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APPEALS TO REASON

A Christian missionary stands before an intelligent Hindu, with a New Testament in his hand. He is urging the Hindu to accept its Why Because. says the missionary. Mohammedan says of the But millions attest its power." "The Koran has very many witnesses." "But God original text is still in Heaven and scroll and he copied them for the world." "But," insists the missionary, "the Bible tells of Jesus, then, remains for the missionary to "Take the New Testament and the them speaks to your deepest need.

different races and social classes?" He said:

"And not for them only (the believe that Thou hast sent Me."

make this appeal to reason. Their spicuous.

are My disciples if you have love cover every phase of human existforce is there in a plea for brother- Casar the things that are Casar's. amid such varieties of social life, in such contrary classes and conmost part, in modern fiction? To ditions of men, and after so many Catholics the books they read revolutions, political and civil," can should be a serious problem. They the heart."

suggested by the Lord's words: strictly prohibited, and a book, correction.

fruits to look for: "The fruit of to the young. the Spirit is charity, joy, peace, longanimity, meekness, those who have been canonized,

READING

the Catholic Record from

In a communication received by

correspondent, he complains of the

indifference which Catholics evince towards the reading of the Lives of | the impact of the sex problem. the Saints. We would go farther | The world as seen through the eyes and complain of the indifference of some of our contemporary novel- Guilty-Death. which is so markedly manifest in ists is vile and sordid. No attempt regard to any serious reading, not is made to elevate the mind and watch, with a gold seal and keyonly of a religious nature but even heart with conceptions of the good, Six months. of a secular nature. To mention the beautiful and the true. How but one class of reading, who, different is a book which deals with among our Catholics, read biography? the life of a saint! Every page Guilty-Death. Every Wednesday the Toronto It is a pedagogical fact that the gives forth a delightful fragrance Globe has an editorial of religious best means of teaching history and interest. Last week it discussed instilling into the minds and hearts nobility and grandeur of the human Death. the intellectual appeal which the of the young love of country is to soul is pictured in such a way that Christian missionary can make to picture the glorious deeds of the it occupies its true position in rela- Robinson, Burglary, several goods the non-Christian world. This para- illustrious men who played promin- tion to things terrestrial and things and chattels. Guilty—Death. ent parts in the foundation and celestial. development of our native land. Biography is interesting because it read by those who grow weary by —Death. is vital. It depicts abstract princi- the road-side, in order to bolster up ples put in practice. The abstract their courage; by those who have is concreted in the individual and wandered far and are lost amidst the individual serves as a striking the entanglements of business or Tubbs, Robbery-Death. illustration of the influence of a worldly pleasure; by all who in any principle upon character. Every way need encouragement and inspir- Stealing mare, saddle, and bridle. natural virtue and everything that ation to persevere in the service of Death. guided and inspired these writers." is great and noble in our national guided and inspired these writers." life is exemplified in our national have a true perspective of the value Morris, Arson—Death.

They are placed before us as ideals which we the body and soul of man, of the Angel Gabriel brought must emulate to attain the highest nobleness of virtue, of the heinousthe words to Mohammed on a silken perfection of citizenship. The ness of sin, and all this set in casing biographies of our national heroes which is most interesting, because teach us in concrete form what it is illustrated in the life of one of the Supreme Revealer of God." To sacrifice and work and personant the Hindu replies. "Islam to principle can accomplish. For it To sacrifice and work and perseverance ourselves. teaches that Allah is God and Mohammed is His prophet." What, were able to imprint indelibly upon the history of their country the marks which now are the signs of Koran, and accept whichever of their greatness. In our schools our army and naval heroes are held up Not very convincing, is it? Our as examples of courage. Our states-Lord told the Apostles about vari- men, who in spite of severe criticism ous appeals which they could make and obliquy, as examples of perin like circumstances. One was that severance to principle. Now the they could say to the intelligent | Church is holy in the number of her heathen: "See how we are united saints and a saint is one who has in one body over the world in spite | merited heaven by fulfilling the of the great forces dividing us in obligations imposed upon him by the laws of God. And, just as in civil life, only those who by some outstanding merit have gained a The miner, no doubt, will have his criminal laws was much relaxed, Catholics who rate themselves and Apostles) do I pray, but for them niche in the hall of fame, so too also who through their word shall only those who, by heroic virtue, believe in Me, that they all be attested by Divine approbation, the . that the world may | Church has declared to have gained the goal towards which all are The union of His followers in one striving. The saints are the heroes body was to be such that His mission of the Church. They by their faithcould be seen by the world to be ful adherence to the Divine commands have exemplified in their Protestant missionaries cannot lives what the grace of God can accomplish in the soul of the individsectarian divisions are too con- ual. Every supernatural virtue is portrayed in concrete form in the Another form of appeal counseled lives of one or another of the saints. by Our Lord is stated thus: "By They are the exemplars of the this shall all men know that you spiritual life. Their biographies for one another." On the surface ence. Kings, nobles and peasants, Catholics are not specially noted rich and poor, master and servant, these days for brotherly love; but all have contributed to the glorious at bottom they do perform the galaxy of the lives of the saints. fundamental duty of brotherhood In the lives of the saints we see by holding together in one body that no state of life is inconsistent throughout the world. A Protest- with the teaching of the Church, ant writer of New York asks these and that obedience to her laws in no penetrating questions: "How can way conflicts with obedience to good the world learn the Gospel of fellow- citizenship. On the contrary the ship from an organization at vari- lives of the saints not only teach us ance with itself? What power is what high perfection we can attain there in an appeal for a united by correspondence with grace, but world from a divided church? What they also teach us "to render unto hood by those who fail to give Obedience to constituted authority evidence of brotherliness?" Here is the keynote of all their lives. In and there throughout the world, on fine in the lives of the saints we account of racial or other antagon- find every virtue, pertaining to isms, the Catholic witness to the civil and religious life, brought truth of Christianity is not as forth in a manner to inspire us to appealing as it ought to be; but, in follow in their footsteps. Why the words of Newman, "a Religion then should we turn from the pure which has flourished through so gold which, for the taking, we may many ages, among so many nations, gather from the lives of the saints,

By their fruits you shall know which may not be harmful to an them." St. Paul tells us what adult, may work incalculable harm

In modern fiction the "best patience, benignity, goodness, sellers" are not always the best faith, books with which to regale oneself. modesty, continency, chastity." A Too often under the guise of real-University professor of history, ism, they deal with forbidden subwho became a Catholic, took one of jects. The imagination is so plastic these fruits, namely meekness or and active in young people that humility, as the subject of a book they project themselves into the in which he brought out the fact characters of the book which they that the Catholic Church is the happen to be reading and repro normal habitat of humility. Whole duce in their own hearts the sensalibraries have been written on the tions and emotions, good or bad, saints who produced all these fruits | described by the author. Hence no in their Catholic lives, and the language can be strong enough to harsh in respect of offences against number of uncanonized saints is denounce current popular fiction property; and were affected by the much larger than the number of which has opened new windows upon life-windows which had far against property as severely as better remain closed, bolted and those against life, and in many shuttered, because they look out upon sights and scenes that are against personal safety.

taboo among decent people. Many of our modern books of fiction gravitate towards the unsavoury and are debased through Lincolnshire Lent Assizes in 1818:

The lives of the saints should be Setting fire to an oat stack. Guilty

THE STRIKE

but exploded economic theory of invariably punished with death." supply and demand. At any rate of the public.

and end-all of business enterprise. ings, without getting angry. It is well to remember that just as

neither more nor less. necessaries of life should be so They won't. for the sole purpose of profit mak- like all else that was English. ing, let what may happen to the world.

A CORRECTION

A subscriber of the CATHOLIC RECORD writes that Mr. William Coote, M. P., of Tyrone, Ireland,

the above mentioned members of institutions of learning which the read that from the restoration subdue the reason and overcome are not free to read indiscriminthe heart."

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are not free to read indiscriminparliament were not entitled to the
rigor of the Penal Laws compelled of the historical Hierarchy Catholic
of the North and Brittany, Lorraine he heart."

Still another appeal to reason is

Still another appeal to reason is ately. A book, which is in any way harmful to faith or morals, is and consequently gladly make this abroad, that the succession of date in the succession date in the succesi

RELAXING TOO MUCH BY THE OBSERVER

An English paper, commenting on the appeal in a certain criminal case of much interest to the public, who

were cheated, says: 'It is quite a tenable view that seven vears' penal servitude is too terrible a torment to be imposed on any rogue.'

Why such a view is "tenable." the paper does not explain; and explain.

The criminal laws of England were, down to recent times, brutally great fallacy of punishing offences cases more severely than those

In the Appendix to Sir Henry Hawkins' Reminiscences there is a copy of the Crown Calendar for the

1. William Bewley, Burglary, 1 coat, 1 jacket, 3 waistcoats, etc. 2. John Giddy, Stealing a silver

8. Geo. Crow, aged fifteen, Burglary, £3, 3, 6d., and a purse.-

4. Thos. Young, Entering at which fills our whole being. The night to commit robbery. Guilty- Scots, and Irish colleges established

> 5 & 6. Robert Husker and John 7. John Marriott, aged nineteen.

years. 9 & 10. Richard Randall and John

11. Wm. Hayes, aged twenty,

12 & 13. Thos. Evison and Thos.

-Death.

15. Wm. Bell, Burglary-Death. In His Majesty's jail in the City of Lincoln, Wm. Kebos, aged hog.-Death.

The labor situation, especially in Criminal Law is sufficiently shown of statues are included figures so the coal-mining industry, has caused by these examples given on the far removed from everything that a very serious problem. Even if authority of a distinguished judge. is Catholic or consistent with Christhe strike were settled at once un- Probably most of the persons named tian integrity as Wycliffe and told hardship is sure to result. This above were not hanged; for even Cranmer. Catholics should be anyhardship will not result so much at that time it had become the thing but proud at seeing their spirfrom the scarcity of coal as from custom to commute sentences in itual heroes forced into such comthe commercial and pagan ethics many cases. But Sir Henry tells pany, and it is not consistent with which prevail in industry today. us that at that time, "offences the respect due to themselves, far appear. If history repeats itself, we must which would now be treated as not less to the Saints, to be flattered by reconcile ourselves to an exorbitant even deserving of a day's imprison- such attention. It is not the Cathprice for coal under the plausible ment in many cases were then olic Church that is thus "honored;"

the consumer must play the piper. Victoria, the savagery of the to a degree of impatience with grievances adjusted, and then the but the savagery of the jails con- their Church so cheaply. mine-owner will begin to take toll tinued long enough to make many a prisoner wish he had been hanged. In this crisis it is well to be re- The records of English jails and Catholic literature is a Life of Processor in the English of Catholic literature is a Life of Processor in the English and Catholic literature is a Life of Processor in the Englis minded that from the Christian English "mad-houses" as they Archbishop Strain, first Archbishop viewpoint, wealth is stewardship; were called, can hardly be read by of St. Andrews and Edinburgh in Two other Brighton rectors, Mr. afterwards, with dad at home—oh, that profit taking is not the be-all anyone possessed of generous feel- the restored Hierarchy of Scotland.

Labor is entitled to a living wage, other way. Juries are now too by the University Press, Aberdeen, so, too, capital is entitled to fair kindly towards accused persons; is the Very Rev. Canon Michael profits, Tair interest and fair prices, the suspended sentence is abused by Turner, already well-known as a It is a very curious thing, aside mistaken, notion that by kindness ation. This Memoir of the Archfrom the coal strike, that the they will make all men law-abiding. bishop will add to that reputation,

high in Canada. One hears much There is a certain softness about as a contribution to Scottish talk about the wickedness of Labor. us in these days. We have little history, but because it is the first They are represented as the cause more regard for the rights of others biography of a modern Scots Bishop of all our industrial evils. As a than our forefathers had, if we that has appeared, if we except the matter of fact history vouches that have as much. But we don't like chapters devoted to Bishop Gillis in any crisis wages are the last to the idea of punishing anyone or in the History of St. Margaret's rise, and when the crisis is passed shutting anyone up. No doubt a Convent, Edinburgh, published on they are the first todrop. Wages can- reaction was inevitable against the occasion of that institution's Golden not be blamed entirely for the high savagery and brutality of English Jubilee as the first conventual cost of living. The blame must be law and English jails, which were placed upon industry which is run more or less traditionary in Canada, | Scotland since the "Reformation,"

But there is a fallacy in the idea public at large. And until we that the sole object of punishment return to the Christian principles of is reform of the person punished. justice and fair play we may expect | Another important object is predisturbances in the industrial vention; to deter those who have not yet offended. And kindness to those who have does not accomplish this purpose.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

ONE of the ecclesiastical events

tried land.

which, opening its doors at the place as a Catholic nation. same time, has, in spite of the many vicissitudes and dangers incident perhaps is wise in not trying to upon Portugal's political unrest. never once since closed them, and has continued to furnish England with a succession of pious and welltrained clergy down to the present

REVIEWING THE history of the College, in a letter announcing the tercentenary celebration, the President lays emphasis upon the evidences of God's special Providence which that history furnishes. So many and marked are these evidences, he says, that the governing authorities feel that the festival in commemoration must consist of a great demonstration of thanksgiving. To this end several of the English and Portuguese Bishops will participate, and a large number of the College's Alumni will journey to Portugal for the purpose. It were to be desired that a comprehensive history of all the English. on the Continent in penal times should be given to the world. Cardinal Gasquet has set a splendid example in his History of the English College, Rome,

AN AMERICAN Catholic paper com-8. John Moody-Sodomy-two menting on the erection in the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York, of a series of saints and eminent public men, among them such distinctively Catholic saints as St. Benedict, St. Bernard, St. Gregory the Great, and St. Francis of Assisi, adds that "the Catholic 14. Wm. Walker, twenty, and Church may well be proud of its Elizabeth Eno, nineteen, Burglary sons thus honored among the outstanding figures of Christianity in a Protestant house of worship.

THE OBSERVATION seems to us twenty-two, Killing and stealing a wanting in self-respect, and fatuous in the extreme, particularly when it The savagery of the English is considered that in the same series it is the Protestant cathedral that During the reign of Queen takes honor to itself. We confess

THE LATEST addition to Scots The author of this instructive and Well, we have gone too far the entertaining volume, which is issued some judges in a respectable, but writer of erudition and discriminnot only for its inherent qualities institution to be established in R. I. P. some years ago.

DR. JOHN Menzies Strain was the last Vicar Apostolic of the Eastern District of Scotland, and when, as almost the first act of his pontifibrief of restoration, Dr. Strain and 696,378 deaths. became automatically first Archbishop of the primatial See of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, and as War, 1913, the statistics for the statistics of the sta such bore a conspicuous part in the laying of the foundation of th and Mr. Horatio Hocken, MP., of of the year, interesting especially laying of the foundation of the Toronto, are not entitled to the to English-speaking Catholics, is the flourishing Church which exists in births over the number of deaths or the next is to build a present. We suspected for some time that October 8th. This is one of those its present condition. When we 1918 was 40,000 per year. priests on whom the perpetuation colleges, schools, religious houses are strongest.

of the Feith so largely depended, and faithful Catholic people in like might be assured in their much- proportion, it inspires a spirit of thanksgiving that the awful wreck and havor of the sixteenth century IMITATING TOWSER (CONTINUED) It was on the 8th of October, has been so far undone and that we 1622, that Pope Gregory XV. pub- may not unreasonably look forlished his brief, approving and con- ward to the day when the land of has so developed that he lives in firming by apostolic authority, the so many heroic deeds and noble but two periods in the year—the

> martyrdom of Venerable John the question ever is, "How long till Ogilvie, S. J., has given a new impetus to the study of the sixteenth century in Scotland, and has such a boy single days of play pass brought before men's minds in by as straws on a stream. His big an effectual way the colossal golden galleons, his stately ships of iniquity of that great upheaval the line are those thoroughbred which men call the "Reformation." Iniquitous as it was in any country When does school close? How long which came under its spell, it was will the vacation last? These are especially so in Scotland, where it the two important life-matters for became the merest tool in the hands him. These fixed, he settles into a of as wicked and designing a set of profound drowse and sees things in men as human history has record the rosy future that make De of. In their hands Knox himself Quincey's opium dreams seem pale (the "ruffian of the Reformation," and bloodless. as Dr. Johnson calls him) was but a "Oh, the old swimmin' hole! tool, and when they had by means Ain't the water great!" Anyone of that miserable creature and his can tell he isn't a grammar special-Beatoun and Queen Mary out of the has had all-day swims in the way, he found himself left high and "swimmin' hole;" has dived hundry whilst they revelled in their dreds of times off every high spot sacrilegious and ill-gotten gains. around it; lolled in the cool water It is for this reason and not of his by the hour. "And those baseball own volition that Knox is said to games, tennis games, long auto have died a poor man. It was no drives! Yum. yum! part of the scheme of the rebel He hears mysterious voices, Lords, that he should share in the though not like the voices that called booty and when he ceased to be Joan of Arc. Her voices called her necessary to them he was simply to work. These invariably and impushed aside and ignored. That peratively summon him to play. beyond all cavil is the true history of the Scottish "Reformation."

> paid with his life for his fidelity to "Bring out your canoe, and we'll the Old Faith, we learn that devo- take a river trip." Happy weeks, tion to his memory and to the drifting with the current down the martyr himself as an intercessor, river! He lies back and hears the is daily increasing in Scotland. ripples gurgling around the keel; An excellent portrait of this heroic feels the velvet air caressing his priest is now obtainable and is find- upturned face, stirring his raven ing an honorable place in many hair; trails, his languid hand Scottish households. This portrait in the sliding water. Green trees is from a picture painted at Rome on either bank, and the blue sky up soon after the martyr's death, and above, and the rich sun! What a made accessible to the people by a fine tan he is putting on! Gee, but copy recently made by Mr. Charles he's getting strong! And he feels Weld, of Stonyhurst. The original even like writing poetry. is now in the Scots College, Rome, The classroom disappears. Dreamy and a replica in the Scots college, Dan's desk turns into a fishing dock, Valladolid, in Spain. The more his pen into a fishing pole, his open widespread becomes the knowledge books into white sails dotting the of the facts of his martyrdom, mis- waters, the aisle into a silver conception as to the true purport of stream, the students into trees, the the whole "Reformation" move- walls and blackboards into low blue ment will in the same ratio dis- hills in the distance. Oh, the

> brought him into the Church some idea, and his hand feels paralyzed Coxe, and another whose name we | the scenery ! do not at the moment recall, were imbued with the same ideas, and outcome of this kind of exist. the three agreed to stand together ence? All of us can answer in defence of what they believed to that there is none. A boy of this be revealed truths of Christianity. character, with these ideals, will The Bishop's attitude was that they never do real work. Work is done might believe what they liked on now, not an hour, a week from now. the points at issue, and practice It is accomplished by close attention them in private, but must cease to to detail, and the dreamer in futures give them public manifestation, can never be the doer in the pres-This the Brighton rectors could not ent. And who will trust such a see to be consistent with their duty | boy? We all judge of the future as Christian pastors, hence, after ability of a man by his present a short period of retirement, they power. And our boy who lives in submitted to the Catholic Church and the future will be found to be a in due time became priests. The poor, inaccurate, vague, effortless death of Mgr. Hinde will have producer of today's work. recalled this incident to mind.

BIRTH RATE GROWING IN FRENCH REPUBLIC

for the year 1921 show that in a ment." Such resolves as these fill population of 39,000,000 there were the devil with joy. He will trade cate, Pope Leo XIII. issued the 456,221 marriages, 813,396 births a hundred "next month" resolutions

During the last year before the

The increase in the number of

The departments where the birth

BOY LIFE

"Talks to Boys". By Rev. J. P. Conroy, S.J.

But the highest achievement in the type is reached when the boy foundation of the College at Lisbon, sacrifices will once more take her Christmas holidays and the summer vacations. This is the classic product in the gentle art of living THE RECENT celebration of the ahead of oneself. In the fall months Christmas?" After that period, "When will vacation begin?"

rascal multitude" put Cardinal ist. Six months ahead of time he

"Get your fishing tackle and go up Nevin's brook for trout." Whole days he goes up Nevin's brook, and OF VENERABLE John Ogilvie, who incidentally 'goes up' in his studies.

scenery!

And when exams come along, old THE RECENT death of Mgr. Henry Dreamy Dan gives the class an Hinde, rector of the church of St. exhibition of some real gurgling. Vincent de Paul, Clapham, recalls Chilly days for Dan, while he tears the notable series of events which at the same old raven locks for an ten years ago. Up to that time he as his downturned face meets the long had been rector of an Anglican long stretches of foolscap ("foolschurch at Brighton, where, imbued cap" is right), and he wonders how with advanced ideas as to Church in the world he'll ever cover all that Presence in the Eucharist, he found | And a beautiful tan on his head,

What must be the practical

Such a boy, too, is easily tempted to sin. He will yield to temptation now because he is going to be better next week. "Yes," he will admit. "I am a little careless right now, but just you watch me the next Paris .- Statistics just published | month and you'll see the improvefor one yielding to temptation "now." Because he knows that if he wins now he will win more easily

The best way, the only way to comes it doesn't exist at all. Be sensible about this idea, and learn the going-to-be, the wait-and-see