

imitation of one of their Bishops, who told the editor "That he had given £100 in Bibles to his people, and was then supporting two school-masters for the purpose of learning such as were ignorant, that they might read and understand their duty to God and their fellowmen." That interesting Prelate of the Roman Catholic Church in Upper Canada, took a specimen of the little tracts and elementary publications which I then had, and contributed liberally towards printing more. God grant that many others may thus contribute to promote useful knowledge.

And it will afford pleasure to all friends to the Bible to hear, that a Roman Catholic Priest in Detroit, some time ago, assisted in printing portions of the Bible, to give to children and put into private families to be committed to memory. That selection was made from the Doway translation; and it was containing nothing, but what every true follower of Christ can sanction. It is a gratifying circumstance, that all important doctrines and duties are alike, in both translations of the Bible. God grant, that all may soon be taught to read the Bible and have a Bible to read.

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### *The Boston Seaman's Friend Society,*

Celebrated their Anniversary in May last, at Park Street Church. Pliny Cutler, Esq. President of the Society, in the chair. The house was well filled, and among the congregation were some of the hardy sons of the deep, who were introduced into the pews of the broad aisle by the seaman's preacher. After the opening prayer, Rev. Mr. Lord, the Secretary of the Society, read portions of the ninth annual report.

Mr. Ladd, of Maine, submitted a resolution for the acceptance and printing of the report, under the direction of the committee, and addressed the auditory in his usual strain of pleasantry with much effect. He made a free use of nautical phrases, and observed, that he had been brought to by a signal from a vessel whose stern was marked, "Seaman's Friend Society," although he was steering a northeast course, with a fair breeze, for home. He had backed his main-top-sail, lowered his boat and came on board, because he owed a debt of gratitude to the sailors. Twenty years ago, he had beat his anchors into ploughshares, and located himself upon the land, but he still liked, occasionally to visit Long and India wharves, and see what they were about; he had noticed some improvement in the rigging, but that which afforded him the most gratification, was the Bethel improvement.