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Still, amidst all this gloom of sin, there were some who rose superior to the common ideas, and who, feeling that an immortal soul was within them, and, convinced that its aspirations for immortality could not be

child, with a human body and soul,
with a human heart and will. The
human reason may well be baffled by
such a mystery. Our gratitude
tells us all that to make recom-
pense to this prodigality of love,
we must bring out in our
souls the fair image of the God of
Bethlehem by our charity, by our
purity, by the practice of every Chris-
tian virtue. This is our life work,
and though we may be rich and hon-
ored, yet if we are not like unto the
image of Jesus Christ our years are
lost to a mockery and utter failure.

The interest in Father Elliot's work grows apace. He is warmly welcomed wherever he goes, and this indeed is a proof to the liberty-loving spirit of our separated brethren. Calumny and misrepresentation stand out at all their repulsiveness when exposed to the search light of investigation. He has met with opposition, but he has the consolation of knowing that his efforts have unbarred the door of prejudice that shut out from honest souls the messengers of peace and truth.

There is no valid reason why the schism of the Eastern Churches should continue to exist, nor was there ever

The union of the Orthodox with the Catholic Church would present no difficulty on the part of the people, as their devotions and belief are in almost every respect the same, except reference to the authority of the pope. The chief obstacle to accept-

We cannot believe that the ordinary sports which form part of the exercises of athletics are as fatal as prize fighting, but if some are so dangerous as represented they should be stopped also.

The case is rendered more complicated from the fact that news has been received by Armenian refugees at Athens to the effect that new atrocities have been committed by Bakir Pasha, the Kurd Governor of Van, who on November 11 led his troops to attack two additional Armenian villages in the district of Erdejki and laid them in ruins. Similar excesses to those already committed were also perpetrated on this occasion, and one hundred and twenty six peasants were maltreated and imprisoned at Van on pretence that they were insurgents.

Among the decisions arrived at by the Conferences held at Rome to consider the question of the Eastern and Western Churches, there are several which it is hoped will convince the schismatical Orientals that it is not the desire of the Pope to Latinize the East, or to abolish the Oriental rites used in the celebration of the holy offices of the Church. It is one of the objections made by the Orientals against regulation, that the Pope aims at abolishing their rites, and Latinizing the whole Church. It is not merely for the purpose of convincing them that their fears are groundless that these decisions have been reached, but rather for the purpose of preserving the ancient rites which, though differing from the Latin, attest the perpetuity of the one Faith handed down from the Apostolic age amid all the diversities of race and language. With such a grand object