

habits of the people. M. Clemenceau seems frankly surprised with the morality of these Spaniards. It apparently never occurred to him that their religion had anything to do with their conduct.

The astonishing methods of German Socialists to secure the rising generations to their cause are set forth in *America*. Recognizing that "the boy is father to the man," the Socialists have established hundreds of club-houses for young folks, the condition of admission being a copy of the *Arbeiterjugend*, a Socialist weekly. This weekly teaches that "there is no God," "creation is the product of evolution," etc., etc. To oppose this growing peril of youth earnest Germans have petitioned government aid. The Minister of Public Instruction responded by creating a million-mark fund for *Jugendpflege*—the systematic care of youth. The government calls upon the clergy to assist in instilling morality and patriotism into the minds of the young. May they be successful in stopping the advance of Socialism!

"Female Wage-Earners" is a masterly article in *The Rosary Magazine*. The writer points out the evils which have resulted from women entering the labor field in competition with men. Some women have been forced to it by the death of the family bread-winner, but it was not necessity which, during the last half century, caused such an exodus from the home to the office, the factory and the shop. It is to be feared that love of money, hatred of housework, or something similar, was the cause. One of the first evils to result from this exodus was the lowering of wages,—women would accept less than men. Ignorance of housekeeping followed naturally, then unhappy marriages and divorce. Many other evils result from women receiving wages for their work, among which desire for expensive pleasures, extravagance in dress might be mentioned. But it cannot be denied that woman has, at least, demonstrated her ability to support herself.

"Cardinal Vaughan and the Conversion of the American Negro," in *The Missionary*, gives us Northerners some idea of how difficult a problem the negro is in the States when even Catholic missionaries find him a stumbling block. The good work of Cardinal Vaughan, who founded, in America, the community of Josephite., devoted to the spiritual care of negroes, is indeed worthy of praise.

"Silas Wegg" is again abroad in the pages of *The Civilian*. This month that slogan of the Christmas shopper, or, rather, shop-keeper, "Do it early," is the object of his sharpened quill. As he