Up to the last moment before the Mass commenced crowds thronged to have their beads touched to the sacred remains, and were after the coffin had been carried from the church to the vault shousands pressed around it to show their respect and affection for Monseigneur La Fléche. But at last it was finished. All that love and reverence could do had been done—the grave claimed its own, and priests and people turned from that vault, feeling that they had gained another intercessor in heaven in the person of Mgr. Louis Francois La Fléche, the great and good Bishop of Three Rivers. A. M. B. of Rome was that visible Church. For that reason I embraced the Catholic faith." Miss Swift found ber new faith in the Paulis church, and she went under the instruction o the Fathers of that order previous to her fina submission. When fully determined as to he contrast the left this country to go to London b submission. When fully determined as to course she left this country to go to London notify General Booth. While in Liverpool partook of the holy Communion in a Catho church, the first Salvation Army member go before a Catholic altar. In London Iriends of rears in army work begged her to present be interaction, but she remained firm sounce her intention, but she remained fir her purpose and changed the uniform of a vation Army lassie for the ordinary dress on her return to New York Miss Swift : umed literary work, accepting a place in t

as net return to New York Miss Swift ned literary work, accepting a place in ice of the Catholic World Magzzine, p led by the Paulists. She devoted here willy to her duties and became a devo mber of the parish. For a long time the ito enter a convent had possessed her, a finally determined to enter the moth see of the Congregation of St. Catherine ri of the Third Order of St. Dominic, a fa American convent at Albany, N.Y. Ti vent was established in 1880 by Lucy Fast in, daughter of Edwin Smith, of this cit was a civil engineer and was wide win for his work in connection with the la out of New York city in the first half of the THE CATHOLIC SUMMER SCHOOL.

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NOT A SECLUDED ORDER. the world, that her doings t for the general public, and ends would give the matter f studying, in the

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# MGR. LA FLECHE

### Second Bishop of Three Rivers.

NN AT STE ANNE DE LA PERADE IN 1818 DIED AT THREE RIVERS IN 1898.

the blue sky the harvest moon swings low September's golden radiance fills the air, ptember's golden radiance fills the air, earth with autumn glory is aglow the old seigneury of de Lanaudiere.

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ver the trackless prairie long and broad On snow shoe and on sled, with cross in ham he missionary's thorny path he trod. Carrying salvation to the "great Lon Land.

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### THE PAITH. Rev. Mr. Turner, Formerly of Roches.

ter, Whose Conversion is Announced From Paris.

From Paris. Early last week cablegrams from Paris announced the conversion of Rev. John Spencer Turner, formerly an Episcopal into the Catholic Church by the Passionists at St. Joseph's Church. He received the sacrament of continnation at the hands of Cardinal Richard, and, the dispatch contin-ues, will study for the priesthood at Rome. Nev. Mr. Turner comes from a wealthy from one to two million in his own right, During his ministerial career he had many difficulties with his superiors on account of his extreme ritualistic tendencies. He diffi-iated in the diocese of Quincy. III, then went to the Church of the God Shepherd in Rochester, N. Y., where in 1805, he was in-hibited by Bishop Coze. of Buffalo, from officialing in a clerical capacity anywhere in his diocese. Holy Innocent's, Hobcken, and then opened a new Episcopal church, St. Mary Mag dalen's, in Tompkins, near De Kalb avenue, Brocklyn, where the services were in strict conformity to neither the Roman neither

(For the CATHOLIC RECORD.) The third week of the Catholic Summer School was a pronounced success. It was given up entirely to the indics, and indeed all the affairs of the time were extremely success-ful. There were many innovations, and from the opening day until the close there was not a single hitch. The Sunday services were as usual, a source of much pleasure and the scene of equal spiendor. The only disapointment re-ceived was the inability of Bishop Michaud, of Burlington, VL. to be present to celebrate Pontifical High Mass. Nevertheless, all went serenely well in the mental, social and physical departments of the School. The solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Thomas McMi-lan, C.S. P., of New York; deacon, Rev. Jas. P. Fagan, S.J., New York; due, The Rev. J. P. Kiernan, of Rochester, preached the sermon as follows : He needs for his tox to the words of St. Paul to

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International contraints of the pro-testant Episcopal Church in America, it would belittle him to accede to Bishop Cowe's request. Extreme ritualism continued to prevail in the services at the church. The new rector had wrote and had rrinted a little book entitled. "Self Examination and the Confessional." which he used in the church. He neglected to send a cory of it to his Bishop, and received a letter from the latter, inquiring whether the little book in question represented the opinions and prac-tices of the writer. Rev. Mr. Turner replied, suggesting that the copy of the book had been sent to the Bishop by "some malicions person." In a subsequent letter he added that he was "de-termined to teach the doctrines and practices of the Holy Catholic Church boldly and iear-lessly until his death." Bishop Coxe expressed a hope that Rev. Mr. Turner "would soon grow out of his extreme ideas," but he rehellious stitude of the young clergyman continued. He became ill, went to New York to recuperate, and on his return was met by an order from Bishop Coxe inhibiting him from cfficialing any-where in the diocese until further notice. When the news of Rev. Mr. Turner's in-hibition became known to his parishioners it created consternation. The receipt of the order was followed by the hoisting of the black flag upon the steeple of the church as a sign of persecution, the second instance of its kind in the country. The inhibited rector was violent in his comments, stating he had been " asselid like a thier in the night." He besongth his parishioners to stay together, but when he left the city the congregation, split by dis-sensions, was scattered among the Episcopal churches in the tow.

when Rev. Mr. Turner left his Hoboken

be the stand on February 16, 1896, opened the Charch of St. Mary Magdalen, in Brook 19n, he gave full vent to all of his ritualisti tendencies, which seemed to perplex his con

tendencies, which seemed to perplex his con-gregation. At the service on the opening day the form of Mass used was similar to that part of the Catholic rite known as High Mass, though lacking conformity in important points. The cross carried in the processional and re-cessional called forth strong objection from some of his parishioners. Notice was given by Rev. Mr. Turner that on the first Sunday in March a meeting would be held to elect wardens and vestrymen and the corporation of the church made complete. It was not the intention of the leaders of the new movement to cut themselves off from the existing Episcopal churches, but to adopt the church was completely established, however, Rev. Mr. Turner went abroad. Law

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# \_\_\_\_ ELEGY. -say [Archbishop Walsh, Died July 31st, ant f that 1898.] "Angel of God sublime that cleavest the in-finite space. Angel whose fire-touched wings outshimmer the white sun's face. What be thy message to men? what gift to our fallen race?"

"Gifts I bring without price, — rich gifts of the Saviour's love: Sorrow and burning tears the souls of His soil a

Azriel, Angel of Death, I am called in the realm's above.

Azriel, Angel of Death-incessant I wait His nod
The mountains shake to His thunder, the seas His mercy laud.
At His word I upbear the soul of a Prelate and Prince to God."

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Spare to us yet our prince, be the respite ever so brief:
Spare us the priests' best Friend, and the People's Guardian Chief—
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"How shall the flock be led that hears not the Shepherd's word? Rugged the path and lone, and the pastor's voice unheard! Silent the Father's tones that deepest soul-depths stirred."

Answered the sweet-voiced Angel, smiling my tears away, "Who shall the harvest glean if the sower wit

sow alway? How shall the toiler rest that toils in field for to t and Say

"Great is the wisdom of God—He showers His gifts on all. Even like dews to earth His multifold mercies Th qu fall, Servants whose works are full, to their crown-ing he doth call bu

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"So to the blest reward do I bear his soul away-Peal the eternal hymns-he heareth and would not stay Joy! On his raptured vision dawns Everlast ing Day!" sel

-Rev. J. B. Dollard, Sliav-na mon. St. Mary's, Toronto.

A KINDLY ACT.

Some Protestant ministers have shown that they can respect the religious convictions of others. Rev. Mr. Henderson, we are informed, rode six miles to summon a priest to the bedside of a dying soldier. The kindly act, well bentting a Christian, will do more good than the "Rough Riders," etc. And when the din of strife has ceased it will be remembered. Such acts

stand for the spiritual: armies and navies for the material. -----

A LESSON.

Our American friends have learned one very useful thing from the war, and that is not to believe everything reported by their "up to date " journal ists. They were led to consider the Spaniard as a cold blooded ruffian who gloried in every inhumanity and

atrocity, and they have been taught

condet Jones avenue and Queen, which cited so much admitation last year, have be secured axis and this in itself will be alm sufficient to brid the same large croweds do again. In adave been provided, the Knig of St, John uniformed corps, accompanied the band, will arrive on the grounds short after duill also be given during the afterno armee is being arranged by the committee ai modelition a tug-of-war will take place be to be the Knight of St. John and a pick team from St. Joseph's parish. Another in portant feature will be the ball game while takes place at 2 o'clock. The ladies have every preparation in their own particular in Father McEntee has make it a point to supe vise all the details in connection with the pi even du orbing has been left undow while would contribute towards the please would would contribute towards the please to be pre-ent. The results of the bicycle commeting would contribute towards the please will would contribute towards the please will be made known at 11 o'clock p. m. Re-member the date Monday next, August S.

# THE APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER.

THE APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER. What a wonderful organization is not the League of the Sacred Heart, with its Apostle ship of Prayer! It is said to have a member ship of reventy million in the Catholic world, and is thus the strongest individual religious association in existence. Its works may not be paraded as publicly as are the doings of certain other societies that call them-selves religious bodies; but they are none the less real and beneficial to humanity. Catholic France may well take credit for the amount of money she gives to charity through that admirable organization, the Sta-Vincent de Paul Society. According to the last report of this society. French Catholics disbursed through their conferences during 1896 the sum of \$405.757. Germany, Amstria, Spain, Great Britain. Holland, and the United States gave all over \$100.000 each. The United States figures are \$208.049, and much maligned Spain.

much maligned Spain gave almost as much as Great Britain. Among recent visitors to Rome was Mon-signor James Laird Patterson, titular Bishop of Emmaus, and Coadjutor to Cardinal Vaughan, as he was to his predecessor, Card-inal Manning. Monsignor Patterson has worn a mitre since 1880, and he holds the pastorate of St. Mary's church, Chelsea. Geing to Rome about the time of Mr. Glad-stone's death. Bishop Patterson was asked many questions about that lamented states man by the Holy Father, whose admiration for Mr. Gladstone's character has often found expression in words. Mgr. Bonomelli, Bishop of Cremona, in a Pastoral on the Italian riote, attributes them largely to the irreligions Press.

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## DEATH OF PRINCE BISMARCK.

On Saturday night, July 30. about 11 o'clock, Prince Bismarck died at his home at Friedrichsruhe, surrounded by the members of his family and Dr. Schweininger. His death was the result of congestion of the function lungs. we

Father inquired with paternal merest about the pupils of the Sacred Heart in Rome. urging Mother des Anges to make them all good Christians. At the end of the audience the Pope gave his likeness to each of the three children and bestowed a fervent bless ing on the little party, who retired full of gratitude for his kindness.—Ave Maria.

# DEAN HARRIS ADDRESSES VET-

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that he is a good soldier, brave in conflict, considerate to the prisoner and calm in the hour of defeat. They have learned also that the down-trodden Cuban is a skulking coward with a tendency to devour more food than is usually given to the average individual.

A PRESBYTERIAN'S TESTI-MONY.

Our readers will remember that at the beginning of the war the Protestant ministers met in solemn conclave and drew up a set of resolutions supporting the action of the United States and declaring that because Spain had been ever an enemy to the "true religion " she was adjudged worthy of every suffering. This, we say, branded every man at that conclave a bigot. When one commences to measure a country by the yard stick of prejudice Justice is apt to be out of employment. But think of it! What a traversty upon Christianity ! No thought of fair play-no advertence to the long and glorious record of Spanish bravery and sanctity! Nothing but sweeping condemnation from those who are supposed to observe the commandment, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor

We were led to believe that whereever Spain had unfurled her banner there was the grossest ignorance-and this because she was a Catholic nation! In view of this it may prove interesting to our readers to quote the following words from a work published in 1861 by Robert MacMicking, a Presbyterian. He-referring to the success of Catholie missionaries in the Philippine

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