not make us fonder of the foul thing.

Give Ireland her rights, all Ireland,

at least as well as Germany has treated Belgium. To shout No

Popery, and proceed to imprison and

shoot down Irish Catholics because, like the Belgians, they still claim to

the whole world. I am an English.

man. I want us to win this War. But I feel inclined to despair when

I see our governing classes oppressing Irish Catholics and our news-

papers shouting No Popery. A fine

way, forsooth, to get sympathy from the Catholics of France, Italy, Amer-

ica, Britain and Ireland, These No-

Popery fanatics are mad.—The Derry

PLAIN CATHOLIC TALK

TO "CATHOLIC UNION"

Edinburgh Catholic Herald, May 11

As we intend to make some rather

pointed criticisms of the action that

Union" took last week regarding Irish conscription, it may be best at

the outset to print the resolutions

which the Council adopted: whether

unanimously or not we are not told,

(1.) The Catholic Union has viewed

with the deepest regret the action

which the Catholic bishops of Ireland have deemed it necessary to

organized disobedience to the law:

(2.) The Catholic Union is of the

grave peril to which they are exposed

through a conflict wantonly forced

upon the world by a cruel and un-

(3.) Catholics cannot regard with-

out serious misgivings any interfer-

ence by an ecclesiastical authority in

questions which are purely temporal and political, and in no way con-

endanger the

His Eminence the Cardinal Secretary of State, for submission to His

(5.) The President of the Catholic Tories.

Lord

nected with faith and morals :

scrupulous enemy :

humanity

Holiness the Pope.

' Catholic

the above-mentioned

### The Catholic Record

LONDON, SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 1918

It was in those days that "home" weeks. The eyes of home looked out than discretion. over the field where were the sheep which made butcher or flesher superfluous. Through the grounds of home ran a stream and there were actually fish in it. And there was a garden which laughed in old-fashioned flowers at the idea of a greengrocer. And that garden was not only a flower-garden where "retired leisure" could take its "dandering" pleasure, it was for use as well. There was not that variety of vegetables that is known to our tables, but there was enough to fill the frugal pot, and there were "sweet herbs" as well, which were used to make homely fare toothsome. The garden had to do the work of the druggist's shop as well as that of the green-grocer's, so there were "physic herbs," and the health of the people does not seem to have been the worse for the cures, doses, simples, and what not, which made the physic garden precious.

We who have gardens only for pride and pleasure cannot imagine how dear the gardens of those old days were to those who had to do their travels within a stone's throw of their front door, upon the "green walks" of the garden or on the quagmire highways. There are advantages, no doubt, in our ubiquitous days, but these old sedentary times had their advantages, too. Hearts were warmer when heads were emptier, perhaps, and before men knew the world home was "home."

#### GOING FORWARD

All through the course of man's sojourn on the earth fealty and romance have maintained their hold upon him in varying measure. their childhood they toiled and spent themselves as though this present world was their all, yet even then bright shoots of everlastingnesse. in the poet's phrase, broke through the dense atmosphere of their toil for food, shelter and precarious happiness. By slow and halting steps they enlarged their hold upon the fundamental things of life. They saw and felt that things seen were intimations of unseen powers. From the crude symbols of barbaric times they evolved art forms and rituals for worship. East and West, temples and tombs and sphinxes illustrate the hunger for divine guidance. To lay up treasure upon earth has never brought content to the human spirit. The Great Adventure has lured our fathers on to scale heights of attainment inexplicable by finite reasoning. Nor is the immortal impulse feebler today; rather is it implicit in new and daring forms of effort which strike down to the very roots of being. The Psalm of Life sings itself in many keys. Romance and reality coalesce in the exalted service which consecrated souls undertake for ends that are partly hidden and partly revealed. The early migration of the Aryans westward was but peoples, moved by a common impulse, have struck their tents and gone on pilgrimage! But change of

Before the days of railways-which | the Land of Promise give birth to tie a country together and make qualities that lay concealed under regions which were large and sprawl- the crust of custom. The seers and ing small and compact—there were singers of every age have known common roads, as the slang phrase this; their heartening strains and has it, "of sorts." But the roads predictions have cheered pilgrims of were so bad, the means of travelling the night when despair seemed to be so defective, the cost of journeying taking hold of them. Every fresh so great, that people stayed at home, start has been stimulated by the possibly to the detriment of their hope that the perfect state was witheducation—for wheels teach—but to in reach. A celestial city, accessible the endearment of home and the to all men and women of good will, strengthening of the associations and has floated before the eyes of seekpossessions that are connected with ers; justice founded it, and harmony close intimacy and interdependence. reigned therein. The great movements of the Middle Ages, missionary had to be stalwart and stand alone. and philanthropic enterprises, all Today "home" is only a room in the marked stages in the great advance. house of a town. It depends upon Today, amid the thunders of war and the bakery, the fish shop, the grocers revolution, the same ideals lurk. and the rest, and a "week-end" dislocates all its arrangements. But in the old days home could feed on its own mart, the store-room, for its own mart, the store-room, for leaders, who often display more zeal

Yet it is through illusion that the race makes progress. The price of secure freedom and steady progress is great. Only at heavy cost are the higher suffrages of nations won. As higher suffrages of nations won. As Rule tomorrow, But as they will with mankind in community, so with not, they will get it only by fighting individuals in their self-evolved pur. individuals in their self-evolved purposes and careers. The steps and stages of their advance follow the same order. Illusion still serves to justice. draw them as by a magnetic force toward the goal of an imagined chief good. How bright are the dreams of youth! Intense perception renders them appreciative of scenes that ton and freedom of conscience. But reflect the heart's gladness. Their limbs and organs are keyed to the sights and sounds of nature in her unsullied freshness. Their sensibilities are so keen that they naturally fall under the influence of the world's glamour; only by slow degrees do they find out that things are not what they seem. Disillusion is often bitter, though salutary. Castles in Spain fade into heaps of ruin, but realities carry with them lessons without which character could never be developed.

Trite as this counsel is, the growth of our rising manhood and womanhood hangs upon its sincere acceptance. Nor need the effect of early disappointment be discouraging. All cannot win the world's prizes; of cannot win the world's prizes; of the Catholics must not look over those who do, how few are content the hedge. That is how our English therewith or retain them to the end! governing classes understand relig-Even the gains of knowledge are jous equality for all citizens before only provisional; opinions, however carefully formed, are but stages on the way to truth. The mind should be fluid, ripening by healthy exercises. To stop short and merely mark time is to stultify the higher response of the study of mark time is to stultify the higher powers; to evade responsibility, to newspaper cry for Lord Northcliffs—a good "stunt" he would call it, using an Americanism. But what will the become a cumberer of the ground, fifteen to twenty million Catholics Life is growth; there can be no real in America think of it? The Amer fulfilment of its promise apart from unchecked progress. Books are useful in their way, but, as Robert Louis Stevenson remarked, they are "a Portuguese and the Belgians how mighty bloodless substitute for life." Adventures are to the adventurous. In this country were struggling to Hamlet's words still strike the key-destroy Prussianism in order to prenote of mental activity-"He that serve for the world the blessing of made us with such large discourse

. . gave us not that capability and godlike reason to fust in us unused." The finest of all adven- thing, it seems to me to mean that tures are those undertaken to annex new provinces in realm of spirit and

#### CHAPLAIN OF FAMOUS BLUE

The Very Rev. H. D. Delor, O. P., chaplain of the famous French regiment, "Chasseurs d'Alpins" (more familiarly known to us in English as "Blue Devils") has just concluded a three months' furlough which he spent visiting a number of cities in the United States and Canada.

As a young man Father Delor was captain in the "Blue Devils" regi-ment and at the outbreak of the present War he was, at his own request, made chaplain of this army

He was engaged in the battles of the Somme, the Aisne, and the Vosges, and received five citations helping to win the War by trying to tion of the Aryans westward was but the advanced guard of what we call civilization. Since then how many of France personally decorated him will be advanced guard of what we call civilization. Since then how many of France personally decorated him will be advanced by turn British public opinion against the Papacy. I also now am compel-led to say to everybody who talks to with the Croix de Guerre, the high-Republic.

During his stay on this continent us have done with this Northcliffe

the Feast of St. Catharine of Sienna, and later in the day telling thrilling events of the great War. He will sail from New York at an early date to rejoin his regiment in France.— Chicago New World.

#### ENGLISH DEMOCRACY AND HYPOCRISY

"THESE NO POPERY FANATICS ARE MAD"

An able writer, over the nom de plume of "Senex," who declares himself an Englishman, contributes, to the last issue to hand of the Catholic Times, the following interesting commentary on one aspect of the present complicated Irish situa-

certain Catholics in England what really lies at the bottom of the refusal by the British governing classes to give justice to Ireland. And that reason is, hatred of Catholicism. If the Irish Catholics would embrace Protestantism they could get Home necessarily by taking up arms; but they must struggle on until they force English statesmen to do them justice. And English statesmen will do them justice only when compelled. Our governing classes have a deep hatred and a living fear of they immediately exclude Catholics from the application of that principle when we appeal to it. It was quite right and patriotic, perfectly proper and just, for the Protestant prelates and parsons in Ireland to bless and preparations to defy and resist the of the British Government sedition then, for the Carsonites were only preparing to maintain their ascendancy and keep the Catholics down. But when the Irish Bishops and priests thought they had cause to apply some of the principle of Carsonism, the Times started a loud cry of No-Popery! Resistance to the law by the Protestants in Ireland had the support of the Times. But when the Catholics in Ireland talked of resisting the law, too, it screamed No-Popery without a moment's delay The Protestants could steal a field. the law. It is well that we English Catholics should have had this object lesson given us. We see now why

ican Army and Navy are full of Cath

olics. How will they relish this No

Popery scream? And the French

"Do let us get on with the War.

Yes let us get on with the War. Let

astounding resolutions were : Sir Francis Fleming, Vice Presiwill they like to learn of a No-Popery cry in England? They thought we dent; the Earl of Denbigh; Lord Edmund Talbot, M. P.; Sir Henry Edmund Talbot, M. P.; Sir Henry Jerningham; Sir Mark Sykes, M. P. liberty. And now Lord Northcliffe cries No Popery! I wonder how our Allies will take this latest Northcliff. Sir William Dunn; Sir George Lamian trick. Looking all around the Mr. James Hope, M. P.; Colonel Heathcote, and Mr. W. S. Lilly (the Secretary)—the flower of English Lord Northcliffe has become con-scious that he is a failure as a modern Napoleon. His schemes have Torvism ! Mr. Lloyd George, his (1.) Whom does the Catholic nominee, has broken down as completely as Lord Rothermere, his brother. Lord Northcliffe's effort in Irish Catholics of England; it repretainly; and not Ireland; and not the Europe is as bankrupt as it was in America. His plans have been riddled with ridicule. Un-

sents the personal and political views of English Catholic Tories. (2.) English Catholic Tories, led by the late Duke of Norfolk and fortunately, nobody will come for-ward to take up the burden of blunothers, supported Carson's "movewhich Northeliffe found and terribly increased. This the law." Such disobedience then dering which Northcliffe found and was apparently quite right and justi-fiable, though it was engineered by a country to day would rejoice as at a great victory to be rid of Mr. Lloyd George and his master, Lord Northmere fraction of the Irish people nearly all Protestants; five sixths of the people being quite prepared to stand by the law of the land, namely, cliffe. But no statesman wishes to take over their office; it is in such a condition of confusion. So helpless and hopeless, my Lord cries No-Popery. If the cry is heard of by M. a Home Rule Act. Such "disobedi ence," however, now is quite wrong, Clemenceau, the old man will run though it represents five sixths the risk of a fit, so heartily will he laugh at the idea of Lord Northcliffe the people, and these nearly all Catholics. The logic of the Catholic Union is truly wonderful, almost as wonderful as their "sympathy" with

their fellow - Catholics in Ireland under persecution and oppression (3.) These English Catholic Tories have made a very prompt response to the appeal of a Protestant Minister one Rev. R. J. Campbell, to try

islands has the privilege of appeal to physical force against law. To cry No-Popery when Catholic Irishmen threaten to follow, in a distant degree, the example of Protestant they wished to please, viz., the Gov-Irishmen, is to make us English ernment that signed a Secret Treaty ple look silly, not only in the eyes of Europe and America, but in our Holy Father from taking any steps own. We are sick to death of Cartowards peace negotiations! But sonism. And crying No Popery does the English Catholic Tories do not mind what they do, so long as they crush Ireland and stand well with Catholic and Protestant. Treat her | the British Protestant ascendancy. (5.) The resolutions 1 and 3 are really grossly insulting to the Irish Catholic Bishops. We have heard of

teaching your grandmother to suck eggs. But this beats it. As if the be a nation, in spite of conquest is on make England ridiculous before from English Catholic Tories how to rule and guide their people and priests! What would these Tories have said if a Catholic Union of Ireerror. land passed, and sent to the press, certain resolutions criticizing the unanimous action of the English Bishops, which was backed by the whole of the priests and Catholics in England? And, as for ecclesiastical authority not interfering in matters not of faith and morals, these egregious Tory politicians "regard it with serious misgiving." Now, in the name of all that is sane, what on earth do they mean? A Bishop and a priest are never to open their mouths to direct, to condemn or to approve in matters "purely temporal and political!" What of Cardinal Mercier? Has activity been confined to matters only of faith and morals? Are the clergy to be patriotic or not? are they citizens or The first fruits of the " No-Popery not? and may they use their rights of speech and action like other citi-zens? Is resistance to an unjust, inhuman, and oppressive law, like conscription for Ireland, not a moral question? Have the bishops not the right and the obligation to pro-nounce on that? They would be

take for resisting compulsory service in the present War, action which appears to support the movement for Irish Bishops love their country and their people, and they are bound to lead them at all times of crisis, as opinion that it is just and right that the people of every portion of the United Kingdom should take their share in defence of the Empire and as well. This is precisely what they have done at raines of crisis, as opinion that it is just and right that they always have done in the past, the libraries of the Empire and as well. This is precisely what they have done at raines of crisis, as opinion that it is just and right that they always have done in the past, the past of the past o the liberties of mankind from the have done at present, and so have proved themselves true shepherds of the sheep, true Fathers of their flocks, true followers of the great shepherd, Jesus Christ, who saved people's bodies as well as their souls. Away with the narrow and craven hearted conscription which limits a Bishop's interest in his people to matters only of faith and morals! All the interests of his people are (4.) The Catholic Union desires emphatically to dissociate itself from dear to him, and a false and cowardly shepherd would he be did the movement, which cannot fail to shrink from standing by his people hamper the full development of the in their hour of trial. Not so have military forces of the Allies and the Irish bishops ever acted, and not

cause of so ever will they act-though in dis-

obedience to the English Catholic

Union, Admiral of the Fleet Lord But the whole foundation of the Walter Kerr, is requested to com-resolution No. 3 is false and vicious, soldiers—not to mention the wounded municate these resolutions to the that matters temporal and political men of the English, Scottish, and public prints and forward them to may be outside the scope of moral His Eminence the Cardinal Secreguidance. This is false and pernicious teaching. Once allow matters political and temporal to be con The gentlemen who passed these sidered as beyond the restraint of the moral law and outside the judgment of the moral authority (which is the Church and her Bishops) and you introduce that anti-Christan cond tion of life and action which Sir Stuart Coats, M. P.; the Hon.

Joseph Maxwell Scott; Alderman men and any body of people to divorce men and any body of people to divorce their political and public life wholly from morality. All actions of authorities are proper subjects of judgment by the spiritual forum which is en-titled to pronounce them bad or good or indifferent. We therefore abhor the statement of these English Cath olic Tories that political and tem poral actions may be outside sphere of morality. They all have and must have a moral aspect inasmuch as they are either just or unjust: and if a Catholic Bishop is not entitled to pronounce on them, what on earth is his function? But of this at all: they have only, in a rash moment of Toryism and spleen, protested against the Irish Bishops pronouncing on an English Tory measure. If the Bishops had pronounced in favor of it, it would have been quite lawful then to interfere in matters political and temporal! But it is a pity that political bigotry and fanaticism should rush Catholic public men into grave distortions of sound Catholic principles of morality. Of course any priest or Bishop, if he had been present, would have cen-

sored and excised resolution 3 a nonsense; and worse. We repeat, therefore, that to hold

were disappointed. The exodus from Egypt resulted in desert wanderings, and even in this twentieth century Israel is still seeking a home. Possession only sharpens the edge of anticipation. Distant glimpses of the Land of Promise give birth to Carsonism is of general application:

(4.) These are the same gentlelaw, so may Irish Catholics, and so may English workmen; no one man, no one set of men, in these

(5.) These are the same gentlelords, magistrates and rulers, sowmen who the other day eliminated the Restoration of the States of the all things, alike in all things temporal and in things spiritual. Whose Catholic Union, and substituted the sounder opinion, but the Christian religion itself. . . No man, unless a downright atheist, dares in just so many words to assert the monstrous proposition that the temporal order is not subjected to the law of God. Now the law of God is interpreted by the spiritual authority, that is the Catholic Church, and

hence the Church authorities are entitled to judge as within their jurisdiction, all men's actions if necessity and occasion demand. Let the English Catholic Tories read any text book of Catholic doctrine dealing with the subject or even such an article (from which we have quoted) as Dr. Brownson's "The Two Orders Spiritual and Temporal," in his Review of 1853, and they will see their

resolutions to the Pope. It is well. The Irish Bishops will sleep peaceably meantime. They are theologians; they did not act rashly in resisting a measure, unjust and inhuman, imposed by one nation upon another without its consent. It is a pity the E. C. T. did not send copies of the resolutions to the Irish Hierarchy too. The men who have killed conscription in Ireland surely deserved a copy each !

#### ENGLISH VANDALISM

FIRST FRUITS OF NO-POPERY REVIVAL

evival have manifested themselves in Croydon, where the beautiful war shrine in the grounds of St. Mary's Catholic Church has been wantonly desecrated by the mutilation of the figure on the Calvary, which has been completely severed in two. The memorial is raised to those have laid down their lives for their | She was born in Savannah, Ga., on country, and logically the outrage Aug. 19, 1849. For a time she was should be attributed to those who a teacher in public schools and was disapprove of such actions as the active in sociological work. She was supreme sacrifice; but inasmuch as logic has never been the strong point of the "No-Popery fanatic," logical to Catholic periodicals. Among her deduction on the part of others best known novels are "Reaping the brings them to the safe conclusion Whirlwind" and "Carroll O'Donthat the perpetrator of the dastardly desecration was a "patriotic Protest ant." How Protestants in general regard such vile conduct can be seen from the Croydon Times, which very honourably quotes in full a letter from a Catholic correspondent. The latter calls attention to the "first fruits of the No-Popery campaign inaugurated by a London journal. We read," he rites, "of churches and shrines destroyed in France and Belgium by the Huns, whose crimes, we are told, call to Heaven for vengeance. If the Croydon imitators of the Germans had the power, they would no doubt as readily demolish our church. In the congregation of St. Mary's on Sunday morning were Belgian, French, Canadian, Australian and American Irish regiments. hey would have to send their friends. Before conscription was adopted, St. | imagine what that means. 400 men on active service. Many have made the supreme sacri- elections. recommended for the D. S. M. for his work at Zeebrugge, and the reward of all this is — Saturday's outrage.

Decent-minded Croydonians," the countries are mere guesses at best. writer believes, "will condemn and repudiate the act," and, apart from the sacrilege, the crime crying to Heaven, and the outrage on the property of fellow-citizens, which common morality must condemn, there re mains the exhibition of insensate, insane, unreasoned action, which goes to prove that mental balance in the No-Popery person becomes a thing entirely lost. Even those who do not go to the length of insulting the sacred symbol of our Redemption or destroying property, might take warning from the trend of the "No-Popery" peculiarity, and observe due caution in delivering their mental faculties over to a cult that has brought about the outrage at Croydon, of which every decent-minded citizen wholesomely ashamed. - The Universe.

the Hamilton street school, Haven. Conn., has completed fifty years of service as a teacher in the airplane in which the Captain made public schools of the city. Of this his record flights between Langley time she has served thirty-five years a principal of the school of which machine brought Captain Hugo she is now in charge. Sister Celes- d'Annunzio and Sergeant tine is believed to be the only nun teaching in the public schools of the the station to St. Patrick Cathedral We repeat, therefore, that to hold that the temporal authority may be independent of the spiritual and nuns in the garb of their religion to d'Annunzio strewed flewers along that it is not accountable to the spiritual, is absolute political athen in the gard of their renigion to the way. The obsequies spiritual, is absolute political athen intion of her long service the board attended by a guard of home environment has not had the effect so ardently desired. The Hebrew so are already so are already so are arrested to so are already so are arrested to so are ar

#### CATHOLIC NOTES

Father Edgar Gallant, who ordained a priest on Holy Saturday by Bishop Crimont, S. J., was the first priest ever ordained in Alaska.

A Catholic Bible was sold the other day in New York for \$6,250. from the library of the late John D. Crimmins—"The Holy Bible trans-lated from the Latin Vulgate, Dublin, What made it so valuable was the fact that it was in forty-two volumes, so extended by the inser-tion of more than 8,000 prints and drawings, one by Raphael, others by Paul Veronese, Maratta and Lairesso

Tribute to eight Georgetown students who lost their lives in the world war, was paid Thursday by the University students and faculty, in a pilgrimage to the Franciscan Monas tery, where prayers were also offered up for the safety of the Georgetown men in the service. The students went in a body to attend the exercises; Holy Mass was offered up at 830'clock, when the students went to Holy Communion.

Miss Mary M. Murphy, of Lynn, Mass., has received notice from the war department that she has been selected as a nurse to go to She is the first woman in this coun try to be assigned as a nurse to the regular army, and will go with the rank of first lieutenant. Miss Murphy was born in Lynn, was graduated from St. Mary grammar and high schools and from the Carney Hospital, conducted by the Sisters of Charity in Boston.

Rev. John A. Ferry, chaplain of St. Mary Hospital in Brocklyn, N. Y., has invented an arm bandage which will revolutionize the treatment of broken arms. The new appliance is intect as it stands, can be adjusted to the arm in less than a minute, will fit anyone, and can be used again after a patient is cured. Father Ferry had a fractured arm and the inconvenience and loss of time suffered caused him to think out what is called the Anti-Velpeau Bandage Support, which is nounced a success by surgeons.

Miss Mary E. Smith, of Brooklyn, N. Y., the well known Catholic author who wrote under the pen name of "Christine Faber," died recently. formerly editor of Redpath's Magazine and was a frequent contributor

The figures given in The Official Catholic Directory, says the Sacred Heart Review, tell the story of progress in the unfailing Church which so fills and satisfies her own children while challenging the wonder and admiration of great minds outside the pale. Said Gladstone: "This wondrous Church, which is as old as Wondrous Church, which is as old as Christianity and as universal as mankind, is today, after its twenty centuries of age, as fresh and as vigorous and as fruitful as on the day when the Pentecostal fires were

When U. S. Ambassador to Santiago de Chile, in South America, Joseph Shea, who was visiting in Indianapolis, was shown a report What a message party in the recent elections, he was much surprised and said: "I can't Mary's had a Roll of Honour of at no anti clerical party in Chile, and They are Catholics down there, and the Catholic schools, col leges and universities are the leading

Denver, Colo., May 23.—Sunday morning last the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception here was treated to a sight which it had never witnessed before. Besides a class of one hundred and fifty children, some ninety men and women, practically all converts to the Faith from this received the sacrament of Confirma tion during an impressive ceremony all walks of life and from practically every form of religious among them being Mr. Alexander Thurston, formerly promi nent in Masonic circles, having held official positions of high degree in that Order.

When the body of Captain Antonio Silvio Resnati of the Royal Italian Flying Corps, who was killed last week while testing a new biplane at Sister Celestine Wall, principal of the aviation field at Mincela, was brought from that place to New York. it was followed by the giant Capron Gianfelice Gino. On the way Caproni flew low, and Captain d'Annunzio strewed flowers along

#### GERALD DE LACEY'S DAUGHTER

AN HISTORICAL ROMANCE OF COLONIAL DAYS

> BY ANNA T. SADLIER BOOK II CHAPTER XI

AN EAVESDROPPER CAUGHT Growing impatient out there the bleak coldness of the hight, Mynheer went cautiously over to the window, and for a single instant peered into the room. He saw that, once all the other guests had gone, the two young men had bent their heads together. The astute observer felt assured that something of unusual importance was under dis-cussion. He wondered if it could be about the de Laceys, and he was more than ever resolved to find out. His curiosity whetted, he resumed his position on the other side of the great tree and waited.

It seemed a long time, but he was at last rewarded by seeing the young officer and his companion come forth still in close conversation, while the smuggler remained within. did not venture to move until he had from sight. Then he stole cautious ly to the door and entered. Great-batch, who had been patronizing the rum quite steadily all the evening. was now in a drowsy state. His head had fallen forward on his breast, and he snored loudly. Myn. an excuse for his return, and mine with a furtive glance at the clock, went out unwillingly to execute the commission. The merchant laid his hand heavily on the shoulder of the sleeper. Greatbatch started, and shook himself as nearly awake as his tipsy condition permitted. did not recognize Mynheer, but con-tinued the conversation as though

the young men were still present.
"I can tell you, gentles, that the risks are great, and if the 'Hesperia' shown her heels to a foe. she puts herself in danger this

He showed a disposition to fall asleep again, and Mynheer, without speaking lest the sound of his voice take, gently prodded him to go on.

"It's all very well for you, Cap'n Williams, if your heart's set carryin' off the girl, as you asked me to do before. But if I take her off do before. the sloop, witch or no witch, Papist or no Papist, it's you that's to be responsible, and so I tells you. And, if Mynheer Laurens is to back me against loss, let him put down the

He dozed off again, waking with a start at the touch of Mynheer's hand on his shoulder.

Have it your own way, gentles,

next Friday afternoon, by four o' the clock, off Sandy Hook. The man continued to mutter, but his talk became more and more incoerent and he showed a disposition to fall off asleep. As mine host was due at any moment with the hot negus, and as it was already past the usual hour for the tayern to close Mynheer sat down close by the tipsy man, and bent himself eagerly to the task of eliciting some further bits of information about what he now saw was a concerted plot to carry off a girl from a sloop. In his mind all the probabilities indicated that the girl in question was no other than Mistress de Lacey. He was so intent in the endeavor to make Greatbatch speak intelligibly, and so little apprehensive of the danger of interruption at that time of the night, that he took no precautions and never perceived that the door had been softly opened to admit a tall man wrapped in a cloak. A hand was presently laid on his shoulder, and, starting violently, he found himself confronted by Captain Prosser Williams. was menacing in the extreme, for he had caught Mynheer in the act of putting questions to Greatbatch, which showed that he had learned much if not all of the carefully consmuggler might reveal to any chance pretended it was to seek gauntlet. Paler than ever with rage, he now stood eyeing Mynheer, who rose slowly to his feet and confronted were all sorts of conflicting emotions, in which predominated fear of Captain Prosser Williams. Not indeed fabric of social position, the surface popularity which he had built up, d the good understanding which he the Household of Lord Bellomont. In those instants that elapsed, while the two stood confronting each other

For once Mynheer's aplomb completely deserted him, and he strove to stammer out some excuse. The other, without heeding him, went

into this matter—to what extent I know not, since I cannot be aware of how much or how little this drunken brute has revealed-I will charge you with responsibility for any ure of these plans which are for the good of all concerned. I demand, therefore, your promise of secrecy." 'And if I refuse?" Mynheer said

slowly, for his manhood was striving to reassert itself. A wave of pity swept over him for the misfortunes of the girl, who had been so lately but a charming young

maid busy in her flower-garden.
"If you refuse," echoed Prosser Williams, and there was an ugly look in the pale eyes, "if you refuse, I shall ruin you, that is all. You must give me your oath to repeat no word of what you may have heard or surmised, nor in any other way take ad-

vantage of what you have learned."
Still Mynheer hesitated, for the forces of good and evtl, which he had striven to hold so nicely balanced, now contended within him. He was tempted to throw discretion to the winds and defy Prosser Williams, whose influence might be less great than was popularly supposed, against whom in turn Mynheer might use strong weapons. But the habitual caution of a life prevailed. He was sorry for the girl, but his sentiment toward her and her father was not sufficiently robust to balance the risk that he would run by antagonizing this powerful member of His Excellency's Household.

You are slow in making up your mind," said the young officer with a but Mynheer de Vries has been too long engaged in the exer popularly known as 'jumping whichever way the cat jumps,' not to do so now.'

Mynheer's face flushed with an anger to which he dared not give expression, and Prosser Williams, who read something of what was passing in his companion's mind, assumed a more bullying tone.

You may give your word or keep "for I know full well it." he cried. that, since I have caught you spying and striving to make a drunkard talk n the hope of being able to turn the information thus gained to your own mean and contemptible ends, you will be afraid to use that knowle

edge."
"Though your language is insulting and ungentlemanly to a degree, Mynheer said, with an attempt at dignity, "I will freely give you the promise you demand, for I feel assured that I may safely leave the matter in your hands, since it is not, as I feared, solely in those of this disreputable seaman."

Captain Prosser Williams, looking

the speaker full in the face, burst into an insolent laugh.

"Call him by his name, a smuggler and a pirate, who has oftentimes drawn your chestnuts out of the fire," he said mockingly. "As for your word, I will take it in default of better security, since it is at your grievous peril you will break it. And now to set this drunken animal upon his homeward way before his

tongue does further mischief.' roused Greatbatch with no gentle hand from his slumbers, and with mine host's assistance raised him to a standing posture, not with out angry growls and sullen protests from the sleeper. Once on his feet, however, the smuggler shook himself together, and went off with unsteady gait in the direction of his lodgings near the wharf. Captain Prosser Williams, as he too prepared to depart, threw back from the at Mynheer a good night full of such mocking politeness that the merchant's face was tinged with red.

My best wishes, too," he sn

"for a close tongue which will keep you out of mischief."

Mynheer made he answer, nor did he offer to accompany the departing guest as in other circumstances he would have done. Dropping into a chair, he needed the gentle admonition of mine host that it grew late be certed plan. It was fear of what the fore he bestirred himself to take the homeward road. His head bent in that had brought Captain his hands, he was conscious of an Prosser Williams back, though he acute feeling of shame and degradation, and one which would always recur whenever he was confronted with this insolent minion of an oppressive government, as in his anger him. In the breast of the latter he designated Prosser Williams. He felt, too, that the humiliation of that evening had placed him in such a position with the young man that the latter could at any time use of what revenge he might take, for against him this new weapon, and this might be of such a nature as to interfere with many of his own and other influential friends of the schemes and seriously impair that de Laceys as one of those who had fabric of social position, the surface betrayed the girl. As usual, the personal element was uppermost in his mind, but he had some feeling of had been at pains to cultivate with pity and of remorse where his late neighbors were concerned. He knew that a word said to Madam He Van Cortlandt, to Pieter Schuyler or and the stillness of the tavern room was broken only by the snoring of Greatbatch, Mynheer was chiefly loathing at the thought of his own or escape from his mortifying and dangerous position, and thus gave but little thought to the girl whose safety was imperilled. It was presser Williams who broke silence, in a voice scarcely articulate owing to the furn was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the seasons was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the seasons was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the seasons was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the seasons was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the seasons was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the seasons was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the seasons was pressed, the crest of the waves showed white, the waves showed white to the fury which was consuming laid upon his shoulders. Hitherto, m. in fact, in so far as smuggling opera-tions and dealings with the most menacing tone, "I find you here lawless of sea-rovers were concerned, spying, in a most unwarrantable and he had walked in devious ways, and ntemptible fashion, into what does he had not been over-nice in inquiring as to how those ill-gotten goods sacrificing, his prospects in England were acquired. But in all those respects his conduct had been no girl. He had almost persuaded himncern you, and striving to ing as to how those ill-gotten goods extract information from a drupken were acquired. But in all those re-

for he was pre-eminently a conven-tionalist. But to connive, however indirectly, at the abduction of a roung girl whom he had long known and admired, and at the arrest of her father, was another matter alto-gether, and one which, if it ever behim to the condemnation of a large section of his fellow-townsmen.

As he stumbled along in the darkness the struggle in his mind was intense and painful. He tried to reassure himself with such specious arguments as men very commonly put forth to screen their faults. though he argued that he had no alternative but absolute ruin. He latter had fought like a wild-cat. "I had like to ha' lost my life," would have done so without sacrific-could have done so without sacrific-got a scratch." ing his own prospects.

CHAPTER XII. THE TRAGEDY OFF SANDY HOOK

The sloop "Anna Maria," having

The sloop "Anna Maria," having on board Mr. de Lacey and Evelyn, arrived duly at Sandy Hook, and there lay to in waiting for the "Mer-maid," which was to receive on board her two passengers. Of the vents which afterwards transpired, various accounts were given, and it vas only the chief participators who were aware of all the circumstances One thing became known for certain n Manhattan, that the sloop was overhauled by the brigantine eria," commanded by Greatbatch, and that with him were Prosser Williams and Henricus Laurens, two zealous champions of the Protestant cause. The latter had obtained special powers, which gaye the sanction of the law to whatever was done, and protected the skipper of the piratical craft from any injurious consequences. Myn. heer Laurens, besides his motives which have been already mentioned was actuated by a burning desire to distinguish himself in the eyes of Lord Bellomont, and through him in those of the King's Majesty, as an ardent supporter of the Protestant

Though Captain Prosser William was not unwilling to be placed in the same category, he had nevertheless perfectly safe. He laughed long, though not loud, as he paced the deck of the "Hesperia." For he was

Since His Ex.," he jested, " is so desirous of hanging Jesuits, or any others of the black coated gentry that he can catch, as to offer high rewards to the savages for their capture, he will of a surety be glad, when I have told all I know, to lay when I have told all I know, to lay his hand upon this girl, who has kept alive the Romish superstition in these dirty brutes of Wilden, and in these dirty brutes of Wilden, and in the second families, each room

those charms by which she had subjugated this hardened and cynical heart. As he leaned over the side of the vessel, as it lay close to the "Anna Maria," the figure of the girl and those eyes of hers, so different in expression from all other eyes, seemed to beckon him on. He could scarcely await the result of the attack by Greatbatch, which was to put the sloop and its passengers in their power. For he had an alternative in his mind, more daring, more fraught with peril and more delecta prisoner to New York. This was to persuade Greatbatch to sail away for foreign ports with the coveted prize. He had inveigled on board of the piratical craft a young clergy-man, attached to an English church, under the pretext of taking a pleasant sail down the Bay. The latter, who was not without social ambitions, was flattered by the notice of the brilliant young officer of His Excellency's staff, and readily responded to the invitation. Prosser Williams felt that Evelyn must sooner on later yield to his importunities, after which he would be enabled to arrange matters with Lord Bellomont, who had some respect for the young officer's influential relations in England. The autumn afternoon was darkening to night; rough gulls flew low, and the boats of the oyster fishers were making shorewards in haste. Prosser Williams felt his heart beat high, and his imagination was excited by the thought of how infinitely preferable would be his own particular scheme than to await the tedious and sordid processes of law. He felt quite noble and virtuous that he was prepared to sacrifice, or run the risk of sacrificing, his prospects in England services and sording and the mean and services are in the milk shop gave means such a nice drink of milk this morning, when he bought those flowers of me. I wanted to bring it home to you, and a sacrificing, his prospects in England and processes of the word of the possession of great thankfulness to the priest, who had been God's instrument.

From time to time he had learned all her circumstances. She had been the wife of a clever, well-to-do workman, but one who had met with evil and the wife of a clever, well-to-do workman, but one who had met with evil and the procession of the priest, who, before the War, was cure of Antreches, a village in the department de l'Oise,' was in No-ward and processes of the word and sording the processes of law. He felt quite a nice drink of milk this morning, when he bought those flowers of me. I wanted to bring it home to you, and if he had lent me a jug I would, but the wife of a clever, well-to-do workman, but one who had met with evil and the processes of the word and brought her into the true fold, her expressions of great thankfulness to the priest, who had been dall her circumstances. She had been the wife of a clever, well-to-do workman, but one who had met with evil to do workman, but one who had met with evil to do workman, but one who had met with evil to do workman, but one who had met with evil to do workman and the mean at the milk shop gave me such the true fold, her expressions of gratitude for her and brought was necessay, he baptized her and brought when at last, after instructing in all that was necessay, he baptized her and brought was necessay,

stood high in the colony. Consequently, whatever guilt he had incurred did not weigh upon his soul, appearance at his side of Henricus your flowers are sold: and I'll try age and sickness she lost most of Laurens, who reminded him that it was time they appeared on board the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and to arrest father and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there, and the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there are sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there are sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there are sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there are sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done there are sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done the sloop to give an appearance of legality to what Greatbatch had already done the sloop to give an appearance of legality to give a greatbatch had already done the sloop to give done there, and to arrest father and daughter formally in the name of the gether, and one which, if it ever be-came publicly known, would expose him to the condemnation of a large preferred to have allowed Great-womap, who was now asleep, she batch to manage the affair in fur-therance of his own secret scheme. But he could not well refuse to Colonial, which he had at first earn-

estly desired. He saw that his asso-ciate was feverishly anxious to avoid Captain Prosser Williams had de-clared that the scheme he had in view would redound to the good of Controlling himself, therefore, he all concerned. But reason and common sense alike told him that that

of the ship's boats, which lay ready officer's injunctions to secrecy, the expression of his face and what he knew of his character, belied his bind and render helpless Captain statement. When Mynheer reached Jenkins and his men, while Evelyn home, he was surprised to see his had been torn from her father and wife still in her chair in the drawing room. Also, after her own dull fashion, she appeared to be in radiant good humor. Her mood jarred upon him, though he was far whom, to the dismay of Henrious indeed from guessing its cause. He Laurens, they discovered to be Geranswered her shortly, and was ald de Lacey. They stood a moment utterly disinclined for conversation. in some perplexity, till Greatbatch He was thoroughly dissatisfied with himself and his own course of action, when he had attempted to separate

Breathing freely when he heard the smuggler's statement that Mr. de Lacey had received but a scratch, and more anxious than ever to put matters on a legal basis, Mynheer Laurens drew near to the wounded man, and by the light of a lantern above their heads, which relieved the growing darkness, began to read the warrant for the arrest of one Gerald de Lacey and his daughter, described as Popish recusants, accused of various felonious and treasonable practices, contrary to the laws of England and of the Colony

of Manhattan. It was a strange scene. The tall figure of Captain Prosser Williams kept somewhat in the background, with a cynical smile on his pale face: Henricus Laurens flushed with atical rage and exultation as he read, while Greatbatch, unusually silent and subdued, stood by, his coarse face giving signs of perturbation. In the shadow, so that the light scarcely touched him, lay the accused, who had fought a brave, though unavailing fight in defense of

TO BE CONTINUED

#### A MYSTERIOUS SICK CALL

The incident I am about to relate is a true one; it was told me by the same category, he had hevertaked at priest to whom it occurred, although expedition in which he felt himself I am not giving his name nor that of

In a certain large English town in high spirits at the approaching success of his schemes.

In a certain large where poverty and destitution were rife, was a crowded court in which where poverty are destitution were rife, was a crowded court in which were rife, which were rife, was a crowded court in which were rife, whic none but the most indigent lived. All the houses in it had a squalid forlorn appearance; some apparently falling down and leaning one against the other as if for support, and most of them having broken windows; the missing glass being replaced, by many of the inmates, probably the upon her father who is a prize let to several families, each room worth bagging."

Then he fell to thinking, with curious consistency of Evelyn and of description were not more busy in enting what semi-starvation was daily doing — decreasing their number by death. Half-clothed and sickly-looking children played listlessly on the doorsteps, or floated their mimic boats of wood or paper on the stream of dirty water which from time to time took its course down the center of the alley; but all the little ones were more or less too weak and weary for active exertion. Hardly any but its inhabitants passed through the court. Even the costermongers seldom visited it, excepting perhaps on a Saturday night when they wished to get rid of their refuse stock. Poverty was too apparent to

make a sale a likely event. In a tiny attic of one of the houses, on a little truckle bed, lay a poor woman, old and sick. Her sur roundings, poor as they were, were scrupulously clean, and the room tolerably airy, for being at the top of the house (the hightest the court could boast of) its little open window let in air. Seated by the bedside on the only chair which the room possessed was a little girl, from her size appeared seven or eight years of age, although she bore upon her face that look of premature age so noticeable amongst very poor children, more especially girls. On a rickety table standing near the bed were a few slices of dry bread and a cup containing some very weak tea, which the girl now and again held with evident solicitude to the woman's lips.

them in a little shabby hand basket. straw hat, and gently kissing the old herself. woman, who was now asleep, she stole quietly out of the room.

A few weeks later a Catholic priest might have been seen returning to little one was then only five years his home after an evening spent in making sick calls amongst the poor. His church was the only one in the

town, and he was the sole priest. He was tired and longing est, so that his house keeper's words anything that might redound to her when she opened the door were alittle

disappointing to him.

"There's another sick call for you, Father," said she, "and the young man who brought it said he hoped you would go soon.

"Of course, I'll go at once, then; but where is it?" inquired Father In Recket's Court, Father ; the

other end of the town." "Oh, I know the court," said the criest, "I once visited an old man there, but he is dead, and I did not think there were any Catholics there another little maiden, by the old

name," replied the housekeeper, refering to the slate on which she had one anxiety. "What would become written the address; "he only said there was a woman ill at No. 4 Recket's Court, and he hoped you would her mind in that respect. He had

who were the most bigoted in matters friends both with those outside the Church, so that many a hat was raised and many a word of greeting spoken to him as he made his way along the streets.

It was spring time, but night was coming on, so that when he got to Recket's Court, which was devoid of Browne was most indefatigable in his lamps, he could not find the number he sought, and had to inquire of a man who was leaning against a door- for he said that if we are to believe

sent for." said Father Browne. you tell me who are Catholics here? "Catholics." echoed the man.

"there b'aint no Catholics here; leastways I don't know of none, nor if it come to that of any other religion neither. Where can such as we find the dress to go to church? Sunday come round we're only too glad for a little bit o' rest.'

The man said this at intervals with his pipe between his lips, puffing as he spoke, and in a sullen

rather rude manner. But I was sent for, so I suppose there is someone ill in the house,' said the priest.

'I don't know nothing about your eing sent for, sir," replied the man; and as to sickness, there's always me one sad, sick, or sorry here but there's an old woman up top that's mortal bad I believe—the child Nellie they owe their existence.

was crying about her this morning."

A symptom of the en

This was enough for Father who, after ascertaining which was the poor woman's room, climbed the stairs to find it.

A knock at the door brought our walked to the bedside of the sick woman, who to his question if she woman, who to him raplied feebly

M. Rene Bazin is in touch with had not sent for him replied feebly that she had not. But you are a Catholic, I sup-

The woman's long speech had some-what exhausted her, and the priest whated a few minutes before again a work of time; it is the result of addressing her. He then quietly addressing her. He then quietly spoke of religion in a general way, of God's love for His creatures, etc., and not only this, but he inquired death, and it holds more promises into her position, for from what he saw of her surroundings he feared that she must be suffering from the direst poverty, and that probably she was needing even food.

It was too late then to buy any-thing, but he told Nellie to come to the Presbytery early in the morning, when his housekeeper should have a few things ready for her to take to her grandmother. He then left, after promising at the sick woman's earnest request to come again next day.

His visits after that were frequent. for he here saw a soul longing to be saved, and notwithstanding his first hope that the food and comforts he was now supplying her might eventnally restore her to health, he soon saw that her end was not far distant. Her spiritual condition was, however, a great consolation to him. She took in with avidity and childlike confid-

worse than that of many men who self that, like a hero of romance, he the woman said: "but take a piece drink, so that when he died he left been very kind to her and helped her much, although nearly as poor as herself. When this good neighbo died and left her little girl quite des titute and without kith or kin to take her, she had adopted her, though the little one was then only five years

she could scarcely give her.

This latter part of her history the

poor woman scarcely dwelt on, and evidently shrank from mentioning credit; but when she came to Nellie's care of her, then, indeed, she was eloquent. "For didn't she said, "provide for 'For didn't Nellie. -her Grannie as she had taught her to call her—going out every morning into the fields, when the flowers were in bloom, and making up pretty little nosegays and selling them. And then when there were no flowers to be had, she would go to the small houses on the outskirts and find employment cleaning doorsteps, running now. Did the messenger say the sick person was in danger of death?"
"No, Father, nor did he give a own. Now that she knew herself to

soon."

been interesting himself about the child before her Grannie broached left the house again and was on his way the subject, and had found a kind to Recket's Court. The town was a lady amongst his parishioners willing very non Catholic one and dissent to befriend her. It was not long was rampant in it, but even those before this lady came and made of religion felt a respect for the priest dying woman. Nor did she content who was so universally known for his kindness and benevolence, not have been frequently seen with only to his own flock, but also to Father Browne at the noor women's

It was never discovered who search and inquiries. He at length began to look upon it as miraculous, boat smoking his pipe.

"Oh! this is No. 4," replied he to the desert to baptize, rather than the question.

"Then it was to this house I was tion, might it not be that this poor Can woman, striving as she did to do God's used to say that her Angel Guardian was the messenger.—F. C. Davis, in the English Messenger.

RENE BAZIN

EXTOLS THE MEN WHO ARE FIGHTING IN TRENCHES IN FRANCE

Among the soldiers at the front the religious reaction, so noticeable when the War broke out, has somewhat changed its character. It has lost its novelty, and, therefore, some thing of its attraction for shallow but in souls more deep and thoughtful it has implanted habits that will survive the War, to which

A symptom of the enlightenment that these religious habits have fostered is noticed by the well-known writer and academician, M. Rene Bazin; the convert and believing soldiers are no longer merely anx ious to save their souls by making many unknown soldiers; he willingly speaks of his experience in this respect, and from one so highly conpose?" said Father Browne.
"No, sir, I am not; I belong to no religion in particular, and there's so many churches one cannot tell which have been been as a besolutely true. He notices, among his unknown correspondents, who are mostly men of the people, as of my life, oh so earnestly, to lead me His will; I want to do it, sir."

The woman's long speech his. tude of the French government with regard to religion is unsatisfactory. To arrive at this conviction has been has more value than a spontaneou

for the future.

These soldiers clamor for prayers. 'You are not doing enough for God,' writes one, who is only 250 metres from the Germans. Another writes that victory will only be complete when public prayers are offered; a third that France must publicly return to Christ and then all will be

IS FRANCE GODLESS ?

The writers, add M. Bazin, are mere private soldiers. Many of them are peasants; they have no interest to profess feeling that are not theirs in reality. The Godless attitude of official France did not hurt them in 1914; in 1917 it alarms and pains them, a proof of the religious enlightenment that has widened and enlightened their souls. Roughly speaking—in matters spiritual generalities are seldom accurate—we may say that after nearly three

companions and lost all through to Germany, where he remained

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civilians, but his parish being still in the enemy's hands, it was not until the other day, after the French ad-vance, that he had leave to visit his ed completely to his wonderful per-vance, that he had leave to visit his uprightness, his clear old home. It is no easy matter to obtain permission to return to these liberated villages, where the retreating enemy had scattered explosive bombs, and where even the unburied corpses often conceal engines of death, that have, more than once, killed the unwary French soldiers, who were told off to bury the bodies. "They are now forbidden to touch them," said a general. We must, above all, keep our men's lives safe, though those unburied corpses are unpleasant to look at." Our cure's visit to his once flourishing parish brought him face to face with scenes

HAVOC OF WAR

He first stopped at a hamlet called Hautebraye that belongs to his parish. Out of forty houses only two were left standing. The inhabitants were left standing. The inhabitants had been removed, but an old couple, named Menard, succeeded, by hiding in a cellar, in remaining among the ruins of their old home. There was no church at Hautebraye before the War. Since the advance of the French, two oratories have been arranged, where soldier-priests and military chaplains celebrate Mass. There are graves everywhere, in the gardens and in the fields, as well as in the cemeteries. Closer to Antre-ches, a calvary has escaped destruction. The big Christ with His out-stretched arms, and a statue of Mary Magdalen, are left standing among desolate surroundings. The village of Antreches is filled with barbed wire railings. There are cables everywhere, with inscriptions in German, such as "Lebensgefahr," "peril of death." Certain quarries, still unexplored, were called by the enemy "The Devil's Holes:" hence severity of the military authorities now in possession, with regard

church, he pathetically tells us, regarded as an historical monument of arded as an historical monument of camp. amportance and value. He found camp. It is the Mass that matters! stones; the stone spire and columns | Truth. lay on the ground in shapeless mass Nothing was left standing but a few bits of wall. The sight of the birds flying in and out among the broken stones and preparing to build their nests among the ruins brought hopeful thoughts. "Some day," he writes, "life will return to Antreches; homes will be rebuilt, and, maybe, God will be served here more faithfully than before the upheaval. There is something very beautiful in this clinging to hope in face of ruin and desolation unspeakable."

AT RHEIMS

At Rheims some nuns are allowed to remain, those, who, by caring for the sick and wounded, render val-uable service to the inhabitants whom circumstances detain in the stricken city. Among these religious are some Sisters of the Assumption. The nursing Sisters of the Poor, who, under the shells, go to and fro between the cellar of their shattered house and other cellars where their poor clients are suffering from sickness and from fear.

conversation with a lady who has lately returned from the province held by the enemy throws a curious light upon the mental attitude of the German priests who act military chaplains to the armies. This lady has considerable property near Valenciennes. She has only just been sent back to France, and, having lived for nearly three years speak of them. Personally, she suffered no grievances beyond those common to all inhabitants of these captive regions, but her conversawell educated Germans gave her the impression of a people whose discipline and whose con-science and judgment have been deformed by militarism. She was his admiration. These are the words amused at their frankly expressed he spoke to a gathering of fellow philosophers: "There is a little book philosophers: amused at their frankly expressed surprise when the village churches were filled with prayerful people.

were filled with prayerful people. "We thought that the French people "We thought that the French people no longer practiced their religion, as which they are questioned in church and in school; read this little book, government has none," they My friend explained that, although the influence of an unbelieving and persecuting government must, in the long run, have an evil influence over the masses, there still, thank God, existed steady and fervent Catholics, who, in the teeth of official opposition, faithfully practiced their faith. These Catholics, charitable and zealous, patient upder suffering and heroic in sacrifice, represent the real soul of France.

#### THE SPIRIT OF CARDINAL MERCIER

What of the spirit of Cardinal Mercier? He has some of it, apparently. that flows with clearness and of A writer in the current number of itself from Christianity. This is what A writer in the current number of the Red Cross Magazine proves that very conclusively by stating that a very conclusive that a very conclu said, "The first time he went into his presence his instinctive comment Catholic men are apt to

gian Relief Fund tells of going with one of the great radicals of Belgium, a man in conflict with the Church. He warned the American to be careful that the Church warned the American to be careful that the Church warned the American to be careful that the Church warned the American to be careful that the Church warned the American to be careful that the Church warned the American to be careful that the Church was such as the church was an an an sieges.

The four days' fighting had been on the east side and in front of the city. The fortresses of St. Loup, St. Sunday School days is in too many Jean le Blanc, the Augustins, the

seventeen months. He has since been sent back to France with other son, that a man of his ecclesiastical and for others the reason of the faith way of thinking was not to be trust- he possesses. ed, but before the two had been long in the Cardinal's presence, both yieldsonality, his uprightness, his clear thinking, his glowing sympathy."

How strange that the radical Belgian "in a conflict with the Church" should try to give the American a false notion - but perhaps he was shrewd (?) enough or thought he was, to think that all Americans feared wily ecclesiastics "-for literature and common report recorded an ecclesiastic and a wily person as one and the same person—but above all a Cardinal—he would of course be the "wiliest of the wily." This writer also adds, "I have never talked with one of the Americans who in the Belgian work met the Cardinal of destruction that surpassed all he who did not declare him a great man, a very great man, and one called him the greatest man that he had ever conceived." Evidently the true Gospal spirit is here and needs no exploiting by American Evangelical churches. — Gleaner in Catholic Columbian.

#### A MINISTER'S TRIBUTE

Rev. Frederick K. Stamm, pastor of the First Reformed church, Dayton, Ohio, writing in the Dayton

"If one should drop into Mass at the K. of C. hall in Camp Sherman at 8 o'clock of a Sunday morning and see how crowded the hall is by Cath-olic soldiers, he would say that the Catholic soldier does not forget his devotions on Sunday. He is just as faithful in camp in his attendance at Mass as he is at home. If one should drop into a religious service at one of the Y. M. C. A. huts and see there from thirty to one hundred and fifty in attendance, and then walk on over into the social hall or reading room in the same building and see the large number who are writing reading, smoking and talking, etc to visitors, who, unconsciously, may walk into a trap.

With much difficulty the cure would be likely to think that the made his way to the "place" where Protestant soldier is not very careful his church once stood; a magnificent about his church duties. He might also think that the Y. M. C. A. is failing in its religious work in

#### THE CATECHISM

One of the most valuable books a Catholic can possess is the little Catechism. With the one exception Catechism. With the one exception of the Bible there is no book richer in precious information than the manual of Christian doctrine white heart? is used as a text book in the Sunday School. It contains the message of Christ to mankind. It embraces the truths which man must know. It is a summary of all that the Church teaches and of all that her children must believe. Within its few pages are simply and clearly expressed the articles of the Catholic's creed and the principles that should direct the Catholic's conduct. This is priceless knowledge. The value of the little book that contains it cannot be over-

estimated. Every Catholic should know this catechism. He should be thoroughly acquainted with the truths it teaches. Those truths are the very fundamentals of his religion; they form as it were, the constitution of the Church. Those truths he should know that he may have a reason for the religious practices he performs and that he may be able to answer the objections of those outside the Church. Most of the difficulties men find with Catholicism are due to a misunderstanding or misinterpretation of the articles of the Catholic tion of the articles of the Catholic The man who knows his catechism knows his religion and has a ready reply for all who misrepresent his religious beliefs.

Jouffroy was one of the represen tatives of infidel philosophy, but the simplicity and the wealth of truth contained in the catechism excited his admiration. These are the words which is the catechism, and you will find therein the solution of all the questions that I have treated-of all without exception. Ask the Christian whence comes the human race, he knows; whither it goes, he knows. Ask this little child why it is here below, what will happen to it after death, he will give you a truly sub-lime answer, which he does not fully understand but which is none the less admirable. The origin of the world, the origin of species, questioned the control of the control o tions of race, man's destiny in this life and in the next, man's relation and when he grows older he will not hesitate about natural law or politihesitate about natural law or politi-cal law, or international law, for all the time of the siege of Orleans," he

was—'Here is a saint,' but when he grasped his hand and looked into his only by Catholic children. This beeye, he said, here is a man.' This lief is in a great degree responsible to the siege of Orleans not often writer also remarks that: An American interested in the Belligion. The truths learned in child and sieges.

Relief Fund tells of going with hood have been forgotten or only im-

The catechism is a rich treasure. house of information for all. Even philosophers declare that they can add nothing to the truths it contains. Catholics, therefore, should have it ever near them. They should feel no time wasted which is spent in reading its pages. The more they read the catechism, the better they will know and appreciate their re-ligion, and the more fully that re-ligion will find expression in their lives .- The Pilot.

THE MOTHER'S HEART

THE UNSEEN AND UNSUNG HEROINES OF THE WAR

Whilst we are paying the tribute of our admiration to the glorious young American soldiers who are from day to day going over the top, let us not forget the silent self-sacrificing band of heroines, who, all unseen, have gone over the top and paid the penalty of their love of country—the mothers of the land who have yielded up their boys to the army

and navy.
Almost every boy who is now "somewhere in France" has left behind a sorrowing mother. Like Mary at the foot of the Cross, she has made a willing sacrifice; but the sword of grief is piercing her heart. Her boy is always before her mind's

In these bright Spring days, the mother's heart is holding again the little infant of yore; she is guiding toddling footsteps; she is gazing in pride at the budding boy on his way to school; she is admiring the full young manhood, which yesterday she nestled to her heart the infant she bore. And the brightness of the Spring is dulled by the cloud which overbears her as she pictures her sturdy son grappling unto death mayhap with an implacable enemy. But through the cloud and through the raindrops of her grief the glorious sun is piercing as she offers up the boy on the altar of his country.

The American mother has made the supreme sacrifice. She has gone over the top. She has sent the of her heart across the seething waters and into the hell of battle. Long before his turn comes to go over the top, the heart of the moth has gone again and again. Long before he is wounded she has bathed his fevered brow and bandaged his wounds; long before his death—and may God avert it !- she has bent over his bleeding, lifeless body, whilst the hot tears fell upon his dear face. For who can still the fears of the mother? Who can stay the anticipations of a mother's

All honor to the mothers of America! Brave and true, they are the first to go over the top. How could the sons of such mothers be other than loyal and brave?-Newark

#### JOAN OF ARC AND FRANCE

There are so many facets to the glory of Joan of Arc that one is bewildered in making choice of them for a short article. Her sex makes a wonder of her martial mission and her youth another. She was not yet twenty when her virginal body was given to the flames. Her perfect singleness of purpose was another wonder.
"For this was I born—to drive the English out of France," said the girl Joan to her uncle when she prevailed on him to take her from her home in danger of death itself could no make her deviate a hair's breadth from her mission. Not till the English were driven out of France did the humble, lonely girl beg to be allowed to go home.

The fearlessness of the warrior maid who yet wept when the enemy went uzshivered to their death; the swift and complete success of her mission are still other sides of the

brilliance of her glory. We shall not choose amongst these but take only the point of time and review two notable Mays in the Blessed Maid's short life.

Joan of Arc day, May 8, celebrates the raising of the siege of Orleans. From the life of Bles-sed Joan, written by E. A. Ford, we take this chapter recounting the last day of the siege. last day of the siege.

"THE STROKE OF GOD" "The stroke of God," the English Duke of Bedford called the demol-ition of the English fortresses that to God, man's duty to his fellow man, man's rights over creation, he is ignorant of none of these things, and when he grows older he man and when he grows older he was a status of the man and when he was a status of the man and when he was a status to Paris, where he was ensconced securely, as he thought, for all time

wrote to the young king of England. But those four days' work around and outside the walls of Orleans desequel proved they did not stand on Catholic men are apt to think that the order of their going, but went

There was quite a dramatic finale

stronghold on two main sides of the

the Regnart Gate were encamped in greater number but not so fortified, the main English army under Lord Talbot.

They could not get to the aid of the Tourelles even if they had had time to collect their thoughts and get themselves together for such a reinforcement. The descent of Joan of Arc and the army on the bridge fortressees had been swift and too overwhelming in its result.

the dry fagots below and the first whiff of smoke drew an agonizing cry from her lips. Only one. She called from out the flame the sweet name of Jesus and repeated it many times. Most of the people, and a great many of the judges went away at the first sign of the smoke rising, not wanting to see what would harrow their souls.

Swiftly the flames shot up and enveloped her. Once the executioner

after the fervent thanksgivings in the churches, and the inevitable shouting and exultation over the deep and peaceful sleep as few Frenchmen had known in that neighborhood for nearly a year.

Not many hours of sleep, though, for at the first streak of dawn the watchers on the towers after feast ing their eyes on the still smoking remains of the English forts across the river, turning their eyes west-ward where the enemy's camp whitened the plain, saw unusual signs of activity for so early an hour. The English had left their tents and were drawn up in line of battle. Quickly the Maid and the French captains and garrison and tired soldiers were up and marshaled. Out of the Regnant Gate Joan led them and soon they were in shape for work facing the English troops and be-tween them and the city walls.

Thus the two armies stood a brief space. Both apparently ready, neither anxious to begin. For once Joan was not calling: Forward, French hearts!" She surveyed the field quietly for a few moments and then saying, "This is

moments and then saying, This is Sunday morning," gave orders for a table to be brought, and a temporary altar erected right there on the field, between the two armies.

Her confessor then offered up the Holy Sacrifice and immediately after him another priest did so, both armies attending as reverently as circumstances permitted. When the second Mass was finished, Joan, who had dismounted and knelt near the

altar, asked those near her how were the English facing. "Their backs are towards us. They are facing Meung," was the an-

"They are going. In God's name we will let them go. We shall catch them another time," she said. A detachment of the French army followed them some distance to be sure they were not planning some detour.

As it proved later the English retired to Meung, a town about ten miles down the Loire from Orleans, which has been a long time in possession of the English. After following them a few leagues

the French army turned back to Or-leans and the day was given up to processions to the churches thanksgiving; and later in the day to civic and military parades and music and illuminations. In the evening the populace spread

itself freely and happily outside the gates over the open fields from which they had been so long shut off, and enjoyed the spring freshness of meadow and forest to the full

'Twas a happy day to Orleans and to this day it is sacred to religious processions in the morning and military parades and maneuvers in the afternoon—it is Joan of Arc day—

May 8. May 8.

BURNED AT THE STAKE

The siege of Orleans, the beginning of the end of the English in
France, was raised May 8, 1429. At
Their mothers are afar. But Thou, the close of May, just two years later, the deliverer of France was Most at the stake

The trial of the Holy Maid, one of the most appalling dramas in all history, began on February 21, and stretched its tortuous length over two months and a half. Of it our author writes

thor writes:

The illegal trial was to end in legal execution.

Thou hear'st—and swift their illegal execution. But no one was there to protest. The fear of the English was more than the fear of God, and the Eng

lish were in a hurry. It was drawing toward noon time The Dominicans, Isambard and Ladveanu, drew near to Joan and spoke words of courage.

Joan kneeled down between them and in loud clear tones prayed for France, for her king. She begged the prayers and forgiveness of all those around her, her enemies as well as those who wept with her. The cries of the women beyond the cordon of soldiers came to her ears and almost unnerved her. She

begged for a cross. An English soldier took a fagot from the pile prepared for her burning, broke it in two and fastened it in the shape of a cross. She thankfully kissed it, and placed it in her

All this time the executioners were placing her in position and fastening her body with chains to the stake, in several places, from her shoulders to her knees. Friar Isambard was speaking

words of comfort and courage and holding the crucifix to her lips. But And enter knighthood's cheery hut Joan begged Isambard to keep the cross before her eyes till the last.

And hear the songs of long ago, And live once more an hour or two The joys of home that once he knew, her enemies were in a hurry. On her head was placed a paper cap Shall

bearing the inscription :

"Heretic, Relapsed, Apostate, Idol-Regardless of the garb you wear? ator," and out of reach of the fire was a large placard bearing her record according to these judges, that she a man in conflict with the Church. He warned the American to be careful, that the Cardinal was a wily perful, that the Cardinal was a wily perful, that the Cardinal was a wily perful.

stronghold on two main sides of the city. On the west, on the way to Blois and Tours and Chinon, outside the Regnart Gate were encamped in

of Arc and the army on the bridge fortresses had been swift and too overwhelming in its result.

The french remund "by the bridge" that Saturday night and toward the sound forcibly parted them to let those interested see she was really there and

had not vanished nor been rescued. With one last loud cry of "Jesus," her sufferings were at last ended and victory, they had dropped from sheer exhaustion into a few hours of as land's history. Joan of Arc was no deep and peaceful sleep as few Frenchmen had known in that Saints in Paradise.—St. Paul Bulletin.

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HEART OF JESUS, ALL FOR THEE

God bids us love His ever-loving Hasten, O children, to the Saviour's

There only may your hearts and minds abide. Through all the years to come, be

this your one Perpetual work, in tenderest years begun— To nourish love for Jesus Crucified. Father and mother shall your footsteps guide, And teach how sweetly God's sweet

will is done.
Ah! what more blessed refuge in the strife May wearied spirit find, than Jesus'

Heart? That Fountain springing up to endless life, And scattering dewy balsam on each

smart;
That pledge of peace, where stormy war is rife, Making the very earth heaven's counterpart! -Pope Leo XIII,

THE VIRGIN OF THE

BATTLEFIELD Ah! In that turmoil of revengeful them fall! I see their startled eves Go wandering to the blue, unshaken

skies, And hear their quivering lips repeat -a Name: Mother!" in every mortal tongue

last to rise
From their parched throats. They yearn in childish wise
For sheltering arms, remembering

I know, wistfully, who mother art to

Forever through the battles' rage dosti go To soothe thy piteous sons where'er they fall. When their poor plaintive tones for

heavenly Mother's nigh. -EDWARD F. GARESCHE.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

They do not ask the faith or creed Of him that comes into their hut; True knighthood's door is never

shut Against a pilgrim warrior's need. They question only: rest

And are you weary and oppressed? Then, brother, lay aside your care, And come, this sheltering roof to

The days of bigotry are passed Now creeds are standing side by side To stem war's devastating tide.

All Christians as one race massed. And Jew and Gentile work and pray As fellows of a common clay. Throughout war's black and dreary blight In deeds of mercy men unite.

Perhaps some one you love or know May seek the door that's never shut he not feel your presence

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MUST " REVERSE THEIR IRISH POLICY"

The cable under date June 5th tells us that John Dillon neither tion condemns nor applauds the recruiting appeal of Viscount French. And the basis of an impo the New York Times adds this ex. conscription for Ireland was sudden tract from an interview given by the

"The Government," Mr. Dillon is this decision, we spoke of it as an quoted as saying, "has certainly done act of extreme impolicy, and events attempt to enforce conscription in Ireland against the will of the people, which would have brought no strength to the allied cause and unwould have produced worldwide evils. Any prospects of the success of Lord French's appeal depend, in my judgment, entirely on the extent to which the Government will reverse their Irish policy and the methods of recruiting practiced in Ireland since the outbreak of the

That Dillon should be still unenthusiastic, even distrustful of the apparently moderate and conciliatory substitute for the humiliating

had become a burning flame. Sym pathy was turned into indiffere ndifference was fanned into hostility; and I am afraid hostility is changing into bitter hate. I see all

ship to heed it; had that venerable and eminently sane old patriot, Cardinal Logue, given such diagnosis of the more than this to convince it of the suspicion of the Government that Irish public opinion will want whatever in the reports circulated."

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Home Rule and damn Home Rulers

Prussia. The demning truth quoted which makes a chapter of Anglo. Prussia. The damning truth quoted which makes a chapter of Angloabove is from one of the most promin. Irish history under the caption of ent of Ulster Protestants, one who loves and understands Ireland and therefore carry weight where the entertaining; we must contribute to to be vindicated." advice of Irish leaders would be the gaiety of nations by quoting: scorned. It is taken from a letter vigorously protesting against conland. Thank, God the wiser and saner as well as the more patriotic counsels of such as he have now pre- theory know very little abo abandoned.

Sinn Fein imprisonments with-

enlightened Irish Protestants, but plot it is very singular that the per- libelled innocents.'

conservative English opinion also, knows and condemns the wretched Irish policy which turned Irish enthusiasm into sullen discontent and dangerous unrest.

The Evening Standard and St. James Gazette, neither anti-Government nor pro-Irish, is honest enough and courageous enough to tell the plain truth about Ireland to English readers, in these words:

"If our rulers had deliberately set out to foster the Sinn Fein move-ment they could not have succeeded better. First there was the wellintentioned Mr. Birrell, afraid to forestall a rebellion lest he should precipitate one. Then the Irish leaders were asked to agree to a settlement, and, when they had agreed, were thrown over because one or two English politicians threatened trouble.

"Meanwhile the fires of rebellion had been carefully fed by a host of minor follies. Recruiting was carsid as well as new address.
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In Sydney, N. S., single copies may be purchased at Murphy's Bookstore. any kind was made to appeal to Irish sentiment, or to refrain from col-lision with Irish prejudices. Almost any official action was a new weapon handed over to the Sinn Fein conspirators, while they were at the same time given freedom to elaborate their plots and complete their organisation

"Finally, just as the Irish Convention was about to submit a Report which was generally anticipated as sed settlement. ly announced, and a measure to that tract from an interview given by the Irish leader to the Daily Telegraph: Commons. At the first rumour of ne sensible thing in abandoning the have since conspired to prove the of the possible to conscript a whole nation. It is true that Ireland is not playing her proper part in the War, and regret the fact for Ireland's sake as well as our own. But the only sound and practical course is to remove the causes which have robbed us of

> announced elsewhere in the same article, the Government had already decided to drop conscription.

Will the tupenny-hapenny Cana-Dillon explain how it is that well-in origin; Judas Iscariot who betrayed formed and intelligent English pubthe Master was himself a disciple. proposal of compulsory service, will surprise no one at all familiar with the implacable Prussianism of power.

formed and intelligent English public opinion agrees so remarkably with John Dillon's public pronounces with John Dillon's public pronounces that the Master was himself a disciple. Saturday Night's little straw man with John Dillon's public pronounces that the Master was himself a disciple. Saturday Night's little straw man with John Dillon's public pronounces the case of the Bishop of Laibach The cas of the War Irishmen freely, gener. recruiting in Ireland has been "car- history. of the War Irishmen freely, generously, enthusiastically sprang to the
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communicating the facts to Rome,
have taken legal procedure again ried on in such a manner as to insuly, enthusiastically sprang to the aid of Great Britain, gladly hailing the new era when justice and cooperation were to replace age. long oppression and hostility.

"But the enemies of Ireland would not have free service," but who "wanted Nationalists dragged as slaves and humiliated," then the most loyal Cavadian will agree wholeheartedly with John Dillon when he says: "the prospects of the success of Lord Freuch's and Catholics enlisting in the army, as it removed the main argument against self-government on which they relied. They wanted Nationalists dragged as slaves and humiliated, and this at a time when self-consciousness and pride in nationality.

The day is past, however, in England when such milk for babes can field a robust prejudice.

On May 25th Saturday Night said that the London Daily Chronicle is one of the greatest and most intelligent journals in the world;" and so far as our knowledge of world journals in the world;" and so far as our knowledge of world journals in the world;" and so far as our knowledge of world journals in the world;" and so far as our knowledge of world journals in the world;" and so far as our knowledge of world journals in the world;" and so far as our knowledge of world journals in the concection of the very same date tho cable told us that the London Daily Chronicle contended, after reading the Press Bureau statement of the reasons, that "more substantial justification of Laibach, states that the Vatican that the London Daily Chronicle contended, after reading the Press Bureau statement of the reasons, that "more substantial justification of Laibach, states that the Vatican that the London Daily Chronicle contended, after reading the Press Bureau statement of the reasons, that "more substantial justification of Laibach, states that the Vatican that the London Daily Chronicle contended, after reading the Press Bureau statement of the Bishop of Laibach, states that the Vatican that the London Daily Chronicle contended are proceded. Fir

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE given."

" Parnellism and Crime."

Saturday Night's reference to this who loves England too. It may is not only interesting but delightfully

"We note that the waspish egotist, written by George Russel (Æ) in the William O'Brien, an Ishmaelite whose Manchester Guardian, May 10th, hand is as frequently raised to smite his own countrymen as the British, likens the charges against the Sinn scription when it seemed that Fein to the forged letter published the British Government was deter-mined on that insane policy for Ire-'Parnellism and Crime.' In many quarters it is assumed that the Par-nell charges were a British Govern-ment plot. Those who accept the vailed, and conscription is definitely celebrated case, for the British Government at that time had for its With the rotten politics involved W. E. Gladstone, a declared advocate Prime Minister the Right Honorable in the definite threat of conscription, of Home Rule. So far from being a the vague promise of Home Rule, the British plot it was Irish in its origin. The author of the forged letter in out trial, the appointment of Carson's associate, Campbell, etc., it is cal force movement that culminated not easy to have unlimited faith in in the Phoenix Park murders, was a the sanity, good will and sense of justice on the part of a Government Richard Piggott, who was Irish of justice on the part of a Government the Irish and clever enough to dewhere the bad old anti-Irish influences have been able to exert such
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people guilty in open court, and IreAs for Catholics in general they a ruse that came as a brilliant inspiration to Parnell's chief counsel, Sir Charles Russell. If the Parnell the Parnell the Parnell the Parnell that not enly educated and charges were a British Government to the past.

As for Catholics in general they will hail with delight the winning by the Southern Slavs of those liberties

fidious British should have afterwards rewarded the man who exploded them by making him Lord Chief Justice of England."

Comment would be superfluous did we not remember that a lot of our readers have been born since the triumphant exposure of as nefarious attempt to destroy the reputation of Irish representatives as ever stained the black record of Anglo-Irish rela-

"In many quarters it is assumed that the Parnell charges were a British Government plot."

This convenient little straw man. Saturday Night, proceeds to knock out by recalling that Gladstone was then Prime Minister. Well, that is about as accurate and enlightening as most newspaper references to Irish history ancient, modern or contem-

Yes, Gladstone was Prime Minister, and he was a declared advocate of Home Rule. That was precisely the reason for the conspiracy which no Irishman, no Englishman, no Cana-Government committed to the policy of giving Ireland self government.

It was backed by an extremely powerful and influential section of the English press and appealed to deep-rooted national, racial and religious prejudice and was calculated to fan suspicion and distrust into such a flame that the Gladstone policy would become an utter impossibility. The forged letter was not the cause or inspiration or foundation of the foul conspiracy.

"The Corriere d'Italia praises ar. Balfour's 'most just and temperate' reply in the House, and summarises

But listen to this:

"So far from being a British plot This was on May 18th, when, as i was Irish in its origin. The ways been free to act in the was Irish of the Irish."

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reality of the conspiracy.'

Evidence much more specific than mere proof of German and German-American machinations is needed if the Government's action is "As far as the present doon insists. ment is concerned such evidence is clearly not forthcoming. \* \* \* If the evidence cannot be published the least that can be demanded is that it should be examined by competent, impartial judges, in whose findings the public would have im-

plicit confidence.' It suggests that the evidence be submitted to former Premier Asquith, Arthur Henderson, the Labor Party leader, and John Dillon or Joseph Devlin. "Confirmation by such a panel," The Daily News says, "would convince every section in Parliament and the country, and Parliament must insist upon some such investigation. \* \* \* To issue such evidence as is now pub To lished is not a compliment to the intelligence of the public."

The Daily Express which thinks

The British Government has tre mendous responsibilities at the present moment. Not the least of these is the duty of dealing with the problem of Ireland. Political camouflage may deceive all of the people some of the time but it can not deceive all the people all the time. The conscience of the world will be outraged if the ideals of Prussian junkerism are maintained in Ireland by Prussian methods.

Nor will it help matters to reverse the ancient rule and hold every Irishman guilty until he proves his innocence.

A LIE AND ITS REFUTATION The fabled seven-league boots are a tame invention of the imagination

compared with the very real rate at which a lie in our day of industrious news agencies and free presses outstrips its necessarily lagging refutation.

Not a paper in Canada, probably not a paper in the world, but pubdian and no man outside a lunatic lished the cabled news that at the asylum ever "assumed to be a instigation or with the approval of British Government plot." It was a the Vatican the Papal Nuncio at plot against Ireland and against the Vienna had taken action against the Prince Bishop of Laibach for favorindependence. Not one in a thousand will publish the refutation.

We subjoin the facts as given by the Roman correspondent to the Universe, under date of May 2nd. Referring to the question asked in the House of Commons with reference to Cardinal Logue the correspondent continues:

The letter was evoked by the circumstances. Tools can be bought. £605 in a few paragraphs the principal points of the question. The attitude of the Holy See has nothing to do with that of ecclesiastical dignitaries in different countries, who, as citizens of their own country, have al author of the forged letter . . . . have thought most in conformity with as Irish of the Irish." their duty. But none has thought until now of implicating the Holy See in these actions, or of finding in

of the recent arrests ought to be has telegraphed to the Nuncio i vienna, Mgr. Valfre di Bonzo, and ity; and I am afraid hostility is changing into bitter hate. I see all this with grief."

Saturday Night thinks that John Dillon and Joseph Devlin stultify themselves in not making a profession of faith in the sincerity of the Dillon or Joseph Devlin it would be the part of wisdom and statesman. Government in the matter of the Sinn taken. It is not enough to say that Romano tonight confirms this, and

> With regard to the Pope and the of life itself, and this unhappy proof of Irish complicity in the alleged plot of 1918. guilty, stating that in any case the prisoner at the bar was a dangerous character and should have been hanged long ago.

> > TWO OR THREE DILEMMAS

"Since the conclusion of an agreement between the Italians and the Southern Slavs over the delimitation of the Adriatic littoral, the Entente Allies have informally sanctioned the claims of the Czechs and Southern Slavs to independent national life. These claims will be one of the most difficult problems of the peace settlement. As the Czechs and Southern Slavs in the Empire are Catholics, and as the German be giving the Vatican also deep concern."-The Globe.

Why should this question give the Vatican any deeper concern than the fact that the French and Italians and the Government more than justified Belgians and many millions of Engin arresting the Sinn Feiners, adds: lish speech on our side are Catholics, "Now they should be tried, and the while many of the Germans as well as

they claim for Ireland.

THE ONE ELEMENT conspicuously lacking in current discussions on the Vatican and the War is knowledge. On the other hand, an element at the

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same time particularly prominent is ingrained animosity. See-sawing between the two produces results that if they were not inimical to the well-being of the commonwealth would be merely ridiculous.

IF A STRAW shows how the wind blows, the act of Mile. Eve Lavalliere, long a familiar figure in Paris-ian life and a favorite at the Theatre must take heavy toll of the enemy des Varieties, in retiring from the stage, selling the luxurious furnishings of her apartments, dividing her dresses and jewels among her friends fall? The French writers believe and entering the Carmelite Order, that it will be directed against what may perhaps be taken as an indica-tion of the rejuvenated religious sector, in the Valley of the Oise. spirit at work in France since the dark cloud of War overspread the French counter-attack along the land. From the gaisties of the Oise without a moment's hesitation capital as well as from the tribula-tions of the trenches whispers of tions of the trenches whispers of this new birth comes. Even Clemenceau, with a long record of aggres- the largest and most dense in that sive anti-clericalism behind him is part of France, lies only a few miles heard to exclaim, in the act of pining the Jugo-Slav movement towards ning a decoration upon the breast of a monk: "I have not the privilege the preparations of the enemy for of being a Capuchin." Straws often the battle of the Aisne and enabled do show how the wind blows.

> THE NEW YORK Journal of Comternational politics and sociological of commerce and finance, has a sug- are close set, climb upward to gestive article in a late issue on "The great height, ly necessary to insist, has gradually become the outstanding feature of the age, particularly in this Western camera. its place as the root of all evil.

companies, as well as mercantile houses, as it is pointed out by the compilers of these figures, believe that the policy of silence concerning that the circumstances of this case not on the circumstances of this case that the circumstances of the circumstances of the circumstances of this case that the circumstances of this case that the circumstances of the circumstances of the circumstances of the circumstances to be said for its wisdom and sagacity. The abnormal appetite for notoriety in some minds may be said to override the love of personal according to the week is the appearance of submarines off the Atlantic Coast where they have already sunk some sixteen they have already sunk some sixteen the said for its wisdom and sagacity. The most startling development of the week is the appearance of submarines off the Atlantic Coast where they have already sunk some sixteen the said for its wisdom and sagacity. The abnormal appetite for notoriety in some minds may be said to override the love of personal the said for its wisdom and sagacity. The abnormal appetite for notoriety in some minds may be said to override the love of personal the said the said to override the love of personal the said the said the said to override the love of personal the said the sai Vatican the temper of the press is of dency has to be reckoned with. The Nor is the greatest and most intel- that calm and judicial sort which proportion of the evil under considcharged with the responsibilities of Not William O'Brien alone but a ligent journal alone in its demand. animated an Irish jury in a murder eration which never comes to the The Daily News "also calls for case in the brave days of old. During surface can therefore be conjectured the trial the man who was supposed only. Returns from fidelity and to have been murdered was brought guarantee companies, however, fur-

> FROM ONE such company only the figures are staggering-we had almost said appalling. The Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York December, 1917, the following defalcations:

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This is from one city, and one company only. Does it not arouse curious reflections upon the civiliza-Austrians belong almost wholly to the same Church, the question must age in which we live? And what about the sharp-practice, the quick turning of a corner, the getting the or in some interior part of the counbetter of a competitor, which not try. It is not definitely known merely evades the imputation of dis whether the unit will work directly merely evades the imputation of dis honesty, but often masquerades Italy or under the questionable disguise of mander-in-chief. good business?"

> A face that had a story to tell. How different are faces in this particular! Some of them speak not they are books in which not a line is written, save perhaps, a date .-Longfellow.

AGAIN Berlin reports that

"the situation is unchanged." shifting of the material and masses of enemy troops used in the battle of Aisne to the scene of the next offensive may have begun already. There is comment regarding the failure of the enemy artillery to support the infantry adequately in recent local engagements on the Marne front. The artillery activity generally has increased, but the Germans have confined their atten-tion chiefly to bombarding the rear of the Allied positions. The guns troops holding the line, who, until the past day or two, had not begun to dig themselves in and take cover. WHERE, THEN, will the next stroke Activity there revives as it declines along the Marne and the Aisne. Th vigorous reaction on this sector is that the great Forest of Compiegne south and west of the enemy's lines on the Oise. As the Forest of St. Gobain, southwest of Laon, screened him to launch a surprise attack, so the greater Forests of L'Aigle and Compiegne, with the wooded lands east of Villers-Cotteret, would merce whose editorial columns dis-play intimate acquaintance with in-attack on Paris. In the Forest of Complegne the whole army of the problems, as well as expert knowledge toward of companies that the towering beeches that, because they Lust for Money." This it is scarce, growth, would permit of free passage underneath, while furnishing above a screen that would not disclose its secrets to the aviator or his World. Even the widespread un. run into the forest. It is because settlement produced by this greatest they know the possibilities of concealment in the Forest of Complegne that the French military writers believe the next great attack of the affected the trend of civilization in lieve the next great attack of the this respect. Gold continues to hold its place as the root of all evil.

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NUNS GOING WITH U. S. HOSPITAL CORPS

Six Sisters of Charity are prepar ing to go to Italy with the Loyola University unit of New Orleans, La. These nuns, one of whom is the chief nurse of the contingent, were assigned to the work by the special request of Dr. Joseph A. Danna. Danna has been appointed the director with the rank of major. reports for the twelve months ending hospitals of New Orleans and is prohas been connected with the charity fessor of surgery at Lovola University. Dr. Danna, though a citizen of the United States, was born in Italy, and is therefore fully conversant with conditions in that country. big proportion of the doctors and es and enlisted personnel of the unit speak Italian fluently, and it was probably for that reason that Secretary of War Baker specially authorized the sending of this base hospital to Italy. This will be the first regular United States pital unit to be sent to that country.

The Loyola unit is fully prepared to take over any work to which it is assigned, whether it be at the front under the ranking military officer in under the Italian com-

This is a 500-bed base hospital, which may be increased to 1,000 beds at a later date. The unit com-prises 26 army medical officers, including the commanding officer and quartermaster, 157 enlisted men and correctness. With the addition of 68 nurses. Mrs. John Dibert, of three words, required for complete New Orleans, contributed \$100,000, all the money necessary for the definition of principle:—"If a re-

ON THE BATTLE LINE initial equipment of the hospital.-

THE IRISH HIERARCHY

We said last week that the action of the Irish Hierarchy in regard to the question of conscription was mis-understood. And certainly such a congeries of misapprehensions and confusions of thought as the press of England has exhibited during the past fortnight we have seldom come cross. It is not, fortunately, duty to pronounce upon a situation so full of difficulty for Catholics, on which they themselves will vary in opinion, or perhaps feel themselves unable to form any clear opinion at all. If the Irish Hierarchy have done wrong as Bishops it will be for Rome citizens it will be for secular Power to say so. Of course, it is in the competence of any person or persons who feel able and called upon to do so to form an opinion and to express it in a becoming way. But judgment is the prerogative of Rome in the spiritual aspect of the affair, and of the Sovereign Power in the temporal —and of no one else.

All Catholics, of course, will accept

that principle. They will not expect Protestants to do so. But they have a right to expect that Protestants in pronouncing their judgments will at least have some regard to common sense and to consistency. These are just what we have searched for, to small purpose, in the general stampede of the press during the found a vast mount of vulgar abuse and a vast amount of rhetoric, em-broidered upon two simple texts—the antiquity of clerical interference in ence, or the countenancing of dis obedience, against the law land.

Now, we have no doubt that an in

telligible case can be made out against the Irish bishops, just as it can be made out for them. But we say that to take either of these two nude propositions, or both—that the clergy must not interfere in politics obeyed—and upon them alone to attack the Irish Hierarchy, is either THEINTERVENTION of Japanin Siber. of them general rules, the former Some figures published by the Journal are instructive. The announcement that during the first troops in Siberia, has thrown up his any high subject to perfectly well known exception in the subject to perfectly well known exceptions in the subject to perfectly and the subject t Journal are instructive. The announcement that during the first four months of the current year more than \$2,000,000 were embezzled by employees in the United States is an impressive reminder that man is not always the master of money, but that too often money is master of the man. During 1916, according to figures compiled, more than \$31,000,000 were pilfered from various corporations, transportation companies being the heaviest losers with \$15, 132,750. Banks and trust companies being the heaviest losers with \$15, 182,750. Banks and trust companies lost \$3,793,271, insurance companies more than \$755,000, and benefit societies \$7,524,700.

As heavy as the sums are, they do not represent all the embezzlements of the year. Many banks and trust companies, as well as mercantile companies, as well as mercantile when the proposal was first made. sheer panic stricken muddle headedness.

One expects muddle headedness from a Protestant. But to the Catholic mind the position is perfectly clear. Sound as may be the general rule as to clerical abstention from politics, its reason is simply one of expediency, grounded on the fact that ordinarily more friction is engendered than good is done. But to the Catholic, religion and politics (or economics, or literature, or art) are not things separable into watertight compartments. They are subject to the moral law, and moral questions may arise, whether it be in regard to a duty the Catholic owes to religion in a mixed matter of religion and politics, or in regard to a liberty he may claim as against an act of State. The clergy have the right to pronounce in either case, and particularly when their advice is sought as trusted leaders. Indeed the right may often become a duty. To deny that right is sheer Protestantis claims for that department of conduct to which it is applied immunity from the moral law, of which the clergy, and particularly the Bishops, are the authorised exponents. Again, we must beg our readers to observe the point. It is not whether the Irish Bishops are right or wrong. whether or not the Irish Bishops are the proper people to guide as their trusted leaders, the Irish populace in a matter which the latter declare to be one of right, and therefore to involve a question of morals. We are not accustomed to take our theology from the Times, but we must say that we think that that organ has for once

it, he must, of course, be prepretensions' is to remove the basis of religious liberty. Forty years ago we were fighting hard for liberty to you. do this very thing, and we will not silently see it called in question now. We maintain that the principle of religious liberty requires any religious leader to be free-however mistakenly-to make such an asserthink that the Irish bishops are deplorably and tragically mistaken, but we uphold their liberty

so to err." to speak of the second principle so disingenuously invoked by the secular you from the perversity of the world press. In fact, there is no need. suffices to recall the fount and origin of the whole present muddle—which was simply the claim of Ulster to do what the other parts of Ireland are doing now. The principle that the law of the land binds in conscience is certainly very different from the rule about clerical abstention from It is a real principle morals, and not a mere rule of expediency. But the conditions under which it binds are well settled and well known. The Irish claim is that here those conditions are not fulfilled, and it is a claim which every section of our community makes in its turn and enforces. To deny that right to Catholics alone is one of two things. It is either an attempt dishonestly to cloud the issue, or it is a deliberate reassertion of the claim to discriminate against Catholics on the mere ground of their Catholicism. either case it is simply "No Popery" in disguise.—The Universe. May 10.

#### CLASS OF 600 CONVERTS CONFIRMED

This confirmation of converts, which is now an annual event of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston, Daughters. Says the "Constitution"

turn to Almighty God with hearts of gratitude to day for the great gift He has given us. There is no greater your editoral entitled: The Veterans have in all the world than the gift of Wrong—The Women Right.'

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Day: but it seems to me that, in this It is clear to all of us now in this bitter crusade against Catholics, some period of disaster of the world's hisperiod of disaster of the world's his-tory that all the world and all life for ammunition when they invade without God are but vanity?

#### FAITH AND SACRAMENTS

The sorrows and sufferings of these days are teaching that to millions of people who had often before heard it, but who only now begin to understand it. So turn, beloved children in Christ, turn towards the altar where the Blessed Lamb of God rests for your salvation and thank mighty God for the gift of His faith, themselves, as the gift of His Sacraments. the gift of His Sacraments. Subsequent events have disclosed. In refusing to recall

Become, through Confirmation, true soldiers of Jesus Christ, ready to go out and do battle in His name and for His glory, under His standard of the cross. Be proud of your have added firmness in the right. faith. It is the greatest thing in the world. It is the noblest gift of God to you. Go out and defend it where is to be regretted. Such a protest necessary, but most of all glorify God in the life you lead. Show to all the world that your faith has ion there was many a brave Irish really given you a new light of life, Catholic. that the Sacraments have given you responsive echo in the magnanimous a new strength to walk in the ways Show to everybody about you-for remember they are watching you closely—what it is really to be a Catholic.

#### PRACTICAL CATHOLICITY

Partake of the Sacraments often because without them your soul cannot live. Go out and show the world what it is to know God, to love world what it is to know God, to love God and to serve God Who made you, form. He shouldered his musket monasteries of Christendom.

ligious leader, if Cardinal Logue or glorify the Church which has called when only a boy and marched to the ultra vires, and that they are bound [or at liberty] in conscience to distant your only hope is the hope that your only hope is the hope which our Lord and Saviour Jesus pared to take the consequences of resistance to the law; but to abuse his of faith we may serve God in this

FIDELITY TO THE END

Now, my beloved children that you have received the great Sacrament of Confirmation, remember that Almighty God expects you to be true to Him. Be thoroughly Catholic. Think with the Church, feel with the Church, and act with the Church wherever you may be. Do not separate yourself from Catholic influences We have left ourselves little space but go wherever they are. The atmosphere of the Faith will save It and the errors that are rampant gin everywhere. So be true, firm and iich good Catholics and God will bless you here and grant you hereafter the glory of beholding Him forever."— Boston Pilot.

#### HOW MACON BIGOTS WERE REPUDIATED

A STALWART PRESBYTERIAN IS PROUD OF BISHOP KEILEY Catholic Transcript

Under the caption, "Catholics and the Lost Cause," one of the foremost papers of the South, the "Atlanta Constitution," speaking editorially, condemns the action of the R. A. Smith Camp of the Confederate Veterans of Macon, Ga., and com-mends the United Daughters of the Confederacy in refusing to accede to the demands of a few of the bigoted veterans to withdraw the invitation extended by the Sidney Lanier Chap ter, U. D. C., of Macon, to Bishop Keiley, to deliver the memorial address before the Confederate organizations. The "Constitution" espe cially commends a letter from Mr. Lucian Lamar Knight of Atlanta in

ing Confederate camps on Memorial
Day: but it seems to me that, in this
bitter crusade against Catholics, some
bitter crusade against Catholics, some
week passed without adding to his the sacred domain of a Lost Cause for which many a devout Catholic shed his blood.

'The protest of certain individuals annah for Memorial Day orator, was ill-advised. It did not represent the rank and file of Lee's immortal legions. It did not represent a major ity sentiment of the Macon veterans an invitation so fittingly extended, the ladies of Macon have honored

would not have been countenanced by Stonewall Jackson in whose divis-It would have kindled no soul of General Lee. Both of these great commanders were Protestants, the former a Presbyterian elder, the latter a vestryman in the Episcopal church. But neither of them ever applied the religious test to a Confederate seldier, because neither of them was a bigot.

BISHOP AS BOY WORE GRAY

communities, and perhaps not too well known in them. Bishop Keiley know that he followed the plume of is a model prelate whose commanding abilities have made him pre-eminent as the official head of the

great Catholic Church in Georgia. 'But why inject religious intolerance and persecution into our sol-emn feast day of memories, when the issues raised by such a discussion are as foreign to the patriotic sentiments of Memorial Day as the nebular hypothesis of the pons asinorum?

"In 1861, when President Davis called for volunteers to defend the South from invasion, did he reject Catholics? Can we find a proclama-tion to which he said: 'Only Protestants are needed to protect our help when Pickett led his immortal division up the bloody incline of Gettys-burg, did he say: 'Let Catholics stand aside?'

"It seems to me that the Macon veterans, in accentuating the feudal fires of the Protestant Reformation, have ignored the events of a period much more recent, and have shown of everything Catholic that no man, an indifference to matters much except perhaps the more ignorant more relevant. In the first place, Freemasons, would take its remarks more relevant. In the first place, they are seemingly forgetful of the care that one who has done more than all others to put the Confederate why Catholic chaplains are appoint cause into the literature of song was | ed in such numbers. The answer is an Irish Catholic, Who of us has not far to seek. It is a matter of not thrilled at the music of Father justice. The Government is deter Ryan's 'Conquered Banner ?'

IMMORTALIZED STARS AND BARS

"What war-poem, born amid the claim. throes of our great sectional conflict, is more widely known or more frequently quoted? Long after we are dead the memory of this gentle country wishes it.

Every one is anxious to grant a driver many least request. The singer will be cherished by our descendants. His renowned poem dying man's last request. The will be recited by our children's chil-

long list of trophies, no one then thought to belittle his rich prizes of war on the ground that he was only

a Catholic "But I forbear. These are only a few names recalled at random. To enumerate all would be an endless task. Enough have been cited to illustrate my contention. It only remains for me to ask these ques-

Would the Macon veterans refuse to hear an address from Raph-ael Semmes? Would they proscribe Father Ryan? Would they decline to listen to Chief Justice White?

'If not then they certainly have no right to refuse an audience to Bishop Keiley.

"I am a blue-stocking Presbyterian. My ancestors on both sides of the house, have always been Protestants, from time immemorial. Some were English dissenters, some were French Huguenots, and some were quarrel with any man on the score of his religion, who touched elbows with my father on the fields of the was received with pleasure. self wholly without bitterness toward the old Mother Church, which, all through the dark ages, testified to the true faith and kept

"The 26th day of April is sacred affairs, he did not hesitate to pro- when Christian principles shall rule

try's sake, be united as patriots. It is to be hoped that Bishop ley will not cancel his engage-Keiley ment to deliver this address in Macon. The desire to hear him has not been lessened, but only intensified by this unfortunate episode. His speech if delivered, will be a gem worthy of his countrymen. Nor will it lack the ring of the true metal, for he speaks

the great Lee in Dixie's hour of need.

The prayer of the Master was that His people might be one in faith; but

if we cannot clasp hands as Chris

tians, let us at least, for our coun-

his own golden heart. LUCIAN LAMAR KNIGHT.

#### THE WAR CHAPLAIN'S VALUE

he says is spun of the loyal fibers of

A periodical so rabid in its hatred mined to give Catholics their just proportion. This is the all-sufficient ground on which Catholics rest their But aside from this, there

is extremely short-sighted for any one to let his religious prejudice deprive our army of one of its chief supports. maintaining and increasing the sol-dier's morale and personal heroism. The Freemasons in the United States are not likely to question the bless. testimony of a brother Mason in France on this subject. Such an authority is quoted by P. Gény, S. J., in an article on the French chap-lains in the "Civilta Cattolica for January 8, 1916 (Vol. 1., p. 202.) Noting the fact that the Masonic persecution of the Church, which is raging in the civil portions of France, is conspicuous by its absence at the

"To this fact I can give the weight of my own personal experience. One day I wished to offer my services to day I wished to offer my services to
a Colonel who was a Freemason. I
was unknown to him, but presented
myself and made my proposal. This
was received with pleasure. 'I have Scottish Covenanters. But I cannot a Colonel who was a Freemason. I Confederacy, and who stood in the trenches when the Southland was received with pleasure. I have many soldiers, said the Colonel, trenches when the Southland was received with pleasure. I have many soldiers, said the Colonel, the colonel many soldiers, said the Colonel, the colonel many soldiers, said the Colonel, the colonel many soldiers, said the colonel many soldiers, said the colonel, the colonel many soldiers, said the colonel many soldiers, said the colonel, the colonel many soldiers, said the colonel, the colonel many soldiers, said the colonel, the colonel many soldiers, said the colonel ma prevented by circumstances from satisfying their desires. Go, therefore, I shall be happy to have you do so.' And without making any profession of faith or non-faith, he added that, considering the relation which religion bears to military

the Bishop of London, or Mr. Meyer, you at last to her bosom, and you front. There was not a better solor the Chief Rabbi, tells his flock that an Act of Parliament is iniquitous or is to be led by the light of divine loyal to his comrades—still true to for which Catholics and Protestants heroism."

The memories shall cease. The commemorates a cause to her bosom, and you front. There was not a better solto the memories of the Conquered nounce it the most powerful found and sordid selfishness will realize in all its fullness what it dier in Lee's army. Today he is still banner. It commemorates a cause to nand support of discipline and shall cease. The signs are clear.

The world will be better after the

ageous defenders of their country To do anything else is to harm the cause which we all have so much at

#### SOLDIERS IN FRANCE HONOR NATION'S DEAD

Memorial Day was observed on foreign foil for the first time this year. Both in England and France, ory of American soldiers and sailors. In Paris, the services were held at the Madeline. Cardinal Amette, Archbishop of Paris was present in the sanctuary, and at the conclusion with a silvery accent and whatever the sanctuary, and at the conclusion of the Mass, spoke of the services rendered to France by President Wil-

> The great church was thronged long before services began. One-half of the edifice was solidly packed with American uniformed men. Virtually the entire American Diplomatic and Consular Corps, led respectively by Ambassador Sharp and Consul General Thackara, were present.

Mass was said by the Bishop of Verdun. The music from the Madeline's wonderful organ, with a special organist for the occasion, and two bands from the French and American forces playing American and French patriotic hyms enhanced the solemnity of the service. mon was delivered by the Rev. Ernest March, S. S. F. S., of White ican Expeditionary Forces.

American graves scattered here and there behind the battle front, with their simple wooden crosses, were decorated by the comrades of the fallen soldiers.

soldier, whose faith in the life after life is greater than his fear of death." voluntary rally to the flag in defense of Belgium. As we saw our young men march out to die for others, The least that all of us can and freely and without compulsion, we should do who stay safely at home saw again the Cross on Calvary, and reaping the fruit of our young men's we knew that Christ was sleeping in sacrifice of life, is to grant them the no Syrian grave but dwelling in the one thing they ask. There is hearts of our gallant brothers and another consideration which should inspiring them to follow in His appeal to every patriotic heart. We want to win the War, we are making immense sacrifices to win it, and it street. It had become incarnate. .... It had become a practical thing, something to live and die for. We could not pass the comme The influence of religion is one of the most powerful ways of inspiring,

for them. Christ had not fallen. He

had stooped and stooped in order to

So far from having failed, Chrishas gained immensely since the War began. The increasing number of converts to Catholicism, the religious revival noted everywhere, the restored sense of the relative value of things temporal and eternal a sense which had been obscured by the witchery of trifles and the demands of pleasure, the recourse to prayer in the trenches and at home for Divine protection against danger, the tremendous influence exercised by the Holy Father, the increase in minds to spiritual things and a turning of their hearts to the truth. The highest expression of peace terms has re echoed Christian ideals. Wealth, power, self-indulgence, prog-ress and force have had their day

# OF CANADA

FOR GOD LOVETH A CHEERFUL GIVER"

that obedience to God's law of Charity is necessary for our salvalittle to us and which are productive tories, and that on the epistle to the of little love for God and of less for holy souls."—N. Y. News.

our neighbour. Yet there is nothing more insisted on in the Sacred Writings than the necessity of Works of Charity. Take for instance the words of St. Paul II. Cor. viii. and ix. This Epistle is written from Macedonia. After leaving the Macedonian churches the Apostle visited Ephesus and met Titus and Timothy. difficulties having cropped up in the Corinthian Church he writes the latest casualty list, and who had

attract our attention because the Apostle to the Gentiles exhorts the orinthians to contribute bountifully to relieve the poor in the Church of Jerusalem, as a duty and is a fervent Catholic. The Catholic as a good work bearing much spir-

itual fruit. In the Eighth Chapter, St. Paul of the Macedonians as an example to be emulated by the Corinthians. The Macedonians, though themselves in want, and as the Apostle says, "in amongst army chaplains during the whole War as given in the House of the other day, show that They gave with joy "and I bear them witness, for according to their power and beyond their power they were willing." More than the compared with their numbers, is heaviest. Thus no less than the compared with their numbers, is

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idly by as if we were unconcerned thank God, the training I received in and of no relationship to the suffer-Not if we know the meaning ing to fight for my country." of the words. Catholic and Charity. work of saving souls; give generous-

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CHAPEL FOR SOLDIERS NEAR THE FRONT

The Rev. Austin McCabe, C. SS. R. chaplain to the British forces, tells an interesting story of the opening of a Catholic church erected for the soldiers behind the fighting lines. "It was a most successful function in every way," says Father McCabe, "the church was crowded to its utmost capacity. Many officers, non-Catho-lic as well as Catholic, were present. The American colonel of this hospital was there, together with many of his officers : several Anglican chaplains. and a great body of our faithful Tommies. We had a splendid milit

" At 11 a. m. the solemn procession started from the old church tent of many happy memories. The processional cross came first, carried by a loyal to his comrades—still true to his colors. He is Southern to the core, a Virginian by birth and a Georgian by adoption. But he happens to be a Catholic, just as some of us happen to be Protestants. Only there is this difference—that, most of us are obscure individuals, scarcely known outside of our local communities, and narhappy memories. The processional cross came first, carried by a his colors. He is Southern to the clear. The world will be better after the War, better because less pagan, more Christian.—America.

The Government of the United States, apparently, is of the same opinion as the Colonel in question. This being the case, it is a patriotic duty to eliminate individual prejudice and strive to afford Catholics whether Protestant or Catholic, let us he content to many happy memories. The processional cross came first, carried by a six-foot guardsman; there is individual prejudites and part of the same opinion as the Colonel in question. This being the case, it is a patriotic duty to eliminate individual prejudice and strive to afford Catholics whether Protestant or Catholic, let us he content to many happy memories. The world will be better after the War, better because less pagan, more Christian.—America.

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The War, better because less pagan, more Christian.—America.

The War, better because less of chaplains in their khaki and, lastly, the sub deacon, deacon and celebrant, wearing cloth of gold vestments. We had a most inspiring sermon by Father, Dowling, C. F. of Londey. Father Dowling, C. F., of London. At the conclusion of the Mass all sang the hymn, "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name," accompanied by the military band. It was a fitting conclusion to a remarkable ceremony. The church "I love Thee my God and I love my neighbour." We very often make will be a boon to all our men here.
We can easily seat one hundred and can get in on great occause of these words to express
the feelings of the heart, knowing sions one hundred more. The two side chapels, making the church tion. Too often, however, we console ourselves with prayers which mean the Gospel side to our Lady of Vic-

#### MANY CATHOLIC CHAPLAINS KILLED ON BATTLEFIELD

London, May 80.-The papers have just been glorifying that gallant Catholic soldier, General Carton di difficulties insving cropped at the control of the Chapter viii. and ix. particularly in the Boer War, Samoliand and the present struggle in which he has lost both a hand and an eye and gained the V. C., they withhold one detail, that General Carton di Wiart chaplain list in the recent fighting is In the Eighth Chapter, St. Paul one is the well known Charity of the Macedonians as an example to be emulated by the Corinthians. The Macedonians though themselves ing from shell shock. The losses army chaplains during the heavy also. During the German offensive of the past few weeks, one

the words, Catholic and Charity.

Aid the Extension Society in the of this lieutenant's type, agitators of the Catt's brand might be less numer-ous and less vociferous. — Catholic Transcript.

#### FATHER FRASER'S CHINESE MISSION

Taichowfu, China, Nov. 26, 1916. Dear Readers of CATHOLIC RECORDS That your charity towards my mission is approved by the highest ecclesiastical authorities of Canada let me quote from a letter from His Excellency, The Most Rev. Peregrina F. Stagni, O. S. M., D. D., Apostolic Delegate, Ottawa: "I have been watching with much interest the contributions to the Fund opened on behalf of your missions by the CATH-OLIC RECORD. The success has been very gratifying and shows the deep interest which our Catholic people take in the work of the missionary in foreign lands. . . I bless you most cordially and all your labors, as a pledge my earnest wishes for your greatest success in all your under takings." I entreat you to continue the support of my struggling mission, assuring you a remembrance in my prayers and Masses. Yours faithfully in Jesus and Mary

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#### FIVE MINUTE SERMON

REV. F. P. HICKEY, O. S B. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OBEDIENCE TO THE WORD OF GOD "At Thy word, I will let down the net," (Luke v. 5.)

Nothing, my dear brethren, is more seldom to be found than a total trust in God—doing everything simply because God wills it and says it. Our own judgment, common sense, human respect, spoil most of obeying them. It is a difficult lesson to learn—and yet the very foundation of a good Catholic spirit—that it is always the best and the wisest thing to do, to give up our own will, disregard what men may say, and faithfully do what God would have His blessed Will.

Gospel of the day, in the easiest and

was so thronged by the crowds that He borrowed Simon's boat and taught the multitudes from This is almost at the begin ning of His public Life. of men were not decided what to think of this new Teacher. Their present state was one of wonder. They watched Him, listened to Him. crowded after Him, curious and eager. The good wondered and bebad wondered and

Jesus, then, taught the multitude from out the boat, and when He had concluded. He turned to Peter with "Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a

words according to common sense? That is a question we often ask our-selves when we find God's Will not in accord with our own. The plea of common sense is a frequent excuse for not doing what we should, but, rather, what we want to do. Look, then, what must these fishermen have thought of this command?-We have toiled all the night and caught nothing." The night was the time for their fishing, and not the blazing noonday. They had exerted all their skill, exhausted all their patience toiling all the night and brought up nothing but weeds and mire. cast their nets again now is certain disappointment. If the fish had voided their nets in the darkness of the night, much more will they shun them now, with the Syrian sun glaring from the heavens.

There is more, too, than St. Peter's own judgment concerned. It is a public thing. His brother fishermen are all around. The crowds gazing curiously from the shore. St. Peter was hurt that his Master had asked him this one thing. He is asked to expose him to ridicule and failure! He trembled at the thought of drawing up the net in the face of all— He fancied he heard already laughter and the taunts that

he shirk it? excuse himself from doing it? Common sense, his own gment, human respect, were alike word, the wish, the command of We have toiled all the night and taken nothing: our efforts, usenevertheless, "at Thy word I will let down the net."

hearted faith! Oh, may we have the grace in like difficulties to imitate St. Peter. And Catholics in a Protestant country must often meet trials, and find themselves in positions requiring faith and courage to quit themselves like men and obey God. Let our strength be in this, word." For every command of Christ contains a secret promise—the promise of strength to obey, the promise of a blessing if we

rust of success !

"Launch out into the deep," Jesus says to all of us. But what answer do we make? We remain timidly near the shore, afraid to trust ourselves in the depths of the providence of God. We excuse ourselves. We have prayed and got no answer prayed again, the deep yields no supply. We hope against hope, and cast the net for the last time, and it nes up empty. Jesus now comes d says: "Let down the net." It is not our last time, but the time after the last; but it is God's time. We have not to lay down the time and the manner to Ged, to hear our prayers and help us in our needs. At His word, we must let down the We cast in faith and we obtain

in abundance. For behold St. Peter's reward. He had done, not what he thought was full of things that we English solhad done, not what he thought was sense, not what men would have counselled him to do, but what Christ would have him do. And with one cast of the net they filled both ships, that they began to sink. "And so that they began to sink. "And St. Peter was astonished and all that way through the kitchen of the little convent opposite to our dressing station, and though the shells were with him at the draught of the fishes which they had taken." All night they had toiled for nothing, coming with a steady regularity one but this one draught more than recompensed all their labor.

It is the Lord's constant way to keep us waiting long, and then answer speedily at the end; to let many hours seem quite unproductive no tears and no hysterics; indeed, and then at once to grant more than enough to repay the labor of all.

Faith in Christ never disappoints. All else does: especially trusting to ourselves and trying to please men. And what did St. Peter do? He

fell at Jesus' knees, and cried: "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." Not that he would have Christ go, for he forthwith forsook all things and followed Him. But his humility confessed that he was unworthy of God's mercies. He obeyed once against the promptings of self judgment and human respect
—at Christ's word he let down the net, and see the reward of that one act of obedience. He forsook all, followed Christ, became an Apostle

and the Prince of the Apostles.
So we, too, if we overcome ourselves generously and obey God, and the voice of His Holy Ohurch, we our actions. There is no reward for shall find it easy afterwards to follow Him faithfully, for obstacles and difficulties will miraculously dis-

appear at the word of the Master. Learn from St. Peter then, to have a total trust in God, and to be brave enough, in spite of all, simply to do Bulletin.

#### FRENCH NUNS AT THE FRONT

an interesting article in which he recounts a few personal incidents to illustrate the courage, heroism and loyalty the French nuns have dis-

'The first time I went up the line was after a heavy attack on the part of the Germans, in which they met be evacuated, and those who have seen the exodus of these poor people will never be able to forget it. must dismiss the description with the phrase that it was heartrending, but everywhere you saw the nuns, who must have been as much afflictof helping, I asked one of the sisters what could be done. She actually "After the smiled in answering that it would be our several ways, but two of our lads all right, they would be well cared for by the good sisters in the Convent , in a town a few kilo-Gas had just been de Ste. used by the Germans, and fear of the hidden death was gripping us in a way that made that smile a thing of value. We were not finished with on, and within measurable distance of the line, we were greeted by the Reverend Mother and her community from the steps of a convent, by day—a tall, stone cross with a which even then held some of our small bronze figure of Christ nailed wounded and gassed."

MAKING GAS-MASKS FOR THE BRITISH Continuing, the Chaplain tells the

following: "As is well known, the gas found us more or less unprepared, and even in the zone of it these sisters had materially helped our own authorities to cope with the ghastly results that attended its use. More than that, for hour after hour all through the night, with death imminent to ould greet him.

And what did St. Peter do? Did helped to make the first of our gasmasks. My brigadier knew this, and passed the word down for 'eyes left,' and gave them the full military powerless against the simple salute, as the men passed their con-

WHY THE NUNS COULD NOT LEAVE Later, when attached to an advanced dressing station near the German lines, the chaplain, on his first morning there, went round the is love. ruined place.

Coming round the ruins of the church, I suddenly came face to face with a nun, and naturally I expressed my surprise. I then learned that the second respectable abode in the place had been, and was still, a convent. The sisters had obtained were, though apart from ourselves they were the only occupants of the village. I knew the place to be frequently shelled, indeed, there were St. Peter cast the net, not in the bare hope of a chance, but in assured abundant proofs of the fact wherestayed. The answer was, to bring me inside the convent and to take me to the chapel. 'We cannot leave it,' said the sister; 'besides we help at the other convent over yonder, and there is no room for us to stay

THEIR UTTER DESTITUTION

"Then follows the pathetic reference to the straits to which the sisters were reduced:

"After breakfast I went over to the other convent, which lay in one of those lucky neighborhoods where shells had never fallen, and which consequently I found full of refugees who were being cared for by the nuns. Later on in the day, I saw two nuns obviously returning from a little tour of the soldiers' billets farther down the line; they were carry-ing a huge clothes-basket which was diers had thrown away. Curiou again—but I hope not entirely so asked what they would do with it all, and was promptly told, 'Eat it.' Only a few days later a shell tore its way through the kitchen of the little the bearing of the sisters lent a dig-nity to the tragedy that is impossible

to explain.' ON BRITISH RATIONS

Eventually the nuns gave up their school to the British authorities, re-

building for their own us "The writer was asked where he was billeted, and when he returned to his billet after acquainting the general of the offer, he found that a bed, pillow, and sheets, and little odds and ends had been sent from the convent to make him comfort able. Subsequently, the came to pay his respects to the sisters, the immediate result of which was that, as they had none too much rations of the British Expeditionary Force. A field ambulance soon after took up its station near the convent, and indeed utilized all that was left of it for its work, and from that time on a friendly rivalry existed between the sisters and the unit as to who would show more acts of kindness the one to the other." - Catholic

#### THE WAYSIDE CALVARY

It is to be regretted that the splen An old Ushaw chaplain in England did spirit which pervades the writ-contributes to the Ushaw Magazine ings of that broad minded Methodist chaplain, Thomas Tiplady, is not found to a greater extent in the works of his co-religionists. No Catholic can read his books without feeling admiration for a man who, feeling admiration for a man who, was a sharp word of command, and though a Protestant, can write so the men sprang to attention and sa sympathetically of Catholic practices. luted the mud covered priest as he A long experience at the western with partial success. It was at a front, where he witnessed the practitime when the English were none cal benefits of the Catholic religion, too numerous, and candidly, we did has doubtless had its broadening effect not know what would follow. Vil-lages near the line were ordered to of Catholic devotion. It is safe to say that henceforth the Catholic Church will have a different meaning I for him and for the thousands of Protestant soldiers who during this War will, for the first time, come in

intimate contact with Catholicism Writing of the Wayside Calvary, ed as anyone, aiding, helping, and giving consolation. They were guides, philosophers, friends. In the hope concludes with the following beauti-

walked with me to the crossroads. From there my way lay through a piece of open country for some two miles. The night was dark and the wind wailed over the fields. On my front at night. They held my eyes with a strange fascination as I took my solitary way. Suddenly I turned to a clump of trees on my left and there saw what I had already seen small bronze figure of Christ nailed upon it. There the cross stood in the gloom, with just sufficient light to show forth its solemn grandeur. Protestant though I am, when I looked at the fitful lights on the French front and then turned again to the cross, I could not forbear to lift my hand to Him in salute. I know now why it is that on the French roads you see representations of the Cruci-fixion rather than the Ascension. It is that this weary, war-stricken world needs assurance of God's love rather than of His power. There on the right were our sons being sacrificed, but there on the left the representation of the sacrifice of God's Son. The men I had knelt with at the sacrament had been twelve months in the trenches. They knew the meaning of those lights on my right, but they knew also, the meaning of that cross on my left and, standing

Would that all the Protestant chap lains at the front were inspired by the same lofty sentiments that animate the conduct and writings of Thomas Tiplady.—Buffalo Union and

### THE FATHER'S INFLUENCE

Many a man has given up smoking, or drinking, or swearing, or gambling, as his sons began to emerge from childhood and showed an ambition to imitate him in his bad

habits as well as in his good.
We can all remember some older person whose ways influenced us

The father of boys, therefore, should take thought over his con-duct to make sure that it will edify them and not mislead them into evil. They have a right to good example from him. They have a right to see him practice his religion—say his daily prayers, keep his temper, go to his work, abstain from meat on Fridays, go to Mass on Sunday, receive Holy Communion, etc., etc. They have a right to expect that they may model their conduct on his. They have a right to look to him to guide them in the way that will lead to eternal life.—Catholic Columbian.

AMERICAN CATHOLIC SOLDIERS JOLT INFIDEL INNKEEPER

A local innkeeper in France, who prides himself on his easy-going religion of a free-thinker and anti-clerical, had the surprise of his life when some American troops arrived in his some profit, and to his disappoint those whose irner nature is alien ment found that the Americans were ated from God, and whose characters of our orderlies came to me with the message that one of the ladies wanted me. It was to tell me that two of Sunday, when no doubt the Americal Message that one of the ladies wanted me

TROUBLE

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to the church. It was the priest supplying for the cure who had been called up for military service. There

It was too much for the innkeeper, lightened men as the Americans curiosity led him to the door of the brought up are the leading pam church, where he looked in to see phleteers in this movement. what they were doing. To his surprise and indignation the American ldiers were kneeling before the in their hands, and they were singing with all their powers the Credo of the Mass. He is not the only Frenchmanner, and the surprise will probably work to their benefit. Catholic War Service Bureau.

#### CHRISTIAN TRAINING NEEDED

The first dominant reason for the existence of the Catholic school system is that the thought, the teachmay be set in the heart of the child, says Archbishop Glennon. even at the cost of being called oldfashioned, that neither in ancient or modern days, nor in ancient modern nations, nor in democracies or in monarchies, is it possible to get along without Almighty God. We must for our Government and for ouslives seek His sanction, acknowledge His power and observe His laws. And these things we shall not know and cannot do unless we are taught and trained therein.

It is not, however, to sanction and sustain human society and government alone that religious instruction it has the higher motive, too, namely that for life here and that other life which we believe in religion is a necessity, and consequently, also, its

And for a second reason we would state the foundation for Catholic education that we desire to impart, between the two, they could say, 'God in addition to all the elements of principles of moral and religious life which are necessary for the well-being of the individual and the community, among which can be noted with special emphasis the virtues of humility and obedience, the sense of duty and the consecra-tion of service.—Sacred Heart Re-

#### AN OBJECTION ANSWERED

of the greatest difficulties even faithful Catholics have to con-tend with in regard to the dogma of eternal punishment is this: How can any one be happy in heaven, knowing that those or some of those whom one has loved best on earth (a parent, husband, wife, child, etc.) are

suffering eternal torments in hell? Mr. J. Godfrey Raupert, in his little book on "Hell and its Prob-lems," meets this objection as fol-

lows:
"It is conceivable that the affections of earth will experience a considerable change when we shall learn to distinguish between Divine and human love, and when we see things in their right proportions. We love a person here on earth be-cause of that person's character and apparent perfections. But we may be grievously mistaken respecting them and may regard that as virtue which, from the Divine standpoint is not virtue at all, but self-love and selfishness. A perverted nature may, as we all know, be incited to love even by vice. We cannot, for instance, conceive of a saint loving cans would show no little contempt of priests and churches, but his furlonger since God loves them no ther disappointment was greater still.

Near the village church there were gathered some fifty American soldiers chatting and smoking. After a few moments there appeared a black force walking on the read leading of the renders him no longer worthy which renders him no longer worthy of extreme and low. figure walking on the road leading of esteem and love. We experience

and final state of the soul. We look upon every person as capable of im-We look provement, and here and now Christianity extends its arms of mercy to the most debased and unworthy of men. It is our duty, therefore, to lawyer.' exercise active love toward every It is o man, even though he may have for feited all claim to our respect. But the case will be very different in the other world, and after the Judgment. Earthly love there will have changed its character, and will have become transformed. It will view all things in a wholly different light, and from the standpoint of a wider knowledge and a more perfect discernment. And it is surely conceivable that, in the light of that perfect love, the soul's nature will experience such a radical transformation that the attachment and affections of earth fect peace and its enjoyment of un-alloyed happiness."—St. Paul Bulle-

#### WITH THE PSYCHICS

We are told that new interest has been manifested in spiritualism as a result of the innumerable deaths in the War. The recent action of the Holy Father in sending forth a fresh warning of the evils and dangers of spiritualism is sufficient proof that the matter is important.

Further proof is given by the large number of magazine articles passed and to the surprise of the inn-keeper they followed him into the cult. Sir Oliver Lodge, long a well-known dabbler in the psychic, and who could not imagine that such en- | Sir Conan Doyle, who prefers spiritlightened men as the Americans ualistic mediums to the "Communion could possibly want to pray. So his of the Saints" in which he was

Recently one, Alfred W. Martin, lectured in this city on "Sir Oliver Lodge and his latest evidence for a altar, their prayer books or rosaries future life." The lecturer said in in their hands, and they were singing the course of his remarks: "Reviewing the evidence with all the he Mass. He is not the only French-nan who has been surprised in this am capable, I confess that it appears nebulous, elusive, halting, confused, On all crucial points, the medium 'Feda'' through whom Raymond (Lodge's deceased son) is said to be speaking, is painfully brief, while on all matters of no particular conse-quence the medium is unusually garrulous. And this criticism applies not only to the evidence offered in this latest book, but also to that adduced by Sir Oliver in earlier writings. Here as elsewhere he exhibits the error of inferring from the mere conceivability of a dis-embodied spirit's existing, the probable existence of it.'

"The next step in the progress of such study" continues Mr. Martin "might well be the appointment by the Society for Refined Psychical Research, (note the 'refined') of a commission to institute a fresh and



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mediums as are mentioned in this book, together with the phenomena of mediumship. That commission should include a psycho-therapist biologist, a business man, and a

It is our suggestion that an alienist be added to the committee. Until such an investigation is made, Mr. Martin thinks we should suspend

There is no need to suspend judgitself a vulgar thing, full of chican-ery. That was the least of the

Authorities on spiritualism, as Raupert, see in it the hand of Satan. To play with spiritualism, fortune-tellers and their like is to sin against keep their souls free from the machinations of the Evil One. It nowise diminishes the sin that men tion of real religion half the time they devote to this mixture of the trickery and the diabolic, their Messenger.

a difficulty in conceiving of a fixed thorough going examination of such yearnings would be satisfied.—Bos

#### A CLEVER PRIEST

Fr. Fitzgerald, O. F. M., who is a master in cheerful humor, tells this

One Jack Crowley, was a maso and he was building a steeple in his native city, Cork. It was half-way One morning the parish priest, a Kerry man, went up the scaffold ment. The old spiritualism proved ing to see the progress of the work. itself a vulgar thing, full of chican-Jack had a bottle of whiskey in his pocket, and when he heard the footcharges proved against the professional mediums. The new spiritual ism—for all its attempt at refinement out later. But the P. P. (parish priest), not without a twinkle, priest). not without a twinkle, opened his breviary and sat down to read his office, and Jack had to go on building over and around the bottle until two or three feet of masonry the First Commandment. That fact covered it up. The P. P. turned up ought to be enough for all Christians again in the morning, and up higher went the wall, and the bottle steeple. Years rolled by, Jack Crow who ought to know better seek to make spiritualism their religion. If they would but give to the investiga-tion of real religion half the time bottle of whiskey was, getting older, too, but mellower. St. Anthony



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#### CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

DROPPIN' A KIND WORD

Drop a word of cheer an' kindness just a flash an it is gone,
But there's half a hundred ripples
circlin' on an' on an' on,
Bearin' hope an' joy an' comfort on
each splashin,' dashin' wave,

Till you wouldn't b'lieve th' volu of th' one kind word you gave. Drop a word of cheer an' kindness in a minute you forget,

But there's little 'waves a-flowin' an' there's ripples circlin' yet, An' you've rolled a wave of comfort whose sweet music can be

Over miles an' miles of water, just by droppin' a kind word.

Drop an unkind word or careless—in a minute it is gone,

But there's half a hundred ripples circlin' on an' on an' on, That keep spreadin, 'spreadin,' spreadfrom th' center as they go, An' there is no way to stop 'em, once

you've started 'em to flow, Drop an unkind word of carelessne in a minute you forget, But there's little waves a-flowin' an' there's ripples circlin' yet,

An' perhaps in some sad heart a mighty wave of tears you've stirred, An' disturbed a life once happy when you dropped an unkind word.

Do a little good in passing, sow some kindness every day, Stretch a hand to help a struggler who has fallen by the way. Flash a smile to cheer the mourner. plant a flower to bud and

a ray of sympathy to pierce with sunlight the thick gloom; Stop and counsel with the erring, help the fallen one to rise, Find thy mission on the earth and leave the stars to light the

skies, Whisper comfort to the sobbing' let the sunshine struggle through, when heaven's portals open, there will be a place for you.

DON'T RELY ON INFLUENCE

In the opinion of one who has risen from the ranks of the laboring class to a most prominent position in the country's affairs, a man's hope for success should not be built on the influence of others. Mr. John D. Ryan, the recently appointed head of that "influence is the worst handi cap any young man can have. It tends to make him feel he need not exert himself to his full capacity, and has a bad effect on him. other workmen learn that one of their number has a pull with some body higher up they look at him askance and the effect upon these other men is bad. Either undue favor will be shown him and position given him for which he is not fitted, or gineer or college graduate or anybody else comes to me asking for a in a position where sanctity letter to enable him to get a job at difficult? First, she burned thing else in his favor save an influential patron.-Catholic Transcript.

THE WORKER IN SUMMER

wish to do.

You can do it now, while you are young, working hard, looking for a chance to do better instead of watch. ing the clock, and winning independ-

Or you can do later in life what you don't want to do, when, as an old man and a failure, you ask for the chance that is hard to get, and gladly accept anybody's orders.

A young man, working hard, fighting his way to success, may not have a very gay life with his long hours, his self denial, his saving.

But hard as the life of real work is, it is pleasant compared with that of the old failure, begging for a chance, humbly grateful for that which he would have scorned in his youth. You can work now, when you are strong and the work is in you; or you can "get by" now, imagining that you deceive your employer, and when the hard work is a thousand times harder.
"Get by" Now, and smile as you

watch the other man work. Or work now, and save yourself in future years from standing as a fail ure on the edge of the curb, watch-

you behind in the race. The beginning of the hot weather is a good time for young men to decide whether it is better to work hard

and take orders at the beginning, or the end of life.—Catholic Columbian. THE BOY WHO OBEYED ORDERS

It was on a wet, cold November evening that a boy trudged wearily into the seaport town of Chatham, into the seaport town of Chatham, England. He was covered with mud, and from under the long black locks that fell on his forehead, two big eyes stared out at the world, and his thin cheeks were pinched with cold and wet with rain. He met a sailor as he entered the town outskirts, and, England. He was covered with mud, and from under the long black locks that fell on his forehead, two big church of Antioch. Here he perceived the great work which was

stopping him, said: "If you please,

which way to the docks?"

The sailor directed him, and he went forward down the narrow streets till he came to the waterside. There he wandered around for a but presently he came upon an old man, and asked: ships out there warships ?"

Aye," replied the man, "they be, e enough, my lad. Be ye a goin' the wars?" And he grinned. to the wars?" "Yes, but I don't know how to get on board," said the puzzled boy. "Where do the boats land?"

Right here," and the old man waved his pipe at the landing stage before them. "See! you is one abefore them. comin' now."

Sure enough, a hoat was rowing stage and an officer stepped eut. The boy approached the officer, and touching his cap, said. "Please, sir, can you tell me how to get on board the frigate 'Raisonnable'?"

The officer looked down, and staring

at the thin, pale face with its big eyes and firm mouth, replied: "Why, that is my ship. But what do you want on board of her?"
"Please, sir, I want to join. Her

commander, Captain Suckling, is my uncle, and I was to report to him." The officer looked again at the boy. "Well, in that case, I can take you aboard when I return. But you look cold and hungry, my lad. Have you

had supper?' No, sir; I left home early this

morning, and have not eaten anything since."
"My! Here you have reported to

town as you came?"
"Well, you see, sir," replied the
boy, "I promised father that I would
come straight to the ship and report for duty without stopping in town, so

"Good boy," cried the officer. "If you obey orders as well in the navy."
The officer looked again at the boy. Your name ?"

And the man who, as a boy, had learned to obey orders unflinchingly, later became the great sea hero of England, Lord Nelson.—St. Paul

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

SHORT SKETCH OF LIVES OF SAINTS OF THE WEEK

JUNE 10 .- ST. MARGARET OF

Margaret's name signifies

"pearl;" "a fitting name," says
Theodoric, her confessor and her
first biographer, "for one such as
she." Her soul was like a precious pearl. A life spent amidst the luxury of a royal court never dimmed its lustre, or stole it away from Him who had bought it with His blood. promotion may be denied him lest She was the granddaughter of an favoritism be charged. The effect, English king; and in 1070 she became was the granddaughter of an therefore, is bad upon the whole of Malcolm, and reigned organization. When any young en-Queen of Scotland till her death in 1093. How did she become a Saint in a position where sanctity is so with our works I tell just what I have told you." If one can judge from the built churches and monasteries; she achievements of this authority, his busied herself in making vestments: words are worthy of consideration. she could not rest till she saw the They tend to upset a theory which laws of God and His Church observed has been held rather generally in public and business life, and which a thousand cares, she found time to has seemed to discourage many an ambitious individual with every- piety with such sweetness and discretion that she won her husband to sanctity like her own. He used to rise with her at night for prayer; he loved to kiss the holy books she used Remember, as you make ready for the summer, that incidentally as you plan for "getting by" without too much work, every man at some with virtues so great, she wept contime must do what he does not stantly over her sins, and begged her confessor to correct her faults. St. Margaret did not neglect her duties in the world because she was not of it. Never was a better mother. She spared no pains in the education of her eight children, and their sanctity was the fruit of her prudence and her zeal. Never was a better queen. She was the most trusted counsellor of her husband, and she labored for the material improvement of the country. But, in the midst of the world's pleasures, she sighed for a better country, and accepted death as a release. On her death-bed she received the news that her husband and her eldest son were slain in battle. She thanked God, Who had sent this last affliction as a penance for her sins. After receiving Holy Viaticum, she was repeating the prayer from the Missal, "O Lord Jesus Christ, Who by Thy death didst give life to the world, deliver me." At the words "deliver me," says her biographer, she took her departure to Christ, the Author of

true liberty. JUNE. 11-ST. BARNABAS, APOSTLE We read that in the first days of the Church, "the multitude of believers had but one heart and one soul; neither did any one say that aught of the things which he possessed was his own." Of this fervent company, one only is singled out by name, Joseph, a rich Levite, from Cyprus. "He having land sold it, and brought the price and laid it at the feet of the spostles." They now gave him a new name, Barnabas, the son of consolation. He was a good man, full of the Holy Ghost and of Eatth and was chosen for an im-Faith, and was chosen for an im-

called to the apostolate of the Gentiles, and hence they set out together to Cyprus and the cities of Asia Minor. Their preaching struck men with amazement, and some cried out, "The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men," calling Paul Mercury, and Barnabas Jupiter. The Saints travelled together to the Counsel of Jerusalem, but shortly after this they parted. When Agabus prophesied a great famine, Barnabas, no longer rich, was chosen by the faithful at Antioch as most fit to bear, with St. Paul, their generous offerings to the Church of Jerusalem. The gentle Barnabas, keeping with him John, surnamed Mark, whom St. Paul distrusted, betook himself to Cyprus, where the sacred history leaves him; and here, at a later period, he won his martyr's crown.

JUNE 12.—ST. JOHN OF FAGONDEZ

St. John was born at Fagondez, in Spain. At an early age he held several banefices in the diocese of Burgos, till the reproaches of his conscience forced him to resign them all except one chapel, where he said Mass daily, preached, and catechised. After this he studied theology at Salamanca, and then labored for some time as a most devoted missionary priest. Ultimately he became a hermit of the Augustinian Order, in the same city. There his life marked by a singular devotion to the Holy Mass. Each night after Matins he remained in prayer till the hour of celebration, when he offered the Adorable Sacrifice with the most tender piety, often enjoying the sight me. I am a lieutenant on board, so come on up and have something to eat with me. Why didn't you stop in his personal holiness was seen in his the Church. preaching, which produced a comreformation in He had a special gift of reconciling differences, and was enabled to put an end to the quarrels and feuds among noblemen, at that period very common and fatal. The boldness shown by St. John in reproving vice endangered his life. A powerful noble, having been corrected by the the prayers of the Saint whom he Italy. in defence of holy purity that he met his death. A lady of noble birth but evil life, whose companion in sin St.
John had converted, contrived to administer a fatal poison to the Saint.

After several months of terrible ants about children. suffering, borne with unvarying patience, St. John went to his rev on June 11, 1479.

· JUNE 13.-ST. ANTONY OF PADUA In 1221 St. Francis held a general chapter at Assisi; when the others dispersed, there lingered behind, un-known and neglected, a poor Portuguese friar, resolved to ask for and refuse nothing. Nine months later, Fra Antonio rose under obedience to preach to the religious assembled at Forli, when, as the discourse proceeded, "the Hammer of Heretics," "the Ark of the Testa-Heretics," "the Ark of the Testament," "the eldest son of St. Francis," stood revealed in all his sanc-tity, learning, and eloquence before his rapt and astonished brethren. Devoted from earliest youth to prayer and study among the Canons nied a martyr's palm, and enfeebled by sickness, at the age of twenty-seven he was taking silent but merciless revenge upon himself in the humblest offices of the community. From this obscurity he was now called forth, and for nine years France, Italy, and Sicily heard his voice, saw his miracles, and men's hearts turned to God. One night, when St. Antony was staying with a friend in the city of Padua, his host saw brilliant rays sfreaming under the door of the Saint's room, and on looking through the keyhole he beheld a little child of marvellous beauty standing upon a book which lay open upon the table, and clinging with both arms round Antony's neck. With an ineffable sweetness he watched the tender caresses of the Saint and his wondrous Visitor. At last the Child vanished, and Fra Antonio, opening the door, charged his friend, by the love of Him Whom he had seen, to "tell the vision to no man" as long as he was alive. Suddenly, in 1231, our Saint's brief apos-tolate was closed, and the voices of children were heard crying along the streets of Padua, "Our father, St. Antony is dead." The following year, the church bells of Lisbon rang without ringers, while at Rome one of its sons was inscribed among the

St. Basil was born in Asia Minor. Two of his brothers became bishops, and, together with his mother and sister, are honored as Saints. He studied with great success at Athens, where he formed with St. Gregory Nazianzen the most tender friend-

JUNE 14.—ST. BASIL THE GREAT

Saints of God.

of the Church, and his solid and eloquent words silenced the heretics. On the death of Eusebius, he was and the exceeding austerity of his life, made him a model for bishops. When St. Basil was required to admit the Arians to Communion, the admit the Arians to Communion, the prefect, inding that soft words had In his work on "Single Marriages" he that you resist the will before which the whole world bows? Do you not for him repose and making oblations the whole world bows? Do you not dread the wrath of the emperor, nor exile, nor death?" "No," said Basil his death, which, if she neglect, he calmiy; "he who has nothing to lose need not dread loss of goods; you cannot exile me, for the whole earth is my home; as for death, it would be the transfer of the whole earth is the considered it a solemn duty, whose be the greatest kindness you could frail life and my sufferings together."
"Never," said the prefect, "has any one dared to address me thus. "Perhaps," suggested Basil, "you never before measured your strength with a Christian bisbop." The emperor desisted from his commands. St. Basil's whole life was one of suffering. He lived amid jealousies and misunderstandings and seeming disappointments. But he sowed the seed which bore goodly fruit in the next generation, and was God's instrument in beating back the Arian and other heretics in the East, and restoring the spirit of discipline and fervor in the Church. He died in 379, and is venerated as a Doctor of

JUNE 15.-STS. VITUS, CRESCENTIA, AND MODESTUS, MARTYRS Vitus was a child nobly born, who had the happiness to be instructed in the Faith, and inspired with the mos perfect sentiments of his religion, by his Christian nurse, named Crescen tia, and her faithful husband, Modes-tus. His father, Hylas, was extremely Saint for oppressing his vassals, sent incensed when he discovered the two assassing to slay him. The child's invincible aversion to idol child's invincible aversion to idolholiness of the Saint's aspect, how- atry : and finding him not to be overever, caused by that peace which come by stripes and such like chascontinually reigned in his soul, struck such awe into their minds Valerian, the governor, who in vain that they could not excute their tried all his arts to work him into purpose, but humbly besought his compliance with his father's will and forgiveness, And the nobleman him-self, falling sick, was brought to re-out of their hands, and, together with pentance, and recovered his health Crescentia and Modestus, fled into They there met with the had endeavored to murder. He was crown of martyrdom in Lucania, in also most zealous in denouncing the persecution of Diocletian. The those hideous vices which are a heroic spirit of martyrdom/which we fruitful source of strife, and it was admire in St. Vitus was owing to the received from the lessons and example of a virtuous nurse. Of such infinite importance is the choice of

> PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

The term " prayers for the dead ' has perhaps tended to puzzle some people; which only goes to show the necessity of a teaching Church. The term "prayers for the souls of the faithful departed" more nearly expresses the Catholic practice. Bodies die; but the soul never dies. The idea that the souls of those who are dead are wholly cut off from the Church in the world, is a piece of pure assumption; an assumption made arbitrarily by those who in the sixteenth century were intent on denying as much of Catholic doctrine as his name was in the world, had been stirred, by the spirit and example of the first five Franciscan martyrs, to put on their habit and preach the Faith to the Moors in Africa. De. they could find any pretext for dogmatic! They were dogmatic indeed. In the nature of the case, it is impossible to prove that the reformers were right, that the souls of the dead are cut off from all communion with the Church on earth. Those who deny our doctrine of the Communion of Saints have never been able to make the smallest at-tempt to prove that any such complete separation takes place. Because the body is dead, they assume that we have no more to do with the souls. A perfectly arbitrary assumption without a word in the Bible to prove it, or a principle in logic on

which to support it.

Against it there is the well-known passage in 2 Machabees, and other Scriptural proof. Now, leaving aside the rejection by Luther of 2 Macha-gies, the debees, which is another arbitrary assumption, no one can dispute that 2 Machabees is history at least, whether it be inspired Scripture or not. And, as mere history, it records the faith and practice of the syna-gogue on the subject of prayers for the dead at a time when the Jews were still God's chosen people and professed the true religion. It was by virtue of their religious convictions that they offered sacrifice and prayers for the dead.

Our Blessed Lord and Saviour condemned all the schisms, errors and innovations that had crept into the Jewish faith; but though this was a public practice, visible to all, which engaged the most solemn rites of the synagogue, the offering of public sacrifice or prayer, when did our Lord and Saviour ever attack it? He spoke to the Jews frequently of the dead and the resurrection; but

from his retirement by his bishop to | against all the other errors ? As to give aid against them. His energy and zeal soon mitigated the disorders of the Church, and his solid and elothat in our own day the Jewish prayer "Kadish" begs for rest to the souls of the departed. Calvin himchosen Bishop of Cæsarea. His commanding character, his firmness praying for the dead existed for more and energy, his learning and eloquence, and not less his humility (Instit. B. 2, C. 5, S. 70.) praying for the dead existed for more than 1300 years before his time. (Instit. B. 2, C. 5, S. 70.)

Tertullian, in the second century, anniversary of their death as an obligation came down from the aposbestow upon me; torments cannot the themselves, to offer sacrifices harm me: one blow would end my parted

St. Ambrose in the fourth century wrote: "Why were the oratories destined to savage destruction, wherein prayers are offered up to the Sovereign God; peace and pardon are implored for all men, magistrates, soldiers, kings, friends and enemies for those who are alive, and for those who have quitted their bodies. (Adv. Gentes. Lib. iv.)

St. Ephrem, in the fourth century, in his "Testament," says :—"My brethren, come to me and prepare me for my departure, for my strength wholly gone. Accompany me in Psalms and in your prayers; and constantly make oblations for me. When the thirtieth day shall be completed then remember me; for the dead are helped by the offerings of the living. . . . If the sons of Mathathias, who celebrated their easts in figure only, could cleanse those from guilt by their offerings, who fell in battle, how much more shall the priests of Christ aid the

dead by their oblations?" (Test. xii.) St. Augustine one of the few Saints not wholly discard, states the doctrine and practice of the Church in a few clear words: "The prayers of the Church or of good persons are heard in favour of those Christians who departed this life not so bad as to be deemed unworthy of mercy, or so good as to be entitled to immediate happiness. So also at the resurrection of the dead, some will be found to whom mercy will be imparted, having gone through those pains to which the spirits of the dead are liable." (De Civit. Dei, lib. xxiv.)

The time will come when not one man in all the world will attempt to put John Calvin against St. Augustine as a propounder of Apostolical

It is of the greatest interest to note that all the leading sects which split off from the Church in the first four or five centuries of Christianity agreed with the Church on this point. We read in the liturgy of the Nestorians of Malabar; "Let us be mindful of our fathers and brethren and of the faithful who are departed out of this world in the orthodox faith; let us pray the Lord to absolve them, to remit their sins and their transgressions, to make them worth to participate of eternal felicity with the just, who conformed to the divine will. The liturgy of the Chaldaen Nestorians says: "Forgive the trespasses and sins of those who are dead." The Armenians, in their liturgy, say: "We require that mention be made in this sacrifice of all the faithful in general, men and women, young and old, who departed with faith in Jesus Christ." "Be of the Greek Church in Con urgy stantinople, Calabria, Apulia, Georgia Mugielia, Bulgaria and Russia, has the following: "We offer prayer to Thee also for the repose and pardon of Thy servant, N., in a place of light from which grief and lamentation are far removed," etc.

The Coptic liturgy says: "Be mindful also O Lord, of all those who have slept and reposed in the priesthood, and in every rank of the secular life," etc. The Abyssinian or Ethiopian liturgy says: mercy, O my God, on the souls of Thy servants, men and women, who have been fed with Thy Body and Blood, and have slept at death in

In the Syrian and Jacobite liturgies, the deacon says: "Again and again we commemorate all the faithful departed, those who are depart ed in the true faith, from this altar, and from this town and from every country. . . We pray, we beseech, we entreat Christ our Lord, that through the innumerable acts of His mercy, He would render them worthy to receive the pardon of their offences, and the remission of their sins, and would bring us and them to His Kingdom in Heaven."

Calvin, when he said that prayers and sacrifices for the dead were an invention of Satan, simply condemned the brains and judgment of all the Christians who had lived before his time, and substituted his es of own. But, indeed, that was what all the "Reformers" did, and did on a huge scale, and with complete arrogance and recklessness.—Antigonish Casket.

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brethren in religion in very difficult and painful situations. We have been witnessing all the horrors of slavery from which, by means of the alms of charitable souls, I have been able to deliver 1,200 children which are now actually fathers and mothers of Christian families. We have been spectators of the heartrending slaughters of cannibals who, after having rendered us powerless, pil-laged and reduced to captivity the inhabitants of the neighborhood of our missions by three repeated attacks. Twice we have been attacked by slave-hunters whom we prevented from retaking children whom we had liberated and whom the barbarians wanted to sell again as slaves on the public markets. Once we were made prisoners by a number of slave-hunters because we had been witnessing their ignominious deeds. For two years we have been forced to live on the few things we were able to find, and to fabricate our wooden sabo's in order not to be obliged to go barefoot. We had to transform iron cases into alternative these same and the same an iron cases into plates and other ves-sels and a hatchet had to replace the fork for roasting the meat which the missionaries were providing by chasing wild beasts. We were obliged to pass one night on a tree in order not to fall a prey to the wild beasts. Twice we have suffered shipwreck on Lake Tanganica; in one I came off with a broken arm . . . but I can assure you never have I gone through moments so full of anguish

as in this awful time of war. As we were yet young, compara-tively free from care and since little else but our own lives were at stake we got fairly over it. I had yet none of the responsibility which I have now, since I have to watch over a large region where I have seen Christianity spring up and grow, but the development of which is now being hampered by the immense calamity which has fallen on the world.

Meanwhile considering that, in spite of all the demands which Catholic charity makes upon generous souls, your dear Sodality thinks yet of coming efficaciously to our aid and I feel quite confident that God will not permit His work to perish, works which had been undertaken for His greater glory in a country where some ten years ago Holy Church had not a single faithful soul.—" Echo from Africa." Who can read this account and

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LETTER FROM FATHER FRASER

wish this war were over so that all Catholic countries might vie with each other in the conversion of the heathen. Too bad that brothers in Christ should be fighting among themselves whilst multitudes of souls are being lost for want of

its two principal centres are Yeong The logical effect of the talk that

Kong and Loting.

A few hundred Catholics are already in some portion of this territory, the fruit of earlier evangelization conducted by French priests of the Canton Vicariate who, for lack of numbers, were obliged to withdraw some years ago. The field.



The late Father James A. McCarthy, twenty-nine years a Jesuit. Since his ordination as priest he had been President of Loyola Academy, Chicago, pastor of Gesu Church, Milwaukee, pastor of St. Xavier's church, Cincinnati, and for the past three years he had been assistant pastor of Holy Family Church, Chi-

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Again, the story is a detail study of a small body of French soldiers in a small trench area. Every outbreak As it is, some sort of order will come of anger, blasphemy, discontent and tortured nerves is described as if it were typical, not merely of these soldiers, but of the entire French army. This is the impression the reader gets and it is evidently the one the writer wished to convey.

of numbers, were obliged to withdraw some years ago. The field, therefore, is practically a new one.

Four Maryknoll priests will leave this country in September for Hong Kong and Canton, from which points they will reach their new field. The priests will be directed at first by the Bishop of Canton who has designated one of his experienced missioners as their guide, but as soon as they are in a position to take it he gets up early to go to Mass. he

The evil intent of this book is plain. Under the guise of depicting Gallic valor, it preaches everything against which the Allies are fighting and strives to vilify and calumniate those who believe in God and are giving their lives for Christian civil-

## ENGLISH CATHOLIC

OF IRISH SITUATION C. P. A. Service

London England.—The situation in Ireland at the present time is one that journalists with an anti-Catho-lic leaning will be only too prone to use for party ends, and it may well be that some of the cables might be accepted with a certain measure of reservation. Briefly, the situation is this: The British Parliament by a majority vote — from which the Nationalist members and some others dissented - have decided to extend compulsory military service to Ireland, on the same conditions with which it is enforced in other parts of the United Kingdom. The Irish have determined not to accept compulsory service, for reasons which have been given, and have organized themselves to resist the measure. A part of this organization has been that the Catholic hierarchy, at a meeting of May-nooth under the presidency of Cardinal Logue, have given their approval

people in their resistance. As might have been expected, the Only the other day Manhattan was thoroughly victimized by a "war-charity" that was planned to benefit only its promoters. in political matters, and, for the moment an acute feeling has arisen only its promoters.

There is an angle of the present war feeling that will repay investigation; it is high time the public used

Britain as' well. But what are the actual facts?

actual facts? selection of what is popularly called "war literature." Apart from any consideration of historical value or literary style, some of these loudly touted, while the same of the solution of any kind. The nation wide cases. The facts are that although all Iretouted publications are not merely accomplishing no good; they are out Ireland, except in Belfast, passed working narm.

Let "Le Feu," (" Under Fire,") by
Henri Barbusse stand as a sample.

The whole country was peaceful and there were not strictly as the peaceful and the peacefu This story of trench life and fighting was written in French and given much acclaim by a Parisian society of critics who are strongly suspected of pro-German sympathies. Translated into English and advertised far and wide by a well-known American publishing house as a classic of the war, it has been read with avidity by thousands who have absorbed its poison unconsciously. peaceful, and there were no disturb There is no doubt that the writer is a man of ability, but it is the same sort of ability displayed by German agents now working in this country.

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The new mission field includes a strip of land west and south of Canton, cunning from the coast of the South China Sea to the West River. It contains about one million people, settled in villages along the line, and such settled in villages along the line, and such settled in villages along the line, and set the ment of the story shows that the soldiers depicted are under the most rigid discipline, the writer wished to convey.

All I reland is on her knees in prayer during these days to Our Lady of Lourdes in the great novena for internal and external peace.

Extraordinary scenes have been with nesses to the honest detestation of German war methods that has fired so many heroic Frenchmen in this War; on the contrary there is evident a sneaking kinship with Teutonic ideas. Barbusse's solitary hero, Bertrand, mouths the sort of philosophy that has worked itself out in Bolshevik Russia and has been heard too often even in this country from and Fr. Columbian, C. P., urged the people to have recourse to Mary in these days of the world's grief. The Archbishop of Cashel, preaching at Thurles on Tuesday, denied that the cort of philosophy that has sort of philosophy that has worked itself out in Bolshevik Russia and has been heard too often even in this country from an acreal many of the abopt and business establishments of insteading. This fact aliase a discreditable motive.

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Signated one of his experienced missioners as their guide, but as soon the legets up early to go to Mass, he casys 'I've got belly-ache, I must go and take a turn round the corner and no mistake.'" Again: "For you know, parsons (pretres) with knapsacks on, I haven't seen a devil and no mistake.'" Again: "For you know, parsons (pretres) with knapsacks on, I haven't seen a devil and no mistake.'" Again: Catholic Union who threatened to appeal to the Pope, it was not the Irish Bishops who would suffer in any such appeal; the appellants were repudiated by Catholics in

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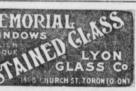
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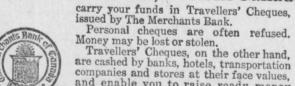
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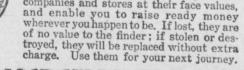
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