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In the face of the prophecies which we hear upon all sides, as to the disappearance of Christianity from the world, it is as well to take a glance at the lesson which both past and pres-

ont history teaches us, writes M. Woeste in the *Revue Generale* (Brussels) a publication whose contributors are among the best known Catholics in France and Belgium.

In all great crises, the reviewer further states, the bankruptcy of Catholic dogma has always been prophesied, the examples of Celsus, Luther and Voltaire being perhaps the most memorable and all the intelligence brought to bear by the most intellectual men of note, has

not saved them from the pitfall, and the failure to see that the Church was being originated and reared in persecution—that she developed in spite of persecution, and that her Founder Himself told her that she could never expect to accomplish her glorious destiny through a lasting phase of happiness undisturbed by persecution. It is with something akin to a sense of stupefaction that one notes the success of these latter-day prophets who invite the world to the spectacle of the razing of Christianity from out of the lives of men.

Men are becoming, as a result, not deists but atheists and materialists. The propaganda of dechristianization is carried on in the very midst of the fold of the Church is looked upon with suspicion, if not positive hatred. Socialists, Freemasons, Radicals, divided on economic

mic questions, have all come together to strike at the Christian religion. They are aided and abetted by novelists, journalists, orators and even by dramatists. If a priest is suspected of holding heterodox views, he is encouraged, being much quoted to give publicly foolish utterances. The authenticity of the Bible is assailed and critical philosophy tells us that the teaching of the Church cannot stand the test of scientific investigation.

France is to-day the central point of this universal unrest in men's minds. Impregnated with the Christian faith for many centuries, she has gradually fallen away from her best traditions. What is the result? Her luxurious life the present day collapses that was prevalent under the later Caesars; her birth rate is diminishing rapidly; her divorce cases are growing at an alarming rate; her crime-rate is showing an increase by 30 per cent. In 1931 an increase which clearly arose

a lack of religious principle; the orders of France see their dangers are too irreligious to fight them vigorously; strikes are on the increase; the army is suspected of disloyalty to the Republic; the peasantry are becoming philosophic, and infidel and people are going over to atheism and Socialism. This then, is the state that was to attend upon the abolition of religion.

Worst of all, the evil spreaded over other Latin countries and a large aspect of the fell influence of irreligion.

ous doctrine is that the poor un-  
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tioned by the Catholic Church and  
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making headway in Germany, in En-  
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ing into disrepute and are losing their  
ground upon the people.

The duty of Catholics the world  
over is to fight the demons of unbel-  
ief, of skepticism. Energy is contagious,  
and the salvation of France can be  
found only in the Catholic Church.

In order to defend Catholicism and under teachers must know There is a teachers better. There is a agency among priests to believe the exercise of one's devotion is both for themselves and their people. The fact of a man accomplishing religious duties, constitutes an entire obligation which he is under his Maker.

The fate of France at the time is traced to just such an attitude on the part of her mind and is a standing example to the

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The sceptical attitude is all too easy and is usually adopted by those who are not fortified with full knowledge.

The Catholic, then, who needs to arm himself with the knowledge of the faith, must first of all confound the detractors of the faith from the point of view of its truth and its spread, and, unless he does this, he is running a bad Catholic.

Knowledge, on the contrary, gives him courage and courage is the soul of all movements of reform. The great exploits of the world have been achieved by self-sacrifice.

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But besides "Roman Catholic" and "Catholic," complimentary

other towns were sanctioned by British legislation as "by the Way" notes. The legal status of singular interest groups in terms of which at various times Catholics are described. From the time of the introduction of the test statute used by the statutes application were merely that of "persons in communion with the Church of England." In the commencement of the reign of William III, the Catholics were hostile to the Irish Parliament. Hostile and contemptuous phrases then appeared. From that time 1792 the statutes describe Catholics as "Papists," "Popish Papists," "length, in 1793, they attained the status of "Papists or persons professing the Popish or Roman Catholic Religion."

The later statutes, however, do phrases altogether, and term "Roman Catholics" only.

Nevertheless the man in the and the woman, and the boy at the street, continue to come from memorial to direct without to the right place the strange- ing for the Catholic Church. Freeman's Journal.

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Dexter I was inspired by the Holy Ghost

to write a portion of the holy Scriptures. His two epistles are found in every Bible in the land. Pope Damasus had the holy Scriptures translated for the people. Pope Pius VI. taught that the Holy Scriptures should be "left open to everyone." Pope Leo XIII. granted indulgences to the faithful in order to encourage them to read the holy Scriptures. Lastly, Pope Pius X. on the 21st of January, 1907, published a letter in which he clearly sets forth the

The writer holds no brief for the Ancient Order of Hibernians, but would like to see a few changes made in the timing of their timely read-

Anti-Catholic writers will ignore the fact that the Hibernalians of this county are protesting not as Catholics but as citizens willing and anxious to abide by "the spirit and intent of our constitution." Bigots on both sides

the Niagara will simply proclaim  
press and pulpit that our Cath-  
Hibernians are all afraid to have G-  
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For this and other reasons the A-  
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1.—The Catholic Church loves and reveres the Bible as the inspired word of God in all its parts.

2.—All the doctrines of the Catholic Church are in perfect harmony with the Bible.

3.—The Catholic Church of Christ stands before the world to-day as the unique and solitary defender of the Bible in its entirety and integrity.

4. The Catholic Church of Christ and the holy Bible came from the God and like two rays of light

ceeding from the same source, and the Bible will never eclipse other's splendor.

5.—God's Bible is the most exact of all books. Mr. Northrup's Bible is nothing better than all imperfect translation of a portion of God's Bible contains over 30,000 errors. (Dr. Mill, Protestant professor, O. No citizen should be taxed for the purchase of "errors.")

6.—The book that we Catholics

No mud can soil us but the  
throw.—Lowell.



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