Catholic Record. Christianus mihi nomen est Catholicus vero Cognomen."-(Christian is my Name, but Catholic my Surname)-St. Pacien, 4th Century.

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The clock of the universe ticks on

without challenging our attention.

The celestial dial presents no start-

march of Time forces the frivolous

bears us on its bosom to the bourne

whence none return. The hint of a

destiny thatoutlasts stars and worlds

comes not from without, but from

ages and generations to outdo the

recorded in history bespeak a grow-

ing desire to use the forces and

instruments that are worn by toil

transcend matter and mere duration.

Now, in the backwash of civili-

zation, this resurgence of barbaric

ambition which destroys only to

judged and condemned over and over

again, we have to recognize the foe

that is still to be overcome-the

incarnate in various forms and has

world-stage. As it has been, so it

THE REAL KINGDOM

and cleverly organized crime. Truly,

the War Lords who have starved the

German soul and fed the national

conceit with false hopes await the

execrated by posterity !

tered by the hour-glass

shall be.

UPWARDS

LONDON, CANADA, SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1917

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CATHOLIC NOTES

Pope Benedict sent 20,000 Christhampers to Italian war mas. prisoners.

tagion, the priest of God is ever Harnack's advocacy of Lutheran-ism led Prof. Von Ruville, professor ready to sacrifice his own life to administer to the souls of others. of History in the University of Halle, Could there be a stronger proof than this of the sincerity and certainty of the priests' convictions ? — America. into the Catholic Church.

Amsterdam, Holland, has 27 Catholic parish churches, many of them large structures and of much architectural beauty. The Catholic population numbers nearly 200,000.

The Rev. Andrew O'Kelleher of Dublin, Ireland, has accepted the Chair of Gælic, which is being established in the Chicago Univer-The Chair was founded by the sity. Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago.

commended to the loyal and thorough support of the Catholic people of his Archbishop Prendergast of Philadelphia recently dedicated a home for crippled children, which is said to be one of the finest institutions of its kind in the country. The Sisters of Bon Secours will have charge of the work.

The Rev. A. G. A. Buxton, rector inventory of every male of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Council Bluffs, Ia., has resigned his sixty-five residing in Canada. Kindly charge and will join the Carmelite express to your people that this registration is not connected, directly Fathers. Dr. Buxton has the degree of doctor of philosophy from Grove City College, Green City, Pa.

> The Earl of Denbigh, who some years ago visited Boston, has been forced to sell five famous portraits by Van Dyck, said to be valued at \$1,500,000. The pictures had hung in the banquet hall of the Earl's castle in Leicestershire since Van Dyck painted them. The pictures were purchased by a New York firm

The Most Rev. Jeremiah J. Harty, D. D., formerly Archbishop of Manila and head of the hierarchy of the Philippine Islands, was installed as Bishop of the See of Omaha with impressive ceremonies in the beautiful Cathedral of St. Cecilia on Dec. has been warmly complimented by Fifteen Archbishops and Bishops 21and a large number of priests were British commander on the western There was an immense present. front, for his work in connection throng of the laity present.

> The Catholic University of America owns property valued at \$3,645,919.52 according to the financial report filed with the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, recently. The report was signed by Cardinal Gibbons, President, and Cardinal Farley. Vice-President, and the Right Rev. J. F. Regis Canevin, Secretary.

The Rev. Bertrand L. Conway, C. S. P., author of the "Catholic Question Box," addressed the Catholic Converts' League of New York at their opening meeting of the season on "Nineteen Years' Experience in the Non-Catholic Movement. Years' Experience Father Conway has the remarkable record of having brought more than into the Church. 4,000 converts About 350 members of the League were present.

bravery of the Canadians and their Much pleasure is expressed in Ire-He says they are all eager at all and at the appointment of Rt. Rev. times to get at the Germans, and Dr. Cohalan as Bishop of Cork, and Major-Gen. Macdonell went over-seas with the first Canadian contin-gent in the capacity of a bacdone. from all parts of the country have

learned the lesson of wise forgetfulness. The year's misery should fall behind us; a new opportunity is born with the new time. To hug an anxious fear is to get the worst out of it: to brood over a conjectural evil invites its assault. Each day brings its own burden ; it is folly to ling changes to the common eye. add to it the burdens of yesterday The procession of the equinoxes and and to-morrow. Rulers learn little the planetary cycles arrest only the and forget little, alas ! Hence their more observant. No pause in the blunders. Most of our individual pains and penalties are traceable to to note the swift reduction of their our strange incapacity to benefit by mortal span. The resistless onflow the warnings of experience.

HEADS UP : SMILE

Another stretch of the road opens within. This keeps us on the strain before us. Shall it bring increase of after higher things. Art, letters, settled peace, or only a dull repetiphilosophy, science, bear witness to tion of sad hours and useless repinthe passionate effort of successive ings? It is well worth while to review the situation, to eschew vain our privileges as reasonable beings and as pilgrims in an enchanted and endurance to promote ends that of the ages have been mistaken, we are now preparing for greater and more enduring activities in wider spheres. And why try to carry the burden

except as it properly belongs to our of vain mortals, though they were ity from the decreed goal.

So, as the hour of transition strikes, ringing out the Old Year, so only as a distinction which any man Despots fall in the hour of their replete with occasions for regret, triumph; even the Cæsars and but also the thankfulness, we must Napoleons are but portents, beacons surely marvel at the wondrous to warn and instruct those whose nature of the life that faces such sign and token of the friendly relalust of gain and power wears speciissues. Even "the last enemy" can tions which should exist among all ous disguises that give them temporonly hurt us with our own consent. ary predominance. That the symbols If we own love as supreme, we shall and watchwords of religion should not sorrow as those who have no give to them their opportunity to hope, though the light of our eyes be mon country. I feel that I am the obscured and we walk in shadowy interpreter of the sentiments of the hope, though the light of our eyes be corrupt the conscience of their generation is the very mystery of iniquity paths, going softly till our own -the most damning fact in the time comes. whole indictment of premeditated

THE OPEN DOOR OF PEACE

just judgment of the age, and will be As Lloyd George and Sonnino, in inces have spoken of you in terms their vigorous rejection of the Ger-man offer, plainly left the door open The future is the kingdom which for the next word Germany has to the good and great alone possess. say, so does the note which now para-The singers and sages who "rule us phrases their utterances for the ears from their urns," the real monarchs of the German people. If the Allies it the element of sacrifice, contained who do not pass with the genera-tions, are they who consciously live need not have taken fifteen hundred in the timeless realm, whose are the words to shut it in. "All tentative gone even beyond the broad Atlantic, negotiations," says the note, are and Rome, the mother and mistress immortal years that are not regis-

ARCHBISHOP SINNOTT

On Sunday the 24th of December His Grace, the Most Rev. Dr. Sinnott was invested with the pallium by His Excellency Mgr. Stagni Apostolic Delegate, and installed as first Arch. bishop of Winnipeg. Welcomed on his arrival by the

mayor and prominent citizens, the new Archbishop after his installation received the loyal greetings of his faithful people in the address then presented. His Grace's reply we re produce in full. It is worthy of the memorable event of which Father Patton aptly said: "It marks an epoch; it is the beginning of a new era.

REPLY TO THE ADDRESS IN ENGLISH Replying to the address in English His Grace said : 'My dear friends: "I thank

you most cordially for the sincerity and warmth of your What I knew of you by welcome personal experience, covering more than a decade of years, and what I past; all the higher movements and wasteful habits, to live up to had learned of you from the good report of others would have been ample assurance to me, in accepting the office which the Holy See land; for, unless all the best minds in my poor trust, that I could count upon you as loyal and devoted Catholics. But from the moment that my nomination was made public, more than a year ago, up to the present hour I have been the recipient of such testimonials of affection and revive despotisms that have been of this present awful visitation confidence as would have removed even an unreasonable doubt, had I entertained such. Nay, more, when own status and duty? Even this the voice of Peter, establishing this horror will pass, as other horrors new see, was still ringing in our ears enemy of Progress that has been have passed. It is not in the power his worship the mayor and the city council of Winnipeg, speaking in the name of all its citizens, Catholics borne many imposing titles on the able to snatch Jove's thunderbolts and Protestants alike, graciously adand hurl them upon unresisting vic-tims, to deflect the march of human-lation and welcome. That message I prize more highly than any words at my command can adequately express. I prize it, not might covet, not only as an evidence of goodwill which is most valuable in faith and love the purest index of itself, and which I heartily reciprocate, but also and principally as a classes of our, population, and which

must exist if we are to bend our best energies, with best results, to the tion and support in the fatherly prosperity and progress of our comtaking this first public occa-sion to express, in your name from North to South and from East and in my own, our appreciation and our thanks.

"Catholic people of Winnipeg, your name and your fame have long since gone abroad beyond the limits of Manitoba, and people in other provwhich I conceive to be the highest form of commendation-they have you as Catholics spoken of whose fidelity had been tested and had not failed, whose practice, carrying with a promise and a hope of great achievement. Your name and fame have gone even beyond the broad Atlantic, 'rendered sterile" by the twin pre- of all the churches, has seen fit to

master-key of progress - never THE INSTALLATION OF in the zeal and devotion of their lives. bishop. During thirteen years as after pausing to say a few words of Where there is as much merit it would be invidious to particularize, but I may be allowed to say how pleased I am that we have His Grace of St. Boniface with us today and guage in this country. that we have thus the opportunity of tendering him and the ancient and venerable see over which he so and useful experiences of my life.

worthily presides the expression of our admiration, our affection and It has afforded me many occasions to know and appreciate their attachour thanks. I may be allowed to add ment to the Church, their devotion how gratified I am that the cere- to the Holy See, their zeal for the to the Holy See, their zeal for the mony of today takes place in this church served by the Oblate Fathers, propagation of the faith ; in a word their fidelity in the accomplishment for we can rejoice with them in the great glory unto which their work devoted children of the Church. It is a great pleasure for me, then, to 'The second sentiment is one of take advantage of this, the first,

one comes to the throne of Peter.

the deeper and more intense the

their fellowship with Christ.

the Apostolic See.

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dominant

gratitude to our Holy Father the opportunity to express to you, Cath-Pope. By the favor of heaven we olics of the French language of with us today the delegate of Winnipeg, my spiritual children, the affection which I bear towards you. the Holy See in this country, and I I promise you all the interest and sympathy of a father participating as find it an easy and agreeable task, in your name and in my own, to lay at the feet of His Excellency the far as I can in your aspirations and

homage of our gratitude, affection your hopes. I thank you then from the bottom and reverence. For thirteen years I of my heart for the sentiments have been in closest touch with the sed in the address. I representative of the Pope in this expres God to bless you and to accord to you Dominion, and I am not exaggerating when I say that I sever these and your families, particularly durrelations of intimacy and confidence with feelings of the deepest regret. ing the feasts which we celebrate during these days, an abundance of I may be presumed to know whereof His grace. speak, and I can affirm, without halting or reserve, that the nearer

THE LAST PAGE

with the episcopacy, the clergy, and the laity of the French lan-

contact, so frequent and so intimate I

the laity of

admiration and love. If I bring anything with me besides the com

and gone again, in solemn, steady wheeling down the passage to eternity, that we call time. But where are the pages of yestermonth? Where the page that was torn off so carelessly, or happily, it may be, in the sudden gladness of some good that had come into life, or slowly, in the shadow of sorrow? All are gone, gone forever, even as the mo nths whose days and weeks they faith fully chronicled. They have served their purpose. We number them with the things beyond recall ; with the snows of January, sparkling under frozen stars; with June's roses, now attar in a crystal vase the crisp leaves, gold and with brown, swirling in early November Perhaps they have left nothpaths. ing but memories, the memories of days that " make a mournful rus tling in the dark." that sear and cut. or that abide mercifully to console and counsel. We cling to what is past as the years creep on, and reach for the things that once were. Like little children we turn to look back, as with unwearying step, time leads us on to our Father's home. We have traveled far, and a starless night has fallen. We grope in the of my allegiance to the Hoy See I wish to thank His Excellency from

the bottom of my heart for the honor and with it the peace of God ? he has done us, not without personal But it is not well to live with the ghosts of the past. Our God is a God inconvenience, in coming here to

Once bright and beautiful, it hange

mission and charge of the Vicar of Christ, it is the ambition and the for 1916. Now the dust of a twelvepurpose that here upon the western month sobers the garish colors that bank of the Red River, in this city, so short a time since, seemed to great in its present prosperity, but cast a cheery radiance of hope over greater still in its future promise, there may grow up a church whose the sheaf of the months to come. One last page remains, torn, curled, characteristic will be faithful to the end. Tonight, it, too devotion to the Holy See. I would shall go, for with its unknown meshave His Excellency believe that, come what may, the church of Winthe New Year knocks at the sage, gates of the world. colonel on the local military

So have they come, the months.

Before Him, time is

Catholic loyalty as it is of patriotic citizenship.

GEN. MACDONELL PLANNED AND O., C. M. G., who had the rank of

nipeg will be devoted to the See of Peter, that her children of to-day as well as her children of tomorrow will cling to Rome as to the infal lible guide and teacher, and that they will ever find in this bond of would have him believe that what ever institutions are established here, whatever projects may be con ceived or whatever works under taken, they will find their inspira solicitude and the fastering care of It is no boast, but an historic to West, not only found their inspira tion in Holy Church, but were cradled and nursed in the arms of the Pap-If that which endures and does not fail can teach a lesson, it is surely this, that one may aspire, in reason, to achieve similar results along similar lines. Upon the Rock of Peter we shall build, and we shall at least find in the stability of the foundation the first element for the security of the structure. With this expression

darkness. When will the dawn come,

sorrowful derelict upon the wall. t has served us well, that calendar HIGH PRAISE FOR A

secretary to the Apostolic Delegate I comfort and encouragement to Pratt, have enjoyed an intimate relationship a Protestant, who, they reported,

That

was growing rapidly weaker.

Be it fire, war, earthquake or con-

BISHOP FALLON COMMENDS

NATIONAL SERVICE

AS MUCH OBLIGATION OF CATHOLIC

LOYALTY AS OF PATRIOTIC

The National Service campaign is

ocese by Bishop Fallon in a pas

I draw your attention to the fact

toral letter read in all the churches

that during the first week of January.

1917, the postoffice authorities will

between the ages of sixteen and

or indirectly, with military conscrip-

tion, and that this National Service

is quite as much an obligation of

CATHOLIC OFFICER

EXECUTED COURCELETTE'S

CAPTURE

Major-Gen. A. H. Macdonell, D. S.

quarters staff at the outbreak of war.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, the

according to a letter received from

Gen. Macdonell by Mayor Church, of

Toronto, a personal friend of the

Major-Gen. Macdonell, who was

last summer promoted from the rank

of brigadier-general, was in com-mand of the brigade, which captured

Courcelette, and had the honor of

marching into the fallen town at the

head of his brigade. Gen. Macdonell

was warmly complimented by Gen.

Haig on his plan of attack, which necessitated the capture of 3,000

yards of territory in "No Man's Land," being about the first open

fighting of any account since trench

PRAISES CANADIANS

cheerfulness under all circumstances.

Bandini, Don Giuseppe was only

twenty, having volunteered as

Macdonell warmly commends

In writing to Mayor Church, Gen.

the

warfare was adopted.

the capture of Courcelette,

on Sunday Dec. 31st. He said:

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with

officer.

CITIZENSHIP

calendar. The outward forms of war and that Germany is the victor Truth that serve the uses of the init. That is no refusal to hear real common day float down Time's common day float down Time's stream; Truth itself survives all "A mere suggestion, without a statechanges, and they who are priests in ment of terms, that negotiations its temple-courts share its imperson- should be opened is not an offer of al wisdom-participate in the ongoing current that freshens the world's life. There is no death in that will be an offer of peace, as this thought and love. Old and new are is not. but moments in the endless process which is fashioning the cosmic harmony. We who read the law in the starlit spaces and conform to it in "penalties, reparation, and guaranour own activity know that we are a tees." The inference is unmistakpart of the imperishable order; death can have no more dominion over us.

OUR OPPORTUNITY

peace.

To live in and for the Truth is to touch the heart of things; the world has ever seen, she stands utterly frustrated at the end of own immediate witness that we are secure from the corroding effects of moral weakness and spiritual decay. Why should any of us find life stale and unprofitable as the years go on ? Why should men and women lose their interest in the wondrous pageant which passes them-deem the Her first request has met with human world a fraud and a failure the answer she undoubtedly expected because they have somehow missed the path wherein flowers grow and the path wherein flowers grow and hope shines overhead? Trouble move has already been planned. The Allies have not closed the door comes and goes ; but in every midnight there is a budding morrow, and a breeze of freshness will stir

not regis. "rendered sterile" by the twin pre-and the tenses that the Allies brought on the recognize and reward your fidelity by Catholic people of Winnipeg, that erecting a new cathedral in your midst, to be your crown and glory, not for a day but for generations yet offers, not obviously tentative and unborn. I am not surprised, there fore, that you have come forward with open arms and loyal hearts to receive the unknown whom Holy peace." The hint here is so plain that it ceases to be a mere hint; Church has sent to you. I am not surprised indeed, but I am gratified when Germany states her terms, pleased beyond measure, and I is not. "A peace conference on these terms" cannot be considered; but to express how deeply sensible I am how about a peace conference on real terms ? Germany, in her offer, accorded 'avoids mention" of the subject of abiding hope that, whatever poor life: able that when she is ready to talk about that subject the Allies will be ready, too. And talk about it she must; she cannot have peace unless she does, and Germany must have

are reproducing here in this city today a scene that has often been wit-She must have peace because she cannot win ; because, with the most highly organized military system the Jesus Christ has, by the authority of the Holy See, been erected in your thirty months of the most terrific fighting the world has ever seen; because her internal situation, which are two sentiments which well up in is certainly unsatisfactory, cannot our hearts on this occasion, the one a possibly grow better, but only worse sentiment of admiration towards our because her three allies must have predecessors and the other a sentiit for all the reasons which press nent of gratitude towards our Holy her, but which in their cases are Father the Pope. MEMORY OF EARLY MISSIONARIES

multiplied and made imperative "It is but fitting, you will agree, that we should pay the warm tribute now let her move again. It is not too much to believe that that second of our veneration and love to the memory of those priests and prelates who first traversed these plains in quest of souls and who nursed into to peace; they have left it open. life and vigor the plant which sprang They have pointed out to Germany from the seeds of truth they that before the door she has opened there is a vestibule, and that vestisown in toil and sacrifice. Their

you are as grateful as I am.

CHARGE TO PREACH THE GOSPEL 'In taking possession of the See

of Winnipeg, I have no policy or programme to enunciate but the policy and programme of every herald of the gospel of Christ that has ever gone forth with apostolic mandate. I have been sent to you as a higher only regret that I cannot find words power. My commission very simple. It contains nothing more

to the reception which you have than the charge to preach the me. In your faith I find gospel. The goal set before me, for comfort, in your demonstration of me and for you, is eternal life, and welcome I find consolation, in your the voice of Our Lord and Saviour is protestations of loyalty I find an ever insistent : "This is eternal

That they may know Thee, measure of fitness I may bring to my the only true God, and Jesus Christ, task, success, with the blessing of Whom Thou has sent." (John 17, 3.) God, may crown our united efforts. It would be presumptuous on my Catholic people of Winnipeg, we part to suppose that I could accom years of plish anything without your cooperation. It would be more than pre-

nessed in the Catholic world. A new sumptuous, it would be foolhardy, to citadel of the ever living faith of imagine that anything could be done without the blessing and help of God. Paul may indeed plant and Apollo midst, and we are but carrying out water, but it is God Who giveth the the ceremonies which will give effect increase (I Cor. 3, 6.) Our trust is in new. in practice to that decision. There God. And looking ahead, across the uncertain span, to the end of life, we pray and we ask your prayers that, borrowing the words of Cardinal Newman, Almighty God "may support us all the day long, till the shades

lengthen and evening comes and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in His mercy may He give us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last."

REPLY TO ADDRESS IN FRENCH

His Grace replied to the French address in the language in which it George Brannigan, rector of the was written. Following is a free Church translation:

the stagnancy of sorrow's numbers ere long. No extremity of woe is wholly beyond the reach of consola-tion. Those who rail at the world, and sneer at optimism as though it have never taken into account the

gent in the capacity of a headquar-ters officer. He has had a brilliant With Him, our past may be not. forgotten, and our existence be made in some sense, like His, an ever-C. M. G. He won the D. S. O. in the South African campaign and was frepresent now. For

We live in deeds, not years; in is regarded as one of the ablest offithoughts, not breaths ;

In Teelings, not in figures on a dial. staff. For a time prior to his eleva-We should count time by heart-throbs, He most lives

Who thinks most, feels the noblest. Regiment in France. acts the best,

Life's but a means unto an end ; that donell, M. P., of Toronto, and a cousin of Brig. Gen. A. C. Macdonell, D. S. O., end

Beginning, mean, and end to all things-God. present war.

Let us forget the things that are past. God has given us another year, a time for noble thoughts, for NOBLE YOUNG OFFICER KILLED nobler deeds; another chance, per hans the last to realize that the

One of the officers who fell in the man are but a means to an Gorizia fighting bears a name which end, and that end, God !- America. will be familiar to readers of Catholic news from Rome : Giustiniani-

HEROISM OF PRIESTS

to be sub-lieutenant. The following account, taken from He was the nephew of Donna Cristina Giustiniani-Bandini, presithe Toledo Blade, offers nothing It merely repeats once more dent of the Union of the Catholic the oft-told tale of the heroism of the priest at the call of duty. The Women of Italy, who has done such present occasion was the collapse of magnificent work for the Catholic a fire-eaten floor that buried four cause in Rome, one of her principal chievements being the wringing out victims beneath its ruins :

"Heroism which surprised even of the municipal authorities the more hardened of the older firerefused, of the school children of men was displayed in the work of rescue. Among those who ventured into the murky mass of debris, under the tottering wall of the building, in the work of relief, were two priests. service in San Lorenzo e Damaso. Mgr. John T. O'Connell, of St. Fran. cis de Sales' Cathedral, and Father

Not for us does the glorious army of the Good Shepherd, of saints and martyrs, the bright descended through a gaping hole in choir of virgins and purified souls

ishioners at South Cork and told career at the front and has won the them how happy their wishes made him

Charles M. Schwab has informed quently mentioned in dispatches. He is regarded as one of the ablest officers ever connected with the local mater at Loretto, Pa., with \$2,000,-000. The larger part of the gift is tion to the rank of general he was in to be devoted to the erection of new command of the Royal Canadian buildings to replace the older ones and to construct additional buildings. He is a brother of Mr. Claude Mac-The college is conducted by the Franciscans, and is more than one hundred years old. Mr Schwah began his education there in 1866. of the Strathcona Horse who has also had a distinguished career in the He has retained his interest in the college and has already helped it in many ways.

Grand Rapids, Mich., December 26. -The Right Rev. Henry J. Richter, Bishop of the Diocese of Grand Ranids, died there at 2 o'clock this afternoon of pneumonia. He the first Bishop of Grand Rapids and was born in Oldenburg, Germany, in 1838. He came to the United States in 1854, and studied at Mt. St as Italy went to war and had risen Mary's Seminary, Cincinnati. He was ordained at the American College, Rome in 1865. For some time he was professor of dogma at Mt. St. Mary's and later rector at St. Laurence. He was consecrated Bishop of Grand Rapids in 1883.

Very Rev. Hyacinth M. Cormier, ex-General of the Dominican Order. years ago the right, so long unjustly died at Rome on December 19, and in his death the Church mourns one Rome to religious education in the of the most remarkable ecclesiastics primary schools. All the Roman of the century. Father Cormier nobility were present at the funeral was born at Orleans in France on Dec. 8, 1832. Although extremely delicate in health, he was noted as a boy for his application and for scrupulous attention to detail : two qualities that he carried with him all through his busy career. While still in the Seminary of Orleans he attracted the attention of Msgr. Felix Dupanloup, the famous writer and preacher. It was under the guidance of Msgr. Dupanloup that young Cormier acquired that delicate literary charm that shows itself in all bis writings.

TWO

THE WATERS OF CONTRADICTION

BY ANNA C. MINOGUE Author of " Cardome," " Borrowed From the

Night" CHAPTER V

daughter and a son came to the new home on the hill, and the added lives and attendant cares appeared to taking a nap and mamma is reading, separate Lucy from her parents and and little brother and the baby are drive her to the home of Aunt Jenny and Uncle Major when she sought the companionship of older minds. Aunt Jenny resented the apparent ride, do you ?' neglect of her idol.

Lil'l Miss 'll have to leahn to look out foh huse'f, I tell yoh," she confided to her husband. "Mistah mount old Frasur don't have no thought but foh his boy, an' Mis,' she jus' thinks de sun rizes and sets on dat baby gyurl. Lil'l Miss has got evalthing she needs, 'ceptin' love.

"Yoh sut'nly is talkin' in yoh sleep, ole woman !" exclaimed Uncle Major. "If Lil'l Miss ain't got love, Major. I'd like to know who's got it."

"Yes, she's got love, Lil'l Miss hab," said the old negress, " but not de way she want it."

" Dey ain't nobody gits things jes' de way dey wants it," observed Uncle Major reflectively. "Dey good Lawd don't 'tend we should, I reck'n, leastaways I ain't nevah seen nobody dat did. Yoh 'membah how 'twas wif ole Marse ? He'd done got evalthing Stanton plantation was reached. -big plantashon, fines' tady in de lan' foh his wife, plenty uv suvants down the valley, at the distant head an' money an' a likely son to come of which gleamed the white walls of aftah him; an' he'd give the Hall. lan' an' slaves an' money, It hap in an' mebbe his son, foh one noon, that, while his grandmother lil'l gal. 'Majah,' he done said to slept and his pretty mother enterme, when me'n lil'l Solly was playin' tained her now accepted suitor by de ole cabin doh, 'Majah, dah ain't Arthur went forth into the fields nufin on earth so sweet as a lil'l datah's love.' An' den I knowed dat my masteh dat could a done wif me valley under the willows that guardwhat he wanted to do, wah jeal- ed the brook, and he often spent ous uv me, kase I had dat lil'l black vacation hours there reading, gal to love me. No'm, yoh don't fine it nowhah dat anybody gits jes' de were in their accustomed place things he mos' wants. man, an' I'se seen much, but I ain't their ears. nevah yit seen de man oh de woman they saw the colt coming toward dat wouldn't giv all dey's got an' dat them in maddened bounds, Lucy othah folks thinks is so good, foh some lil'l thing dat ain't be'n 'lowed failed her. Her hands lost hold on

'em. off'n de res.'' Aunt Jenny sat silent under the of the frantic animal flung her into hillo sophizing of her spouse. Per-haps she heard ism, although it is more likely that she did not, so full was her mind of her "Lil'I Miss," who was now entering upon a girlhood which promised to be as stormy as her childhood had been. She Hush crying, Milly !" came in upon the old couple now, a little willow basket in her hand.

"Here are some groceries Mamma sent you, Aunt Jenny, and a cake I baked for you and Uncle Major myself," she said, going to Aunt Jenny's side. The old negress drew the girl to her and Lucy reluctantly submitted to the kiss to which she had never grown quite accustomed.

Yoh's jus' like an angel, Lil'l Miss, an' yoh mammy's anothah, said Aunt Jenny, for though Mrs. Frazier had not her entire approval, her kindness could not be forgotten. Wha's yoh be'n away so long dat yoh don't come to see us no moh ?"

'I was down Wednesday and this is only Saturday," said Lucy, taking a stool and watching Uncle Major, who was lifting a coal of fire to drop it into the tin cup of water which he was on the point of drinking.

What makes you do that, Uncle Major ?" she demanded. To het it up, Lil'l Miss, a cou'se,"

child

In the course of time another late, and if papa were to know about it, he would forbid me. But to-morrow afternoon, while papa is asleep we'll do it. They'll think I am playing in the orchard, and won't bother about me. I know how to Joe admitted that he did. and Lucy

informed him that while she was the sorrel colt, he could mount old Molly.

The following afternoon they coaxed the colt, as yet broken only the bridle, into the stable, and after considerable effort, succeeded in getting the bit into his mouth. Then they led him to the fence, and while Joe held him, Lucy climbed the rails and sprang astride bis back. On the instant the colt felt her weight, the domestication of centuries was forgotten and the wild nature of more centuries predominated. With a leap that took away Lucy's breath, he left the fence and started

On he went until the fence separwif ating Mr. Frazier's land from the Though high, he took it and plunged

It happened this Sunday afternoon, that, while his grandmother supper. with a book under his arm, and heard Aunt Jenny saying : and were in their accustomed place when I'se an ole the beat of the colt's feet reached They sprang up, and as

So Lil'l Miss ain't no wuss the long mane. A sickening sensation swept over her, as another leap the air. An eternity seemed

falling — would she never reach earth ? Then, unconsciousness. 'It's Lucy Frazier !" exclaimed "I reckon she's dead.

Arthur. He caught the weeping Milly by

the hand, and held it closely in his, as they ran to the place where Lucy lay motionless in the sunlight. dropped on his knees beside her, and his life ! Laz'ness, dat's why he felt all his strength slipping away from him as he looked on her still, white face. He forgot the weeping Milly. He forgot himself. He Dah wusn't no canebrakes to cleah touched one of the outstretched away, an' no big trees to chop down, hands, and as he did so, he suddenly remembered how his grandmother would feel for his pulse when he complained of feeling ill. trembling, cold fingers he sought the pulse in the little blue veined wrist. and finding its faint throbs, something broke in his heart. She was dyin' uv a broken heart, 'cause Bob asked : not dead !

"Here, Milly," he cried, taking off his hat, " run down to the brook and "But dat wus Bob's work Injuns'," said Uncle Major. get me some water ! Run, I tell She may die !" you !

Milly needed no second bidding sech a thing if de debbil wun't for the berries." when Arthur was the speaker, and 'gainst ouh fambly. An' look at "I'll help you, while her little bare feet carried her Marse Jim, shot through de hea't by through the newly-cut briars, whose dat furrinah when dey fit a due sharp thorns pierced, them, Arthur down to Lexin'un ! bent over the unconscious Lucy. hisse'f, dyin' uv tyfoid fevah, brung He noted the delicate fairness of her face, the fine outline of her eye-man run off wif de drove uv "Uncle Major, then?" brows, the long curl of her lashes, mules he sen' down Souf! and the pathetic, appealing droop of the pale lips. This was not the Lucy he had hated, the Lucy to now his widder flirtin' 'long wif Lucy whom he had become indifferent, but Cap'n Long, an' ole Mis' at huh wit's me, and go right away.' another Lucy, one unknown until en' to hole de place togethah. is hour. Then the miracle happened. The missury an 'fliction foh ouh fambly, one corner turned down. Lucy's this hour. and po'r lil'l A'thah ain't gwian to white lips opened and the blue eyes looked deeply into his. Something 'scape! I knowed it when I seed comin' up de brookside 'long seemed to run into the boy's heart, wif Lil'l Miss. It was de debbil's and it flooded his face with light. he cried, work, bringin' dem togethah, nice Oh, you're not hurt !" as she pushed him away and strugna' fren'ly like, when dey's jus' be'n

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room

Lucy.

answered.

hed."

punish her for it? Thus

of the fact that she was hungry.

Why didn't you come home ?"

to do so, the incident closed.

spective of the previous day,

running the risk of a broken

raspberries for dinner.

got something foh yoh.'

from the stable lot.

ing

Joe. "Oh! I just knew you would, as soon as I saw you," cried the delighted child."
way coit, his surprise and Miny's swallow she spear to it, hied whild grief, were as far off from her exist-soon as I saw you," cried the delighted child."
way coit, his surprise and Miny's swallow she spear to it, hied whild grief, were as far off from her exist-the desire to escape from the old the red firelight. Panting, she step, she was anxious to rest them, reached the brow of the hill, with the desire to escape from the old the red firelight. Panting, she to see such consideration in her daughter, readily gave the permisdd., 'How soon do yoh want to ride but she knew she must reach the

him ?" asked Joe, proudly. "Right now, if I could," she answered. "But I can't, for it is too shadow cast by the house, in her Sunday white apron and blue calico dress, and Uncle Major lying on the bench where the sunshine fell.

I suppose Aunt Jenny wonders who we are," Arthur was saying, as the old negress turning her head and beholding the approaching pair, rose slowly from her chair and watched

them in amazement. "I suppose so," said Lucy, faintly, as she dragged herself forward. Then the world began to whirl around her-trees, hills, the log

house and white-aproned old woman waddling toward them. Fast they spun and faster, trees flying after hills, Aunt Jenny whirling after the trees, and the log house after its mistress. This was the end of the world, about which she had so often puzzled. She gave a last thought to her mother and little brother, and then the black gulf swallowed her up as Aunt Jenny's arms encircled her.

When she awoke out of the heavy sleep that followed, she found her self in a big feather bed, in a room filled with deep shadows. She lay for a moment motionless, trying to recall what had happened. Slowly

events of the afternoon can back, and she knew she was in Aunt Jenny's big bed in her "company' room.

She climbed down and crept into the outer room, where Uncle Major, wrapped in his blue military cloak, sat, straight and forbidding, by the hearthstone, while Aunt Jenny moved slowly around preparing A silence that was full of foreboding hung over the room, as Lucy paused on the threshold, unseen by its occupants. Then she

"It's de fus' time evah young Marse sot foot on dah lan' An' wah huh dat fotched him. Dev ain't no good gwian to come uv it It ar' moh uv de Injuns' work."

"Hush up, ole woman ! Yoh don't know what's yoh talkin 'bout," commanded her liege lord. 'Wisht to Gawd I didn't," cried the ole woman, in an anguished voice. "Wisht I didn't have to see all de tr'ubbel dat's done come on my

fambly, long a-foh I was bohn ! during which she felt herself falling, ain't be'n nuffin but tr'ubbel for de Stantons, all a cause uv dis hyah house, an' de cuss de Injuns put on Why couldn't de ole Marse buil'

his log house som'ers else, sides right hyah whah de Injuns had dah chu'ch an' prayed evah night to de debbil? Mebbe I don't know what mother would not see him. I'se talkin' erbout, an' my gran' daddy seein' de ha'nt evah night done it !" she exclaimed scornfu referring to the head of the white family. "Laz'ness is de reason!

the an' so he goes an' steals de lan dey giv to de debbil an' witches, an' make 'em mad 'gainst down his throat. With us foh evah-lastin'. Dey ain't none uv us but what's had trials an' tribulations 'nough to kill us. Look at Mis' Mary, ole Marse's sistah, Dalton married huh cousin !" "But dat wus Bob's work, not de

"Bob nuffin !" she ejaculated. "He'd neval a thought uv doin'

"I don't need you," she answered,

done so.

"I'll he'p yoh," immediately said way colt, his surprise and Milly's swallow she sped to it, filled with log house, and she asked her mother's oe. I'll he'p yoh," immediately said grief, were as far off from her existtis long grey stable and homely sion to do so, when the dishes were barnyard scene—the cows, grouped washed and the baby rocked to sleep together, chewing their cud; the The dishes flew through Lucy's hands horses, the sorrel colt, none the butthe baby was not so easily disposed worse for his race, among them, nibbling at wisps of hay; the hogs, own were closed, the prattling voice noisy as usual, and a few overgrew still, and Lucy stole from the diligent hens neglecting the safe room, and taking the remainder of roosts for the possible finding of a the pie, started for the house in the grain of corn. The milking done, and she wondered who The milking was hollow. As she drew near it, her had steps became slower, she began to held open the gate for her father when he turned back the calves. wish she had not come, then she hoped Arthur was not there.

Who had brought home the colt? Thus beset by conflicting emotions Had any one told them of her wild she passed around the corner of the house, and found Arthur sitting on Would they the doorstep, while in his chair by the wall was Uncle Major, entertaining nuestioned as she hurried to the ouse, from the kitchen of which the youth with stories, which, how came the scent of frying ham, makever, had no connection with his ing her suddenly become conscious four years' service with the Federal army. Both children expressed much Where have you been, Lucy ?" surprise at seeing the other. Then, Aunt Jenny hearing the voice she asked her mother, as the child entered the kitchen and began to loved above all other sounds on carry the dishes out to the diningearth, came to the door, and received her gift, without, however, the volu-'Down to Aunt Jenny's," she ble thanks to which Lucy had grown accustomed. "Didn't you see it was getting late?

"Oh, you brought your book along!" said Lucy, taking the proffered place by his side on the step. "Read some of it to me and Uncle Major," 'No, ma'am, I didn't see it," said "I was asleep in Aunt Jenny's she commanded, ignoring Aunt Jenny A frown showed on Mrs. Frazier's whose mutterings of disapproval she hope? could plainly hear, and the meek Joe, "Hereafter, Lucy, when you are lying on the bench in the blistering sleepy, you must come home," she said, and, receiving Lucy's promise sunshine. Nothing loath to display his elocutionary abili.y, Arthur obeyed : and while the mother won-With the dawn of the morning, dered at Lucy's long delay, and Milly however, Lucy caught a better perroamed sadly through the orchard the waiting the return of Arthur, the crowning beauty of which was the ooy and girl sat in the shadow of the complete change in Arthur's feelings old log house, forgetting duty and toward her. It was well worth being others in the pleasure of their compitched headlong from the colt, and panionship.

The following summer days brought to have him for a friend. Her little strength to the friendship begun that. heart laughed as she remembered Sunday afternoon. It had, of course, his chivalrous conduct, the sacrifice its frequent interruptions, for with of the book and the devoted Milly to natures like theirs conflict is never far away. Little Milly was someaccompany her to Aunt Jenny's. She wished she could recall what he times permitted to join them, and had talked about on that memorable always proved a bone of contention. walk, but his words were lost in the Her absolute surrender of self to strange sleep which had overtaken her. When would she see him again, Arthur annoyed Lucy, partly because seemed to show lack of pride on she wondered, as she gathered the her part, wholly because she-Lucy Then she heard a soft voice callcould never attain such a complete sacrifice as the poor little girl was capable of. There were moments when she felt Arthur, also, divined O Lil'l Miss, may I come in? I'se She turned quickly and saw Joe, the difference between them, and his kindness to Milly was in marked conperched like a monkey, on top of trast to his sometime cruel treatthe bars that opened into the garden ment of herself. Yes," she said, slowly, hoping her Thus the vacation passed and when

September once more brought the Wusn't dat de quickes' ride yoh scattered children to the schoolhouse. Miss Cora was surprised at the change she beheld, and pleased also, evah took?" he asked, not knowing what else to say. "Why didn't you hold him ?" she for with this establishment of frienddemanded, although she knew she was well pleased that he had not ship between Lucy and Arthur, the old harmony was restored to the classroom and playground.

'Deed I tried, Lil'l Miss," cried By none was her surprise shared boy," but he snatched de bridle nore completely than by Jasper Long. Not having his teacher's larger outer my han,' jus' like I snatch dis berry off'n de bush," and in illustraknowledge of human nature, Jasper was unable to account for the transtion, a luscious berry disappeared formation of Arthur, and the small Lucy's fear of her mother's dis- amount of suspicion that lived in his

pleasure, should the boy be disnoble nature was aroused. This change in the boy wore for covered, grew stronger, and she him a sinister motive, and for weeks he held himself on the alert, ready again to become the defender of the "I can't i" she rejoined, petulantly. I'm in a hurry. Mother wants to little stranger. But, beholding their many fierce quarrels, invariably folake a pie for dinner, and is waiting lowed by renewal of good fellowship. "I'll help you," he said, willingly. plane beyond him, the plane of

mutual understanding and in which

ASK AND YE SHALL RECEIVE

By Mary Clark Jacobs

It was early June and the fragrance of roses filled the air. The little birds chirped joyously from the tree tops; the children, on their way to school, romped by shouting and laughing with the sheer happiness of living and breathing on this glorious summer morn. But within the spacious, comfortable home of John Jennings all was quiet, for the Angel of Death hovered very near.

The doctor closed his watch and it into his vest pocket, dropped released the limp wrist and placed it gently upon the coverlet, then glanced questioningly at the whiteclad nurse who was inspecting the thermometer she had just removed from the patient's lips.

"The fever is two degrees below ormal, doctor.' "Ah ! And the heart is perceptibly weaker. Do not leave the room and watch Mrs. Jennings very closely. In case of a sudden sinking, give a

hypodermic injection at once and 'phone me.' The man standing at the foot of bed went very white at the doctor's words, and his folded hands clenched until his nails dug deep into his palms, but he was unconscious to

physical pain. "Doctor, you are not giving up all Surely, there is something we can do ?"

'I have done all that I can, Mr. Jennings. While there is life we may hope, but your wife is in the hands of God.'

A movement of the sick woman brought all quickly to her side. Slowly she opened her eyes, as if with difficulty, and glanced over the room from doctor to nurse. Meeting her husband's anxious face, she smiled wanly, and her eves moved on as

though seeking something more. With an evident effort she raised her hand to the pillows and felt among them. Her face twitched anguish and her mouth drooped with

unutterable sadness. "Oh! It's-true. It's-true. Ithought-perhaps it-was-but-a-dreadful-dream." She murmured, and with a weary sigh again closed her eyes.

"Hypodermic at once, nurse, As the doctor worked rapidly he tried not to see the expression of the grief stricken man beside him. ustomed as he was to suffering, the intense misery of the young husband called forth all his sympathy.

Jennings, go out and take a brisk walk. Your wife will rest for an hour or two now, and perhaps we will

need you then." The man dropped upon his knees to kiss the forehead of his wife, and, as he arose, his eyes fell upon a picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

that hung upon the wall. "Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus," he breathed, "leave her with me. I need her so."

Following the doctor's advice, he left the house and passed quickly up the street, but his thoughts were back in the sick-room beside the form of the woman he loved, and over and over again he whispered : "Sweet Heart of Jesus, save Margaret

and let her live." Unconscious of direction or surroundings, full of anxiety for his wife and engrossed with earnest prayers for her recovery, he was heedless of the passing throngs of humanity, until in turning a corner he bumped into two ladies, almost causing one of them to drop the baby that she held in her arms. With a hasty apology for the accident, he stepped aside and permitted them to pass before him. As they walked on, a little gust of wind blew back the cover and the man got a fleeting glimpse of the red, wrinkled, little face of a very young babe. Suddenly he stopped, and for one full moment stood immovable his soul filled with a wonderful inspiration, his eyes feasting upon the countenance of the infant. Then with frenzied haste he ran after them and, panting, grasped the woman's arm. "Please lend me your baby ?" Both women turned to look at him with surprise and suspicion, while the one that held the child pressed

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he replied, an' to mek de wattah taste good. Dah ain't nuffin bettah'n foh yoh system dan wattah wif a coal uv flah drapped into it." As they were talking, the door

opened, and a young negro boy came in. He pulled off his cap and stood attention, while Lucy surveyed him.

" Dat's my datah's younges' boy," said Major, proudly. "He's come to stay wif us. What is your name ?" asked

Lucy.

Gineral Joe Jerry Stanton," replied the boy.

But what do you call yourself ?" she demanded.

Joe," he answered.

"We's be'n tellin' Joe all about yoh, Lil'l Miss," said Uncle Major, an' he's be'n mighty anxyus to git faintly. to see yoh. He thinks a mighty heep uv yoh. An' I tole Joe he mus' allers 'membah yoh's his Lil'l Miss de same as ouhs, an' tek ca'h uv yoh de same as we would. An' Joe 'll do it, foh he's gwian to be a good boy."

General Joe Jerry's eyes were bulging with pride as he listened to his grandfather, and generations of loyal attachment to white superiors brought to being in his heart a devotion for the child of the stranger that time was destined to prove after the way it tests most of the affections

of humanity. "I know whah dah's a red-bird's nes,' wif fo' young 'uns in it,' Joe confided as he climbed the hill with Lucy, carrying the basket on his arm. You mustn't touch them," com-

manded she

Why, don't yoh want 'em ?" he exclaimed.

Certainly not !" she answered. "How would mamma feel if some one were to steal the baby ?"

Dey'd think dat much mo'f yoh, suggested Joe, who had heard things not intended for his ears.

intended for his ears. No, they wouldn't," she said, king her head. " They'd just her. shaking her head. I tell you what I'd $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{miss the baby. I ten you what it a like was Arnur Stanton, out its independence of the source of the$ miss the baby.

fightin' all dah lives." gled to rise. Where's the colt ?" she asked, "I think it's mighty nice dey's gwian to be fren's." observed Uncle 'He's gone! We can't catch Major. Course yoh does, yoh ole wurfless

him.' "I—I—think I'll go up to Aunt Yank - nigger!" she exclaimed. enny's," then said Lucy. "Reck'n yoh think it wus nice foh

Jenny's," then said Lucy. Up the hill ran Milly, the water dripping from the straw hat and the ole Marse entiably to lose two uv his boys fightin' de English 'way up Norf, and kill hisse'f, fallin' from his blood oozing from the pierced feet. Throw out the water, Milly hoss comin' home in de da'k ? An' commanded Arthur. "We don't Mis' Mary to die uv a broken hea't, need it." Mis' Marse Jim to git shot through de need it."

When she reached his side, he breas', an' ole Marse an' Marse Will to k his moist hat from her hand to die, an' some wuss luck comin' to fall on A'thah ?" and said :

"I'd like to know what bad luck's "You can got back to the house, Milly. Take my book with you. I gwian to fall on him, 'cause uv Lil'I have to go up to Aunt Jenny's with Mis!'' cried Major, angrily. "An' Lil'l Miss' too! Po'r Lil'l Lucy."

It was like a journey through an unreal world to Lucy, that walk to urees, the little stream playing in the sunshine, seemed something wholly apart from her life; and further away than heaven to her something with her nands. "Lil'l Miss, what ain't done nuffin', is gwian to be pitched into, all 'cause huh pappy owns de debbil's lan'! Po'n Lil'l away than heaven to her conscious Miss !"

mind was the log house, dimly seen, toward which they were moving and in which she would find rest from this strange weariness that oppressed

An' Marse, and then go away

An

"'Tain't Aunt Jenny sen' it," he

'What have you got for me ?''

" Guess !" he said.

Nor . Uncle Majah ! Guess "I tell you I can't! teased the boy. "I tell you I can't! You're a bad boy to bother me like Give me what you have for this.

Instantly Joe drew from his pocket a square piece of paper, folded, with fingers trembled as she opened it and read :

" Dear Lucy :

" I hope you are well and the colt got home all right. I laid down the fence between us, so he could get back without having to jump. I have a good story-book if you want to read it. I will leave it down at Aunt Jenny's this afternoon. It is a good book. I read it to Milly and she liked it, too. Good-bye.

"Your sincere friend, " ARTHUR STANTON."

Lucy's cheeks were like the pinks nodding along the garden walk, and seeing her happiness, Joe's eyes glis-tened with delight. As a reward she tened with delight. gave him a handful of berries, and when she was alone, she read again and again the note. Your sincere friend, Arthur Stanton." Was there ever such good fortune allowed a little girl? What would not Sylva Daiton give to receive such a note ? Miss !" cried Aunt Jenny, dropping And he was going to leave his favor into a chair and covering her face with her hands. "Lil'l Miss, what ite book at Aunt Jenny's for her ! Straightway Lucy determined that she would be there to receive it from his own hands. Monday, however,

was a busy day for her mother, and Lucy's services were in constant Frightened, she knew not by what, demand. Not much hope was there of getting away, with the little brother Lucy stood for a second surveying the noisy old woman and silent old needing her companionship and the man; then she saw the open door baby demanding her care.

toward her right, and sprang through But where a woman has the will. She knew that the boy walking by her side was Arthur Stanton, but his from the brilliant day which she old, and Lucy early proved her claim

'Give me what Aunt Jenny sent me he could be only an intruder. He began to devote himself to the consolation of Milly, who, Annabelle not having returned that term, suffered deeply from the treatment of Lucy and the frequent neglect of Arthur. But Sylva Dalton was not disposed to share Jasper's philosophy. and by every means known to the mind of an undisciplined and petted child, she sought to come between the two friends. Sometimes she

succeeded by playing cruelly upon Arthur's southern sentiment, sometimes by rousing Lucy's pride in drawing attention to the boy's

strong liking for Milly; but always the higher nature of both broke aside the barriers, and, vanquished, Sylva saw them friends as before. Then to Jasper she would hasten, dragging her defeat with her, and

always he shook his head and declared he could not understand why she did not want Lucy and Arthur to be friends, since, when they were everything went along so pleasantly and harmoniously, and they all were so happy. Sylva, however, owned she was not happy but nobody cared for her. Every one thought more of the Yankee. Her tears would move the tender-hearted boy, and in striving to dry them, he assured her he thought more of her than he did of

Lucy. "But not more than you do of Milly !" asserted the jealous child, and when he could not deny her words, she flung at him the crime of Milly's poverty. Then Jasper realized why Arthur should prefer Lucy, Yankee though she were, to Sylva Dalton, even if their forefathers had been companions on the long journey to Kentucky, and together had shared the after-dangers of the infant Commonwealth.

Though I prefer learning joined with virtue, to all the treasures of kings, yet renown for learning, when it is not united with a good life is nothing else than splendid and couraging reply, as the notorious infamy.—Sir Thomas More. glanced curiously at the ladies.

it closely to her as though to shield it from all harm. "Listen ! Please let me explain," continued the man. "My wife i very ill. We have been married five years and have been so very happy. All this time Mrs. Jennings longed and prayed for a child, and when she knew that her prayer was to be granted, she was supremely happy." The man's lips qu and he went on haltingly. The man's lips quivered 'Ou baby lived but a short time, and since its death, three days ago, she has been unconscious most of the time. Perhaps, if you would let me lay your baby in her arms for just a little while, it might give her a new interest in life, and she will recover.

The ladies looked at each other, then the older spoke. "Perhaps this is the answer to our

prayers, Helen." Turning to the man, she continued: "We will be glad to take the baby to your wife sir, and I trust that the dear little one will be able to accomplish all that you wish. Let us go at once." Hailing a passing taxi, the man gave an address to the chauffeur and followed his companions into the Within five minutes they car. alighted at his residence. They were met at the door by the nurse. "How is Mrs. Jennings ?" the man

asked anxiously. "There is no change," was the discouraging reply, as the nurse



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plan, but the nurse shook her head pian, but the hurse show her head, as though she expected no results from the experiment; but as the man persisted, she took the infant and, undoing the little cap and coat, carefully straightening out the little slip; then, crossing to the bed, she back the covers and placed the child amid the snowy pillows ; but the man was not satisfied and, leaning over, he lifted a tiny velvety hand and laid it gently upon the cheek of the sorrowing mother. Dropping to his knees, he repeated over and over :

Sacred Heart of Jesus, help !" It seemed an eternity to the watchers, but in reality it was but a Heart of Jesus for what He has done few minutes before Mrs. Jennings this day. stirred slightly, as if she felt the essure of the soft baby fingers. Her hand passed over the little body up to the soft, satiny skin, and dwelt lovingly on the little head. Her eyes opened and fell upon the little form beside her, as the baby, awakened, beat the air with its little fists and gave a lusty cry of dis approval. In an instant the mother arms went out and the child was

clasped close to her. "I've had such a dreadful dream, John," she smiled; "I thought the baby was dead, but he's wonderfully well and beautiful, isn't he dear ?" And soon the mother and babe

were sleeping peacefully, and the husband and nurse smiled in approval. Then the man remembered with a start and turned towards the two waiting figures at the door. Motioning them to follow him, he went into an adjoining room.

I can never thank you sufficiently for your great goodness. I feel certain now that my wife will recover. I will go over to the hospital at once and try to procure an infant, and we will not tell her that it is not hers until she is stronger and has learned to love the one we will

Would you not like to have the baby that is in your wife's arms now

"I would be willing to give every cent I possess to have it," the man said earnestly. " But, of course, you would not part with it."

I think it will be best to tell you the whole story. The baby's mother was our youngest sister. She was buried yesterday." It was with difficulty the women kept back their tears, but she went on : "A year tears, but she went on : ago, disregarding our pleas and eneaties, our sister married a man whom she had met at the office where she was employed as sten ographer, and left with him for Chicago. We really believed that Chicago. the man loved her--she was such a dear sweet child, it seems impossible for any one to do otherwise-and objections to him were based solely on the fact that he was not a Catholic. She wrote to us often but never gave us the slightest hint of troubles. Soon after their marriage, it seems, he began to scoff and make fun of her religion and attempted to compel her to remain away from Mass. He laughed when she reminded him of the promises he had made to the priest when they were married and assured her that, should they ever have any children, they would never be baptized raised in that 'idolatrous faith,' as he chose to call our dear religion

You can imagine that my sister suffered intolerably, praying con-stantly. For herself she had little fear, for the faith of our fathers was bred so firmly in her that no persecution could make it waver, but for the little babe that was coming she dreaded the worst. One morning he caught her as she was slipping out

In a whisper, the man unfolded his glad to have you remain and assist perfectly satisfying good. But in

"O! I'd just love to." I just dreaded to leave Louise's baby, and, if you will permit me to be its nurse fied with our works ; for a while, it will be more than I dared hope for."

The older woman spoke : "The ways of God are indeed wonderful! Just think how He led us towards each other this morning, when we were so perplexed about the baby's future, and in doing so of answered not only our prayers but our dead sisters and Mr. Jennings' Truly all of us have much to also. be thankful for and ought never cease to be grateful to the dear

> CATHOLICISM AND HAPPINESS

Garrett Pierce in America

Balzac has a striking story of a scientist whose whole life was ardently devoted to the quest of the Absolute. Though he neglected the dearest ties of relationship for the sake of his pursuit, though he restlessly sought the great object as a miser seeks gold, he miscalculated

through expecting to find the Abso-lute in created things. The scientist found the Absolute only in death. The scientist's fate is a parable of life. All men are seeking happiness with passionate and feverish search. There is a veiled figure denied of all the nations of the earth. The God of their dreams is a hidden God. for that reason, partly Partly through their own negligence, many men make miscalculations in identifying this mysterious figure, the object of all human ambition. Some identify the desired object with wealth, and believe that this can satisfy an immortal spirit. Vain thought! Wealth does not meet the deep needs of the human heart, for the greatest millionaire ever seeks restlessly for more, and, until he is laid on the peaceful couch of death,

his heart refuses to be quieted. The great object of man's quest is identified by others with voluptuousness. Omar Khayyam ever had, and ever will have, his followers. But

the world has had time enough to test Circean wine and the Dead Sea apples of indulgence, and it has experienced that the wine becomes bitter, and the apples become ashes. The heart of a voluptuary, even of a Solomon with all means of selfish gratification at his disposal, finds no rest. The ancient Ecclesiastes breaks forth into the sigh of vanity, Ecclesiastes and the modern Ecclesiastes, the Faust of Goethe, reveals to us wine, wit, wealth and voluptuousness as the unsubstantial baubles of a child's dream that dissolves into illusion. Even the pleasures of the intellect do not quiet the cravings of the human heart. A Newton after a lifetime of partially successful study, after having made a few giant steps across the boundary of the unknown, ompares himself to a child gathering a few pebbles from a limitless The great Bossuet adds that ocean. The great Bossuet adds that the thoughts which have not the eternal for their object pertain to

the domain of death. Those who make frantic efforts to identify the goal of human desire tinue his studies by a first hand con- could not do without them.

worthy object to satisfy this deepest the Catholic religion has brought forget, much less herald, their obli-need of human nature. Unless the them no solace, no happiness. Let laws of nature are nugatory, this object exists. It is the method of science to recognize that faculties tion of God's favor has been accomhave their objects in nature. Correlative supposes the existence of correlative. The eye, when it was first made, supposed the existence of an object to be seen. The fin of the me, that her only, happiness in life was found in her visits to a Catholic fish suggested the existence of water. church. The wing of the bird supposed a sus-The great influence of Catholicism taining medium. Is it to be thought on happiness is brought into bold that the deepest need of human nature alone has no satisfying object ? relief by a comparison with paganism, ancient or modern. The student of Is it to be believed that nature is vain? Not so. The object of human human history will observe that in paganism there is joy on the surface happiness then exists. It is not, we have seen, mere finite reality which out sorrow and unhappiness beneath. can satisfy our hearts. It remains that only the Infinite, only God, is the surface, but beneath there the surface, but beneath there is an the worthy object of the quest of the human soul. The cry of a great gen-written: "Thou hast conquered, O written: "Thou hast conquered, O pale Galilean, the world] has grown ius, Augustine, rings true: "We were made for Thee O Lord, and our gray with Thy breath." But it is hearts will never rest till they rest really with the breath of paganism that the world has grown gray. in Thee." How appropriate was the has only to ask oneself whether the phrase applied by the Old Testament to the Messiah : "The One desired of paganism at the coming of Christ was not sorrowful at the core. In all the nations of the earth !" For an outburst of natural virtue a all nature, whether rational or not, whether animate or inanimate, is Juvenile puts sorth an undying wail for the universal misery. Modern groping after God. Everyone, then, who has found paganism, however pleasing a front it may show, is not less unhappy. God, has found a mood where all flesh is heir to cannot rob him of disguise a broken heart; the worm that peaceful mood. The least in that dieth not is preying on its vitals. the kingdom of God becomes akin with the most advanced mystic in the sharing of this gift of peace. fall of countries from Cathol-The ceaseless mind and the restless icism marks a change from sister is a bookkeeper with the firm heart find an oasis in the desert of a deep happiness to an underlying the way to God. sister is a bookkeeper with the in the destroit of a deep happiness to an attemptine to the destroit of a deep happiness of an attemptine to the destroit of a deep happiness of a deep happines of a deep happiness of a deep ha a love manifesting itself in beneficence to God's children, a love hav- hold of the Christian ideals is deluging for model flim of Whom it was ing the world with blood. Catholics Mr. Jennings could hardly believe written : "He went about doing were sufficiently pessimistic to recog-his good fortune. After telling the good." While the heart rests in God, nize "this vale of tears," but they ladies of his prayers, he continued : the hands do not rest, but ever find were optimistic enough to expect a

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ultimately prevail, and that the unrighteous and untruthful are pieces this life, while our ideals are boundof God's machinery gone astray, whose unfortunate fate it is to be less, and our performances are limited, we can never be entirely satis there will crushed. always be room for a Divine dis-content in regard to evil conditions. apologetic thought. apologetic thought. True just here this momentous But external circumstances need never rob us of substantial peace

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-Sacred Heart Review.

ODD PIETY

and happiness. In this sense happiness is subjective, though it always of our yearning, God. Our minds are largely independent of external objects. There was a glimmering of this truth even in paganism, for example, in the noble attitude of Epictetus towards a tyrant. "Year example, in the noble attitude of Epictetus towards a tyrant: "You may imprison my body, but you cannot imprison my mind. You can send me to prison, but can you send me weeping?" Horace also finely dreamed of the man, just and tena-punishing. A crime committed cious of purpose, who could stand unmoved amid the crash of worlds. But the dream of paganism became the Christian reality. It became fact in the child martyr, Agnes, who death." Yet man by an imperious

played with the manacles of torture, and in the deacon Laurence, who on the gridiron for a death-bed, mocked his persecutors. If only the love of God is the attainment of happiness, it must follow that the only safe way to God

is the only sure path to happiness Catholicism is this way. Christianity brought the "glad tidings" to an unhappy world. The Catholic Church is still the accredited preacher of the glad tidings, for she Church alone is the Church founded by Christ. We know by whom her rivals were founded. We know who and what these founders were. Henry VIII. we know and Luther we The churches they founded know are of yesterday; they are dividing into sects, and hastening to dissolution. The Catholic Church is nineteen centuries in existence; she can be traced back to the Apostles, and to the glad tidings of Christ. Though old she is not decrepit. Assisting at the cradle and the grave of empires of this world, she continues, because she is divine, her ancient apostolate

with pristine vigor. Catholicism has inherited from

Christ the legacy of peace for men. "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give unto you." That peace implies the mental satisfaction of one who has settled one's account with God. It may be possessed by one who carries the sword. It may be enjoyed by the beggar eating his slender crust. It may visit the con-vict in his lowly cell. But this deep peace is not possessed, nor given, by the world which knows not God. For it is a gift, to those whose faculties are harmoniously fulfilling their Divine destiny.

If anyone doubts that Catholicism holds the keys of happiness and peace, let him consider its highest product, the saint. Let him reflect on the curious fact that somehow the epithet unhappy " is never applied to a aint. We may speak of a contemplative saint, of an eloquent saint, but never of an unhappy saint. Such would be a contradiction in terms. strike them that time was lost, hence saint. Amid the severest rigors of mortification, amid the instruments of torture knowledge of the condemning qualithe saint retains his deep seated ties of their brothers. These happiness. Even in this life he characters are always wearing their begins his beatitude. Or let the numbers on dress parade. They are doubter concerning Catholicism con- ever conceitedly conscious that God

with finite and created reality are like those in France who try to give grounds are supposed to have chosen Ince those in France who try to give a boundary of the arbitrary fife. Let him visit a They saw nothing of others because an unhappy life. Let him visit a They saw nothing of others because time of war, by beating drums and by convent of nuns and he will observe their eyes were ever on themselves. solace to the grieved human heat of m time of war, by beating drums and by singing the "Marseillaise." Human need is too deep to be satisfied with such pitiful fanfare. Yet there must surely exist some Yet there there death-bed of practising Catholics, and ask himself whether the catholic religion has brought

In the billing of the scale stateWind be scale stat " Either a believer, or question forces itself upon us. "Why does God allow His creatures to suffer so many evils ?" If you ask the so-called advanced thinkers of our day you punishing. A crime committed against the Creator at the very origin of our history has defiled us, de-prived us of perfect happiness, and subjected us to sorrow, disease and Bovril makes other foods nourish you. It has a Body-building power proved equal to from 10 to 20 times the amount of Bovril taken. law of his nature looks for that felicity here below. He can attain it in part by embodying in his life the truth of Catholic teaching. THE CATHOLIC CHURCH THE FAULT FINDERS COULD A CHURCH'S CREDENTIALS BE MORE VALID THAN THESE CREDITED Catholics who subscribe to Catho lic papers are not the Catholics who HER BY A PROTESTANT? complain about the inefficiency of the Catholic press. The non-sub-

(Prof A. M. Fairbairn, in his " Catholicism Roman and Anglican " " I freely admit the pre-eminence scriber is the fault-finder, and his fault-finding is often only an excuse of Catholicism as an historical insti-tution ; here she is without a rival for his failure to support an institu tion whose beneficence is widely recognized. "It seems to us," said or a peer. If to be at once the most permanent and extensive, the most Holy Father, Pope Benedict, plastic and inflexible ecclesiastical "that nothing is more desirable than that the number of those who can organization were the same thing as the most perfect embodiment, and use their nen in a way rich in bless. vehicle of religion, then the claim of ings should increase and that good Catholicism were simply indisputpapers should have a large circulaable. The man in search of an tion, so that every one may have authoritative church may not hesievery day good reading, which instructs and warns, and strengthens tate; once let him assume that a visible and audible authority is of the essence of religion, and he has and promotes the Christian virtues.

no choice ; he must become or get himself reckoned a Catholic. "The Roman Church assails his understanding with invincible charms. Her sons proudly say to 'She alone is Catholic, con-Of all the words in the English him: language that can be queerly con-ceived and made elastic, none equals tinuous, venerable, august, the very Church Christ founded and His the word piety. What strange con-Apostles instituted and organized. She possesses all the attributes and ceptions of this virtue we see. Some devoted souls will sit down, and tell notes of Catholicity-an unbroken apostolic succession, an infallible you with the greatest complacency, how often they went to the Sacra-ments in their lives. They never chair, unity, sanctity, truth, an in-violable priesthood, a holy sacrifice fear to know the number of times, and efficacious sacraments.

for they never doubt but that all was well with all of them. They " The Protestant churches are but of yesterday, without authority, whose confused voices but protest will tell you with holy horror of the sins of their neighbors, and would their own insufficiency, whose im accentuate their own goodness by contrast with what they regard as potence almost atones for their own sin of schism by the way it sets off the vicious lives about them. They the might, the majesty and the unity never regret the sins of others for of Rome. In contrast, the Catholic the violence offered the good God, but seem to rejoice in the fact that Church stands where her Master placed her on the rock, endowed their poor neighbors serve as a dark with the prerogatives and powers He gave her, and 'against her the gates of hell shall not prevail.'

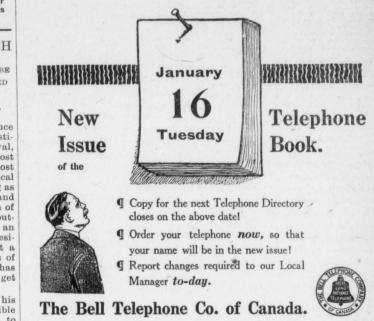
'Supernatural grace is hers; it Little sin committed, in acquiring the man Mira watched over her cradle, has followed her in all her way through all her centuries, and has not forsaken her The of (nice The Ma She is not, like Protestantism, yet. a concession to the negative spirit. The Tra The Hir The Bor The Ma Two Mar; Sac The an unholy compromise with naturalism. Everything about her is posi-Now the saints, the exponents of tive and transcendant; she is the sterling piety acted not in this way. hearer of divine truth, the representative of divine order, the supernatural living in the very heart, and before the very face of the natural. The saints, too, are hers, and the man she receives joins their com munion, enjoys their godly fellow Bob ship, feels their influence, partici-Bunt pates in their merit and the bless ings they distribute. Their earthly life made the past of the Church illustrious, their heavenly activity hinds the visible and the invisible plished amid tears of joy. Let him question some poor Catholic char-with memories of the past, and so into unity, and lifts time into eter sanctity; the Church which teaches man to live holy, helps him to love holiness. And the fathers are hers; The Dollar Hunt. From the French by thinks he is pious is the silliest and sorriest specimen. With him relig-doms, were for her sake; she treas Recruit Tommy Collins, Mary G. Summer at Woodville. Anna T. ures their words and their works her sons alone are able to say Athanasius and Chrysoston The Captain of the Club. Valentine Wil-Thomas Aquinas, and Duns Scotus Cyprian and Augustine, Anselm and The Countess of Glosswood. Translated. Berhard are ours; their wealth is Drops of Honey. Rev. A. M. Grussi. Father de Lisle. Cecilia M. Caddell. The Feast of Flowers and Other Storles. Salected. our inheritance; at their feet we learn filial reverence and divine wisdom. The Lamp of the Sanctuary and Other Stories. Cardinal Wiseman. "But rich as she is in persons The Little Lace-Maker and Other Stories. she is richer in truth ; her worship is a great deep. Hidden sanctities Lost Genoveffa, Cecilia M. Caddell. and meanings surround man; the The Little Follower of Jesus. Rev. A. M. sacramental principle invests the The Miner's Daughter. Cecilia M. Caddell. Nanette's Marriage. Aimee Mazergue. Never Forgotten. Cecilia M. Caddell. One Hundred Tales for Children. Canon Christopher Von Schmid. simplest things, acts and rites with an awful yet blissful significance turns all worship into a divine parable, which speaks the deep things of God, now into a medium of Oramaika, An Indian Story. Translated. Our Dumb Pets - Tales of Birds and Animals. Selected. The one place on earth wherein approach to man, and man's awe The Orphan of Moscow. Mrs. James Sadlier. The Prairie Boy. Rev. John Talbot Smith. and contrite, hopeful and prevailing approach to Him. Symbols are The Pearl in Dark Waters. Cecilia M. Caddell. deeper than words; speak when The Queen's Confession. Raoul de Navery. words become silent; gain where words lose in meaning; and so in hours of holiest worship the Church The Rose of Venice. S. Christopher. Seven of Us. Marion J. Brunowe. Sophie's Troubles. Counters de Segur. Stories for Catholic Children. Rev. A. M. Grussi. teaches by symbols truth language may not utter .- Our Sunday Visitor Grussi. Tales of Adventure. Selected. The Two Cottages, Lady Georgiana Ful-



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to Mass, and in great anger, because she dared to disobey him, he struck her, knocking her down. When she recovered sufficiently she left the house, taking nothing with her but a small grip, and took the first train

You can imagine our consternation when she almost staggered into our home. Our indignation knew no bounds when we heard of the inhuman manner in which her husband had treated her, but we had little time to think of those things That night she became very then. ill and asked for the priest. The baby came next day and she regained consciousness long enough to plead with us that we never permit her husband to have the child if we could prevent it.

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"I shall be glad to adopt the child and make it my own legally. But I do not wish to take it out of your lives entirely. We shall require a

nurse and, if you will stay, I will be ness is the complete possession of are on the winning side and will his own sculptor.

him question those who have departed altar. They did not canonize them-from the tribunal of Catholic pen-selves; they did not know they were ance, where the miracle of restora- good, and died in fear of the Searcher of souls. They knew the possibiliwoman who may tell him, as she told they were humble and silent. Of all the plagues that embody

folly and knavery, the man who sorriest specimen. With him relig-ion is a holiday pageant and not a serious warfare that first cuts af self and then at the world and the devil. Our duties to common sense and true virtue are dreads not boasts. Down on our knees then! Look at God and self, and feel how little is one and how infinite is the Enthroned Majesty of the other. We will learn sense and sanctity in

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nature manifests itself in nothing will take into account when correlat- cussed. more striking than in the insistence ing the causes of the Great War with by the Church that education and the conditions prevailing in the religion go hand in hand. Again, in world of ideas. making philosophy the crowning course in the system of Catholic education that wisdom is more and more manifest as outside the Church metaphysics has become such a confusion of thought that the queen of sciences value of the course of philosophy in no longer reigns in a chaotic educa- Catholic education. 6 tional world.

Professor Case, in his review of metaphysics past and present, has this to say of Catholic philosophy :-

" Aristotelian realism is the strong point of Roman Catholic philosophy. As interpreted by Thomas Aquinas, it is now in danger of becoming a dogma. In 1879 Pope Leo XIII. address ed to the bishops the Encyclical. Aeterni Patris, which contained the Sancti Thomae sapietiam words. restituatis et quam latissime propage the Roman Catholic From point of view this reaction to Thomupon a feeling of uneasiness at a growing tendency among Roman theology freely, but to corrupt it by defeat. The economic condition of fully distinguishes between militar-One cannot but feel paradoxes. regret at seeing the reformed churches blown about by every wind of doctrine, and catching at straws now from Kant, now from Hegel, and moment. now from Lotze, or at home from

Green, Caird, Martineau, Balfour and Ward in succession, without ever having considered the basis of their faith; while the Roman Catholics confidently made a year, even two are making every effort to ground a years ago. And if it be true, then Universal Church on a sane system of metaphysics. However this may be, the power of the movement is visible enough from the spread of Thomism over the civilized world."

He does not, it is true, admit that Aristotle even as Christianized by St. Thomas is at all the final word in metaphysics; but his historical unflinching supporter of the policy of as possible, other methods should be review of the moderns shows such a war to the end. hopeless mass of contradictories, so

"I heartily respect an organization is avoidance of a policy of mere revenge, an agreement that the war which meets its enemies in this way, organizations were in as effective a to a war of commercial exclusion, condition. I think it would be better and if there is a determination to set not only for them but for us. The the world on a new basis of rela army of liberal thought is at present tionships, the purpose of which shall in very loose order; and many a be the maintenance of common modern free-thinker makes use of his freedom unduly to vent nonsense. material policy. We should be the better for a vigor. The war correspondent, Ashmead ous and watchful enemy to hammer Bartlett, regards the submarine situus into cohesion and discipline ; and ation as paramount : I for one lament that the bench of Bishops cannot show a man of the

"There is only one real issue of calibre of Bishop Butler of the 'Analogy;' who, if he were alive, vital importance to ourselves and to our Allies—can we starve out the enemy before the enemy destroys so would make short work of the current a priori infidelity." of our merchant vessels that many

a common moral and

It is all

we get below the percentage on which With the passage of the years, and it is possible to run the domestic the consequent experience of life, needs of the British Empire and the with some knowledge of the kaleidoburden of the war as well? scopic views which pass under the very well for a Minister to get up in the House and announce that we have only lost 2% of vessels over name of modern philosophy, and Subscribers changing residence will please give bd as well as new address. In St. John N. B., single copies may be parchased from Mrs. M. A. McGuire, 249 Main itreet, John J. Dwyer and The O'Neill Co.. serve as bases for the everchanging 1,000 tons in burden. That is not the issue. The real point is this : If we lose 5% we are in great difficulties, and if we lose 10% we cannot run the Empire and the war as well.

THE PROSPECTS OF PEACE

Dr. E. J. Dillon states that even In spite of the fact that the basis of morality is undermined, and that Russia has reached the stage where the modern scholar asks with the she must husband her man-power. sneering scepticism of Pilate : What The two despatches which follow seem to show that the enemy nations is truth? there is a luciferian The wisdom that comes from nine- pride in modern progress and enlight are rapidly approaching a basis on teen centuries' experience of human enment which future generations which peace terms may be dis-

Amsterdam, Jan. 5 .- Great significance was attached to passage by Austro-German censors to day of a nuotation from the Vienna newspaper In view of the fact that the spirit Arbiter Zeitung, asking the Govern-ment to "discover if the entente of the age more or less affects Cathoment to would be ready to negotiate peace lics, we have thought it useful to after an evacuation by Teutonic reproduce the foregoing testimony troops in the west; and, if so, that of unfriendly witnesses to the great the evacuation be made immediately."

London, Jan. 5 .- The Nation, in discussing after the war problems. the Balkan settlement and the fate of Turkey, advocates the internation. alization of Constantinople and the straits, and contends that it would Our readers in common with the be of no service to Russia to prolong

the war, sacrifice thousands of lives rest of the world are just now deeply and incur a mountain of debt merely concerned over the prospects and to bring about absolute annexation. possibilities of ending the War In addition to the fact that the through negotiations leading to terms Entente Allies have not summarily that will satisfy the belligerents, and especially that will satisfy the aims of rejected the Teutonic proposal to the Entente Allies. The dominant consider peace terms, the Rt. Hon. note of our press is bellicose, so much Arthur Henderson has just restated the aim of the Allies. The fact that so that any deliberate consideration ism' was a timely protest against modern metaphysics. It was founded of peace terms is contemptuously Mr. Henderson is a member of the brushed aside as base surrender of small British War Cabinet gives to brushed aside as base surrender of small British War Cabinet gives to principles to an enemy who is on the his statement at this time exceptional Catholic writers not only to treat eve of certain and overwhelming weight and significance. He careism and Prussian militarism. With

Germany and her Allies is represented as being so extremely precarispirit he has no quarrel. ous that collapse may come at any "What the Allies contend in regard to Germany is that its great military The trouble is that we have no powers are not subject to proper moral constraint; that they have not assurance that this prophecy is more certain of fulfilment now than when been used in accordance with such restraint : and that, despite what has gone on for nearly two and a half there has so far been no satisfactory terms and conditions are

change in this respect, and no prosall the more likely of attainment. pect of a change, so far as Germany Our guess is no better than another's. itself is concerned. "In the first place, all force and So we shall transcribe some opinious nower to exercise force must be govwhich have been given by men whose erned the right spirit -

loyalty to the cause of liberty is not regarding that, the most important thing is the recognition that, so far less sincere than that of the most substituted for an appeal to force ;

munity

THE CATHOLIC RECORD A proposal of this kind would have ing hand. Years passed, and he was powerful if not overwhelming sup- almost forgotten by everyone in the

port amongst the German people parish, save by the pious lady who week with an allusion to the lack south through Bar-le-Duc and St. themselves. While it is extremely had befriended him and who had of railway facilities about Verdun Dizier, was, like other average roads probable that Austria-Hungary would never ceased to pray for him, knoweartily welcome the prospect of ing full well the dangers to which being liberated from the grip of his morals and his not-too-enlightmilitaristic Germany.

All things considered we are of the new surroundings. opinion that the beginning of the end is in sight.

AN EXCELLENT IDEA

At the closing exercises of St. N. S., on the 29th ultimo, Hon. Mr. Justice Chisholm, of Halifax, in his that he would offer a prize for the best history of Antigonish County, to be followed by prizes for histories of other counties in eastern Nova Scotia at later dates.

Mr. Justice Chisholm said

in historical enquiry. For some years past I have been hoping that some alumnus of St. Francis Xavier's College, or somebody else, would write the history of these eastern counties from which this university draws most of its students. The memorials of the early settlers should not be lost. Many of these were the men, poor in the world's

courage and in purpose, who helped Bishop Mackinnon to found this university. They built churches and schools before they thought of building comfortable habitations for them selves. Goldwin Smith has said that the Canadian pioneers were the country's greatest heroes. We shall never know all the hardships they endured in establishing the communities of which we are so proud today. The story should be written before all those who can speak with knowledge have passed away. The nistory will not be a sensational one; it will not be a story of blood shed or cruelty of any kind inflicted upon their fellows of the race of man. Their lives were quiet and useful for duty.

decided with the approval of the authorities to offer a prize of \$100 for the best history of Antigonish, my native county. I at first thought it would be well to arrange to have the But on further consideration I have changed my opinion on that point. History written in a hurry is seldom either complete in outline or accurate in detail. I think it would be better to have two years militarism governed by the right devoted to the work. The conditions of the competitions will be settled later and announced, I hope, in the

ontinue the competition in order that the history of each of the communities may be written."

This an excellent idea. The early local history of Canada is becoming more and more difficult to write with the passing of the pioneers whose living memory was the only record of many events and conditions of permanent interest. Realizing this the clerical conferences of the Diocese of London have decided that each year a paper will be read on the that progress alike in international history of a particular parish. Such A. G. Gardiner, editor of the Daily matters, and within a single com- documents if intelligently and pains-

NOTES AND COMMENTS ened faith would be exposed in his

him some news of the parish and French Commander - in - Chief had side tracked and the blocking of the acquainting him of the joy that his stowed away for their reception.

message had brought to the good housekeeper who promised to

"I have always taken some interest redouble her prayers on his behalf. On the eve of Christmas another letter came, this time from an hospital in the south of England. It contained the information that he had passed uninjured through two fierce battles, but that in the third one, on goods, few in numbers, but high in | inch below the heart by a shrapnel for me," he added, " for that rosary and medal saved my life."

> Now, there may be those who will say that, in these days of big events, such an incident is not worthy of editorial comment. We do not agree with them. It is little things like this that point the way to the solu-

tion of the great problem which they followed the simple path of today confronts the world-the

restoration of peace. If the prayers 'To give the matter a start, I have of one pious woman have saved the life of a soldier at the front, may we not hope that the united prayers of God's children, especially of his little ones, will save the life of nations ? prize awarded at your closing in 1917. We are apt to grow lukewarm in uniting in the prayer for peace. There seem to be so many obstacles, humanly speaking, in the way, that we lose confidence in the efficacy of our poor efforts of intercession. After all, God alone can bring about the desired consummation. Nations. calendar for this year. It is my as human instruments, are power-purpose, if I live long enough, to less; for the neutrals are too weak to say "Hold, enough !" and the belligerents, mad with the taste of blood, refuse to see things in their right perspective. With God, however, it is as easy to stay the wild course of a single bullet ; and He will do so when the world recognizes its dependence upon Him and raises

> its hands to Him in humble, confiding, persevering prayer.

which practically isolated it as a in France, built on a good foundapart of the great French system of tion, but narrow, and liable to condefence, and which seemed for the gestion under extraordinary circum-

Some months ago, the priest's mail extremely probable. Its weakness it would not be equal to the demands contained a censored letter with a in this respect was, as we have which would be made upon it. Any foreign postmark on it. What was seen, fully realized by "Papa" Joffre congestion under such circumstances his surprise upon opening it to find himself, and, if we are to believe might be fatal to the cause of the that it was from his sometime sex- the newspapers, he was quite pre. defender. To obviate such possibilton who was in the trenches "Some pared to make the sacrifice if the ity, he at once began an entire recon-Francis Xavier's College, Antigonish, where in France !" Among other Germans on their part were willing struction of this road, doubling it in items of interest he mentioned the to pay the price. A high price they width in some places, and trebling it fact that he had heard Mass when- did indeed pay, for such advance as in others. Army engineers laid a address to the graduates announced ever possible and that he had they were able to make, but, as the new foundation; turnouts were proattended to his religious duties. The event proved, they as little reckoned vided at certain specified intervals, priest replied to the letter, giving as did the wise acres on what the on which disabled trucks could be

> leading up to the assault on Verdun. plete in every detail, so that such It will be remembered that when the disabled trucks could be put into Germans captured St. Mihiel in the working order again in the minimum second month of the War, their first of time ; those depots were manned act was to cut the main railroad by experts, and supplied with everysupplying Verdun-the Paris Nancy thing in the way of tools and machinline. This was essential to the plan ery necessary to the expeditious the Somme front, in a charge on a on which the capture of Paris and execution of their tasks; between German trench, he was struck an the subjugation of France was to be the villages and along the road accomplished, and when that bubble myriads of signs reading "To Verbullet, which smashed to pieces his burst at the Marne, they were still dun "were erected, and, in addition, rosary and medal of the Sacred Heart able by means of their long-range natives of the country by the score, that were in his vest pocket, and guns at Varennes and Montfaucon to familiar with its every feature, were which so deflected the course of the render the railway useless to France. stationed at every village to direct missile that it did not cause a mortal In consequence, the French were the truck drivers and maintain the wound. "Some one must be praying at first compelled to use the single. traffic without congestion ; and away track, narrow-gauge line running back in the interior of France, thou north through Bar-le-Duc, which, sands and thousands of motor trucks however, was entirely inadequate to were held in readiness to move at supply the needs of the defending a moment's notice, all with their forces at that portion of the defen. especial tasks allotted-some to carry

practically isolated.

a quarter of a million men and more to be. than two thousand guns along this

narrow front the problem became one of the greatest gravity. In fact, we are told, it was such a tremen. dous task that, as it is now semiofficially stated, General Joffre had really determined on the evacuation of the fortress because of the great sacrifice its defence would entail. It is, in fact, reported that the capture of Douaumont by the Germans was accomplished after Joffre had issued the order to retreat. That Verdun itself was not abandoned is attributed to the political torrent that threatens to engulf the pressure brought to bear upon the world, as it is for Him to change the military authorities. The fall or evacuation of Verdun would have had a bad effect upon France as a whole.

IT WAS IN this crisis that the Another thing that this incident motor transport performed what or two-horse carts. The return, suggests is the increase of reverence seemed the miracle of bringing up a for and confidence in outward quarter of a million men, and of

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necessity of providing for such a

WE CONCLUDED our comments last contingency. The highway running moment, to the uninitiated at least, stances. General Herr ϵ aw that in to render its capture by the Germans the event of a siege on a large scale way thus prevented ; in every village along the route depots of supplies TO EPITOMIZE the circumstances and repair shops were provided, comsive line, and hence left Verdun rations, others ammunition and others fitted for the transport of guns

of light or heavy calibre. These SO LONG AS this powerful fortress preparations being completed it was defended by a relatively small became simply a matter of giving force the problem of supplying it orders-of pressing the intellectual with food and ammunition was not electric button as it were-to set the serious, but when, at the beginning whole in motion, and to make Verof the attack of which the world has dun the impregnable position which heard so much, the Germans massed the Germans to their cost found it

WHEN, THEN, the great assault began, this highway for fifty miles. back of Verdun, instantly became one long line of activity. Well out of range of the German guns at all points, it was filled with a long procession of trucks, described by those who saw it, as a continuous. stream or torrent, rather than a line of vehicular traffic. The preparatory organization was so perfect, and the condition of the trucks so perfectly attended to that there was scarcely a break in the long snake-like procession moving forward with clock-like regularity. Advancing with their capacity loads, concludes the writer in the Scientific American, the vehicals discharged their burdens at predetermined points behind the front, whence the material was

carried to the trenches by one-horse empty or with wounded, was made like the advance with the same military precision. All day and all night these great trucks ran unin terrupted. They proved the salvation, the miracle of Verdun. When Germany thought her own army and organization invincible, and saw a clear way open once more to the conquest of France she found an impregnable barrier of human beings, made efficient to the very limit by the most effective organization of which probably the annals of War can boast. The Hun broke on the rocks of French patriotism and preparedness.

many assumptions set forth dogmatiread that "Aristotelian realism as the situation, says : interpreted by Thomas Aquinas is now in danger of becoming a "If the capacity of Germany to sustain herself for over two years is an exparte appeal to arms. A nation only holds its military power in a hurry is seldom either complete system of metaphysics."

It is perhaps worth recording here that Huxley enjoyed the "Summa" in this cardinal matter the case of of St. Thomas and in his "Science and Morals," p. 142, left this appreciation of the Angelic | Doctor ; "His marvellous grasp and subtlety of bankrupt, it is true, but so long as intellect seem to me to be almost without a parallel."

in "Lav Sermons" a visit to Maynooth

"It was my fortune some time shoe them. Without the supplies of ago," one of the most important institutions in which the clergy of the Roman Catholic Church are trained many. in these islands, and it seemed to me that the difference between these men and the comfortable champions of Anglicanism and Dissent was com-vision of the abyss; hence, her parable to the difference between our gallant volunteers and the trained veterans of Napoleon's Old the next harvest and before the next Guard.

"The Catholic priest is trained to determined men-permitted me to speak frankly talked like outposts of opposed armies during a truce-as friendly enemies

And after recording the confidence with which the professors prophesied that a Church which had survived blunder, for there is no assurance so many storms would survive the that our position for dictating terms ment responsible only to him. Con. person, presented him with a rosary existing infidel movement; and describing the systematic training given to divinity students with a view to refuting contemporary statesmanship equal to the emer-

cally, that it is a bit amusing to nalists of England, in an article on of moral for physical force, or at

News, and one of the leading jour-

dogma." Nor is he often tempted to a matter for astonishment, no less in the right spirit if it is prepared to astonishing has been the capacity of characterize any of them as a "sane this country to keep the fabric of the toward such a development." Allies in being by her money power.

" It is important to remember that the Allies is vitally different from impossible as Germany has conquered that of the enemy. Finance can her Allies and made Middle Europe a bring the Allies down. Finance can- political reality; and, dominated by not bring Germany down. She is she is economically self-sufficient she can continue the war. But bank- the world. ruptcy would be ruin to the Allies. The same great Agnostic describes They are not self-sufficient. Harvests of the world are necessary to feed them. Wool and hides of foreign lands are necessary to clothe and

he writes, "to pay a visit to America and Japan, as well as of this country, Russian hosts would be helpless before the artillery of Ger-

"In a word, we are all plunging down a steep place together, but urgent efforts for peace. She alone knows if she must have peace before offensive has revealed her impover-

ishment in men. Her reply to the know his business and do it effect- Allies will give us a clue to this reached without another year of carwith them. We nage on a scale more terrible than anything that has gone before, it would be a crime on the part of the Allies to delay such a peace for the sake of problematical military decis-

ions on German soil. And it would not only be a crime, it would be a next New Year's Day will not be inferior to our position today.

" The new year will bring peace to attacks on Christianity, he adds : 10 gency, and if with stern justice there sianized.

least in the use of force to support impartial judgments, rather than in

onsists in the substitution

cooperate in every sound attempt

Hence he concludes that peace on detail. the status quo ante bellum is

the spirit of Prussian militarism, a

peace proposal.

Should that condition be met by nouncement of the British Cabinet Minister means anything it means that there is a basis on which repreof peace.

There may be many ways of securing this condition essential to the far-flung battle line. future peace of Europe and the world. autocratic sovereign or a govern. who was a very charitable and devout home. scription and freedom can coexist and a large medal of the Sacred

time valuable sources of history. symbols of devotion among all supplying this great force with food in outline or accurate in detail." perhaps, neglected to wear his scap-Sometimes it is mere sloppy senti- ulars, prizes as he stands in the

mentality lacking either outline or trenches no souvenir so much as the

A REAL MEDAL THAT SAVED A REAL LIFE

All of us have read stories, in some formidable menace to the peace of religious paper or magazine, in which the plot hinged upon a medal, a the ordeal confronted him in hourly

Here we have a pretty clear indi- rosary, or a scapular which was facing death that he realized how cation of the terms, or rather of one instrumental either in saving an dear they were to him. Daily the essential conditions, which will individual's life or in bringing about dominate the consideration of the his conversion. While the power of prayer and the efficacy of blessed

articles of devotion are thus empha- the Blessed Virgin or other Saints in Germany, then if the deliberate pro- sized, there are many readers upon the ruined churches, and the devowhom little impression is made, ity of these stories are merely creasentatives of the belligerent nations tions of the writer's brain. Here, love for their Heavenly Mother has could not have been carried out at may come together to discuss terms however, is an incident that we can

Some years ago, there came out to more endurable, and bring into his thousands and thousands of motor One suggests itself. Universal milit- this country frae Glasgow a young soul some ray of hope and heavenly cars of every description which were ually. The professors of the college in question—learned, zealous, and shows that a just peace can be even by peace-loving nations. But very little siller in his pocket. For and the desolation of the world's thing which the defenders required. importance, there are three possible universal military training is a several months he was engaged as shambles. Perhaps it was this It was this most efficient organization standing menace to the peace of sexton of a Catholic church ; but the thought that was in the mind of of the transport that made the interested. Europe and debasing to the military wanderlust soon seized upon him Ralph Connor when he announced nation itself if such tremendous and he made his way to the city. that he was going to put a cross on the master mind that achieved it the the hope of replenishing the grain power be left in the hands of an Before leaving, the housekeeper, his church when he returned to his obeisance of France, and of the stores of the Teutons. The second THE GLEANER.

> only under democratic control. This Heart. She had taken a special When we have contracted the habit of venial sin, we are like a perhaps is one of the ways in which interest in the young man, because, worm-eaten beam which looks sound German militarism may be de-Prus- being an orphan, he had never known outside, but breaks as soon as weight

Mr. Justice Chisholm's admonition classes. The Catholic young man and ammunition, and of transporting should be heeded : "History written who at home gave little thought to the wounded to a place of safety. It war that such a task was achieved by this means. We are reminded that the amount of ammunition expended by the French in the defence of crucifix, the medal, or the beads that Verdun was greater far than had his mother, sister, wife, or sweetbeen used in any battle in the heart gave him on his departure for world's history up to that timethe front. His faith had taught him the value of these things upon greater eventhan in the great French offensive of 1915 in the Champagne. which the Church bestows its It has been exceeded, possibly, in the special blessing ; but it was not till British operations on the Somme, but these had not then begun. The miracle at Verdun lies in the transfamiliarity, too, with the wayside port of this great mass of material, not to speak of the army itself, solely shrine or crucifix, the sight of the by means of the motor truck.

miraculously preserved statues of THE MIRACLE of which we write tion manifested by their Catholic because they realize that the major- comrades to the symbol of their fact, had the whole scheme not been erick and Hoetzendorff, the Austrian Redemption, or the emblem of their mapped out months in advance it awakened a longing desire in the all. The preparations consisted of vouch for, and which no doubt is one heart of many a poor creedless the building of an entire new road to of many that has happened along the Tommy to possess these things, that the fortress and the working out of ever, could have had nothing to do

paid in full measure when in due draw time its every detail is revealed.

MANY MONTHS in advance of the a mother's care or a father's protect- is laid on it.-Father Aquaviva, S. J. command at Verdun, foresaw the and by outflanking Cadorna's army

ON THE BATTLE LINE

The chiefs of the Teutons have been in conference at the field camp of the German Emperor. The meeting of von Hindenburg and von was not performed in a day. In Ludendorf with the Archduke Fred leaders, indicates that the next great move of the enemy requires the close cooperation of the German and Austrian armies

The conference of Thursday, how they might make his life a little an intricate system to handle the with the western front, for there the Germans are handling their own affairs without calling Vienna into consultation. On the eastern front. Austria might become jointly interested. The first is a drive defence of Verdun possible, and to across the Sereth toward Odessa in whole world for that matter, will be naid in full measure when in der King Constantine and Greek Royalists into the war on the side of the Central powers. third possibility is a second attempt to descend from the mountains of

great assault, General Herr, then in the Trentino to the Plains of Venetia.

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along the Isonza force Italy to the reserve, the conscious and yet was late in the evening, and his in solitude, in misery, perhaps, or abandon her attempt to conquer Istria and Dalmatia

are taking council together. Mr. garden, with very little grass, it is come down to us. And at 9 o'clock, Lloyd George and Lord Milner have true, but with some trees. Here with a cigar in his mouth and one of arrived at Rome with their military advisers to participate in an exchange of views on the general situation with the French and Ital ian Governments. Weather conditions have caused a more complete cessation of operations on a large scale along the Italian front than in With the exception of an west. advance of 200 yards on the Carso yesterday the Italians have been practically inactive for the past two months.

The remaining Russian troops in the Dobrudja, after a bitterly contested battle at a point about ten miles northeast of Braila, in the of which they inflicted course heavy losses on the enemy, were to withdraw toward forced the Danube. Their retreat will enable the enemy to bring his heavy guns to bear on Galatz from the east bank of the river, and will almost inevitably involve either the evacuation of the city or its partial destruction by bombardment. Galatz is north of the mouth of the Sereth, and the Russians may decide to hold the city, even as a ruin, to protect the Sereth lines.—Globe, Jan. 6.

FOKSHANY ALMOST POCKETED London, Jan. 5.-Slobozia is only four miles from the Sereth south east of Fokshany. The latter town, for several days the goal of the German efforts in this section, is almost pocketed, the forces of Falkenhavn having advanced far to the north on both sides of it.

The fall of Braila and the com plete clearing of Russian troops from the Dobrudja, announced by Berlin tonight, places the important town of Galatz, twelve miles north of Braila, in a perilous position that makes its capture inevitable.

T. P. O'CONNOR'S LETTER

PEACE OFFERING TRANSFORMS BRITISH FEELING

THE EVER-INTERESTING LLOYD GEORGE

Special Cable to the CATHOLIC RECORD

(Copyright 1916, Central News) London, Jan. 6.—What does England really think concerning the German peace proposals? The an-swer in brief is; nothing at all. Little is heard publicly or privately about peace. The sole absorbing preoccupation of everybody is the big Allies' offensive that will be launched in the Spring, especially on the western front. It is only on the ruins of a defeated German militarism on the battlefield that the Entente Allies will place any confidence.

I'wo feelings run side by side. First, the hatred and distrust of Germany and a disbelief in her professions of humanity which have been deepened daily by news from Belgium and Armenia, and a distrust of her abandonment of the gospel of military ascendency which has been deepened again by the boastfulness of the Kaiser and the Chancellor and by the ravings of the Pan-German These feelings have reached press. such a boiling point that no sacrifice will be considered too great to finish once and for all the time, the devilish Prussian military machine. The second feeling is one of

increasing confidence that such a much respect for the traditional love power of the Entente Allies. I never saw a more complete transformation of feeling, between the deep dejection caused by Roumania's defeat and the almost exultant self confidence that has arisen as a result of Germany's whines.

not self-sufficient spirit of a great house was about a quarter of an democratic Empire. Behind both hour or twenty minutes away from ation, oppression; at the very end the houses there is a spacious mine. Not at all, he said, he would what does that matter to you? How The Allies as well as the Teutons the houses there is a spacious true, but with some trees. Here now and then the Premier gives a garden party—of course in the summer time. The gardens, are a welcome oasis in the heart of Londom to us. And at 9 o clock, with a cigar in his mouth and one of his sons by his side, he walked in. I know statesmen who are so full of themselves that they would regard it as a derogation of their high posi-London. The rooms in both houses tion to visit instead of being visited. are roomy, almost vast ; the windows Lloyd George may have some strange are large, and the furniture has experiences in his now omnipotent been made modern by successive position ; one change he will never Premiers—notably by Disræli, who undergo ; he will never get the shared the love of his race for com- swelled head. fort and splendour.

But it is not at Downing Street that the intimates of Lloyd George see most of him. He does see a lot CARDINAL MERCIER'S of people there, it is true; but the interviews are of a rather hurried FULL TEXT - " THE ORDEAL IS character, for they usually take place at breakfasts at 9.15. Though am an intimate friend of Llovd George and am always enlightened enormously by a talk with him, I have struck at the breakfast, unless Yes, the ordeal is long. I hear you from day to day repeat these words, when I have an American friend who and there is no one, I think, who does not share your feelings. is anxious to see the great man and can get no opportunity of doing so except at the breakfast hour. It was And when will it end ? One day when your Divine Saviour at breakfast that Lloyd George first discoursed to His Apostles on the met Mr. McAdoo, the present Secreterrible things that would immediatetary of the Treasury of the United States; and there also he made the ly precede the end of the worldwars, pestilences, earthquakes, atmosacquaintance of Colonel John W pheric disturbances, His hearers asked Him, When will these dis-Stewart, the famous Canadian contractor. That breakfast was the in-troduction of Colonel Stewart to the turbances come ? And our Divine Saviour replied

PASTORAL

OF LONG DURATION"

INTRODUCTION

the sanctification of His Holy Name,

for the accomplishment of His will.

FIRST PART

In order to thoroughly understand

the events in their deepest sense, the

soul must keep before it the thoughts

God speaks to us both without and within. He speaks to us without by

lessons of events. He speaks to us

The voice of nature is generally

of eternity.

valuable work he is now doing on the No one knows, not even the Son of front in railway construction. I nearly alway refuse the breakfast Man. God in His mission on earth has not except in such exceptional circumthe duty of revealing it to humanity. tances ; I retain the old journalist's habits of late nights and late morn-1,000 years more, 10,000,000 years It is at Walton Heath, however,

more; not whether you will die in your youth, or at middle age or in that you can get a real glimpse of the man. He occupies there a modest house of but two stories. Walton Heath was chosen partly because it has excellent and bracing air-it stands seven hundred feet above sea level, partly because it has one of shall be the docile instruments for the best golf links in England. The house is very comfortable in spring, for the establishment of His reign, summer and early autumn, but it is like all houses in Walton Heath—very cold in winter; and I am sure the average American or Canadian would shiver in the absence of the radiator. Lloyd George, however, seems to be quite impervious to cold, and is often quite unconscious that the room in which he is talking or dinthe marvels of nature and by the ing is like an ice-chest. Regard for comfort of surroundings in any form

within by the delicate but mysterious is not one of his passions. power of the Holy Ghost. He tries as a rule to get down to Walton on Friday evenings; this harmonious, tranquil, like the solemn gives him three days in the country movement of the sun in space, the air, and these days make him a new murmur of waters, the growth of man. He has both the physique and grain, the the temperament of the typical Celt; seasons. But nature's voice is somehe goes down quickly under overtimes violent and terrible, like that work, and he has moments of des of powder or thunder, the raging of pondence when he gets done up; but the he rises with extraordinary rapidity, shake the earth and hurl lava from and the depressed and tired man of

the volcanos. Monday is very often the alert youth The world also has it pacific of Tuesday. In these times his visits have often had to be put off till periods, its periods of concentrated work, its economic successes, intel-Saturday—sometimes even till Satur lectual, artistic, civilized, but at cerday evening. As a rule he does not tain times the passions are unloosed, hatred stifles the voice of love, and see many people on Saturday. If the weather be fine he goes out golfingdeath seems to triumphover life nis companions being often George Riddell, a great newspaper owner, and Robert Donald, the editor of the Daily Chronicle : at one time Masterman was another invariable companion, but Charles writing instrument. It is for us to Masterman was then a Cabinet Minwrite it in letters of gold or characister and could afford a house in The house had to be given

up, and Walton Heath knows Masterman no more. Lloyd George does

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under the weight of defiance, humili-How will you look back upon these minor details of life when you shall review them in eternity. Whatever happens to you, there is

in you something which no person or no thing can touch—that is your soul. And this soul which is yours, of which you are the master, is made to commune with God, and it commune with God, if you desire it ; he will never get the it will embrace Him and will be em-braced by Him, not in the ephemeral course of the life of a man, or of a historical period, but eternally, forever, forever.

URGES THOUGHTS ON ETERNITY

My brethren, raise up your eyes, then, I pray you, and keep them fixed on this Polar star of your eternity. And then you will see all created things disappear in the shadow of nothingness which the Scripture, that other direct and personal voice of God, calls a smoke that floats and disappears, a cloud that is dissolved. a shadow that flees, a flower that falls to pieces, a wave that flows back into the ocean.

Eternity. My brethren, we all lack the courage to face it, even for a moment. Embrace it as much as yon can, hold it fixed in your imagination for the space of an hour, a half hour, a quarter of an hour, direct your thoughts to it. During this quarter of an hour see only it and God, your Creator, your Saviour, your Judge in In other words, the Son of it; have the will power to forget, during this brief time, all else but it, This means to you, in effect, that you are not to know if the world will last imbued with its spirit and determined.

I told you, my brethren, in opening your youth, or at middle age or in extreme old age. Only one thing is both without and within, without by necessary, that you know your own the voice of nature or by history soul and that in the all-nowerful within by the breath of the Holy hands of the Master of Events you Ghost.

Do you wish to know why eternity, which means so much, affects you so little while present events weigh so heavily upon you? It is because you have leisure for everything and you do not wish to adapt yourself to the only thing which is worth the trouble. You do not know how to turn your thoughts from earthly things to pious meditation. Your soul is made by baptism and confirmation the dwelling place of the Holy Ghost. Let it drink of the oil of saving grace, said St. John, and it shall learn to distinguish truth from untruth. But, observed Pope Greg-ory, grace resembles the breeze at daybreak ; it caresses and passes, and

nothing you can do will bring it back. You are at the mercy of events when you should command them. slow evolution of the You obey your emotions, though you have the right and power to be their masters. Silence them ; go down on tempest, the eruptions which your knees in your chamber, with doors closed, or in the sanctuary where our Divine Saviour lives for us, opposite the altar of sacred sacrifice, facing the tabernacle and the crucifix, and there, in silence, detaching yourself from that which goes on vithout and that which agitates you within, request Our Lord to send you Ghost, the Holy Ghost His Holy which is the right hand of God, "digitus paternae dexterae." He will show you the way in which your con science may find truth, light and peace in all your hours of sorrow and anguish.

SECOND PART

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, gives us by the mystery of His death and how and in what measure each has resurrection, perpetuated in the sacred sacrifice of the Mass, the key to events. Out of death comes life

years are the result of human to come as you are, even though their wives and their mothers, the passions that we should deplore and poor. nounce, but it depends upon us to lift ourselves by reflection and faith to a higher and more serene concep-God. God is God, that He is the tion of the general plan of Providence and to apply to our affliction and to the crimes which caused it what the liturgy says of that drama which was at once the blackest of crimes and

most cruel of sorrows. It says : Lord, in memory of the passion of Christ, your Son, our Lord, and of His Resurrection and His glorious cension, we offer to your Sovereign Majesty this sacred victim, this life. giving bread and this cup of immortality.

GLORIFIED BY SUFFERING

Yes, in spite of these horrors, glorious was the Passion of our Divine Saviour, glorious for Him, for it brought Him His glorious Resurrection, His Ascension, and His dominion over the world. It is glorious for us also, for henceforth if we consent to suffer with Him, with Him also will we be glorified.

"A moment of affliction now," so spoke St. Paul to the Corinthians, and above, for the recompense, an overflowing wealth of glory forever. condition that we do not, look solely to things visible, but to things invisible, for that which is visible passeth and that which is invisible is eternal.'

Such is, my brethren, in short, the fundamental solution of the essential problems of the life of an individual and of nations, Passion before the Resurrection, death in order to get eternal life, the Cross in order to

enter into glory. Under the old order God spoke to His chosen people by the intermedi-ary of prophets. Under the new order, says St. Paul, He speaks to us directly by His Son, who after having purified us in His Blood, has taken His place, King Eternal of centuries, at the right hand of God, His Father.

The Prophets Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Nahum, Habakuk, and the others had the mission to recall the chosen people and their oppressors, the Egyptians, the Assayrians, and the Chaldeans, and the Babylonians to the Law of Right. They announced to them continually that they would find both in the ruins of their cities and in their own blood both their punishment and the principle of their regeneration. God does not punish except to heal and to save. Humanity guilty has need to die in order to live again. If the grain of wheat did not die in the ground there would be no hope of life or reproduction.

"Follow this indication," the Apostle St. Paul says again. "De-pend solely on the Cross for your regeneration in forgiveness and peace for you and for all the sons of the true people of Israel." If the Belgians take these stern

teachings to heart, they will make these two tragic years they have just passed through the foundation of a more vigorous future, a renewal of energy, and a greater confidence in the living and redemption for the the limitless resources of a Christian nation.

when the priest and the faithful are about to partake of the Body of Christ, what is the prayer that the Church puts on their lips? Once and the end of life.

"Here," says the Church, "the Heavenly Father, with the cooperation of the Holy Ghost, executes His plan to make the source of life which is to vivify the world flow Christ, Son of the Living God."

Come principally with the inten Master to whom you owe obedience, that all He does is well done. Gather with the priest at the altar, not only to recite prayers more or less similar to his, but to assist him in the celebration of the Mass. priests, you have heard the Apostle St. John say to you in the Apocalypse that the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ was shed for all, kings and priests ; for the priests of

God and the priests of Christ, he says elsewhere. St. Peter expressed himself in the same fashion: "Christ is the living stone on which is built the Church." As for you, you are the living stones erected upon Him, with the effect of forming a spiritual family, a consecrated race, with the mission to offer by Jesus Christ the spiritual host which pleaseth God. To the priest who is officially charged with the public ministry in

the Church, the Bishop gives this advice : "Understand what you do. Be inspired in your acts by the mys tery that you touch with your hands, and then at the altar you should feel Lord. Be sure that in yourselves evil desires."

say those who make the sacrifice, you should be also the victims. "My brethren," writes St. Paul to the Romans, "I beg of you to offer your corporal body by divine mercy as a living host, pure, agreeable to God ; that this may be the spiritual form

of your worship." Combine in your sacrifice your

personal sufferings and our national sufferings, as well as all the acts of your life. This is not enough : your life itself, sacrifice it in anticipation, by your will, to the honor of God. Death is only a violent breaking off that we must by fate submit to ; it is an act to which the Christian soul should associate itself in a positive manner, the return to the Sovereign Master of a gift that He has confided up of life is a sacrificial act that the Christian accomplishes in union with the supreme expiration of our Christ Jesus. And when we all, familiarizing ourselves with this noble Christian thought of death, will make within ourselves the sacrigo up from the soil of the Belgian to my succor." fatherland to the majestic throne of God a magnificent homage, which

of benedictions. Our sacrifice will intercede for us ; Our sacrifice will intercede for us ; it will expiate our sins. During and each one of you, Belgians of the these two months consecrated to the Holy Rosary and to the commemoration of the dead, in accord with the sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, give full attention to the Calvary and to the sacred sacrifice souls of our dear dead.

In the secret moment of the Mass, Let us bless Him for having watched over our King, the glory of the Belgian nation, our gentle Queen and the royal children : let us thank church puts on their lips? Once again she recalls to us the beginning and the end of life. Him for having given us the patience to bear up without faltering or murmur under our long and terrible ordeal, for having accorded us the having inspired him to tell us that his upon foreign nations the extent of

silent heroines of the great Euro drama. Pray for our armies which in the west, the east and the center fight with such violence and tenacity for our common cause. May their guardian angels accompany

them into battle and may the guardians keep them in religious chastity until the day of repose. Let me also recommend to you especially our priests, military chaplains and stretcher bearers, may their work be fruitful and may they pass through all dangers without harm and return to us pious and strong. Suffering has rendered us more

compassionate. Formerly, we the massacres of the poor Armenian people pass with little thought. Mussulman fanaticism has put to death thousands and the of these unfortunates during the present war and carried away as slaves their wives and young daughters. Have pity for them, pray for them.

Poland, noble Poland, always faith ful to its faith and its vows. Poland which has never undertaken a wan of conquest, but has always struggled for its peoples and for European civilization, suffers more than we do: the mystery of the death of Our her sons are scattered amongst the battalions of the Russians, the Austhere remain no vicious instincts or trians and the Germans. Her soil has been ravaged by the flux and Since you are priests, that is to reflux of armies; America ay those who make the sacrifice, unable to give her food—pray for her, my brethren, and ask God that at least one of the fortunate results of this horrible war shall be definite recognition of Polish independence

Finally, here in the occupied portion of Belgium, let us pray one another and let us love one another. May our affection be sincere and actively expressed. The history of charity in Belgium during the war will furnish pages which merit a place beside those on which is written the heroism of the soldiers. May there be no spot on our national book of gold. Let us work together. to the best of our ability, for our union and our mutual assistance.

May those in easy circumstances to us for His glory. This rendering give with largeness to those in need, to the aged, the sick, the weak. Beware of enriching yourselves at the expense of the misery of others -that would be odious.

And until the end let us all be patient and persevering. Be of good our confidence be recheer. Let fice of our terrestrial life, together with our sons and our brothers who with our sons and our brothers who fall on the field of honour, there will God. Come to my aid ; Lord, hasten

Apply to our patriotic endurance what our Divine Saviour says of our will descend again upon us in form eternal salvation : "He who perse veres until the end will be saved."

> occupied districts and absent com patriots, my especial and paternal benediction

D. J. CARDINAL MERCIER, Archbishop of Malines.

DOES HE MEAN YOU?

"We would resent being called disloyal Catholics. Yet what have the great mass of us done for the general interests of the Church ?' says the Western Watchman. Catholics, for instance, belong to Catholic societies that pass ringing resolutions in praise of the Catholic first benediction of our sacred Father, Pope Benedict XV. and for Catholic press to advertise their from the death of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God." warmest paternal affection goes out to Belgium, for having impressed single Catholic journ

It is always, however, God who speaks. Each historic period is a page from the divine book of Provi-We write it, but the strong will of the All Powerful holds the

ters of blood, but the book must be written. In eternity we will again take it up, and there will be found

While history yet runs its co

Thou hast incorporated us in

FIVE

Practically all of this self confidence comes from the stories of battles on the western front and from the knowledge that our big guns are better and more numerous than those of the enemy and from the palpable and pronounced dein German morale. These things all lead to the satisfying belief that we will be enabled to follow up the Somme victories by more power ful and more conclusive attacks.

Lloyd George has not been living much of late at 11 Downing Street, though that was his official residence. It is a big and expensive house to keep up, and even Minis-ters in these days feel the pressure of gigantic taxation. He has had a little flat in Victoria Street close by. He now goes, of course, to 10 Down ing Street—which has been occupied by the majority of Premiers, there have been few exceptions, since it was given as a present to the Gov-ernment in the eighteenth century. The two houses are pretty much the same; they are of the good old Georgian architecture - very and very simple, utterly devoid of the new architectural developments which have been introduced in the last half century. For instance, just opposite to these two houses and a third-No. 12 which is occupied by the Whips — there are the great buildings which belong to the Foreign and the India Offices. These abiding places of high departments are Byzantine in size and in adornment, with turrets and busts on the face and all the grandiose suggestion of the great Empire. This juxtaposition brings into greater relief the simple, comfortable, roomy, old-fashioned character of the official residences of the two highest Ministers of the country. Many people prefer the old system to the

quiet Sunday among the Nonconformists of Wales, to whose general view of life he has remained redemption alone has the power to quite faithful.

Charles

Walton.

break the seven seals which guard On Sundays he receives his friends the either at lunch or supper - some-Apocalypse, bowed down before the times at tea. He generally takes a Lamb, offer up prayers to the Saints little rest between lunch and tea and sing : "Thou who art worthy to time; often if you are a privileged take the book and to break its seals, visitor to the house you have to talk because thou hast been sacrificed and because with thy blood thou to Mrs. Lloyd George or one of the two daughters, while the master of the household is still finishing his hast acquired for the service of God representatives of all nationalthe nan. Lloyd George, like so many ities, without distinction of race, nor other great men of action, has the geographical nor political classificagift of sleeping anywhere or at any tion. time. I have seen him fall asleep a spiritual kingdom for the glory of almost while he was talking in a God and hast transformed our life railway train ; he is a very poor cominto a sacerdotal office." panion when motoring, for he falls asleep within five minutes of the The last seal will be broken when this divine Jesus, who deigned to

start of the machine. When he is at stoop to us and to assume our lowly home all he has to do is to sit on one nature, in order that he might sacrichair, and stretch his legs on an-other; and in a few minutes he is fice Himself for us, will return to us in the majesty of His glory seated on started on a sleep of a couple of hours. As a rule, he does not suffer the clouds, the cross of the last judgment in His hand, and with His from sleeplessness at night; though he has had his hours — under the voice more powerful than the thunder, will say to each one of His stress of a great sorrow or a great anxiety — when he had to read creatures one of these two words "Come, thou blessed of My Father, through the black, bleak hours of the night. Now and then he wakes take your place in the celestial kingdom which I have prepared for thee,' too early and resorts to his state or, on the other hand "Go, thou accursed, to the eternal fire created papers, and thus begins a day someimes at 5 o'clock in the morning. for the devil and for those who have

At Walton Heath you see the made themselves his slaves." That will be the last resounding absolutely unchanged simplicity of his character and his tastes. He word which will fall from the lips of God the Father, a word which will be decisive, unchanging, which will keeps a very modest table ; he rarely touches any form of alcohol ; and for his friends he usually has either a divide us for eternity to the right or glass of whiskey or a light cheap to the left, among the chosen in glory or among the damned in the abyss. But, my very beloved brethren, do wine. His table is just that of a well-paid artisan, with a joint, a homely pudding and a bit of cheese. you think of this? Do you think It is scarcely necessary to say that sufficiently of this ?

you find no trace in him at Walton In the presence of this supreme side." He is alternative, what remains? or any place else of That simple, unpretentious, hearty, frank almost to indiscretion. I had a small cottage during the Irish negoyou die young or old, in bed or on the field of battle, far from or near to your relatives, what does that tiations at an earlier part of the matter? That your days pass tranyear. Once I rang him up to say quilly in your own loved home, where happiness abounds, where that there were with me some of the Irish leaders, and asked him whether friendship and esteem surround you, new; they think it beseems better we should go up to his house. It or that you have lived in tribulation, have been witnesses for the last two

the book is closed, sealed ; the Divine Wars should not trouble the neace Lamb who shed His Blood for our

ed to reason and would never have secrets. The Old Men of the been permitted to intrude in the peace of families or of nations; but sin has overthrown this generous In its train disorder entered plan. into history and revolt henceforth becomes a part of human events.

Pride and cupidity, break the world's balance; repression and armed defense are necessary for its reestablishment.

Wars have become inevitable, and as long as there shall be on the earth men guilty of allowing passion to dominate reason and Divine will universal peace will be a dream. It is too little to say, to want peace for the mere sake of peace, because peace at any price would be an accept ance with equal indifference to rights and injustice, truth and untruth ; it would be cowardice and impiety. Nevertheless, a great artist knows

how to join discord with harmony. The ugly under the brush of a master disappears, by contrast, in the beauty of the whole picture.

infinite wisdom the means to trans-form this world, troubled and embit tered by the sin of our first parents and by our personal crimes, into a work of redemption which surpasses in the grandeur of moral perfection its own first plan.

"God, who is all powerful and supremely good," said St. Augustine, would not permit the slightest evil to slip into His work if He were not at the same time powerful enough and good enough to bring out the good, even from the evil."

And you remember, my brethren, that every year, on the Holy Saturday before the resurrection of Christ the Church dares to sing : 'Oh oui. il le fallait ce peche d'Adam que la mort du Christ, a efface; Oh oui. heureuse la faute qui nous a valu un pareil at aussi puissant Redempteur!' The sinister events to which we

And those holy Popes, Pius IX. and Pius X. do they not request us of humanity. In the primitive plan of Providence passions were subject-touching prayer : "I pray Thee, my beloved Jesus Christ, that Thy death shall be a source of eternal life to me and that Thy Cross shall be forever my glory.

THIRD PART

Take an active part in the sacred sacrifice of the Mass. Worship the works of God ; also expiate your sins, thank God and pray.

Come, my brethren, to Mass: revivify your religious life. Come every day if you can, but at least never fail in your Sabbath obligation to the Church. I met recently some young persons, young daugh ters of the people, who no longer dared to appear at church because they had nothing but sabots to wear on their feet. My children, I understand your humiliation, and I am touched with compassion. But you may be sure that our Divine Saviour is not like the passers-by whose regards make you hang your r beads. He made Himself poor of His own free will, so as better to bring you to So Divine Providence, which wishes only good, finds in the secrets of its

> Oh, my brethren, honor the poor And you, my dear confreres of the priesthood, accord them the first seen them, our absent ones rival place in your esteem and in your solicitude. I would like to see them in the first row of the temple of Jesus of Bethlehem and Nazareth. Before Him and before the Church they are greater than you or us, and of higher value. If they accept their condition with good grace and faith. they do more for the salvation of humanity than those whose fortune and success make you envious.

As for you, mesdames, if you should make a showing of your abundance, when your sisters have nothing but sabots and rags you would offend both God, the fatherland, and the dignity of the poor. Come, then, all, all men and all

our misfortunes. After the war we should erect in their honour a monument of gratitude. Let us make for them today a place of honour in our pious thoughts.

PRAYERS FOR BELGIANS

Finally, as we are not yet at the end of our Calvary, may our celebra-tion of Mass be a continuous prayer for our dear fatherland, for those present and those absent, for our Dear Readers of CATHOLIC RECORD: That your charity towards my valiant prisoners and those who are interned, our dear refugees. The mission is approved by the highest ecclesiastical authorities of Canada longer the war lasts the more ardent becomes my compassion for all those let me quote from a letter from His energetic men who spent their efforts in our behalf, and who now are tor-Excellency, The Most Rev. Peregrine tured with inaction.

Our refugees, "Although England, France, Holland, and Switzerland indeed neglect nothing to lighten their cares, yet exile is nevertheless exile. From time to time one hears bitter words concerning them. I do not say that among them there were not some without faults, faults regretted now by their authors, per haps sorrowfully, but how many of those that you criticize so lightly be him: the more your condition come unwilling victims of feeling, of son, or solicitude for a son at the front, of material want. According

in my prayers and Masses. Yours faithfully in Jesus and Mary. J. M. FRASER. their compatriots of the occupied Previously acknowledged.. \$9,130 65 parts of Belgium in their patience. Reader of RECORD

abnegation and apostolic spirit. We Reader of RECORD Harriwill receive them with open arms son's Corners..... 1 50 when they return and let them not 5 00 doubt for a moment that they will Miss L. Gilmour, Montreal 2 00 find here friends and brothers who J. B. 1 00 Mr. and Mrs., Little Harbor have ever remained faithful to them. 2 00 We cannot exclude anyone from P. Dwyer, Peterboro. 1 00 our prayers, not even our enemies, McRory, Quebec but Christian theology teaches us to J. Egan, Toronto ... 2 00 have different degrees of affection. Friend, Bornholm ... 2 00 Xmas Collection, Mabou N. S. (per J. F. Mac-St. Thomas says to love by preference your neighbors, your compatriots, and those who do you good. Let us Master, P. P.). 120 00 pray, then before everything else, for J. J. Biggar, Sask 5 00 our brave soldiers whom we hold so Mrs. M. Donnelly, Tweed .. 2 00 dear because of ties of blood or perwomen, and worship at the church. Come in modest dress, do not blush devotion for us. Let us not neglect cote..... Mrs. M. J. Quinn, Tweed.. 1 00 1 00

Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity, and truth accomplishes no victories without it.—Bulwer Lytton.

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WHAT CHRIST REQUESTS US TO DO-

"His Mother saith to the waiters : Whatsoever He shall say to you, do ye." (John xi. 5.) Long ago have we been made

aware of what Our Lord wants us to The one short phrase, " Seek first the kingdom of God," expresses our entire duty. If we do it, we will enjoy the superabundance of His favors at the eternal nuptials above. But we cannot deny the fact that there are many too lazy, and many too busy, to do what He requests in this short phrase. Large, indeed, is the number of those who express an abhorrence of all vice, and yet either from sloth or over-solicitude in the affairs of this life, are very far from obeying this precept of Our Divine Lord. He is the great Master whose right to command no Christian questions; we are His servants whose duty to obey no Christian denies. may The command of the Master has gone forth. Can those servants with any show of reason, who spend the greater part of their time in regular rounds of amusements and pleasures, though not vicious, yet irrele vant to the import of the precept, claim they are good and faithful servants? Can a servant be said to do his duty, when he spends almost his whole time in attending to others. matters which in no way pertain to his duty? The answer to these questions is in the mind of every one of you. It would be to mock God to tell Him that we offer Him lives that are idle and unprofitable. It would be to tempt God, to tell Him that it is for His sake we spend the greatest part of our time in passing from one source of amuse to another. Oh, the impiety of the man that would say to God : It is for love of you that I study to gratify my inclinations and humor ! What Christian would have the audacity. to say to God that he had led a life of ease, idleness, and pleasure in compliance with His divine will? How many Christians there are who lead such lives ! They delusively expect to be at the eternal nuptials above, and enjoy all the favors of our Lord, though they are too lazy to comply with His request. They are deplorably deceiving themselves. May God grant that they realize this before it will be too late.

It is unnecessary to remark, that no legitimate business is inconsistent with the duty pointed out in the short precept of Our Lord. Of their own nature temporal employments are not opposed to the duty prescribed in the precept. But whilst in themselves they are no hindrance, they are often rendered such. Christians there are who allow the concerns of this life to so engross them, that God and matters of their soul's salvation are almost entirely shut out from their thoughts. They thus flagrantly mismanage the affairs of their lives. Altogether taken up with material matters, they leave their souls starving for nourishment that should come to them from prayer, and the sacraments. Their bodies are fed when hungry, are cared for when sick, but their souls may starve, and be with out remedy in sickness. Their busi ness, let it be ever so important, prevents them not from nourishing their bodies, and from procuring them a remedy when sick. So would they act with regard to their souls if

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their God. If they were honest serv-

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Lord, and then will they experience the effects of the heavenly wine **Divine Redeemer**? which He reserves for His true followers even in this life - the rich flavor of this, of the present life, will make them thirst for that of the future in the mansions of bliss.

TEMPERANCE

SERVING MARY BY TEMPERANCE

talk, must have been specially shocked. Your Sodality is of a Love is the only coin of Christ's nature to make you fulfil your duty Kingdom and all else is counterfeit. By it alone is all the law fulfilled and by it alone are the favors of His of reparation to your outraged Lord For that reason we would wish that the faithful of Rome give in their Kingdom obtained. Many a Christian wonders that his prayers are names in great numbers to this holy league, and that they vie in noble not more profitable, who has not yet rivalry among themselves in offerlearned to pray aright. Building ing to Jesus prayers and pious shrines and making votive offerings may help to make Mary loved of eiaculations. other acts of devotion in reparation men but not always. Such things for the outrages which blasphemous may be senseless monuments to vantongues, or pens dipped in the poison ity, rather than magnets for human of a lurid sect, have done to his Divine Majesty."—Sacred Heart hearts. The wayward son who mis takes a natural tenderness for his Review. mother for a genuine love for her give her houses and auto mobiles, and everything that he is THE HUMANITY OF willing to give away. But that mother wants his heart and the love that only a clean heart can give She may accept the tokens of his

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tender thought of her, but she hun It was St. Gregory Nazianzen who gers for that gift which alone can fill up her heart's desire. So it were better that, instead of shrines to marvelous personality, "He was oppressed with hunger; but He feeds Mary and costly gifts, we give thousands in the desert, and He our love and win for her the love of is the living and celestial Bread. He was parched with thirst, but He He who protects the Blessed cried aloud, if any one thirst, let him

Mother from a single blasphemy come unto Me and drink, and He uttered against the Divine Son ; or promised to be a fountain unto be wards off some threatening sin ; or lievers. He was weary, but He was renders any service that love dic. the rest of those who are weary and heavy laden. He was weighed down tates, will do more than he can hope to do who enriches her shrines with with sleep, but He walked lightly on the wave, and He rebuked the winds, gifts. Better far to get a costly drunkard to become sober, or to and He bore up Peter from save a boy from a drunkard's fate, rolling billows. . . If the things which evince His humanity have rolling billows. than to offer many novenas made for selfish ends. Not that shrines are of small value, or novenas of little effect, for by them are largely Divinity remove thy mistake.' fulfilled that great prophecy of Mary, Behold from henceforth all nations shall call me? blessed." But they must be inspired by love and must not fail in an intelligent apprecia tion of that ultimate purpose of all religious symbols-the salvation of souls.

Every pledge of total abstinence will gladden our mother by the greater assurance of safety for one more of her children. The estabishment of a temperance society will bless those who ward off from her the cruel sting with which drunkenness in her children wounds her. Build up the Kingdom of her Divine Son and her maternal blessing will be upon the builders. Temperance is one of the four cornerstones of that Kingdom. Make men sober and you will make glad the heart of Mary. Let us then sing the praises of Mary with love and joy Let us breathe in devotion to her with every breath of spring ! Her month is the month of the earth's awakening! Let us be glad in these days! Let us gladden our Blessed Mother by gifts of love and thoughtful service.-Catholic Temperance Advocate.

TRUE NOW

Cardinal Manning, the great Engabove the earth-it is all it can be lish total abstinence advocate of his time, said of the drink evil: "For creature adorned with leaves and Church, and that they differ radically thirty-five years I have been a priest branches, and it is all it can be then; and Bishop in London, and now I it reaches its full perfection when approach my eightieth year, and have the blossom breaks into flower. But Catholicity on the claim of a common earned some lessons, and the first is it has been as perfect as it can be at Apostolic descent the possession of this: The chief bar to the working every stage of its existence; it has valid orders and a lawful ministry. of the Holy Spirit of God in the souls | had no struggle, no retrogression, it | of men and women is intoxicating drink. I know of no antagonist to and natural way to each successive the matter of the Church's decisions step of its life, exactly and fully that in this regard, but let it be noted the Spirit more direct, more subtle, more stealthy, more ubiquitous, than which a plant should be. intoxicating drink. Though I have Such known men and women destroyed for all manner, of reasons, yet I know of no cause that affects man, woman, the child and home with such universality of steady power as intoxicating drink." And were this good Cardinal alive to-day he would be forced to admit that the same conditions, life. the same grace destroying enemy is in our midst. As in his day, so today, the laborers in the field of total abstinence are few, very few, and the harvest of rotting grain 1s so plenti-Review ful. We can only pray the Lord of the field to send into the minds and the hearts of those who should be rightly disposed, the generous impulse to labor.-Catholic Temperance Advocate.

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launched last month against our promised Messiah. Zeal for the salation of souls was the characteristic "All Christians must have felt outfeature of His public life, but He raged by them, because a person who was always natural, always human. loves, takes as done to himself the His illustrations were natural, so injury done to a friend, and he who were His actions. not ungrateful is afflicted when

To impress upon His hearers the insult instead of homage is heaped all-pervading Providence of God, He told them that the insignificant little "But you, of all others, who are sparrows were under the watchful enrolled in a league against blasphemy, cursing and unclean care of Our Heavenly Father.

To warn them against undue anxiety about the things of this world, He mentioned the filies of the field, which neither sow nor spin, yet Sol-omon in all his splendor was not clothed in beauty that could compare with their beauty.

To bring home to their hearts God's infinite mercy towards His erring children. He spoke the beautiful and consoling parable of the Good Shepherd.

In a word, He knocked at the gate of every avenue that leads to the human heart. He washuman, tenderly human, in His actions. The tears of a heart broken mother moved Him to restore her only son. The sobbing sinner found mercy at His feet. He loved His country, He loved His friend. He wept over Jerusalem. He wept over Lazarus. In His agony He was human ; He yearned for sympathy but His Apostles slept.

Too well I feel the picture I have said of Our Lord, speaking of His drawn is very inadequate, but my aim marvelous personality, "He was is to draw attention to the most interesting and fascinating biography ever written namely, the Life of Christ, written, it is true, by men but under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Take and read, for to know Christ is to love Him.

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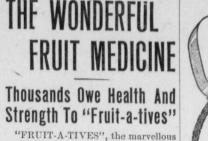
THE CHURCH'S MOST NOTABLE POSSESSION

To be Catholic means several things and all the meanings must be afforded thee a pretext for error, let present in a Church which claims the circumstances which attest His this among its characteristics. To the member of the Catholic Church The humanity of Our Lord was a this word is the most descriptive title of his Church, and, while he perfect humanity, and it was a symmetrical and rational development recognizes it to possess the right to be called also One, Holy and Aposthat gave the world that perfect and adorable Saviour whose character tolic, in speaking familiarly he calls it the "Catholic Church." Catholicand work must ever be the amazed object of study on the part of the then may be said to be the note wisest of philosophers. We, being defective in nature, are developed which in the minds of the people is most important. In its primary signot only in truth but also in error but not so with Our Blessed Lord. nificance of course, it means that the Chürch is found everywhere-He was ever growing, and yet was ever complete. There are two conceivthatit is "universal." "Their sound is gone out into all lands " must be able kinds of development ; one, de characteristic of any Catholic preach. velopment through antagonism, ing of the gospel. Then it means through error, from stage to stage of less and less deficiency. This also that it holds everywhere the same doctrine, sends up to heaven is one Sacrifice, offers one Service and such because evil has gained a lodgfollows one practice. ment in our nature, and we can attain perfection only through con-

All the above would scarcely seem necessary even to state were it not that there are those who profess to be Catholics who are yet separated from the unity of Catholic life, and I have stated these things in order to examine their claim to Catholicity on will become ; i. e, everything which it will be is already there, but the these bases. The Anglican speaks of the 'three branches" of the Catholic Church, meaning thereby according to time, perfect at each the several stage, but each stage more Church in communion with the See finished than the last. The plant is of Rome, the separated Eastern of Rome, the separated Eastern Churches, and his own. These, he claims, are all Catholic-indeed that Church, and that they differ radically from the modern Protestant sects He bases his assertions as to their

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that these decisions do not say that there are no validly ordained priests



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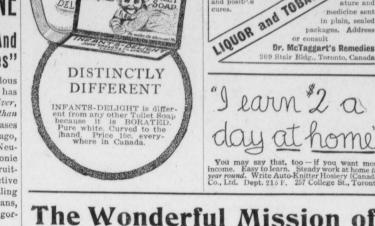
Missionary effort is almost wholly wanting among them, and they are even less Catholic in extent than Anglicanism. They do present one fairly well-defined set of doctrines and have retained their offering of the Mass as the great act of Christian worship, but this is because they are an embalmed copy of the tenth century Church, rigid in their conform. ity to things as they then were helpless to define anything beyond the decrees of the first seven general councils.

The Anglican claim falls to pieces sons for this practice and these opin completely if we apply the doctrinal or practical test, for although they interesting to everyone. may sing,

"We are not divided, All one body we, One in hope and doctrine, One in charity,"

they are nothing of the sort; and, even when the writer accepted their position, he used to be painfully aware of the fact. That hymn sung by a congregation of persons in per-fectly good ecclesiastical standing who hold everything from straight out Unitarianism to the beliefs of the Catholic Church in almost every particular, can hardly be called "one in doctrine nor even in "hope," for one desires his Church to be completely Protestant, while the other hopes for the extinction of every Protestant element in it. I will forbear to comment on the amount of unity in "charity" which exists between High and Broad Church for example. And practice is not less confused than doctrine. The differences between different parishes of the Episcopal You see, this waste is extremely poi-Church is notorious and causes many of the most bitter trials of the clergy. For many years I fought it out, always offending some members of my congregation who objected to things as they were. "This must be very High Church; I never saw it was the frequent comlike this," plaint both of parishioners and visi-tors where I officiated. Twelve years of this sort of thing showed me plainly that there is no one form of serv-

e which is acceptable to them all. we are Auto-Intoxicated. Catholicity presupposes unity, and I have already tried to show how the Anglican Church failed me in that. proper kind of an Internal Baththat is sure. Since she is not one, she cannot be Catholic, though this does not in any way deny the existence of many truly Catholic souls within her, nor does it deny their real belief in her Catho-It is simply a mistake which licity.



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The Wonderful Mission of the Internal Bath

By C. G. Percival, M. D.

Do you know that over three hun- | ity resulting from such poisoning is dred thousand Canadians and Amer- favorable , to the development of cancer and tuberculosis. icans are at the present time seek-

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ing freedom from small, as well as At the Guy's Hospital Sir William serious, ailments, by the practice of Internal Bathing ? Do you know that hosts of enlight-Arbuthnot Lane decided on the heroic plan of removing the diseased A child who appeared in the organ. ened physicians all over the country, final stage of what was believed to be an incurable form of tubercular as well as osteopaths, physical cul turists, etc., etc., are recommending joint disease, was operated on. The and recognizing this practice as the lower intestine, with the exception to of nine inches, was removed, and the

secure and preserve perfect health ? portion left was joined to the smaller There are the best of logical reaintestine. "The result was astonishing. In ions, and these reasons will be very a week's time the internal organs resumed all their normal functions, In the first place, every physician and in a few weeks the patient was

realizes and agrees that 95 per cent. of human illnesses is caused directly apparently in perfect health. You undoubtedly know, from your or indirectly by accumulated waste own personal experience, how dull in the colon : this is bound to accumand unfit to work or think properly, ulate, because we of to day neither biliousness and many other appareat the kind of food nor take the ently simple troubles make you feel amount of exercise which Nature demands in order that she may thor-And you probably know, too, that these irregularities, all directly traceable to accumulated waste, oughly eliminate the waste unaided That's the reason when you are ill make you really sick if permitted to the physician always gives you some continue. You also probably know that the thing to remove this accumulation

of waste before commencing to treat your specific trouble. old fashioned method of drugging for these complaints, is at best only It's ten to one that no specific trouble would have developed if partially effective ; the doses must be increased if continued, and finally there were no accumulation of waste they cease to be effective at all.

It is true that more drugs are probably used for this than all other And that's the reason that the famous Professor Metchnikoff, one human ills combined, which simply of the world's greatest scientists, has goes to prove how universal the boldly and specifically stated that if trouble caused by accumulated waste our colons were taken away in indoubt that drugs are being dropped fancy, the length of our lives would be increased to probably 150 years. as Internal Bathing is becoming known-

For it is not possible to conceive, flows through the walls of the colon, it until you have had the experience yourself, what a wonderful bracer an absorbs the poisons and carries them through the circulation—that's what causes Auto-Intoxication, with all its night, you awake in the morning pernicious enervating and weaken- with a feeling of lightness and buoy-These pull down our ancy that cannot be described - you powers of resistance and render ussub- are absolutely clean, everything is ject to almost any serious complaint working in perfect accord, your which may be prevalent at the time. appetite is better, your brain is And the worst feature of it is that clearer, and you feel full of vim and there are few of us who know when confidence for the day's duties.

There is nothing new about Inter But you never can be Auto-Intoxi- nal Baths except the way of adminiscated if you periodically use the tering them. Some years ago Dr. Chas. A. Tyrrell, of New York, was so miraculously benefited by faith. It is Nature's own relief and cor- fully using the method, then in rector-just warm water which used vogue, that he made Internal Baths in the right way, cleanses the colon his special study and improved thoroughly its entire length and materially in administering the Bath makes and keeps it sweet, clean, and and in getting the result desired.

NFANTS DELIGHT

ants, neither their spiritual nor temporal duty would be peglected. servants of God, they are held to both. They do not their duty if they neglect either. The temporal part of their duty is sanctified and means to their salvation, when they attend to it, without neglect of their spiritual, as a part of the duty which, as servants, they owe to God. Oh, what folly, men Christian men, are guilty of who mismanage the affairs of their lives either by being too slothful, or too busy to attend to the whole duty marked out for them by their divine Master! For what have we life? Is it not to love God in first seeking the kingdom of heaven ? All which may not naturally tend to this. should be made do so, by our intention. This is the "one thing necesto which all others must be sarv." subordinate. If in eternity we will be consigned to misery and want, what will it avail us to have abounded in wealth in this short life ? When in eternal torments, of what avail will it be to us to have enjoyed all the pleasures of this world? "What will it avail us, if we gain the whole world, and lose our own souls ?

It is clear, dear people, that if we wish to have a place at the eternal nuptials above, and enjoy the heavenly wine of divine love eternally, we must hearken to our Lord's voice when He tells us, " to seek first the kingdom of God." The condition is light when compared with the prize to which it leads us. If we but lay hold of the many graces which He in His mercy holds out to us; if we but profit by the many blessings which in His loving-kindness He bestows upon us; if we but listen to the friend is also a benefactor. Were His inspiration, and respond to His short precept, will be a pleasure rather than a difficulty. We have

be said of us that our friendship is but to taste to be convinced. The slothful and the too busy ones of us. Let them rise from their sloth, let But was not afriend sheart wounded, into tears of joy.

MAKING REPARATION FOR BLASPHEMY

The Holy Father recently received in audience, the Society of Our Lady of the Valley, which has for its aim the suppression of profanity, phemy and unclean talk. In his address the Pope referred to "terrible blasphemies that had been launched

gainst the adorable Person of our Divine Redeemer by one who poses loved the beauty and fragrance of falsely as representative of the people of Italy." His Holiness urged on the had a candy store I believe He loved members even greater zeal in proit, too

moting the good works to which they had pledged themselves. "Insults inflicted on a friend

naturally strike upon our own a little maiden weeping as if her heart," said the Holy Father, "and heart would break. His heart went how much more true is this when we to remain dumb aud insensible in Beside her lay her little pet canary invitations; what He requests in His face of the insults inflicted on a cold in death. He took the little friend and benefactor, it could only bird in His hands and consoled the not genuine, and that our hearts are lo ! next moment the canary sang void of that sense of gratitude which it never sang before, and the little

them detach their hearts from was not our supreme Benefactor The time came at length when He things earthly, and fix them on Our offended by those blasphemies was to reveal Himself to men as the

Christ. He was the perfect child, or bishops in the Anglican commun the perfect boy, the perfect youth, ion. Supposing, for the sake of He grew freely, nobly, naturally, unfolding all His powers without progress. Rev. P. J. Bradley says of Him in The Baltimore Catholic Ever since the dawn of Christianity the mystery of the Incarnation has afforded a fertile field for the but denied the reality of His human nature. Revelation makes it clear

tians must believe though they do not understand. Of His childhood days the Gospel to fill up the picture. Without any that He shared the joys and sorrows of other children. The sweet songs of the birds charmed Him. He found

I have read somewhere a beautiful

legend of His youth. One day as He walked through the village, He saw out to her in sympathy, as He inquired the cause of her tears. weeper by saying it only slept, and

maiden's tears of sorrow were turned

ion. Supposing, for the sake of perfect flower of manhood, argument, that the Anglican claim Every stage of human life was lived were true, and that they did possess in finished purity, and yet no stage a valid ministry, how would that was abnormally developed ; there affect the claim of their Church to was nothing out of character in His Catholicity ? Let us examine it by affect the claim of their Church to the tests given above. Is the Anglican Church Catholic in extent? a struggle, in a completely healthy Outside of Great Britain and her colonies she is nowhere a powerful body, and even in many of the British possessions she is decidedly minority. In the United States her communicants number scarcely more than one per cent. of the population, speculation of the active but finite and in many parts of the country intellect of man. Some saw in the Episcopal Church is either not Christ the ideal man, but nothing more; others admitted His divinity known of religious bodies. It is often confused, with the "Methodist Episcopal Church " and its existence that two perfect natures are united in the Person of Christ, and Chris-indifference to many of our fellow. countrymen. Not so the Catholic

Church-ask any man you meet. He may hate it, but he knows about it. says but little, and imagination has He is not indifferent to it. He wit nesses to its universality and to its danger of irreverence we may take it that He shared the joys and sorrows but one Catholic Church and he is perfectly sure where it may be

THE TRULY UNIVERSAL CHURCH

The Catholic Church is represented of the world where, as they another branch" of the Catholic Church is at work, while others make the statement that the Episcopal Church should confine herself to classes of people, thus witnessing to the fact that they do not believe her commission to be a really Catholic one. Nordo the Eastern Churches fare any better in regard, for their strength

pure, as Nature demands it shall be are as yet unable to see in its true light and rectify. To be Catholic a Church must be able to go forth properly.

with one voice; and to do this it The following enlightening news must go forth from one center, and there is no center from which it may Times

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ing results.

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go forth but that one given by Our Blessed Lord when He said, "Thou What may lead to a remarkable art Peter and on this Rock will I build My Church." That Christ said to have been achieved at Guy's Hospital. Briefly, the operation of established more than one Catholic removal of the lower intestines Church no one claims, and that it the could lose either its unity or its catholicity and still remain the true has been applied to cases of tuberculosis, and the results are said to be Church is unthinkable The Cathoin every way satisfactory. The principle of the treatment is

ic Church is no nebulous aggregathe removal of the cause of the distion; it is a well-defined and visible kingdom. Its seat is at Rome and its Viceregent here on earth is Peter's successor.—Floyd Keeler, formerly Anglican Archdeacon of Saliana, Kansas, in The Lamp.

AN EMPLOYER'S INFLUENCE

How far-reaching the influence of good example is, is set forth by the New World, Chicago, in the following: "The most genuinely pious man we know is a middle-aged father of a family, who has worked for over a quarter of a century for the same firm. His piety has often been a matter of wonder to us, for he was brought up in a remote rural section with few opportunities for receiving instruction or going to the Sacra-ments. The secret of it came out not in every field and has her autorous the greatest influences for good in among all nations. A large section the greatest influences for good in of the Anglican Church repudiates his life had been the example set him by his employer. 'I saw him,' him by his employer. 'I saw him,' daily at a time when such a thing was almost unheard of with the aver-age man. I saw him honest in his business dealings and giving gener ously to the support of religion, and ministering to certain races or I never heard him use an oath or speak other than respectfully of the Church and her priests. So I thought I couldn't do better than follow him. That is a case where practise has squared itself with profession, and is wholly confined to the East or to emigrated members from the East.

This perfected Bath he called the for the entire system to work " J. B. L." Cascade, and it is the one

which has so quickly popularized and recommended itself that hunarticle is quoted from the New York dreds of thousands are to-day using

Dr. Tyrrell, in his practice and advance in the operative treatment researches discovered many unique of certain forms of tuberculosis is and interesting facts in connection with this subject; these he has col-lected in a little book. "The What, the Why, the Way of Internal Bathing," which will be sent free on request if you address Chas. A. Tyrrell, M. D., Room 454, 163 College

Street, Toronto, and mention having read this in the CATHOLIC RECORD.

Recent researches of Metchni This book tells us facts that we never knew about ourselves before, and there is no doubt that everyone koff and others have led doctors to suppose that many conditions of who has an interest in his or her own physical well-being, or that of chronic ill-health, such as nervous debility, rheumatism, and other dis the family, will be very greatly instructed and enlightened by readorders, are due to poisoning set up y unhealthy conditions in the large intestine, and it has even been sug-gested that the lowering of the vitaling this carefully prepared and scien-tifically correct little book.

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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN Catholic Columbian THE DAY'S RESULT OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

THE USEFUL DIARY

all about it until he accidently found

in it he opened the book and found that the diary had been faithfully

"I am nine years old to day. Looked in the glass, but wiskars

ain't sproutin' yet." "Sassed a boy. Got lickt." "Pop borrid 10 cents for car fair,

that makes \$1.15 he owes me. Won-

Ast pop for some of my money

Mamma borrid a doler. These

A BUNCH OF WILD FLOWERS

are those who are not too blind to

One bright afternoon in early sum-

along a city street, each carrying a basket heaped with wild flowers. It

the girls were returning from a trip

to the woods and fields. As they

neared a street corner, a small boy

" Don't give him anything, Maida,'

ably pull the flowers to pieces if you

'I don't believe he would," the her answered. "He looks as

So she picked out a bunch of blos-

soms, and handed them to the little

A few days afterwards, Maida's mother was asking her sewing woman

about a sick girl, in whose care she

" She is better, I think," answered the seamstress, who lived in the same

house with the sick girl. "Something

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lickt him for it." stole my ball.

Here are a few of the entries

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flower ?" he asked.

her companion urged.

fellow, who smiled shyly.

had been much interested.

Is anybody happier because you bassed his way? Does anyone remember that you

spoke to him to-day This day is almost over and its toiling time is through ;

Is there any one to utter kindly word of you ?

Did you give a cheerful greeting to the volume the other day. Curious to see what his small son had written the friend who came along,

churlish sort of "howdy' and Or a then vanish in the throng ?

Were you selfish, pure and simple, as you rushed along the way

Or is some one mighty grateful for a deed you did today?

Can you say to-night, in parting with the day that's slipping fast,

That you helped a single brother of the many that you passed ?

Is a single heart rejoicing over what you did or said ?

Does a man whose hopes were fading now with courage look ahead.

Did you waste the day or lose it, was

it well or poorly spent? Did you leave a trail of kindness or a scar of discontent?

As you close your eyes in slumber do you think that God would say my money.

You have earned one more tomorrow by the work you did today. people are always borroin. A feloe can't save nothin'.

-EDGAR S. GUEST

DO THE HARD THINGS FIRST

Suspended above the desk of a Pittsburgh bank president is this motto; "Do the hard things first." There was more of this, but "Pop" had read enough. As a result there Ten years ago he was discount clerk in the same bank. "How did you climb so fast?' I

ked. "I lived up to that text," he The boy got his "uniform."-Cathoasked.

replied.

"Tell me about it," I asked.

"There is not much to tell," he "I have long been conreplied. scious that I was not keeping up with my work; it was distasteful to to us oftener than we realize. Happy me. When I opened my desk in the morning and found it covered with see them. reminders of work to be done during the day, I became discouraged There were always plenty of com-paratively easy things to do, and these I did first, putting off the disagreeable duties as long as possible. Result : I became intellectually lazy. I felt a decreased capacity for my work. One morning I woke up. I took stock of myself to find out the trouble. Memoranda of several matters that had long needed attention stared at me from my calendar. I had been carrying them along from day to day. Inclosed in a rubber band were a number of unanswered letters which necessitated the look. ing up of certain information before the replies could be sent. I had tried for days to ignore their presence.

other though he'd be careful with it." 'Suddenly the thought came to me, 'I have been doing only the easy things. By postponing the dis-agreeable tasks, the mean, annoying, little things, my mental muscles have been allowed to grow flabby. They must get some exercise.' I took off my coat and proceeded to 'clean house.' It wasn't half as hard as I had expected. Then I took a card and wrote on it : 'Do the hard things first,' and put it where I could

see it every morning. I've been doing the hard things first ever since. HARD WORK SPELLS SUCCESS

Following rainbows in the form of

her little brother came home with get-rich-quick schemes is the short-cut to failure, Governor Philipp, of such a lovely bunch of wild flowers. She was wild with delight, and asked Wisconsin, thinks. He holds that him where he got them. He owned

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covered half a dozen sheets? No, glass one was always "rigid," as she indeed. Brevity is a rare gift."ening news to those of my readers who with the Popes have so long de Then she put each into a long, plored the flooding of this country narrow box that was just a little small, so small that she had to crowd to get them into it. What happened?

place it snapped and broke into The papers are telling a story of a several pieces. "You see what has happened," she certain nine-year-old boy who has been keeping a diary. The book was given him last Christmas by a relative, and his father had forgotter

have come to grief." courtesy. What better example Now this may have been Miss could one have of this than the letter Brake's way of teaching the meaning of the word "rigid," for she was

always doing something of this sort to make it easy to remember the hard ite tact. its fine courtesy, its free-But Robert's face grew very things. red, for he could see that there it was written by one who was what might be another meaning in her we mean by a gentleman in the best experiment. When he went back to sense of the word. Christian conseat he was very careful to see that he did not take more than his bad name for bitterness and bad half of the seat, and was really surprised to find how much room there when the two boys worked was together -True Voice.

We feloes got up a baseball club to-day, Ime pitcher. If I had that doler 15 I could get a uniform." HIDDEN TREASURES Pop got paid to day and give me

There is always a fascination about buried treasures; be this in regard to the mineral treasure hidden in the earth by nature, or the Ast Pop about banks. I want to treasures accidentally lost or pur-

put my money ware car fair aint so posely concealed by man, writes Right Rev. Bishop Busch. Treasures of a spiritual nature are

likewise buried within easy reach if we but knew. There are chapters, or at least portions of our catechism a conference, and now the arrangement is to pay 5% a week that would afford us much consola-interest and settle every pay day. tion and spiritual behefit, and were we but aware of the fact. we might be tempted to dig them out for, our own advantage or that of others. The chapter on the Angels is such. Opportunities for sending a ray of rightness into darkened lives comes poetry of religion. The subject of brightness into darkened lives comes Grace is another example. If people but knew more about sanctifying grace, they would be more anxious

to avoid sin and to do good. The Cardinal virtues, Fortitude, Justice, Prudence and Temperance, mer, two young girls walked quickly how necessary they would seem particularly in our times! The was in the outskirts of the city, and necessity of temporal punishment— the possibility of satisfying for the same by indulgences and the spirit-

playing in the sand looked up wistual and corporat works of mercyhow this would remedy so many of Won't you please give me a our present day social problems. The Beatific Vision, the light of One of the girls stopped involunglory, the Beatitudes, the halo of tarily and put her hand into her virgins and of doctors, and perhaps

many other points of Catholic doc. trine are rarely touched upon either in sermons or in the instructions for the children. The principles back of each of the Ten Commandments would furnish a most up-to-date commentary on our present world problems. The sacramental

grace of each of the seven sacraments would make a most fascina ting course of sermons. And thus many more instances might be mentioned to show that, as a rule, the surface of religious truth only cratched, when a more determined effort to dig would reveal wondrous treasures, and produce most gratifying results.

If we undertook to dig, would we so nice happened to her last week She loves flowers dearly, but the family is very poor, and now the find many eager to pick up the nuggets ? Beginning with the new year cost of her sickness makes it so much we intend to try the experiment. In the meantime we hope to secure a full number of readers who will help worse. It is all they can do to buy medicine for her, without paying for flowers. But one afternoon last week to obtain the greatest possible number.-N. Y. Freeman's Journal.

THE HOMEWARD TREND

that most important matter, the accepted canon of the Holy Scrip-

tures. The Very Rev. Prior Gilbert Higgins, C. R. L., writing in the Lon-

don Catholic Times, says : "If the action of some authorities

ine the Church of England is calcu-

lated to discourage those who hoped

Writ. Thus in an interesting

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with these mutilated versions God's Holy Book. On with the prayers. The rubber tube bent just enough that it squeezed in nicely; but when from the editorial page of the Engshe tried to crowd the glass tube into lish Church Times to the refining power of the Catholic Faith 'The chivalry of the Middle Ages, which at its best was a very beauti explained. "If the glass tube had ful thing, and even at its worst was not been so stiff and 'rigid' that it not ignoble, grew actually out of the would neither give nor take an inch of space on either side, it would not written by St. Paul to Philemon, a 'little chef-d'oeuvre,' so Renan called it, 'of the epistolary art ?' Its exquisdom from self-assertion, show that tive. troversy has sometimes obtained a manners, but a book like Newman's 'Apologia,' written in a fiery heat of anger and indignation, contains not a trace of rudeness. Catholic Book Notes reviews very

sympathetically a deeply spiritual little book entitled "The Sacred Way," by Rev. Jesse Brett, an Angli-Sacred can chaplain of one of the communi ties of women in the Church of Eng The review goes on to say land.

"As this book, partly ascetical and partly mythical, is founded on St. Teresa, St. John of the Cross, St. Bernard, Mother Juliana of Norwich, and Father Poulian, we are not surprised that its substance and method are doctrinally sound. Main features in this rule of the Sacred Way are the fervent use of confession, recourse to a spiritual director, humility, courage, mortification, and an habitual upward look of the soul towards God. Fidelity to the guidance of the Holy Ghost and the ception of Holy Communion hold the first place in the life of advancement. The traveller is guarded against a wayward egotism by the warning of needful reliance on the external guidance of the Catholic Church. All this, coupled with devotion to the Sacred Heart and trust in the prayers of saints and ange's, admirable, and a real advance to that unity for which all are sighing. (Italics ours.)

"Our only criticism is not on any point of doctrine, practice or manner. but that these eloquent pages. earnest and rich in Scripture, present at times a vagueness and lack of dog. matic theology. . . . The book is intended to meet the definite spiritual needs of many devout persons at the present hour ; but it is much more than this-it is a sign of he times. (Italics ours.)

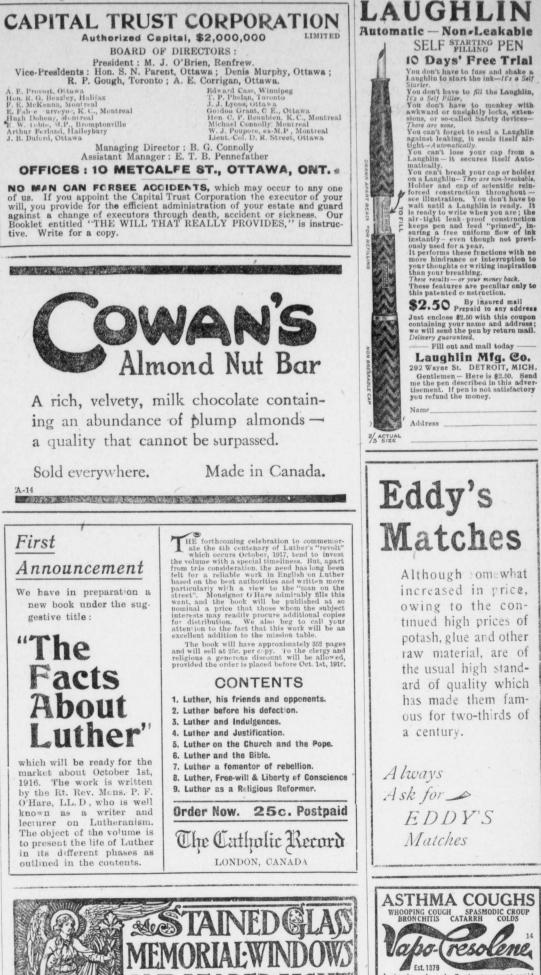
We give below a really beautiful thing which lately appeared in The American Catholic (Anglican.) It is entitled

THE GREATEST INFLUENCE OF MY LIFE

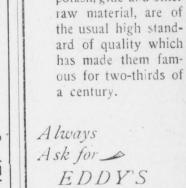
A long-drawn breath, a hand mov ing from brow to breast, eyes lifted for an instant before closing towards the racked Figure on the Crucifix beside the chancel, a shadowy glimmer of a patient face above a violet stole, and I sink to my knees once more in the familiar place.

Since my last appearance a month has passed, four long weeks renewed purpose and frustrated endeavor, thirty days of mingled weariness and hope. Each morning, the sign of the cross and a fresh resolve to go softly and sinlessly through just one day; each evening, the bowed head looking down in

gentle reproach from my bedside crucifix, the weary plaint :



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"Find out what you want to do and do it well.

"Don't be a plunger-don't chase rainbows--be conservative.

"Don't borrow money unless you know how you are going to pay it back.

"There is a pay day for everything in life, and the man who fails to keep his credit good cannot succeed. "Don't be just legally honest-be

honest because you like to be square and clean in your dealings.

"Put 'pep' into your work and be game in the face of failure.

"There is no royal road to succes -success means industry honestly applied.

BE BRIEF

"There is no business so important that it cannot be told on one sheet of paper," said Cyrus W. Field. "Time is very valuable. Punctuality, honesty, and brevity are the watchwords of life. Never write a long letter. A business man has not time to read it. If you have anything to say, be brief.

Years ago, when I was laying the Atlantic cable, I had occasion to send a very important letter to England. I knew it would have to be read by the Prime Minister and by the Queen. I wrote out what I had to say. It covered several sheets of Then I went over it twenty times, eliminating words here and there, making sentences briefer, until finally I got all I had to say on one sheet of paper. Then I mailed it.

"In due time I received the answer. It was a satisfactory one,

up that he had asked a lady who was AMONG ANGLICANS coming home from the woods with a whole basketful, for them. You never saw anyone so happy over a We believe that the following few blossoms. She had her mother news item marks a point of distinct change the water in the glass every advance toward Catholic unity, beday, so as to keep them fresh as long cause it records a remarkable change as she could, and she kent the flowers of attitude on the part of more than one of the Anglican Bishops toward

till they were all dried up." It was not that this young woman

had a better opportunity than those that come to us. But she was glad to give a bit of pleasure wherever she could, and so she did not miss the greater opportunity when it

came.-True Voice.

ROBERT'S LESSON

that her children were steadily marching by the grace of Gcd Rome-Robert was insulted. The teacher wards, i. e., homewards, the action of other prelates of the Establishment had crowded another boy into his seat, which was plainly intended for should confirm Catholics, and Ranonly one. He was a new boy, and while he was neat, and could read somers particularly, in their resoluquite as well as Robert, he had no right to take up part of his seat. tion to 'pray without ceasing' for the conversion of England to the faith The teacher had explained that as once delivered to the saints. the room was overcrowded it was Intercession must not be interrupted; necessary to put two boys in one seat. prayer's grand offensive must not But why he should be singled out to slacken. Signs are not lacking that put up with this nuisance, he could not understand. True, Tommy indicate an improvement in mental attitude of other Church of Turner had a seatmate, but he liked England Bishops. They are begin. ning to favor some of our views on

company. Robert sat very straight and stiff in Holy the middle of the seat, determined quarterly called The International not to give an inch to the intruder. Journal of Apocrypha I find that the The new boy was crowded to the very edge of the seat, and there Bishop of Manchester recommends the study of the deutero-canonical seemed to be no room for his books, while it was very plain that he did Scriptures (Wisdom, Tobias, Macha-bees, etc.) The Bishop of Moray goes not like the idea of being forced in farther. 'It is unfortunate,' he says, where he was unwelcome

such a name (Apocrypha), 'that All day Robert kept his place in which has a somewhat disparaging sound, should be given to deuterothe middle of the seat, though canonical books of the Old Testa-Tommy had found that his seat was really large enough for two boys to ment. I pause here for a moment, get along nicely, and he and his new chum were the best of friends. His Lordship continues, 'to request

you, my reverend brethren, to take The next morning Robert sat as care that the Bibles placed on the straight as ever. At the close of the lecterns of your churches contain the deutero-canonical books. . . . When you order Bibles . . . make quite sure that you do not get the imperfect Bibles too often issued.' morning exercises Miss Brake took from her desk two tubes, the same size and shape, the one made of rubber and the other of glass. She

too; but do you think I would have fared so well if my letter had bend into various shapes, while the prelate will be welcome and heart-

"Mary, Mother, pray for me because I have sinned.

Because I have sinned : This is why I, with many others, am here today, to share the painful happiness of revealing my sins to a fellow creature

So the timid, sordid recital begins, -untruthfulness, presumption, un-charitableness—"Oh Father, it's all the same old things I told last time:" and still the patient face beyond the lattice remains mercifully averted, and beside the door, God in His death Agony reaches His Arms to me. So the minutes pass : disonesty, malice, despair ; once I falter and pause until the reassuring whisper comes, "Go on my child." So one broken law follows another, vanity, envy, sloth; so the night grows and deepens around the wavering soul, so the horror and wretchedness of sin becomes evenmore lurid until I almost look to see great drops of blood oozing from the very wood of the crucifix, and the all pervading loneliness of Gethsemane encompasses me about.

A surplice rustles in the twilight feel rather than see three fingers lifted above me : "Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has left power in His Church to absolve :" and the dark-ness begins to lift : "and by His Authority :" and the East is gray : "I absolve thee from all thy sins ;" and the glory of the Resurrection Dawn is here : in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy And the Father, Son and Ghost." Holy Ghost welcome me at the very gate of Heaven.

And as Magdalene from the Garden, so the shriven penitents return to the love and service of God's world 'For if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

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NOT GOD'S, BUT MAN'S WAR, SAYS ANTON LANG

Oberammergau, Bavaria, Dec. 26. "This is not God's war; it is a armies and so long as nations pre-pare, there will be war."

So spoke Anton Lang, "Christus" in Oberammergau's world famous Passion Play, today, on the saddest Yuletide the little Bavarian village has ever known. Of her 1,800 population, Oberammergau has given 350 to the army, including Alfred Bier-ling, the "Saint John" of the play, who is now an artilleryman in the to meet this great increase. German army.

Lang desired that greetings be sent to his friends in America and that

"I have never been to the front," said this bearded man whose face most nearly resembles the features of the Saviour. "I am still alive. Please tell my many American friends that for me.

And then Lang showed his visitors' book, with the names of thousands of his friends signed therein. One signature was that of the King of He said : Rumania.

"Fifty of our people have fallen. How shall it end? I see no end. I see another spring of fighting, bloodier than ever. And if neither side is defeated, then more fighting, with millions being killed and millions of others working so other millions shall be killed, with some of those millions becoming rich in the war.

WAR CONTRARY TO GOSPEL

"I recall Christ's words, 'Who takes the sword shall perish by the sword.' That doesn't mean Europe shall perish by the sword, but I interpret the phrase to mean that he who starts war shall perish.

"I would be glad if there were no militarism in any land. Shall poison always be used to destroy poison? Isn't there another method? Cannot all militarism be destroyed by international agreements? Cannot America take the first step?" Lang was told how some of

Rumania's soldiers said they did not believe in God any more because God would not permit such murder as the great war has brought about. Lang replied slowly : "Yes, I know. I receive similar

letters from the front. But I reply, this is not God's war; it is man's Nowhere in the Bible are nations told to murder ; on the con-trary, the Bible says, 'Thou shalt not kill,' but I know how the feeling is growing among soldiers and I fear the war's bad effect on them. "Sometimes I think the war is a

necessary evil. The world seems to learn by experience.

"I hope America is never threatened by such a war. As long as there are armies and as long as nations prepare, there will be war. Until all unite and agree to limit

that it becomes confounded with the State He finds Protestant churches in

that stronghold of Lutheranism, Lausanne, imitating "Romanism," having "mystic hours," during which the service is a mixture of ac estheti. cism and imitations of Catholic devo-So long as there are tion and the pastor by his attitude and gesture seeks to copy the Catholic priest. Then, too, there has been such a flood of immigration from Catholic countries that the parishes have multiplied enormously. As an example, the parish of St. Valentine, which numbered four thousand Catholics, is now divided into four parishes comprising 20,000 Catholics, and many priests have to be provided

The writer also finds a wave of conversions sweeping over Lausanne and talks about young men "I have never been to the front," He admits that the Catholic Hierarchy is perfect, but says a "religious imperialism " is incompatible with liberty, truth and justice, and asserts that Protestantism is the guardian of "religious liberty."--Providence Visitor.

> THE SHEPHERD OF THE NORTH

In spite of the fact that Richard Aumerle Maher, author of the "Shepherd of the North" has another book almost ready for publication there are a great number of Cathad will willingly contribute the amount necessary for the fund to book almost ready for publication there are a great number of Catholic readers, who so far, have not availed themselves of the opportunity and pleasure of reading "Shepherd of the North." In this book Mr. Maher demonstrates his ability to create tense situations and his work was pronounced one of the literary finds

of 1916. The hero of the book is Bishop Alden, a big-brained, broad-minded, generous man, a splendid and wholly satisfying character who will appeal to the reader immediately on account of the lovable qualities of his nature. His ministrations among the people of the Aderondack country whose esteem and confidence he has won and particularly of the war that he wages successfully against an en-croaching railroad enables the author to write with much charm. The climax is reached in a forest fire of gigantic proportion which is set by the railroad as a means of accomplishing its purpose. Forest fires have figured in literature before but one who has seen a forest fire will realize how true and how vivid Father Maher's description is.

There is a secondary plot in the itself." which is as dramatic as that centering around the forest fire. It involves a question of honor, the solution of which requires not a little ingenuity on the part of the writer. The problems which Father Maher raises in this connection and which have to do with the confessional are splendidly treated and lead to one before. Besides all of us who had

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his departed friend—a heroic like-ness, bearing so lifelike a resem-blance that it is said Dr. Keefe wept. A photograph was taken of the work. It was exhibited to Dr. Golden and other friends of Dr. Murphy, including, it is said, Mrs. Potter Palmer. And all were struck with wonder at the perfection of the model. The plans for the Murphy Memor-

ial building have not yet been com-pleted. But it is hinted that M. Thomas Murphy's bust of the surgeon probably will grace it .- The Catholic Sun.

NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Ottawa, Dec. 30 .- His Excellency the Governor-General as president of the Canadian Patriotic Fund has

issued the following New Year's appeal on behalf of the Fund : Twice his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught appealed to the people of Canada in support of the Canadian Patriotic Fund. The prompt and generous response on each occasion proves how truly Canada appreciates the debt which she owes to her sons who are fight-ing for the Empire. Heavy as the sacrifices have already been, the Dominion is as determined as ever to carry the war to a successful conclusion and, however onerous the burden may be, she is equally deter-mined to help the families of those

who are serving in the army and in the The administration of navy. the fund has been most successful and economic and subscribers can be fully assured that their contributions are being expended to the best advantage. Fifty-five thousand families, com-

required to meet the requirements of childhood. the next twelve months.

work.

Emile Lobbedey, Bishop of Arras, who was recently decorated by President Poincare with the Legion of Honor for remaining in the city during the bombardment and aiding the soldiers and the citle the sold. dent Poincare with the Legion of the soldiers and the civilian popula-

tion, has died at Boulogne-sur-Mer. When honored by the French Government, Bishop Lobbedey offered his Cross of the Legion of Honor to name. Writing to the Bishop on that occasion, Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, said : The distinguished honor which Your Lordship has received from the highest authority of your country has brought keen joy to the heart of His Holiness, who sees in the recognition of your merits that of those of the Church

CHRISTMAS

Vincent McNabb, O. P., in Am like writing about Christmas after the feast is over more than I do



THE LION OF FLANDERS

Great Mercier of Belgium,

In solemn words and true,

Where'er the mailed hand

A scroll of deathless light,

Her son in Freedom's fight !

God's priest and prelate bold,

The tyrant wastes to day !

genuine Church of Jesus Christ.

city they fasted." (Acts 14: 22.)

gave us rules for fasting.

men

bonds

That tyrants long shall rue;

And one, upon a gilded throne,

message sends the sons of men

from its brow. Like the ideas of On the left shutter above, the stone truth, truth, goodness, beauty that Plato held to be the heart of all our think-ing, the heart of childhood should be represents Our Lady of Victories with the words, attributed to St. Bernard, "Regnum Gallia Regnum eternal. Once a child always a child. Mariae," while the last bloodstone represents St. Bernard, Abbot of A man who had seen many golden visions, and had spoken them in many golden words, has left on Clairvaux preaching the second crusade.-True Voice. record that when he was a child he spoke as a child, he understood as a child, he thought as a child. Then when he became a man he put away the things of a child. But he never After reading Cardinal Mercier's first and second Pastorals.-A. J. O'R. put away the heart of a child.

Bauli, cor pueri. The heart of Paul was the heart of a child. But a greater than Paul was once a child and therefore a child forever. Christmas is the feast not of a child, but of The Child. The Is ill at ease to-day ; very essence of Christianity is that For though he trample hordes of Jesus Christ is the eternal Child. We have gone far into wisdom when we have recognized that the Babe of The Truth he cannot slay! Bethlehem is God's attempt to express some of His Divine attributes Brave Mercier of Belgium through childhood. But perhaps we Doth hold in stern subjection's through childhold. But perhaps we prising one hundred and fifty thousand individuals, are to day dependent upon the fund and it is estimated that \$12,500,000 will be The genius of the land,

For this reason philosophers who are still floundering in the mire of the Kantian or Hegelian Absolute should Live ! Mercier of Belgium, always keep Christmastide by going hand in hand with some Who reprimanding speaks to kings As prophets spake of old ; children to a church where there is a Crib. There, if they Oh, may thy bleeding Belgium Soon pass her dolorous way ; have the seeing eye, and the hearing ear-the Lord hath made And may her seed possess the land them both !- they will see and hear more than may be learned of a hun-dred universities or encyclopedias. Their pale dream of a finite absolute Godessentially limited by the thought Paris, December 26.—Monsignor of His mind and the work of His hand, mile Lobbedey, Bishop of Arras, will give place to an infinite God Who had strained His attributes of power,

Our enduring childhood is not as His. From the beginning this eternal Son had reached the crest of perfect childhood. A poet who wrote authentic words on childhood made at least His Holiness Pope Benedict XV., but the Pontiff told him to keep it in his his friends to "look for him in the nurseries of Heaven:" for there are no nurseries apart for heaven's children, where all are children and the whole City is a nursery. "Of such is the Kingdom.'

Our childhood, then, once lost must be again recovered; if recov-ered, it must be made to grow. Childhood has been called the time of vision. But Augustine of Hippo has taught us that the blessed have a morning and an evening vision. Assuredly as one draws deeper into the evening shadows of old age new WHISPERINGS ABOUT ETERNAL CHILDHOOD CHILDHOOD CHILDHOOD CHILDHOOD the soul of its power of being again child, and even of growing in childhood until death. But a poet on her

FRENCH WAR PRISONERS' GIFT

TO POPE

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shutter represents the Sacred Heart

to be ordained. No non - Catholic denomination



married to another she committeth adultery." (Mark 10 : 11, 12.) St. Paul is no less emphatic, "7 ' To them that are married the Lord com-mandeth that the wife depart not from her husband and if she depart that she remain unmarried. And let not the husband put away his wife.' 1 Cor. 7 : 10, 11.)

Following literally, and with absolute fidelity, these solemn words of Christ and His great Apostle, the Catholic Church forbids the husband and wife to separate from one another; or, if they do separateneither of them can marry again during the life of the other. "What God hath joined together let no man put asunder." (Matt. 19:6.)

No non-Catholic denominations obey these awful words of Christ they have relaxed this rigorous law of the Gospel of Christ, they freely allow divorce for various and even trifling causes.

The inspired Apostle, St. James, There may thy glowing words be tells us in his epistle: "Is any man sick among you, let him call in the priests of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with There urge the patriot mother arm oil in the name of the Lord. (James 5:14.)

One of the most ordinary duties of a Catholic priest is to obey this inspired command of the Holy Ghost, speaking through the great Apostle. St. James. Catholics when they fall seriously sick are careful to send for the priest, that he may anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. This explains why Catholic priests

are always found attending the sick SOME "INSIDE " FACTS and dying, and they must risk their lives to carry out the command of God Himself, in the text of St. James ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

quoted above. (By Rev. Thomas F. Coakley, D. D., in Our Sunday Visitor) But no such ceremony as that of anointing the sick is practised by any Open your Bible. No other docunon-Catholic denomination, in spite nent or book or argument is necesthe injunction contained in the sary to prove which is the only, true, Bible.

Christ commanded us to fast. He ave us rules for fasting. "When The wise are silent when fools ventilate their notions. thou fastest anoint thy head and wash thy face, that thou appear not to men to fast." (Matt. 6: 17.)

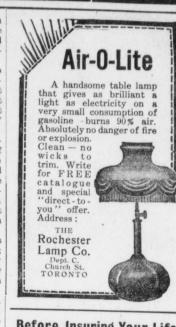
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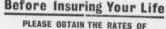
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their armies and navies to mere police forces, wars will continue. Fifty or sixty years after this war ends there may be another.

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"How sad it is to see Christmasand no end to war.

is my fervent hope that she will do something to bring about permanent peace. I hope and pray that peace of which Christ preached—peace on earth, good will to men—will be brought to Europe through America.

"It would be the finest Christmas gift to the world.

'As long as people are selfish and

uniform and had just returned when interviewed from a cemetery, where he had buried an officer. The face of the famous "Christus" was placid -a picture of patience-but his words revealed his own suffering."

CATHOLICITY IS INCREASING AT FAST RATE IN SWITZERLAND

ADVANCING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS. PROTESTANT CHURCH IMITATING CATHOLICISM
The faith is advancing by leaps and bounds in Switzerland, even in the Vaudois. In the organ of the National Protestant church, The Semeur, a Monsignor Fournedor has been writing a series of articles $\frac{1}{2}$ getting telephone calls; then visits to his office. Finally, he gave the caller an audience. He found him a little immigrant from Cork, fifty-four years old, named M. Thomas Murphy. Dr. Keefe listened to National Protestant church, The National Protestant church, The Semeur, a Monsignor Fournedor has been writing a series of articles $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{$ National Protestant church, The Semeur, a Monsignor Fournedord has been writing a series of articles on the present situation. He feels anxious, for he sees all around him therevival of "Romanism." Hethinks this is partly due to the faults of the faults of the the the basilica of the the basilica of the stone Protestant system, which takes from

of the most powerful situations of recent fiction.

As an illustration of how the Shepherd of the North was received it is but necessary to say that a second edition was required within greater a week of its appearance. It is a book that should be in every Catholic book that should be in every Catholic library and Catholic family; and broad as such a distribution would be then it would still be rather "My Christmas message to America limited, for while it is a novel of Catholic appeal, it is so stirring a story of adventure that the general reading public irrespective of religi-ous affiliations, can find much enjoy-

RECORD READER. ment in it.

THE LITTLE IRISH

example, then there will be war. "I see another spring of fighting with blood flowing like a swollen mountain stream." Lang was dressed in his Red Cross uniform and had instructure for the late Dr. John B. Murphy, Source for the late Dr. John B. Murphy, called on Dr. James Keefe, another intimate friend the deepest energy to the deepest sleep. But at Christmas their daily lesson gives place, as the old medieval writers sav, to a "solemnis lectio," a solemn ritual lesson, with all the called on Dr. James Keefe, another

told him, in substance, that an eccentric little Irishman had been bothering him with requests to come out to his "studio" and look at a model of a bust of the great physician and

benefactor of humanity. Dr. Keefe laughed over the description of the little stranger.

Pass him to me," he said. A day or two later Dr. Keefe began

money and child friends or child

deathbed sang :

Make me grow young again, kindred were busy making gifts for children before Christmas. I think Grow young enough to die, That in a joy unseared of pain I may my Lover, loved, attain that we would give to children with generosity or grace if we With that fresh sigh Eternity Gives to the young to breath about mas is a lesson with full liturgical accompaniment, in our essential the heart

Until their trust and youth-time duty of childhood; for childhoodðis not a swift season of life that passes shall depart.

Let me come to Thee young away, but is an attitude of mind or soul that should abide. All the year When thou dost challenge long our masters, the children, are teaching their heavenly, peripatetic With all my marveling dreams unsung

philosophy as they romp in the nurs-ery, or rescue fire victims up and Let me rush to Thee when I pass Keen as a child across the grass down the stairs, or fly kites high into the clouds, or play football, or leap

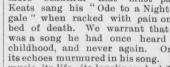
with a bound at nightfall from the deepest energy to the deepest sleep.

The French prisoners in Switzer land, the majority of whom are Catholics, and who, like all the other

Once I heard deep words of wisdom from a school inspector, in a speech he made when retiring in old age from his life's work. As a father

hood, with its morning color and sweetness, as a mere rehearsal for years that may never come, or may

come with less sweetness and color. In childhood as a span of years there is something beautiful that



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nds its adherents to fast. Indeed many members of such denom inations cast ridicule on fasting. Neither do their candidates for the ministry, nor the ordaining ministers, fast on such occasions

lic people must be fasting when they receive Holy Communion. When

The Catholic Church has never deviated a hair's breadth from the sacred words of Christ and His Apostles regarding the holy sacra-ment of matrimony. Christ and His Apostles taught the utter impossibil ity of divorce.

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prisoners interned in that hospitable country, owe the amelioration of their condition to the intervention of the Holy Father, are offering a beau tiful tribute of gratitude to their might speak to his sons, he warned us younger men not to look on childaugust benefactor. It is the work of the hands of brave men incapacitated for stronger tasks, and will be presented to the Pope next week.