

AN ACADIAN LEGEND

By J. E. U. M.

Oh, quaint and sweet the legends that the old Acadians tell

Of what their brave forefathers did for th land they loved so well!

Of the hardships and oppression, worse than bitterness than death, Through which they kept unstained and

pure their heritage of faith. One night, a hundred years ago, upon island shore. An aged man lay waiting and unshriven

death's door, For the last "annointing" pleading and th That he might end in peace with God hi

But 'twix the island and the shore a stormy sea stretched wide : And miles beyond the good p

on the other side ; Yet, for the sick man's co loved him sped away

And crossed to point au closing of the day. He gained the shore and

beach his birch canoe And hastened through the darkening nigh his kindly deed to do.

He found the priest (an aged gladly came with him Until they reached the landing plamidnight's hour so dim.

But lo! the tide had risen, and from mooring freed

The birch canoe he thought secure. this was loss, indeed! Then bitterly bewailing his misfortuu

hard to bear He, weeping, turned, to see the priest up

his knees in prayer; Who, when his prayer was ended, steppe

And, taking off his cassock, spread it on th waters wide And bid his young companion follow and nothing say,

For he carried on his breast the Lor

"whom winds and sea obey. All wondering and awe-struck the you man reverently

Knelt down upon the cas them out to sea,

To the lonely island cottage Awaited strong in faith and hope,

Oh, hope well founded! From his Christ brought him swift release. Absolved, annointed, comforted, his went forth " in peace

And in the morning early, back to Point The priest, to say the Holy Mass,

ed across once more, But left a strict injunction

should be said Of this great miracle

should be dead. But all his faithful children ever since

loved to tell

This sweet story of the priest (and saint God loved so well,

To prove how faith can bridge the sea, th nothing may devide The souls of those who trust

Jesus Crucified. -American Messenger

THE POET'S DEAD CHILD.

BY THE AUSTRALIAN KENDALE.

Take this rose and gently place it gent on the tender deep Mosses where our little lies asleep;

Put the blossoms close to the baby, with me, my love and pray

We must leave the bird we've buried goodbye to her to-day?

In the shadow of our trouble we must go other lands, And the flowers that we have fostered wit

he left to other hands: Other eyes will watch them growing, oth

feet will softly tread Where two hearts are nearly breaking where so many tears are shed.

Bitter is the world we live in, life and lo are mixed with pain-We will never see the dasie

them again!

Ah! the saddest thought in leaving baby i this bush alone Is that we have not been able on her grav

to place a stone We have been too poor to do it; but my

darling never mind, God is in the gracious her

sun and rain are kind, They will dress the spot with beauty; they

will make the grasses grow.

Many winds will lull our birdie, many sur

will come and go. Here the blue-eyed spring will linger, he the shining month will stay,

Like friend by Araluen, when we two far away. But, beyond the wild, wide waters,

we tread another shore We will never watch this

Girl, whose hand at God's high altar in dear dead year I pressed. Lean your stricken head upon me,

still your lover's breast; She who sleeps was first and swe

We have to take her place Empty is the little cradle, absent is

Other children may be given, but this ros beyond recall,

But this garland of your girlhood will dearest of them all :

None will ever. Araluen, nestle where you used to be In my heart of hearts, you darling, when

We were young when you were with t

life and love were happy things To your father and your mother, ere angles gave you wings You that sit alone beside whose golden head

Many rains of many sorrows to day been shed-

Who, because your love was noble, with me the lot austere Ever pressing with its hardships

Let me feel that you are hand within my own; You are all I have to live for, now that w are left alone

Three there were but one has vanished sins of mine have made you weep. But torgive your baby's father now tha

baby is asleep. Let us go for night is falling—leave darling with her flowers; other hands will come and tend them, oth friends in other hours.

A Fair-Minded Protestant Minister. When a Protestant minister in his own pulpit and before his own con gregation corrects some false notion that Protestants entertain about Catholic belief, it is time to say farewell to intolerance in the community which is blessed with such a clergy nan. The Rev. Dr. Washington Gladden, pastor of the First Conregational Church in Columbus, Ohio, did such a graceful service for his Catholic neighbors on Sunday evening, September 15. This was not the first time Dr. Gladden pleaded for the rights of Catholic citizens.

Our readers will remember that he

"The condition of the first Product of was one of the first Protestant clergymen to come out openly and denounce the A. P. A. conspiracy.

suppose that many of those who

other side are to them the enemies of

God and their country. We who have lived in Columbus a good many years

know that the Republicans are all pat-

riots and saints while the Democrats

vay or the other, that we know. And

for all Roman Catholics—to be willing to believe anything horrible that any-

body may say about them-to be in

clined to deprive them of their most

sacred rights as citizens—even to deny

lamentable. The laborers have to nounce the A. P. A. conspiracy. With voice and pen he attacked the fanatics, and so successfully, too, that they hate him as intensely as if he were a Catholic. "It would not be safe to assume," said Dr. Gladden to his congregation on the occasion we his congregation on the occasion we heavy mortgages, and one by one speak of, "that you are all very well they are losing all under foreclosures acquainted with the Roman Catholic and many who, a few years ago, had Church. People may live very near amassed twenty or thirty thousand together and not know each other dollars' worth of property are now very well. Most of you have learned penniless. It has becomes common what you know about the Roman to hear them express their condition Catholic Church from hostile or pre- in the paradoxical lament, 'Stavamo judiced sources. We are inheritors meglio guando stavamo peggio' 'We of a bitter conflict, a religious conflict; were better off when we were worse and history shows that there are no nfluences which so completely close

"If we consider specially the conthe mind against the truth as those dition of things in the city of Rome, which are engendered by religious strife." Then Dr. Gladden went on

were wealthy. cation of the saints and indulgences. No doubt, many in his congregation house of Savoy, has assuredly failed the Catholic Church. "I am sure," up to celebrate some national event went on Dr. Gladden, "that these have attracted very light concourses definitions must convince a good of people and have been expensive many of you that you have been told luxuries. What success the contemporary fifth great many things about Roman plated celebration of the twenty-fifth Catholics which are grossly untrue. anniversary will have remains to be In fact I think that there are very few seen. On the other hand, it is worthy Protestants who do not entertain very of notice that the Vatican can still distorted notions about Catholic be- draw multitudes and bring money to liefs. If it were not so it would not the city. In 1888 the Pope, for the be possible for such execrable first time in eighteen years, went down forgeries as are constantly circulating into St. Peter's to celebrate the fiftieth through this community to have any anniversary of his ordination to the currency—forgeries in which the most priesthood. Since then he has renonstrous beliefs and purposes are peated his visit to the basilica at varittributed to Roman Catholics-beous times, and again in 1893 he celeliefs and purposes of which they are brated another fiftieth anniversary—as innocent as unborn babes. The that of his episcopal consecration. black art of calumny has long been These festivals have been the occasion

practiced in this world; one who is somewhat familiar with the history of controversy has met with a good many samples of it; but it is my belief that nothing more wickedly calumnious was ever concerted than many of the was ever concocted than many of the bought things to carry away with them. stories about Roman Catholics which They brought plenty of money with have been freely circulated through them and they left plenty of it behind this community for the past two years. them. The Roman tradespeople be-I suppose that many of those who have circulated these calumnies have before in twenty years. Passing some lips moving, he used his disengaged. elieved them to be true." Dr. hackmen one day in the Piazza della Trinita dei Monti I heard one of them handkerchief, making the impression Gladden believes in the Christian say: 'E inutile Oi vuole il vegliardo that his devotions were so imperative spirit of fellowship, as the following Catholic, that does not mean that bef Roman Catholics or even of Roman

words show: "When I say that I am del Vaticano per far venir i soldi'— that he could not spare a minute for a Protestant rather than a Roman Tt's no use. We must have the old anything else. Such parade of piety, man of the Vatican to make money cause I am a Protestant I am an enemy come.' But these festivities are rare now, and all that ecclesiastical pomp Catholicism. It does not mean that I and splendor which used to draw think Protestants are right in every crowds to Rome are lacking in the thing, and that Catholics are wrong in city. The loss is considerable, and everything; that our system is wholly the people feel that they have paid good and theirs wholly had; that we are the friends of Christ and they His foes. I think that we are a good deal nearer right than they are; but that "It cannot be questioned but that

"It cannot be questioned but that a great many of Italians, both in the does not make it necessary for me to array myself against them. There are Papal States and elsewhere, abstain persons who cannot conceive it pos- from participation in civil and political sible that you should differ with any- life because they cannot bring thembody without being his enemy. In selves to approve of the occupation of politics and religion the people on the Rome.

"The education of the people is becoming gradually more general, and it is there that the enemies of the church are quietly doing their chief work. The youth of the country is are all traitors and thieves. Or is it growing up imbued with the idea that just the other way? Well, it is one religiou is merely an expedient to help maintain social order; that there is it is just so with religion. To be a no use in fighting the Church, because Protestant, is the opinion of many in her place, she does no harm; but who call themselves by that name, is to bear in the heart a deadly hatred for all Roman Catholics—to be willing for all Roman Catholics—to be willing

Beautitul Kerry Scenery

to them the privilege of getting an A Saturday Review writer gives the honest living by honest labor. I am following pen picture of Kerry scennot that kind of a Protestant. Beery: In August, at any rate, there cause I differ widely and radically are days of unclouded sunshine, when from my fellow citizens on the subject the Atlantic for a too brief season of religion, I see no reason why I keeps back its teeming rainclouds, should not freely concede to them all and all is bright on land and sea. their rights as citizens and as human The sun beats down hotly on a wide beings. Nay, I cannot deny that they panorama of heathered hills breaking are not only my tellow-citizens, but down in lofty precipices to the open that they are also my fellow-Christians ocean or land-locked straits of sea. They worship the same God that I The windless atmosphere shimmers worship; they follow the same Lord with the heat haze. Everywhere Jesus Christ who is my Master; and from the higher ground one catches even if they are in error, that is not a glimpses of the steel-grey A lantic good reason why I should hate them plain, and the keen salt scent of the and persecute them, and say all man- sea mingles its subtile associations ner of evil against them; it is a reason with the coolness of the heather-scentwhy I should treat them justly and ed mountain air. Here there are no generously and kindly." Would that there were thousands of men in as in color and form, while the immen many pulpits as generous and fair-minded as Dr. Gladden. We would sive background. Here the great all, Protestants and Catholics, under- Mediterranean heath grows shoulder stand one another better then.— high, a miniature forest which vies in Catholic News.

depth and density with the deep green



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Italian kingdom. The sollowing extracts are taken rom an able and moderate article contributed by the Rev. Dr. Rooker, Secretary of the Apostolic Delegation at Washington, to the New York Independent of September 26th: Taxation was resorted to until it has become a study in Italy how to tax and what to tax. Lands are taxed nouses are taxed, horses are taxed servants are taxed, bread is taxed neat is taxed, wills are taxed, deeds of transfer are taxed, business opera tions are taxed, incomes are taxed have heard it said that, except the air, nothing remained on which a tax could be levied except on the clothing a person might possess beyond what he had on his back, and it was suggested that winter clothing put away for the winter, might be made to pay tribute. In short, the result or from the lilied lough a trip of teal, is that nearly forty per cent. of the great mallard with lustrous neck and strong-winged flight, while on the mountain's side the bag of grouse and at large, economically considered, is

Advertised Piety. One cannot travel much without many persons who take a delight in advertising their piety. We do not refer to members of sisterhoods, brotherhoods or the priesthood who are constantly clothed in ecclesiastical garb. Those who are familiar with this class of persons known they wear their peculiar garwe have to add to the generally re- apparel. It is not often that you find duced condition of the masses the a Catholic priest or a Catholic Sister and enlightened his hearers on certain Catholic doctrines such as the invo-"The Quirinal, as the abode of the class of people both clerical and lay, who seem to like to draw

votional reading in such a way as to suggest that they take a great pride in they are doing. Such conduct is offensive to good taste. It is as immodest as to flaunt one's riches, or finery, or achievements. It is as much in violation of good taste as are public demonstrations of affection between engaged couples. The writer's attention was recently attracted to a gentleman who got into a crowded car on one of our railway trains. He was not a Catholic priest, but he wore the latest and most remarkable ecclesias-(ical garments. His high cut vest and coat buttoned over his collar were so arranged as to exhibit a fine gold chain, from which hung an ornamented gold cross. As soon as he was seated, he drew out a devotional book and appeared to be absorbed with its contents. He was not so much absorbed however, that he did not give furtive attention to what was going or around him, and to the changes made at the stations along the line. When he arrived at his stopping place, with his book still open before him and his hand to smooth his silk hat with a silk

miscuous erowd, -independent. The Catholics of Belgium.

A collective letter from the Belgian Episcopate on the divisions existing among Catholics on the social ques tion was published recently. document says, in order to conform fully to the instructions of the Holy Father the Episcopate has decided to bject of concerting measures for the adopted, and assure the maintenance

cough or cold by trying experiment emedies. Take



Scrofulous Sore. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

jungle of the bracken. Here the queenly Osmundas stand lush and leep, in stately conclave assembled about the dark waterways. Here the delicate flesh-color of the waxen bells of the cross-leafed heath contras:s of mountain is spread a carpet of exquisitely fine branched white moss, against which the crimson of heather or the rich gold of bog-asphodel show brightly. Here descending from the the glens, one finds the vivid green of the marsh-mosses lit up with tiny jewels of the pink-lipped sundew, while little loughs of black bog water are set in a border of green lily pads starred with snowy cups of lily-flowers. And here from the sage-green thickets of aromatic bog myrtle or the cool emerald of the rushbeds will rise the snipe with his twisting flight, or a stray

hares will be varied at times when with clear, soft whistle, a company of golden plover whiz past, or when a wary curlew is taken by surprise as the sportsman suddenly appears above a steep ridge of mountain.

ments as quietly and unostentatiously Rome belongs to it and Providence as other people wear the ordinary will yet restore to it possession of were surprised when they were told as a drawing card for Rome, and up that indulgences were not for sale in to the present even the festivities got engage publicly in devotion or devo-

it, and desire people to know what

we say, is justly offensive. Those who are in deepest and closest comtried them all, is so thorough in its action, munion with God do not advertise that fact in railway trains and in other

public places in the presence of a pro-

organize shortly a meeting of priests and laymen in each diocese with the

re-establishment and maintenance of concord among Catholics. A general conference, which will be attended by the Bishops and by delegates from different dioceses, will afterwards be held at Malines, under the presidency of the Archbishop, for the purpose of harmonizing the decisions of the various local meetings and aggreeing to a uniform course of action. permanent central committee will at he same time be formed to superintend, under the direction of the Bishops, the execution of the measures

of unity among Catholics.

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Gardinal Bonaparte son of Prince Lucien is the ollest living member of his house and has the features of the great Napoleon. He was born in Rome on November 15 1828. In his prime he was a splendid figure and, as the world vowed, the image of the first Emperor. He was living

in Rome as a devout priest when his uncle Napoleon III., asked Pius Just spend his Four of Paris, a Cardinal. The Arch-IX. to make Archbishop Darboy, Quarters for a bottle of bishop was a Gallican and a well Burdock Blood Bitters as all sensible people do; because it cures Dyspepsia, Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Bad Blood, and all Diseases of the Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, Bowels and Blood from a common Pimple to the worst Scrofulous Sore.

bishop was a Gallican and a well known opponent of Papel infall.bl-ity, which had not yet been defined as a dogma. Pius lX. made a very frank and prompt answer. "Do you wish me to stultify myself?" he said. 'I will make your nephew a Cardinal," and he did. That was in 1868. Cardinal Bonaparte took

in 1868. Cardinal Bonaparte took Santa Pudenziana, one time the title of Cardinal Wiseman. In 1879 he optated for that of San Lorenzo, in Lucina, within the ound of whose bells I write. Over the door is his escutcheor, bearing the imperial eagle of France. He lives in Rinsoftly with the strong purple of the useini, now Bonaparte palace, at the suncrisped heather. Over broad areas corner of the Corso and the Via Nazionale. He is very feeble now and leads a retired life. He has been a musician and patron of musicians. He has suffered terribly in heathered mountains to the bogs in his feelings for the indigniy which the Holy See received by the betrayal of his uncle in 1870, but no one has ever esteemed him the lass, His wan and emaciated face, haggart with pain, always bears a sweet

expression. It is the involuntary confession of his charity and benignity. Some time ago, says the corwoodcock to try the marksman's skill, respondent of the Catholic Times. saw him leave the Cappucini Church tiniest and best of wild ducks, or a which he had been visiting and was surprised to see that his footman had bread for the poor.

> The town Council of Avignon, in France, has agreed to spend \$900,000 upon the restoration of the former residence of the Popes there. They think that the next Supreme Pontiff will be elected there and will live there. The building has in recent years been used as a barracks. The Holy See will not willingly go from Rome nor stay away voluntarily from Rome. The Church is identified with Rome. It has made Rome. Without it Rome would sink into insignificance

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