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## A I FITER FROM THE CREE INDIAN MISSIONARY to heaven before he joined them. This WHAT SEPARATION MEANS,

seem their joy and the gratitude of who has touched the hearts of those kind people who sent me this clothing. Be assured that He will answer their prayers for you. You are doing a corporal work of mercy in the state of the sing hymns in Cree. Some of them in praise of the Holy Trinity. Out in the immense forests the good priest led 2000 voices in singing anking allowing the state of the state of the same and the same and the same as the same and the same as the same as the same and the same as the same a clothing the naked. Any wearable

dying of consumption. He was lying profaming the Holy Name! on a bare dirt floor, in his wretched tepee, only a thin blanket covering I gave him the Sacraments and when I went back to my mission I sent him a little comfort out of the

family there. There is an old man, girl and one little boy. I noticed especially the girl. She had on only fact nothing else. She was working sutside the cabin, cutting wood and carrying water. I do not see how she could stand the terrible cold. The rest of them were nearly naked. I gave them enough clothing to keep am warm. How pleased they were I told them to pray for the good people who sent the clothing. "Cer-tainly, we will," they opined. The God of mercy will remember your charity to my poor Crees.

I get up at three or four in the

morning to keep the wood fires good dispositions. They receive Holy Communion the first Friday of each month. They wish to receive the Sacraments two or three times monthly. The little girls have great devotion to Our Lady of the Sacret Heart. It is wonderful what tayors they can obtain from her. If they want a nice day for a require they want a nice day for a require they get Heart. It is wonderful what favors they can obtain from her. If they want a nice day for a piunic they get if; if they want rain for wash-day they also get it. That is the only lind of soft water we can get here. The children are well instructed by the good Sisters of the Order of the Presentation. Besides their school lessons, the girls lesun how to sew, to cook to make soon and to do

wabata Nota," said he to me. (This ging him to take their children with ed me that he had no shirt or trou- father to the heart to have to refuse His wife was backly on its crown in the school is a source of great anx"Come with me," said I, "and I is the school is a source of great anxwill get you something out of the lety to his Bishop, whose address is:
Rt. Rev. Albert Pascal, O.M.I. at bridge Avenue, Jersey City Dear friends, I wish you could have Prince Albert, Sask., N.W.T., Canada. Even a dollar towards it from all others when they get something a benefactor is welcome to the Bi-

glorifying God, while many a white garments for men, women and child-man, in the cities, with his time-ren are very acceptable to me. worn saying of the "best Indian been are very acceptable to me.

I went to see a poor Indian who is ing a dead Indian," was abusing and in France hereafter will by no means

> plored his death. "I never scold have enough sorrow to bear.

Last week I visited my Indians in can call any one is to say that the Batoche Reserve. I brought with is stingy." It would never do for me a lot of old clothing for a poor a priest to be "stingy," therefore he must look to charitable people to over 80 years old, an old woman belp him to keep off that stigma.

90 years old, another old woman, a The Indians look up to him with reverence and expect him to give them what they need. If the priest has a ragged calico dress, no shirt, in nothing to give them, it grieves him to see them suffering from the terrible cold, without any protection from it than an old blanket, or even a new one. They are not satisfied to go without clothing, as some people fancy; they are glad to get it and bless the giver. Some Catholics willingly hand out their old clothing to members of the Salvation Army who use it as a means of drawing away from the Faith poor Catholics of the law you?"

It is priest of God, crying out to you in the wilderness to send them to him be firement because I cannot afford to pay a man to do this work. There is a debt of \$20,000 on the asylum and I have a hard time trying to pay off the inherest alosie. It is far casier for me to sleep out in of strengthening those already baptized and bringing the pagan Indians
to a knowledge of the goodness and
tender love of God as shown in the
true Faith. The noble Oblates of
Mary Immaculate, in the Northwest

assume camp. The Indian guide warned him that it was too severely cold to travel; his zeal urged him to brave the storm. To keep from freezing he ram atong by the horse's side : growing tired, he alternately to him and getting no answer, he ran to him and found the priest freez

ran to him and found the priest freezing to death. The guide hastily built a fire, lifted the Father from the wagen, and succeeded in saving his life. The poor priest's clothes were nearly burned off him so anxious was he to get near the heat.

These devoted missionaries leave homes of comfort and refinement to fight for the souls of Indians driven by the white man into a land of missary. If the place were even worse than it is, the Oblates would etill follow than, for their work is "The evantagization of the poprest and the continued."

still among the Indians of the Northwest. The want of means hinders the work of conversion. The poor Bi- Count De Mun Shows the Nature Father Charlebois, O.M.I., of Duck baptized last spring. He is instructLake, Sack., N.W.T., writes: The ing other Indians and doing all he other day we had a great time when can to bring them into the Faith, as some boxes arrived. The sisters and he did for his own relatives. He is some poxes acreed them and taking very poor, but he says they are all out the garments. "Oh, isn't this happy in their hearts since they be.

take out their share, and these they make over to fit the boys and girls not hear all.

Rev. Father Paquette, O.M.I., who it in a strong bag or bale, mark on the clothing we save for the Indians died last May of hardship and starvalin the woods. One day it was bitted on the ground and terly cold: snow on the ground and the children was a sto send 50, so try to get the 100 a sharp wind blowing: In the woods ter for himself and the children was as to send 50, so try to get the 100 among your friends. As there is no they were shivering and sad. "Kanathe woods run after the priest, begnot to send old shoes. Books are wants. Look here, Father). He show him to the school. It cuts the good too heavy to send. Clothing or money is the most useful to the

Miss Mary Hughson, of 239 Cambridge Avenue, Jersey City, N.J., to cover their poor bodies. Many a shop or the priest. It can be sent the contributors will send it to her, prayer they send up to the good Sod to either one in a letter.

#### A Secular View of Divorce of Church and State in France.

(From the New York Sun.)

\* \* \* The position of Catholicism Father Paquette loved the Indians be analogous to that occupied and they loved him and deeply deby that religion in the United States, where the national government exthem," he said, "the poor poeple ercises no supervision over any form of worship. That liberty which with of worship. That liberty which with one hand the French civil power professes to give the Catholic Church while withholding from it the pecuniary assistance which it bestowed the complete of that Church to the system of close oversight and restraint elaborated in the laws concerning associations which have been enacted during the last few years. In a word, the treatment of the Catholic Church at increasing audacity of revolutionary the hands of the civil power in france recalls that suffered by Shylock in the "Merchant of Venice," as then we are hurrying toward this configuration. when, after receiving successive re- conflagration and how many outside buffs at the hands of the law, he begs the Court to "give him his principal and let him go," but is sternly halt-

pay off the interest slock. It is far considered the first standard was placed, rate of the considered of the considered to the model of the model of the considered to the model of the model of the model of the consid the Church buildings and Church pro-perty now arrogated by the State—
tions for religious worship. But the are even suspected of diverting their Constitution of 1791 at least meant influence and resources from religious to political purposes, they will expose themselves to severe, may, in-tolerable pressure at the hands of the religion. side: growing tired, he alternately rested and ran. After a long distance was covered, the guide noticed the silence of the pricest. Calling the law just proclaimed, political meetings are prohibited in places of meetings are prohibited on procession or other worship, and no procession or other religious ceremony can take place in

#### DOVE ON PRIEST'S HEAD.

A strange incident occurred at Mor-rice, Mich., while Rev. Eather Welsh was conducting farewell mission ser-vice at St. Mary's Church last Sun-

of the Attack Upon the Church.

workers of France. Count de Mun,

ed me that he had no shirt of trousers on, only an old thin blanket, so many, for he has not the means to,
sers on, only an old thin blanket, so many, for he has not the means to,
support them. The heavy debt on
the school is a source of great anxthe bag C.O.D. and the Father will however important it may be is not
the only duty imposed upon all citithe only duty imposed upon all citizens. The elections of 1906 are only an episode in a struggle on the bridge Avenue, Jersey City, N.J., only an episode in a struggle on the will forward to the pricet clothing at any time now and in the future, if the contributors will send it to her, part in this tragic conflict. As you triumph.

She in the future of the recentered her temples, which had been re-opened when France renewing her ancient alliance with her led her back in triumph. the past, is resolved to subordinate Now as then when a national peril that has been spent in long combats way of being a literary man, but increased by our divisions menaces but which the spectacle of your courbiner, at a time when all agoous ardor reanimates. A witness time—perhaps not literature, but hearts and minds should be knit to of this hall are doing this with a smile upon their lips, with a light heart, with eyes blinded or volun-

and let him go," but is sternly natured with the mandate: "Tarry, Jew; tarily closed (applause.)

The law hath yet another hold on A worse feature, however, discovered by the law which It is patent, in fact, that "a free tinguishes our times. The law which Church in a free State' is by no disguises itself under the lying title means contemplated by the Radicals and Socialists who control the preher complete secularization. The one as a great army on the morning of upon me a hurricane of indignation sought to do this by the election of battle, fixes its gaze upon an elite from my compatriots, still I do not to preserve the Christian religion the law of senaration has for its avowed purpose the destruction of

> I have heard persons assert that Catholics should be counseled to give the people better. (Applause.) for my part shall never assent to that. (Applause.) One does not action that. (Applause.) One does not action that the property of the propert toat. (Applause.) One does not accord a fair trial to aspostasy, nor to hatred directed against God. Rest assured the Pope will never demand that of you. (Long and vociferous applause.) But whether he orders us to ignore the law, as I dare hope he will, or whether he enjoins uron us to submit to it, the moment he aks he will be obeyed by all the speaks he will be obeyed by Catholics of France. (Prolonged ap-plance.)

Your applause, wentlemen, has a ep and solemn measure. For none you can doubt that upon whatever the the head of the Church shall set at feet we shall have to face trick a destrict. If the Pope should a opposed to the application of the

law it will presently become more harsh through the severe measures which its authors, in their accustom ed style, are already threatening to employ; if he should permit Catho- Personnel of the New British Liberal lics to avail themselves of it, the alleged separation is fatally destined to be productive of violence.

some boxes arrive.

I enjoyed opensing them and taking out the garments. "Oh, isn't this happy in their hearts since they be out the garments. "Oh, isn't this happy in their hearts since they be is a banquet given on December 19, by the members of the Congress of the Popular Liberal Movement, a French catholic organization which is not the least notable word the present generation, ward the Pope awaiting for him to did not receive Holv Communion. I was sized and to receive Holv Communion. I was sized and here they are in an uneasy frame of the present cabinet there is Mr. Camada.

New or old clothing for men, working the following speech, which we take place. Nearly all their heart of hearts dread it. They believed they could ignore the Pope. In the Dublin Freeman.

In the place. Nearly all their heart of hearts dread it. They believed they could ignore the Pope. In the present cabinet there is Mr. John Morley, one of the leading literacy men of the present generation, ward the Pope awaiting for him to sign of our times. They turn to ward the Pope awaiting for him to sign of our times. They turn to his creation, ward the Pope awaiting for him to sign of our times. They turn to sign of our times. Our enemies are aware of this.

she in the full vigor of life re-entered

all political questions to the question of defending his religious faith.

(Prolonged applause.), A hundred dauntedly. Perhaps persecution is France, who later on became Cardi- vesterday, when you applauded the nal de Baussel, declared: "A conflag- official speech of your President. M I watched its growth in its infancy. These memories as well as the helplessness I have referred to give me the right to-day to greet you on the Tribute to Catholic Missionartes by a attainment of the maturity of your organization.

You are strong, gentlemen, in your rights and in your abnegation. Con-demmed, after having made great ef-forts to avert it, to an iniquitous war you will rally to your cause all the Catholic mission those who are capable of being stirred by the two great words—justice ings derived from the Catholic orders

remember the trying days when your power which, sooner os later, must fathers, without caring in whose carry off a decisive victory of Prohands the standard was placed, rallied round him, turn now toward you

seeing you at your work, learn from and in the East Indies and in variday to day to appreciate you more and more. They know that if long for the triumph of your religi- aries of the Catholic Church and ous faith it is not only that you may satisfy the promptings of your con-science, but that you may also serve hospital wards.

pense to love them more and mere. In your civil contests you have known that it is the heartfelt loyalty of the humble and lowly that furnishes the In your civil contests you have known that it is the heartfelt loyalty of the humble and lowly that furnishes the source of boundless sacrifice and of untiring devotion. Therein lies your real strength. Therein is the highest those of the future. With the last feeble remnants of my voice I hall it from the depths of my soul. (Applement of the future of the future of the future of the first passed in heroism everything imaginable in that respect, holding a unlesse place in the world and in history." est hope of the future. With the last feeble remnants of my voice I hall it from the depths of my soul. (Applease, repented over and over again.)

### A LITERARY CABINET,

Administration.

"British Cabinets seem to be com-

speak, not with the assured confidence secretary, is almost better known as we have, but with the uneasiness of an author than as a politician, and who is a member of the French Se-persecutors affrighted by their own his "American Commonwealth" and nate, is a distinguished leader among the Catholics of France.—Editor N at the Papacy and its declining power which on the morrow will excommentator on the growth archer. Gentlemen,—Though the state of my health forbids me making public are the highflown defiances with which frightened travellers try to leep up their courage in the darkness. The Church long ago tools the measure of a hundred on the fora of the Island of Arran; of a hundred on the fora of the Island of Arran; on the flow of the Island of Arran; on the Island of Arran; of the Island of Arran; on the Island of Arran; on the Island of Arran; of the Island of Arran; on the Island of Arran; of the Is pend itself in impotent advice. These them. The Jaures of a hundred Irish History," which he edited in mediable exhaustion. Ten years la-lrish history. Mr. Birrell, again, ter, as if rejuvenated by the blood, who has become Minister for equea-1888, is a suggestive contribution to which had poured out from her veins tion, is universally regarded as an essayist of great charm, humor and style. Mr. Haldane, the new Secretary of War, has published "Essays the contributors will send it to her, in which case they will kindly prepay the express charges to her adseeds of life. For this reason, Adam Smith, and otherwise concernwriting man for many years. Mr. Sydney Buxton can scarcely be calland fourteen years ago at the time necessary in these times that have ed a literary man proper, for the when the civil constitution of the become accustomed to heroic acts, books he has published rather place clergy was promulgated an illustrious (Applause.) That manly resolve themselves in the category of techniprelate of the Ancient Church of was in the heart of each one of you cal books, or manuals, such as his "Finance and Politics." In the same way the work, of the Foreign ration has been started before our eyes and we are rushing toward it."

There is no need of changing a word (Loud and long continued applause.)

Same way the work of the Foreign Screens, Sir Edward Grey, on Triy Pishing," can not be accepted as a contribution to literature, although contribution to literature, although in this prophetic expression. Now as then a conflagration has been desire to return my answer of 'Here.' the angler's art. Another literary member of the government is the Earl misry assistance which it bestowed by secret forces is an invincible cause I can bring to ume of verses, some of them tolerfor a century, it takes back with the other hand by subjecting the votaries. Now as then when a national peril that has been spent in long combate way of being a literary man, but of Crewe, who has published a vol-

#### AN HONEST WITNESS.

Rationalist Writer.

The well known Dutch historian,

"At the sight of the immense blessand liberty.

You are strong in your patriotism. to be filled with gentine and frank

"I know this assertion will bring fear to say it again: Modern Pro ous countries of Europe, the exempyou lary life of the religious and m witnessing the unsparing charity of the nuns in the schoolrooms and the

"Many of our people were in habit, before visiting those countries of calumniating the Catholics, either through ignorance or through hun

Go to Mary for the royal heart of innocence. She is the beautiful gift of God, which automnes the feering tions of a bad world, and which so