

THE TRUE CONCEPTION OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

VARIOUS DENOMINATIONS AND THE FORCES THAT INFLUENCE THESE DIFFERENT SECTS—THE PRIVATE JUDGMENT ARGUMENT, ETC.

BY REV. JOHN P. MULLANY, LL. D.

The teaching of Christianity is not held in the same way by all men. Some hold it as a matter of objective certitude, some as a subject of personal opinion. It is comparatively easy to play fast and loose with doctrines that are based solely upon private judgment; they are held upon grounds purely subjective; the force of their adhesion varies with the intellectual capacity and moral temperament of the individual.

The teaching of Christianity is held upon the authority of a divinely constituted Church—held in the proper spirit and with the proper disposition—it is far more firmly rooted and is unshaken by every wind of doctrine that blows. But even doctrine so apprehended may be ultimately rejected.

But we are told that there is a doctrinal development within the Church. Here it behoves us to distinguish. There is, among the members of the Church, as the ages flow along, an evolution of human apprehension; there is none of doctrine. At times a daring spirit questions some dogma, or gives some erroneous interpretation to some religious truth, and in order to safeguard the faithful, the Church lays down in precise terms the sense in which the truth is to be accepted and defined as an article of faith.

At the anniversary of Pope Leo's death. Next Wednesday will be the first anniversary of the death of our late Holy Father, Pope Leo XIII.

and grow up to maturity and decay and pass away from the scenes of life, but the Church is not these generations. They come and go, but she remains unchanged and unchangeable, one of God's fairest and noblest creatures.

Civilization flourishes and decays; human knowledge grows and declines, but the doctrines of the Church know neither increase nor diminution. Men attempt various explanations of these doctrines; in different ways they try to reconcile them with the sciences of their day; according as their horizon broadens and the light of rational truth dispels the darkness of error, scholars and thinkers perceive in those doctrines new charms and are better enabled to determine their harmonious relations with the principles of reason.

The most advanced wing of the Anglican body is not only perceiving but preaching this doctrine to an amazing degree. The day is not far off, perhaps, when "the universal point of view," possessed by Leo XIII., will be the view-point of all men who call themselves Christians; and, under a successor Leo and of Peter, they will hand in a stronger, a more glorious crusade than that of St. Bernard of Clairvaux.

What sensible person, no matter how prejudiced he or she may be, who desires a cure and is willing to pay for it, would hesitate to try VITE-ORE on this liberal offer? One package is usually sufficient to cure ordinary cases; two or three for chronic, obstinate cases. We mean just what we say in this announcement, and will do just what we agree.

At Pope Leo's death, Seth Low, the Episcopal mayor of New York, set the Church flags at half-mast, and a like graceful act of veneration and sympathy was performed at the Baptist University of Chicago.

Episcopal mayor of New York, set the Church flags at half-mast, and a like graceful act of veneration and sympathy was performed at the Baptist University of Chicago. What a startling evidence was afforded, by this universal burst of sympathy and admiration, to the fact that times had changed since Rome was counted to be "the mother of abominations," and the Pope of Rome "that anti-Christ, that man of sin."

The first duty of a Christian to his country is to observe faithfully its laws. Christians are false to their God when they ignore or break down the just laws of a land. The Christian who habitually neglects the laws, who pays the police or other authorities for the privilege of evading statutes, who prostitutes public opinion for the sake of relaxing respect for law, is by such acts betraying his Christianity.

Undermining Christianity. That the drift of Protestantism for many years has been towards the elimination of the supernatural in religion is evident to every close observer. The doctrine of private judgment, supplemented as it has been by the higher criticism, has done its work. A generation ago is now questioned and not unfrequently relegated to the class of myths which the world are told has outgrown. This scepticism is all embracing. It assails the essentials of Christianity.

ST. VITUS DANCE Must Be Treated Through the Blood and Nerves. ONE OF THE WORST CASES ON RECORD CURED THROUGH THE USE OF DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

CONTINUE Those who are gaining flesh and strength by regular treatment with Scott's Emulsion should continue the treatment in hot weather; smaller dose and a little cold milk with it will do away with any objection which is attached to fatty production during the heated season.

Personal to Subscribers YOU ARE TO BE THE JUDGE Read Our Special Offer THEO. NOEL, Geologist, TORONTO, ONT.

Educational. BELLEVILLE BUSINESS COLLEGE LIMITED. We teach full commercial course, as well as full shorthand course. Full civil service course. Full telegraph course.

ST. JEROME'S COLLEGE BERLIN, ONT. CANADA. (G.T.R.) Commercial Course with Business College features. High School or Academic Course—Preparation for Professional Studies.

THE FALL TERM AT THE NORTHERN Business College will begin on Thursday, Sept. 4th. The large new wing, now being built to the College, will be completed and furnished during the holidays and will be opened on that date.

THE DEMON, DYSPYPSIA. In olden times it was a popular belief that demons moved invisibly through the ambient air, seeking to enter into men and trouble them.

THE VIRGIN BIRTH is now decreed and the men who do so daily use the Creeds, Chants, Canticles and Collects which positively assert it.

THE SACRED HEART, the Sacred Heart of St. Anthony, (colored) 1 1/2 inches high. Very artistically made. Suitable for bedroom or parlor. Price one dollar each. (Cash or company order.) Address, Thomas Coffey, Catholic Record, London, Ontario.

CARDINAL NEWMAN.

Rev. E. P. Roche, St. Johns, Newfoundland. On the roll of distinguished men that Oxford University produced in the last century no name stands forth more prominently than that of John Henry Cardinal Newman.

It is not too much to say that the Oxford movement was the most important religious movement in the Church of England since the "Reformation" of the sixteenth century. It was only a portion of the great Catholic revival which was sweeping over the Continent in the middle of the last century.

Before speaking of Newman's connection with the movement it will be well to glance briefly at his life up to the year 1833. Born in London in the first year of the last century, from his earliest years the deeply religious bent of his mind displayed itself.

though exclusively from written sermons, singularly attractive." Another authority, describing the "aching blank, the awful pause," which fell on Oxford when his voice ceased to be heard in the pulpit, says: "It was as when to one kneeling by night, in the silence of some vast cathedral, the great bell tolling solemnly overhead has suddenly gone still."

During this tour Newman visited Rome and there met a brief acquaintance with the English College, Rome, and afterwards destined to be his Bishop when he joined the Catholic Church. He was much impressed with the solemnity of the ritual and services in the Eternal City.

There is sorrow among the veterans who are pensioners of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris. Since the foundation of the Invalides by Louis XIV. funds have acted as nurses to the veterans, but the other day the nuns had to depart to be replaced by lay nurses.

seems to have faded from his mind for some time. His attitude towards the Catholic Church, however, which up to this had been very hostile, now began to change. He ceased to write against her as strongly as he had hitherto done.

It would be difficult to over-estimate the effects of Newman's secession on the Church of England. The activity in every field of religious thought and enquiry for which the latter half of the nineteenth century was remarkable was due to the Oxford movement of which John Henry Newman was the guiding spirit.

A touching scene at the Hotel des Invalides. There is sorrow among the veterans who are pensioners of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris. Since the foundation of the Invalides by Louis XIV. funds have acted as nurses to the veterans, but the other day the nuns had to depart to be replaced by lay nurses.

A WORTHY MONUMENT.

In the obituary notices of the late Father O'Neill, of Kinkora, Ont., we read that he never allowed a saloon in his large parish. When we learn that the parish is large and made up exclusively of Irish people, who, generally, look for, at least, one convivial meeting place, we can understand the good work accomplished by this zealous priest.

UNEXPECTED DEFENDERS OF THE FAITH. A significant feature of most of the Protestant synods, conferences and conventions that have taken place during the last three years has been that while intolerant persons have been found anxious to assail the Catholic Church at these meetings almost invariably she has found defenders at such places also.

DEAD CHURCHES. About churches in the city of London that were once Catholic, but now "dead" in non-Catholic hands, and about how the non-Catholic folk of the city attend church, is thus told by Reynold's Newspaper: "The square miles of the Metropolis, known as the 'City' of London, is notorious for the number of churches in which State officials have sinecure jobs at the public expense."

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

FRENCH VETERANS WEPT AS NUNS FILED OUT. A TOUCHING SCENE AT THE HOTEL DES INVALIDES. There is sorrow among the veterans who are pensioners of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris. Since the foundation of the Invalides by Louis XIV. funds have acted as nurses to the veterans, but the other day the nuns had to depart to be replaced by lay nurses.

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

THE WORST CLASS OF SWINDLERS.

Commenting on the gullibility of the average non-Catholic with regard to the sensational stories invented by the "converted priest" and the "escaped nun," the New Zealand Tablet says: "This strange infatuation has created in English-speaking countries one of the worst and most disreputable kind of swindling that it is well possible to conceive—to wit, the trade or profession of the unclean tribe of gull-birds and adventurers who fraudulently set up as 'ex-priests,' 'ex-monks' and 'ex-nuns' and earn a dishonest livelihood by coarse appeals to the lubricity of the pruity and to the sectarian passion of the bigoted. We have compiled a bulky volume of the prison records and other biographical notices and adventures of nearly a hundred of these theological magnum and disreputable females. By far the greater number of them were never at any period of their lives Catholic. And the unclean herd might well take for its motto this distich from Taylor, the water poet: 'I want the knowledge of the thing art; A holy outside and a hollow heart!'"

PENALTY OF SOCIALISM. We are pleased to find our views on the condition of affairs which obtains in Colorado acquiesced in by many of our contemporaries. Since expressing them, however, additional information has come to us which establishes a more direct responsibility for their existence. Our suspicions directed us to presume such a cause, but absence of positive knowledge at the time prompted us to withhold a direct charge.

HEAD OFFICE: 78 Church St., Toronto. BRANCH "A": 522 Queen St. W. Cor. Hackney. Assets \$3,000,000. Interest allowed on Deposits from Twenty Cents upwards. Withdrawable by Cheques. Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. OPEN EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT 7 to 9 O'Clock. JAMES MASON, Managing Director.

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

FRENCH VETERANS WEPT AS NUNS FILED OUT. A TOUCHING SCENE AT THE HOTEL DES INVALIDES. There is sorrow among the veterans who are pensioners of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris. Since the foundation of the Invalides by Louis XIV. funds have acted as nurses to the veterans, but the other day the nuns had to depart to be replaced by lay nurses.

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

THE WORST CLASS OF SWINDLERS.

Commenting on the gullibility of the average non-Catholic with regard to the sensational stories invented by the "converted priest" and the "escaped nun," the New Zealand Tablet says: "This strange infatuation has created in English-speaking countries one of the worst and most disreputable kind of swindling that it is well possible to conceive—to wit, the trade or profession of the unclean tribe of gull-birds and adventurers who fraudulently set up as 'ex-priests,' 'ex-monks' and 'ex-nuns' and earn a dishonest livelihood by coarse appeals to the lubricity of the pruity and to the sectarian passion of the bigoted. We have compiled a bulky volume of the prison records and other biographical notices and adventures of nearly a hundred of these theological magnum and disreputable females. By far the greater number of them were never at any period of their lives Catholic. And the unclean herd might well take for its motto this distich from Taylor, the water poet: 'I want the knowledge of the thing art; A holy outside and a hollow heart!'"

PENALTY OF SOCIALISM. We are pleased to find our views on the condition of affairs which obtains in Colorado acquiesced in by many of our contemporaries. Since expressing them, however, additional information has come to us which establishes a more direct responsibility for their existence. Our suspicions directed us to presume such a cause, but absence of positive knowledge at the time prompted us to withhold a direct charge.

HEAD OFFICE: 78 Church St., Toronto. BRANCH "A": 522 Queen St. W. Cor. Hackney. Assets \$3,000,000. Interest allowed on Deposits from Twenty Cents upwards. Withdrawable by Cheques. Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. OPEN EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT 7 to 9 O'Clock. JAMES MASON, Managing Director.

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

FRENCH VETERANS WEPT AS NUNS FILED OUT. A TOUCHING SCENE AT THE HOTEL DES INVALIDES. There is sorrow among the veterans who are pensioners of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris. Since the foundation of the Invalides by Louis XIV. funds have acted as nurses to the veterans, but the other day the nuns had to depart to be replaced by lay nurses.

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

THE DIVORCE EVIL. N. Y. Freeman's Journal. Speaking of the action of the Inter-church Conference against the divorce evil, the Philadelphia Press says: "Flanked on one side by the Roman Catholic Church, which, because of its view of the sacramental nature of marriage is opposed entirely to divorce, and on the other side by the small but powerful company of earnest students of social questions, who are keenly awake to the national peril involved in lax divorce customs, the Inter-church Conference, supported by 23,000,000 United States, may hope to move steadily forward to the successful attainment of the goals it has set for itself."

COAL. Good Coal is a great comfort. You will have satisfaction in every way if you send your order to John M. Daly. Phone 348. 19 York St. LONDON, ONTARIO.

THE HOME SAVINGS AND LOAN COMPANY LIMITED. In business as a Savings Bank and Loan Company since 1854. HEAD OFFICE: 78 Church St., Toronto. BRANCH "A": 522 Queen St. W. Cor. Hackney. Assets \$3,000,000. Interest allowed on Deposits from Twenty Cents upwards. Withdrawable by Cheques. Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. OPEN EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT 7 to 9 O'Clock. JAMES MASON, Managing Director.

THE HOME SAVINGS AND LOAN COMPANY LIMITED. In business as a Savings Bank and Loan Company since 1854. HEAD OFFICE: 78 Church St., Toronto. BRANCH "A": 522 Queen St. W. Cor. Hackney. Assets \$3,000,000. Interest allowed on Deposits from Twenty Cents upwards. Withdrawable by Cheques. Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. OPEN EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT 7 to 9 O'Clock. JAMES MASON, Managing Director.

HOBBS MANUFACTURING CO. LIMITED. Manufacturers of Memorial and Decorative Art Windows. LONDON, CANADA. A Minister's Watch and a Priest's Wit. Ave Maria. The Australian Catholic Press tells a good story illustrating the ready wit of the late Father McKernan, of Quebec. He was once travelling to a railway station in a buggy, accompanied by a Protestant minister. Both were anxious to be in time, but their watches disagreed, that of the parson being the slower. His own insisted, however, that it was correct, and added that he had had faith in it. Father McKernan, along leisurely, thinking they would have ample time to catch the train. When they arrived at the station, however, they were late. Then the priest, turning to his friend, said: "You told me you had great faith in that watch of yours. It would be much better if you had good works in it—a practical proof that faith without good works is of no avail."

