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BARNUMIZING THE PULPIT

stunts. The fact that a Methodist minister, before a large assembly of summer-school students, publicly denied the divine authenticity of Deuteronomy, and that a Presbyterian minister of one of the large churches of Toronto has repudiated the story of man's creation as recorded in Genesis, is a clear indication that the heads of both denomis his unbelief. inations have vacated the chair of Moses. If public men are often guilty of the crimes of a nation, what shall we say of the preacher of the Gospel who unsettles the minds of those whom he should confirm in the faith of the Gospel? the Prince of Denmark.

Yet this is what invariably happens, because a system resting on the rights of the individual conscience and private reason is impos-

sible to reconcile with authority and the Catholic Truth Society of unity. When the private inter- Canada, held in Ottawa last week, preter is his own judge and jury, was a great and gratifying success. he naturally decides without refer- Four days of strenuous work was ence to any other tribunal and nearly always in favor of flesh and for the delegates, but the keenest blood. Encouraged and flattered of interest was maintained; and the into the belief that he himself is his deepening conviction that work was own guide and compass he refuses being accomplished of great importto abide by the established standard ance and of ever-widening possible of right thinking. It was in this consequences made the hardest work more than in anything else the a genuine pleasure to the earnest religious revolutionaries of the six- souls engaged in it. teenth century were guilty of their The importance of this great Congreatest folly. Having made pri- vention for the Catholic Church and vate judgment and personal liberty for Canada can not be easily exagthe corner-stone of Protestantism, gerated. A striking proof of the the Reformers invested the indi- greatness of its possibilities, at vidual with the same authority as least, is the fact that the hierarchy the Church itself. In the possession was represented by the Archbishops of such unbounded liberty of belief of Ottawa and Toronto, and the the ignorant and unread were placed Bishops of Alexandria, Antigonish, on the same footing as regards the Calgary, Joliette, London and interpretation of the Bible as the Peterborough, and the Bishop-elect ories that are equally subversive of churchyard a few years ago, Mrs ant occasion.

teaching Church, "the pillar and of Haileybury. the ground of Truth." There was Perhaps even more striking, more journalist who wants popularity at occasion. "Rab and His Friends" ision and no restrictions:

refused to co-operate with them by either word or act. In like manner the free-thought minister quotes the Bible to support his own rickety structure of defence, while he discredits the Bible should it too plainly censure his own wrong-

denial. The cities, as well as the woods,

are full of these clerical free lances, we always agree ; in fact it is much in their pockets. who use the Bible as a manual of more desirable that there be diverself-interest and the pulpit as a gent views, disagreement, discus- problems. The venal journalist and value Thompson communicated publicity rostrum to advertize their sion, leading finally to concerted may raise a war whoop once in a a notice of this precious relic, totin wares. The fact that they have action.

subscribed to a certain symbol of their denomination, is but one more proof that a technical requirement | into touch with the best thought on is of no more value where the subjects that affect the welfare of spirit is absent, than the check of the Church and of Canada, and for a bankrupt. Having abandoned the that reason vitally concern us, one "hard sayings" of the Gospel, the and all.

free lances resort to sensationalism and sentimental gush. They regard SOME OF THE TRIALS OF A their license to preach as a license JOURNALIST

to beguile and humbug the congre-BY THE OBSERVER gation by descending to the level The most thankless task in a of a theatrical performer who

journalist's career is to look ahead attracts and amuses by unusual into the future and to point out From the standpoint of rhetoric, results which the ordinary careless rings hollow coming from those faith." To a congregation the least current, whichever direction it car-

It is not so easy to convey

interesting fact of a minister's life ries him in. Popularity is to be had by taking The charlatan in the pulpit care to tell people what they want hear that there is any danger ahead. of things. He is misrepresentative of a sacred office and trust. His is whether moral, physical, commercial, political or otherwise. The a case of playing Hamlet without preacher of God's word who predicts a moral catastrophe, is unpopular, but hardly more so than Lord Roberts and Admiral Fisher were The third annual convention of England to believe in the reality of

the German danger. Whether you warn the public against a foolish squandering of

their salaries or wages, or against letting down the bulwarks of reticence and modesty which keep the young safe against moral landslides, your warnings are equally unpopular; the only difference being that people in general are a little more

disposed to heed a warning where money interests are concerned than in the case where only a moral danger is in question.

moral law and of human law, the Menzies being present on that

significant, more consoling and full

stated in all sober seriousness that the people have no right to refuse to spend money; that they are in duty bound to buy as long as they have money to buy with; that they are enemies of the State if they cause work in the factorics to fall off while they save money. The through the printed page all the the people have no right to refuse another Scottish relic of still workingmen found the ancient force of the spoken word; and it is impossible to reproduce the per-sonality of the speaker, which is the nower behind the spoken word. to spend money; that they are in are enemies of the State if they nower behind the spoken word. to spend money; that they are in sonality of the speaker, which is the nower behind the spoken word. to spend money; that they are in some years a treasured possession in Canada. The painting depicts thas and a associations which also was for in Canada. The painting depicts thas and a group of angela, who are inviting him to ascend to heaven. The splendor of the coloring has been preserved and the work is being preserved and the work is being

our readers not merely to read, but off while they save money. The headedness. He cares more for the to re-read and to study the abstract journalist who swims with the than the "Quigrich," or Crozier of ego than for the Gospel and prefers summaries we present them. Do current will never advise anyone to St. Fillan, one of the early Saints his own theories to the tabulated not lay aside the study of a single save money; he wants to be of Scotland. This was first brought truths of revelation. By his re- subject until you are convinced that popular, and he knows that he can to light in modern times by William jection of Creed and System he you have learned something new attain popularity by advising the Thompson, of Christ Church College, merely exercises the divine right of about it, until you have made the public to do what they feel like Oxford, who while on a vacation writer's viewpoint and treatment doing and that is, to spend and ramble in the Perthshire Highlands your own. It is not necessary that spend as long as they have a cent in 1782, had it shown to him at the

> village of Killin, on the banks of It is the same way with social Loch Tay. Realizing its antiquity

while when some interest which is gether with a rough drawing, to Again let us urge on our readers allied with his interests is, or seems the Society of Antiquaries of to take this opportunity of getting to be, in danger; but as a rule he Scotland, which later appeared is a loud-voiced optimist ; and bus- in the printed Transactions of iness is always going to be better that body. His intention at next month, next quarter, or next the time was to initiate proyear, than it ever was before. He ceedings looking towards its acquisknows that every man wants to put ition by the Society. But this hope out of his mind the possibility of was not destined to be realized at bad times coming, and he is ready that time, as shortly afterwards to help them to do that ; especially the owner of the relic emigrated to Prayer. since the optimistic view will Canada, taking the treasured heirprevent them from economizing in loom with him.

their advertising contracts. It is the same in moral questions. It is the same in moral questions. Theoretically, there may be danger to the young in the commercializing until the middle of last century 5. Life of our Saviour from the ST. FILLAN'S CROZIER thus again to the young in the commercializing until the middle of last century their denials may be clever but they looker-on does not see, and which of such a gigantic affair as the that it came to light again. Dr. sound insincere in a witness of the the optimist and the man who does making of motion pictures ; but to (afterward Sir) Daniel Wilson, then Gospel; their profession of the new not care are unwilling to admit as the journalist who is swimming with of Edinburgh, when engaged upon and Saviour. theology may appear novel but it future probabilities. If a journal- the tide, the motion picture concern his "Prehistoric Annals of Scotist wishes to be popular, he can have that advertises in his paper is land," had his attention drawn to who should guard the "deposit of popularity by swimming with the never going to do any harm to any- it, and immediately tried to recover one. We were assured a while ago | traces of its custodian, little dream-

that the publication of all the dirty | ing, as he has told us, that ere details of divorce suits would not many years should pass he would only not do any harm but would himself become a settler in Canada. affronts our sense of the fitness to hear. And they do not want to actually do good ; just as mercen- To Canadians his name is now ary rumsellers used to say as their , familiar as for many years the disexcuse for taking another few cents tinguished President of the Universfrom a half drunken customer, that ity of Toronto. And it was in the "another little drink won't do him latter capacity that he finally came into touch with Alexander Dewar, Now, the journalist who tries to the lineal representative, in all look a little to the probable effect probability, of the favored follower when they tried to get the people of in the future as well as in the of King Robert Bruce, to whom,

IT is beyond the space at our disally keeps on. And sometimes he posal to trace the history of this profoundly interesting relic of Catholic Scotland of lang syne, and of "Rab and His Friends" will be Edinburgh. Sir Daniel Wilson in a bishop Canevin, which showed interested in hearing of the death paper read before the Canadian devoid of foundation were Dr. John Brown, in the person of Canadian Journal, has put together leakage. The popular thing for a journ-alist to do is, unquestionably, to flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson, the Howgate carrier. Is subsequent trans-flatter the public upon the good John Jackson transflatter transflatter transflatter the public upon the good John Jackson transflatter opinion which men and women This event, which took place within not, brought about by negotiations Eachen. Father Cline said that if tinued affronting their pride or conceit. recalls especially the person of the out of Canadian custody, however, If, for instance, it is a question of grandfather to whose memory a it was put to its primal use once holy religion, then in the century

studied by several noted painters. A true copy has been taken as it is feared that exposure may cause the vivid coloring to fade.

> CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE 4. Child desires that all should please God, and love one another-

(Hatred of sin.) Child's ideal - The Divine 5. Child.

Love of Mary-Veneration of the Saints. 6. Child's interests extend to the interests of Christ-Formation of

the Catholic Spirit.) 7. Progress in goodness and holi-ness. Source of greatest happiness in this life. Preparation for eternal happi-

ness. DOCTRINE

1. God as our Father, Lord's Creation of the world, angels,

man, heaven, hell.

3. Way to Heaven - Command-ments-(Love of God and neighbor.) Incarnation to the Ascension. Relation of the Blessed Virgin

Mary, and of the Saints to our Lord Coming of the Holy Ghost.

The plan of the Church of Christ. Mass and devotions - Grace and the Sacraments.

Death, Judgment, Resurrection.

> THE DISCUSSION ON CATE CHETICS

and Morrissey had thus outlined the method which they considered should be adopted in teaching Christian doctrine and practice, the discussion began in real earnest. Bishop Fallon after congratulating the two professors of Catechetics on their somewhat idealistic presentain the future as well as in the of King Robert Brace, to minut, tion of the practical problem of the was present, of certain customs and courses of action, is as we have the "Quigrich" had been confided and put down as either rogue or by the King on the field of Bannockremark made by Dr. MacEachenthat

to the Catholic Church, was promptly repudiated by Bishop Fallon, who referred those who were interested in this question of its final disposition in the Museum leakage from the Church in the READERS OF that delightful book, of the Society of Antiquaries at of the question published by Archwhich showed how of a link with its famous author, Institute in 1859 and printed in the exaggerated descriptions of the

Rev. Father M. Cline, P. P., Holy

Catholic Truth Society who spoke on the work of the laity in the Church.

Over one thousand persons were present in St. Patrick's Parish Hall for this opening afternoon session.

ADDRESS BY HON. CHARLES MURHPY

TUESDAY EVENING

The Hon. Charles Murphy, Postmaster-General, was Chairman at the Russell Theatre, and introduced the subject as follows :

As I deem it an honor been asked to preside at this, the first evening meeting of the Catho-lic Truth Society's convention, I desire at the outset, to my thanks to the members of the Com mittee through whose kindness I have been accorded such an agree able privilege. The Annual Convention of The

Catholic Truth Society of Canada is an event of national importance. For that reason, it devolves upon those who are charged with the convention to see that its deliberations are carried on in harmony with the national well-being, and that its results will conduce to the moral and mental benefit of all the people, and not merely of one section, or of one class.

To express this view is only another way of saying that the beneficent influence of Catholic Truth should be applied to all the relations of everyday life; and if you desire any evidence that such a broad view is held by the gentle-men who have had the arrangements for the Convention in hand, you have only to look at the subjects that they have selected for discus-sion during the four days that will CATE HETICS After Rev. Doctors MacEachen in the official programme.

Before entering upon the special programme prepared for this evening, a few words as to the aims and objects of the Catholic Truth

to be brief, I cannot do better than to quote from two eminent authoritie

two years ago, Sir John Thompson, who was then President of the Catholic Truth Society of Ottawa, said

from the press. from time to time upon public questions of the day, and especially those questions upon which the Catholic religion is assailed-to place before them the statements which are thus issued of the reasons on which Catholic teachings are founded so that each one the may be able to give reasons for the

But even a more important point Reformation had to have a more in connection with instruction is to accurate intellectual grasp of their place before those who are not Catholics an accurate and simple the widespread propagation of the- tablet was erected in Penicuik more on an interesting and import- which preceded, it was because the statement of what Catholic belief

opinion which men and women This event, which took place within not, brought about by negotiations cherish of themselves and to avoid the past few weeks, at Penicuik, set on foot by him. Before it passed children after the Protestant Reformation had to have a more

Society may not be out of place. In this connection, and in order

Speaking in this city about thirty-

vogue in the United States was losing tens of thousands of children to the Catholic Church, was instructions which have the simple

faith that is in him. Having thus defined the attitude

which preceded, it was because the Council of Trent rightly considered this was necessary. The Cate-this was necessary. The Cate-chism of the Council of Trent was the ideal text book of Catechism for teachers prepared by order of that General Council of the Church.

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which are certain things hard to be struction.

national bodies became divided and work of the writers. spoke in many voices, Churchmen liefs.

his own defence. The great Indian to solicit their intelligent coopera- ills, social, political and financial mystic says that Christ's words tion, their active individual aid in that ever have or ever can, affect office window" of the Toronto Globe regarding the payment of tribute carrying on the work. For these other peoples, that journalist is at described an interesting 'Heirloom to Cæsar are altogether in favor of reasons we shall devote much space, once put down as a fool or a rogue, from Flodden" in possession of a his own propaganda-non-co-opera- week after week, to the official or perhaps both. tion. He holds that Christ's ruling report of the proceedings. These Or, it is a question of whether

own life from a mute record of priests and able, zealous, loyal and which St. Peter thus speaks: "In enthusiastic lay men and women. Subjects of vital importance to country. Appeals are being made understood which the unlearned and the welfare of Church and Country to class hatreds, and to envy. But unstable wrest, as they do also the were brought up for consideration this is Canada, not Russia; 95% of other Scriptures, to their own de- and discussion. Papers were read the people are not in the least by those who had given time and affected by all this stuff; nothing

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CONVENTION

somewhat exacting and exhausting

There could be only one result thought and study to the problems can seriously damage a country from such unlimited franchise- to be solved. Nay, more, these which is inhabited by so great and religious dissolution. Sects in- papers for the most part embodied wise a people. Therefore put away divergency of individual opinion, illumined and enriched by the life tions may be cast away on the rocks of human folly, and disorder and

Here we do not desire-even if chaos may come to some countries; wrote in different modes of speech, that were possible-to give any- but this is Canada ; this is the home and preachers of the Gospel gave thing like a comprehensive sketch of the chosen of the Lord; and forth different expressions of of the work accomplished or Canadians are exempt from the Christianity. Reformed Christi- brought under way. That will weaknesses which draw other anity suddenly degenerated into a come later. We do desire, however, peoples into the deep waters of strange medley of conflicting be- to impress each and every reader of social chaos and ruin." the CATHOLIC RECORD with the So speaks the journalist who

Quick to see the many perverse tremendous importance of the wants to found a sure fortune upon that, as sang the author of "The should be added, is beyond question, purposes the Bible of itself may be recent Catholic Truth Society Con- the vanity and self-love of his made to serve in the hands of the vention. We desire to interest readers. And, if any journalist is degenerate lord may herd his unscrupulous, Ghandi, the National- every reader, to ask him or her to courageous enough to point out that sheep." ist of India, who is not a Christian read and study and understand after all Canadians are only human at all, recently quoted the Bible in what was done, and then earnestly beings, and are subject to all the

Christ said "begone Satan" he re- want the hundred and fifty thous- advises the public to save some possession of the House of Caith-

any price will write somewhat as has long since taken its place among "that a great deal of false teaching and its various characters been and Coadjutor to the then Ordinary, is being spread throughout the enshrined among the immortals.

any harm."

fool, or possibly both. And yet burn.

being devoted to the idea of doing

some good in the world, he gener-

NOTES AND COMMENTS

does some good after all.

THE LOSS to Scotland by emigration is once more exercising the John Macdonell, so long and favor-Free Church has been commissioned creased with the multiplicity and the lessons of long experience, were all foolish fears. Other constitu- by the Hamilton Presbytery to subject, so that the loss to Scotland as a whole by this depletion of the His efforts proving successful it was "pick of its population," may be brought to Toronto, and as the new duly estimated and steps taken to Bishop passed down the aisle of the we should say short of complete in his hand this identical symbol of revision of that system of land episcopal authority, sanctified by

> women from the glens and hills years ago. Its authenticity, it Canadian Boat Song'' long ago, "a since its Canadian custodian, a Dewar, had also confirmatory documents in his possession dating back

other and independent references to It is many months ago since the it in Scottish annals. editor of the "Bystander at the

Canadian family. We had marked

it for comment at the time, but the to give to Caesar what belonged to summaries were in nearly all cases the people are making the most of cutting was mislaid under other Cologne, Sept. 11.-A valuable painting said to be the work of the Cassar merely meant that Christ prepared by those who read the their opportunities in respect of papers and has only now come to would have nothing to do with Casar, papers on the various subjects. material resources. The journalist the surface. The relic in question that he would not co-operate with They addressed a thousand, fifteen who tries to look a little farther consisted of an amber-colored flask in the old Cathedral of Hauten on the evil. Furthermore, that when hundred, two thousand at most; we ahead than the middle of next week of curious shape which, long in

fused to co-operate with Satan ; and and readers of the CATHOLIC RECORD part of their earnings, be it ever so ness, once saw service on Flodden that when he field from those who to join in; to share some of the small a part. At once the press Field, and was again similarly would make him king he refused to interest, inspiration and enthus- takes up the cry of "business as requisitioned on Armistice Day in the last few years its would make him king he ferused to co-operate with their illegal method of king-making. Lastly, that Christ

everybody sought the plan of his of promise, was the number of follows: "It is true," he will say, the permanencies of the language, consecration as Bishop of Echinas, that General Council of the Church. The advantage to be gained from and Coadjutor to the then Ordinary, Mgr. de Charbonnel, the ceremony formulae, such as prayers and

took place in St. Michael's Cathe- definitions, was not dral. The late Chevalier William stressed by many modern advocates of the object lesson method. Our Lord used both methods : he minds of the authorities and ably known for his good works and especially of the governing bodies active participation in Catholic outlined the great laws of charity, of the Presbyterian churches. The affairs, was at that time master of and he taught by object lesson as in the parable of the men journey. ing to Jericho. Both method ever been used by his church. being aware of the existence in

Canada of St. Fillan's Crozier, he Rev. J. T. Foley, Editor of the obtain definite information on the conceived the idea of soliciting its CATHOLIC RECORD, pointed out that subject so that the loss to Scotland loan for the impending ceremony. Ontario did not receive sufficient instruction in the method of teaching Christian Doctrine. He advocated that the priests who instructed remedy it. There can be no remedy cathedral after consecration he bore the Catholic Normal pupils in the seven Normal Schools of Ontario in

the one hour a week provided for religion, should be trained catechettenure which is driving men and the use of a Saint of many hundred ists and should if necessary, supplement this brief hour by another hour on Saturday. He advocated also the formation of a small chetist library for each Normal School

His Grace the Archbishop to King Robert Bruce, and there are Ottawa explained that all Catholics the 2nd February, 1878. The Vener-able Vicar of Christ, who died seven days later, gave those assembled

Neiderrheim, which is the capital of

decay has cussion on catechetics, the paper on observe

insistent, and returning in the course of his address, he said The great object of this Society sufficiently

is to place before those who are not Catholics simple, inoffensive, plain statements of what Catholic belief really is. I must say that nothing has attracted me more in connection with the operations of the Parent Society in England than the excel lent taste and perfect charity in which their works are prepared

There is nothing in them to offend. They put in the minds of Catholic readers just what the actual facts are, and they put before non-Catho lics plain statements "" make an end of controversy." Canada's brilliant

Thus spoke Canada's brilliant Minister of Justice in the year

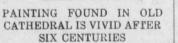
Thirty-two years later, that is in the present year of 1928, the illus-trious Archbishop of Ottawa, issued a general invitation to attend this Convention, and in the course of that invitation he said :

The Catholic Truth Society has as its object to spread the knowledge of the Catholic Faith both among

His Grace the Archoisnop of the Catholic Path both almong Ottawa explained that all Catholics agreed that the Catholic Church had received from Christ not merely the infallible truth but also the power to teach it, therefore in its essential the teaching method of the Church ble and encode the church olics, it forms a useful auxiliary to of Father Foley's suggestion of a final examination in Catechism for the children and concluded by ing that one of the most cherished it, the Catholic Truth Society has souvenirs of his life was the last a sphere of usefulness, the greatness

The Cathedral has long been regarded as a masterpiece of medieval architecture, but during Owing to the length of the dis-bishon Emard. You will a distance assertioned, as the aims and objects of The Catholic Truth Society there is absolute agreement between Sir John Thompson and His Grace, Arch-

that in the utterances of



thirteenth century, has been found