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"Truth is Catholic; proclaim it ever, and God will the rest."—BALMEZ.

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This is the word comed by the schoolmon for naming that branch of moral
philosophy or the loolgy which seeks to
gaide as through one of the main diffioulties in the use of speech.
George Washington was greatly delighted when made a present of the
famous axe, but he was not long in
unding out that it had to be used with
caution. This is the experience of most
mon in the handling of the tongue.
They are proud to have it, yet very
often have reason to wish that, like a
sword, it had a scabbard it could be put
into and kept absolutely quiet till they
were ready and able to use it rightly.
What is meant by rightly here? I
suppose we ought to speak "as the
Lord livedt, in truth, justice and judgmont" deromias iv., 21. Those three
qualities—not one or two of them—constitute right speech. For a thing may
be true, and yet ought not to be spoken.
The judgment and justice of charity
may prevent it, even make it a sin
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Indeed, there are thousands of true things which at would be injudicious or cruel, or sinful, or all three tog 5ther, to mention at certain times or places or to given persons. And this, I think, is true of all practice, morals. Their general principle is plain enough, but just how far that enters into our case, hie of nune, and how far it is modified or suspended or set aside by other principles equally true—here is the real root of the difficulty. If I am in husiness, and being in debt see an opening that is full of both risk and promise what am I do 0.2 If I succeed I cau pay my ilobts with honor: if I fail I bring ruin upon anysolf and I family and creditors. To strive to provide the means of meeting my engagements is a plain duty, but should I strive in this particular way. Would it be honest? There is no doubt, in the mind of any man of experience, that this perplexity will be solved in different ways by different individuals: nor can I see how any of them can be accused of wrong-doing as long as their personal conscience approves them. It is the same in the use of speech. We may have the right to see the provide the same in the use of speech. We may have the right to speak, for the thing we say may be as we say it, that is, may be true, yet judy ment may assure us that to say it just as we know it is, is unfair to someholy else, or perhaps to ourselves. What then is to be done? Keep silence? But this may not be callowable as to part of the story. Tell it all? Yet and be successful and on any injure to a silence and judyment.

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duty compols, though the listener may take therefrom an imperfect view of the whole state of the case. &c., &c.

Now we ask how in the name of good source and experience can objection be raised to all this? Is it not a great blessing to have the aid of other people sopinions in difficulties too great to be easily got ever by self? And when these opinions are the result of deep conscientions study by learned men, specialists in their department, who but must give them a fart as they agree with or assist his own conscience? And this is all that is required or allowed.

But you say such subtleties we only a temptation to ordinary metals? Why not tell out the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, always and clore with it? Vory great talk indeed, out most carterordinarily shallow and silly. Try the principle of it—which souds so fine—with the captains who have to navigate the waters of the lower guil. Tell them to throw away the dangerous places to put on a fine head of steam run their vessels in a straight line—the shortest of course—for Quebec and to be sunshed to pieces on the fearing and all manuer of obstructions on the route which speech has to take. In many of its necessary excursions! And their dangerous places to put on a fine head of steam run their vessels in a straight ins—the shortest of course—for Quebec and to be sunshed to pieces on the fearing of its necessary excursions! And in their danger, that you should find fault with? Is it that which makes the difficulties? You might as woll say

fevers and small-pox and dipthera are created by the doctors who have written on the heat means of perventing the are or dealing with them whose they come in spite of all precaution.

The whole superstructure of imputation built so high against as desappears upon a little honest investigation, as completely as the morning mist when the sm ascends and we are seen in this as in all other matters, struggling the best we can to clear a way through forest and tangled brake, not of our creation and leave behind us a carefully prepared map for safe guidance of others who have to follow the same dangerous route. And for this noble effort to do what is possible under the circumstances in which God has placed us we are gliby accused of teaching equivocation and lying.

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One doesn't care much when one hears such language in the mouth of the liliterato, and the gross, who have never seen a Catholic catechism or theology in their life, and who couldn't through want of faith, understand it, if they did. But it is a very different matter when ministers make the change. They ought to know better, they might know better, and therefore are guilty of sin when they unjustly and falsely accuse their neighbors? And to sin they add intolerable impudence when they fell or insinuate so many lies—in the name of truth. For what is it to the purpose that they can show that this or that theologian or moralist made a mietake. Should all geographers be condmed, because this or that one, in spite of pains to the contrary, shows a rock or an island a little out of its place, on his map?

If did the best he could, and labored in the right drection, that, nam'y, of instructing mankind. On the whole he did instruct, and is an honor, notwithstanding an unavoidable slip hore and there. Why deal out different treatment to the moralist? Is his task chair, less liable to lead to mistakes in an infallible Church! Neither there is. Every principle of conduct necessary for the making of the perface Christian, is taught unmistakably, so that the very children know them, But the end of the contrary of the making of the perface Christian, is taught unmistakably, so that the very children know them, But the end of the contrary of the making of the perface Christian, is taught unmistakably, so that the very children know them, But the mind in knowing and choosing. Ordinarily there is no difficulty, but principles and duties, in this nisted world, come into collision, or apparent collision, and then a man's ceurse—the only course open to him—is not the abstract best, but he best he can. And it is for trying to make his burdon here as light as and hear a man's ceurse—the only course open to

VERY REV. FATHER WYNN.

Presentation on Mile Silver Jubilee by the

Catholic Young Ladies' Literary Association
Last Tuesday ovening was most enjoyably speut at the Hall of the Catholic
Young Ladies' Literary Association,
McCaul street, the occasion being a
presentation and address to the Rev.
Father Wynn in honor of his silver
jubilee A large number of the members and their friends were present.
After the business of the Society was
completed Miss L. Meyers opened the
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Secy. C. Y. L. L. V. Toronto, May 20. Toronto, May 20.

In Honor of the Silver Jubilee of Rev.

Father Winn, Rector St. Patrick's

Last night in my dreams an augol ap-

Last night in my dreams an augol appeared,
And before me he placed a page
white.
And in it were written in words round
and large
And in letter of clear silver bright.
The words and the decis of one of the
earth,
Who for twenty-five years had worked
well
In the great Master's garden, and now
his reward.—
An angel his record would tell.

And he called this mortal the pastor and priest, The friend and the shepherd so kind, Who within the warm fold drew the lambs and the sheep

what intuiting fathered the friendiess and phor. To the erring he'd preached of God's love; To me ering ne preasure your love;

From dupths of despair he had raised the howed heart.

He had whispered of hope, there above. He had south with men in their mirth and their joy.

And had a hourned with them in their

Their wounds and their bruises to bind.

bind
He called him the friend who patiently heard heard those in distress;
Whose mission on earth was rough places to smooth
To confort, to solate and bloss.

He had faithfully fathered the friendics

griet,
While his gracious presence and gentle
word
To the sorrowing era brought relicf

Then a chalice this angelic spirit held

Then a chaire this angene spirit near forth. With sacrifice filled to the brim, of the crosses eer carried, the symbol and sign, Salvation of many to win. And a censer from which earnest prayer mounted high, By cherub and seraphim borne, While white spotless cincture and stole wet with tears, Whicheve, this good priest had worn.

And lo—I awoke and the people on earth Were holding a jubilee grand; The church was all decked in gay festive garb, The fairest at nature's command. The hily and rose entwined with the vine

vine
About the tall pillars were wreathed:
All flowers the sweetest, the richest, the
rarest
Around we their glad perfume
breathed.

The joy-bells were pealing; the organ's grand notes Through the aisles swept gloriously

Through the assues sweps governous, on:

"Te Deum," "Laudate," the people sang forth.

The vested priests joined in the song. And a pean went forth, a pean of praise To God, who had given this grace

To hun, the developastor, the father revered Who thus far had won in the race

Once more I dreamed and, in sleep, I beheld another jubble grand, But this time twas "golden, and careful articled told years and the state of the land; And the good prices now old with toil and with cares Amidst all his children was placed. While the palm branch of victory he hold in his hand And his tired brow the laurel wreath graced.

And above this picture an All present beheld the "White Throne."

Throne."
And from it there came the sweetest of words
Uttered in sweetest of tone;
"Well done my own, my faithful one, right loyal, as all may see,
And now thy guerdon, thy reward,
an eternity with Me."

Catholic Young Ladies Literary Association, Toronto.

Latest Stratford Items.

At a meeting of the the delegates of the Huron district C. L. A., held here recently the following schedule of games was arranged: June 4., Bright at Scaforth; June 9., Seaforth at Stratford June 12. Bright at Berlin; June 16. Berlin at Scaforth; July 1., Stratford at Bright; July 8. Seaforth at Brijh and Bright at Stratford; July 16, Stratford at Scaforth; July 18, Berlin at Bright; July 29, Stratford at Berlin: August 3, Seaforth at Bright; August 12, Berlin at Stratford.

Stratford.

Mr. P. Tobin, has now become a permanent resident of Seaforth and will move his family to that town, at the close of the present month. He is engaged by Mr. M. Purcell, proprietor of the Queen's Hotel, as his chief clerk. While we regret to lose our friend, who has become so popular here with a classes, we hope that his future may be brighter even if the city loses a good citizen and an active young man.

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Miss Lizzie Phalen, who has been a resident of this city for the past five years, left last Saturday for her home in Arthur. Miss Phalen will be greatly missed by her many friends here, she has for a number of years been the leading soprano soloist in St. Ioseph's Church this city.

His Worship Mayor O'Donaghue will give a handsome silver medal to the pupil taking the highest number of marks at the coming High School entrance acanimation with a provise that the contestants are resident pupils attending the Public of Separate schools.

H. J. Powell, architect, has taken in parture in the person of Mr. James Carswell of Chatham, the latter geutleman to reside as a member of the firm in Chatham, Mr. Powell remaining in Stratford.

The Women's Hospital Aid Society

The Women's Hospital Aid Society intoud giving a grand ball in the Stratford Skating Rink sometime in September.

temper.

Thomas Lawson, shoe dealer, has purchased a boot and shoe business in lugersoil and has taken charge of same. His son will conduct his business in Stratford.

BOOKS FOR THE YOUNG.

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Whenever to the Roberts:

Our Catholic cousins in the United States are not wanting in the injerimity that is characteristic of their indiction. This ingelimity extends all the way from mechanical inventions to literature. Amongst that the characteristic of the result and pited it to the tastes of young and old. Knowing how ready is youth to take inspiration from the story-book, they have fashioned a key that unlocks at once the three chambers in the hearted the young folk in which are guarded the latent forces of religion, patriotism and resolution that brings success in the world. This is a field of literary effort which the Catholic writers across the border occupy all to themselves.

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We have received from Messars Bendiger Bros. the great Catholic publishing house of New York, a parcel of no fewer than eight books all of which are suggestive of the self-same requisites in the character of young America. The authors would, in fact, appear to have worked with only one idea of the kind of impiration that boys and girls ought to find in their fletion, as fiction of some sort they are bound to have

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These stories are full of interest and pleasure. They display strength and originality of unagnation and no lack of variety in point of literary treatment.

"The Taming of Polly" by Fila Loraine Dorsey (85c.) is the style of tale that the youthful fancy turns to with keep enjoyment. It follows the with keep enjoyment. It follows the with keep enjoyment. It follows the with keep enjoyment in follows the water of the little daughter of a Maryland officer, who went west after the war to engage in ranching. A Sioux squaw, named Winona, fameus as the wearer of a medal presented by Marquette to the first convert brave of the tribe, foreted startling things concerning the child. Polly, even as a haby, or rather Marquette's medal which Polly wore, was the means of averting war between the Indians and the frontier force quartered near the ranch. After that event the child was half adopted by the Redskins, carned to shoot straight from a bare-hack pony, or give a war whooy that might reflect credit on a dancing buck. The little semi-savage comes to school to the convent of Glen Mary in an eastern state; but oven there her genius for adventure does not forsake her and the story is divorted into acharming description of school-girl life. In the last chapter Polly becomes a Catholic. The story is rich in comantic flavor, but still recher in the possibilities of its influence upon the character of the young reader. Towards the end there is a little weakening of hterary merit, due to the author having wandering into a digression about no less trite a topic than the A.P.A.

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Four companion books are entitled "A Blissylvania Post Office," by Marion Ames Taggart; "A Summer at Woodwille." by Auna T. Sadlier: "Three Girls and Especially One," by Marion Ames Taggart; and "An Herr of Dreams," by Sallie Margart O'Malloy, (each 50c. All of these little stories abound in occasions when one moment of youth, as Ruskin says, seems to tremble with destiny. If we feel like bestowing a special word of prase upon one book out of the four it would be reserved for the "Heir of Dreams." which describes the eur rigizing and subsequent accession to fame, of a boy who had long been thought good for nothing. There are three presentable little companion volumes that go by the names of "The Boys in Our Rlock" by Maurice Francis Egan. "My Strange Friend" by Francis J. Finn, S.J., and "The Fatal Diamonds" by Eleanor C. Donnelly each 30c.) The lesson which these three writers have sought to impart to their young friends is always stimulating and healthy.

The books are all bound in sintable style for presentation, and nething better could be desired by Catholic parcuts in the way of gift books. The binding is pretty and up-to-date and the price mounter and the price of the problem of the recommend to the public this new series.

Next Sunday His Grace the Archbishop will bless the new vestry at St. Mary's and preach at the last Mass. Father Ryan, Rector of St. Michael's Cathedral, will preach at Vespers, 7:30 pm. Eleven candidates will be received into the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin. Voluntaries will be 8:3g by Mr. F. Anglin and Miss McCarron.

Pulmonary consumption. in its early stages, may be checked by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It stops the natressing cough, sooths irritation of the throat and lungs, and induces much-needed repose. Hundreds have testified to the remarkable virtues of this proposation.

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