













FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS.

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost.

SYMPATHY FOR SINNERS.

Oh God, I give thee thanks that I am not as the rest of men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, nor such as this Pharisee. (St. Luke xviii, 11.) Did you never notice that pride and hardness of heart go together? That hardness of heart...

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

Peter First and Last Voyage.

Peter Lincoln wanted to be a sailor. His father and mother, without actually forbidding him to think of it, did all they could to discourage him in what they knew to be a foolish idea. Mr. Lincoln's grandfather had been a sea captain; they lived in a small town on the bay, and had some curious shells and old-fashioned stuff brought from foreign shores.

of his worldly goods; for, with the exception of a few curious stones in his pocket, the treasures he promised to little Fanny had proven nothing but empty air.

As he strode up the garden path he pulled a twig from the sassafras bush and bit of the pungent end. He had often done this before, and smiled to himself that the habit so soon returned. His heart beat wildly, and he drew a long breath—how delightful it was to be at home once more! He would never run away again, he would be a lawyer like his father. The dear mother would see how helpful and obedient he had become; and sweet little Fanny, she must be a great big girl now. The window blind was up; he peeped in; his father sat by the fire alone. His back was to the door but he thought he looked much older than when he had seen him last.

He knocked at the door, but heard no response. His heart beat more rapidly than ever, as he opened it, and he drew a long breath as he entered his father's house.

Mr. Lincoln turned around, still holding the paper in his hand. Peter stood in the shadow; his father did not know him, for he inquired, "Who is it?"

"It is I, father. Peter come back to you and mother. Will you forgive me, father, dear?" As he spoke he came nearer and stood by his father's side.

Mr. Lincoln looked up into his son's face and the boy saw that he was careful and troubled.

Had he done this, was it his work! he thought, and a great sob rose in his throat.

"Yes, it is Peter," said his father, gravely regarding him. "It is Peter come home again to his father, but his mother is not here."

"Where—where is she, father?" asked the boy.

"She is in heaven, I hope," was the reply coldly given, as his eyes met those of his son. "In heaven, where hearts never break as hers did. Where there are no ungrateful sons, where, no doubt, she is still praying for you."

"Oh father, father, do not look at me like that," said the boy, falling on his knees, and burying his face on his father's shoulder. "And—little Fanny," he said, through blinding tears. "Where is she?"

"She went to heaven soon after her mother—nearly a year ago—was the reply, but now he had his hand on the boy's head, and was softly stroking his curly hair.

"But I saw her hat and cape hanging on a chair when I came in," he said.

"She hung it there herself the day before she was taken ill in bed, and told me to leave it there so that Peter might remember her when he came home."

Peter could endure no more. Throwing himself prone upon the floor he burst into loud weeping.

"Peter, Peter, what ails you, my boy? Why are you crying in your sleep?"

It was his mother's voice! He sprang up in bed. He could see her in the moonlight, standing at his bedside.

"Why, you are not undressed," she said. "For once I forgot to come in before she went to bed, and here you are lying on the bed without the clothes. And with that old sailor cap beside you. Well, well, undress quickly now and get into bed."

"Mother," said the boy, clasping her tightly in his arms and kissing her again and again. "I have had a horrid dream. I do not want to go to sea. I shall never want to go again. Tell father so, and sleep in peace."

Before she left him, he had told her all; how in waiting for midnight he had fallen asleep and had dreamed the dream in which he made his first and last voyage as a sailor.

He could not sleep again until he had untied the red bandanna and replaced the articles he had intended to take with him; for now and ever after the thought of going to sea became as repugnant to him, as it had been delightful.—Catholic Youth.

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CONVERSION TO CATHOLICITY.

Encouraging Evidence of Accessions to the Faith—Means for Promoting the Good Work.

There are encouraging indications in many localities of a large return of Protestants to the one fold of the Catholic Church. Our separated brethren—not only separated from us, but sadly divided among themselves—are deeply feeling that if they will keep the Christian faith they must have the safe-guard which can come alone from a recognized divine authority. They are finding that if they will hold the idea of a Church at all it must be in the one Christian body which presents that idea with strength and consistency. Further, they are owing, perforce, the wonderful power for charity and good works which the Catholic Church is exercising in the world. So they are looking away from the city of confusion in which they have dwelt and perhaps are still dwelling, and their eyes are turned toward the City of God standing in beauty and dignity before them, and inviting all without to enter its open gates.

Everywhere intelligent people are, to a remarkable degree, laying aside prejudices which their fathers so long and stubbornly held and handed down to them, and are coming to see how ignorant and foolish they have been. They are inquiring about the teaching of the Church; they are learning the meaning of her precepts, they are frequenting her worship; they are admiring the holy examples of her faithful disciples. To be sure, they may stop at this point; but many are going further, and themselves entering into possession of the high privileges which the Church is offering them.

To give instances from our own community, it is most interesting to note the gain of Catholicity from Protestantism right here in this diocese. From the statistics of the chancery we have obtained the reliable information that out of an aggregate of about nine thousand baptisms in the Archdiocese of Baltimore last year, six hundred and sixty-five were those of converts. The baptisms of converts at the cathedral alone throughout the year usually number about twenty-five per cent. of the whole; while in the English-speaking churches of the archdiocese from eight to ten per cent. of the confirmations are those of converts. These are hopeful facts, and, believing that to a considerable degree they correspond to similar facts elsewhere throughout the country, we are happy to lay them before our readers.

MEANS OF PROMOTING CONVERSIONS. It becomes a practical question for the means of promoting conversions? How can the number be increased? Among the various ways which suggest themselves, one is through the spread of good Catholic prayers and good books. The Church has a strong resource in the many writings, popular or exhaustive, to which she can refer, and which whenever opportunity offers, she may put into the hands of those who are seeking the truth. It is matter for rejoicing that nowadays so many interesting books explaining the Catholic faith are being written.

not in a controversial spirit, but with candor, fairness and wise moderation setting forth clearly and positively, what Catholics believe and practice. Let this apostolate of the press go on. By God's blessing there will be greater results than any yet seen. The American people are largely a Christian people. They are well disposed towards the Church. Let the appeal be made to the intelligence and the conscience of the non-Catholic community.

Personal influence and the power of example must help on this great work. The lives of those who live as the Church bids them, in purity, humility and self-sacrifice, are of more avail than all the weight of voice or pen can possibly be without them. And in this view how much may depend upon converts themselves! And while they may do and have their trials from the surroundings in which they are placed, what an influence they possess, and how much they can do simply by the quiet example of their lives for the holy Church whose disciples they have become!

And let not one forget the continual use of that other means—prayer. "It is prayer that converts souls," writes that holy man, Father Augustus Law. "A familiar truth it is, but one the force of which we may forget. To remember it and put it in use is Christian and Catholic, and will receive rich reward of merit hereafter in the souls whom we may be thus the means of bringing out of darkness into light."—Catholic Mirror.

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And if we do rightly trust in God's favor, how can we forget that progress in virtue is a necessary condition of our remaining in our neighborly affection? Now this progress means simply a right knowledge of our remaining defects and a solid purpose to overcome them; something with which the vice of the Pharisee is quite incompatible. Nothing so blinds us to our own little faults as too much regard for our neighbor's big ones. Doubtless it would have been just as difficult for the Pharisee to correct his harshness of voice, or his lofty bearing, or his patronizing airs as to overcome his great sin of pride itself; and such is the case with many of us. The beam in our neighbor's eye looks so shocking that we quite forget that we have quite a squint in our own eye from various little notes in it.

Be certain, therefore, brethren, that, if you find hard feelings in your heart toward sinners, you have no long journey to make before you discover the capital sin of pride in your own. Why can we not leave judgment to God, and treat poor sinners after our Lord's example, praying and suffering for them? I do not mean to say that we should forget to mention to them the awful chastisements of God; indeed, a truer friend does not exist than one who warns us of our future destruction, and sends us such admonition. But in the treatment of moral maladies we should bear in mind that bitter words and harsh looks spoil good medicine. And especially should we bear in mind that we have had our own wicked days.

Let us, therefore, regard sinners with much tenderness, dropping out of our view while we deal with them our own darling selves. Let us realize that we ourselves are poor souls, quite capable, but for God's singular favor, of falling into the worst state of sinfulness.

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C. M. B. A. Official. GRAND COUNCIL OF THE CATHOLIC MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

In our issue of 30th July appeared an article headed "Registration of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association."

The Ontario "Incorporation Act" of 1882 will necessitate so many changes in the C. M. B. A. constitution...

The Grand Council of Canada is the only C. M. B. A. body that has any legal status here...

Mr. O. K. Fraser has been requested by a number of his friends to allow himself to be placed in nomination for the presidency of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada for the ensuing term...

Two Questions. Oshawa, Aug. 5, 1892. To the Editor:—Will you please answer through your C. M. B. A. columns the following:—

1. So far as we know the gentleman referred to cannot become a member of the C. M. B. A. We would recommend him to consult his parish priest.

2. All members of the C. M. B. A. in good standing are permitted to be present at Supreme and Grand Council meetings.

Resolution of Condolence. Barrie, July 25, 1892. At the last regular meeting of Branch 51, Barrie, the following resolutions were passed:

Resolved that we, the members of Branch 51, tender Brother J. O'Meara our sincere sympathy in his deep affliction. And be it further...

Resolved that these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of the present meeting, and a copy sent to the CATHOLIC RECORD for publication, also a copy sent to our bereaved Brother.

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS. A meeting was held in Sherwood Hall on the 1st ult. for the purpose of organizing a Catholic Order of Foresters...

Resolved that we, the members of St. Patrick's Branch, No. 321, of the I. C. B. U. Hamilton, in special meeting assembled, do hereby tender to the venerated and venerable Mrs. James Cheeseman and Brothers Peter and Samuel Cheeseman and their families in full sympathy...

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be inserted in the minutes of this branch, and that a copy of the same be forwarded to Mr. James Cheeseman and to Brothers Peter and Samuel Cheeseman and also one to the CATHOLIC RECORD.

Signature: John J. Smith, M. Cahill, W. P. McBride, Committee.

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