

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

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#### that possibility will add force to the The Catholic Record honoring of the peace policy and LONDON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1914 principle.

### THE CERISTMAS SHIP

THE MONTESSORI METHOD It is a little hard to account for The "Christmas Ship," which all the fuss that has been made over sailed from New York last week, the Montessori method. Most inladen with millions of gifts for children in the European war zone, will formed readers of the "Method ' must feel that, while the author is a benefit others than the little people clever and ingenious woman, her for whose happiness it is especially science is decidedly thin, and her intended. It will do this, not simply consciousness of originality is due to because it carries such substantial imperfect information regarding the presents as clothing, in addition to educational developments, not only the toys that any real child would of the past, but the present. In value far above merely useful things, thoughtful and well-written little but because no cheer reaches so book, "From Locke to Montessori," wide a circumference as the cheer that is given to children. To William Boyd, lecturer at Glasgow. do something to bring a smile subjects her system to a scholarly the faces of the children criticism. His tone is sober and courteous, with only a touch of irony in the region where their elders here and there, but there is little left are submerged under the horof Montessori at the end. In " the inrors of war is to lift the war clouds dividuality of the pupil," she adds for a moment from the minds of little to either Locke or Rousseau everybody. If there are any persons Her conceptions both of individualwho feel like asking why this money ity and of freedom are incomplete should not have been more " prudently " spent, the answer will be and incoherent, and in her schools given in the brightened counten-" the freedom of the child " is largely fictitious. As a matter of fact, her ances and the lighter voices of the lack of imagination, as shown in her millions who stand in need of exaggeration of the need of sensenothing so much as the conscioustraining and her contempt for stories, ness that good-will among men has not wholly disappeared from the earth.

# SINS OF OMISSION

of view.

PRAYER AND WAR

This seems to be a world of con-Some time ago "A Mother." writtrasts. We have the rich and the poor, the good and the bad, the ing in the Sun, of New York, with young and the old, the wise and the an eloquence that only the heart can witless, the happy and the miserable, dictate, of the accumulating horror the sick and the well-all along the across the sea asks : " Have we lost line-till we come quite to the quick faith ?" and the dead as the final antithesis. Many people have essayed to an-It has appeared to be the business of swer her question. Father Wynne, society to foster these contrasts. We S. J., says that no one who prays has seem to have needed the poor, the lost faith. Some may lack confidence unfortunate and the erring to guage in their own prayers, but without our own success. Most of us are faith no one can pray. There is no continually thanking God that we reason for blaming God for not put are not as other men, unconscious ting a stop to the war in Europe. being inexcusable pharisees Almighty though He is He respects so doing. We work a great the power and freedom of the human deal off of the people we will. If men in vest numbers choose consider less fortunate than our. to ignore His way of settling differselves. We get great satisfaction out ences He is not accountable if they of them. If we put ourselves out to insist on working out their own be good to them we at once make a problems even at the terrible cost of mental picture of ourselves as acting mutual destruction. That God has a noble and generous part, forgetful not chosen to terminate the war in of the fact that instead of their owing Europe after days of prayer in several countries is not a sign that us a debt of gratitude we are really indebted to them for the opportunity prayer is to be unavailing in this of indulging in a very real pleasure case. There are necessarily two -the pleasure of sharing. Some parties to every prayer; but the one has said that when we are called trouble is that the human agent as to account for our sins at the general one of the parties too often wants to judgment the sins of omission will determine how, when, and under weigh heaviest-the cheering word what circumstances the Almighty as we might have snoken, the friendly greeting we might have sent, the visit we might have made. The His will in the matter. do but do not, weighs heavily against our active charity and daily denial. Yet many of us live thus, year after year, giving to church and charity, and withholding from humanity at large the simple gift of being a genial person with a kind and heartsome word for everybody.

## BELGIAN CARDINAL APPEALS FOR FOOD FOR HIS STARVING PEOPLE

Cardinal Francois Joseph Mercier primate of Belgium, who has just returned to his own country after a visit to England, where he received an enthusiastic reception, sends a stirring appeal through the American commission for relief in Belgium for assistance for his starving par ishioners of Malines and the sur-rounding neighborhood. In the city of Malines alone, the Cardinal says, 12,000 mouths have to

be fed daily. In his telegram to Captain C. F. Lucey of the American ommission, the Belgium prelate SAYS : Children come to the German

soldiers and tear bread from their hands (the soldiers divide their bread with them), they are really famished. "Every stranger who comes to the city or goes into the country is sur-rounded by a great number of women

and children, begging him for some thing to eat. There is hardly a sinorer who can find any work to gain his daily bread. "Everything is lacking-we are in want of potatoes, peas, grain, flour meat and bacon. No petroleum is obtainable : coal can be obtained in the district of Charleroi, but the railways cannot carry the coal because the communications are interrupted. The cattle of the people of the coun-try have been sold to the soldiers, plays, and games, really prevent her but with the receipts received for

from understanding the child's point the cattle the Belgians cannot obtain any food until after the war is over. "Cardinal Mercier and all the mem

bers of the Belgian clergy hereby make a strong appeal to the Ameri-can people so that the neighborhood of Turnhout and Malines may be relieved as soon as possible." Captain Lucey adds that in addi tion to those in the city there are 25,000 people in the surrounding ho must be cared for, and country v he save he is forwarding 400 tons of

HEROIC DEATH OF BRITISH FLEET CHAPLAIN

provisions.-Catholic Columbian.

From the London Catholic Times The sad news that the Very Rev

Canon Gwydir, O. S. B , late rector of St. David's, Swanses, had perished in he wreck of the hospital ship Rohilla. plunged the Catholic community of that Welsh seaport town into protound gloom Oct. 81. As fuller de tails transpired, however, sorrow was to some extent lightened by the knowledge that he died the death of a hero-drowned whilst endeavoring to save a helpless patient.

When hostilities broke out Canon Gwydir offered his services as a chaplain to the British fleet, and was appointed to the ill fated Rohilla. This vessel was on her way to Belgium to bring back wounded soldiers, but went ashore on the Yorkshire coast during a terrible gale early on Oct. 30, and became a total wreck. Including the crew, there were about one hundred and eighty souls on board, the majority of whom were

saved by lifeboats. the other party should grant the It is stated that when the impact prayer without even asking to know came Canon Gwydir was on deck. He realized the danger immediately where a man lay helpless with a fractured leg. He had hardly gone below when a huge wave struck the vessel and damaged her so severely that the infirmary was flooded, th canon being drowned before he could complete his noble task. His body not recovered until the ship finally broke up. IRELAND AND THE WAR To the Editor of The Daily News: I have been in your beautiful country just one week, having arrived in Toronto last Wednesday. In this short space of time many references have been made in effect to Ireland's attitude in the present But war in the Canadian newspapers. To day, you have an article on the advantures of Sir Roger Caseman. Let me begin by saying that to the overwhelming majority of the Irish people this individual is absolutely unknown. He has never been conin Ireland. He evidently was a member of the Irish Volunteer's Executive, original committee, but this body was repudiated on the call of Mr. John Redmond by the Irish people. Casement never was, in a political sense, an Irish Nationalist nor has he the slightest influence in the country. There is a volunteer movement in Ireland called the "National Volunteer" and the president is the Irish leader, Mr. John Redmond. Mr. Redmond speaks for 95 per cent. of ments of mischief makers, like Sir Canadian people should know that in this pres-Needless to say, the committee beat ent war Ireland is doing her duty.

10 per cent. Since Kitchener called for recruits 50,000 Irishmen have joined in Great Britain, and close on 30,000 Irishmen in Ireland (this

latter estimate, of course, includes Unionistas well as Nationalist.) An Irish Brigade has been formed with headquarters at Mallow, County Cork, and recruits are rapidly rolling up headed by such prominent and responsible Nationalists as William Redmond, M. P., Stephen Gwynne, M. P., and Professor Kettle, ex. M. P. Mr. T. P. O'Connor is one of the most eloquent speakers at recruiting meat-ings in Great Britain, and Messrs. John Redmond, John Dillon, and Joseph Devlin, the real, responsible leaders of the people, have already counselled the Irish people to sup-port the allies by sympathy, and in

the firing line. Ireland, through the passing of the

Home Rule Bill, is now a source of strength to the Empire, and I appeal to the Canadian people to ignore all statements of Irish policy, which does not come from the lips of Ireland's accredited leaders, Messre. Redmond, Dillon, O'Connor and Devlin. To sum up, Casement and Co. have more influence in Germany in Ireland and their organs, Sinn Fein, Irish Freedom, Nation, etc. have as much influence in Ireland as the most obscure rural sheet in this country. Ireland has taken her stand with the allies, and is doing her share as the cacualty lists of the Irish and Highland regiments will testify. Trusting you will find space for this. PHILIP KEANE

Queen's Hotel, Port Hope, Dec. 3, 1914.

PROTESTANT

BACKSLIDING

The New York General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church has received the report that in the last five years an annual average of 51,000 members was placed on the suspen sion roll; which means, being interpreted, that 255,777 Presbyterian of these parts " slipped back into the world, fell away, were relegated to the ecclesiastical scraphesp." The causes assigned for their backsliding

were : The growing love of pleasure, dis regard for the Lord's day and the Word of God, the increasing craze for amusements and the influence of worldly company—in short, the mod-ern view of life which is preached by many secular organizations.

These causes are inadequate. Similar defections are taking place in nearly all Protestant churches, especially in their male membership. and worldliness and pleasure seeking which always existed, do not explain them. There was more and viler and more wide-spread worldliness in the Roman Empire, and yet Christianity weaned men away from it. and drew them into its churches which it had continuously to multiply in order to make room for them; and this continued to be the story of the christianization of all The same allurements in New York and elsewhere that draw Protestants away from their churches are also presented to Catholics ; but they do not draw these away. Our churches are filled many times on Sunday, our altar rails are crowded with com municants ; on week days Holy Mass is offered, our church doors are open and many enter. Why is it that the world's attractions lure away the one and not the other ? Broadly because true Christianity is a stronger attraction, and this Catholics have. It is not that amuse ments and worldliness lure away the Presbyterians and the rest, but that they have little Christianity from which to be lured. The Presbyteri ans had once a very definite faith : hard and repellent, it is true, but they believed in it. Then they went to church and, where they could, forced every one else to go along with them. But not for long could people be persuaded that, willy nilly they were damned or saved forever. that joy was sinful and happiness ungodly; and so creeds were pared down to the likings of the member ship, until little was left for the members to like or to dislike. Once particularly strong on hell, they have now eliminated it, and as ministers are ordained who will not affirm the Divinity of Christ or the inspiration of Scripture, they have but a very in definite and unsatisfying heave offer to their listeners. Calvin abolished the Mass, and all the sacra

sensationalism or Catholic imitations but all are continually revising their

indefinite creeds, which is a definite admission that they have none that is true, for Christ's Truth is un-changeable. There is one church that never changes ; that holds all Christ's truth and preaches it; that has an altar and a sacrifice, which is Christ, the Son of God; and that gives Him and His grace through His gives Him and His grace through His moted a few days ago in recognition seven sacramental streams to His of his distinguished service. His people. Therefore people go to His churches for they know that He, their Saviour, is there, the Way, the Truth and the Life, and that from Him they will find sustenance against the allurements and the sorrows of this world.-America.

#### A BRITISH ENVOY TO THE HOLY SEE

#### Canadian Press Despatch

Rome, Nov. 24 .- The appointment of Sir Henry Howard as envoy from Britain to the Holy See was an nounced here to day. Great pleas ure at this appointment was expressed at the Vatican, where it was said that it always had been regretted that Great Britain and the United States were not represented among the diplomatists accredited to the Pope.

go military training for service in Sir Henry Howard, born in 1848, the fighting ranks was part of the entered the diplomatic service in 1865. He has served in the United States, the Netherlands, Guatemala Freece, Denmark, China. Russia and France. He served as British Minister at The Hegue and Luxemburg from 1896 to 1908.

A report from Paris some days ago said : In speculations regarding the reasons for Great Britain's prestold of their courage and devotion. ent step it is pointed out that, while the enemies of Britain are represent-They have been cool ed at the Vatican by three envoys, those of Austria Hungary and the Paris railway station a priest, wounded and dying, made a heroic kingdoms of Prussia and Bavaria, the allied countries are represented by effort to give absolution to another wounded soldier. He succeeded, with assistance, and then passed to only two, those of Belgium and Russia. France has not had an envoy at the Holy See since the Separ his sternal reward. Many of the ation Act was passed in 1905.

Another point which is brought up as a possible explanation of the move is the political unrest in Ireland due to religious differences.

#### THE LONDON IRISH RIFLES

A farewell concert was given at the Territorial Barracks, White City, London, to the draft of some 800 men of the Reserve Battalion, London Irish Rifles, who, headed by the pipers of the Second Battalion, proceeded between long lines of cheer ing troops to entrain for the head uarters of the First Battalion.

After a most enjoyable programme, Major Scott Allen, second in com-mand, addressed the men, and in the course of his remarks said : " The commanding officer has asked me to express his regret that circumstances beyond his control prevent his presce at this leavetaking of our the Honorable J. E. Ferguson, a nonrades. They are happily destined for foreign service a little in advance of Texas by a majority of 40 000 votes of ourselves, and we know they will was made the target of anti Catholic aintain the high reputation of the agitators who imagined their appeal London Irish Rifles for efficiency and espirit de corps, and loyal service to King and country. Everyone who knows the moral and materiel of our men of the Second Battalion feels confident they will uphold our great

GENERAL BULFIN WOUNDED

A distinguished name in the re-cent returns of wounded is that of Major General Edward Bulfin, C. B., C. V. O. (Stonyhurst), a man who can

tals in Vienna, and speaking to the wounded soldiers. He speaks to them in German, Hungarian, Polish, ill be spared from the leadership of his division. The Morning Post re-marks that "he has done exceed-Slovak, Bohemian or Italian The Rev. Dom Patrick Nolan, O. S. ingly well in the war, and was pro B., of Erdington Abbey, England, is at present in Ireland looking out for a suitable foundation for a Benedic-Hie rise has been rapid, for he only be tine monastery. Dom Patrick is the author of the well known "History came a temporary brigadier-general a year ago at Aldershot. He had of the Irish Dames of Ypres." long been noted by Sir John French. Among those whose names appear in Field Marshal Sir John French's and the pity is that he should have been wounded only a few days after receiving the signal honor of ad-vancement on the field to majordespatches for special mention for services in the field is the Right Reverend Mgr. Bickerstaffe . Drew general." In the Times of Tuesday, the leader writer took a recent Brigade Order of General Bulfin's as better known in Catholic literary circles as "John Ayscough." his text for a renewed appeal to the Censors to allow more of such litera-ture to be published for the informa-Forty-two pieces of tapestry of great value were saved from the

-The Tablet

Rheims Cathedral. They depicted the history of Christ, by Feppersock; the life of the Blessed Virgin and tion and encouragement of all con cerned in the prosecution of the war. Acts of the Apostles; and were given to the Cathedral in 1530, and 1629-1641. THE FRENCH AND THE WAR

The work on the revision of the Vulgate has been seriously impeded The action of the French govern by the present war in Europe. His Eminence, Cardinal Gasquet, who is ment in compelling clerics to under in charge of the work, has been un-able to secure help in several of the general hostility of the rulers of France towards the Church. The countries now at war and must wait until peace once more is restored.

clergy have had their revenge-the A state paper by the name of the "Caravel" is to be published by the Iowa Knights of Columbus at Davensweetest revenge that earnest Chris tians could desire to take. By their conduct during the war they have xercised an apostolate. They have port. Al. F. O'Hern, sporting editor of the Davenport Daily Times, will fought and prayed and ministered to others. Many touching stories are be editor of the publication. the first monthly issue of which will come out next month. It will be the official in moments o the gravest peril, and always anxious organ of the Knights of Columbus of to help those around them. At a Iowa.

Dr. Casartelli, Bishop of Salford, England, has announced that the University of Louvain will accept, in part, the invitation of Cambridge to continue its session at the English university. Fifteen professors of the Faculties of Theology, Philosophy and French clergy have been mentioned in despatches and have received military medals. The Abbe Huftier, formerly a student at the French Law, will resume their courses at Cambridge. It is also reported that the University of Chicago will engage Seminary in Rome, and a doctor of one or more professors as special philosophy, was twice mentioned in lecturers lispatches and proposed for enroll

Paul Fuller, who was recently sent to Maxico by President Wilson on a special mission, is a convert to the Church. He is dean of the Fordham University school of Law and took part in the settlement of the Venezuela boundary, the Philippine tariff, proved to their fellow-countrymen the Porto Rico and Philippine church and other cases, and has served as consul for the French and Russian Catholic religion inspires .- Livergovernments.

> A dispatch to the Havas agency from Venice says that Cardinal Aris. tides Cavallari, patriarch of Venice, on Tuesday, November 17. Cardinal Cavallari was born at Chloggia in 1849. He succeeded Pope Pius X. at Patriarch of Venice and was raised to the Cardinalate in 1907. On various occasions he expressed himself against the immodest dress of

Although Pope Benedict XV. ex. pressed a desire that there should be to religious prejudice would injure him because he was friendly to Cath. no festivities or manifestations on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday, olics. The Governor elect lost no opportunity to denounce them and Nov. 21, because of the war, many their methods. This is what he told telegrams and addresses of greeting his hearers on more than one occa-sion: have been received from throughout the world. Those who have sent

# CATHOLIC NOTES

The aged Emperor of Austria in-

1886

#### PEACE CELEBRATION

It is announced that the centenary of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent will be celebrated on Christmas eve just as if nothing had happened since the beginning of the arrangements for that event. The centenary cannot be expected to attract the attention that was hoped for it at first. In the meantime the whole of Europe has been giving an object lesson of the horror of war beside which the pro. ceedings of the most skilfully planned celebration must seem tame, and vet this very cataclysm will impart a timeliness to the Ghent centenary that it could not otherwise have had. What more contrasting background could be imagined for a celebration of a century of unbroken | bakery on East Colfax avenue was peace between two nations that had appro fought two wars than the smoke and flame of the greatest war that has been waged since those two nations laid aside the sword ? Napoleonic memories are inextricably intertwined with the memory of the war of 1812, and thus the celebration of the Treaty of Ghent would, under happier circumstances, have been a calebration also of a century throughout which even Old World wars have been made local. The sudden shift in affairs that has negatived | woman.

MINISTER THREATENS TO JOIN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IF SOME PERSONS I KNOW DON'T STOP SAYING UGLY THINGS ABOUT THE HOUSE OF THE GOOD SHEP. HERD"

From the Denver Catholic Register Many interesting episodes are re-

lated by the workers in the Good Shepherd home campaign. W. R. Collett. executive secretary of the Denver Federation for Charity

and Philanthropy, spoke last Friday at the daily luncheon, and Father Hugh L. McMenamin told a story about him that " brought down the house.

Mr. Collett is an ordained minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church. and says he expects to die one. if some persons I know don't stop saying ugly things about the House of the Good Shepherd," Father Mc-Menamin said Mr. Collett had declared to him, "Ill join the Knights of Columbus.

W. J. Lloyd, chairman of the campaign, evidently does not think the calumny of the good Sisters is going to stop, for he declared : " Maybe we won't give it to Mr. Collette when we put him through the third degree !" A Jewish woman who keeps ned by a committee of solicitors last Friday afternoon and was

asked to help. Why bless your heart !" said she to the spokesman. to the spokesman. "I just finished sending twenty loaves of bread and a big pancake to the House of the Good Shepherd, and I send the Sisters the the Nationalists, so people here can same kind of a remembrance every safely ignore the actions and stateweek. I know what kind of work they are doing and I try to do my Roger Casement. The duty by them regularly."

a hasty retreat from the store, after every one of the workers had shaken hands with the big-hearted Jewish woman.

ments but two, which were allowed to remain as ordinances with som

significance. His successors have robbed them of all significance. In other words they have merely the name of Christianity, not its essence They have words, not truths; no definite belief or guidance, no sacrifice, no altar, no sacramental chan nels of grace, no book inspired of God, no Christ Who is surely God the Son of God ; and therefore no Christianity that will counteract the allurements of the devil, the world and the flesh. Hence their churches can have only the attractions of secular meeting houses ; they are

not centres of Divine Grace, and consequently repel people who want it or need it. The same is true to a large extent

of all non Catholic denominations. Some try to compensate by music or

placed. In Colonel Walter Mathews our Second Battalion has a command

ing officer who is not second to any in the service, and whose exercise of common sense in matters of training is wholly refreshing. It may, indeed, safely be said that the difficult problem of training under adverse ditions could not have been solved in a more efficient and sensible man ner than it has been by Colonel Mathews and Captain Curtis, who himself a Territorial officer, is the most capable adjutant within my experience of twenty years. Major Scott Allen continued : Comrades of the foreign service draft, all your officers feel that if opportunity offer you will justify our confidence, and will earn fresh laurels for the glory of our island race. You will show yourselves worthy of being comrades in arms with the gallan troops whose obedience and discipline, conduct and courage, have never been equalled in the history of the world. You also are brave men. You come of the bravest of races. Good luck to every man of you. Faugh a ballagh Clear the way !---The Tablet.

#### FIVE PRIESTS SLAIN

El Paso, Texas, November 19.-Five Catholic priests have been executed in Michoacan by General Joaquin Amara, commander of Constitutionalist forces in that State, according to stories printed in the military bulletin of Guadalajara. The priests were captured by detachments sent out to suppress an uprising in Tiaxacala. The troops suppressed the uprising

in a few skirmishes, during which they made prisoners the five priests. who, it is alleged, were caught carrying rifles. All were executed after court-martial.

Several similar uprisings of the people against confiscation and des imitation. On the other side of the scration of church property have Rio Grande acts are perpetrated that been reported from several points in Southwestern Mexico. In Luman shape."

am a Catholic; suppose I were, would heads of various States. Many of the I not have the right as such, according to the Constitution of the United States, to be a candidate for the

ment in the Legion of Honor, but he

has not had time to enjoy his honors, for he has been killed whilst faith-

fully discharging his duties as a sol

dier and a minister of God. On the

battlefield the priests of France have

now true is the patriotism and how

fraternal are the sentiments that the

A BLOW TO BIGOTS

OVERNOR FERGUSON OF TEXAS SCORE

THE UN-AMERICAN METHODS OF

ANTI CATHOLIC DEFAMERS

During the pre-election campaign

Catholic, who was elected Governor

pool Times.

Governorship of Texas? "But I am not a Catholic. Then they tell you that I am friendly to the Catholic priest in Temple, and even have given him money to assist him in his free night school work for the boys, to buy books for them the boys of the etreet.

"Of this I am proud, and I would sooner have the friendship of the good priest in Temple than be Pres-ident of the United States."

His brave utterances have always brought forth applause from h hearers. And this in a state which has no small number of the so-called Guardians of Liberty. Governor Ferguson is worthy of any office the right-minded citizens of his state can confer on him.-St. Paul Bulletin.

WHERE THE JEWS BEAT US

"Here at our very doors Catholics are undergoing a persecution of a most atrocious character," says the Freeman's Journal, in an editorial on the Mexican situation, "and Catholic Americans have done nothing to put a stop to it. A few years ago in far off Russia were subjected to similar injustice, but they did not have to wait long before they received assistance from their co-re-ligionists in the United States. The Jews in this country are less numer-ous than Catholics, and yet, before many months had passed they sucthe United States Government on the Rome about forty years ago and side of their persecuted Russian

"They tell you maliciously that I messages include sovereigns and the messages contain expressions of hope that through the efforts of Pope Benedict peace soon may be realized.

> The war has been the cause of the fficial banishment from Switzerland of the loathsome Roman weekly, the Asino. For years it has insulted the Holy Father and blasphemed, but Switzerland has been one of the numerous countries that has not said anything. Now it has taken on itself to insult the German Emperor. and Switzerland is neutral and im partial, and has served in the same way a German comic paper, which is not noted for refinement, though it could not be, of course, as bad as the Asino.

Cecil Chesterton, who is the young er brother of G. K. Chesteron, the well known writer, is coming to Am-erica next January for a lecture tour. Unlike his brother, who has remained a High Church Anglican, Cecil Ches. terton joined the Catholic Church about three years ago. With the possible exception of Hilaire Bellos, his most intimate friend, he is the nost forceful Catholic speaker in England. At present he is the editor of the New Witness, one of the most original weekly papers in London, in which, incidentally, he exposed the now notorious Marconi scandals.

An opinion seems to have gained ground that along with the rest of the priceless manuscripts destroyed at Louvain, was the famous collection of beautiful Celtic manuscripts belonging to the Irish College. happily this is not the case, as they Rome about forty years ago and afterwards to the Franciscan convent brethren. In this matter they set an example to Catholics worthy of their imitation. On the other side of the lives of the saints was removed from Louvain to another place, which, however, is at present within the theatre of war.

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# SO AS BY FIRE BY JEAN CONNOR

# CHAPTER XIV

THE GLITTER AND THE "GAIN"

Seated in the heavily curtained Seated in the heavily curtained window of his son's library, Judge Bandall was looking out at the winter storm. It had been snowing all day long, softly, steadily, silently, and now the tall gray houses across the street had taken on fairy pin-nacles, and battlements, the sharp iron railings seemed hedgerows of May day bloom, while high above all, the towers and dome of the old esthedral rose white crowned against the logen st

the leaden sky. But no such softened wintry touch But no such softened wintry out-had fallen upon the old man seated by the window. The Judge was falling sorely, as his best friends agreed. Yet he was making his agreed. 185 ne wat muken eyes last fight bravely. The sunken eyes were keen and clear, the thin, worn lace had lost nothing of its dignity; though he used a cane now he still held himself erect and proud as of

'I am undermined, the doctors tell am undermined, the doctors tell me, Gilbert," he was saying to his son, "but I can stand for years yet, they say, for a round decade of years yet. I'd like to see my little girl settled in life before I go. You and Marian will be good to her, I am sure, Marian will be good to her, i im sure, and I will leave her plenty, but for all that, I feel anxious about her, Gilbert, she is not like Milly, not like any Randall, I ever knew. With all I do and have done for her, I don't think he is hanny. Gilbert." think she is happy, Gilbert."

"Not happy!" echoed the other, in azement. "Not happy! My dear amazement. "Not happy! My dear sir, to me she seems absolutely

"Glitter, my boy, only glitter! There's no real light or joy in it. It's the rainbow spray of the water-fall, I fear, with the little stream breaking fiercely against the rocks beneath. This marriage with de neath. Lausanne for instance. Of course didnt want to give her up to Of course ] what is foreigner, though it was what is called a most brilliant match, and for a while she seemed to feel the triumph of it. Then one night, when he had sent her home a casket of beautiful jewels, she flung hersel down on her knees at my feet, and begged me to take her away before she sold herself to a man she loathed. And then-then about the Church, she is so strange, so contradictory. I have known her to spend hours be-fore the altar, to attend retreats, sermons, until poor Madame Charrette felt all was right with her, and suddenly to plunge into a wild round of gayety and seemingly forget there is a God.

'Oh, she will come out all right," said Gilbert, with his good humored cheerfulness. "I suppose her pretty head is a little turned just now, and I rather think you've spoiled her with over indulgence. But really, I can't blame you. She is as bewitch-ing a little creature as I ever saw. And I don't think you need worry about settling her," the gentleman about settling her," the genue added, laughing. Already she could have her pick of the finest fellows in town. Here she comes now, and surely happy enough to ease all anxiety.

The merry music of bells came gaily to the listener's ears, a sleigh filled with a pretty, fur-clad load dashed up to the door, and in a moment the wide old house echoed moment the wide old house school with glad voices and happy laughter, as Mildred, Nellie, Leonie Duval, Allston Leigh, and Dr. Vance came trooping up the wide polished stairs into the fire-lit library. They had all met at the Duval's country home for Inncheon and w the dinner which Mrs. Gilbert Randall was to give to a dozen or more guests to night. For the Judge had his wish, no anxiety for him had apparently marred the brightness of his little girl's return. The last nition." month had been a round of hospitable "Beyond recognition !" she re-peated, slowly. "You are both flat-tering and reassuring, Mr. Leigh. Let me see," and she lifted her eyes entertainmeets, in her honor. And struggle against it as he might, Allston Leigh was drawn into the Aliston Leign was drawn into the circle of her charms. For Madam Van was managing matters; that wise and wary old lady who usually saved her strength and her money during the winter season, had flung prudence to the winds and plunged recklessly into the swim, and Allston was called upon to uphold her. Madam Van had not ruled all her men folks for half a century to lose her grasp on this last of her line. ture. must steer him into safe waters before she crossed that dark sea whose beacon lights, to do Aunt Van justice, had always shone for her above all the glitter of earth. Even now in the midst of her unusual dissipation she was attending a triduum at the Cathedral. "I took Nellie with me last night," she confided to her escort as their cab rolled through the darkened streets to the Randall dinner. "And, oh, All-ston, she was shaken, I could see her pride. shaken to the soul! And really I never heard a more powerful ser-mon. Father Lane held his audience breathless. His text was 'What doth it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul ?' and he fairly scorched us poor worldlings with his flery eloquence. 'There are lost souls be-fore me now,' he said, 'souls that have bought the world, its wealth

Marian and advised her to contrive a meeting with Father Lane. She said she would invite him for to-

night." "My dear Aunt Van, you are the most delightful paradox," said the young man, laughing. "A paradox ! Not at all," answer-ed 6the old lady, bridling. "The girl ought to be a Catholio, as you know. The faith is in her blood, and in her heart too, as I firmly believe. But she is fighting against it. God only knows why. And I am out in all my old war paint this winter to settle things for both of you, dear all my old war paint this white to settle things for both of you, dean boy. It will cost me my August fete and a spell of rheumatism, I know, but I'm in the battle, Allston, to conheart? but I'm in the battle, Aliston, to con-vert her, and to marry you. The Duke is out of the way, I under-stand, but there will be scores of others pressing for his place—for your place, Aliston." "My place !" he echoed in amaze-

Yes, yours. If you claim, hold "fight for it, Allston. Oh, she won't be won lightly, I warn you." "She has no heart to win," was the hard answer. "She told me that plainly last summer at Biarritz

when I pleaded with her like the madman that I was. She bewitched me from the first, Aunt Van, drew me across oceans and continents. But she is like the Undine of your fete, she has neither heart nor so Nonsense," said Aunt rply. "They may lie too Van, sharply. "They may lie too deep down for your seeing, Allston, but if I know women, she has a double share of both."

They reached the Randall home as she spoke, and were ushered into its warmth and light.

The long drawing room was cheery and homelike, with its soft, shade and homelike, with its sort, shared lamps and its open fires, and a pleas-ant company were already gathered. Leonie, Dr. Vance, and some half dozen of the older set. Judge Randall sat in his great armchair by the fire talking to Father Lane, who had just come in, bright eyed and ruddy, from his brisk walk through the snow. Aunt Van dropped her loose, fur lined pelerine and fleecy headwrap into the hands of the maid in the hall and joined the old folks. Allston Leigh, stepping forward to put bat and coat on the antiered rack at the bend of the winding stair, was startled by the sight of the slender, white robed figure, standing there breathless, hesitant, her eyes fixed on the group isible through the half parted tières of the drawing room. She turned at his footsteps, her gray eyes blazing with a fire he had never

seen before. "What is that priest doing here ?"

she asked, fiercely. "Father Lane ?" he asked, in sur-

rise. "He has come to dinner with the rest, I suppose." "They did not tell me," she said, excitedly. "Why did they not tell me? Why is he here like—like

this ?"

Leigh looked at her in bewilder. ment. Her head was thrown back lefiantly, her eyes glowing, her slender form quivering. She was like some wild thing at bay. Then sud-denly a seeming explanation flashed upon him. Miss Nellie, "shaken to the soul" as she had been the night before, had had no mind to meet the preacher who had so painfully im. ressed her.

He is here by your sunt's invitation, no doubt, an d I am afraid it is too late to escape him. But you'll find Father Lane quite harmless, I assure you. He only thunders in the pulpit," said Leigh, lightly. "I have heard him," she said. "And I heard him once before at—

at St. Barnabas.' " I remember," Leigh continued in

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dark eyed little romps when he left fifteen years ago, were charming signorinas now. She chatted gayly of them all. But all the while under the light play of their words, there sounded in the girl's soul the surge of deep waters, the grave blessing spoken at the Road House, the clear

warning tone of the preacher at St. Barnabas,' the thunder that had echoed from the Cathedral pulpit only last night. Was it the voice of God calling her in ever deeping tone by this man's lips ? this man who had stood at Elinor Kent's dying bed, who held so many secrets of the sorrow-ing, the sinful, buried in his priestly

Did he know? Did he Did he know? Did he guess? Was he holding her secret with the rest? And when at last, excusing himself on the plea of his nightly sermon, Father Lane took an early leave, Allston Leigh found Nellis in a new mood. She was standing alone in the deep, curtained window in the descript norm looking out at the

in the deep, curtained window in the drawing room looking out at the storm, all the light and glow of the evening gone from her gray eyes and her voice hard and cold. "Tired out?" he asked, gently,

pushing up a chair for her and drop ping on the window seat beside her "Considering your aversion for preachers you did nobly. But it was exhausting, no doubt." "Yes," she answered. "I feel as if I had been climbing a mountain

if I had been climbing a mountain top. And now there is going to be bridge until midnight. I hate bridge. Think of intelligent beings sitting for hours with the whole universe

narrowed down to a pack of cards." "Yet if I remember right you came out a triumphant winner at the

Stuarts three nights ago." "Of course. If I must play any-thing, I play to win. But it isn't worth the candle. Nothing is tonight. Nothing !" he schoed. " Have you

reached that point already ? You !" "Oh, it is only for the night, I supoose," she said, with her little hard laugh. "But is the game worth the while, Mr. Leigh? Dressing, dining, ancing, riding the crestof the waves

as we do ?" "No, that is not worth while, as I think I told you when we stood on the cliffs of Biarritz last year, and you were dazzled by the glitter and sparkle of a ducal coronet." "Dazzled !" she repeated. "Do

you think I was dazzled ? Oh, no! It was the solid anchorage, Mr. Leigh, the anchorage of the ten gen-erations that would hold safe, I knew, though the stars fell. If I could have stood it ! But the chain pulled and I broke loose. And the

old chateau, with the tombstone waiting for me, so solid and sure, and the good duke himself, so dull and slow. I had a letter from Madame Charrette to-day. He is still desole, she declares, and begs me to consider my madness." "Marriage being entirely a matter o

"Of cold consideration," he said, bitterly. answered. "And yet Aunt Van, who pretends

"And yet Aunt Van, who pretends to know women, declares you have both heart and soul." "Dear Aunt Van!" the voice grew soft for a moment; "she has been my friend ever since she flung me her sweet scented old shawl for my en-folding the first day we met. But she does not know me, Mr. Leigh. There is no one in all this wide world who knows me as I am. And that is-shall I call it my pride or my curse ? I stand alone, alone apart from God and man."

"Not alone," he said, passionately. "Never alone while I live. Reject them as you may, my life, my love will be yours and no other's. My heart, bitter, wounded, aching, is

" My invite ?" repeated the other. " I'm glad to see so good a client al-ways. Mills, but really I don't re-

"Not about Buck Graeme-poor "Not about Buck Critichterrupted little Weasel's dad?" interrupted Daffy, eagerly. "Him that was pu in for a lifer? You said if you could

in for a lifer? You said if you could do anything to help me—"" "Oh, yes, yes," and the new hope kindled in his own heart roused Allston Leigh into quick sympathy with this faithful, simple lover. "I remember now—and I'll be as good as my word. What can I do for you,

Well, first thing, Judge, look well, into thing, Juage, look straight into my eyes for a minute, will you? You don't see anything queer or nutty about me, do you?" Leigh looked into a pair of keen, clear orbs, that he would have trusted to see through any muck or gloom. "No," he laughed. "I could swear to your being altogether straight, Mills."

"I did think of going to a doctor," said Mr. Mills, thoughtfully, "bu not being sure of your Eastern ways I was afeard they might clap me into a sanitarium or water cure, and give somebody charge of my wad. For I've been seeing things, Judge," he seeing dded, in a lower tone, things, sure.'

What sort of things?" asked Leigh, lightly. "I've been seeing Weasel, Judge!"

the words came almost with a gasp "Your little sweetheart?' said the "Judge," softly, thinking of the gray eyes hunting him night and day. "Ah, Mills, when a face is graven like hers on a man's deepest heart one is apt to see it. It is only nat

"I know that, Judge. But this here ain't natural—it's unnatural. It's the sort of seeing that gives you a cold shaking— like you had the seven days' ague. The fust time was that day I saw you in the park, and talked to you bout her. Well, I was coming home from one of the big shows that night, and I passed a

shows that night, and I passed a house where they were having some kind of a blow out, and crowds of grand folks were coming out and I got sort of jammed in the push. Sudden I looked up and saw her standing right above me in the door-way all in shimmering white, Judge, like an angel from the skies. It struck me sick and dizzy for a mo-ment and when I looked again she ment, and when I looked again she was gone. The next time was worse still, Judge. I was in Baltimore. Spellman and Co. had wired me there was some kind of a hitch in their Graystone Grinder, and I went over to look into it. There was a sort of revival at one of the big churches, revival at one of the big churches, and I heard it was led by a preacher I knew at home for a A No. 1, so I dropped in to hear him one night. And I seen her again. Just for a moment under one of the stone pil-lars that were blazing with lights. She was all in black this time and

she was pale as the dead." A fancied resemblance, my dear Mills." said Leigh, kindly, ' nothing more. 'Fancied!" echoed Daffy. "Lord

"Fancied I" echoed Daffy." Lord, Judge, do you think I could fancy anything about Weasel? I'd know her agin all the world— know her anywhere — in life or death. No, Judge, I don't believe in spock raisers Judge, I don't believe in spook raisers but I hev a sort of feeling that Wea-sel is restless 'bout her poor dad, a-dying there in his prison cell, and is looking to me to help him out. And I'm ready to do it if it takes every cent I've got. Stand by me and you can have the whole darned Graystone Grinder pile." "My dear Mills, as I told you be

fore, this isn't in my line, and I won't touch a cent from you. But-but there is a face, living or dead, that

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THE CHALICE OF

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From the Little Messenge

ermed the "Sons of Thunder!" Early in June, Marie, the mother

den jubilee.'

his right hand and one at his left." The curé smiled at the maternal pride of Marie as she de-manded these coveted honors for manded these coveted honors for her sons, and playfully asked: "And what about the chalice of bitterness; will you drink that, too?" "Yes, mon Père, I will drink that too," said the mother, smiling, little real. izing how literally her words were to be fulfilled.

be fulfilled. The procession of Corpus Christi in which the Bishop took part, is still spoken of at each recurrence of the festival; and the splendor of the occasion has never since been equalled at L.... Marie had washed and ironed the surplices for Jacques and Jean with much concern ; and and Jean with much concern; and it was with pardonable pride that she gazed upon her boys, holding aside the cope of the venerable Bishop, as he carried the Sacred Host. When the procession was over, Marie came for the Bishop's blessing, and the curé presented her as the mother of his "Sons of Thunder her as th mother of his "Sons of Thunder." The saintly Bishop placed his hand on the head of each of her boys, and

the happy mother was the envy of the parish that day. Not long after this event, Louis, the brother of Marie, and Director of the Novitiate at N-, came to visit his sister, and when he departed, Jacques and Jean accompanied him, to be enrolled among the sons of St. La Salle.

Busybodies, of course, censured Marie's heroic sacrifice in giving her two sons to the Lord, and the luck less critics who aired their opinions within her hearing brought a storm of abuse upon their heads from the caustic tongue of the generous mother.

'If the good God gave them to me. why should not I give them back, if He wants them? Perhaps you would have me like old Mariotte? He would not let his son go when the good God called him, and the boy was drowned, so that he has not even the consolation of praying at his grave." Nevertheless, the mother's heart was torn with grief at the separation. "It is the chalice of bitter ness, Marie," said the curé.

Then began the forebodings of the troublous time in France. The Superiors of the Brothers, anticipat ing the coming storm, organized new districts in Central America, and a the end of his novitiate, Jacques was assigned to labor there, under the direction of his uncle, who had been appointed Visitor. Letters came from ques at regular intervals, telling of his success and happiness, and the life of Marie went smoothly on until the day the Director of the Novitiate came to bring her sad tid-ings. With great gentleness the bighearted man prepared her for the ordeal, and then told her of the awful affliction the Lord had placed upon her. Jacques had been shot by a bandit while at recreation in the mountains. The novice master gave her the letters her brother had for-warded, and a little brass crucifix that Jacques had received on taking the habit. The right hand of the figure was shattered where the bullet had grazed it. The chalice of bitter.

ness was filling up. Then the storm against the re-ligious orders in France broke out in all its fury. The novices and postu-lants were returned to their families but Jean pleaded not to be sent away He wanted to be a Brother; he would go anywhere the Superiors would send him. He wrote imploring letters to his uncle, the Visitor, and through his influence, Jean received he habit from the hands of the Superior, and was ordered to America to make his novitiate. He returned home to bid a last good by to his mother before going into voluntary avile and homed of her the returned

Suddenly a band of soldiers burst into the house to place the Brothers under arrest, and a gang of looters following them, scattered through-out the house in search of articles of value. Jean heard the noise, and ran downstairs to discover the cause. He was motionless with terror as he stood at the refectory door and heard the officer give the command to place the Brothers under arrest. The officer, looking toward the open door at the end of the refectory, saw

other, looking toward the open door at the end of the refectory, saw Jean's blanched face, and motioned to a soldier, "There is another." Then the young, Brother thought of the Blessed Sacrament upstairs, and fied, the soldier in hot pursuit. Jean reached the chapel first, and snapped the lock on the door. The soldier beat violently on the panel with the butt end of his gun, whilst Jean mounted the altar and seized the monstrance but there was no escape. Already the door was swaying under the vig. orous blows. Jean opened the lun-ette and swallowed the Sacred Host which was to be his Viaticum. The brutal soldier had battered down the door, and in rage at being outwitted,

With a cry Jean fell upon the altar, amid the crashing vases, pierced

through the heart. Again the crucifix on Jean's breas was sent across the waters to the sorrowing Marie. This time the left hand was shattered. "The chalice of bitterness ! I have drunk it," wailed the heartbroken mother, as she knelt at the feet of the aged curd

and kissed the mutilated crucifix. And now the lonely mother of martyrs sits in her quiet cottage near the church, and yearns for the day when her sorrow shall be changed into joy; and her joy, no one shall take from her. She shall sit with her sons, one on the right hand and one on the left, in the Kingdom of the Father. B. A. GABRIEL.

# THROUGH ENTREATY OF ST. JOSEPH

The robins in the tall locust tree that lined either side of the drive way tried to outrival the happy mea dcw larks in a neighboring field. As acw larks in a heighboring heid. As the joyous birds calls echoed back and forth Mary smiled while she loving and carefully loosened the soft, dark earth about each tender crocus plant. Perhaps it was the same en-chanting breath of spring that had coaxed the crocuses to open their purple and yellow flower cups and that filled the birds with such esta sies of happiness which caused the smile to scamper over her sweet face and hide itself in the depths of her lark blue eyes. Or it might have peen the warm sunshine in her own

been the warm summine in her own girlish heart. Whatever had been the source of the smile it still caressed Mary's lips as the shrill whistle of the mail car-rier caused her to abandon her pleasant task and to go after the mail. Among the dozen or so letters that the mail man handed her Mary found two that were addressed to herself, one of which received a little loving squeeze and the other on which the

girl recognized her father's hand-writing, changed the smile into a look of anxious expectancy. As Mary entered the front hall she called in

the direction of the kitchen : "Aunt Eleanor, here is the mail." "Bring it out here, dear," was the answer wafted from the kitchen door along with the delicious odor of fresh doughnuts. Mary entered the kitchen, laid the letters on the table and with an if you please smile took a warm doughnut from the dish.

"Did you get any letters, Mary ?" at asked Mrs. Barton, otherwise Aunt Eleanor as she dronned a fresh ply of dough into the skillet.

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Divine Master's call. I know you will be surprised to learn that He has chosen me to become the spouse of His Sacred Heart, overlooking in His wonderful love and mercy all my unworthiness. I never told you, dear for we never had a talk on this subject while at school. I am so happy here in my convent home." Mary could read no farther, for her eyes were full of tears of joy and thank-

fulness. Perhaps if you had been near enough and had listened very atten-tively you would have heard the eeze that stirred the curtain per the name at the end of the letter. Sister Mary Dorothy. Mary put the letter back in the en-

velope and opened tha other one. This time, as she read, a look of trouble came into her blue eyes. Just as she finished reading the letter Mrs. Barton entered the room and seeing the look on her piece's face, asked :

What did your father say, dear ? Is he willing that you should enter the convent the 1st of August ?"

"He isn't willing I should enter at all, Auntie. Listen to this: 'My dear daughter. I was both surprised and displeased to learn the trend of your childish fancies. I perceive that childish fancies. I perceive that your head has been crammed full of these ideas by the nuns where you attended school lasf year, but I wish you to understand that no child of mine shall ever become a nun. Your dear mother, on her death-bed, five years ago, asked me to educate you or the best in life. This I h done, but the best is not found in a community of nuns. I know my daughter will be obedience itself in regard to this matter. Your loving father.' What am I going to do ?" exclaimed the girl with a sob in her voice.

You poor child, just put on your hat and go down and have a talk with Father Curtis. He will help you if any one can," answered her aunt.

aunt. Mary did as her aunt advised and soon the kind hearted priest, who had known the girl from infancy, was tactfully finding out the trouble.

"Perhaps, my dear child, God has sent you this cross to try your vocation. The only thing to be done is to submit to His holy will. Why don't you make a novena to Saint Joseph, your favorite saint? You know the feast of his patronage is just two weeks from to morrow.

" I will, Father, and will you please say a prayer for the same intention? asked Mary. "I will remember you every morn-

ing in Holy Mass and I'm sure all will come out right," answered Father Curtis.

It was with a light heart that Mary thanked her kind director and re-turned home. Next morning she posted a letter to her friend, Sister Dorothy at Holy Ghost convent, Hil-ton Crest asking her to make a novena to Saint Joseph for her in tention.

The sunny April days passed and each morning found Mary kneeling at Saint Joseph's shrine in the little church two blocks from her home. She did not answer her father's letter for he was expected home within a week.

On the day her novena ended, Mary received into her heart the King of Kings, whom she knew was calling her to a life of closer union with Himself. As she asked Him to grant her prayers in union with those of Saint Joseph, a feeling of confilence that all would end right calmed the troubled waters of her soul.

When Mary reached home after Mass her aunt, Mrs. Barton, met her at the door wifh a smile.

" If you're not too hungry, Mary, I we something to tell you." "What is it, Auntie? Has papa

with the usual laughing light in hem to the tall mirror that stood between the antiers of the hat-rack. For a moment she stood facing the reflection, the slender, graceful figureein its rich sweeping draperies, the red gold hair dressed high over

the delicate, mobile face, the exquis-ite taste and daintiness of every touch and line of the beautiful picife again. " I am a fool !" she said, and there

was a note of triumph in her silvery laugh. "But preachers are my blackest of bete noirs and I felt vexed at confronting such a death's head through a charming dinner. But there is no escape, as you say. us go on and face the inevitable. Let

And lifting the velvet portiere she stepped into the drawing-room. The old Judge looked up with tender

"Ah, here she is at last. I was just wondering where you were, little girl. My granddaughter, Elinor, Father Lane." And as the uncon-scious lie passed the old man's lips, a swift flush she could not control swept over the young beauty's face and the gray eyes fell under the priest's clear quiet gaze. But only for a moment ; then Madame Charrette's have bought the world, its wealth and power, at the price no finite mind can reckon. Souls whose fair seeming is a living lie.' Really, All-ston, it was terrible. I began to look back into my own misdoings and to thank the Lord the west wing of the Manor was down and I had the safety of the impecunious. And Nellie, as I said, was shaken to the soul. She was trembling like a leaf beside me. I gave a hint of it to pupil recovered all her charming

the same light vein, to sooth her strange excitement. "We went to your hold. I cannot b can not."

strange excitement. "We went to church together. You were a pale An not." Oh, do not say it again—again," by you as you ask— Bring me the said, in a low pained voice. "It papers you have and I'll do what I ris. I have tried to turn you from can." she said, in a low pained voice. "It hurts. I have tried to turn you from bewildered little girl taking your first steps in a new world. How you have changed ! Almost beyond recog-

You have indeed," he answered. "Then why do you torture me?" she asked, with sudden impatience, "Have I not told you I must stand alone—apart?" And you would want my heart and all its secrets, you would read my soul and all its needs, you would come into my life as lord and master. And then, then, then," she paused, "Oh no! If I ever marry it will be on cold considera tion, Mr. Leigh." "Nellie!" something in her tone, her word, had made the dead hope

in Leigh's breast start into quivering "Aunt Van is looking for a part

ner," she said, and she snatched the hand he had caught, and was gone to a boy of fourteen, and Jean, a lad of twelve, whom the age curé playfully join the bridge players, leaving Leigh dazzled and bewildered. For one moment the mocking, veiling, rain-bow spray had parted, and he had stood in the doorway of her home engaged in an animated discussion caught sight of storm lashed waves and depths beneath.

Aunt Van was right. He had fighting chance—and he would take it. All through the night, Nellie's

strange words echoed through his mind like a strain of uncomprehend. ed music. She would stand aloneapart. He would read her soul, her heart, be lord and master of her life. Ah, it was that from which she shrank like the free, glad, untamed little creature she was! He must show her how light and sweet would be love's chain, how gentle his rule. And with these thoughts uppermost in his mind he returned to his Washington office next morning to find Mr. J. Dafton Mills (as his cards now announced that important gentleman, stretched out with Western ease in his biggest leather chair, awaiting his arrival.

"Well, I'm here, according to your invite, Judge," he said, after they had exchanged cordial morning greet-

would haunt my dreams and of Jacques which hung around her Mills-and-I understand. I'll stand neck.

Jean, now Brother Pancratius of the Blessed Sacrament, was a general favorite with the American novices. His fund of quaint and numerou tales during recreation was their de-light; his attitude of simple piety, as he knelt in prayer before the altar was a lesson to them of his sublime faith in the Holy Eucharist, while unstairs to read your letters, for his mistakes in English were a con TRUE STORY OF THE RELIG. stant source of amusement. It was hard to tell which was the more ludicrous, the look of blank amaze ment on the face of an elderly novice who had come in from the world,' - is a very picturesque little or the look of questioning surprise

fishing village near the Loire, on the western coast of France. Here, ly-ing within the shadow of the village on the face of Jean as, in translating faire (to make, to do), he asked : "Dear Brother Noah, why did God church, was the snug farmhouse of Pierre Beauval, the father of Jacques do you ?"

was sent to Mexico, and there manito" (little Brother, as his loving Before opening them, however, she looked up to the little statue of St. Joseph, at whose feet she had placed bowel of fresh crocuses from the

engaged in an animated discussion with one of the village gossips. "Impossible!" she exclaimed. "Monseigneur l'Eveque in the pro-cession here on the fête Disu!" Then came rumors of the outrages Then came rumors of the outrages the rebels were committing. Brother Director related, as the Brothers walked up and down the courtyard during recreation, some of the hor-rors he had heard of : priests im-prisoned to extort money from them ; "It is true, I tell you," reiterated her informant. "I met Nanette, the housekeeper of M. le Curé, at the market, and she told me so herself. sacrilegious profanations of churches and sacred vessels ; ribald soldiers His Lordship the Bishop was a class mate of our Curé at the Seminary donning the Mass vestments and dancing during wild orgies in the and Corpus Christi will be their gol

When the visitor had departed, to At last the rebels advanced upon the city where Jean was and captured be the first to spread the news in other quarters, Marie hastened to the curé, who was in the garden, it. It was Friday in June, the feast

of the Sacred Heart. The Blessed Sacrament was exposed in the chapel the cure, who was in the garden, bending over a bed of his favorite flowers. "Is it true, mon Père," she inquired, "that the Bishop will be here for the feast of Corpus Christi?" sacrament was exposed in the chapel above, and Jean, as sacristan, had outdone himself in decorating the altar for this feast of love. The firing had ceased, but the chaplain, who had gone out during the morin-ing on a sick call to the homital The aged priest smiled at the rap-idity with which the news has spread and bowed his assent. The officious mother continued: "Then, mon Père, ing on a sick call to the hospital, had not returned; and Jean was fleft in adoration before the Blessed Sacyou must let my Jacques and Jean serve His Lordship's Mass and be rament while the others were at

with him in the procession, one at supper.

come home shead of time ?" ques-"Yes, anntie, dear, I got two;"-re-plied Mary between bites, "one is tioned the girl, for she dreaded to meet plied Mary between bites, "one is from Matilda and the other is from her father so soon.

"You're a poor guesser ! Come in-side and I'll tell you, while we have Matilda was your chum last year breakfast."

at school, I believe ?" "You are a right believer, she was As they seated themselves at the table, Mary asked, "What is it you have to tell me? Nothing bad I my best friend and is yet." "Take another doughnut and go

hope." "No, not very bad. Just after you you stay here I won't have one left in that dish. Scat." Mary helped herhad left for Mass a messenger boy brought me a letter by special delivself to two and escaped through the ery. It was from your father. He said to tell you that he had changed his mind and you have his consent to enter the convent as soon as you Aunt Eleanor is just like a girl," please. You needn't squeeze me so, I didn't have anything to do with it."

"How did he happen to charge it so suddenly?" asked Mary, with her arms about her aunt's neck.

He said he was going by train to Haysville. As the train was cross-ing a bridge it broke and the coach your father was in and two others crashed into the stream below. As he felt himself falling he said a praver that he might be saved and h garden. "Dear St. Joseph, I don't know which to open first. I am a little anxious about papa's and yet'I won-der what Matilda can be doing at Hilton Crest. I didn't know she had friends so pear the convent. promised to make any sacrifice he thought God would require, in thanks giving. How he ever managed to hurl himself free of the car he doesn't know. He remembered striking the water and that was all until he befriends so near the convent," she said came conscious that he was being not addressing the statue, but her cared for by a Sister in a hospital ward. As he lay there thinking, he favorite saint whose image it was. "Wouldn't it be delightful if papa would consent to my becoming a Sister while she is there? Wouldn't remembered his promise, and seeing the gentle Sister bending over him he took it as a sign and so has given she be surprised ?" With this Mary opened her friend's letter and started his consent for you to consecrate your life to God. He left the hospital life to God. yesterday, for the only injury he re-As she read the sun changed each ceived was a good wetting and the shock caused by the falling. The of purest gold and when she raised her head it turned the tears in water saved his life."

No one, not even Mary herself, could have described her feelings of her eyes into sparkling diamonds. Wiping them away on the corner of mingled joy and thanksgiving to Saint Joseph, through whose inter-cession this had happened. her apron she began to reread the letter aloud.

"Dear Mary, I am writing for the first time frem my new home, where I have come in obedience to our novice embraced a blue eyed postul-

door just in time to avoid a tea towel that her aunt in pretended anger had thrown. mused Mary as she mounted the stairs and entered the room. She went over to the window where the went over to the window where the morning sunshine came pouring in with all its gracious warmth, and drawing the dainty scrim curtains aside, sat down to read her letters. His novitiate being ended. Jean

pupils called him) Pancratius taught successfully until the revolution broke out.

sanctuary.

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ant in the community room of Holy

ant in the community foom of holy Ghost convent. "Mary, dear, I didn't dream for a moment what your intention was when you asked meto make a novena to Saint Joseph. I knew by your letter that it was important and so when mother wrote telling me that John, my youngest brother, had tallen away from the Church and had met with an accident, causing him to dia without any chance of preparadie without any chance of prepara-tion, I received the cross with pati tion, I received the cross with path-ence, asking our Divine Spouse to accept my sorrow, which I offered Him in honor of Saint Joseph for your intention. How graciously He has heard our prayers and in what a wonderful, unexpected manner you were enabled to come here !" Mear silently careseed her friend

Mary silently caressed her friend and Sister with tears of thankfulness in her eyes. As they stood there a moment in silence, the office bell sounded in the hall, calling them to sounced in the mai, calling them to chant the perfections of their Spouse and the fatherly intercession of Saint Joseph, the patron of Holy Mother Church.—Intermountain Catholic.

# THE INQUISITION

REV. M. J. CONNEALLY GIVES A SHORT BUT SATISFYING ACCOUNT OF A MUCH DIS-CUSSED SUBJECT

The word "inquisition" is de-rived from the Latin verb "in-quirere," which means to look into. By this term, as now used, is often meant a special ecclesiastical com-mission for combating or suppressing heresy.

Judges were sometimes appointed in matters of faith, not merely for individual cases, but with a general jurisdiction. In olden times the state made heresy a matter of treason ; and hence arose a co-operation between the spiritual and temporal authorities rather difficult to understand in our days. Religion is based on God's Word ; and the Church founded by Christ is a perfect so-ciety whose duty is to retain in her membership the original deposit of faith unimpaired. It is certain that she can accomplish this without State interference, but in earlier days the relations between Church and State were peculiar, and gave rise to peculiar situations.

The Apostles knew that the deposit of faith must be transmitted without alteration, hence they taught the necessity of guarding against those who tampered with it. As Lactantius says, religion is a matter of the will. It cannot be forced or the will. It cannot be forced upon anyone. It is far better to use words than blows. Still the Church, like any other society, assuredly had the right to protect herself from her foes.

Long ago, the imperial successors Long ago, the imperial successors of Constantine began to see in them-selves divinely sppointed supervisors over the temporal affairs of the Church. Some of them were in sym-pathy with the Arian heresy which meant the denial of Christ's divinity. They persecuted orthodox bishops by They persective or outdow shall be by imprisonment or exile, and thus at-tempted to constitute themselves judges in spiritual matters. At the end of the fourth century the Mani-

chean heresy spread abroad. Its fol-lowers were guilty of many misdeeds yet the Church dld not invoke the ver the Church and hot into the or were any of the other early anti-Catholic sects thus dealt with. As the cen-turies went on, Europe was Chris-tianized. Nevertheless, the twelfth and thirteenth centuries witnessed a mainle de come of the old hereasies in revival of some of the old heresies in a very dangerous form. They were a society, for some of them forbade the propagation of the human race, and even made a suicide a duty.

rather a royal and political institusion, so to speak, of the other, and it was sanctioned by Pope Sixtus IV. in the latter part of the fifteenth cention than an ecclesiastical. I scknowledge there were many thing that should have been avoided, but The Pope afterwards declared tury. The Pope afterwards declared that his sanction was obtained assert they were never encouraged by the Church. through misrepresentation. The history of the Spanish Inquis-ition may be considered in two epochs, that under Ferdinand and Imbella, and that under Philip II.

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CHURCH NOT RESPONSIBLE

mitted in her name. Non-Catholics profess to be horrified at the cruelty

of the Inquisition; but just ask them what was Luther's opinion in regard

by the Church. I do not claim that two wrongs will make a right. I say, however, that the Spanish Inquisition was mild compared to the royal acts against the Catholics in England. And cobserve that in England the punishments were inflicted by the express authority of the heads of a Protestant church. In the former, its work was directed against Judaizers; in the latter, against the so called Reformers. At the time Inquisition was established in Spain (1480) the war with the Moors which had lasted for eight hundred years was not yet finished. Protestant church. In England 40,000 perished in eighty years, in Scotland 17,000 under the "tolerant" people whose descendants rant and rave about the Isabella of Castile was one of the

most distinguished sovereigns in his-Spanish Inquisition. Even in this tory. After four centuries her mem-ory commands the respect and ad-miration of every Spaniard. The sacrifices that she made to further free country, the puritans persecu-ting the Quakers, and Catholic churches were burned down in the name of Protestantism as late as the cause of Columbus commend themselves to the heart of every 1844. Therefore, in conclusion, let me advise those who are in glass houses

Catholic American. Now, when the Spanish sovereigns appealed to Sixtus IV. to sanction the establishment of the Inquisition in Spain, they gave as the reason for their request their desire to preserve religious unity against the intrigues of certain Jews who were employing their wealth to pervert Christians. As before said, Sextus IV. afterwards stated that the reasons had been mis-represented. It must be acknowl. not to throw stones .- Church Progress.

# A REMARKABLE COINCIDENCE

During a lecture lately delivered at Cohore by Dr. Rebiere on "Mira-cles at Lourdes," he gave an interest edged that the punishments inflicted were severe, over severe, if you like; ing description of the cure at Lourdes of the Abbe Tini, an Italian priest, aged forty-five, who for twenty years had been a sufferer from ankylosis of the left knee, the result of rhuembut there was, at all events, some justification. The Spanish monarchy was not as yet firmly established, and the sovereigns feared that the atism.

Jews would allay themselves with Throughout this period he had been only able to say Mass sitting; for this concession it is necessary to ob-tain permission from the Pope, and the Moors against the Christians. There is little doubt but the instinct of self-preservation, if I may so styl it, on the part of Catholic princes led the leave must be asked every year in large measure to the request for the establishment of the Inquisition. The Abbe Tini consequently went to the Vatican in order to obtain a re-

newal of this dispensation, where-upon the Pope told him that he would I do not wish to state that all these give up his crutchec at Lourdes. The Abbe visited the Grotto and Dr. I do not wish to state that all tables acts or the tribunal were commend-able. Far from it. I think it would have been better to have followed the example of the Roman Inquisi-tion, and to have avoided, as far as possible, the shedding of blood. But Rebiere informed his audience at Cahors that he was present in the official Bureau at Lourdes, when the Abbe Tini presented himself to the medical men for the examination of do say that the Catholic Church canhis case. He was then able to walk alone not be held responsible for the excesses that some of her children com-

He was then able to wak able and without his crutches, and he was much better in health than on his arrival at the Grotto. The follow-ing morning, the Abbe celebrated Mass standing, which he had not been able to do for twenty years, and he also made the Way of the Cross to Calvary without any assistance.

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which is dearer to them than their

daily bread, at a time when they need

all the comforts of their faith, which

alone can help them in their time of

the country villages. Where

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what was Lutter's opinion in regard to the Jews? According to Scheck-endorf, one of Luther's apologists, the Jewish synagogues should have been destroyed, the holy books burned, the rabbis forbidden to teach, and compelled to earn their Dr. Rebiere examined the Abbe at the conclusion of this exercise and found no ill effects from the moveliving by manual labor. Here is a recommendation against all Jews. ment nor any trace of fatigue. On the contrary, the priest was still bet-Now the Spanish Inquisition dealt only with Judaizers who were trying ter. The doctor also stated at the lecture that he has not seen the Abbe to turn Christians from their faith. Tini since that occasion, but that he deemed the relation of the coin-

So much for Ferdinand and Isa-bolla. If they were at all justified in their action against the Judaizers, cidence of the words of the Holy Father with the remarkable improve-ment in health of an invalid who had Phillip II. was equally justified in his steps against the Reformers. The religious revolt inaugurated in been ill for twenty years, worthy of mention.—Church Progress. Germany was trying to enter Spain. Apart from the danger to the faith of the Spanish people, the introduc tion of Protestantism would certain PRESERVING FAITH OF ly have meant civil war. SEVERITY OF PHILIP II.

Philip II. is charged with tyranny, RELIGION ALONE LEFT TO THE and, in fact, he was no lovable char-acter. Whether for political reasons REFUGEES WHO FLED FROM WAR STRICKEN COUNTRY or not, he was a firm defender of Catholicity in Spain. Therefore any one suspected of the slightest taint Protestants and Catholics alike have united to obtain the ministra-tions of priests for Belgian refugees. of heresy was obliged to go through fhe procedure of the Inquisition. Take for example, Corranoza, the great Archbishop of Toledo. He was one Every one recognizes the fact that these sad people, who have suffered so much, and have lost their home of the foremost men of Spain, and enjoyed the confidence of Philip II. and very often their families, have only their religion left to comfort but as soon as he was suspected of heresy that confidence disappeared. writing from Shebber Vicarage, North The Archbishop became very ill after Devon, to the Western Morning News, expresses this sentiment as he was condemned, the sacraments were administered to him, and in the presence of a large concourse he defollows: clared in a most solemn manner that he had never left the Catholic faith ; "There are, no doubt, many well meaning but misguided people who imagine they are doing the right that his conscience acquitted him, and he confirmed his declaration by thing by introducing Belgian refugees calling God, in Whose presence he into our outlandish country parish was and before Whom he was to ap-pear, to witness the truth of his far from the ministrations of their Church. We English people pride ourselves on our tolerance, but is it not intolerance to bring these sad

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Wales where hospitality has been extended to the Belgian refugees. The lord mayor, who presided, announced that no fewer than 1,200 refugees had passed through their hands in Cardiff, of whom they still retained short 250.

hands in Cardiff, of whom they suit retained about 250. Dealing with the education of the Belgian children, Mr. T. J. Hughes said that in places like Cardiff, Swan-sea, Newport, and elsewhere there were ample facilities for dealing with the Catholic children, but there were some areas where there were no religious facilities for their faith.

He was sure that they would like to see every freedom given to the refugees to be educated in accord-ance with the tenets of the faith which they held dear.

NUNS AID GLASGOW CORPORATION At the meeting of the Glasgow cor poration recently, Bailie McMillan said that the Catholic clergy had

said that the Catholic clergy had provided for a large number of the Belgian refugees, and they were at-tending to the education of the children. The question of finding interpreters had been a difficult one, but it had been to a considerable extent solved by the assistance lent by nuns, who had come from Belgium and could speak the Flemish tongue. In a circular letter addressed to

In a circular letter addressed to the priests of the archdiocese, his Grace, the Archbishop of Glasgow, states that arrangements are being made for bringing a number of Belgian priests to Glasgow, to attend to the spiritual needs of the Belgian refugees. Meantime a number of centers have been fixed, where the Belgians can go to confession, in-cluding St. Andrew's Cathedral, St. Saviour's Govan, Partick, Paisley, and Wishaw. The children will at-tend the different Catholic schools, and the Belgian nuns of Notre Dame will assist, as far as possible, in their education.—Rae Dicherson, in the New World.

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At the beginning of the thirteenth century the Inquisition, as such, did not exist. What was the immediate reason for its establishment? It would seem that a purely religious tribunal would have the authority necessary to decide as to the orthodoxy or otherwise of a doctrine. This is true, but political affairs were in such condition that it was well to meet, as far as allowable, the wishes to temporal princes; and therefore it became necessary to take over the penal code as it stood.

The Inquisition was not at first established as a distinct tribunal. The Popes appointed special perma-nent judges who exercised their docrinal functions in the name of the Holy See. The characteristic feature of the early Inquisition was not its methods of precedure, nor the pursuit of heretics in all places. Nor again was it the torture which was not prescribed, nor even allowed for decades after the beginning of the Inquisition. Before the much-calumniated institution was thought of, the Synod of Verona, in the time of Frederick Barbarossa, had author ized the arrest of heretics.

In the thirteenth century orders, the Franciscans and Dominicans, came into being. Their members were men of profound knowlwith no worldly ties, as they edge with no worldly ties, as they had taken vows of poverty. They were men of spotless character and dmirable sanctity. Members of these orders were appointed inquisitors for the suppression of heresy, but their power was always derived from its proper source, the Bishops. It would take too long to enter

fully into the details of procedure against a man accused of heresy. against a man accused of heresy. Suffice it to say that an impartial was given before punishment was inflicted. The punitive act was that of the State, not of the Church. Now this is a short account of the Church. Now this is a short account of the Church. The Spanish Inquisition was an exten-

HOW ABOUT THE PROTESTANTS ?

tatements.

people to country villages, far from the opportunities of attending Mass, Remember that during those troubled times all the nations of Europe appealed to the sword to decide questions of religion. Protest-ants and Catholics burned their adversaries. In England, France and need, as the intolerable isolation of Germany many a man was brought dwelling ameng people who cannot speak their language? . . There are many in the country who feel as I do but who have not counted the to the scaffold because of his religious belief. Why single out Spain as a horrible example of intolerance? Philip II. was certainly not as bad as Queen Elizabeth.

difficulties of bringing these good people, to whom we owe so much, Accustomed to live as we are in peace and harmony with those of a different religion, we cannot grasp they do come every vicar should see that a Roman Catholic priest comes to see them and find a place for servthe spirit of that age. What would be said nowadays of a King who would carry with his own hands the ice and offer him hospitality." wood to burn heretics, or one who would condemn blasphemers to have

So patent has been the desire of their tongues seared with a hot iron? the Belgians for Mass that at Eudon. I am not trying to defend the actions of Philip II. but I maintain that the England, a Protestant, Mr. E. Emery has offered a room in his home, Dunteachings of the Church were not affected by any action of the Spanish Inquisition. The Church may change wood Hall, for chapel use for Catho ic services as there is no Catholic in her discipline, but in her dostrine church there.

Belgian refugee committees re-mark that the invariable question of she is the same to day as when Christ said to the Apostle St. Peter, the refugees about to be sent inland "Thou art Peter and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates

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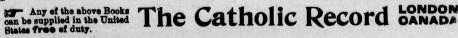
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#### CATHOLIC FRANCE

An English officer with our army in the field, in a letter in the Even. ing Standard, writes :

As "an officer in His Majesty's service" also-and on active service -may I say how impressed I have been by the extraordinary religion of the people among whom we are campaigning. I have seized every opportunity of attending churches wherever we have been, and of ob-serving the people and their habits. I find everywhere a magnificent piety, of War : a religion which guides and fills out the lives of these people. The French soldiers go into the trenches, with his little medal of our hung round his neck-they Lady aloud in action, not in fear, a we very well know, but with a high and a great trust. It is my grief that our poor boys have not the same knowledge to lean on, the same precious comfort in their times of trial and need.-The Tablet.

Hundreds of such reports as this come from the soldier priests " "Many officers and men come to confession during the night in interval of the fighting and I have a crowd at the Military Mass on Sundays. Another recites that on ten different occasions of danger he had given public absolution to the kne soldiers at their own request ; and the substance of many narratives is thus voiced by the Abbé Castelin :

"War is a great mission. The men here no longer know what human respect is ; they have become fer vidly religious. They make their ssion in the streets, on roadside; they attend services, sing hymns and recite the rosary. All ar medals, not round their necks or in their pockets, but in their caps or on their tunics."-America

That France is Catholic despite its anti-clerical government there is abundant and gratifying evidence. Letters like the foregoing have been published by the score in English and French papers. In our own columns we have reproduced many, and even the secular papers contain from time to time similar testimony. Long before the war, the revival of religion in France called forth eloquent tributes from Anglican

the letter of the Bishop of Valence to observers. We have quoted the President Poincare : eplendid tribute of the Bishon of Oxford in the House of Lords on the occasion of the debate on Welsh Disestablishment. Recently we quoted

On the eve of the Revolution France was politically Catholic. "The Sta wore Catholic elothes as it were : the public occasions of pomp English paper containing an account were full of religious ceremony.' of the "Prophecy of Brother Jo And yet religious life at that time hannes" and seks what credence in France was moribund. "The very may be given to it. In this twentieth fact that the Church had thus century there are credulous and become in France an unshakable easily duped people who see in this national institution, chilled the vital alleged prophecy the present war and source of Catholicism." Hilaire its outcome foretold three hundred Belloc from whom we are quoting years ago. It is not worth while adds : "France, in the generation before the Revolution, was passing through a phase in which the Catho

reproducing here this widely circulated "prediction." Suffice it to say that the Kaiser is clearly indilic Faith was at a lower ebb than it cated as Antichrist and a son of had ever been since the preaching Luther who is finally overthrown. and establishment of it in Gaul." Father Thurston in the Month has

THE WAR

reader sends us a copy of a

This War has already dealt antiinvestigated this and other similar clericalism its death blow. Political prognostics and prophecies that find Catholicism did not prevent the easy currency in these troubled Revolution ; political atheism will times. "To begin with," says Father never stem the rising tide of sincere-Thurston, "it lacks any sort of relily spiritual Catholicism. The spiteable authentication." It was given ful anticlerical sputterings to which for the first time in print in the America gives such importance are Figaro of September 10th and 17th. in reality a corroboration of all the Obviously it required no great proother evidence of the revival of phetic attributes to concoct such a religion in France. But the most prophecy" last September. As for significant evidence of all is found in finding a plausible story of its being the new circular issued to Generals handed down unpublished through Commanding which in effect safe centuries Sir Walter Scott and other guards Catholic liberty of conscience romance writers have always been and pratice from official and officious fertile in such expedients. anticlerical interference. Here is "As for the supposed author, the Tablet's summary of the recent

Brother Johannes," continues Father instructions of the French Minister Thurston, "no information is furnished regarding his manner of life. He points out that his previous or the place in which he lived, or

circulars, the object of which was to the Order to which he belonged, or ensure respect for liberty of consci-ence and State neutrality, have not the circumstances under which this been interpreted uniformly. In no case were they intended to deprive revelation was made to him. In glancing through some thirty odd the wounded or the hospital staffs of volumes of this kind of literature the opportunity of practising their which I have been able to consult I faith or of receiving the consola-tions of religion as they would at have not come on the least trace of home. He therefore says that, in cases where the hospitals are at some Brother Johannes' wonderful seven-

teenth century prophecy." distance from the churches, he sees Then the document under con no objection to services being held in the hospitals, subject, of course sideration incurs the gravest suspito the regulations and to permission cion because it made its first appear being duly obtained, and provided that no room necessary for the work ance in print, in September as has been noted, with Josephin Peladan of the hospital is permanently set as its sponsor. This eccentric genius apart for religious worship. Funeral services of those who have died in who loves to attire himself in long hospital may be celebrated there robes of oriental fashion and texture without any special permission. M Millerand concludes by telling the may be described as a sort of meddenerals Commanding that they ley of Richard Wagner, Cagliostro must do all they can to carry out the and Madame Blavatsky rolled into ircular "in the spirit of concord, one." The Dictionnaire national des moderation, and tolerance which has lictated it, and which ought in all Contemporains gives this account of him : circumstances to regulate their actions." This is indeed a new note "Peladan, Josephin, called 'le San

(i. e. the Seer), novelist, art critic and dramatic author, born at Lyons, Oct. 20th, 1859. The son of a relig ious writer, he has devoted himsel to a style of literature which is partly mystic and partly is partly mystic and partly erotic, while the titles he has be-stowed upon himself of Mage and Seer serve to direct attention to his own personality, just as his wish to seem different from the rest of the world is made clear to all by his eccentricities of manner and costume.

This should be sufficient with regard to the "Prophecy of Brother Johannes." We may add that Father Thurston after serious investigation

finds not a trace of reason to doubt that the alleged prophecy is spurious, with which the circular of M. Miller there being no shred of evidence and, the French War Minister, on the that either the "prophecy" or there being no shred of evidence

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Without subscribing to papal infallibility or surrendering their cherished private judgment there are preachers in the twentienth century who might learn a useful lesson in sanity, balance, and common sense from this papal bull of four hundred years ago.

#### THE WAR'S OBJECT LESSON IN EDUCATION

From the Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville, comes The Canadian containing an account of the visit to that institution of the Premier and Minister of Education. The occasion was the opening of two new "hand. ure?" some, commodious comfortable and

sanitary" residences which have just been completed. This marks an important step achieved in the intelligent and comprehensive plan of bringing the buildings and equipment of the whole institution abreast of the requirements of the great educational work which the province commits to its charge. Great as is

the work accomplished and projected in the matter of housing, accommodation and equipment it is but the outward and visible sign of the still more remarkable development in

the educational work of the institution. The Superintendent, Dr. C. B. Coughlin, by his whole-hearted devotion to the duties of his office. and by his thoroughly well informed zeal, has attained first rank amongst the executive heads of provincial institutions.

It is not to the work, however im. portant, or to the recognition of that importance by the presence of the Premier and the Minister of Educa-

tion, but to certain pronouncements made on that occasion, that we desire chiefly to call attention.

In the course of his reply to Dr. Coughlin's address of welcome Premier Hearst said :

" It would be difficult to speak too highly of the zeal, the tact, the patient determination and persistence with which Dr. Coughlin had kept the needs of this School before the Government, and urged their urgent necessity for better acommodation. To Mrs. Coughlin, also, was due their gratitude and praise for the share she had had in bringing these improvements about, and for

the splendid work she bad in many ways done for the School. On his first visit here, as well as on this occasion, she had lost no opportunity of pointing out the numerous defects of the old buildings and the great need there was of a better equipment. Probably Dr. Pyne had a similar experience, and for the results they had witnessed that day a large share of the credit was, no doubt, due to her winning importunity that would not be denied. This was not his first visit to this School

and the interest he had felt on the first occasion had this day been in-tensified. It would not be possible for him to exaggerate their apprecia-tion and delight at what they had seen in the class-rooms they had visited. The work being accomplished was little short of miracu lous, and he could not conceive of any nobler vocation that any band

Premier Hearst indicates the great utstanding and compelling objectesson of the greatest and bloodiest able English Nonconformist leader war in all history. Nor is it Germany alone that has been obsessed with the ago may be remembered, is reported narrow and radically defective ideal of education which has so long prevailed. The world war proclaims the failure of the world's educational policy. Yet gone astray after false gods there are those who will not see the educational idol's feet of clay. After divorcing Education generations they imbibed hatred of the from Christianity; after driving from French. This is wise and salutary, schools and colleges and universities. counsel which may be followed with from the life of the individual and of advantage by those to whom, presum the State, the Christian religion which ably, it was especially addressed-the created-and which can alone main-Nonconformist public. tain - Christain civilization, they fatuously ask "Is Christianity a fail-

Our brothers and sisters deprived stirring up hatred and distrust in his of hearing may not be so badly off as we are who have ears and hear not, eyes and will not see. At any rate their excellent little publication, The Canadian, concludes an editorial on education with these clearseeing observations :

The world is having a terrible example to day of the lamentable effect of emasculating the moral and spirit. ual faculties, of scorning the cultiva tion of the fruits of the Spirit-love. joy, peace, justice, truth—and deify ing the body and the intellect alone This ought the Germans to have done, and not have left the other un done. The body may justly claim due care and moderate gratification the intellect should be developed as fully as opportunity permits, but both of these should be secondary. He only has attained to the fulness of the stature of the perfect man who, while not neglecting either the body or the mind, gives first place to the heart and soul, and is fully persuaded that " the fear of the Lord is

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the beginning," and also the end,

of wisdom.

Certitude," and the present volume is to be followed by a third on the

condemned the heartlessness of physics in Maynooth, and as translator of De Wulf's "Scholasticism Bethlehem that would not share

Old and New," and the " History of roof with the homeless wavfarers? And we think had we been there they would not have sought in vain. Do an enviable reputation among Eurowe think rightly ? The chances are pean scholars and brought to his we would have acted as the people Alma Mater something of that renown which in former centuries disof Bethlehem did. Like them we would see no profit in housing two tinguished the schools and schoolbeggars, and so would refuse to put ourselves out to help them. Ah no, you say, we would not be so hard. hearted. But pause a while. Are we not busy about many things and, albeit unconsciously, have we not sometimes asked ourselves what has passed almost a generation of worldling.

aspirants to the priesthood in Ireprofit is there in receiving Jesus? land, and we may be sure that he Has it never happened that Mammon has stamped upon them something and Christ stood together at the door of our hearts, and have we ever of that enthusiasm for philosophical ubiquitousness of the Scot and the opened to Mammon in preference te Christ? It would have caused a which are so pre-eminently his own possessions. The volume before us plifted is recalled by a cutting from little inconvenience to admit Mary and Joseph on that first Christmas night, and the people of Bethlehem did not want to be disturbed. So to-day to admit Jesus we must put ourselves out a little. We must overhaul the chamber of our hearts. and we shrink from that unpleasant task because there are things housed in that chamber that we are of his knowledge. We shall return unwilling to dispossess. And there are other things we do not care to very valuable and very interesting e'en !" look upon, and whose presence we volume.

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being, considers himself the guardian THE REV. Dr. Clifford, the vener of every man under his command, and that is about all. His past career and his personal characteriswhose visit to Canada a few years tics have never been heralded abroad and his native modesty has not, even by the cable to have uttered a warnin the hey.dey of success, for a ing against inculcating race hatreds moment deserted him. The world in the rising generation in Great will not be satisfied long to leave it Britain. Special care, he said, must be taken that children do not grow so and in due time, no doubt, will know all, and more than all, that he up with a hereditary hatred of the has ever said and done. Germans and Austrians as in former

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wholly without its compensations.

is the second instalment of the

THE FOLLOWING few particulars regarding the French Commander in-Chief may therefore be of interest. He was born in 1852 and was educated chiefly at the Ecole Polytech. nique, where all aspiring officers for

the artillery and engineers receive DR. CLIFFORD is an old man whose their training. In September, 1870. long life has been largely devoted to the year of the War with Prussia, he was gazetted a sub-lieutenant in the own country. Catholics, and those Field Artillery and in that capacity who think with them on the subject received his baptism of fire in the of education, have been especially the operations in defence of Paris. objects of his recriminations. It is When Paris had fallen and gratifying toknow that his grey hairs peace was declared, Joffre rejoined nave signalized some change of the Ecole Polytechnique, and passed heart in this regard, and that since out with a commission in the Enthe War has occasioned the fact being gineers. Joining the 2nd Pioneers he made public, it is, after all, not was gazetted captain in 1878. In withstanding all its horrors, not 1885 he was ordered to China, and served in Formosa and Tononin. In 1904, on the death of his superior, FROM THE publishers, Messrs. Colonel Bonnier, he took command Longmans, Green & Co., comes Rev. of the relief column that entered Dr. Peter Coffey's latest contribution Timbuctu. He served as colonel in to the literature of metaphysics. Madagascar, and created the fortifi-Ontology, or the Theory of Being,"

cations of Diego Suarez.

author's philosophical trilogy in-IN 1901-1902, General Joffre served tended to place within the reach of in the War Office as Director of Enstudents an introduction and general gineers. In 1905 he became General survey of metaphysics from the of Division, and served as Governor scholastic standpoint. The first, of Lille, in command of the 6th Dithe "Science of Logic," was an envision. From the Second Army Corps quiry into the principles of accurate (Amiers) he was promoted to a seat thought and scientific method, conon the Superior Council of War and Inspector of Military Schools. In August, 1911, General Joffre became Chief of the General Staff of the Army, and at the outbreak of the War with Germany, General in Command of the North Eastern Group of Armies. Technically the title Commander.in.Chief is retained by the Minister of War. But General Joffre is Generalissimo Designate.

WE HAVE no information as to General Joffre's attitude towards the questions concerning Religion which, in late years, have so greatly con-Medieval Philosophy," he has won vulsed his country. Nor do we know anything of his personal convictions. However, in the potable revival of religion in France since the War broke out we would feign hope that her greatest soldier has had a part. men of Erin. He may be considered He, at any rate, appears to have as one of the products of Leo XIII.'s given every facility to the many great encyclical on the philosophy of priests in the army to exercise their St. Thomas Aquinas. Through his | functions as such. And his inspiring hands, since his accession to the address to the people of Alsace does chair of Logic in Maynooth in 1906, not point to either a materialist or a

THE WIDESPREAD character of the European War and the traditional enquiry and of the art of expression Irishman in regard to military matters as thereby once m

#### sidered under the two headings : Conception, Judgment and Inference," and "Method, Science and Long ago two weary strangers waited outside the doors of Bethlehem. And they waited in vain. theory of knowledge which will com-Gold would have opened a door to them, but silver and gold they had plete the series. not, and so "there was no room for them in the inn." DR. COFFEY'S NAME is too well Who that has heard these words known to students of philosophy to require introduction at our hands but has felt for the forlorn child. mother ? And which of us has not As Professor of Logic and Meta

the words of the Anglican head master of Eton who a year ago regarded the French religious revival as "the most momentous event public by Mgr. Gibergues, Bishop of Valence. His Lordship assures M. occurring in Europe for at least a century." So the war is not the occasion of a mere emotional dutburst of religious feeling : rather is it the very soul of Catholic France turning humbly, reverently and trustingly to God and to His sacraments in this hour of terrible realities which reveal the emptiness of the already outworn political catchwords and theories.

The article in America from which we clipped the extract given above was sent us marked with the request that we comment on it and answer some questions which the sender wrote on the margin. "Is it not a pity that England should have such an ally?" was one of these questions.

The article in question calls for no further comment than this. It overemphasizes the importance of the anticlerical government. This government is not France. To see France look on the two millions of the flower of French manhood who are challenging the admiration of the world by their unsurpassed courage and-where they were believed to be deficient-their obstinate tenacity and heroic endurance. And "human respect " is gone ; "they have become fervidly religious." The English officer pays tribute to their "magnificent piety ;" " they pray aloud in action, not in fear. as we very well know, but with a high courage and a great trust."

In the face of all this there is a strange perversity in regarding an civilization will emerge triumphant anticlerical government as France.

been received by Catholics in France may be gathered from a letter ad dressed to the President of the Re Poincare that the circular has com as a real relief and gratification, and expresses the hope that it will put an end to the difficulties which had arisen on every side during recent weeks. Knowing the heavy anxieties and responsibilities of the Government. Catholics would not on any account do anything to add to them or to introduce any germ of discus-sion. Their desire is for the fraternal union which they are glad to see now reigning in the country. They have shown their readiness to forget the injustice and persecution of which they have been the victims, and they place the care of their interests in

to be struck by a French Minister.

It may be interesting and instruc-

ive to our correspondent and others

Thus, it would seem, one must be

wounded or attached to a sanitary corps, before he may as a soldier of France, exercise his liberty of con-

science by performing religious serv-ices, or receiving "religious bless

The whole reference is in the sam

Now read the Tablet's summary of

How profound is the satisfaction

to read America's concluding com-

ment on this famous circular :

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spirit.

the hands of their Father who represents their Father who is in heaven, confident that a day will come when a loyal and sincere understanding on disputed points will be arrived at. "That day," continues be arrived at. "That day," continues M. Gibergues, "they await calmly and without bitterness, assured of the justice of their cause. Their one desire is that, having done their share of sacrifice for the achieve ment of victory, mingled their fatigue. tears and blood with their country-men on the field of battle, they may in the most complete understanding and loyal co-operation, go forward hand in hand with all the sons of France.'

Whether our inquiring correspondent was desirous of information, simply curious, or adopting the Socratic method of airing a little fine pro-German sarcasm we think he can find the answer to most of his queries in this article. That England and France are allies in this war is the surest guarantee that out of the dangers which threaten it European and secure.

Brother Johannes" ever existed before the war was well under way, Useful and relevant is Bishop Duponloup's warning issued about the time of the Franco Prussian War " Prophets arise and wonder workers too; visions, oracles, prodigies are multiplied; with fanatics in

good faith knaves get mingled. Nevertheless, souls in their craving for light turn eagerly to any source which offers it, a curious ear is lent to those marvellous tales and to those voices which profess to come from on high ; the credulous, and sometimes the sceptical themselves, through that deep need of penetrat-ing the unknown which is inborn that deep need of in the human soul, are swept off their feet ; a whole generation feeds on chimeras, and at one time seized with vain fears trembles before the calamities announced as at the approach of the millennium, at anther, following the dominant craze, is filled with exaltation, or goes to sleep without misgiving, buoyed up by hopes equally baseless.'

We have also received some pub lished sermons based on "fanciful exmistake." planations of Holy Scripture." These are numerous enough at present. Terse and to the point is this extract from a papal bull drawn up during the fifth council of Lateran in 1516, the council approving : "As regards the time at which the calamities to come are to happen, the coming of Antichrist and the

day of judgment, let no one allow himself to announce them and to fix their date, for Truth has said that it is not for us to know the times and moments which the Father keeps in His own power. All who up to the present have dared to make such predictions have been found to be lars, and it is certain that their conduct has done no small injury to the authority of those who are content to preach without predicting. For the adherents of the stagnant future, then, we forbid all and any to sophy : "Whatever is, is best."

of man and woman could h in than that being so splendidly done at this School. No work could be greater, more worthy, more enduring. It should be the first duty of any government, of any community, to see that the children are properly educated.'

The foregoing we could hardly omit without violating the Scriptural injunction "Honor to whom Honor." Note what immediately follows :

"The development of their mental faculties is not enough, is not the most important consideration; we must inculcate in them the prin ciples of truth, honor, justice, morality. The world is having a sad illustration to day of the disastrous consequences of a system of education that develops the intellect only, and neglects those faculties that make for the highest and best things. So we have in Germany the deific of brute force, a form of so-called culture that eliminates every sentiment of humanity, and regards the very thought of mercy and good will and charity as an intolerable weakness. Let us not make the same

This would be a common place nerhans, in the columns of a Catholic paper or from a Catholic pulpit, Coming from the Premier of Ontario it is a pronouncement of great importance and deep significance. Important and significant not so much as a vindication of the Catholic position on the question of education as an evidence of the assent to the Catholic contention, an assent fast becoming general amongst those who think and observe and especially amongst those on whom public spirit and the sense of responsibility forces a wider outlook than that usually taken by the self-complacent

would gladly ignore. All of which seems to confirm our opinion that

we, too, would have closed our doors upon Mary and Joseph on that first Christmas night.

But the question is not what we

would have done, but what are we going to do? Christ comes again or proof. He may be said to have this Christmas. He comes as a little Babe in the arms of Mary. Are we regarded as one of the great comgoing to open to Him ? Or with manders of history, and, whatever

tell Him there is no room. There is a danger that it may be so, and so the Church in her divine wisdom sets aside this season of Advent as a time of preparation for His coming. She knows very well that if left to ourselves we would be very likely to forget that coming, and so by prayer and fasting she would have us pre-

pare the way of the Lord. Let us enter into the spirit of the Church and spend this holy time as she would have it spent. For the measure of our keeping Advent will be the measure of the reception we will

THAT GENERAL JOFFRE is the idol gang hame I'll just be Wully Forbes, of France to day and that he has well son o' auld Duddy Forbes o' the Gorearned all the enthusiasm and grati- bals."

party on the Seine.

tude with which he is regarded is an assertion scarcely calling for emphasis

splendidly dressed Hungarian came already vindicated his claim to be up and said to the Turk, "Wully, man, there's a truce the noo for 'twa hours ; just come we' me and we'll the world's voices in our ears will the duration of the war, to have been has a glass o' whusky thegither." we be deaf to the still small voice of the chief instrument in shattering "My word !" exclaimed the interprethe Babe of Bethlehem ? With the the proud boast of the Kaiser, four ter, " is everybody on earth a Scot ?" world's cares in our hearts will we months ago, that all the German But when the Russian General Tarasarmies had to do was to march in off said : " Eh, Donal' Cameron, are Paris in order to bring hostilities to you here ?" and Ibram Pasha burst a speedy end. Paris is much further forth simultaneously. "Man, Sandy from becoming a German prize than Robisson, is that yersel ?" the Engit was on September first, and if lishman fainted and was borne away signs point to anything it is rather to the hospital tent to be treated by to the occupation of Berlin and a Scots physician and a Scots nurse. Vienna than to the boasted dinner It is safe to say, however, that no broad Scots is to be heard in the Turkish or German armies of to day.

limelight it is remarkable how little is known outside of France of tion which each of us should ask of General Joffre. He is known as a self more or less regularly. If we great soldier who knows how to hold should undertake to answer it seriadherents of the stagnant philo-sophy: "Whatever is, is best." COLUMBA. COLUMBA.

deals with a difficult subject, but it an old scrap book which has come is not a difficult book to read. The under our notice and which in the problems discussed are stated so present crisis will bear republication. clearly and the significance and bear. It tells of an English interpreter in ing of his solutions brought out with the Levant was abusing the Scots to so much lucidity as to hold the at- a Turkish office, Hassan Bey, when tention of the reader from beginning | Hassan broke out :--" I'll tell ye to end and to greatly widen his circle what my man, gin ye lowse yer illscrapit tongue on my country like to the subject again. Meanwhile to that I'll gie ye a clout on the lug those interested we commend this that'll gar it ring frae this to hallow-"Why, my good man, I thought you were a Turk !" " And sae I am a Turk the noo, yet when I

PRESENTLY-so runs the story-s

FOR ONE who is so much in the I ask this seriously. It is a ques

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#### OMNISCIENCE UNMASKED

The omniscient Doctor Crane has

The omniscient Doctor Crane has given himself away. On Saturday, November 14, the St. Paul Dis-patch published one of his oracular editorials entitled, "What We Do Not Know." Among other Delphic utterances we note the following :

"We do not know what anything is. Nobody knows. Probably no-body ever will know. . . We do not know what God is, nor what re-ligion, fear, hope, courage and good-ness are. . . We do not know vigorous, well directed reply. ness are. . . We do not know what we ourselves are, our real person, our ego, nor whether it con-tinues after death, or goes out like a candle. We may believe, but we cannot know. . . The things we positively know are of small consequence.

What has happened to the Doctor ? Are all his editorials, after all, of small consequence ?

It is not of small consequence to up to seven kilometree, have been mounted on powerfully engined motor lorries. These lorries are know the meaning of the editorial "we." We know it and we know it definitely. Behind it the Doctor has solidly constructed, and are fitted with exceptionally large springs, hitherto modestly hidden his omnis-Now he uses it to display, cience. arranged so as to keep the gun steady while being fired and to break the to confess his ignorance. But he feels lonely : the editorial "we " is force of the recoil after the discharge. cold comfort to a man who knows nothing. So he must find company. The obvious advantage about this arrangement is that the guns can be He tells us that "nobody" knows. But, Doctor, how do you know that? moved would be impassable to guns of heavier Who gave you the right to speak for anybody except the editorial "we?" calibre. Many of these guns were supposed to be at work around Ypres yesterday. Positions held by the French and British were flercely Some of the shreds and dis-patches of omniscience cling round the oracle even while it con-fesses that it knows as little as sensible people always suspected. This oracle will not be dumb hencethe Germans gained nothing to repay forth : but it is bound to speak for itself and for itself alone. many lives.

A shallow agnosticism is popular just now. Start out by assuming that nobody knows if there be a God, a future life, a difference between good and evil, virtue and vice. It will save the trouble of thought and study for writer as well as for reader. It is pleasant to be able to go ahead and do what you like, since nobody knows what matters or if anything the great plant at which are manu-factured the famous German siege matters. Pose as an agnostic and you can say nothing, provided you can say it smartly, though not quite so smartly as a circus clown. The clown does not know much : but he knows that several people know more and have clearer heads than himself : he does not tell the world that it knows nothing because he, the wisest of men, has fooled himself into dreaming that he knows nothing

The child who learns his catechism knows a good deal about God, its own soul, eternity. This knowledge grows and is extended as one gives time and altention to the study of daring and deadly German submarine. Not so much by the damage that may have resulted, but, as in the case of the theology. It is real knowledge. It it opens up is this attack significant. partly upon the unerring is base word of God. partly upon the intunerable to air attacks Germany could be paralysed in the very source of itions and inferences of reason. By reason man can prove that God exists her war equipment. and is good, truthful, all-perfect; that Christis His Messenger to teach men divine truth : that Christ is with His Church, as He promised to Moraht, the military writer, in dis-cussing the eastern situation in The Tageblatt, says : All this is knowledge acquired by rigorously exact scientific pro It is not without mysteries or difficulties but mysteries and dif-"The operations around Lodz seemed to foreshadow the surroundiculties do not invalidate clear and certain knowledge.

ing and annihilation of the Russian main body, but the Germans them. The man who has not studied these selves were surrounded by strong Russian reinforcements from the east matters has no right to pose as the omniscient oracle about them. Because Calvinism has repelled some men, it does not follow that Calvin's and south. The Germans, however, liberated themselves with heroid horrible caricature is the only pos-sible concept of God. Blind, unques-tioning, traditional prejudice against energy resumed their attacks with indomit. man who knows himself to be ignorant and thinks that everybody else is as ignorant as he is. But it does not excuse him for his pompous oracular tone. If Dr. Crane had made an honest effort to master a textbook of sound philosophy and failed, the confession of failure would be intelligible, but before he has done so, to pose as the oracle on all hu-man thought and knowledge is to emulate the performances of the quack medicine man. The neglect of the mental training which the

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covered by the heavy cannonade of their field artillery and until midday still perished in their plan. Several rafts were upset in midstream by the fire of the French guns, and the set of the transfer of the several to prosecuting the members in regard to prosecuting the war to the end. A new war credit of 5,000,-000,000 marks (\$1,250,000,000) was voted with but one dissenting vote, voted with but one dissenting vote, that of Herr Liebknecht, Socialist, great numbers of Germans were drowned as well as shot. Once again the Yser claimed heavy toll ; and notable speeches were made by the imperial chancellor, Dr. Von nce again German blood stained its Bethmann Hollweg, and Johannes Kaempf, the Speaker. After the credit was voted the Reichstag adwaters crimson. The attack eventu-ally ceased after the Germans had suffered immense losses ip men and mitrailleuses, but the artillery kept jourged until March 2.

up a determined bombardment of the allied positions, meeting with a WAR SUMMARY, DEC. 5 (Toronto Globe)

"We have come to stay," said the silent Joffre to the Alsatians a week ago. He is making his words good. The French advance in Alsace over a GERMANS USE A NEW GUN As I have mentioned in previous despatches, the Germans have with drawn their heavy artillery on ac-count of the muddy nature of the wide front is the big feature of the western campaign. The Germans are seriously alarmed, and are begin ning to prepare Strassburg for de-fence. While the eyes of the world country, but they have now brought into action a new weapon which is exceedingly well adapted to the changed nature of the warfars. Numbers of light guns, with a range were on the trenches along the Yser Joffre seems to have been preparing to make the Alsatians " Frenchmen forever."

> The allies are reported to have made up their minds that the moving of German troops from Poland to Bel gium, and from Belgium to Poland as may be found to suit the Kaiser's strategists, must cease. That partic ular form of battledore and shuttle cock seems to have been the chief sause of the renewal of the German offensive in Poland a week ago, after he Russians had almost won a great victory. By the use of the fine strategic railways constructed all along her eastern and western front iers, Germany can pick up an army corps from the Yser or the Lorraine frontier and in a little over twenty four hours land the troops near the battlefront at Lodz. This method of making one army look like two has fallen into disfavor, and the allies

have decided that their campaign in the East and West shall be so lanned that the Germans will be kept busy at the same time on both

# This "all together" move involves

a departure from the defensive policy pursued on the western front during the past month. It means that when the Grand Duke Nicholas advances in Poland, Galicia and Esst Prussia, Joffre will simultaneously "start something" in Alsace, Lorraine or Belgium. The assumption behind this change of method is that the German Generals are really short of trained troops, and are no longer able to exercise even an effective de fensive on all the positions open to attack by the Allies

If this assumption is correct the war has definitely entered upon its second stage, that in which the initia tive is no longer within Germany's control, but has passed to the strong. er forces of the enemy. There have been signs in Alsace and Lorraine of been signs in Alsace an late that the "watchful waiting' period is past. In Galicia and East Prussia the Russians are steadily attacking. In Poland and Belguim only have the Germans lately been the aggressors. Now in Poland and Belguim also the Allies will go forward simultaneously as if at single word of command. It will be interesting to watch the result of an endeavor to synchronize the move-ments of at least seven million men

of five nationalities-French, British, Russians, Belgians and Serbs. In the battle of Lodz the balance

once again inclines to the Russians. The losses sustained by the German army in cutting its way out of the enveloping Russian forces are re-

FAITH

From an exchange we learn the

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kind are happening more rarely as facilities for church attendance in-crease, but the early days of Catholic settlement in every part of the coun-try saw manifestations of faith that puts to shame present day hardships.

### A GREAT CATHOLIC SOCIETY LAUNCHED

#### INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE ASSOCIA-TIONS HAS ENDORSATION Coronto World

New York Nov. 29 -Surnassing all expectations was the success of the organization convention of the inter-Federation of Catholic ational Alumnae Associations, which has just closed in New York. The fed eration has the endorsation of the cardinals, 6 archbishops and 23 bishops. Even with this eminent support and backing, the response was greater than had entered into the calculations of anyone concerned. From Maine to California, as well as from Montreal, Toronto and doz-

ens of other Canadian centres, there were representatives. The opening reception, held in the blue room of the great McAlpine

Hotel, was a brilliant scene. Beautifully gowned women, occasional men in evening dress, and ecclesiastics among whom the episcopal purple beavy

Was not lacking, were all present. On Saturday morning Mass was celebrated at St. Patrick's Cathedral by His Eminence Cardinal Farley, the brilliant scarlet robes of the pree brilliant scarlet robes of the prelate being a vivid touch of color against the chaste whiteness of the altar and classic purity of the walls and pillars. Lesser dignitaries, mon signors and assistants, were in the sanctuary.

BUSINESS MEETING

The business meeting opened in the blue room of the McAlpine at 11 o'clock. Rev. John L. Belford of Brooklyn presided. Addresses were given by His Lordship Bishop Mc-Faul of Trenton, N. J., on the bene-fits of federation ; by Mrs. Mary Wade Tralbache, hon. president of the Alumnae Association of St. Joseph's College, Emmetsburg, and by Mrs. James J. Sheeran and Miss Clare Cogan, A. M. both of New York Miss Cogan was later elected president.

Luncheon was served in the winter garden of the hotel. About 400 particinated. In the election of officers and executive, Toronto got cordial recognition, Mrs. H. T Tuily of Toronto being appointed first vice president of the confederation, and Mrs. Ambrose Small of St. Joseph's College, being appointed governor of the board of governors for Canada

A grand concert concluded the gathering on Sanday afternoon, when some of the best talent of New York and the alumnas association took part. The farewell address was given by one of the noted speakers of New York, Rev. John Burke, C.S.P., brother of Rev. Thomas F. Burke, C.S.P., rector of Newman Hall, Toronto.

TRIBUTE TO CANADA

In his address Father Burke paid tribute to Canada and to its Catholicity with its grand traditions and great promise of the future.

One of the things most enjoyed by the delegates in New York was the beautifully harmonized singing of the sanctuary choir in the church of the Paulists. The next meeting of the Interna

tional Federation of Catholic Alum-nae will take place in Chicago. M. L. HART

the white American. To a Christian all men are of one stock. So, using the word in its strict efymological sense, we are all brothers, born from day is less clear. But it is none the less going on. May it be — who shall say it may not be ?—that the decay of race - prejudice, brought about in God's own time though in man's way, is not destined to play a the one father, born by the one mother. Tracing back our pedigree, we come from the same primeval parentage. That fact is supreme. Nothing can get behind it, weaken it, explain it away. Titles and digni-ties, distinctions of time, place, class, great part in the propagation and progress of the gospel ? Christianrace, are the merest futilities when set over against the great, compell-ing fact that all men are brothers, ity is wider in scope, vaster in aim, than the limits of the Roman empire one to another, because all men are children of the same parents, sons of which was its foyer and than the limits of the migrations or the people the One Father. In view of that sub-lime relationship, is not race prejuwhom that empire influenced. The kingdom of Christ is to cover the dice empty, foolish, and narrow-minded? There is an article-one whole earth, is to come to all mankind, whatever the speech, color, and form be of men to whom its message of faith and hope arrive. Race preof many that deserve reading—in the current British Review which makes very opportune allusion to the unudice and Christianity have nothing reason of discriminating against a in common. Race-hate and Chris nation on account of its race origin. The article deals with Japan and her tianity have everything in opposition. Christ our Lord and Master is the attitude during this war. With it lder brother of all mankind. Could tenor I am little concerned. Indeed. we Christians only believe and pro-I fancy that the Japanese will prove ress and practice that principle of our Divine Teacher, should we not to be guided by no larger force of altruism than the rest of the come going far on in the way of bringbatants. But I was exceedingly ing forth the dawn of that blessed struck by the concluding paragraph in which the writer, Mr. E. Bruce era of peace when the sons of God might lay aside forever the harness of war and sing the hymns of our Father's praise in the grand congre-Mitford, F. R. G. S., expresses an opinion which is of great value at ' Finally, gation of all mankind, brethren and

#### this moment. He says : it seems to me. Japan, by ber magna friends ?--Liverpool Times. nimity and self-restraint, has dealt blow-let us hope, a mortal blow-at that grim spetre of the CHRISTIAN SCIENCE future world, race prejudice. On the score of that ill passion, men still The most remarkable thing about picture the horrors of a titanic con-flict between East and West. 'The Christian Science " is that it is not two,' they say, 'can never meet; they are as the poles apart. Let us there-Christian and it is not science. It is not Christian. It denies the Divinity of Christ and the Personal

fore, resist every effort to bring them together. Nay, more ; let us of the ity of West keep the East forever under and Manicheism. It is not science. It bristles with our feet. So shall we secure ourselves (for we are outnumbered) our precious standard of living, our still contradictions and absurdities. It denies the reality of material things.

more precious trade.' That," Mr. Mittord continues, " is the policy of It abandons the scientific method of observation of nature. It bids us all go to school to a deluded woman. It tells us she selfishness, of unworthy pride, moral death. Was the world, indeed, made for the West alone? Or for learned her new doctrines from spiration" and "from the Bible. all nations, creeds and tongues ? Is We must use her "key" to the Bible and accept her absurd misinnot the principle for which Armageddon is now being fought, that of live and let live? And, that terpretation of the Word of God gratd principle being established, and sealed and hallowed by much blood, is it not to apply to the East as against the West? No, if right is Christian Scientists will not use the word "miracle" but profess to have from the prophetess the secret of marvelous to prevail, in this great struggle against might—as it will prevail—it of the resources of medical science Thus, like all denials of Christianity, must prevail, not in Europe alone Christian Science works itself out as a most pitiful and superstitious de but the world over. For ever and a day it must govern not only the re-lations of the nations but of the lusion. night wants to escape the dire re-sults of that habit without having to hemispheres. "The world of to morrow, ran

listen to the rude remarks of omed from the slavery of racial medical attendants. hate, must be one in which

" ' there is neither East nor West, Border nor birth

to mar the universal harmony.'

more substantial entity. Another man learns that his alcohol and his That is a noble sentiment. It is also a Christian principle. No man who is truly a Christian, no man who drugs are quite unreal when compared with the green and blue believes the New Testament to be the snakes and the whole moving pic-Word of God, can consistently give ture show they have given him. Dyspepsia and "Christian Science" place in his soul to a doubt that man kind is one. Race hatred is anti-Christian. Race prejudice ? There are of imagination all compact. Before the era of cheap and abundant we feel driven up against a wall we pills and potions, imaginative and creative artists used to declaim from can neither mine nor mount. difficulty to be overcome is not physical ; many of the peoples we despis soan boxes about the virtues of the Elixir of Life " and the " Precious are as fine specimens of humanity as maybe finer, than we are. Did not Panacea," implacable foes to all toothache, corns, bunions, bugs, an American statesman, looking for pleurisy and dyspepsia. A benign government intimated to them that the first time on the statue of Apollo, start back with the exclamation "My God! A Mohawk Indian?" their self-sacrificing labors might be The physical side of man is not the dispensed with. cause of race prejudice. It would be

At present the pills and potions are spiritualized, as it were; the mere whimsy to ask whether the



eral, live a sane and regular life. Old-fashioned Christians will point out that the disciples of Mrs. Eddy are the abject slaves of superstition, the very humble chanters of rigidly dogmatic formulas which avoid mutual contradiction by becoming

meaningless nonsense. Needless to say, "Christian Scien-tists" are obsessed by the vulgar spirit of hatred against the Church, which is the characteristic of all the sects, old and new. Hatred of real God. It affirms Pantheism historical Christianity, and zeal for elusive dollars are about the most definite things in this superstition. It will go the way of all the sects, and has already started down the incline.-Catholic Bulletin.

> ANOTHER BOOK ANNOUNCED FROM PEN OF MGR. BENSON

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In snite of the fact that Oddfish is only just issued to the public, novel readers have not quite seen the end of Mgr. Benson's masterpieces in fiction, says the Catholic Universe, of London. "The Universe is able to announce that arrangements are in hand for the publication of yet another novel next year. Mgr. Benson also left an unpublished mystery play, which Messrs. Longmans The man who is fond of pie late at in preparation under the title of 'The Upper Room.'" The immediate cause of Mgr. Benson's death, his says the London Catholic Times, was up congestion of the lungs following He takes up Christian Science and is glad to upon an attack of neuritis, which find that the pie was a delusion and affected the nerves of the heart. He a dream, while the elephant that sat passed away in Bishop's House, Salon his chest all night was perhaps a ford, in full possession of his faculties. Mgr. Benson's last instructions were to the effect that he desired a Requiem Mass should be celebrated for the repose of his soul at his chapel at Hare street house, Buntingford, and that the interment of his remains should take place, if possible within the private grounds. Igr. Benson was an amateur weaver in tapestry. In his bedroom at Buntingford is a series of panels worked by himself, depicting 'Death's Progress.'' The final scene, depicting hanging over the bed, is entitled "Death Meeting Robert Hugh Ben-

> Responsibility walks hand in hand with capacity and power.

> > FATHER FRASER'S CHINESE

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study of sound philosophy provides, is painfully apparent in all this vague and loose declamation. If the oracle said, "I know nothing," and then said nothing, we should all be truly grateful.—Catholic Bulletin.

#### ON THE BATTLE LINE

THE FIGHT FOR THE CHANNEL PORTS

(By William Ridsdale, Correspondent of The London Daily News)

London, Dec. 4 .--- Fierce fighting is now taking place along a consider-able portion of the battle-line. The Germans have anticipated the concerted forward movement of the allies of making a spirited attack themselves. The allies have not been taken by surprise ; never was an army more ready to defend itself. The allies are now in a position to

bide their time, and the new German offensive will probably not cause them to change their well-matured plans.

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In the dark hours before dawn yes terday morning a large force of Ger mans crossed the flood waters of the Yser by means of big broad rafts.

But before dawn came the plot was discovered, and when daybreak did arrive the artillery of the allies

met the advancing Germans with de-vastating effect. Yet in spite of their losses these Germans, brave even to madness, still essayed the crossing. They were partially marked by the unanimity of feeling

able persistence. The gigantic offenement Soldau to Cracow has already failed. ported to have been terrific. One of "The plan of campaign, originally nade in Paris in the interest of the correspondents at Petrograd save that of the men of General Macken-France and England, was that Russia sen's army who were cut off not less than two-thirds were killed, wounded should show her real strength to Germany in order to relieve the or taken prisoners during the battle pressure on the western front. in which they won their way out of intention was to make an irresistible the Russian trap. There is general agreement that the fields of Lowicz offensive and compel the withdrawal of such large forces\_from France as and Lodz have been the most sangto make possible Anglo-French sucuinary of modern warfare. cess. tailed information as to the losses is

from this envelopment and

speedily along roads which

attacked, but the allies managed in

the main to hold their ground, and

GERMAN WAR FACTORY IN

DANGER

Canadian Press Despatch

London, Dec. 3.-A foreign aero-

naut yesterday dropped bombs on the Krupp factory at Essen, Germany

guns, as well as smaller arms and ammunition, according to a despatch

eceived to day by the Exchange

Telegraph Company from The Hague.

This message quotes a despatch from Berlin to the effect that the bombs

were dropped on the buildings de-

oted to the manufacture of cannon.

It is said that the airman escape

uninjured, and that the extent of the

If this report proves true it is for

fermany the ominous answer to the

ubmarine, in the awful possibilities

ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT

Berlin, via London, Dec. 8.-Major

Essen works should prove vul

amage has not been ascertained.

them for the ruthless sacrifice

yet available, however. Thousands of undiscovered or unburied dead still lie within the dark recesses of " Russia, however, threw her chief forces against Austria, believing that she would be able to effectually crush the Polish pine forests. that country in a short time, but after a four months struggle this has not been accomplished because the TOUCHING MANIFESTATION OF

Austrians and Hungarians are fight ing as in the time of Field Marshal Radetzky, showing a very recupera tive force.

following touching story of Catholic devotion, as recorded in the Catholic Russia has already been com Register of Denver, Col. "Recently, in a little northern Colorado mission church, it was Compelled to change her whole plan of

campaign, which often enough de-cides final victory in favor of the opmunion day for the children of the parish. Two little girls drove twenty seven miles to receive their ponent. What has already occurre means an enormous weakening of parish. Russia's military power. Germany and Austria have captured about 400,-Saviour in the Sacrament of the 000 unwounded prisoners at least an equal number must have been killed Altar. The Mass. due to the fact that the priest celebrated the August or wounded and the losses through sickness must reach 300 000. This before he went to this town, did not begin until 12:30. These girls and means one-third of Russia's best their parents had to arise at 3 o'clock troops.

in the morning and start their long drive in order that the youngsters "The newer formations are lacking in the military qualities necessary to could receive Communion. The girls therefore, had been fasting thirteen change Russia's destiny and the failure of the plan of operations there-fore means the irretrievable impairhours all but a few minutes before they received the Eucharist, and ment of Russia's offensive power.'

Unofficial reports from Petrograd as we go to press (Dec. 5) indicate a This points a moral for many Catholics who find it inconvenient, crushing German defeat. Unofficia Petrograd reports, however, have if not possible, to fast an hour or so not been very reliable.

GERMAN WAR VOTE

Berlin, Dec. 2, via London, Dec. 8. -A momentous war session of the Reichstag was held to day and was RACE-PREJUDICE

#### HAS NOTHING IN COMMON WITH CHRISTIAN TEACHING

We are all most deeply stirred by this war which is destroying thousands of men and devastasing some of the fairest countries on the globe. We are stirred, not so much by won der why it arose-that question has paled its significance in face of the practical question how we shall win, and win we must - but by the search ings of heart and mind which the war and its horrors have aroused within thinking men. We are all asking ourselves whether war is a necessary accompaniment, an inevitable consequence, of civilized and progressive human society. Can the quarrels which spring up among men and between natious be settled by no better means in future than the dread appeal to the ways of force ? Is mankind forever doomed to cycles of preparation for slaughter, broken by a cyclone of battle and death? Can nothing be done to start an era

of peace? Many men see that the present political parties are bank-rupt, that the present diplomatic methods have failed, that the system quest and colonization, trade and Sacrifice at a place some distance off of relations, ententes, treaties is weak and powerless to restrain governments determined on aggression. Some go further and ask that we should begin at last to understand that principles, Christian principles, have got lost in national interests, that the welfare of the clan has been scale. exalted above the weifare of the race. Would it be possible to lead they had been awake ten hours of men, after two thousand years of those thirteen." This points a moral for many we are all the children of the one or other yield its strain to commingle with the black and

the yellow races, ever pressing upon it with prolific force. That common Adam, all sons of the Father if not possible, to fast an hour or so longer than usual in the morning in order that they may receive Holy Communion. such a vast change as the extravaga tion of a particular type will be consummated easily or quickly, no one dreams. But the traces of old Rome

The narration of this example of God as a Frenchman The Chinese in France and Spain and Britain, of Christian fortitude and self denial is are as truly His children as the Eng old Spain in Ireland, of any ancient productive of introspection of a pro-fitable character. Instances of this the red Indian other than that for lasted among an alien population,

mental side was. It is rather the facial. The receding forehead, the pous platitudes, a weak dilution of Emersonian rhetoric, in which flattened nostrils, the thickened lips, studied vagueness and avoidance of the curving, almond eyes-at th morning fail to hide inherent absurthe Caucasian startles and is repelled. dities and contradictions. I am free to confess that my predilec-Unreal entities known as dollars tions start from the Caucasus, and

are painfully necessary for the pro-pagation of the new gospel. It is more than likely that the full-page report of the "Lecture on Christian are frozen firm in the hot swamps of West Africa. It is not merely color that offends. Great saints, most holy personages, have had darkly-pigmented skins. Race-prejudice shrinks from the facial difference which divides East from West, Africa Science " by Jacob S. Shield, C. S. B., which appeared in the Minneapolis Morning Tribune of November 13, was not unconnected with those unfrom Europe, the southern states of America from the north. But-we real entities. The Tribune may be only a dream in the minds of the Eddyhave to face facts-does that prejudice work a complete abstinence ites; but perfectly good dollars, not from inter-relations? It does not fairy money, are always welcome to the Eddyites and the Tribune which The footsteps of the white man can be traced in the tepes of the Coman-che, in the cabin of the negro. In a gives up imaginary paper and prin-ter's ink, and not for nothing. One few generations, type has assimila-ted and frequently in forms of beauty has to buy the absurdities of this deluded sect in book form if one is and manliness that are impeccable foolish enough to think that a hardearned dollar is as big a delusion as down to the finger tips. How if com munications continue, increase, ob-tain recognition? There would be, the pompous nonsense of Mrs. Eddy

MISSION

Taichowfu, China, June 7, 1914. Dear Mr. Coffey, - When I came here two years ago I only had five catechists, now I have twentyone. I owe this rapid progress principally to my dear friends of the CATHOLIC RECORD. God bless them and your worthy paper !

It takes about \$50 a year to support a catechist and for every such sum I receive I will place a man in a new district to open it up to the Faith. During the past few months I have opened up quite a number of new places and the neophytes are very pious and eager for baptism. You will appreciate the value of my atechists when I tell that I baptized eighty-five adults since the begin-ning of the year as a result of their work. I have even brighter hopes for the future if only my friends abroad will continue to back me up financially. J. M. FBASER.

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not a new race, but a race with new characteristics. A.d. I think, there is much evi dence already to hand from more than one part of the world, that con-

#### commerce are gradually slowly but surely, casting down the barriers of race distinctions. The continent of America furnishes more than one inetance of this, sometimes on a large The Spanish colonist fused with the native. In Brazil to day a heterogeneous population is fast be-coming a homogeneous people. North America must some time

BIL

# FIVE MINUTE SERMON THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# JOY IN GOD'S BLESSINGS

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, re ce." (Epistle of the day.)

Brethren: It seems to me like a reproach from God that we should have to be reminded to rejoice. It is as if a friend made you a handsome present and observing your in ratitude, requested and urged you gain to be thankful. Blessed is the man who remembers-the man who is thankful for favors received, for there is much in that remembrance to make the heart thoughtful, cheer

ful, hopeful. Now, Catholic men and women living in a Catholic atmosphere, you have much to remember, much to be thankful for and much to rejoice over. With the Prophet Isaias, you have good reason to say to yourselves: "I will remember the tender mercies of the Lord," and remembering them, the command to "rejoice and again will come home to you with rejoice ofitable results.

I say it is like a reproach that God have to call upon us, as He anould have to call upon us, as he drink he took called for more. does in the first words of the holy Mass to day, to rejoice. And why? Because, as a matter of fact, we do not rejoice half enough over the bless. drink he took called for more. strange thing about this liquid this stomach, it began to take paint off his barn and to remove ings God is constantly bestowing on us. I take it for granted that these words are spoken to Catholics who we the great and inestimable privilege of living in a Catholic atmoshere, of living where they have mple opportunities of attending ass, of hearing the Word of God, of ample having every desire of their Catholic hearts fulfiled—and to such Cath-olics, I maintain, it is a reproach that God should be obliged to com-mand them to rejoice. And breth-ren, is it not too true that we do not rejoice as we should over these ad-

vantages and blessings God be-stows upon us? Who are ws? What are we better than our fellow-men that we should enjoy fellow-men that we should are the many blessings of which they are should deprived ? We in part or wholly deprived? We think it a great sacrifice to walk a few blocks to attend Mass at any to do with it. that is dead and will kill anything that is living. It is useful in a hour we please, while there are thousands of Christians who rejoice to museum ; but keep it in a bottle and not in your stomach. The man who hear Mass even though they have to has an ambition to become anything, travel miles to enjoy this blessed privilege. They who really make the from a ditch digger to President of the United States, should leave alco-hol alone.—C. E. Holmes in Youth's sacrifice rejoice, while we sluggards fancy we are doing great things if we fulfil the ordinary and easy duties of religion.

onder, then, that God would be obliged to command us to rejoice The report of Professor Elster to the Prussian Minister of Public We are fools and ingrates if we do not, because of the advantages that Health has caused considerable com-ment in Europe because of the sweep are at our very doors. We seldom realize them until we are deprived of them, as the man who never realizes the value of money until he feels the pange of hunger and discovers that he has not the means to supply his wants. Oh ! God forbid that we ing character of the charges against alcohol and the position of the man alconol and the position of the man making the report. The Elster report declares that there is hardly a known disease that is not developed and strengthened by the drinking habit, that alcohol wants. Oh! God forbid when have should be ungrateful, for we have abundant reason to rejoice. Think, my brethren, of all that God is doing for you. You might have been a the organization of young clerks of Berlin is burdened with an annual cast; you might have been brought ap without the faith ; circumstances might have placed you where the consolations of religion would be removed far from you—all these you have, the faith, the sacraments, the Mass, the frequent hearing of the Word of God\_in fine you have the ing because of drink, that 50 per cent. of the poverty in Prussia is due that crimes of cruelty, assault, negli-Word of God -in fine, you have the Emmanuel, God with you, and with all these blessings you have reason to rejoice.

Be joyous, then, from the bottom of your hearts ; be thankful for the opportunities placed at your disposal; and if at times the difficulties you encounter discourage you, again I say, rejoice and think of those who have all these same difficulties with-

of the guines pigs mentioned were untreated, their four grandparents were also untreated, but their greatgrandfathers were all normal animals. The defective eyes of descendants are due to impaired development, not to direct action of Plainly the germ cell is actually weakened, if not disabled, by the alcohol treatment and all individ-

these facts.

Pure Blood Is Absolutely uals arising from combinations in-volving such a germ cell are likely Necessary To Health to be below normal. As the Journa of the American Medical Association

THE BLOOD IS THE

STREAM OF LIFE

# says, there is food for reflection in "FRUIT-A-TIVES" PURIFIES

# A STRANGE-ACTING LIQUID One autumn my father and I camped near a pretty lake in South-ern Minnesota. In the grove of trees where our tent was pitched was the These Wonderful Tablets,

Made of Fruit Juices, Are The home of a prosperous farmer. This man had a good wife, who kept his home neat and clean; he also had several bright, happy children. His barn, his sheds and fences were in Best Of All Tonics To Purify And Enrich The Blood.

good repair. While in town one day with some Pure, rich blood can flow only in a clean body. Now, a clean body is one in which the waste matter is regularly and naturally eliminated from the system. The blood cannot be pure when the skin action is weak, when the stomach does not digest the food properly, when the bowelsd on notwo regularly, when the kidneys are strained or overworked. friends, he innocently swallowed a glass of a peculiar liquid. The first drink he took called for more. The strange thing about this liquid was that as he continued to take it into paint off his barn and to remove the boards from his fences. It made the weeds grow on his fields; his horses and cattle were neglected. The

more he applied to his stomach the Pure blood is the result of perfect health and harmony of stomach, liver, bowels, kidneys and skin.

more he applied to his stomach the more shabby his clothes became. But the effect of this liquid went even farther. It made the tears stream down the face of his devoted "Fruit-a-tives", by their wonderful action on all these organs, keeps the whole system as clean as Nature in-tended our bodies to be clean. wife. I saw them flowing freely many times. It took the bread out of the mouths of his children. It

"Fruit-a-tives" tones up, invigo-rates, strengthens, purifies, cleans and gives pure, rich, clean blood that is, in truth, the stream of life. took all joy and love out of that home, and finally completely wrecked Can you guess what that liquid

"Fruit-a-tives" is sold by all dealers at 50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50 trial size 25c. or sent postpaid on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa. was that created such havoc with this man and his home? It was alcohol. Beware of it! It is no respecter of persons, and will use you the same way if you have anything

Dr. Wise also appeals to " Roman Catholic leaders " in reference to parochial schools. " If you are con-vinced," says he, " that parochial schools should be supported, wholly or in part, from public funds, come out and tell us so." out and tell us so. The answer to this suggestion may

here be brief — "Roman Catholic leaders " are convinced that for the value in secular education given to the State by parochial schools there should be compensation or remuner-ation by the State in some shape or form.-N. Y. Freeman's Journal.

SOCIOLOGY OF THE CHURCH

It is to be deeply regretted that the study of sociology to day is almost exclusively in the hands of infidel causes 30 per cent. of insanity, that it lessens the efficiency of labor, that sick fund bill of \$500,000 solely for the support and cure of men suffergence, etc., are almost entirely due of infants die in the first few weeks that numerous specified illnesses are caused by the so-called harmless been which Americans are told has solved the problem of temperance in Ger-

A writer in America, puts this fact

strongly

# THE CATHOLIC RECORD

lar mission to fortify mankind sgainst the false deductions of reason, adulterated by the passions and pre-judices of a sinful life. The America writer says :

Before the coming of Christ no philosopher ever attained to that complete and all satisfying truth which He teaches; not that He did not teach and reinforce many moral precepts that already obtained, but it required His teaching in all its falness to fortify mankind against and avoid the evil. Happy the sons who are not disappointed, misled and scandalized."

the errors of natural reason. Imper-fectly as the world has actually put in practice the ideals which He re-vealed to them, the most superficial student cannot ignore their effects upon human conduct."

The line of demarcation between Catholic and secular sociology is upernatural truth, the one up ing it as the foundation of true soci ology, and the other ignoring or re-garding it with unmitigated condemn ation. And the surprise is that these modern teachers hold to their system not only with tenacity with absolute dogmatism, and they regard the Catholic way with utter

ontempt. It can hardly be realized how evil is the influence of such teachings upon the minds of the young. They become imbued with the conviction that the Christian religion is not up to date and that its mysteries are mere fables or myths. uence over human passio

A Catholic writer, Forester, ob-serves : "Catholica non leguntur. fearlessly blasphemous in their deserves : Catholica non legunur. Exaggerated and perverted accounts of Christian teaching are taken at third and fourth hand, and not the slightest effort is made to understand nunciation and repudiation of Almighty God, are applauded for their outspoken frankness. The problem of evil is obtruded on the the real official teaching of the Church. . . The fundamental Christian position was defined with public's and the individual's atten ion at every turn, and a morbid em phasis is laid on life's suffering and sorrow. Unfortunately nothing is such absolute clearness by Dante that any misunderstanding should have been impossible. 'It is not proved, no explanation is offered ; only false deductions are drawn. If Nature herself who is corrupt ; false guidance it is which has darkened men think of God at all, they declare Him cruel. We have good reason to believe that our Catholics have in no way the face of the world."

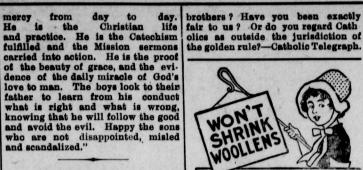
Reason, unaided by revelation and God's grace, is always liable to go been tainted by this blasphemous unastray, for it is not self sufficient, belief, and yet there is need of and its guidance must be super natural. The results of merely watchfulness. Each one must look to himself lest he too give lodgment naturalistic teachings will ever be disastrous. The false teachings of Nietche and other philosophers of in the hidden depths of his inmost the infidel school are largely responsible for the indescribably horrible war in Europe to-day. What we sow,

we shall reap. On the other hand, the Catholic but it is not so with the Church's children. We have the solution of revealed truth. We accept and be Church has always been the foster parent of true science and her chilieve the doctrine of original dren are numbered among the most eminent scientists of history--hnt Poverty and desolation, the wasting of tissue and the breaking of hearts, while her own mission according to rime and death and war, all have the will of her Divine Founder was their explanation in the transgres not the teaching of human science as sion of God's law by the father of the human race. In these days, such, but the propagation and perpet uation of His precepts, the observ-ance of which makes for happiness therefore, of growing and distressing doubt, Catholics would do well to here and hereafter, she has been keenly alive to her duty of cham-pioning the truth, built upon eternal principles and not upon the aberraearch their hearts and minds and ask themselves how firm is their grasp on this fundamental dogma of tions of the human mind, unguided by Divine revelation. Reason is ever the faith.

weakened by sin and nothing is so liable to error as the human mind, self-conscious, proud of its achieve ments, and unsupported by God's grace. "God resisteth the proud."— Intermountain Catholic.

#### THEIR FATHER'S EXAMPLE

"The father who sets a good ex ample to his sons is their best in-structor in religion," says the Cath-olic Columbian. "They see him go to Mass every Sunday, abstain from meat on Friday, receive the Sacra-ments frequently, observe the fast of Lent, go to the meetings of his they should do. What is the hall-mark of a particular class of women Catholic society, treat his wife with loving kindness, act like a good neighbor to all his acquaintances, neignbor to all his acquaintances, pay his debts, avoid profanity and drunkenness, use every available op-portunity to do good, and advance in gentleness, kindness, justice and

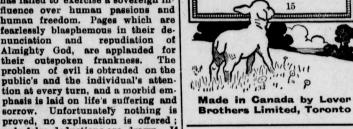


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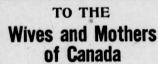


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There are in our Dominion one women, of whom doubtless, many, on the death of their husbands, were left on their own resources. And in addition there were, doubt-

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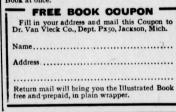
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teachers in our colleges and univer-sities-at least they are avowed unbelievers in the supernatural. They pay very little, if any, regard to the attitude of the Catholic Church on this science. In fact, some of them openly charge that the Church does being charge that the Church does not promote the study of social sub-jects because she is only seeking to promote her own wealth and power. They accuse her of opposing the free investigation of scientific truths and leductions from observed phenomena But this calumny is easily disproved, for the Church welcomes all scientific research for the reason that science

and religion proceed from the same eternal sources of truth, and when properly understood, cannot contra-dict each other.

out the advantages which you Let your hearts be filled with joy on this mid Sunday of Advent, this season of expectancy, of hopes and joys to be fulfilled. Let the tender mercies of the Lord remind you of your great privilege, as well as duty, to rejoice always in the Lord.

### TEMPERANCE

#### ALCOHOL AND INHERITANCE

The influence of alcohol as a detriand addressed to the president of the alliance, in which he said : mental factor in inheritance is one which has not readily lent itself to "I thank you ; I long ago decided to interdict for all time in Russia the convincing experimental proof in the past. During the last four years Prof. sale of alcoholic drinks by the gov-Stockard of the Cornell University Medical School in New York City, has ernment." been engaged in a study of the effects of alcohol in heredity. He has demonstrated conclusively that the germ cells of male guinea pigs can be so injured by allowing the individ-uals to inhale fumes of alcohol that they give rise to defective offspring although mated with vigorous females. The extension of these unique investigations, in which the "The Guardians of Liberty, who-ever they are, stated during the last campaign that it is dangerous to puboffepring from the treated animals lic welfare to have a Roman Catholic which reach maturity are usually nervous and slightly undersized, have further shown that the effect Governor. They gave no reason. I say that the leadership in Protestant of the injury of the germs cells is not only exhibited by the immediate churches in America must deny this issue, disavow it, or honestly admit it. Above all, they should not keep silent and admit their cowardice. I say to you that if you think it is dangerous to have a Roman Catholic offspring of alcoholized animals, but onveyed through their descendants for at least three generations. There are many instances of matings followed by negative results or early bortions, still born young or defectives.

cannot give reasons, and reasons exist, then you must be ashamed of An instructive illustration was afforded in a case in which two of the them. four young animals were completely reasons of bigotry and intolerance-the same that the Orangemen in Ireeyeless, the eyehalls, optic nerves, and chiasma being absent. Such de-fects result, according to Stockard the same that the Orangemen in Ire-land have for their hatred of the Pope and their Catholic fellow-country-men. The Orangemen never give reasons because they have none to give that honest people could apthe injury originally inflicted on the germ cells by the experi-mental treatment. Yet this injury may have been received by earlier generations only. Thus the parents | prove.

INDUSTRY The Russian government never

THEIR REASON

in public office it is your business to

say so and give your reasons. If you

They have no reasons except

to the use of alcoholic beverages

to this cause, that thousands more

because of paternal indulgence, and

RUSSIA BARS LIQUOR

Alcohol will preserve anything

GERMANS ASSAIL ALCOHOL

ONCE MORE

Instructor

many.

Needless to say to the instructed Catholic, far from opposing investi-gation, the Church welcomes it, again will embark in the manufacture and sale of alcoholic drinks. knowing that all truth, whether in the world of matter or of spirit, is co-This statement, confirming previous reports was made in the name of ordinated, and so far as it is possible for the infinite mind to know the Emperor Nicholas on October 30. The Russian Union of Abstinence,

which devotes its energies to com-bating alcoholism, addressed to Emmanifestations of the Infinite, the more a really scientific treatment of facts is developed, the more is the reasonableness of the Divine plan peror Nicholas a solicitation that he forbid forever the sale of spirituous liquors in Russia. His majesty manifested." replied in a telegram sent in the name of Grand Duke Constantine

Catholic philosophy contains noth ing that is against reason, but there are mysteries in life which we cannot explain without the aid of religion And so it happens that with all the boasted progress of modern scientists

they have not yet been able to explain the mystery of the growth of a single blade of grass or the process of vari-egation in the wealth of colors and

egation in the weath of courts and tints of flowers. Science has been reduced to a sys-tem and is defined: "Knowledge which binds together into complete Dr. Stephen S. Wise, at the Free Synagogue in Carnegie Hall on Sun-day, challenged the issue in plain which binds together into complete unity the objects with which it has to deal according to their homogene-ity and in which the separate objects of knowledge are apprehended as parts of a whole. . . Systematic knowledge of related facts is what words on the question of religion in politics in America. He said :

constitutes science." As such, with all the difficulties As such, with all the almostlike which its study involves, the Catho-lic Church welcomes and fosters its progress. Sociology by its very nature must needs be an inexact science, but deductions from ob-served facts may reach satisfactory conclusions, which will be found not to contradict revealed truths. It is only the complete separation of sci-entific conclusions from the revealed truths of religion, or their outright condemnation by teachers in our secular institutions of learning that the Church depreciates and condemns. Church depreciates and condemns. Christ's teachings, bearing upon sociological subjects, included many precepts which had been known be-fore the pagan world for pure rea-son was always the receptacle of God's truths, but it was His particu-

# Drunkenness Can be Cured

It is a Disease, Not a Habit "Some years ago I was a heavy drinker. Demon drink had me in his grip. Friends, business, family, were slipping from me. Ruin stared me in the face. "But one frierd remained, a physician. Through his efforts

# I WAS SAVED

I WAS SAVED "This man had made a scientific study of drunkenness as a disease. He had found a cure for it." It was a case like this that made me realize how many others were in need of aid and determined me if possible, to offer fsamaria Prescription to the world. The treatment is absolutely different from others. It can be given without the patient's know edge if desired. Thous-nades of wives, mothers, daughters, sters, have saved their men-folk from the curse of alcohol through it. charity, if they really believe that they are giving Catholics a square deal when they give credence, with-out the slightest investigation, to books, papers and men that vilify the old Mother Church and her devoted

#### IT CURES

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#### SEND NO MONEY

a fact that every sectarian clergyman who has been converted to the Cath-olic faith has exhibited only the most send me your name and address, say se tell me how I can cure drunkenness' rou need to say. I will understand a you at once and send you my free book, I about my wonderful cure for DPUI neuronal and a send you wy fee book, telli NESS, and will also send you a TRIAL PACKAG which will show you how the treatment can b given without the patient's knowler ge. All this will send you ABSOLUTELY FREE in a plain sealed package at once. Do not delay ; send me a post-card, or write me a letter to-day. Do not be afraid to send in your name. I always treat correspondence as sacredy confidential. WRITE NOW. fraternal charity towards his former co-religionists ? Who ever heard of an ex-minister being booked, like a an ex-minister being booked, like a theatrical star, for a circuit of the country in a campaign of calumny against the Bishops, the pastors, the asylums or the deaconesses of any

Protestant denomination ? Is there no food for thought in these considerations, dear Pro

We would like to ask our separated

brethren, in all sincerity and in all

children ? Are they satisfied in their hearts that they are doing unto us as

they would have us do unto them?

Can they name even one Catholic

paper which makes it a practice to

circulate lies about any Protestant church or its adherents? Can they mention any Protestant minister who

on the streets of Paris, known to Tuller every Parisian, becomes the hal mark of the same class in America. But the French girl of modesty never wear these styles, and that is where our American girl of modesty goes setray. She does not dress like her French sister, but like the girl whom her French sister disdains. We have got, things mixed up a bit in this country, as far as Paris fashions are nanna DEPENDING concerned, and the time has come nanan when American parents of daughters 1 dana should wake up to the fact. It is not at all an impossible transition from TERRETERING THE TERRET the Parisian imprint upon the hat or TREFFEFFFF.FF the dress to the Parisian imprint AND STATE FOR F upon the character of the wearer. TT BE Die auste die me un will willen HERE'S FOOD FOR PROTESTANT THOUGHT

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## CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

GOOD ADVICE FROM A GREAT MAN

A friend of Thomas Jefferson, third A reference of the United States, ad-mired the statesman so deeply that he named his young son after him. Furthermore he asked Mr. Jefferson to write a letter of advice to his namesake, and the following beauti-ful letter was the answer to his re-quest. The letter was to be kept until the child would reach the age of intelligence.

TO THOMAS JEFFERSON SMITH

This letter will, to you, be as one from the dead. The writer will be in the grave before you can weigh its counsels. Your affection-ate and excellent father has renested that I would address to you mething which might possibly have a favorable influence on the course of life you have to run; and I too, as a namesake, feel an interest in that course. New words will be necessary with good dispositions on your part. Adore God. Reverence and cherish Adore God. Reverence and cherism your parents. Love pour neighbor as yourself; and your country more than yourself. Be just. Be true. Murmur not at the ways of Provi-dence. So shall the life into which you have entered, be the portal to one of eternal and ineffable bliss. And if to the dead it is permitted to care for the things of this world, every action of your life will be under my regard. Farewell. Monticello, Feb. 21, 1825.

To this personal advice, Mr. Jeffer-son appended the following:

THE PORTRAIT OF A GOOD MAN BY THE MOST SUBLIME OF POETS FOR YOUR IMITATION

Lord, who's the happy man that may to Thy blest courts repair; Not stranger-like te visit them, but

to inhabit there?

'Tis he whose every thought and deed by rules of virtue moves; Whose generous tongue disdains to speak the thing his heart dis-

proves Who never did a slander forge, his neighbor's fame to wound; Nor hearken to a false report by

malice whisnered round.

Who vice in all its pomp and power, can treat with just neglect; And piety, though clothed in rags, religiously respect.

True Voice.

little gray lamb.

nake me white ?"

heep

W88.

THE LITTLE GRAY LAMB

Long, long ago there was a flock of eautiful white sheep, except one

He wished so much to be white.

"No, little gray lamb." It asked the clouds. At begged the rain to wash it white, but it was

urned to the field to care for their

The shepherds were filled with wonder. They talked and talked and

alked about the Christ-Child. The

little gray lamb heard and longed to

Who to his plighted vows and trust has ever firmly stood; And though he promise to his loss, he makes his promise good.

Whose soul in usury disdains his treasure to employ; Whom no rewards can ever bribe the

He wished so much to be write. He asked the wind : "Can you make me white ?" "No, little gray lamb." It asked the earth. "Can you ailtless to destroy. The man who, by this steady course. has happiness ensured, When earth's foundations shake

just as gray after the storm. One night, while the shepherds were watching their flocks, a glorious shall stand by Providence secured

WHY IS TIME SO SHORT

star shone in the sky. Angel voices were heard like sweetest music. Have you ever met a man, be he a The shepherds arose and went into Bethlehem, where the Christ-Child tudent, an artist, a merchant or prostudent, an artist, a merchant or pro-fessional man who did not complain of want of time to read all that he desired, to put the finishing touches to his work, to fulfil all his engage-ments? It is the common cry from the busy world. Time it so short and there is so much to do. Those, lay in a manger. When they had bowed down to worship Him they reperhaps, who take a little of this pre tions time to reflect on the manner use will, doubtless, grant you that they sometimes, even often, waste time. Upon this humble admission they will be less disposed to be angry with the day for closing its round with twenty four short hours and become indignant at themselves making these hours shorter. for hey who waste the minutes of the hours by vain sighs and com-plaints because of the shortness thereof will never learn that it is not time that they lack, but the experience and disposition to use it rightly. How many idle, useless things we do in one day, in one hour? How many things we do merely to undo perhaps with greater expendi-ture of time and patiencel One fruitless repentance treads so close on the heels of another as to give good resolution no walking room be-And so our precious minutes hurry one and another into oblivion, unle we check them by resolutely reining in sloth, worry and vain regrets.-Buffalo Union and Times.

born one hundred and thirty-two years ago—on June 9, 1781, to be ex-act. His birth-place was a hovel, with a clay floor, and walls and bare rafters. When he was five years old he began to work for his living by herding cows in the daytime, and hearing up the gates at night. out to them, laughing or making rude remarks about them. Do not stare at visitors. 8. In passing a pen, pencil, knife or pointer, hand the blunt end to-ward the one who receives it.

BLOSSOMS THAT NEVER FADE

herding cows in the daytime, and barring up the gates at night. As he grew older he was set to picking stones from the coal, and after that to driving a horse which drew coal from the pit. He went half-fed and half clothed. Of late years Catholics in many places have begun to copy the pagan custom of decorating the dead. Flower wagons seem to form a neces-When he called at the school-When he called at the school-house he was plugman of a pumping engine, and, though he knew nothing of reading or writing, he had studied the engine until he had a complete knowledge of the machine. He was sary part of most funerals. The non Catholic has no Mass, and purgatory is a place unknown to him. He may mean to express his sympathy and sorrow in the flower he places able to take it apart, and make any able to take it apart, and make any ordinary repairs. Not discouraged by the advice given him by the schoolmaster, he made application and attended the evening school. At the end of about two years he had learned all this school could teach him. He con-

and sorrow in the flower he places on the coffin of the dead. It may speak for him the last farewell of a loving heart to a cherished friend. loving heart to a cherished friend. But flowers are not for the dead, they take away the thought of death. The sacredness of that sol-emn moment is lost amid the fragceived the plan of constructing a steam engine. It took him a long rance of flowers. The casket hides an awful mystery. "Thou shalt die an awful mystery. "Thou shalt die the death," and immortality, God's time, but at the age of forty he made several engines, and was known as a gift to man, put on mortality. God's deceased friend has paid his share of Adam's debt, the living must be re-minded of the debt that is still unseveral engines, and was known as a successful and energetic engineer, and was called upon to build long and difficult lines of railroad. But his locomotives were too slow; he wanted them to run faster. He

paid—their own. Gay flowers and handsome wreaths disturb the majesty of that thought. The burial of our dead is a religious proposed to build one which would run at the rate of twelve miles an hour. Everybody laughed at him. Some thought he was crazy. One gentleman, who considered himself very wise, said to him : "Suppose ceremony ; not a vain and worldly pageant. The rubrics of the Church forbid flowers on the altar at funeral Masses; the altar is draped in mourn you invent an engine capable of running nine or ten miles an hour,

ing; the priest wears black vestments all in keeping with the great and sol and suppose, while it is running, a cow should stray upon the track. Will not that be a very awkward cir-cumstance?" "I should think it emn mystery of death. Many dio-ceses have strict rulings forbidding flowers in Church at funerals. What comfort will it be to you, kind reader. to have flowers lavished

might be very awkward-for the well, he succeeded in making his on your remains ? Your poor soul ocomotive, and at a trial which took will be craving in the cleansing fires place near Liverpool, it attained to the unprecedented speed of fourteen miles an hour! By making certain improvements this same engine, the of purgatary, not for flowers, but for prayers, for the Precions Blood in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. "Have pity on me, at least you my friends," will ring your pleading cry, and your dearest friends will hasten to answer improvements this same engine, the Rocket, was made to go at the speed of thirty miles an hour. People laughed not longer, but admired. He was invited as a consulting en. your piteous plea by strewing flow-ers on your coffin. Does it not seem

gineer to foreign countries, and a mockery? wealth flowed upon him. Philos-ophers sought his friendship, and his king offered him knighthood, but he Flowers for the living! Prayers and Masses for the dead! Some one has said : "One rose in a sick man's preferred to remain plain George Stephenson. That is the name of this "awkward laddie," who became the inventor of the locomotive. room is worth more to him than a hundred on his coffin." The living can appreciate the beauty and fra

ger.

grance of flowers; the dead cannot. But the soul of the dead man cries out from the depths of purgatory "Oh, give me prayers, give me Masses —the eternal blossoms that will never fade !!"—St. Anthony's Messen-

> THE CHURCH AND LABOR

Very Rev. John P. Chidwick, D. D. in the course of his address to four In the course of the address to four thousand men and women, members of about forty different labor unions in the City of New York, assembled in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Manhattan for the annual "Labor Sunday"

services, said: "The Church of which you are members is not responsible for the hard conditions under which labor groaned and grieved despairingly. The present capitalistic system by which the masses have been eswhich the masses have been exploited and pauperized for the en-richment of the few was not a develo opment of her spirit nor her history. In the Catholic days of Europe before In the Catholic days of Europe before go see the wondrous babe, too. One day when they were near the town there were three Wise Men rid-ing upon camels. The little gray





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THE K. OF C. OATH AND THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

Many people who read the alleged oath of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, which has been so in-dustriously circulated in many quarters, are inclined to believe that it is true because the leaflet containing it states that it is copied from the Congressional Record, of Feb. 15, 1918 As a matter of fact, this "oath" is

found in the Congressional Record : but that does not establish its authenticity. How did it get into this official publication which records the proceedings in Congress ? And what does the Congressional Record itself say in regard to the truth of this oath ?

An examination of the Congression-al Record of Feb. 15, 1913, shows that this "oath" is filed as an exhibit by Eugene C. Bonniwell of Pennsylvania, who charges that the supporters of Thomas S. Butler circulated it in the district in which he and Mr. Butler ran for office and that, as a result of this, he was defeated.

In his protest, printed in the Con-ressional Record, Mr. Bonniwell gressional says : " Messengers in the employ of supporters of Thomas S. Butler travlled the district, having in their possession and circulating a blasphemous and infamous libel, a copy of which is hereto attached, pretend ed to be an oath of the Knights of Columbus, of which body the contestant is a member. So revolting are the terms of this document and so nauseating its pledges that the injury it did, not merely gether to the best advantages of each and with a view to the dignity testant, but also to the Knights of Columbus and to Catholics in general, can hardly be measured in terms. (Congressional Record, Vol. 49, Pt. 4, Feb. 15, 1918, P. 3,216.) Feb. 15, 1918, F. 3,216.) Mr. Butler, in his defence, as printed in the Congressional Record, says: "I apprehended with alarm the use of such a document in a political campaign, or at any other time. I did not believe in its truthfulness and so stated my judgment concern-ing it on November 4th, 1912, as soon as complaint was made to me of its the world, she blessed your organization as a necessary protection against the greed of human nature which under other circumstances might have manifested itself at that general circulation. Inasmuch as I did not wish to give this document, which I judged to be spurious, any

and libelous article referred to in the paper of Mr. Bonniwell and which was the spurious Knights of Colum-bus cath, a copy of which is appended to the paper" ( Congressional to the paper." (Congressional Record, Vol. 49, Pt. 4, Feb. 15, 1918, P.

This shows very clearly what the Congressional Record itself is the best refutation of the assertion that

the Knights of Columbus "oath" printed in its pages is true. Of course, the bigots who use this "oath" to stir up sectarian strife state only one-half the truth and, by mplication, would have their duper believe that the presence of the 'oath" in the Congressional Record is undeniable evidence of its truth.-St. Paul Bulletin.

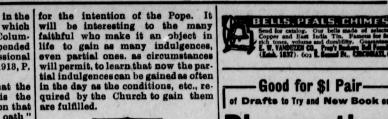
#### INHERITED RESPECTABILITY

We sometimes meet with person who affirm that one can live as cor rect a life without religion as it, and they point to concrete ex-amples which seem to bear out the statement. We might reply to such in these words of a dignitary of the **Episcopalian** church: "Do you realize that they are living on an inheritance of morality and respectability handed down from previous generations? There is in the world a great deal of this left-over piety, bequeathed by godly ancestors. earned by fathers and grand-fathers and easily squandered." It is true. We often wonder whence comes that sense or instinct of moral-ity which renders the lives of unbaptized persons comparatively exem

olary Brownson touches on this subject when he says: "The natural elevation of the soul comes of the interior tradition common, in some degree to all persons brought up in Christian countries, even though not bap tized. Reason in Christian lands has an elevation, a Christian 'sense, which brings it in some degree into relation with the 'teachings of the Church,' and enable it to fore-feel them as the compliment of itself, and the natural response to its wants and its aspirations. In some sense, rea in Christian lands, even in who regard themselves as unbeliev-ers, is Christianized, and tends to Christian truths. You cannot con-verse five minutes with a non-Catholic, whether Protestant or infidel, without detecting in him the ele-ments of Catholic thought; and whenever he speaks spontaneously, without reference to his heresy or his unbelief, he talks like a Catholic. It is thus that in a Christian community, that natural reason becomes infused, as it were, with Catholic light and the elements of Christian morality become instilled into his heart."—Intermountain Catholic.

#### CATHOLIC BELGIANS IN ENGLAND

At the time of the French Revolution, England, then much more in tensely Protestant than now, wel-comed the Catholic refugees, many of them priests and nuns, driven out of France. At first, we have no doubt, there was some suspicion of the newcomers ; but as time went on and the Protestant English people came to know their guests better, they began to change their opinions about the Catholic Church. To day England is again sheltering thou-sands of homeless Catholics from Belgium ; and if we may judge from what we read, the contact with these good people is removing from many misunderstanding and prejudice that is such a barrier to mutual good will. Even in Glasgow, whose people are not noted for sentiment of any kind, particularly sentiment for Cat Belgium refugees are being cared for with enthusiasm. The arrival of a large number of nuns was the occa-sion of scenes which could not have been deemed possible three months ago. Where in July there might have been opposition, there was now every sign of welcome, and the people of Glasgow vied with one another in showing their anxiety to help in every possible way to succor the needy.



AN IMPOSITION

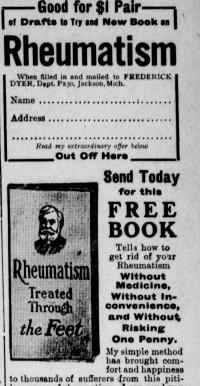
'For some time," writes a correspondent of America. "I have been annoyed by receiving through the mails copies of The Menace. My complaint to the post office author-ities, so far from mending matters, has only made them worse. The sheet still comes to our office, enclosed in envelopes with postage due. As we cannot afford to neglect letters we are forced to pay the extra charges, but only to find that we have been deceived again into pay-ing to receive a sheet that we would

gladly pay money to have suppressed. The matter has angered me greatly, but so far I have been able to get no redress. There must be some means of obtaining protection from such an imposition, and I intend to discover it, cost what it may."

#### HEROISM OF A SPANISH SISTER OF CHARITY

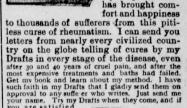
The following facts speak for themselves; not to chronicle them would be culpable negligence, writes the Madrid correspondent of the Irish Catholic : To the hospital of

Pontevedra, in the north west of Spain there was brought a little girl of fourteen years, Juana Abejson, suffering from such extensive burns on the right arm that it was deemed necessary to amputate in order to save the life of the child. Touched by the state of the child, who would thus have to go through life in a maimed condition, a de-voted nun, Sister Gertrude, of the Order of Charity, offered to allow the necessary pieces of skin to be cut from her arm, and so saved the child from a dangerous operation and from the loss of such an important member. May God reward such unselfish Christian heroism.



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# HE CATHOLIC RECORD

## OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

#### HE WANTED TO LEARN

More than a hundred years ago a stout, freckle faced awkward boy of eighteen years, dressed in a ragged waistcoat and short breeches, without stockings or shoes, rapped one evening at the door of a humble cottage in northern England, and asked see the village sch When that person appeared the boy said, very modestly : " I would like attend your evening school, sir." And what do you wish to study?" to attend

asked the teacher roughly. "I want to learn to read and write,

sir," answered the lad. The schoolmaster glanced at the boy's homely face and rough clothes scornfully, and said : "Very well, you may attend, but an awkward, bare-legged laddie like you would

better be doing something else than learning his letters." Then he closed the door in the lad's face.

The boy was the son of the fire. man of a pumping station in a Northumberland coal-mine and was rudeness to strangers, such as calling gave labor the happiest days that it

amb followed them and they led workingman and master, worked him where the Christ-Child lay. Kneeling down, the Wise Men offered precious gifts of gold, jewels, incense and myrrh, but the Christ-incense and myrrh His hands to the of our Church caused both to be of our Church caused both to be him where the Christ Child lay. Units stretched forth His hands to the little gray lamb looking in at the doorway. He could not resist the little bands, his heart was filled with love, and he trotted over toward the

love, and he trotted over toward the Mother and the Babe, forgetting all about himself and how unworthy he The Christ Child touched not the when she ruled the civilization of

jewels, but patted the gray lamb's He made the sign of the cross-

and lo! the gray lamb became as white as snow.

Across the ocean in one of the time, she blesses you doubly and trebly now when religion was waned in its influence over man and comgreat, beautiful churches you may see this pictured in a lovely stained mercial greed and lustful passion glass window.

glass window. The Three Kings are kneeling there with their precious gifts upon the ground, but the Christ-Child makes the sign of the cross on the and luxurious extravagance are characteristic of the day. She haracteristic of the blesses you in the name of religion, society and humanity. She tells you to struggle for every legitimate right of body, mind and soul. She warns you not to be deceived and begray lamb's head.-Sunday Compan-

GOOD RULES FOR SCHOOL GIRLS

A teacher in one of the schools in Baltimore dictated the following to and two thousand years. She pleads with you not to sacrifice your faith,

her pupils : "Scholarship without good breeding is but half an education." 1. To be polite is to have a kind

with you not to sacrince your fatth, your virtue, the virtue of and care of your children, your personal rights and liberties. She found you when she first came forth upon her mission slaves of the State, and she warns you not to sell regard for the feelings and rights of others. 2. Be as polite to your parents, brothers, sisters and schoolmates as your freedom to become the State's wards and dependents again. She appeals to you as free men and strong men. She appeals for God's sake, for the sake of those who will

you are to strangers. 3. Look people fairly in the eyes when you speak to them or when

they speak to you. 4. Do not bluntly contradict any

sake, for the sake of those who will come after you and for your own. "She is said to be the enemy of the workingman, to be in alliance with capitalism, to be opposed to the pro-gress and aspirations of the working-classes. What a hold reach and slap. one. 5. It is not discourteous to refuse

to do wrong. 6. Whispering, laughing, chewing gum or eating at lectures, in school lasses. What a bold, rash and slan derous charge in the face of history. The Catholic Church has at all times or at places of amusement, is rude

been the friend of the poor, the weak, the laborer, the oppressed She

notoriety whatsoever, I refrained from its public condemnation until the time when a general complaint was made to me and I thought it my duty to publicly condemn it." gressional Record, Vol. 49, Pt. 4, Feb. 1913, P. 3219)

The congressional committee, to which the matter was referred re-ported in parts as follows : "The ommittee can not condemn strongly the publication of the false guiled by an evil whose spirit she has often fought in her long course

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#### NOBLE BELGIAN PRIESTS

Another phase of the matter worth recording in our pages is referred to in a letter which appeared recently in a Nottingham English daily paper. The writer, Mr. E. C. Price, who has just returned from Belgium is a member of a well-known local Non-Conformist family. Mr. Price wrote If it had not been for the very great number of priests, who have indeed been God's good messengers far beyond what will ever be known in this world, the misery would have been much intenser than it has been and though, as many of your readers will know, my early days were spent will know, my sarly days were spent in Nonconformist circles, when I: re-turn to Belgium I shall never, to my dying day, pass a priest without the very humble lifting of my hat.—Spc-red Heart Review.

#### DECREE ON INDULGENCES

The clergy and laity will find much consolation in a decree of the Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office, Congregation of the Holy Office, which has just been issued conceding a plenary indulgence to be applied to the Holy Souls as often as the faithful visit a church or public or semi-public oratory on the Feast of the Holy Souls, in November. The usual conditions are to be fulfilled-confession, Communion, and prayers

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years ago, who it is said did more good among the poor than any other man in Wimbledon. I believe they are going to erect a memorial to him. Wimbledon itself is a Protestant town nearly as large as Winnipeg, has two Catholic churches, a peg, has two Catholic churches, a college and a school, while there are about thirty Protestant churches.

priests are not only avaricious but iso bad and immoral men. How are we to find out whether or not this is true ? Is it by accepting the testimony of such men as Peter A. Seguin, Dennison, and the Rev. Patrick Morgan, who claim to be expriests, but who were forced to leave the Church because of immorality, drunkenness or other bad habits, or shall we accept the testimony of such men as Dr. Doellinger, Renan, the infidel ex-priest, Pere Hyacinth, the ex Dominican, or Father Tyrrell the Modernist, who left the Catholic Church of their own accord. Any

Church. This is what Dr. Doellinger says oncerning the priests, in writing to an Anglican clergyman: "You in England cannot understand how completely ingrained it is into our say on the surface which owed the other most. The Church It is difficult to our most is a man who say on the surface which owed the other most. The Church gave him his all in all. The satisfield the searcher and that he can devote all his time and all his thoughts to them. They know this quite different with the married pastors of Protestantism. The pastor's income may be enough for his wife and children. Only a portion of his time can be given the those of his finct, and they know that those of his finct can be given the the subard the theologian. She fulfilled his ease of divination, and careesed his love of the supernatural. She found him the material and setting the critics, and readers for his books. She gave him his inspiration from beginning to end. Never was the subard the theologian the order with more jubilant and brilliant celerity than when the Beijamin of Lambeth Palace bit when the interests of his family and those of his finct, and the presented himself te mere than memories behind him, the subard come first." Renan lost the mere than memories behind him,

city was scarcely known, as his time While the eternal ages watch an was wholly taken up in preparation for that event which stands out amongst all others in the life of a priest, that event which gives him power to perpetuate the Sacrifice of Calvary. To Father Enright, who comes

Stories of brave nuns grow in from the Island of the Saints, Newnumber. The Paris journal La Croix, tells of a Sister of Charity, who Now some Protestants believe that foundland extends a hearty welcome, and it is the earnest prayer of the asked permission to remain with the wounded in a fort. "But what if wounded in a fort. Catholics of the Archdiocese that his the commandant should blow up the ministry may be a lengthy one. fort rather than surrender ?" quer-ied the Superior. "Why, then," said the Sister, "we shall all go up to-

wait.

-H. W. LONGFELLOW

OUR NUNS

#### WHAT MONSIGNOR BENSON OWED TO THE CHURCH

the Sister, "we shall all go up to-gether, and the good God will re-ceive us, since it would have been In an interesting letter, a corfor Him and for France." The London Evening News prints a story given respondent of the London Tablet refers as follows to the part the Church to it by a British officer in France who saw some fine scenes of de-votion and heroism among the nurs played in the development of Monsignor Benson's genius :

From the day he finished his convert's honeymoon, he was with us in our churches, on our tables and on our shelves. He mer ing Sisters. A Sister of Mercy witha deep flesh wound in her arm, would Church of their own accord. Any reasonable man or woman would re-ject the witness of the former, and accept the testimony of the latter if he had no opportunity of knowing priests in good standing in the Church. This is what Dr. Doellinger says not let go of a dying cuirassier whom her right arm supported. She made the doctor bind up the wound while she kept at her post. The Manches-ter Guardian recounts the exper iences of an English lady at a convent of Notre Dame, Namur, which was fitted up with a hundred beds for the wounded. The Sisters gave



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