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IS IT DONE DESIGNEDLY?

Forty years ago Catholic sentiment was outraged by the sentence to hanging, and the hanging of the unfortunate man Aiyward and his wife on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, in this Province of Ontario!

INDIVIDUAL JUDGMENT RESTRICTED.

The Lutheran ministers of Baltimore have followed the example of the Central Illinois District Conference of Lutherans in declaring that the principle of life insurance is antagonistic to the teachings of the Bible.

SISTERS TURNED OUT.

A letter from Ponce, Porto Rico, to the Boston Pilot states that the Municipal Council of that city, on the plea that they would be acting in accordance with the American spirit of liberty, and the separation of religion from the State and from education, gave notice to five Sisters who were employed as teachers in the schools to remove their effects from the schools within two hours.

A CLEVER INVENTOR.

An Italian priest, Monsignor Vito Leto, Rector of the Royal Chapel of Palermo, Italy, is visiting in Newark, N. J., on leave of absence, his object being to obtain patents for a number of ingenious inventions which he has succeeded in producing.

These inventions are very ingenious and show much mathematical and mechanical skill in the learned priest, as well as great acquaintance with the physical sciences.

A GOOD IDEA.

The anti-Anarchist Congress which has been holding its sessions at Rome is said to have reached an agreement whereby the powers bind themselves to use more expeditious methods in dealing with Anarchists than are put into requisition in the case of other persons accused of crimes.

IAN MACLAREN'S "CALL."

The Rev. John Watson, who is known as the celebrated writer of Scotch novels under the nom de plume "Ian Maclaren," has been asked by Plymouth Church of Brooklyn to assume its pastorate, which has recently rendered vacant by the resignation of Dr. Lyman Abbot.

THE RELIGIOUS ORDERS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The total population of the Philippine Islands is estimated at 8,000,000. Of these it is asserted that nearly 300,000 are Mahometans and 525,000 Pagans. All the rest are Catholics.

ANOTHER FANCIFUL BIBLE ISSUED.

The last few years have been prolific in fanciful productions issued under the guise of improved editions of the Bible. We have had the "Polychrome Bible," which professes to show by the various colors and shades used the degree of authenticity and historic value to which the several books or parts of the Bible may lay claim.

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FIVE-MINUTE SERMON. First Sunday after the Epiphany.

THE DIVINE INFANT OUR MODEL IN VISITING THE TEMPLE.

"When Jesus was twelve years old, Joseph and Mary went to Jerusalem, according to the custom of the feast." (Luke 2:42).

To-day we see the Divine Infant, escorted by His holy parents, going to the Temple for the first time.

The commandment of the Church imposes on us, also, fatiguing duties by obliging us to attend Mass and religious services on Sundays.

Are you aware, O Christian, what you do as often as you devoutly fulfill this precept of the Church?

Remembering how poorly the woman was clad, Katie suggested a shawl.

And, yet, we are in spirit only on our way to Church. What a fountain of grace do you not open for yourself in the sacred edifice, by your devout participation in the holy sacrifice.

To all who find themselves with health gradually slipping away, kidneys and liver so usually slipping away, kidneys and liver so usually slipping away.

CURE rheumatism by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which by neutralizing the acid in the blood permanently relieves aches and PAINS.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Girl Who Hadn't Time.

I know a little lassie—yes I know her very well. Her name you ask? I don't believe she'd like to have me tell!

"See that poor little girl," exclaimed Katie; "how wet her feet must be! Her shoes are full of holes."

"And if we were rich we might buy a shawl for that old peasant woman. See, she is trying to get those children to buy peanuts from her basket."

"Now, if I were rich," exclaimed Katie; "that is the one I would help, that poor, sickly woman with a baby in her arms."

All the money these children had to spend they kept in their little banks in the nursery. They ran upstairs and in the nick of time, Katie had \$6.00; Jack had \$5.00. Jack had spent \$1.00 of his money in getting his skates mended.

"Now, Katie," said her mother, "how much of this will you give to carry out your good wishes?"

"I know that poor woman who passed just now with her baby in her arms, and I know that she is a very worthy woman. What would you like to give her?"

"Now, Jack, what will you give to the poor boy who had on such a miserable pair of shoes?"

THE GREAT DEMAND for a pleasant, safe and reliable antidote for all affections of the throat and lungs is fully met with in Bickel's Anti-Consumptive Syrup.

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN.

Catholic Columbian. Book-Keeping or Drugs?

"Dear Sir:—Will you, please, answer the following question: Which is the better investment: to take a course in a Commercial School, or a course in a School of Pharmacy?"

An answer to a question like this can be given only in general terms, not as the only correct solution of any particular case.

The income depends on the place—big city or small village—where one is employed, or the kind of work that one does in trade after obtaining a theoretical business training.

Very few drug clerks get over \$15 a week, no matter where they reside or how much experience they have.

To outline a course of reading in history and fiction, of the works of standard Catholic and Protestant authors, would require more space than we can give to that subject just now.

It is perilous for anyone to read many Protestant authors who are ranked as standard writers, like Prescott and Parkman, who, instead of telling the truth and the whole truth, are special pleaders, prevaricators, suppressors of facts and suggestors of falsehood.

This department printed about two years ago a three-column list of standard Catholic books. Read those volumes and you can read any other histories with impunity.

It is a good thing to have friends, but a bad thing to depend on friendship for business. People in this era will not pay more in one place for goods than they can be bought for in

another, even for friendship. It is well to bear this in mind in calculating upon friendship as a factor in business.

One Man's Start in Business. The Philadelphia Record provides this item: "Of all the curious starts in life of which self-made men are apt to boast, the most extraordinary one is that which furnished the basis for a business from which a stationer in this city derives a comfortable income."

The blessing of food was enjoined on the chosen people by God Himself. "When thou hast eaten and art full, bless the Lord," said Moses.

THE BLESSING AT MEALS. A sterling old Catholic custom is that of blessing and thanksgiving at meals.

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DON'T WAIT UNTIL DEATH. "This is a queer world," remarked an undertaker recently. "A few days ago I was called upon to bury the remains of a poor woman whom I had known in life."

There may be times and places when the external ceremony may not be a prudent thing to do, but at home there is never any excuse for neglecting it.

Life insurance is a good thing, but health insurance, by keeping the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla, is still better.

Doctors Testify. There's strong testimony by eminent physicians of wonderful cures made by Dr. Chase's Family Remedies—particularly Dr. Chase's Ointment.

USE OF A PRAYER-BOOK.

It is a bad sign when, in a congregation of Catholic worshippers able to read and write, only a few persons habitually use a prayer-book.

The best of all written prayers are the Offices of the Church, the Liturgy of the Holy Sacrifice, the Offices of Vespers, Compline and the rest of the Canonical Hours, and the Ritual of the Sacraments and Sacramentals.

But transcending to the needs of uneducated people, and of those who are spiritually but babes in Christ, the Church has given her approbation to multitudes of private devotions, and always encourages the publication of private prayer-books, providing that their contents appear to be edifying.

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MY mother, Mrs. Wright, who lives at Norval, near Doncaster, suffered a summer and winter with Eczema in her feet. She could not walk, and very seldom got any sleep.

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BY THE EXTRAORDINARY STATEMENT OF A RESIDENT.

He Proves the Truth of His Claim—Says Dodd's Kidney Pills Absolutely Cure Diabetes—Gives Facts to Prove His Contentment.

Paisley, Jan. 2.—This most extraordinary and startling statement was made in public by one of our most widely known and prosperous men of business to-day:

"I walk about protected from the attacks of Diabetes just as surely as a suit of steel would protect me from the stings of a mosquito."

"What do you mean?" asked one of his friends. "I mean that I am as safe from the agonies of Diabetes, so long as I use Dodd's Kidney Pills, as I would be from the sting of a mosquito, if I wore garments made of steel."

"That is quite true," put in another gentleman who was standing close by. "Let me prove it to you by telling you of a case that occurred a few doors from my own house, in this town."

Mr. James Thompson, who is well known to most of us, suffered from an extreme case of Diabetes for several years. He was so ill he could scarcely move. He tried nearly every remedy in the market, without effect.

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