The conversion of Princess Energy the eve of her coming marriage the young King of Spain has sulted in what will probably prove fruitful ventilation of the su of ante-nuptial conversions. In Engnd the public journals have bitter sectarian organizations, going

the interjection of bigot spleen into purely a personal matter, ning no one but the lady her-

WHAT THE CHURCH REQUIRES. distinguished Father Bernard Vaugh-

an, in which he said : "It ought to be clear to every one that such an aspersion as that cast by an 'English Spectator' in the her of an un-Christian worldliness rmitted to add a word in explanation of the situation, I would point out that if the Princess' con-The same journal claims of the Church, remain Protestant, being an honorable lady, she will forego the contemplated al-Further, let the public inin this case rest assure that before she can be received into the Church it will be the sacred duty of the authorities of the Church to ve her solemn assurance that her conscientions conviction present oblige her to take the step. The Bishop of London (Anglican) have no fear that 'conversion order' can be effected from the tholic side. Is it too much to press a hope that the English public will leave unquestioned the motives, which are beyond their discovery and no affair of theirs, and allow a lady, whatever be her rank,

The Glasgow Observer, comment ing on the intimation of the Protestant Bishop of London that Princess Ena cannot give "a genuine and convinced acceptance" of the Catholic faith, says he cannot possibly have any means of knowing anything whatever about the conscience the Princess, and therefore his letter is an insult as unmanly as it is unwarranted.

to settle so personal a matter

conscience ?"

her reception into the Church with

"As Catholics we resent it," continues the Observer, "because apart from personal considerations, it implies that the Catholic Church would admit a convert whose acceptance of Catholic doctrine was merely formal and not sincere. The Church would not do that. That is not the Catholic practice. Unlike Protestant friends who are accustomed in Ireland to "buy up sowls with know that among the Protestant penny rowls and chunks of hairy bacon" the Catholic Church places but a conscientious and willing con-

"The appeal of the Imperial Protestant Federation to the King to forbid the marriage because of the conversion of the Princess shows imperit the lives of their lamines of across more beautiful than the first, and more worthy to bear the conversion of the Princess shows the Yang-tse River, wrote to me durdeemed the world. forbid the marriage because of the how slight is the Protestant love ing the Boxer outbreak words of for individual liberty. Protestantism, for individual liberty. Protestances in the form of th to deny liberty of action to his niece because she exercises her private judgment in the matter of her

"This is quite the old spirit which placed fine and spoliation on . the English Catholics who, in the Elizamen are off," he says, "just when bethan time, refused to attend Protestant service; quite of a piece with Catholics are standing their ground." nglish Catholics who, in the Elizathat provision of the Irish penal laws which gave an estate to the younger son who became a Protestant instead of the heir who admartyrs of Saguntum, calls the Carbonic faith of the Carbonic faith of the Carbonic faith of provision of the Irish penal the red to the Catholic faith of his fathers. It is the inflicting of penalty on account of conscience. It is the prayer of an official Protestant organization to the head of the Protestant Church to-day. Of course, the King will pay no heed to it. He can prevent the marriage but not even he can prevent the conversions. And although he was found willing to mutter some obsoliete profanity on his accession—as a condition precedent to wearing the recommendation of the martyr's death as the best crown of life, and in the far Dast there is the chance of such a crown. Hence there is no lack of volunteers for these missions.

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GOD'S GRACE TO HONEST LOV- THE CHRIST OF THE OCEAN

Western Watchman, treats the mat-ter in characteristic style. er in characteristic style.
"Protestants," he writes, "are de

spiritual exactions. They will you, when forced to an avowal, that were to be met on the steep they fear they cannot be good which led to the little church voted many columns to letters and they fear they cannot be good which led to the little church, the protests, some of the latter, from enough. It is cowardice, not want coffins carried by men and followed tter sectarian organizations, going of conviction, that keeps hundreds of by the weeping widows, who, in thousands out of the Church. Love their long black cloaks, recalled the part of King Edward to prevent is a great fortifier. Love fears no women of the Pible. part of King Edward to prevent is a great fortifier. Love fears no- women of the Bible. entrance of the Princess into the thing. Rivers cannot quench its Jean Lenoel and the spiritual from the temporal. fore they had hung a little Catholic journals, on the other There is something almost divine in full rigged, as an offering to Catholic journals, on the other hand, show that the associations of the Princess have been largely Catholic, and that she has had many opportunities of learning about the Catholic religion to which she is without doubt drawn by honest conviction. The same journals characterize as nothing short of indecent at the indicate of the princess have been largely Catholic religion to which she is without doubt drawn by honest conviction. The same journals characterize as nothing short of indecent at the interjection of bigot spleen into numerical solutions. But it is all son Desire." nuptial conversions, but it is all son Desire."
wrong. If there is a time in life While the when people are honest, it is when being lost with their owners on th they are in love. Some priests, in- coast, large ships were foundering at fluenced by this suspicion, prefer to sea, and not a day passed without

London, appeared a letter from the lic party until after marriage. They marrying a Catholic, does not en- It was a life-sized figure of ter the Church before his marriage, carved and painted, and with it is pretty safe to say he will die and immoral deceit. If I may be is neglected it may never return. We never question the motives of a He may be influenced by human motives; by slavish fear; by worldly ambition. It is ours, as confessors, to put a loftier motive in his heart. Princess Ena has now the courage to accept the stringent discipline of the Catholic Church, and what matters it if she takes a resolution at the of Spain? By that act she hopes to wear a crown; may she by it earn

> by the chords of Adam, and love-nothing nobler, grander, better, except the golden cords of cha- bless the parish so cruelly rity. ted a great stir all over the Protestant world; may it have the effect of bringing those deluded people to inquire into the grounds of Protestantism."

THE DIFFERENCE.

A contributor to the Liverpool Times, who knows what he is talking about, writes as follows to tall pity, and one of the men that paper :

The Catholic missionary to China becomes a Chinaman, throws in his lot with his people, never dreams of priest entered the church to say comfortable retirement in Europe. As a rule he lives far away from the treaty ports, and no gunboat can come to his protection. In time of throws in his lot with his people They are ready to die with him for the faith he has taught them, as so many native Catholics did during the Boxer uprising when an act of apostasy would have saved their lives. I missionaries there are many devoted no value on a forced or on anything ed with wives and children, many men, and I know also that hamperamong them, even though they themselves might take risks, are afraid to THE OLD PROTESTANT SPIRIT imperil the lives of their families testant missionaries who crowded his steamer as she went away down the steamer as she went away down the petitioning King Edward river, and he added words of praise rings, for the Catholic missionaries who no more dreamed of flight than our officers of the northwest frontier of India think of going away to Lahore or Kurrashas who may be a small late. or Kurrachee when the tribesmen are up in arms along the border. "These at instead of the heir who ad-martyrs of Saguntum, calls the Caed to the Catholic faith of his, tholic Church "the mother of chil-

lated by Mary K. Ford) It had been a sad year at St. Valery, for many of the fishermen had been drowned. Their bodies "Protestants," he writes, "are de-terred from entering the Catholic had been washed ashore with the Church chiefly through dread of its fragments of their boats, and for

the entrance of the Princess into the Catholic fold. The charge is made that the Princess is changing her he is very close to the line dividing of the church, where only shortly be

While the little fishing-smacks were In a recent issue of the Times, of delay the reception of the non-Catho- the waves bringing in some fragmen of wreckage. One morning think it safer and better looking. It children rowing in the little bay is all wrong. If the Protestant, saw something floating on the water arms extended as if to receive and Times of Saturday on Princess Ena outside the Church. A special grace bless. The forehead was crowned is nothing less than a charge against is given by God to honest lovers at with thorns, the hands and feet the time of their marriage, and if it were pierced, but the nails as well is neglected it may never return. figure looked as our Lord must man who kneels in our confessional. have appeared to Joseph of Arima thea and the holy women at moment of the descent from cross.

The children managed to tow ashore and took it to the priest

"This image of the Saviour is evi dently very old, and he who made time of her marriage to the King it has been dead for many years. Although excellent statues are sold in Amiens and Paris, it must sed that the workmen of an a heavenly one also. God draws us be confe the older day had also great merit. But sweetest chords left us after Adam's I rejoice above all to think that if fall are the silken chords of human our Lord has come thus, with open arms to St. Valery, it is in order to The acceptance of the Catho- and to show that He is full of pity lic religion by Princess Ena and her for the poor fishermen who follow marriage to King Alfonso have creathe sea at the peril of their lives It is Christ as He walked upon the water and blessed the nots of Peter."

And the priest, having had the figure laid upon the high altar, went to Lemeuc, the carpenter, to order a handsome cross of oak.

When this was finished the figure of Christ was nailed upon it and if was set up in the nave of the church. Then it was seen that the faithful departed, and then ordered eyes of the figure were full of celeshad helped to place the figure thought he saw tears upon the face. The next morning, when the Mass, he was surprised to find the cross empty and the figure extended upon the altar.

'As soon as he had finished the asked him why he had detached the figure from the cross. But the carwas convinced that no one had entered the church since the figure had been put up. The whole incident partook of the marvelous and he meditated deeply upon it. The following Sunday it, and invited his parishioners

The poor fisher-folk of St. Valery and soon Father Truphe gold letters. Two months later the cross was placed in the church the figure of Christ was fastened be-tween the lance and the sponge. But On Palm Sunday we actually again the cross was deserted and dur-ing the night the Christ descended to

place himself on the altar.

When the priest discovered figure there on the following morning, he fell upon his knees and prayed long and earnestly. News of prayed long and earmestly. News of the miracle spread through the vicinity, and the ladies of Amions took up a collection for the Christ of St. Valery. Father Trupheme received silver and jewelry from Paris, and the wife of the Minister of Marine sent him a diamond heart. With all these riches at his disposal a goldsmith in Paris made, in two years, a cross of gold and precious stones, which was consecrated with great ceremony in the church at St. Valery. But He who had not re-

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fused the cross of sorrow, declined this cross of gold, and again found extended upon the white line cloth of the altar.

For fear of offending the figure it was left there, and there it remained for over two years, when Pierre Caillou came one day to Father Trupheme to tell him that he had found the cross of our Lord upon the beach.

Pierre was half-witted, and as he was not able to earn his living, peo- You are easily tired, appetite variple gave him food out of charity. He was loved because he was harm less, but he talked so foolishly that pimples and eruptions appear on the no one paid much attention to what he said. Father Trupheme, how- tism or neuralgia. Any of these in ever, who had never ceased to medi- dicate that the blood is out tate on the mystery surrounding the order, that the indoor life of win-Christ of the Ocean, was struck by ter has left its mark upon you and the poor simpleton's words. Ac

companied by the verger and two of ous trouble. the wardens, he went to the place described by the child, and there found two boards, much beaten by right. the waves, but nailed together in the system, and weaken instead of the form of a cross. They were giving strength. What you do need fragments from an old wreck, and is a tonic medicine that two letters could still be seen paint- new, rich red blood, build up ed on one of the boards, a J and an was part of Jean Lenoel's boat, one medicine to do this speedily and which had gone down, five years before, with him and his son Desire.

began to laugh at the simple fellow planks of a boat for the cross of try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and you our Lord. But the priest stopped will never regret it. This medicine their laughter. Ever since the appearance among the fishermen of the Christ of the Ocean he had meditat- it has done for others it can easily ed much on the subject, and the mystery of infinite love began to dawn the men to carry the fragments of the wreck and place them in the church. When this was lifted the figure from the altar, laid it upon the planks, and nailed there himself with nails rusted by

the sea. By his order this cross w stored to the nave, taking the place trouble he sticks to his post and throws in his lot with his people.

As soon as he had finished the of the one of gold. The Christ of the one of gold. The Christ of the Ocean has never left it. He has a sked him why he had detached the ocean has never left it. willingly remained upon the planks where men had died calling upon His name. And there, with His lips apart, He seems to say:

"My cross is made of the sufferings of mankind, for verily I am the God of the poor and suffering."-Anatole

A POETIC LITURGY.

Beautiful Symbolism of the Offices of the Church.

The poetic principle pervades the liturgy of the Church. Each suc-Each suceding Sunday unfolds some mystery of the God-man's life stand in spirit on the summit Mount Olivet, and thence behold Him taken from us into Heaven. However, it is particularly during Holy Week that the poetry of Mo-

ticipate in a procession commemorating the triumphal entry of our Lord into Jerusalem; bearing palm branches in our hands, we sing ioyous hosanmas to the Son of David, the King who cometh in the name of the Lord.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings are chanted the Lamentations of Jeremias, during the office called Tenebrae, or Darkness.

hrist. The history of His sufferigs is recited in Gregorian chant and when the last words on the cross have been uttered, we pros-trate ourselves in sorrow and meditate on the death of the Son of God. We are in spirit at the foot of the cross on Calvary, amid the darkness and the gloom, weeping with Mary and John and Magdalen, striking our breasts like the that were there, and confessing with

the centurion that this man is truly

the Son of God. But darkness does not always last: our woe must become less in Did He not give a promise, saying that on the third day He would rise again? In the very midst of our grief, Mother Church allows us to catch a glimpse Easter Day; for on Holy Saturday the tidings of the Resurrection are ed, and we are told that Mary Mag-dalen and the other Mary have gone

SPRING ADVICE.

to see the sepulchre.

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The Rev. John Talbot Smith writes on "Experiments in Drama;" "A Little Sister in China" describes (By Rev. Charles M., Carroll, D.D.)

The poetic principle pervades the Life of Sir John Gilbert, is review.

ed in connection with the social and literary movements of his time. Stories are contributed by J. Ger trude Menard, Maud Regan, Nora Tynan O'Mahony, Franklin Barry and Mary M. Redmond. Poems by Amadeus, Mary West, Mary Allegra Gallagher, Emma Beatrice Thayer, Charlotte Callahan, Henry Coyle and Wm. J. Fischer add to the at tractive make up of this Easter is ue of Donahoe's Magazine



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glimpse of the glories body said awaited him by was enraged at the which kept greatness and girl apart. He could do for Ruth would not have long ago said all that co on the matter. It was only to encourage Floris and watch his advances affection, to growl and the poet came between, day and expand with hope the next. Peter C seen and understood The journalist had an in-He had matter too. dislike for Florian, or r difference which opposit convert into dislike. Peter had arranged in h a matrimonial affair bety and the daughter of Ma Ponsonby Lynch. It tr that the parties cared lis other, and Madame had favor of Florian. It tro still more when Paul beg a strong liking for Ruth appeared of Frances' lear rian. But that the squ ship and the squi ess gave him employmen eccentric gentleman ago have created serious among both parties. H ford to wait for one rea was not in danger so lo remained a Protestant. did not believe in mixed Religion was a strong b tween the lovers. They vinced that man and have one mind and the sa in religious matters, and their children in the one b fore Peter was quiet and tic, until the squire in a weakness laid bare his h and wept. It was Peter's weaknes

squire's heart' The squ and stormed a little. H bara, and he could not "Well, d'ye see," said her interest to have yo marry the lawyer. She the name of be matchmaker, and it would her with glory to send tician and the blue-stock "The what?" gasped "Your literary daught Peter. He won the sq sent to his scheme, an they called on Barbara. lady must have enjoyed sation immensely. She ed with their id

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diplomacy of one, and wishes of the other, with The squire watched her w picious eye, but she cap wholly and filled him wi onfidence in her disintere was a clear, heaven-made union of Ruth and Floris courtship had begun so r naturally that really the tle to do for outside ever was to be done she it with their assistance. highly amused. One source was that Flo opened his heart to her unexpected way a few of and had hinted the ser good will might do him hoped he would at comments. good will might do him hoped he would of cours hoped he would of cours played a few feminine tri end. It was all very de Paul and Ruth would be used to be