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The Sacerdotal Jubilee of Pius X. September 18, 1906, the Universal Church will celebrate the golden priesting of its Supreme Head and Pontiff, Pius X., gloriously reigning. When reminded of this anniversary, His Holiness remarked that he would prefer to have it go by unperceived by the faithful at large. It would have pleased him to spend it alone with God in the quiet of his chapel, deploring the failings of the past fifty years, and begging strength for the years that still remain. He understood, he said, that the interest of the Catholic world, at the approach of this feast, was displaced not to his person but to the position which he occupied, and so he consented to have the day officially recognized. At the same time, his recommendations are noteworthy. "Let there be no unusual and costly display. Found works that will be of use to society, and support those already in existence. Build and furnish churches. Establish associations for young men, schools and charitable societies, women's guilds. Finally, put me in a position to be generous to poor churches. Thus the Jubilee will further the triumph of the Church, which triumph consists in doing good in the midst of trials, persecutions and suffering. Be not afraid," he added, "the Master has said, 'I have conquered the world.' The real triumph is in Heaven."

Build and furnish churches. There is a crying need of priests, but there is likewise a deplorable dearth of churches, especially throughout the newly-populated regions of Canada. Our charity should not be restricted within any narrow limits. Of course, local needs come first, and in this matter it is always wise to look to our own pastors for light and guidance. But, as we are doing in the present instance of the Pope's Jubilee, it is only natural that we should frequently take a view of religious affairs as broad and comprehensive as the world itself. As Catholics, nothing Catholic should be of unconcern to us. When some great insurance company has policies and investments the world over, the interest shown by each member in foreign and distant affairs is second only to the interest he takes in home concerns. So should it be with the Catholic. Christ has set no limits to His Church nor to our charity. We are all brethren, all sons of God. We all worship at the same altar, all eat of the same life-giving Bread. We should, therefore, extend the hand of fellowship, not only across boundaries, but over seas and to our brethren even to the confines of the earth. Any other view of our faith and charity is too restricted to be Catholic. Establish associations for young men. The great religious and social need of our times is the grouping and training of young men. There seems to be little or no successful effort in that direction. Here and there we hear of associations of the kind begun and maintained at the cost of much trouble and self-sacrifice to zealous priests and laymen; but somehow they seem doomed to partial or total failure. Either the young men do not frequent the splendidly appointed rooms prepared for them; or, if they do come, it is merely to idle away an hour in an easy-chair, reading a cheap magazine, smoking a cigar or playing a game of billiards, and going home at midnight, with the double satisfaction of having had a pleasant evening and of being well considered for having attended the club-rooms. This sort of club is only better than nothing. Its influence is merely passive, and unless carefully controlled it may not merit even that praise. A good term of comparison for the successful Y. M. C. C. (Young Men's Catholic Club) would be a bee-hive. There must be stir and progress. It should be a light-centre for all who come within the sphere of its influence. To found such an association, to contribute ever so slightly, ever so remotely to its foundation, is to confer a powerful and lasting benefit on a whole city, a whole country. Enable me to be generous to poor churches. Peter's Pence has been from time immemorial a peculiarly Catholic charity; and nations like Ireland and France, where the Faith flourished, were ever distinguished by their generosity to the Holy See. Every kind deed done for love of God will have its reward exceeding great; but when we give to Christ's Vicar, we come nearer to what we all aim at in our charity, giving to God Himself. The needs of the Pope are many. Though he has considerably diminished the expenses of the pontifical surroundings, the outlay is still necessarily very great. In view of his Jubilee, he appeals to our charity, not for himself, but for the poor, for poor churches. What more Catholic motive could be proposed to us? Besides, it is his Holiness' own special request. When the time comes for our Jubilee contribution, let us prove our love more by deeds than by words. Let us gladden the heart of our venerated Pontiff by our generous compliance with his request. Finally, let us pray that God may spare him to His afflicted Church for many years to come, and comfort him in his trials. "May God preserve him, strengthen him and make him happy on earth, and send me into the hands of his enemies."

A Question Unanswered. The Catholic press has its limitations—and these very limitations constitute its greatest strength and security. No self-respecting Catholic editor would surrender to the passions of the vicious and the prurient by exploiting in his paper the crimes and scandals that contribute so largely to the popularity of the secular sheet; neither would he stultify himself and disgrace his honorable and holy profession by throwing open the pages of his magazine to the discussion of subjects of questionable morality under any form whatever, whether in the guise of the problem novel or otherwise. His line of duty is clearly defined, his conduct is prescribed by eternal laws which he may not disregard. From the point of view of the worldling the Catholic publication must therefore be uninteresting and inferior. But the Catholic publication appeals not to the worldling, but rather to the ordinary intelligent Catholic reader; and just why the appeal is so fruitless is a question that has for years been uppermost in the brightest minds in the Church and is a question that remains to-day practically unanswered.

New Postal Regulations BETWEEN CANADA & UNITED STATES At a conference recently held at Washington between postal representatives of the United States and Canada, the postage on newspapers passing from Canada to the States was not only increased to sixteen times the former rate, but it was decided to make Canadian publishers affix stamps to the papers instead of paying on bulk weight as formerly. This necessitates an increase in the subscription price of THE TRUE WITNESS to subscribers in the United States to \$1.50 instead of \$1.00 per year, as formerly. Our friends in the United States will kindly take notice when sending subscriptions and renewals.

About the Vatican. The word Vatican is often used, but many do not understand its import. The term refers to a collection of buildings on one of the seven hills of Rome, which covers a space of twelve hundred feet in length and one thousand feet in breadth. It is built on a space once occupied by the garden of Nero. It owes its origin to the Bishop of Rome, who in the early part of the sixteenth century erected a humble residence on its site. About the year 1180 Pope Eugenius rebuilt it on a magnificent scale. Pope Innocent II., a few years afterwards gave it up as a lodging to Peter II., King of Aragon. In 1805, Clement II., at the instigation of the King of France, removed the Papal See from Rome to Avignon, when the Vatican remained in a condition of obscurity and neglect for more than seventy years. But soon after the return of the Pontifical Court to Rome, an event which had been so earnestly prayed for by poor Petrarch, and which finally took place in 1376, the Vatican was put in a state of repair, and again enlarged, and it was thenceforward considered as the regular palace and residence of the Popes, who one after another added fresh buildings to it, and gradually enriched it with antiquities, statues, pictures and books until it became the richest depository in the world.

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There is something truly apostolic in these words, and if they are not inspired they are certainly inspiring. They show us not only what spirit should animate a Christian at the approach of any anniversary in which he is personally concerned, but what should be his mode of rejoicing if he wish truly to "be glad in the Lord." Many of our anniversaries and festivals partake, to a very large extent, of the spirit of a vain and frivolous world. They are all show, all sound, all idle laughter and amusement; and they pass, as the feasts of worldlings only too frequently pass, and leave nothing solidly beneficial in their wake. The Sovereign Pontiff will have nothing of this in his Jubilee, even though by it we meant, as he says, principally to honor not him but the Chair of Peter. He would have Catholics keep ever present to their minds, and even in their holidays, further the great work that the Church is destined to carry on. Let there be no unusual and costly display. Costly display is frequently the measure of intensity in our modern feasts. The test of their success is their cost. For those who know anything of the New Testament, a little reflection will make clear the worthlessness of such a standard, especially in Christian celebrations. True, there is a time and a place for display; but it should be merely a means to an end; and should never occupy such a large space of our attention, as to make us forget higher and more important objects. In fact, it would seem that the spirit of Christianity as exemplified in the lives of the Saints, tends to an elimination of all mere display, except in as much as it appertains to Divine worship. Found new works... support old ones. Nothing more Gospel-like than this recommendation. The solid establishment of a good work is like the digging of a well. Its good effects are felt not merely for the present but for the future generations. This foundation of new works is also peculiarly Catholic. The Church is ever in quest of fresh means of saving mankind. Not that she changes her doctrine or morals, but that she modifies her methods, as a crafty fisherman his bait, that souls may be captured unto Christ and salvation. We are to found new works and also to support old ones. It is greatly to be regretted that we should allow old institutions, confraternities, leagues, to languish and die out, considering what labor and anxiety they cost our forefathers to put them on a solid basis. As a rule, if they could do great good in former ages, they can do so still, provided we display the same zeal and disinterestedness as did their illustrious founders and supporters. Nothing looks more ugly than to see a person whose hands are covered over with warts. Why have these disfigurements on your person when a sure remover of all warts, corns, etc., can be found in Holloway's Corn Cure.

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A Marriage Katherine was thought at last, the day had gone, the room, which was but unhome-like, had been brought to as she was safe as had turned the key, sat on her trunk. But after all, it was to be alone. If it were out from every room, one need not resolved to wait a then to seek out the one whose place she now momenta, madly digust. That girl's honest face; from the address of a job she could live with for work. She heard five o'clock went into the street for a prayer at St. directly to the est fashionable import manteaux. "The place was a hotel. It was a p no sign of business. "The French words in a black background dant opened the door a chair for her. "You are Miss O. "Madame will be moment." "She need not Katherine said. of the young woman she is! Will you here?" The girl, who sa forward at once, after a glance at — as Katherine ha