

THROUGH THE PRAYERS OF A WIFE.

A layman writing to The Missionary gives the following account of his conversion: "How was I brought to the faith? Primarily by prayer. It was the unceasing appeal through eight long years of a devoted wife for my conversion that ultimately brought me to the practice of my religion. During that period we changed our place of residence a number of times, and each time happened to land in a parish where a Catholic mission was held before we moved again. I think I passed through five such missions without any change of heart. But the hand of God was in it finally. The time came when the prayers of my wife were most evidently realized. At the outset I held off, but at her earnest entreaty went to the Monday evening service. The sermon aroused my interest and was such an intellectual treat that I required no urging to go again, but of my own accord I attended the evening service the rest of the week. On Saturday evening my wife said to me: 'Now you're going to confession, aren't you?' 'No, I replied; not this time. I'll think about it later on.'

wrath and, lashing the offenders before Him, He exclaimed: "My house shall be called the house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves."

What, then, are we to think, will be His punishment to those who do not respect His Church, of which the temple was but a shadow? How, then, ought we to avoid irreverence here? This is not the place for conversation, for curiosity, for idle thought; nor is it the show-room for fanciful dress. We owe respect in this place to God present, and to our fellow-Christians who come to pray; we owe it, indeed, to our souls which stand in need of the blessings to be found here. If these reflections be not sufficient to urge us to our duty, let us go back to the time of St. Justin, who shows us the pagans entering their temples with feet bare, while round about was significantly painted the figure of silence, nay, go into any of the mosques of Mahomet of the present day, and there learn a lasting lesson from the decency and veneration of the deluded worshippers. Wonder not why prayers are not heard, when not but indifference and empty words characterize the petitions. Wonder, rather, the mercy of God Who has tolerated these abuses of His holy places for so long a time. But let us not be deceived thereby, for His mercy will not last always. It is a day of patience, but the cup of His justice is rapidly filling. A little while more and it will overflow, and then will come a night of His terrible wrath. Impressed, then, with the thought that respects due the house of God, let us bring to it sentiments worthy of it. If we have been wanting in this respect in the past, let the present and future more than atone for it. Recollected in His presence, let us honor and adore His awful majesty and confess our unworthiness to appear before Him. Let us, here, ask pardon for having transgressed His commands, and bear a contrition of His mercies. Let us expose to Him our wants and beg the assistance of His grace. Let us invoke the saint under whose patronage the Church is placed, call on those whose relics enrich the altar, beg the angels to bear our petitions to God and to aid us in praising and glorifying His holy name. Finally, giving Him the homage of all our faculties while bowed in adoration before Him and lovingly present as often as we can, as when unable to be there, like the Jews of old turning toward the temple of Jerusalem, direct to the Church, the new, the heavenly Jerusalem, the adoration of our hearts in praise and veneration to "the one true and living God."—Bishop Colton in Catholic Union and Times.

John Wesley's Vision. From the Ave Marie. In a recent public address the Rev. J. S. Simon, a prominent Wesleyan minister in England, president of Disbury College, Manchester, reminded his hearers that John Wesley always built school rooms in connection with his meeting houses. "From the outset he saw that it was not enough to preach the Gospel to the crowd; he knew that he must educate the children or, as he said, the revival would last only the life of a man."

THE HOLY OF HOLIES. Behold the tabernacle of God with men, and God dwelling among His people. These words of Holy Writ are verified in the Real Presence of our Lord dwelling in our churches under the sacramental veil of the altar, and it is this divine presence that makes our temples the house of God and gate of heaven for all who will come and adore within them. This is Catholic faith, and Catholic hope and love give ready expression to it. God's presence in our churches is not the only motive to incite us to respect and reverence, for here, too, are preserved the relics of the saint—precious mementos of what can be accomplished with the grace of God, and which ought urge us to holy emulation. Here also are administered the sacraments, those priceless boons of the Christian soul. In this place we have confessed our offences and been forgiven our sins, and have received the healing balm of the charism. In this place we have been enrolled among the soldiers of Christ, and have renewed the pledge of our fidelity. As Christians our whole life is connected with the Church; there we were brought in helpless infancy to be received among her members by holy baptism, and there, too, we hope to be brought when old in death to receive the blessings of her funeral rites. Here are the angels ministering around their God in the tabernacle, adoring His Majesty and petitioning His graces and favors for us poor sinners. O, if we could but lift the mystic veil that surrounds our altars, how many bright spirits would we see crowded round their Lord and prostrate in adoration before Him! And if we could be so happy as to hear their heavenly anthems, what joy would fill our souls forever! For let us open the heavens, and look into the heaven of heavens," says St. Chrysostom, "we shall find nothing more holy, nothing greater than what Jesus Christ Himself has placed on our altars."

DIocese of Alexandria. Laying of the Corner-stone of the Church of Our Lady of Angels. Monday, Sept. 2, 1907, will be a day long remembered by the Catholics of Moose Creek, Ont. On that date the corner-stone of their beautiful new church, dedicated to the Holy of Angels was solemnly blessed by His Lordship, Right Rev. Wm. A. Macdonell, D. D., Bishop of Alexandria.

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heart and spirit of Jesus man, and how wealth, power, and pleasure reigned supreme on the earth, when everything was God but God Himself, who rev. ancestor traced to the lowly counting of Jesus Christ. Born in poverty and in the manger, the child brought the day of His cruel and ignominious death on the Cross. The Son of God, He made Himself the slave of His people, and He brought the new and unheard-of doctrines to an astonished world. He confided His powers and His teachings to His Apostles. These twelve men set to work, and the results were seen three hundred years later when the colonies of pagans, the world of antiquity fell before the throne of Peter, the blood of his martyrs had conquered, and a new era was ushered in.

DIocese of Sault Ste. Marie. Laying of Corner-stone of Church at Marksville. The corner-stone of a new church was recently laid at Marksville, one of the missions in the diocese of Sault Ste. Marie. The church has been built largely through the efforts and zeal of Mrs. H. E. Yonson and her wife Madame Rosa d'Erina Yonson. The cost will be \$10,000. This little chapel will be a great boon to the Catholics of that far off region. Rev. Father Desjardins, of Thessalon, performed the ceremony of laying the corner-stone.

REV. WILLIAM DOLLARD. DIED AT BREWER MAINE AUG 29th 1907. The land was light with summer haze The rivers flashed beneath the sun, And the birds sang in the trees. The Master saw his work well done! Ere yet his years began to fall Or age had touched with finger sore; Or ere the dying leaves could fall From the old trees, upon his bier:

THE CANADIAN NEWSPAPER DIRECTORY FOR 1907. We have just received from the publishers, A. McKim, Limited, of Montreal and Toronto, the 1907 edition of The Canadian Newspaper Directory.

TRICASE. The growth of national spirit in this country. There are still some people who imagine that the extremities of Canada are self-centred and careless of what is being done in Ontario and Quebec. It has been said that the Nova Scotian doesn't know what is being done in Toronto, and more than that, doesn't care. This is not a fair statement. All manufacturers know that the growth of the national spirit has awakened a keen interest. An example is provided by the J. A. McDonald Piano and Music Company, of Halifax, the leading Nova Scotia music firm. Last year this firm made at the Dominion Exhibition at Halifax the finest display of Goulayart pianos ever seen in the East.

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VOLUME XX. The Catholic. LONDON, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1907. THE UP-TO-DATE. We are informed by a non-Catholic divine New York, has taken a leaf from the woman who best way to manage a husband is to feed the brute." Believe most of the men who stay Sunday are of those whose belly, he has installed in of his church a soda water whose effervescent waters strengthen the occupants. This is up-to-date and a leaf, but it has its weak instance, some of his people like soda-water; and again abide in the land of their counter may not be as fascinating as free fizzy. Some time ago either tickled their auditors essays on whimsical subjects them a plain talk, based on observation, on the underworld or treated of the humanitarian type. But all this is esoteric Syracuse preacher who best way to fill the paws of indolence of soda-water ever, he goes farther than investigations he may distill empty pew is due, not of free drinks, but to certain doctrine. The promising manner in preachers hold truth, the Bible, have not only power and influence, but injected into the minds of suspicion that the more even less than the people client journalist is hard on the new Syllabus errors, but as his theology is not in itself self-conceit a few he are the sole critics laborers. The only thing make out from his wan the Syllabus marks the date of, or as they put with the trend of mo. The trouble is that they must comment on accordingly turn out a paragraph for the deluded people who know that Rome must be wrong. date in religion means prehension. To bow down and fancy, to recognize the moral as contentment sanctity and empty and foolishness listen rather to the voice to the Church, which the accents of divine this may be up to date have none of it. Anomalous who are not mere gropers, the Church is crept nor unable to against the forces of them it is up-to-date, fact, that against her attacks. Huxley the Church as the organization that blocks his school; and Drape the movements of a guided by the highest skill and that it has pactness, a power w donominations do not Church which "premost solemn and maj in history and org gathered the most te associations of Christi be depended upon to gauntlet of journalistic

When one of the counter to the Church wise man and a scholar Catholics. But they he is also, so far as goes, a dead man. company with the Chur God and thereby out the fountains of sup cannot be galvanized like a semblance of an hal platitudes. MADAGASCAR. There is a walling in The English missionar and indignant that Law of Separation is as well as the Cath that after championing haters of Christ and Premier against the b nuns they should be g