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The Papal troops are sticklers on military salutes. An ordinary priest for instance, is only entitled to shoulder arms, while a monsignor gets present arms, and for a bishop a little guard is turned out while the cardinal has the whole guard turned out to go him honor. As clergymen of different ranks are continually passing to and fro in the Vatican palaces the soldiers on guard are kept pretty busy, and their only work seems to consist in saluting.

A few days ago an old peasant in his Sunday clothes entered the Vatican from the bronze gates toward dusk and showed a card to the Swiss soldier on guard. "They told me," said the old peasant in a marked Venetian accent, "that by showing this card I can be admitted." The soldier was half inclined to send the old man away, but he happened to glance at the card.

Immediately he sprang to attention and presented arms. At the same time he loudly called out the guard in German, and within a few seconds twenty Swiss soldiers under a officer were drawn in line, presented arms and a bugler sounded the royal salute.

The old peasant was astonished. He took off his hat and stared at the soldiers, who stared at him and remained motionless. After waiting

for five minutes, not knowing what to do, he calmly walked out and strolled around the Vatican until he reached a back entrance, also guarded by a Swiss soldier. Here he again showed the card and again received the royal salute.

Still greatly astonished the old peasant walked away, and as he knew that there are only two entrances to the Vatican he went home, where his sisters lived, a short distance from the Vatican.

"How is it that you come back so soon?" asked the two old women; "is Bepi ill or busy?"

"The foreign soldiers would not let me in," replied the man, and that evening, the Pope, who was looking forward to a chat with his brother, Angelo, whom he invited to spend the Christmas holidays in Rome, was greatly disappointed.

A secretary was sent to inquire, and some time after he returned to the Pope accompanied by the old peasant in his Sunday clothes, who explained the cause of the delay. The Papal troops have received strict orders not to render military honors to "the Most Serene Signor Angelo Sarto, the Holy Father's brother," and the old peasant from Riese now enters the Vatican without any need of showing the card on which the Pope himself had written: "This is my brother."

AN IMPORTANT MATTER.

The Catholic Register, Toronto, in a recent editorial, under the heading of "Marry Him Off," said:

The incorrigible bachelor constitutes a problem in many country parishes. He is altogether too numerous, and his religious and social status is a cause of deep concern to many pastors. He resents advice, and believes that he is amply able to take care of himself. Ordinarily he is not a saint, but quite the contrary. The French saying, "Vieux garcon vieux cochon," too often fits his case. Sometimes, however, he is made a bachelor by force of circumstances. He is given the parental homestead on condition that he take care of his father and mother and taking care of mother means that he shall not presume to bring another woman into the same house. Celibacy is encouraged by the Church when people remain single out of a desire to lead a more spiritual life. The average bachelor is animated by no such desire. He leaves off marrying until no young woman who thinks anything of herself, will take him for better or worse, and the result is that he finds himself stranded "on the bleak shore alone," and an object of sympathy to the whole community. We have sometimes felt that it would not be a bad idea to hold a matrimonial fair during the course of which the chronic bachelors of our country parishes would be inveigled into the holy bonds of matrimony. In many places they certainly need a spur of some kind. Here in Ontario there are many parishes in which Catholics are not as numerous as they were fifty years ago. The incorrigible bachelor is largely to blame for this condition of affairs. If he had done his duty and married there would be a different story to tell. Advice, in a measure, is lost upon him because he has become set in his ways. He journeys on through life missing most of its joys, evading its responsibilities, and what is more to the point in many cases, endangering his salvation. He is a mistake and an anomaly, but unfortunately he is the last man to recognize or acknowledge that fact.

A FATHER'S DUTY.

It is the duty of every father to be his son's companion, enter into his plans, and act as if he had just a little interest in his undertakings. The father who gets away from his boy will regret it later on.

THE ENCHARISTIC CONGRESS.

It was announced in Montreal last week that Lord Starthcona had given \$5,000 towards defraying the expenses of the coming Eucharistic Congress in that city.

PRESENTATION.

Dr. Boyle Travers Sixty-three Years in the Profession—Gift of Medical Society.

Telegraph, Thursday.

About thirty-five members of the St. John Medical Society called at the home of Dr. Boyle Travers last night and presented him with an address and a handsome parlor clock beautifully inscribed in commemoration of the anniversary of his sixty-third year as a doctor. The presentation was made by Dr. J. S. Bentley, president of the St. John Medical Society, who in a brief address told of Dr. Travers' good work as a member of the medical fraternity of St. John. Dr. Travers although taken entirely by surprise, replied briefly, thanking the society for their handsome gift. Luncheon was served and the evening was spent in songs and speeches. Short speeches were delivered by Drs. H. G. Addy, White, McInerney, G. A. B. Addy, Christie, Bentley, W. Christie and Ryan. Dr. B. Travers proposed the toast to the king and also to the Medical Society, which were responded to by members of the profession. Dr. P. R. Inches proposed the toast to the lady members of Dr. Travers' family, and Dr. J. Boyle Travers responded. The gathering broke up shortly after midnight, everyone singing For He's a Jolly Good Fellow. The clock had on it the following inscription:

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The address accompanying the gift read as follows:

To Dr. Boyle Travers.
We, the members of the St. John Medical Society are desirous of conveying to you our good wishes on the completion of sixty-three years of medical practice. Your attention to professional duties during your long and active life, and your interest in all the pertains to the welfare of our city has won the respect of the profession and citizens in general.

We ask your acceptance of this gift, not so much for its intrinsic value as for the feeling of good fellowship which we entertain toward you, and we hope the remainder of your life will be peaceful and happy. Signed on behalf of the St. John Medical Society,

J. S. BENTLEY, President.
GEO. S. CORBETT, Secretary.

The duty that lies nearest is the one to be performed first. Its accomplishment is a step in the direction of another; and thus onward to the end of life, each duty is a part of that which precedes and follows it—Bishop Spalding.

PAULISTS CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN JUBILEE.

Special Services in New York—Paulist Mission in St. John 50 Years Ago.

Wednesday's Globe.

On Tuesday January 25, the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, the Paulists celebrated the golden jubilee of their institute in New York. The celebration is being marked by a week of notable services. Cardinal Gibbons graced the occasion by his presence on Monday night, Jan. 24, and at the Pontifical High Mass on the Feast day, Jan. 25. His Excellency, Mgr. Falconio, the Apostolic Delegate, imparted the Papal blessing on Tuesday evening. Each succeeding evening of the week is to be marked by special functions. The preacher for this Wednesday evening will be Rt. Rev. Mgr. Mooney, Vicar General of New York, and his theme will be "The Progress of the Church in New York." The preachers for the succeeding evenings will be drawn from the various religious orders. On February 2, there will be a great demonstration on the part of the laity, to which the Governor of the State and the mayor of New York have been invited.

It was just a little over 50 years when Pius IX, by a special decree, Nuper Nonnuli of the Congregation of Bishops and Regulars, separated the Reverends Isaac Hecker, Clarence Walworth, Augustine Hewitt, George Deshon and Francis Baker from the Congregation of the Redemptorists and bade them continue the good work of the salvation of souls in the United States along their chosen lines. The decree is dated March, 6, 1858.

In September, 1859, three of the above named priests—Fathers Hecker Baker and Hewitt—preached a mission in the Cathedral here. As it was the first religious service of the sort ever held in St. John, and as the preachers were men of extraordinary eloquence and zeal, the memory of the mission remains to this day fresh in the minds of those who attended it. The late Right Rev. Dr. Connolly was Bishop of St. John at that time. In the previous year he had met Father Hecker in Rome and had rendered him much valuable aid in an endeavor to conciliate the Superior General of the Redemptorist Order in that city, and to secure permission for him from Pius Ninth—then Pope—to establish a new community of missionaries in America. How successful, missionaries, the Paulists have been for many decades past, is well known to the people of the American continent. They number now about seventy priests and about twenty young men preparing for Holy Orders in the Novitiate at Washington, D. C. They have mission houses in New York City, Chicago, Alabama and San Francisco.

DEATH OF A CENTENARIAN.

The death is announced of Mrs. Johanna Fitzgerald, which took place at Bantry Union Hospital, at the age of 104 years. Deceased was a native of the Bantry District, where she lived mostly all her lifetime, with the exception of four or five years in America. During her long life she scarcely ever suffered from any illness, and retained all her faculties up to a short time before her death. She was married three times. Her first husband died in Black '46, and it is recorded that she took his body on her back from Droumoreen to Caheragh graveyard for burial. She lived a hard-working, industrious life, and reared a large family, who emigrated to Australia and are in a prosperous condition. She was kindly looked after by the sisters of Mercy in Bantry. Her remains were interred in the Bantry Chapel Burial Ground.

JUST THINK OF IT!

The Christian Register writes: "The question whether God is all-powerful or not is of no practical importance. Nobody can answer it; and if it were answered, it would not make our common duties any more evident or pressing."

Here we have a so-called Christian organ ignorant of not only a theological truism, but the merest rudimentary knowledge of true philosophy. How true it is that when the light of faith has gone out the natural light of reason becomes dim, says the Pilot, of Boston.