

THE CATHOLIC ENCYCLOPEDIA.

English speaking Catholics the world over will hail with delight the news that a great Catholic encyclopedia in the English language is soon to become an actuality. The publication of such a work has long been talked about. Its needs and advantages are an old story long discussed and long wished for. It has at last got beyond that stage and is about to become a realization. Arrangements have now been completed in New York city for that purpose, its board of editors formed and a publishing company established and incorporated to undertake it.

Character of the Encyclopedia.

The Catholic Encyclopedia is designed to meet the needs of all classes of readers and students, Catholic and non-Catholic. It will present, in concise form, authentic statements of the doctrine and discipline of the Church, historical facts, correct accounts of individuals, equitable judgments on events, situations and controversies.

Among the subjects to be treated in the encyclopedia are:

The Bible: Biblical Criticism, Geography, Antiquities and Languages.

Catholic Theology, doctrinal, moral, ascetical, mystical and pastoral.

The Fathers of the Church and ecclesiastical writers.

Christian Apologetics.

Canon Law; Civil Law affecting the Church.

The Papacy, the Hierarchy and the Priesthood.

Religious Orders and Associations.

The Catholic Laity: religious, scientific and philanthropic work of individuals and organizations.

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Biography: the Saints; distinguished Churchmen and Laymen.

Religious Art: architecture, sculpture, painting, music.

Philosophy and Education.

Comparative religion, literature, science, political economy, sociology and civil history, so far as they relate to the Catholic Church, will receive adequate treatment.

Special attention will be paid to those subjects which are of interest to Catholics in English-speaking countries. The growth and present status of the Church in the United States and Canada, in England, Scotland, Ireland and Australia, will be exhibited with full historical and statistical details. Similar information regarding the Church in other countries will be brought within the reach of English-speaking peoples.

The subjects indicated above, and other subjects that may fall within the scope of the Encyclopedia, will be treated in accordance with the latest results of scientific investigation. In addition, whenever it is called for, a carefully selected list of the best authorities will be given. The bibliography will be an important feature of the Encyclopedia, and will make it especially valuable as a work of reference.

The Encyclopedia will comprise 15 volumes, quarto, each containing 832 pages, 100 text illustrations, 10 half-tones, 3 colored plates and several maps. The plates, typography, paper and binding will be of superior quality. The first volume will appear in one year, and the entire work will be finished in five years from the appearance of the first volume.

Need of the Work.

The need of a Catholic encyclopedia is obvious. It becomes more urgent as the work of the Church develops and compels the attention of thoughtful men. The space which can be allowed to Catholic subjects in a general encyclopedia is too limited to permit their proper treatment. On the other hand, Catholic sources of information are not always accessible. The most effectual means of placing them at the disposal of all readers is an encyclopedia of the character described above.

To the clergy, to every Catholic home, to schools, colleges and libraries, a work of this nature is indispensable. It must appeal also to many non-Catholics whose profession or interest obliges them to have an accurate knowledge of the nature, history and aims of the Church.

So far, we possess nothing in English that corresponds to the Catholic encyclopedias in German and French. The benefits accruing from these publications are a strong argument in favor of the production of a similar work for the English-speaking world.

The editors are confident that the Catholic Encyclopedia, when com-

pleted, will be a literary monument to Catholicism wherever the English tongue prevails.

Editors and Contributors.

The Board of Editors of the Catholic Encyclopedia consists of:

Charles George Herbermann, Ph. D., LL. D., Professor of the Latin Language in the College of the City of New York, Editor-in-Chief.

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The editors will be assisted by eminent scholars, who will lend to the enterprise the weight of their learning and authority in their several departments.

Articles will be contributed by Catholic writers of distinction, not only in English-speaking countries, but in every part of the world.

The Catholic Encyclopedia will profit by the labors of Catholic scholars as presented in foreign encyclopedias and other publications. It will be, however, neither a translation nor a mere adaptation, but an entirely original work in keeping with actual requirements.

The Publishers.

The publishers of the Encyclopedia are the Robert Appleton Company of New York, organized and directed, by men of business ability and experience. The Board of Directors consists of Robert Appleton, Hugh Kelly, Edward Eyre, Charles G. Herbermann and Wm. J. Crowley.

The editors and publishers have opened an office at No. 1 Union Square, New York City.

MIXED CHOIRS

We have some further information on this subject that will be welcome to many readers. We give the following on the authority of an eminent Roman liturgist: The prohibition of mixed choirs in the "Motu Proprio" is by no means universal. On the contrary it is limited to strictly liturgical functions, such as High Mass, Vespers and the like. This is evident from the ground of prohibition stated in the paragraph, viz., that the singers have a liturgical office, of which office women are incapable. The prohibition has only the extent of the ground on which it rests. To give it a wider application is to violate the well-known principle of interpretation—"Odiosa sunt restringenda"—"Penal enactments are to be interpreted in the narrowest sense." Therefore, even when the "Motu Proprio" is strictly enforced, mixed choirs may continue to sing as before on all occasions when the singing has not a strictly liturgical character. Such is the singing at evening devotions of the usual kind, consisting of Rosary, hymns, and Benediction. The last named function is not regarded as liturgical.

The foregoing statement holds for singing during Low Mass. The singing at that service is no part of the function, and has no liturgical function whatever. This is clear from various decrees of the Congregation of Rites regarding vernacular singing. Such singing is strictly forbidden at liturgical services, but is allowed at Low Mass. Therefore, the singing at Low Mass is not regarded by the S.R.C. as liturgical. Furthermore, a mixed choir so placed as to form as it were part of the congregation—not necessarily in the midst of the people, but in a part of the church accessible to them—may sing even on strictly liturgical occasions. The congregation, though of course a mixed choir on a large scale, may sing on all occasions without restriction; and a choir placed as described shares its privilege, being then regarded as merely a select number of the Faithful grouped together for the performance of special music beyond the powers of the whole body. Hence, a mixed choir, occupying at ordinary times a gallery apart, may sing at High Mass by coming down for the occasion to a portion of the church from which the rest of the Faithful are not excluded.

—Liverpool "Catholic Times," Feb 17.

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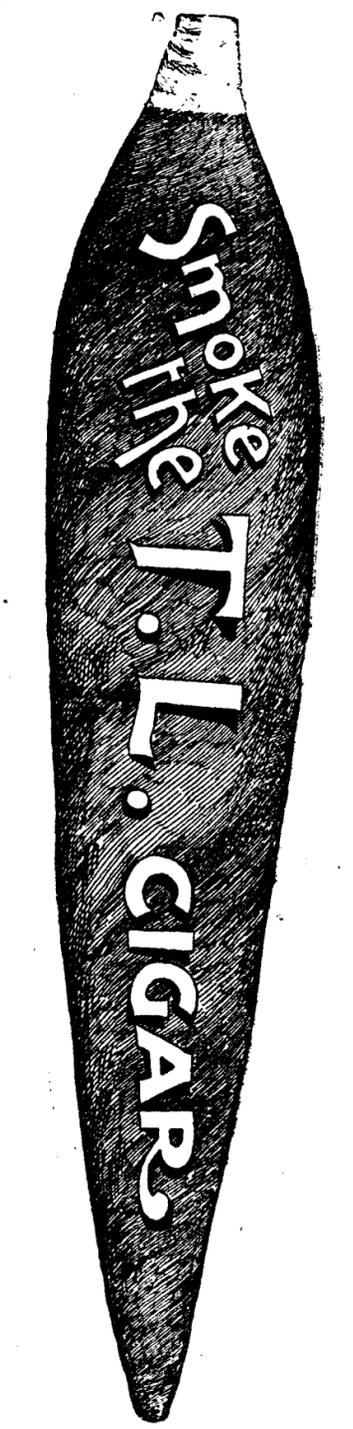
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