At Low Tide. м. в. м.

Shining and even packed to north and to south stretch the sands, Tenderly daintly smoothed by the touch Tenderly daintly smoothed by the total of the outgoing tide; of the outgoing tide; set in place by a mother's hands

Each tress of the late left sea weed is

straightened and spread out wide.

Farther, far off are the breakers, a sudden emerald wall emerald wall
Lifted sgainst the sky, and topped with a
flame-like foam;
Joyous the white crest gleams, then crashing down to 1:s fail.
Dreamy and spent, it sobs itself back to its
occan home.

Wide are the pale blue skies that melt in the infinite cloud
Where sea and sky are one on the far horizon's verge;
But the lighthouse down at the point stands starkly, solid, and proud,
Its feet in a baffling mist of breakers, and sands and surge.

On the wide, vague sea of thought are sud-den gleams of light
Lifted high up to heaven, bright with a new hope's sur;
As we watch they waver and fall, and noth-ing is left in sight
But the baffling mist of doubt where faith and untaith are one.

Yet, steadfast in whirl and wave, a tower of

Stands with its feet on a stone, crowned with a quenchless light;
Despite the doubts that darken and the force of the tempest's shock,
It stands a pillar of strength by day, and a pillar of fire by night.

- Catholic World.

INTERESTING MISCELLANY.

THE VOID LEFT BY O'REILLY. What a rere soul was John Boyle O'Reilly! It seems to me that no man, in my time at least, has been mourned in the peculiar way half the world is grieving for him. Some old cynic occessid: "If you want to know how much you're going to be missed after you're dead, stick a fine asymbic needle into the surface of a going to be missed after you're dead, stick a fine cambric needle into the surface of a mill pond—and look for the whole." This may be true of the generality of his tex, but not of O'Reilly!—Kate Vannah.

*** ** It is deplorable that men should wilt and fret under the verdict of may be true of the generality of his sex, but not of O'Reilly! - Kate Vannah.

BEAUTIFUL CATHOLIC CUSTOMS.

It is a pleasure to note that many of the traditions and customs that earned for the traditions and customs that earned for France the distinction of being the most Catholic country of Europe are still carefully preserved. Thus the procession of the vow of Louis XIII., which commemorates the consecration of France to the Biessed Virgin, is held every year on the Feast of the Assumption. On that day florists' shop-windows are profusely adorned with rare wild flowers, which are adorned with rare wild nowers, when are purchased for distribution among those who bear the sweet name of Mary. The practice recalls another not less beautiful—that of showering white blossoms from the dome of St. Mary Major, Rome, on the Feast of Our Lady of Snow.

RUSSELL SAGE ON JAY GOULD'S

There is not a man in America or in the world at large, who absolutely owns and controls and has registered in his own name as many stocks as Mr. Jay Gould. It is no exaggeration to say that he draws more revenue from his invested captital than does any other living soul. In order that some idea may be had of his wealth, it is simply necessary to take three of his stocks: Manhattan, of which he owns and has registered \$10,000,000; Missouri Pacific, \$12,500,000, and Western Union, \$25,000,000. On these, three independent of his vast number of bonds and other dividend paying securities, he draws for dividends over \$2,000,000 a year. His in come from other sources, of course amounts to four or five times as much It will be readily seen that he cannot commence to use for his own personal ses even a small part of the interest.

a dainty dish to set before the king

The king who is represented resisting in his parlor counting his money, is the sun; while the gold please that slip through his fingers are golden sunshine. The combon sits in the dark kitchen, is the The queen, and the honey with which she regales herself is the moonlight.

The industricus maid, who is in the

garden at work before the king-the sun has risen, the day dawn, and the clothes hangs out are the clouds, while the bird that so tragically ends the song by "pipping off her nose" is the hour of sua-So we have the whole day in a pie.

THE FIRST EXPRESS PACKAGE.

The first express package carrier was a rather consumptive-looking young man of the name of Harnden (his given name has escaped my memory), who in 1836 instituted the business in New York city by calling on bankers, brokers, and mer-chadts with a carpet-beg and soliciting the carrying of money and other valuable packages between that city and Boston. Like all new undertakings, it was not long before a competitor in the person of Alvah Adams, who selected Philadelphia as his objective point, and who adopted the same tactics as Harnden. Mr. James Hoey, who is now a prominent figure in "The Adams Express Company," and a reputed millionaire, was at that time a young Irlsh boy employed to sweep out a young frish boy employed to sweep out a 10x15 cffies on William street, west side, between Wall and Pine, and to deliver and call for packages which became too large for the carpet-beg. The business grew rapidly, the trunk took the place of the carpet bag, succeeded by fron-bound crates strongly padlocked, which had to give way to box-cars on truck wheels, for the convenience of transfer from the New York and Providence line of steamboats the Boston and Providence railroad. Harnden continued the Eastern route and Adams the Southern. Later on a consolidation took place under the present title, and Harnden's Express was merged into the Adams Express Company.

NOT GENERALLY KNOWN.

Probably ninety-nine persons in one hundred if asked to name the most

us see how near the truth they would be. Gold is worth about \$240 per pound, troy; platinum \$130 and silver about \$12. Nickel is quoted at about 60 cents and pure aluminum at \$8 to \$9 per troy pound. Now compare these prices with those of the rarer and less well-known metals. Taking them in slphabetical order, barium sells for \$975 a pound, when it is sold at all; and calcium is worth \$1,800 a pround. Cerium is higher—its cost is \$160 an ounce, or \$1,920 a pound. Cost is \$160 an ouvee, or \$1,920 a pound.
These begin to look like fabulous prices, but they do not reach the highest point; thromium brings \$200, cobalt falls to about half the price of silver while didymium is the same price as cerium, and erbium \$10 cheaper by the cupce than calcium, or just \$1,680 per pound. The wealth of the Vanderbilts amounts to nearly \$200,000,000. With this sum they could purchase three hundred and twenty. eight tons of gold and have something left over; but they couldn's buy two tons of gollium, that rare metal being worth \$3 250 an ounce. With this metal the With this metal the highest price is reached, and it may well be called the rarest and most precious of

WORTHLESSNESS OF PUBLIC OPIN. ION.

Oh, the tyranny of public opinion! Its jurisdiction seems to be so universal, and jurisdiction seems to be so universal, and its verdict without appeal in this world. It is commonly looked upon as holding the right to try all cases which bear upon the estimate of human character; and millions of persons totter in the path of duty or turn aside from the straight course duty or turn aside from the straight course of righteous independence because they fear what people will say. And although the world, geographically, is very large, the sphere of almost every man's performance is divided by a very short diameter. Thus his public, his people, who form their opinions and have their say, are

atribunal which, first of all, usurps the right to judge, and which, in the second place, is notoriously unsteady and changeable. The happiness of a man is too precious a thing to be left under such

capricious guardianship.
This is the reason why the honest love
of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for those whom He came to save, moved Him to illustrate in His own life the utter worth. lessness of popular esteem. The people of Nezareth, amongst whom He had passed about twenty three years of His blameless life, did Him the honor of inviting Him to be the oracle of the synagogue; and then, with shameful swiftness, they crowded like an angry mob around Him to hurl Him over a precipice ?- Mes. senger of the Sacred Heart.

A LEGEND OF ST. MARTIN OF TOURS. St. Martin, as I have several times said, is famous for his miraculous powers. He is even said to have raised the dead. He was persecuted by the Evil One, as St. Authory had been before him. One of Anthony had been before him. One of these assaults has so deep an instruction in it, and so opposite both to the foregoing narrative and to this age, that I shall close the volume with relating it:

"While Martin was praying in his cell, the evil spirit atood before him, environed in a glistening radiance—by such pretence

e easily to deceive him; clad also in royal robes, crowned with a golden and jeweled diadem, with shoes covered with gold, with serene face and bright looks, so as to seem nothing so little as what he Martin at first was dazzled at the was. Martin at first was dazzled at the eight, and for a long while both parties kept silence. At length the Evil One began: 'Acknowledge,' he says, 'O Martin whom thou seest. I am Christ: I am now AN OLD DITTY EXPLAINED.

You all know "Sing a Song of Sixpence." Have you ever read what it
meant?

The four-and twenty black birds represent the contract of the contract o The four-and twenty black birds repre-sent twenty four hours. The bottom of the ple is the world; the top crust is the sky that over arches it. The opening of the ple is the day-dawn, when the birds begin to sing, and surely such a sight is not that He should come in gittering clothing, and radiant with a diadem. will not believe that Christ is come, save in that state and form in which He suffered, save with the show of the wounds of the cross. At these words the other vanished forthwith as smoke, and filled the cell with so herrible an odor as to leave indubitable proofs as to who he was. That this so took piace, I know from the mouth of Martin himself, lest anyone should think it fabulous "—Vita M. R.

> The application of this vision to Martin's age is obvious; I suppose it means in this day, that Christ comes not in pride of intellect or reputation for ability These are the glittering robes in which Satan is now arraying. Many spirits are abroad, more are issuing from the pit; the credentials which they display are precious gifts of mind, beauty, richness depth, originality. Caristian, look hard at them with Martin in ellence, and then ask for the print of the natls .- Cardina

> > A NUN'S OPINION

ON A PECULIAR SYSTEM IN THE CRIMINAL DISTRICTS OF NEW CALEDONIA. It is well known that the larger part of the criminal classes are unmarried people. Some philanthropists, particularly in Europe, have time and again reiterated their belief that matrimony, with the loving responsibilities that parents assume, would redeem from lives of crime many an outcast who is now regarded as wholly irreclatmable. There is reason to believe there is more sentiment than truth the period of their punishment for bideous crimes. This country is the island of New Caledonia, in the Pacific Ocean, to which many hundreds of the worst offend. ers against society in France, including s great many women, are transported for life. It cannot be said that this matrimonial experiment is a great success.

is vulgarly called the "Paddock" by the male convicts because it is to this convent that they are permitted to go for the pur-pose of selecting wives from among the hundreds of French women who are conprecious metals would name gold first, pose of selecting wives from among the platinum second, and silver third, says the New York Journal. A few might add nickel and aluminum to the list. Let only after some years of residence on the The State has absolutely no religion, and

the rules of the prison life are permitted to build huts outside of the prison walls, to choose wives from the convent and to devote their future life to the care of their families.

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Superior on this matrimonial scheme and learned, that she regarded it as an utter culties in the use of text books, with all failure so far as reformatory influences are concerned. "Our duties here are very simple," sha

him. Then they go with me into the parior, where they talk over the condi-tions of their union, and if the woman desires to wed the man the bans are pro-claimed and the marriage takes place in the church after the delay required by the law. I have assisted at forty of these marriages in a single day.

"Do these marriages turn out well?"

"Alas, they do not," said the Mother Superior. "The woman leave church ou the arms of their husbands and go to their new homes, but it is rare that they make new homes, but it is rare that they make these homes happy or in any way attractive. They are more likely to descend to lower depths of deprayity than to become self-respecting woman. The children of these unions are, if possible, more de graded than their parents. In my opinion the regeneration of criminals through the family life is a prodigious failure, and I believe that such marriages should not be countenanced but should be prohibited by the law." by the law."

THE GODLESS SYSTEM OF EDUCA.

N. Y. Journal of Commerce, Oct 1st.

Several teachers and principals of the Brocklyn public schools united in a request to have Longfellow's "Building of the Ship" withdraw from the use of the pupils, on the ground that it is "full of ollusions likely to demonstrate the of allusions likely to demoralize the young." The press all over the country has taken up the cudgels, and the purists who could not bear to have those under their charge dwell on the metaphor which represents the ccean as a bridegroom taking the ship like a bride to his "protecting arms," have been belabored lustily or ridiculed beyond all precedent. We may say here that we have no sympathy with those who by myths or direct falsehoods cover up the plainest facts in natural history and mis lead the young, often to their serious in jury, in relation to their own physical constitution and the mysteries concern ing their origin. The concealments, evasions and misrepresentations on these subjects weaken the confidence of children in the truthfulness of their parents, and do not in anyway promote purity in the thought or lite of the

young. But our present object is not the discussion of that particular theme, or even the administering of a rebuke to the silly complaint of the Brooklyn teachers. The necessity of providing text-books to which no class of taxpayers who support the schools, or of parents or guardians who patronize them, can object, brings up the whole subject of secular educa-tion. It is admitted by every thought. ful man that the State which is divorced absolutely from the Church has no right to engage in the religious training of the young. At this point we make our pro-test against the whole public school system. The only ground on which it can be made the duty of the State to engage in the education of the young is in the assumption, not undisputed, that ignor-ance and vice go hand in hand, that the public safety requires the culture under-taken in the schools, and that the chil-dren born within the commonwealth, or brought to it by immigration, will fail of such training if it is not provided for out of the public treasury.

Even if we grant that the thorough the company is corrected to the effect upon the world of the Christian religion, is absolutely forbidden? The day will come when this will be found intolerable, and the majority will

education of the young is essential to the perpetuity of our institutions, it does not follow that it would not be secured more visely by leaving it to the voluntary supervision and support of the commun But the theory that to be thorough nd universal the State slone can pro vide the means and enforce its use, dopted and persisted in, makes it the duty of those to whom the task is intrusted to execute it according to the terms of the proposition. Here we take our stand, and there can be no evasion of the obligation if the work is assumed by the government. Whoever under-takes to educate a child has not fairly begun its training until it is taught its proper relations to others, and these of necessity grow out of its relations to its Maker. In plain terms, there can be no proper education of the young which eaves out all efforts at moral culture and there can be no moral culture which ignores man's relations to the invisible

The experiment of clinging to a few religious principles and teaching them on the sly and in the face of the protest of irreligious men has been tried, and is still persisted in at some places, but those who uphold it have no logical defense, and it must ultimately be abandoned. The Jews have a right to insist that nothing shall be taught concerning Jesus of N.zar-eth, whom they do not acknowledge as the Messian. The Infidel denounces the conception of a God, and insists that no one shall speak in His name. The man who, during the last week, wrote the following is a taxpayer: "The prophets in this pleasant theory. In at least one country marriage is authorized by law be tween the most hardened criminals during against all injustice in the name of God. It is good for nothing to-day to speak in the name of God. We say frankly and openly that we do not believe in a God. There never was a God, is no God, and there never will be one." It is of no use to say that he is worse than a heathen and that no one is bound to respect his views. He has as much right under the constitu-Mr. F. Ordinaire has recently visited the tion to have these sentiments taught in convent of Boursil in New Caledonia. It the public schools as the most devout be liever in the Christian religion has to have his views impressed on the minds of the pupils. There is no ecops from the logical conclusion that neither of them

the light that subsequent experience has thrown upon it, establish the truth of our conclusions. We are not now discussing the question whether a "godless school" is any proper place for the training of the young, but merely referring to the claim that it is possible to separate all ideas of said. "We have the care of the unfortunate women who are sent to us from the question whether a "godless school" tunate women who are sent to us from is any proper place for the training of the France until they are married. When a male convict desires to take a wife he comes here, informs me of the fact and I call all the female convicts and I call all the female convicts the religion from the instruction imparted in the Public schools and to pursue secular tundies with no referrace to the velations. down into the court, where he surveys the crowd and chooses one who pleases him. Then they go with me into the court where he surveys of man to his Maker. And this height here is a survey of man to his Maker. has been going on in this country for the has been going on in this country for the last few years and to which special attention is now directed by the Brooklyn incident. If any one will examine the course of instruction and the books used for the purpose at the Free College of New York maintained in this city at the public expanse he will see why the list of public expense he will see why the list of pupils may include, as it is said it does, a majority of young people of the Hebrew

Every year some new complaint is made and the work of expurgation goes on until the class books will soon be more on until the class Books will soon be more celebrated for their negations and omissions than for the positive information they contain. It will be found, at the last, impossible to teach anything useful in the Public schools beyond the merest elementary studies without treading on somebody's corns. What is the history of the British Isles with no allusions to the religious facts that bave impressed themselves upon the country and the people? What can be said of Germany, with no hint of the Reformation, or of Spain with no reference to the Luquisition?

Italy is too dangerous ground, and the Pope and the Vatican must be left out or glossed over as myths of other days.
Where can the teacher plant his foot for a starting point in the history of the world and make no reference to Christianity The probibition blots out nearly nineteen bundred years of all that is most stirring in human annals, and if he goes backward instead of forward from the common reckaning of time he does not help him self, for he is confronted by Moses and the flaming Sinal!

Our Catholic friends have settled this for themselves by insisting upon educating their children in parochtal school, where morality and all the sweet graces of an un-selfish life have their sanction in the fear of God and the purpose to live as His child. Leading Protestant families who have sufficient means, in nearly all of our larger communities, now send their children to private schools, where the moral side of their nature may be cultivated without the interference of some jealous member of the Board of Education. This practice is annually increasing, and it will soon become the rule instead of the exception among all God fearing people throughout the country. We do not believe that when that point is eached the taxpayers will be willing to expend their money to maintain the god less schoolrooms for the benefit of infidels and socialists. Or at any rate they will ask, what Mr. Howard Crosby has just said is the only proper rule, but a few elementary branches shall be taught any where at the public expense. Why should music, piano playing, fine drawing, and various other accomplishments be taugh

warness of the public treasury?
Why should a taxpayer who has
no children be compelled to
give the sons of his neighbor a
collegiate education? And, more than all, why should any thoughtful religious man be taxed for the maintenance of an immense system of schools for the education of the rising generation where the Bible may not be read, no prayer may be made, and all reference to the fear of God, or

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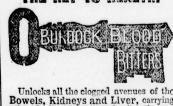
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calm amia busy tumults, ugly, grand.
With rough-ridged form, and meek, uplified face,
Ready to bear afar, in conjectous strength,
That which is laid upon them. Day by day
To fast, and thirst, and labor, till at length,
The desert crossed and won the resting
place. place,
A master's hand shall lift the load away.
Oh, still, strong human nature whom we

meet Day after day, in adverse circumstance Serene and fattoful! Have we learned per-From these dumb heroes of the Eastern

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The untold sceret, wonderful as sweet,
Of all that grandly simple strength of
heart?
In meekness light might. Such souls as
these Accept their burden upon bended knees!

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS

FOR EARLY MASSES, BY THE PAULIST FATHERS.

Presched in their Church of St. Paul the Apostie, Fifty-ninth street and Ninth avenue, New York City. New York Catholic Review. NINETEENTH EUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.

FESTIVAL OF THE HOLY POSARY. "For He that is mighty hath done great things to me, and Hely is His name, and His mercy is from generation to genera-tion to them that fear Him."—St. Luke,

i c., 49, 50.

To day we celebrate the festival of the Most Holy Rosery. We celebrate it in union with the Catholic Church throughout the world. We send up a united prayer to God to deliver the Church from the attacks of all her enemies, that true piety may prevail, that sinners may be converted, that heresy and schism may be extinguished and put an end to, so that all Christians may be one in the fold of the Church, and all come, after a truly virtuous life, to their happy destiny in the eternal kingdom of Heaven. Our Holy Father Leo XIII, has ordered ali Christians, all over the earth, to recite the Resary every day during the month of October, for his intentions which are those first mentioned. He finds himself in great straits. The enemies of religion make no secret of their intention to destroy it root and branch. They are willing to make use of any weapon that comes to hand; falsehood and calumny are indus-triously circulated all over by a hostile

press Nearly all the Governments seem banded together to cripple and destroy religion. The property of the Church is seized, and even her charitable funds, and reattered to the winds among political functions. favorites. Parents have their children taken from their disposal to be educated by the State in schools where there is no religious training, and where, oftentimes, hatred of the Catholic religion is insinuated or openly taught, and where they live, as it were, in an atmosphere of evil association, hearing nothing but contempt and ridicule of all they ought to hold Peter the sacred from their companions. The can-didates for the holy priesthood are made to serve for years in the barracks as soldiers, among lewd and blasphemous recruits, with the intention of destroying their virtue and of unfitting them for tion or we their holy calling. Books without num-ber, called scientific, but which are merely theoretical, and not scientific, are written

In a worldly point of view, the situation of the Church would appear hopeless. But it is not so, for God is the master of all things, and He promises to be with His Church always, "and so I am with you all days even to the end of the world." A Dall sublime confidence animates our Holy Father, Leo XIII. amid his severe and long protracted trials. He remembers the a surveyor words of the psalmist: "Let God arise from the words of the psalmist: "Let God arise and all His enemies shall be scattered and they that bate Him shall fize from Him." He remembers how when the Him." He remembers how when the Turks were overrunning all Christendom, hundreds of years ago, a most remarkable victory was gained by a very inferior force, on the very day when the Christians throughout the world united in the prayer of the Rosary, and their from its power was shattered beyond recovery; phin's No and on another occasion a similar decisive victory was gained when the people, with extraordinary fervor, sent up their petitions through the prayer of the Rosary. Our Holy Father, calling this to mind, directs us to recite the Rosary every day during this month of October, and imparts to all who do, a plenary indulgence, under

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ng and deetroy the very foundation of us if each

Let us all then correspond, hearts and soul, with these directions of our Holy Father, purify our hearts from all sin, offer ourselves without reserve to God and recite the Rosary every day fervently at all fear of the enemies of our religion being removed, the times henceforth may be peaceable, religion flourish, and innumerable souls saved. Catarrh is in the blood. No cure for

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