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FATHER FRASER'S CHINESE MISSION The noble response which has been

made to the CATHOLIC RECORD's appeal in behalf of Father Fraser's Chinese mission encourages us to keep the list open a little longer.

It is a source of gratification to Canadian Catholics that to one of themselves it should have fallen to inaugurate and successfully carry on at a work. God has certainly blessed Father Fraser's efforts, and made him the instrument of salvation to innumerable souls. Why not reader, have a share in that work by contributing of your means to its maintenance and extension? The opportunity awaits you: let it

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JOHN BARLEYCORN

In a story of his personal experiences, entitled "Jno. Barleycorn," Mr. London, not unknown to readers of fiction, gives us a record of his dealings with intoxicating liquors from the age of five to the present time. His experiences range from low water front saloons to great cities. Heedescribes his bouts with liquor in company with oyster pirates and his solitary combats of recent years with drink. In a passage instinct with sincerity he writes:

"To the imaginative man John Barleycorn sends the pitiless spectral syllogisms of the white logic. He looks upon life and its affairs with the jaundiced eyes of the German philosopher. Wife, children, friends, in the clear white light of his logic they are exposed as frauds and shams. All of which is not good for a man who is made to live to love and be loved. Yet suicide, quick or slow, a sudden spill or a gradual ooz-ing away through the years is the price Jno. Barleycorn exacts. No friend of his ever escapes making the just due payment.

Our readers will not find fault with this passage. We have too many proofs round about us. The progress for the majority from moderate to excessive drinking may be slow but very sure. A man may be a "moderate" drinker for years, and he may develop in a very short time into the finished product of the saloon. He may go through his day with bemused brain, exhilarated and extolling his own sobriety, or he may be figure that is turned out by alcohol. He may scorn the extremists and laugh at the teetotaler, or he may simply live to have what sends him into the kingdom of swine. But alcohol takes off the edge of the intellect and makes even the moderate drinker less efficient and less re sourceful. It plays havoc with his nerves and burdens with a craving that is pitiless and insatiable. He has always some "excuse" for selfindulgence, but down in his heart he knows that drink is his worst enemy and that, free from its shackles, he would be of more service to his community and would give example that might guard others. Of the excessive drinker we need not say much. He is dead in a world of living men. He is compassionated or reviled. He knows in his lucid moments that the wages of sin is death." He has parted company with self-respect to be a " wall-flower " in a saloon and to give the bar-tender, who needs neither brain nor brawn for his

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avocation, the money that he gleans

here and there.

With regard to saloon-keepers an Archbishop says that a large proportion of those who open saloons are broken-down, impecunious men who have failed in other occupations and are fit for nothing but liquor selling. The man spoken of in Scripture who will neither work nor beg seeks out a wholesale dealer who is willing to set him up as a saloon keeper. The one aim of such men

must be to make money. They own be observed before even Carson can fine residences, clothe their wives and daughters in silks and satins, while those who pay for it all live in a back street, squalid alley, in prison or poor house.

Some years ago the late Bishop Hendricken, of Providence, appealing for charity for his orphan asylums, was not afraid to say that "in the greater number of cases those helpless children are dependent on alms because saloons murdered their parents.

DOES NOT EXIST

Let us waste no words in the possible or ideal saloon. It will be time enough to discuss it when it will be discovered. The saloon as it exists to-day trades in and battens upon intemperance, and at its door must be laid all the dire evils which accompany or follow from intemperance. Over saloon keeping hangs a heavy cloud of social and religious disgrace. The Church frowns upon it in anger and sorrow. Mr. London regrets that drink is so accessible and believes that it is dangerous to society for the saloon to be the legal, convenient meeting place that it is. "I regret," he says, "that John Barley. orn flourished everywhere in the society in which I was born, else I should not have made his acquaintance, and I was long trained in his acquaintance."

MERE PHILANTHROPY

There is a deal of sentimental rubbish spoiling good paper. For instance, we are told that as culture advances and men are uplifted into the serene regions of thought, love will unfold the human race in its embrace. A man, however, may be cultured with every nerve tingling at the thought of pain and suffering and yet have no love for those who suffer. He may have no sympathy: he may be heartless. Without impunging anyone's motives we fail to discover any solid reason for the enthusiasm of the mere philanthropist. We give him due credit for his efforts even though we wonder how a poultice formed of temperament and slum expeditions can effect a cure of the organic ailments of society. If there is no God we do not see why we should love all men. We do not naturally love all men. Does nature, a writer asks, teach us pity? Is it not her unmistakable lesson that the world exists for the strong? Does she not with iron and remorseless grip crush the strong Was not the old pagan right who re fused to help the poor because he we obey the Redeemer we see Him in the sick and suffering and despair. ing. Men and women to-day as in oor minister to them in all gentle ness and sympathy because they real ize the vivid presence of their Lord and Master.

SIR EDWARD CARSON

The London Truth had, in a current ssue, an amusing skit on Sir Edward Carson, the valorous and windy oppenent of Home Rule. Despite his speeches he is still at large. Mrs. Pankhurst goes to jail, but Sir Edward, unmolested, breathes the free air, hearing the while the massing and drilling of the squadrons who are going to fight John Redmond. His admirers gave him a blackthorn hoping that it would get him into trouble with the police. That not having the desired effect they presented him with a Bible, with texts marked which were best calculated to make him use the blackthorn, but all to no avail. The Government looked upon him complacently. They suffered him to envelop himself in a maze of whirling words on the grounds, we suppose, that Sir Edward diverted the nation and was an antidote to the suffragettes. Truth says that Carson is harmless. He cannot help it. For years past Carson has cultivated a criminal countenance. The great jaw and hooked nose, the heavy wrinkles around the eyes, the dare devil slouch and sleek black hair, the hunch of the shoulders all suggest Bill Sikes, and if only the man would tie up his throat with a red muffler he would stand a very good chance of arrest as a suspected person. But there are in English law certain formalities which must

be hanged, and the difficulty which hitherto has been insuperable is that his has been, on the whole, a blameless existence not unaccompanied by good works. The mischief with Carson is that he has failed to get himself hated. Millions of people would like to murder Lloyd George—who bothers about old Carson? And so he wanders up and down beating the Orange drum for the amusement of those who are never content to ex-

"AN AVERAGE MAN"

ercise their own religion unless they

Monsignor Benson has chosen to deal with a simple theme in his new novel but it is sometimes in his portrayal of average everyday life and character that the sureness of a writer's insight is made most mani-

The present story begins with the description of a young city clerk and his suburban home, his boy friend, his parents and his sister, and his spiritual pastor. We are made to realize very vividly the apathy and stagnation of the home atmospherewhere there is nothing at all to talk about, because every one knows everyone else's experiences perfectly. There is, indeed, "everything necessary to life, except life itself." Then to our young friend, the clerk, a new law comes. Life has a new centre, a new purpose. He begins to prepare himself to become a Catholic, and has hopes of the Franciscan novitiate later on. Fate, however, steps in and alters his programme. His mother inherits a fortune and a country estate, and gradually, in the new environment, comfort and wealth and assured social position become the stars by which he guides his course. Afterwards he gives up his faith completely, to what he calls the claims of a larger life, not realizing that it is life itself that is over for him in the sense that he has had his chances and lost them. The story is the old one of the struggle between God and Maumon, between the things of this world and the next. Monsignor Benson portrays it with

"The Average Man" is not such pleasant reading as the reverend author's historical novels.

great tenderness and sympathy, but

with no hesitation, no shrinking from

the hardest truths.

PRIESTS IN POLITICS

"Priests in politics" has long been thought it a bootless task to seek to prolong a miserable life? But when indirectly that the Catholic clergy dominate in Irish political affairs that the priests are the cause and fomenters of all the "agitations," that only for the priests the people the past spend themselves for the would be content and loyal to British

Of course, the theory underlying all these assertions is utterly false, though at the same time it may not be denied that the influence of the priest in Ireland has been very great. For this there is good reason, and at tested from non Catholic sources. It has been well noted by Mr. Annan Bryce, M. P., brother of the distinguished Mr. Bryce, lately British am United States, who bassador to the in a public letter has observed that

"It was natural that in the past the influence of the Irish priests should be great. They come from the peasant class, and have a fellowfeeling with its ills, and were the friends (indeed, the only friends) of that class in its long social struggle. They possessed the natural influence given by a better education; and, in fact, in many parts of Ireland the priest was the only educated man whose advice and help the people could obtain.'

The priests were of the people and from the people and with the people n their sufferings and sorrows therefore, their influence was great

in the people's politics.

But what of the "parson in politics?" Have not the Protestant clergy gone into politics whenever it suited their purposes, that is to say, whenever they thought any of their "rights" to be in danger? They in politics " against Mr. Glad were " stone when he proposed the disestab lishment and disendowment of their Church—the Church of the small minority of the Irish people which the Catholic majority were taxed to support. They have been " in poliagainst Home Rule ever since the movement began. Sir Edward Carson's anti-Home Rule "covenant" was read and signed in the Protest churches. The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland" at its recent annual meet- triumph.

ing in Belfast unanimously adopted AN ANGLICAN CONVERT

protest against Home Rule That was "politics," and later still—only a few weeks ago—the Protestant Bishops of Ulster have issued a

Moreover, Sir Edward Carson has written to the Ulster Unionist Council saying that "as the 28th Sept. falls on Sunday this year," he hopes "the clergy of all (Protestant) denominations will think it proper to hold services especially fitting to can also trouble the religion of commemorate Ulster Day "—the day on which they entered into their solemn covenant."
All this is politics, and the parson

is in it all. And the parson is active in politics in Ireland every time his interests are concerned. Now, if it were the priest who was thus in poli-Now, if it tics, what a subject for Protestant protest and denunciation there would be. If the Catholic Bishops of Ireland issued a Home Rule Pastoral directing their priests to have service in all the Catholic churches in support of Home Rule and the Irish Party, we can imagine how the Orange-Tory press and platform and pulpit would ring with execrations of Rome Rule" and "Popish domination" and all the other terrible things familiar in the anti-Catholic haran gues of the Protestant Ascendancy

And it is to uphold this Protestant party in Ireland. Ascendancy that the parson is in politics. He knows that Home Rule would mean equal justice and equal right for Irishmen of all creeds. He loes not want this. He wants the perpetuation of the existing Ascendancy of his own creed. Therefore the parson is in politics in Ireland. eman's Journal.

CARDINAL GIBBONS ON CHURCH UNITY

HE REGARDS RECOGNITION OF THE POPE AS THE FIRST ESSENTIAL

Cardinal Gibbons has authorized the publication of the following stateat of his view on church unity. It is the first time that the Cardinal or any other Catholic in America of compar able distinction has discussed so freely this delicate subject.

You want to know about the mion of all Christian churches, said Cardinal Gibbons. union of the scattered branches Christendom is a consummation devoutly to be wished, and I would gladly sacrifice the remaining years of my life in lending a helping hand toward this blessed result

THE FIRST REQUIREMENT 'The first essential requirement," he continued, " is the recognition of the Sovereign Pontiff as the successor of St. Peter, the divinely appointed head of Christendom. Every organization, whether religious, civil or political, needs a head for its peace and security, indeed for its

very existence. Once the proper position of the Pope is recognized, I do not believe that the other controverted doctrines are as formidable as is commonly imagined. When a proper explanagovernment as it is, implying in short, tion is given of the various dogmas as expressed in the later phrase, that Home Rule would be "Rome Rule." people will prompt them to of the accept.

"And if the various Christian de nominations of the United States were once united, working with one heart and one spirit, what a wonderful influence our Christian forces would exert in the civilization and the Christianizing of mankind! What amazing things then would be

done for society and humanity!

"But devoutly as we wish
for such a union," continued
the Cardinal, "we must wait
for the conscience of the individual to bring about a state when union becomes possible. There are three courts, the civil tribunal, the criminal tribunal and the court of conscience. And until the last of these acts, until the soul demands united in a word, such a moment arrives, the time is not ripe."

LIFE AFTER DEATH

When asked his views in regard to the attempt of Sir Oliver Lodge to prove scientifically that after death here is life the Cardinal said that he was not prepared to say whether, or how far, the continuity of life after death could be proved by scien tific investigations."

"Of such a vague proof," said the faith in the hereafter, in the immortality of the soul, rests not on conjecture, but on a more solid foundation. It rests upon the infal Son of God lible revelation of the Who has said, 'I am the resurrection and the life.

The Cardinal returned to the union

of the Christian churches. The union of the churches," h said, " would bring about an era of civilization unknown in history. You and I may not live to see it; but it will come, I hope, and then the one undivided church will flourish and

An interesting letter has been written by an Anglican convert to her friend, still an Anglican, in which she attributes her conversion mainly to the influence of the Blessed Sacrament. She describes her visit to St. Paul's Cathedral in Pittsburg, on a certain Sunday, as

follows "I knelt on, taking no note of time and not praying much, but just comforted. Later in the afternoon I went and sat in the first pew in front of the High Altar, still, not praying or thinking much, just peaceful and comforted-like a tired child in its mother's lap. Almost idly I watched the people come and go, young and old, men and women, girls and boys, rich, poor, and the large middle class, all are represented in the procession of humanity who come to lay their cares, sorrows, hopes, desires, ever it may be, before their Friend Who is always ready to listen.

"At last a distinct thought stands out in my mind. In what other church could one see such a procession? If the Abiding Presence were taken away how long would such a procession continue even in this

"The shadows lengthen, the priests have left the confessionals, and the Church is empty, empty! with the Allprevading Presence, and I am con-scious of nothingelse. No. I cannot explain it any more, or tell any more except that I knew God's will for me and, with the Blessed Mother, I said: Behold the handmaid of the Lord be it done unto me according to Thy

"When it began to grow dark I went slowly down the long aisle; and so home like one in a dream. I said nothing; 'I pondered it in my heart.'

The same lady writes concerning the conversion of her son, whose change from High Church Anglicanism to Catholicism is attributed to the same influence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacament:

"I am sure that you will rejoice to hear that my dear youngest son is now a 'rejoicing Catholic.' Like me, he was converted by the silent power 'Prisoner of the Tabernacle.' I made no effort beyond daily prayer to convert him.

'Christmas morning last I asked him if he would like to go to High Mass with me and a young Catholic friend (a young man). In the evening e went to solemn Vespers with the When he returned same young man. ne came and stood beside me as I sat reading, and said: 'Well, mother, I have made up my mind.' I thought he meant to return to Indiana, and I said: 'Made up your mind to what my son?' 'To be a Catholic,' Oh, the wonderful surprise! For he had so frequently said to me: 'I will never be a Catholic.' "-Pittsburgh Catho-

MORE NOTABLE CONVERTS

Among the many new sects which came into existence in the early part of the nineteenth century were Campbellites—so called from their founder, the Reverend Alexander Campbell. This man was a bitter anti-Catholic, and is at least as well remembered for his debate with Archbishop Purcell of Cincinnati, as for his fairly common achievement of adding one more to the multitud-inous sects of Protestantism.

A few weeks ago his grand nephew Lieutenant Colonel Williams C Dawson, United States Marine Corps his wife and four children were eceived into the Catholic Church. This is less strange, however, than the conversion to Catholicity some decades ago of the last lineal descendants of Martin Luther and Katharine von Bora, and of the last descendant of John Knox, father of Scotch Calvinism. This convert, another John Knox, labored for years as a teaching Brother of the Holy Cross in the

Middle West How account for such conversions Catholicity was in the blood, some will explain. If that were the only explanation, there would be a rush back to the Church, as Catholicity is equally in the blood of everyone who traces his family line back for four hundred years to any European land. For in those days Protestantism was

It is easier to explain those earlier conversions from the immediate families of professed persecutors of the Catholic Church, as of the wife and daughters of Louis C. Levins, founder of the "Know Nothing" or Native American party; of the wife and daughters of William R. Smith, Levins' associate; of the daughters of Edwin Cowles, of the bigoted Cleve-land leader. These converts, sur-feited with slanders against the Church, no doubt reacted into intelligent curiosity about her, and their onversions were inevitable.

There are many conversions England, however, accounted for by the "in the blood" theory; as most of the people of England in the sixteenth century never gave up the True Faith, but were robbed of it. When it comes within reach of their descendants these know their lost inheritance and make haste to recover it .-

FATHER BENSON

HIS OPINION OF THE CURES AT LOURDES Monsignor Benson, discussing in

the Evening News the phenomena of Lourdes, makes wise and liberal reservations. "Let us dismiss as worthless," he says, "all those cases in which what is usually called hymer the control of the control of the cases in which what is usually called hymer the control of the cases in which what is usually called hymer the case in the case of th steria plays any perceptible part.' But even here, as Mgr. Benson knows there must be a reservation to a reservation. "As a matter of fact," he says, "they are not all worthless. A doctor of Lourdes told me that hy steria in certain forms was a far more obstinate ailment than, let us say, a wound caused by lupus." there are casual critics who think otherwise. So let those poor sufferers pass. "Then," continues Mgr. Benson, "let us exclude all those cases which, being known to depend on the nervous system, receive im-mense alleviation from a stimulus given to the nervous system through excitement or self-suggestion credulity." But here again comes a reservation within a reservation 'It again remains a serious question,' says Mgr. Benson, "as to why relig ious excitement can produce effects not producible by hypnotic sugges tion.

Speaking of the undoubted cures that fall outside these categories, Mgr. Benson says: "Now the world of thinkers consists of two great schools—first, those that is to say, who regard Nature as all, and attrib every cure for which ordinary medical science cannot account to obscure laws of Nature whose operations are not yet understood. Now this is a perfectly reasonable theory, granted the premises; granted that there are no laws beyond those of Nature, it is evident that every phenomenon, however remarkable, must proceed from these. It is noticing, by the way, that this theory depends upon an Act of Faith, not upon demonstrable knowedge; it is a reasonable act to make but it is nevertheless, of faith; because one cannot demonstrate the universal negative that there are no laws beyond those of Nature.

Nobody should complain if Mgr. Benson add: "Just as reasonable, granted the premises, is the Act of Faith made by the Roman Catholic." And again we get a reservation: "He does not, by the way, believe that laws of Nature are necessarily set aside in miracles, any more than that, when he lifts a book from a table he sets aside the law of gravita tion. He believes rather that other laws come into play, not contrary to Nature, but greater than it, and these he calls supernatural. On these premises, then, he is perfectly rea-sonable in attributing the cures at Lourdes to supernatural forces; for the phenomena there are exactly consonant with what he already believes on other grounds."—Tablet.

WHEN GOD CALLS

"If Mary wants to get married to a truck-driver or a car-conductor, mother is willing and encourages the match even if she has visions of a crash in the marital adventure within a year, but," says the Brooklyn Tablet, "if Mary, induced by divine grace, should seek mother's permission to enter a religious order to live its sweet and beautiful life in union with God, and for the benefit of her fellow man, then mother believes that of all creatures she is the most miserable. She speaks of the Church 'robbing her of her child,' and swears she will never consent—a truck driver visible is more persuasive than Jesus Christ invisible and his arguments receive more favorable hearing. All this from supposedly sane and practical Catholic parent makes us wonder at the patience of God with some of His stupid creatures. If God calls one's child it is foolhardy to say 'nay.'

THRICE IN LIFE TO CHURCH Writing in the London Daily Chron icle about the Orangemen a writer says in regard to one type of the

"The Belfast Orangemen who always realizes that he is the bulwark of the Protestant faith attends his church regularly thrice in a lifetime —at baptism, marriage and burial. In the cause of that faith which he leaves to the more leisured and less worthy to practice he is willing to sacrifice everything even life itselfhis neighbor's life, of course. He is the man who, in workman's dress, in the gallery of a theatre, passed down cabbages, curses and aged eggs to the unfortunate fellow who played the Friar in one of Shakespeare's plays. fight if Home He will unquestionably Rule comes. He will fight if anything comes. Or he will fight if nothing comes. He'll not use the antiquated arms imported from Italy. either. He's a man whose picture of heaven is a pocketful of iron nuts. the shelter of a side street, and a Papist procession passing. The re bellion he launches will last as long as the supply of nuts, bolts, kidneys and whisky holds out."

Such are the men who will com pose the Orange army of civil war against Home Rule.—Freeman's Jour.

CATHOLIC NOTES

The Catholic Club of New York numbers 1,500 members and has a library of 160,000.

English Home Rulers have started a movement to purchase the furni-ture of the old Irish House of Commons for presentation to the new Irish Parliament.

The Les Cheminots, in France, is a comparatively recent organization of the Catholic railway men of France. It was blessed and approved by Popes Leo XIII. and Pius X., and number

Recently the Baptist Mission Board voted \$2,500 for the work of verting " the " Romanists." of Father Kemper's parish, in a remote section of Texas. There are about 400 Mexican under his care, 5 of whom are Meth odists, the rest Catholics, but none Baptists.

The Irish College in Rome was opened Jan. 1, 1628, with 6 students. It is now nearly three hundred In its church is years in existence. contained the heart of Daniel O'Connell. Pius IX. visited the college and said Mass and held a reception in it

on St. Patrick's Day, 1860. In Holland, where the Church is prospering so marvelously, there is, like in other non Catholic countries, latent and explosive bigotry. Recently there was a huge outcry of bigots here against the honors the State. respectively the Queen, had shown Cardinal Van Rossum during his visit.

To be the Public printer for Uncle Samuel is not only filling one of the pest places in Washington outside of a cabinet office, but a great honor, or under him are thousands of employes, from the humblest laborers, to the many experts in the various branches of the art of printing. The present incumbent Cornelius Ford, of New Jersey is a Catholic.

Sir Lomer Gouin gives the foollw ing facts respecting school attendance in Quebec. Number of children from seven to fourteen years, in 1910 11: Protestants, 34,989; Catholics, 252,185 Number of these enrolled, 1910-11, Catholics, 249,148, or 9.88 per cent. of the possible enrollment; Protestants, 31,731, or 90.7 per cent of the possible enrollment.

The University of Santiago, Chilea free Catholic University — was opened in 1889, which is not yet complete in all faculties, has property valued at \$1,000,000. Attending its courses of law, mathematics, agriculture, engineering, etc., are about 700 students and over 50 professors. Its institute of Humanities has an attendance of over 400, with 44 professors. Its library numbers over 30,000 vol-

Right Rev. James A. McFaul, Bishop of Trenton, although enjoying good health, has chosen his last resting place and ordered his monument, He has gone about this gruesome duty just as though it was an every day incident in his affairs. For his grave, Bishop McFaul has selected a plot of ground in front of Morris Hall, home for aged women at Lawrenceville. This institution was erected by the Bishop several years ago and has proven one of the most successful of its kind in the United States.

The committee deputed to select the Lord Mayor of Manchester, England, for the next municipal year has submitted to the City Council the name of Alderman McCabe, chairman of the markets committee. ical parties select the Lord Mayor in alternative years, and on this casion the choice lies with the Radi-The selection of Alderman McCabe, a Catholic and avowed Home Ruler, who always presides at Irish gatherings held in the Free Trade Hall was unanimous.

Our defenders often come from unexpected quarters. A few days ago a young man, a member of the peculiar sect known as "Holy Jumpers," was encountered on his way to Chicago, by a Menace reader, who made an outrageous attack on the nuns. Denouncing the speaker as a liar, the young man promptly knocked him down. "I know that such stories about these good women are all lies, he said, in explanation of his conand I don't propose to have duct, the Sisters maligned in my presence.

After the Constantinian celebrations have closed in December next, and on the occasion of the coming consistory, which will probably be held before Christmas, it is not un likely that the Holy Father may issue a protest, addressed to the wh civilized world, against the insults that have been offered with impunity to Catholic citizens who have just visited Rome from nations, which hold friendly diplomatic relations with the Holy See.

Naples has been deeply stirred by the reconciliation to the Church of Professor Joachim Prinzi, a clever and well-known man who apostatized thirty-five years ago and became a Freemason, rising to high office in the craft. The professor has now publicly abjured Freemasonry, and has declared he desires to swear fidelity to the Catholic Church as the only true living faith, and to implore that most merciful mother to pardon his past and admit him once more to her family circle. The Italian Free masons are furious at this defection from their ranks.

PRETTY MISS NEVILLE BY B. M. CROKER

I AM ADVISED TO LOCK THE STABLE

DOOR i toujours pour principe de ne faire jamais pa e que je pourais faire par moi-meme. —Mont

CHAPTER XXVIII

Every mail for the last four months had brought me a letter from Major Percival; a letter of at least three closely written sheets. The first of these effusions had now worn off, and I found them somewha dry and monotonous. They were not in the least bit like love-letters: I might have read them aloud to the whole cantonment with perfect impunity. Generally there was a long count of balls, dinners, and fetes and the immense attention my future lord and master received from high and low; two pages would be devoted to the shortcomings of his new valet two pages to an incipient cold or touch of gout; a long list of books I learn, and inwas to read, mark, digest, was not an unusual item. The delight of his relations at the prospect of his approaching marriage and their entire epproval of my photograph, were now and then alluded to. Also the immense crowds of pretty faces upon which his eyes were constantly feasted; it was gratifying to know that not one among the multitude could compare with More than once Major Percival hinted that not a few of these pretty creatures were only waiting for the least soupcon of encourage ment to smile on him. His last letter just received, was lying in my lap, as I sat in our deep, cool front ver-anda, early one beautiful morning. The concluding page will suffice as a I have been looking at landaus, in

Long Acre, and seen several that I fancy; but I have not made up my mind as yet about the lining. I wonder which will suit you best, sapphire blue or dark green? By the way, I hope you are taking great care of your complexion, and not allowing the sun to make acquaintance with your face and hands, and pretty white throat? Apropos-I am exceedingly uneasy about my hair. It is coming out in handfuls, and nothing will stop it. Your aunt has an excellent native recipe, which I should like to try. Remember me kindly to her and your uncle, and ever believe me, yours affectionately, H. PERCIVAL.-(P. Do not forget the hair wash.)"

I folded up this letter with strange, unaccountable feeling of dissatisfaction and discontent, and glanced down the veranda, where all our party were assembled—auntie absorbed in her knitting, uncle in the Asian, Boysie Towers and his brother Boo Boo deeply intent on building a castle of bricks, while Maurice (who was sitting on the steps) acted as confidential adviser and consulting architect, with Rosie on his knee. Rosie Tow-ers, aged eight, a slender, rather pretty little girl, with neat black legs short white frock and crepe yellow no secret of her devotion; and, strange to say, Maurice submitted to her endearments and blandishments with an twinge of jealousy. In my youth, Maurice had never suffered to sit on his knee, with my arm entwined round his neck, and my head on his shoulder; he never gave me rides on his peny, nor boxes of but then I was never an alluring young person, of an affectionate disposition, like Rosie; in fact reverse, and I was distinctly plain.

"I am sure I don't know on what grounds we should have the Towers nursery in this veranda-why not have the orphanage here at once?" exclaimed Mrs. Vane, pettishly; sud-denly uprooting herself from a deeply comfortable chair, and surveying Maurice and his young companions (and the litter they were making) with an air of marked disfavor. Rosie, why do you tease Captain Beresford? You will throttle him before long; and you are really too big a girl to be nursed?"

Oh, but I'm so dreadfully comfortable," rejoined Rosie, with a toss of her golden mane; "and besides, he does not mind, do you?" to Maurice, in a cajoling voice.

the way," I observed, walking down the veranda with my letter in my pocket, "does any one know of a good hair-wash?

'Hair-wash!" echoed Mrs. Vane: "why, what do you want with one? Your hair is already below your

'Not for myself," I answered; "but for a friend. 'Ah, yes! I can understand you.

For an elderly friend," she rejoined with a look of unspeakable signifi-

'Jarvishas some stuff that he swears by," said Maurice, glancing up, brick in hand. "I can't say I've ever had occasion to try it myself; but he declares that it would make the hair grow on an old bullock trunk."

"Well that certainly sounds prom well that certainly solution from ising. I shall take an early opportunity of looking at Mr. Jarvis's locks," said Mrs. Vane. "He is a singularly wooden-headed youth."

He went to England the day before yesterday; so I am afraid you must postpone your inspection," replied Maurice, gravely.
"To England again? Why, he is

always on leave—sick certificate, ur-gent private affairs, every dodge."

right. Captain Robinson has come so the void is filled." "I'm delighted to hear it. He brings me a parcel from his sister. How is he looking?"

"Oh, awfully fit. "Oh, awfully it.
"I thought you were talking of taking a run home this year?" said Mrs. Vane, puckering her eyebrows.
"So I was, but I have changed my mind," replied Maurice, setting down Rosie, and picking up his hat and whip; "I shall put it off till next

"One wants a lot of rupees for a trip home these times," said uncle, reflectively; "you young fellows are so deucedly extravagant, and send your money flying in all directions.' Bear in mind that all your friends will expect handsome presents," ob-Mrs. Vane, impressively; really served valuable jewelry, shawls, and Indian curiosities. That will be one little item; you cannot return empty

"But I shall," replied Maurice, with decision; "I assure you that the only curiosity I mean to take home is

Who knows but you may take a wife as well?" said Mrs. Vane. with a smile

Who knows?" returned Maurice reddening slightly. Then, suddenly looking at his watch, he exclaimed, By Jove, I had no idea it was late: I must be off. Here, syce," beckoning to his horse-keeper, "come on. Of course you are all coming to our sports this evening?" he proceeded, addressing every one in general, but looking at me. "I'm one of the per-formers, but I'll keep you good places in the front row, where you will see the tent-pegging and the lemoncutting to the greatest advantage. Good-by;" and, with a wave of his hat, he galloped off followed by Tuppence, ventre a terre.

the way Pussy," said auntie, as she turned back into the veranda. I think you had better tell cousin of your engagement. need not keep him in the dark; I am sure he will be delighted."

"I am not quite so certain of that," remarked Mrs. Vane, pointedly; "but I quite agree with you that he ought to be told at once.

Shall I break it to him gently, Nora?" said auntie, with a smile.
"No, do not," I replied, eagerly; "I would much rather tell him self. Leave it to me, please-all of

anxiously around. "Of course we will, my dear, if you wish it," said auntie, with suave

Well, mind you do tell him-and "or it will be a case of locking the "My dear Violet," exclaimed auntie,

in a shocked voice, "you don't know what you are saving. Maurice and Nora have been brought up together, and are just like brother and sister. A little, incredulous sniff, not lost

on me, was Mrs. Vane's only reply, as she turned away, and began picking petals off the lovely creeper that embowered the whole veranda.

"Oh, Pussy!" said uncle, suddenly raising his eyes above the paper. could you not have waited a hair, adored Maurice, and made little longer? This cousin of yours is just a fellow after my own heart. Now I could easily understand a girl falling in love with him," he conexcellent grace. I felt a wholly in- cluded, with an emphasis by no means complimentary to Percival.

'James, James, you really must not say such thing!" said auntie, austerely. "You can hardly expect Nora to marry to please you in order chocolate, nor a magnificent doll; to have two shikarries in the family.

"I think the old grandfather was not so far wrong after all," persisted have done worse might come Mrs. Beresford of Gallow;' the latter part of his sentence was muttered to his Asian, but I heard it nevertheless, and was by no means as indignant or displeased as might have been expected.

CHAPTER XXIX

ABOUT A TIGER AND A KISS

"All men have their price."—Walpole.
Uncle's shikarry, "Mari," was a
very singular-looking old person. Your uneducated eye might fancy him to be in the last stage of emacia tion and decrepitude, but he was nothing of the kind; he could gird up his loins and run for miles; he could sit up all night on the branch of a tree, marking down the gorged tiger. he was the most knowing of his profession, the best organizer of a beat in the presidency, and the mutual and jealously guarded, enormously paid servant of uncle and Maurice. Tigers are rarer than they used to be in the good old day of John Com pany; a brace of tigers before break fast is a how unheard-of bag. They are not to be found sporting in one's compound, or gamboling on the high road, as some people still imagine. Nevertheless, within forty miles of Mulkapore there prowled a who had never yet been eater. brought to justice, though more than seventy people were said to have been his victims. With the very name of this notorious monste mothers subdued native naughty children to abject penitence and prompt obedience; and the rumor of his being in the neighborhood immediately placed a village

in a state of siege.

All the inhabitants shut them selves up in their little mud hovels till he took his departure; for he had been known to stalk through the streets more than once, and carry off always on leave—sick certificate, urgent private affairs, every dodge."

"Well, you see, he looks upon Asia as a country to be avoided, and as he has plenty of coin, perhaps he is women, children, grass-cutters, and told her own preux chevalier to go fetch—"

"Or," cried Maurice, "like the amiable creature that fluid her gold beasts, and told her own preux chevalier to go fetch—"

finally - emboldened by success able-bodied men and women. He really seemed to be the embodiment of the "evil one"—continually going bout seeking whom he might Shooting parties for his benefit had been organized over and over again, and without success. He evaded every effort to take him; he scorned the bait of a plump young buffalo. Nothing would entice him short of a solitary human being, and he traveled in too erratic a manner to fall an easy prey. Say that he had made a meal of a miserable herd boy, close to some village, and, the news being brought into the cantonments, all the noted shots would to horse and away, to beat that neighborhood; but ere they had pitched their camp fresh tidings would probably arrive—i. e., that the tiger had killed a coolie woman in a district thirty miles off. Twice he had sprung upon and devoured the wretched Banghy postman, whose tinkling bells and singsong chant, far from overawing, had simply attracted

this terrible brute. One evening, just before dinner, I ame into the veranda, and found uncle and Maurice interviewing the shikarry—a little, withered, naked savage, with a dirty turban, a belt, stuck full of flints, powderflasks, and knives. What a contrast to Maurice-tall, upright, well-built. in irreproachable evening dress and snowy linen, the beau ideal of an officer and gentleman. And yet this type of advanced civilization was literally hanging on the words of the wizened, half-naked barbarian. So deep were their confidences, so rapt cousin's attention, that he did not even notice me.

"Maurice," I said, as I stood in the doors: ay, " never mind that stupid old man, but come and help me to wind some silk."

"I will in a minute, Nora," he answered, without even turning his head. "Just hold on for one second." I felt decidedly piqued. "The idea of ignoring me for the sake of that horrid old shikarry; of making me wait while he talked to him!" I thought, as I sank into a chair with a gesture of resignation, and listened their inthralling conversation. This was what Mari was saying, with nideous faces and great gesticulation:

True tell you, sahib! Tiger done ome Nazapett country again, killing Banghy postman same like as before, and nearly in same place, two mile this side village. People there plenty 'fraiding; gentlemen tying up buffalo no use, that tiger only taking native

Dinner, dinner, dinner, good people," said auntie, coming briskly into the veranda; "here are Colonel Keith and Mr. Campbell, literally starving;" and in a lower and more impressive key, "Jim, do come in;" so Jim and Maurice were obliged to tear themselves away, and dismiss their retainer until a more conveni-

I was in a bad humor that evening, I could not tell why. Why are we sometimes in bad tempers in spite of ourselves? I was determined to show Maurice that I was not to be treated de haut en bas, so I snubbed him every time he spoke to me, and gave all my smiles and my conversa-tion to Dicky Campbell. Now Maurice did not care for Dicky, and certainly We could Richard was conceited. not quarrel with him for thinking his own regiment the brightest jewel in the service of the crown, but it was hard to expect us to go with him in the opinion that Lieutenant Camp bell was decidedly the show man Otherwise, of the battalion. Dicky was harmless : he had a kind heart his overpowering conceit was but th incrustation of the precious metal

within. But Maurice did not think so. Maurice thought the metal brass, and declared that "there was a lot of cheap swagger" about my fellowpassenger in the Corunna. Dicky had a weakness for very pronounced collars and cuffs, for exquisite gloves, for a drawl and an eyeglass, and for I think it was this latter frailty that Maurice found it impossible to

Great was the talk about tigers, beats, and kills; about the number of victims that had fallen to the man-eater, and the length of time he had baffled his enemies.

"I hear he is a huge brute, old and thin, and has lost half his teeth," said Colonel Keith, helping himself to

halas 'Just like all man eaters; they only take to human beings when they are no longer active enough to catch deer and big game," replied

uncle If this horrid beast had lived in the Middle Ages, he would soon have been got rid of," I remarked, medita-

tively As how?" inquired Maurice, with a smile; "brought down by an arquebuse, or pinned by an arrow?"
"I don't know how; but he would

not have been allowed to go maraud. ing about, as he does now. air lady, hearing of the terrible havoc he was making, would have bidder ner own true knight prick forth and bring her in the skin, or never see her face again." Especially if she had another

string to her bow, and wanted to get rid of him," asserted Mrs. Vane, cheerfully.
"Either leave his own skin or bring the tiger's," added Colonel Keith. "A case of St. George and

Keith.

the Dragon, eh, Nora?" Or," cried Maurice, "like the

"I should have fetched it," said Dick, grandiloquently, flung it in her face." Oh! fle-fle!" said auntie, shak

ing her head.
I'm sure I don't know what pos sessed me to say it. I did not mean it. I regretted it the instant I had spoken. I merely wanted to say something disagreeable to Maurice who had hitherto smiled invulner able throughout the meal.

"The young men of to-day not half the pluck they had in days of yore," I said supercilliously, "in think there is a man in Mulkapore this moment who would go out single handed and bring in the dead body of

that man eating tiger."

Dead silence. I felt that all eyes were on me. I glanced over at Maurice, who gravely met my gaze, and said in an icy tone :
"I accept your challenge, Nora

figuratively speaking, I pick up the gauntlet. 'I did not mean it as a challenge,

I faltered, nervously, not a little frightened by the storm I had raised.
"Did you not? It certainly sounded like one" - very stiffly. "It be-hooves us to stir ourselves, Campbell, and show people that the young

men of the present day are not the fainéants they are supposed to be." I assure you I only meant it as a joke, Maurice; really, only a joke," I exclaimed, with a miserable attempt at a laugh; " and, of course, present company are always excepted

"When you are pleased to make jokes of that kind, Nora, you should prepare us by saying previously, This is going to be a joke :' other wise, the point is missed; and I am afraid I cannot accept your most flattering excuse," returned Maurice,

with overwhelming politeness. I hate him to speak to me like this. How stern he looked! He reminded me of the old days at Gallow. However, times were changed; I was not going to allow him to keep me in order now, so I replied with great dignity: "I would not be rude,

Maurice, if I were you."
"That's right, Miss Neville," said Dicky, approvingly. "Just walk into him. He can be very insulting sometimes, can't he, eh :

Maurice took no notice whatever of my remark or of Dicky's suggestion, and went on cracking walnuts Mrs. Vane (who sat beside him) with the most unruffled composure Evidently auntie felt that there was thunder in the air, and made an early move, and I escaped into the front veranda with eager haste. I felt rather ashamed of myself a

sat on the steps with my elbows on my knees, staring at the stars, and istening to the croak croak of the frogs in a neighboring marsh. Never aind, I thought, I would make it all right with Maurice by and by. I had no business to say such things out of pure ill-temper, especially to himto him of all people, when I remem bered that Sunday at Gallow, and Beauty Connor. But I had no chance of making amends; Maurice's dogcart came round in a few minutes hours before its usual time), and I eard him go into the drawing-room and say good-night, offer a seat to Dicky, and drive away, without even a message for me. About 12 o'clock next morning uncle came home in a state of the liveliest excitement Before the door of his office-brougham

could be opened, he called out Did you hear of it, missus ? you think be was such a young idiot?' Then, stepping hastily out, "Could believed that he was such on infernally fool-hardy fellow?"

Whom do you mean?" we cried in a breath. "Whom should I mean?" sitting eavily down, and casting his topee

on the ground with great violence. Beresford! He went off to Nazapett last night; found the colonel at mess : got three days' leave, and, two nours later, he and that fool Mari had started alone. Madness! I hear he is not going to have any beaters nor fireworks. Nothing!"—opening his hands expansively—"but means to hands expansivelybring the brute down on foot. Just the way poor Renny met his death

three years ago."
For some seconds no one spoke and then auntie, turning to where I stood, as if turned into stone, said very sternly :

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MCDONALD'S SACRIFICE

Robert McDonald was in eventh heaven of delight. A compassionate onlooker could not have said why it was cause of joy that a notably unsociable person received an invitation for a fortnight's visit especially when the Christmas fes tivities, for which he was being asked were sure to draw a full complement of guests to Lindoris Court.

Yet the fact remained. Robert McDonald, sitting over his books late in the evening, had been over joyed by the arrival of that simple little missive.

He spread the note upon the table before him. It was not the words which claimed his attention. the glance which conveyed their meaning he had forgotten figure, and one only, rose before him fair, with calm eyes of clear, sea blue, young at the time. eyes childlike as the morning, yet in whose limpid serenity a shadow of place?"
pain seemed to linger. It was a face Rober

That gracious, womanly figure stood to him as an embodiment of the Christian ideal, "a lady with a lamp" -the lamp of holiness, of truth, of good deeds always bright, and burning beacon-wise in her gentle, stain-less hands. She was his Una, his Queen of Beauty and of Love, surely the virtuous and valiant woman of inspired Scriptures. Such was the fane of reverental imaginings wherein he had shrined the lady of his dreams as some gleaming saint upon a blazoned window. And all day long the light of another world streamed through the splendors of his wondrous window, filling the places of the scholar's soul with inspiring loveliness.

He had now known Mary Hamilton for three months. He recalled their first meeting. She had been decora-ting the church for Father Lang, and was just leaving it as he himself entered for his customary visit. He had been impressed by the strength and Madonna-like beauty of her face it was one in a thousand. Occasionally, after their introduction, they had met each other at the homes of friends, then he had called at her step mother's, and once, he had spent week with Miss Hamilton and several other guests at Lindoris Court on the invitation of her guardian severe old Mr. Anthony Codrington.

Yet, despite his opportunities, he had scarcely come to know her well. Timid and somewhat reserved, he had been sufficiently happy in worshipping his star at a distance. But for this laxity he resolved firmly to make ample amends during the forth-coming Christmas visit which he knew she also was to make. And in this intention he was confirmed by the memory of the loneliness he had suffered during her three weeks' unexpected absence a short time pre viously.

The castles built were radiant with hope, as was McDonald's gentle and unpresumptuous nature, fragrant with prayer. True Catholic that he mystery. There were passages hung was, he confided this enterprise to his Mother-Confidant in Heaven. And at last it was Christmas, the snow thick and white as of yore, the glossy holly bushes scarlet berries, the red-breasted robins tame and friendly, the atmosphere full of that indefinable, magical spirit of Yule, of unfettered gladness.

It was a glorious Christmas Eve. So cold was it that the air seemed a crack with the intensity of the icy silences that brooded over the wide white fields and the lonely lanes, unfamiliar in their "wedding robes" of now. Like the Spirit of Christman a single robin, perched on a thickly owdered branch, just level with Mo lonald's face as he sat in his trap. oured a veritable carol of glee to

"Dear little bird!" thought Robert delightedly. "Robins mean good for-tune, I have heard, and the little fellow sings with all his heart as if he were congratulating me and wish ing me 'Happy Christmas!" It is my happiest Christmas even now, and mething tells me 'twill be happier vet. A merry Christmas, and the best of feasts to you, little robin, bird of Mary, as you surely are.'

And the same elusive, boyish un-reasoning spirit of delight was with him through all that radiant evening, through all the next day's holier beauty and throughout the festal week that followed. It was paradise only to be there in her presence, only to see her, beautiful as a Christ-It was like kneeling nigh some well-beloved patron saint to be eside her, as once it chanced to him said in common by the household,

guests included. Then, from the clear heavens above, there fell a thunderbolt. The summer cloudlessness of his happiness was destroyed by the black storm wreck that drove across it. She was not for him. His golden Esclairmonde might no longer light his path with the illuminating radiance of her

lamp. Have you noticed how like an old Madonna that beautiful Miss Hamilton is?" he had one evening chanced to overbear David Kerr, a newcomer in the district like him self, ask of one of the older resi-

Yes, she is wonderfully like the Madonna di San Sisto to my mind," the other had returned, "especially in repose. It is an extraordinarily saintly and really uncommon type She and her fiance are well matched are they not? He is Mr. Codring ton's only son-you know him, Bern ard ?-a most agreeable young man What a grave medieval face his is; isn't it

That is true. They are very un usual in appearance. I hope they will be as well matched otherwise. Have they been long engaged ?"

'Oh, they were betrothed from the cradle almost. Old Mr. Hamilton and old Mr. Codrington were the closest of friends, and it was their wish that the children should marry. It was Mr. Hamilton's dying wish and Miss Mary is Codrington's ward "O God be merciful to me a till she reaches her twenty-seventh year. I have heard that his father's will leaves Bernard absolutely penniless unless the marriage takes place. But I don't think he required such compulsion. It would not argue They suggested no gay picture of much discrimination on his part, revelry and good fellowship. One would it? They have been formally engaged for, I think, three yearsthat was of a young girl, tall and maybe four. They were both very

When is the marriage to take

Robert McDonald, sick at heart, strong, sweet and true, a face like had heard no more. The stunning that of some cloistered saint. It was the one face in all the world for him. unwilling eavesdropper. He crept Esclairmonde, the Light of all the World, he had named her to himself. Was this Christmas, the

insanely happy of mood? Was it to him that that deceitful little robin had sung such encouragement?

He stared blankly out of the windows. How dull and flat, how colorless and insipid everything was! Why had he been such a fool as not to have seen before that life was one long weariness? Why was he so wretched, what did anything matter? Yes, one thing mattered. And that was Esclairmonde. She was the whole world. Surely the whole world mattered. But she did not matter to him. He must learn that. Es clairmonde-there was no Esclairmonde-Mary Hamilton, then, did not matter to him. She was no concern of his. He must put her out of his life. It was like having to learn by heart difficult and unintelligible words. He felt like a child again, at a hard school.

Several days elapsed ere he could recover his balance. Hitherto every thing had been a strange delirium to him. He could not comprehend it With the fuller realization came, however, a terrible keenness of bitter pain and disappointment. He could scarcely bear to look at Bernard. The very thought of him was agony. Thank God, the visit would

be over in two days' time-he could scarcely leave earlier without an ex-Meanwhile he chatted and laughed, sang and joined in the games with a fevered zest that made the more observant of his neighbors wonder, knowing that sudden changes are due to some cause. A strange dream visited Robert

McDonald's slumbers that last night of their stay. He thought he wandering along in a vast subterranean chamber. A thousand lamps swinging from the far-vaulted roof lent it a weirdly illimitable appearance, and a hot, drug-like atmosphere over at the entrance with strangely worked curtains of silk, passages alternating with iron-studded doors. all around this hall. While he was wondering what he should do and whither to go, a lady draped and veiled in white, with a shining lamp in her hand, his Esclairmond beckening him to follow. She bade him burst open one of the great nail-studded doors and release her Bernard. He hastened to obey and a great dragon of incandescent heat came leaping forth to envelop him in a terrible flery embrace.

At this juncture Robert awoke. was not a moment too soon. The room was full of smoke, the heat was fearful. A crackling, frightful sound all around, a brilliant glow in the garden, hurrying steps and cries of Fire!" left him without a moment's doubt. Hastily donning a strong wrap and snatching a few of the valued of his possessions he left the room and succeeded in effecting a safe descent to the garden with a panic-stricken companion or two.

Here, in the large summer house most of the household was congre gated. One had a good view of the burning building from this place, and it was a terrible spectacle. A large, square, old-fashioned house, compactly built, there was scarcely a hope for to increase the work of destruction. The flames had enveloped one whole side in a sheet that plazed up into the dark, pitilessly dry sky with a hungry roaring and crackling that made the onlookers shudder. A chill wind was blowing and this but served to increase the work of during the evening prayers that were destruction, fanning the fire and carrying it more easily from point to

point. Ever and anon, a cruel, forked tongue of red leaped forth from an other of the windows, joining its companions as a widened sheet of flame, spreading its baleful activities always further. Leaping, dancing and running here, one steady frightful blaze there, the sound of crashing beams, of splintering wood and stonework, the horrible cracking of destruction proceeding apace -it was a nightmare, a vision of

horror. The house was doomed. They were busy counting the refugees. One after another answered to the rollcall or was satisfactorily accounted for, there was no one missing. Stay! where was Bernard Cod-rington? Had any one seen him? Yes, the last that had been seen of him was in the burning house, he had wakened early and assisted many. But where was he now None could tell! Hurried searching to and fro revealed nothing, and old Mr. Anthony was in despair, for the boy was the apple of his eye. O God! what had become of him?

Heavens! There at an upper window in that raging Inferno of flames the young man was clearly seen. There was a simultaneous groan from the onlookers. It was too hot around the house-how could anyone enter. Tears streamed down old Mr. Anthony's stern face. He

"O God be merciful to me a sin-ner!" he cried. "I have sinned, I have sinned, but if Thou, O God, wilt be merciful and spare him to me, no longer will I resist Thee—"

There is a back way up, a secret entrance," came the trembling tones of Mary Hamilton. "The flames have hardly reached it yet, but I am afraid that before the brigade can arrive it will also be impracticable.

The only hope—"
"Let me go, let me go, Miss Hamilon," eagerly besought McDonald. And he was gone.

How he succeeded in battling his

way against tremendous odds to the room where Bernard had been seen, how, with the unconscious, inert load he snatched from the smoulder-

happy Christmas to which he had so looked forward? Was he the person who had driven to Lindoris Court so stone back stairway after repeated ready, he totteringly gained that stone back stairway after repeated falls, he had not the faintest idea. Dazed and half dead, between the combined action of, at one time the stifling heat at another of the volumes of suffocating smoke, and frequently too, of the keen, bright white-hot agony of the flame, it was a miracle, a real miracle, that the more than heroic feat should ever have been accomplished. an eager little crowd assembled around the stairway as he appeared, and, just as he would have dropped down it unconscious with his unconscious burden, a dozen willing hands and arms received them safely.

Bernard would live, aye, and retain no trace of that terrible night's suffering upon him, said the doctor, some few days later. It was otherwise, however, with the brave res-cuer. He had been cruelly burned and the shock he had sustained had been of too grave a nature.

"He is sinking and cannot last very much longer. A noble man!

said the physician warmly. Esclairmonde, radiant with a newer, stiller beauty, happier of face than of old, with a happiness that all the compassionate sympathy of her grief for the dying man could not algether conceal, entered the sick room again after the doctor's departure. it would be some little time yet ere he could arrive.

The dying man looked at her pene tratingly.

"Esclairmonde, Light of the World," ne murmured. Her face flushed, tears filled her Kneeling by his bedside she

eyes.

gently lifted one of the wounded, bandaged hands and held it softly. "Listen, Robert, I will call you Robert," she said. "Your devotion, your unselfish generosity was all re-vealed tome by the wanderings of your recent delirium. I was nursing you. Thank God, thank God, your reward will be beyond words. He will know how to return it to you. I cannot tell you how moved I was to hear

that story from your lips. "But the best returns that I can make to you," she went on, "is to tell you how great a happiness you have brought to me, and to Bernard also. You may know that our en gagement was more a matter of our parent's wishes than our own. about a year after it occurred, my real vocation in life was clearly made known to me, and some time later the Heavenly Bridegroom's call came also to Bernard. I had no freedom till my twenty-seventh year. Ber nard also was under age, and Mr. Anthony persistently refused to listen to us. Once, becoming very angry, he threatened us with the curse of a slighted and neglected parent should

we persevere in our folly. Bernard and I endured months of misery. Then came the fire. Mr. Anthony feared God was about to punish him by taking his son from him, and he vowed, as you heard, to surrender him should he be saved from death. Your heroism, your

noble action was God's answer. "Your martyrdom has given God a priest and a nun who will never forget you all their lives through. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, to the shelter of whose mantle I go, will receive you now. To you, under God, she owes another daughter. The Sacred Heart will embrace you, for to your disinterested generosity He owes a

new priest, another Self. Thank God," were McDonald's dying words. His cup of bliss was full-the lost life was more than found again.—Richard Grant in The Magni-

A CONVERT'S STORY OF HIS OWN CONVERSION

FAITH CAME THROUGH PAULIST MISSION

In writing down the following account of my conversion to the true Church of our Lord, my purpose is chiefly to impress upon such readers as may yet be outside the Catholic fold, or perhaps have received an intuitive glimpse of the truth. the great mercy of God in extending the infathomable Grace of Faith even to those who may have, for a number of years, entirely neglected to give serious thought to the welfare of their souls. I was one

of these. When I was born forty-two years ago, my father was a prominent dignitary in the Evangelical Lutheran State Church of Sweden. He died before I was five years old, but my deeply religious mother gave me just as thorough a Christian education as my pious father could have bestowed on me, had he survived to guide my early steps in life. I was only fourteen when my dear mother passed away also, and I was placed under the guardianship of my brother in law. My intention at this time was to follow in the footsteps of my father, thereby fulfilling the fondest wish of my mother, who had always hoped to be spared until the day when I would serve God at the altar and in pulpit. When I was confirmed and made my first Holy Communion, a year or so after her death, my mind was still bent upon a clerical vocation, and I was as sincerly religious then as any youth ever brought up in a good

Christian home. However, this first Holy Communion, or rather the preparation for it was the first thing to estrange me, not only from the Lutheran sect, but from the practice of religion altogether. While being instructed for the important event, it was impressed most emphatically on my mind that it would mean eternal damnation for

me to receive unworthily, and as there was no other way of probing my worthiness than by self-examination of conscience, I was naturally very much perturbed, since I was absolutely sure whether I was worthy or not. Suppose that I should "eat and drink eternal dam. nation unto myself," as the phrase read in my catechism, would it not then be better not to approach the Sacrament of the altar at all? For if I actually did go and damn myself forever in this way, there was no way of repairing the damage done. Yet through meditation, prayer and other means of approaching our Lord, I ed sufficient reassurance enable me to receive my first Holy Communion. It my last one as a Protestant, too, because I could never afterwards persuade myself to believe that I was worthy of receiving my Lord and Master, although I made several attempts to get into the right state of mind. Very likely my intentions may not have been sincere enough to deserve such a great favor from

At the age of seventeen, I had already finished my general college course with quite some distinction, and I looked forward, with the selfreliance of conceited youth, to a great academic career. lated in the faculty of philosophy at one of the royal universities, and as I was a proficient Latin scholar, I wrote my specimen for the Doctor's degree in that language already during the first year of my academic citizenship. The praise I received subsequently to this achievement bolstered up my pride still further, and I gradually became so exceeding ly well pleased with myself and myalleged great learning, that my inner vision covered very little beyond that limited sphere. In short, it was a clear case of exaggerated ego. I will to say, that I took up the study of law, after completing my philosophical one, I was ready to pass my examination for admission to the judiciary and administrative departments of the governments. At this juncture I was drafted for military service, snd when I got through with that, after a period of rather rough and garrison and camp life, I decided to visit one of my brothers in the United States, with the intention of returning to my native country after replenishing my inherited funds which had run miserably low.

Things American, however, suited me to perfection, and my desire for going back to Sweden waned more and more as one year after another passed by. I experienced shifting breathing room, so to speak. I can fortunes during my early years in this country, but managed somehow to keep in the swim. All this time I wants. It is true that I would have awry in some way,-when I felt a vague longing for some spiritual food my whole being, filling the dark and to build up my soul and strengthen my character. While under this mood, I once in a great while attended religious services in Swedish churches, but the shallow discourses of their preachers were not of the kind to arouse any religious fervor in me. I suppose that they mini-stered to their people in good faith stered to their people in good faith and according to their best knowledge of the bosom of his hory Church. To test ourselves we decided however, to attend devotions the average church goer received all the consolation expected and desired. When we arrived there, some minadmitted—not particularly exacting. In this connection I wish to say that God in His great mercy did never suffer me to fall altogether out of the ranks of believers. He graciously kept alive my faith, such as it was, and I remained a Christian, in theory, if not in practice. In other words I became an Indifferentist.

The years went on, and in time I married a true girl of my own nation ality. She had been brought up in a good Lutheran home in Sweden and had remained faithful to her creed also after her arrival in this country. My example and influence caused a change in this, inasmuch as she adopted the same kind of consciencereligion, as I had followed for so many years. Still she never accepted this spiritual condition with the complacency that had lulled me into a state of artificial peace of mind. She _yearned to get into more immediate communion with Almighty God, and when our first child became old enough to be taught religion, her anxiety that we should affiliate ourselves with some church was also

Fathers of New York were giving a Mission in the parish where we happened to live. Our landlord was a Catholic, and his daughter suggested Catholic, and his daughter suggested dear old country in the Far North dear old country in the Far North and deeply religious to one of the Mission services. When she came home, she made me promise to go with her to the church for sowing anew the seeds of Truth the next night. I shall never forget that evening. With the precon-ceived idea that I would come away G. V. L.—Franciscan Tertiary—In from that Mission service as little edified as I had been on previous similar occasions in Protestant churches, I resigned myself to the fate of spending a weary hour listening to a string of stereotyped admonitions, interspersed with scriptural quotations. But I had not been long in church before I surprised myself at listening intently to the explanations one of the priests gave to the

more or less silly inquiries which had been deposited in the "Question Box" at the door. First I admired what I then considered the clever argumentation of the cleric, but in a short while it dawned on me that there actually was no cleverness, much less any sophistry, needed to elucidate the points involved in the questions. Why, it was nothing but ordinary common sense and of course, the word of God, as accepted by all of us Christians in the Bible, which the priest referred to for a satisfactory solution of the problems presented. I could not help ponder ing over these instructions dignified, clear exposition of religious truths to which I had been listening. How unlike was it not to the frantic efforts I had so often seen employed at prayer meetings, when the preacher had endeavored to work up enthusiasm in his audi ence, yet effecting nothing but a sort of spiritual intoxication, at the best

I did not go to the Mission services again, nevertheless, for fear that would become a Catholic, if I did. Yes, my oldtime prejudice against the Catholic Church reasserted itself, a prejudice nurtured by the traditions and teachings implanted in me from the first day I commenced to study theology and church history, which subjects are obligatory in the Swedish elementary schools. How could I possibly think of becoming a Catholic? It would mean, as I thought, abnegation of my whole previous existence, of na-tionality, of family traditions, in fact, everything that had served to mould my character and define my station in life. Yet I could not rid myself of the impression I had received, and many an evening found my wife and myself discussing the subject of religion.

which would be slept off over night

I had then two friends who visited not dwell very long on the four years of my university life. Suffice it here was more or less of an Agnostic and the other an Indifferentist of my own brand. We often spoke of religand general course of humaniora, and when I was a little over twentyance at that mission I could not agree with them on many points where our opinions had formerly been identical. Really, in our conversations I became, half unknow-ingly, a champion of Catholic doctrines, and I remember particularly well one evening, when I smote ve hemently at my indifferentist friend who denied the grace of Almighty God as a factor in our daily life. When both of them soon after ceased their visits to my home, I realized suddenly that I had already started to cut loose from my former associations, but instead of it making me feel downcast over my rashness, it rather seemed to give me more not describe the spiritual regenera-tion that immediately transformed my soul. When I looked back now was not cognizant of any religious on those two or three weeks after the memorable Mission it seems to spells-especially if matters had gone me that the glorious grace of faith all at once flooded my soul, rousing empty recesses of my mind with the

light of Truth. I communicated my new spiritual condition to my wife, and we both responded with alacrity to what we sincerely believed, as we always wil do, to be God's own call for us to come to the bosom of His holy edge, and it is more than likely that at the nearest Swedish Lutheran As for me, I came away from such utes before the scheduled opening of services more downhearted than be- the services, we found the doors fore and with a feeling of either locked and a few persons standing gloom or irritation. Before long I made up my mind not to bother at all about any church, but to live home. The next evening, if my along according to my own ethical memory is right, we sought the passtandards which were—it must be tor of the Catholic parish in which we resided, and were received most benignly. I told him our story, and he agreed with us that it was by a special and most immediate act of merciful grace that Our Lord had gathered us in among His faithful. We received instructions during a couple of weeks, but everything appeared so familiar that both of us felt as if we had never been any-thing but Catholics. Not a feature supreme gift of faith with which Our Lord had endowed us, bridged over the unfathomable chasm of the di vine mysteries.

There is not much more to add. We were duly received into the Church, together with our little son, bysconditional baptism, and a year afterwards we received the sacra-ment of confirmation. Our Lord has conferred more bountiful blessings on myself and family than ever dur ing these past years, the greatest of them all being the strengthening of our faith more and more, as we pass the milestones on the path toward our shared by me to a certain extent.

About this time the Paulist daily prayer is that God will deign Fathers of New York were giving a Mission in the parish where we happriesthood, and that they may beand rekindling the one true Faith

PLAN FLAG FOR IRELAND

The design and shape of the national flag which is to float over the Irish parliament buildings is a topic that is now keenly exercising the minds of Irish students. It will, no doubt, come as a revela-

tion to many Irishmen when they

national flag for Ireland. The golden harp on green; the golden harp on blue, green and gold; golden sunburst on green—all are considered the true national flag of

The Irish tricolor, green, orange and blue, is suggested by those who maintain that there can be neither peace nor prosperity in Ireland until all the forces of the country can be reconciled to one common platform.

THE FRENCH CHURCH UNDER SEPARATION

From the Tablet

The participation of English Catholics in the recent celebrations at Calais and Boulogne has served to recall the present situation of the Church of France. From time to time too there is seen in the press an attempt to support the Bill for the Disestablishment of the Church England in Wales by an appeal to what has happened in France under the regime of Separation. The view of the people who thus use the case of the French Church as an argu-ment is that Disestablishment in will be justified by its results as it has been across the Channel But what is the spectacle that has been there presented to the world? We have seen the Church of France at once disestablished and dis-endowed by a law far more drastic and severe than the bill promoted by Mr. McKenna for the ccomplishment of a similar process in Wales. The Concordat was abrogated without any reference to Rome, the other contracting party; the cathedrals, churches, bishops houses, presbyteries, seminaries and the funds for their upkeep were declared the property of the departments, or communes. On one condition alone might they be retained for the use of the Church which built them or to which they had been given— the formation of Associations of Wor ship, which would have reduced the Church to Congregationalism. Pope forbade, therefore, the formation of these Associations, in which the rights of the hierarchy had no legal recognition and as a result the Church of France, with silent and locile heroism, gave up some 331, 000,000 francs' worth of property rather than surrender the spiritual claims involved in the divine constitution of the Catholic Church of which she is a member. True, she has still the use of the cathedrals and churches, but it is neither by legal right nor even complaisance, but as a mere occupant at will, because the politicians in power feared to close them and so irritate the voter. Such renunciation as that could not but strike the imagination of all thinking men, and the Bishop of Oxford, in his speech on the Welsh Bill in the House of Lords in February, said of it: "I think what attracted our attention at that time was the magni-ficent loyalty with which (the Church of France) asserted its principles and made its spiritual claims, and at the same time betrayed an extraordinary degree of indifference as regards its secular position and as regards its financial resources. I think that was extraordinary; I watched that

process with admiration.' But Bishop Gore did not end there. Whilst admiring the wisdom dis played by the French Church in as serting her spiritual claim, putting the Separation.' her spiritual principles first and her secular position and finances last, he implied that there was and would be an increasingly great revival as a result of this process of Disestablish ment and Disendowment. His lord-ship also regretted that the spiritual claim thus asserted, "bound the Church in France in such complete subjection to Rome." For this view he has been taken to task in the Nineteenth Century by the Comtesse de Franqueville in an article which, though chiefly intended as an argument against Disestablishment in Males, is full of instruction upon the real facts of the situation in France. In the first place, in regard to this "subjection to Rome," she points out that it was really "the key to the whole situa-tion. The magnificent loyalty was to the Pope. . . To me that loyalty is all the more truly magnificent, and that heroism is all the greater, because very many among the French clergy, as well as the laity, hoped the Pope would decide otherwise. All realized to the full what beggary would mean to themselves, and still more in the crippling of their work at a time when the need for temporal means was ever increasing." This is but what M. Goyau had already pointed out in his article in the Constructive Quarterly for march when he said "While aiming at vengeance upon the Pope or at his chastisement, certain of his adversaries who were suspicious of 'Ultramontane influences' have, quite to the contrary, sand oned and finally completed the full sovereignty of the Pope in the Church of France; and the very independence of that Church in regard to the State consecrates and finally completes her docility to Rome." As to spoliation, it would be absurd to suggest that the French Church desired it; as to Separation, the Comtesse de Franqueville declares that she knew of no Bishop who would have lifted a little finger to help it. "Indeed, Mgr. Dadolle, late Bishop of Dijon repeatedly told me that despite the ever increasing hostility and unfairness of the State officials to the Church, warping to this effect the Church, warping to this effect the natural intention in the Concordat, he felt so strongly the importance to the nation of that public recognition

They see that we go to church more regularly, indeed, than they do, and that we abstain from meat on certain occasions, and that we are, therefore the nation of that public recognition

They see that we go to church more taken over Malley Abbey bought with Miss Boyd's money, who if she could now speak would undoubtedly troublesome guests to provide for

are told that there never was a of Almighty God, which must cease with separation, that, for that reason more even than for the endowments, he tolerated the inconveniences and shackles of the Concordat." Then, in regard to the Bishop of Oxford's remark that the Church of France, though she had by Separation lost influence in many ways, was vindi-cating her claim to be the Church of the country, the Comtesse points out to His Lordship with blunt frankness that "there is no competition of Churches in France. The competition is solely between Christ and anti-Christ. The Church in France receives all the blows because it alone is the organized, living medium of the Incarnation in France.

The great revival in France is next dealt with, and again the facts noted

are a justification of the course taken by the Pope. "There is," writes the Comtesse de Franque-ville "more vigorous life and energy. The line taken by Pius X. as to Mod ernism has had as one result the con centrating of energy on practical work. Also, now that the Pope alone chooses and nominates the Bishops there is at least a security for choice on spiritual grounds. The connec tion with Rome has been tightened while the spell of State officialdon has been broken." But as regards the activity that has been so remark-But as regards able, its secret, she thinks, "lies in the freedom, hitherto denied, of the assemblies of the clergy, and, above for making parishes where required and therein building new churches." At the same time, how ever, not all is, she declares, as bright and full of promise as some would have us believe. In insisting upon the priceless value of the par ochial system, she states that the number of country parishes without priests is increasing, partly because of the want of clergy and partly because of the want of funds to maintain them. Indeed,

in many dioceses the situation is de

scribed as "very serious." Apart from the contributions of the denier du eulte, the real contributors re main about the same in number It is generally easy enough to find funds for a new church lay benefactor comes forward, and some of the parishion ers give generously in small sums But it is the maintenance of the church and clergy that is the difficulty. The denier du culte produces ess than was hoped for, whilst in country districts, where formerly that clergy received gifts in kind, everything is now taken for sale to the nearest market if there is available. This testimony is in practical agreement with that given in the striking article by M. Goyau already referred to. All goes show that whatever the Church of France is achieving under Separa tion is due to the devotion of the clergy, aided by the generosity of the faithful laity. As M. Goyau has eloquently put it: "Sometimes we speak of the 'cure of the Concordat,' so easily treated as State functionary, in contradistinction to the 'cure of the Separation,' the latter is a newcomer, utterly careless of earthly interests, indifferent to political contingencies, concerned only to be at the disposal of the throng, as the servant of the servants of God. And the glorious thing for the Church of France is the thoroughly apostolic ease, the glad disinterestedness, the joyous and fruitful energy with the 'cure of the Concordat' has transformed himself into the 'cure of

WHAT KEEPS PROTEST-ANTS OUT OF THE CHURCH?

PRIDE OF HUMAN REASON AND IGNORANCE OF CATHOLIC BELIEF AND PRACTICE, SAYS ARCHBISHOP MANNIX

The Most Rev. Dr. Mannix, Coadjutor Archbishop of Melbourne, Australia, preaching recently from the text "and other sheep I have that are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one fold and

one Shepherd" (John x., 16,) said: "The Church of God was to be one fold. But outside the Catholic Church there exists, not the unity of a single fold under one Shepherd but the chaos and confusion of shepherds innumerable, calling to sheep that will not follow. I speak not merely of the confusion and discord between the different sects of different nations, but of that existing between the sects of the same country and between those who, because they were born into the same sect rather than from any unity of religious conviction, sit side by side upon the benches of church or chapel. They may be, and many of them are, earn est, zealous, pious people, but they are other sheep who are not of the fo'ld of Christ. That pride which prevents people from accepting the infallible authority of the Church instead of their own private judgment is one of the chief, if not the greatest obstacle, to conversion from Pro-

testantism.
"Of course, there are other obstacles, and very serious ones. There is among Protestants an appal-ling ignorance of what Catholic belief and practice is. We live in the midst of them, and for the most part they are good neighbors, as we say, and friendly. But they know very little about our religious belief. They see that we go to church more regularly, indeed, than they do, and

on a Friday or a fasting day. They know very little else about our fath. With many of them, almost all, the rest is mere suspicion and error. They have an uneasy feeling that we give divine worship to the Blessed Virgin Mary, to the saints and even to imagines; that we buy pardon for sin in confession: that we can take out a license to commit sin by paying for indulgences; that we immure nuns in prisons which we call con vents and keep them there against their will; that we believe that the Pone cannot commit sin, and that he can bind us to accept any teaching he pleases, in religion, astronomy, politics or any other science. Is it any wonder that they do not flock into the Church? If the Catholic Church were what they think it to be, they would assuredly be bound to keep far

BORN WITH THEM, AS IT WERE "But, you will ask, why do they not seek information? Why do they not open their eyes to facts around them on every side? In many cases not in all, it is because prejudice against the Church has been born with them, as it were. From their very earliest years many of them have been taught to distrust and hate priests and nuns and to abhor what they think to be Catholic faith and practice. Very often, apparently, that is the only religious instruction the only spiritual capital, with which children are started in life. That is a definite creed, easy to reach and to learn. Other teaching in the sects is not so readily formulated or assimilated. When these children grow up the case against the Catholic Church is already prejudiced, and finally de cided. It never occurs to them to examine the ground of their precon ceived view, or to hear what the Church has to say for herself. Or, if such a thought does enter their minds, they at once banish it as a temptation or a foolish suggestion For us we can only pray that the fulness of time may be hastened, that the light may shine in darkness, that the Church may be seen in her own colors and that within her fold all those who seek the truth may at length find the peace and joy and rest that belong to the true believer.

THE PROTESTANT MIND REBELS

AGAINST AUTHORITY "Even though the mists of preju dice and ignorance regarding the Church were dissipated, there would still remain the difficulty of submitting to the authority of the Church. The revolt in the sixteenth centur began in pride, and its strongest bulwark to day is in the unbending pride of human reason. Men will not humble themselves to hear the Church. Religion, they say, is a matter between each man and his Maker. They can, they say, judge for themselves. They do not object to listen to the discourse of a preacher in a Protestant church. He may have strong, definite views and he may try to enfore them with argument and eloquence. But there is no binding or compelling authority; it is understood on both sides that each member of the congregation is free to accept as much or as little as he pleases. With the Catholic Church is it quite different. She does not commission her spokesmen to teach a number of doctrines which men are free to reject, or from which they might pick and choose as they might choose from the programme of a political party. She demands an absolute, unquestioning assent to each and every truth which she teaches to be a part of the divine revelation. This is what the Protestant mind rebels against.

"I will allow no man, the Protest ant says, no priest, or Pope to com between me and God. The Bible is enough for me. This attitude brings out the essential difference between the Catholic and the Protestant system. Is every man to go direct to the Bible and spell out his own creek, or is he to go, rather, to the Church and sit at her feet, while she teaches him revealed truths, not merely from the Bible, but from the traditions that she claims to have brought down without a break from the days of Our Divine Lord and His Apostles? The Catholic Church merely continues now the very same method of teaching the Gospel which Christ and His Apostles followed at the foundation of the Church and in the early years of Christianity, and her system is not merely consistent with what we read in the Bible and with what we know of the method used by Christ and the Apostles, but it has been proved by nearly two thousand years' experience to be the one and only system that could maintain intact that purity and unity of doctrine which was to be mark of the true Church in all ages, and even when it had spread among the nations of the earth."

PEOPLE IN GLASS HOUSES CHURCH OF ENGLAND RECTOR AT-

TACKS CALDEY MONKS

Thee Norwich Church of England rector discharged an epistolary jave-lin at our devoted head the other day, says the editor of The Lamp, couched in the following terms:

"I say nothing about the Caldey Monks who have taken with them to Rome money given them for Church of England purposes, other than to point out that it is little wonder so many 'men of the world' refuse to believe in the sincerity of

those professing to be religious. Now that the Cowley Fathers have

daughters much more even than transfer we think our Anglican brethren had better reflect that people who live in glass house should not throw stones.

Reference to Caldey is particularly unfortunate in this connection be cause it is notorious that Henry VIII. robbed the Catholic Benedictines of the island in the 16th century and in this twentieth century act of restitution the hand of God is so plainly manifest that we wonder how any reverent man, Catholic Anglican or non-Conformist, could

ROB MEXICANS OF FAITH

BAPTISTS VOTE \$2,500 TO PER-VERT CATHOLICS IN TEXAS PARISH

Recently the Baptist Mission Board voted \$2,500 for the work of "converting" the "Romanists" of Father Kemper's parish, in a remote section of Texas. There are about four hundred Mexicans under his care, five of whom are Methodists, the rest Catholics, but none Baptists. According to the Baptist point of view, this is three hundred and ninety-five too many Catholics. They need "evangelization." They should have the free rays of the King James' edition flashed on their eyes. In short they should be rescued from the "Roman wolves," and swell the number of that the 'converts' Home Missionary Society to its benefactors. So

\$2,500 was voted to offset the work that Father Kemper, the man who went down to Texas to die, is doing.

BAPTISTS BUILD CHURCH

The Baptists evidently forgot that in the large cities their churches are for the most part temples of solitude. They overlooked the fact that in the city they have proven themselves a failure, and the logical thing to do would be to fill their own churches first before they construct more empty ones. But that is not the way the Baptists viewed the situation Here was a happy hunting groundentirely innocent of even one Mexican Baptist. Here was the field of endeavor for them, so they built a church, and hired an excommunica ted Spanish priest to help vilify the religion he had rebelled against. But the priest from Chicago, has so far come out ahead.

"This will show you," Father Kem per remarked to a member of the Catholic Church Extension Society, "better than anything else the pro-gress that my little Notre Dame school

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made last year. Nothing would please me more than to be able to build a church and school for the Mexicans right opposite the Baptist

The Catholic Church Extension Society has already aided Father Kem-per in every possible way. It has sent him donations that benefactors of the society designated for his misciborium found its way down there. And evidently it was an opportune gift.

1,000 COMMUNIONS DURING VACATION "We have great need of a new ciborium now," he remarked, for every week I have to fill it with at least one hundred altar breads. This would have been enough for a whole year three years ago. vacation months I had over a thousand communio s. Let this give you an idea of what one year of parochial school life can do for a mission dis trict. This year." he went on, "I am opening a boarding annex for girls."

Father Kemper completed his semnary course in the American College in Rome, and on his return to Chicago, his health failed and he was sent away to Texas to regain it. But evidently and perhaps to the regret of the Baptist Home Missionary Societies his hour had not come. Unknown to himself, his life was to be filled with hardships of a mission ary career, and down there in Texas among the Mexicans he field. Donations for his work may be sent to the Catholic Church Extension Society, 1133 McCormick Building, Chicago, and they will be promptly forwarded to this zealous young priest, who has found life on the missions one complete tension.

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Apostolic Delegation

Mr. Thomas Coffey Ottawa, june 13th, 1905.

Mr. Dear Sir-Since coming to Canada I have been a reader of your paper. I have noted with astisfaction that it is directed with intelligence and shillify, and, above all, that it is imbued with a strong Catholic spirit. It strenuously defends Catholic spirit less than the principles and rights, and stands firmly by the time promoting the best interests of the country. Following these lines it has done a great deal of well do more and more, as its wholesome influence resches more Catholic homes. I therefore, earn-setly recommend it to Catholic families. With my bleasing on your work, and best wishes for its continued success.

Yours very sincerely in Christ, DONATUS, Archbishop of Ephesus, Apoetolic Delegat University of Ottawa. Ottawa, Canada, March 7th, 1900

Mr. Thomas Coffey:
Dear Sir: For some time past I have read your stirable paper the Carsolic Raccer, and congraulate you upon the manner in which it is published its matter and form are both good; and a truly Datholic spirit pervades the whole. Therefore, with pleasure, I can recommend it to the faithful. Blessing you and wishing you success, believe me to remain.

† D. Falconio, Arch. of Larissa, Apos. Deleg.

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SOCIALISM

"Men have been given over, isolated and defenceless, to the callousness of employers and the greed of unre-

strained competition. "To this must be added the custom of working by contract, and the con centration of so many branches of trade in the hands of a few individuals, so that a small number of very rich men have been able to lay upon the masses of the poor a yoke little better than slavery itself.

Are these extracts from Karl Mary or Bebel? No. Are they the ravings of some irresponsible socialist demo gogue seeking to inflame the passion of working men and incite them to riot and destruction of property They are not.

They are a deliberate statement o fact ; the calm and measured utterance of one conscious of his awful responsibility in face of "the momentous seriousness of the present state of things (which) just now fills every mind with painful apprehension."

Savoring of Socialistic declamation these statements may seem, they are, nevertheless, from the soberest and sanest and weightiest pronouncement ever made on the question, from the immortal encyclical of Pope Leo XIII. on The Condition of Labor.

For this disease of modern industrialism, Socialism proposes a remedy. Tens of millions believe in it. They are more or less united in a mighty movement to apply that remedy, though it involves the struction of organized society as developed through ages of Christian civilization. We hear from time to time of the imminent danger of Germany's engaging Britain in a death-struggle for the mastery of the seas. This shadowy peril fades away in the light of the real danger disclosed by the discontent and unrest in the ranks of organized English labor. The great strikes of recent years which paralyzed British trade and commerce, tied up her great manufacturing industries, and involved millions in sufferings and privations unequalled in times of war in ages past, show that England is in greater danger from social conditions than she is from Germany Germany herself faces a struggle with the growing power of socialism more serious than any war which the ambition of her rulers may involve. On this continent, with its yet unfilled spaces and undeveloped resources, the danger is not so imminent, but is none the less real. Industrial conditions are little better than in the older lands, and the conflict, though probably more remote, is, neverthefess, inevitable. Indeed in a very real sense the conflict is now going on.

Nothing, therefore, could be of deeper interest or greater utility nition of what constitutes the than the discussion of Socialism which Everybody's Magazine has arranged to take place in its columns. Mr. Morris Hillquit, a distinguished practising lawyer, the author of "History of Socialism in the United States" and "Socialism in Theory and Practice," will present the arguments in favor of the Soof his life in active service of the

organized Socialist movement, I may without immodesty undertake to present the accepted Socialist position, and to speak for the Socialist movement with some degree of authority." Mr. Hillquit has been a of the Socialist party since 1899, and to the international congresses and conferences at Amsterdam, Stuttgart, Copenhagen and Brussels.

Father John A. Ryan, D. D., Proessor of Moral Theology and Econo mics in St. Paul Seminary, and also an author of recognized standing, will combat Socialism, showing that as a social philosophy, though it reaches some glimmerings of truth, it is in the main false. As a living movement, it involves and disseminates so many and such baneful errors, social, religious and ethical, that it is a constant menace to right principles and a right order of society As a contemplated economico political scheme, it would bring in more and greater evils than it would abolish. " Nevertheless, Father Ryan admits that the present industrial system "in many of its elements is far, very far, from satisfactory or tolerable. On the other hand, it is not bankrupt. It has in it the possibilities of immense improvement. Hence we are not compelled to continue it as it now is or to fly to Socialism. There is a third alternative, namely, the existing system greatly, even radi cally, amended."

In the current number of " Every. body's" the decks are cleared for action. Mr. Hillquit and Father Ryan have agreed on the subject, the nethod of treatment, and the limitations of the discussion. It is the principles, the philosophy, the ideals and the tendencies of Socialism, as embodied and exemplified in the actual living Socialistic movement, that will form the subject of discussion. The debate will be, therefore, eminently practical and actual. The articles for and against Socialism will appear side by side in the same issue in a form available for the immediate comparison of arguments It has been agreed that the authors should exchange manuscripts and reexchange, each with the right to introduce revisions in the light of what the other had written, until each should be content.

The immense advantage of such full and fair discussion is at once evident. Too often the arguments against Socialism have been as intemperate, as ill-informed and as in adequate as the violent denunciations by which the street corner socialist seeks to uphold his cause. At times in condemning Socialism we are too prone to champion things as they are: to brand as socialistic and therefore condemned by the Church, measures which may or may not be economi cally sound, but which certainly are

not condemned. In the English coal strike the most formidable conservative argument was that the strike was unjustifiable and immoral, because the coal workers repudiated run. Some Catholic writers vigorously upheld this view. And yet it was Leo XIII, who made this deliberate pronouncement on this very sub-

" Let it be granted, then, that, as a rule, workman and employer should make free agreements, and in parti-cular should freely agree as to wages nevertheless, there is a dictate of nature more imperious and more ancient than any bargain between man and man, that the remuneration must be enough to support the wage earner in reasonable and frugal

Whether the English miners were right or wrong does not matter now. What does matter is that Pope Leo, if quoted in favor of the miners, would probably have been branded as a Socialist by the reactionaries of that troubled time.

It is a matter of great congratulation that in Father Ryan, Socialism will find an opponent thoroughly well informed as to Catholic principles, and one, for that very reason, the less likely to flinch from facing squarely the injustice of existing conditions. It is this frank recogstrength of Socialism that will do much to keep the forthcoming discussion between Dr. Ryan and Mr. Hillquit within the sphere of the actual, the concrete aud the useful.

We have no apology to make for this extended notice; we are quite convinced that our readers who follow the discussion will be grateful cialist remedy for the acknowledged for the unique opportunity it will ills of modern society. "As an afford for informing themselves of orthodox' Socialist," he says him the best that can be said on a subself, " who has spent the better part ject of absorbing interest and pressing importance. The Catholic

Church is the chief bulwark against Socialism.

"Men eminent in both thes world-wide groups," says the editor "have lent their good-will, shared in the selection, and welcomed the condelegate to the national conventions flict as one certain to be of the utmost value."

THE ANSWER

Day after day press despatches telling of war's alarms in Ulster created in the minds of some Canadians the impression that there was some foundation for believing that the British Government had reached an impasse on the Home Rule question. Lord Loreburn's suggestion of a conference, rumored consultations between leaders of both parties and the King, the silence of the Government, all seemed sufficient to confirm the impression.

It is now evident that the silence of the Government was not due to hesitation or uncertainty as to their course of action. Settlement by consent was in the air. Everyone felt that this was highly desirable, so the Government wisely allowed ample time for its discussion. This discussion enabled the people of the United Kingdom to realize that the very desirable settlement by consent was rendered impossible, not by the Government, but by Carson and Carsonism.

When this was clearly seen and the people and press were speculat ing as to the next development. member of the Government the Right Hon. Reginald McKenna, without brag or bluster, but with dignity and determination stated the Government's position firmly and unequivocally:

"The Liberal party have convic tions, and have the courage of their convictions. One of these convic tions is that in the government of the country the will of the majority, lawfully expressed through their representatives, must prevail, and upon that conviction the Liberal party will stand. There is no pos sible alternative. We are not going to submit either to rule by minority

or to anarchy.
"The Home Rule Bill will pass next session through the House of Commons, by authority of the representatives of the people, and if again rejected by the Lords it will pass under the Parliament Act.

Commenting on Mr. McKenna's speech The Westminster Gazette said :

"What the Government cannot do, without making itself ridiculous, or undermining the whole cause of constituted authority, is to hoist the white feather to Sir Edward Carson's Provisional Government.'

Contrasted with the bluster and carefully ambiguous threats of Sir Edward Carson there is a courage and quiet dignity about these utterances that will appeal to self repecting Englishmen.

Unionist visitors to Canada have been heard during the past year, so it was fitting that the Right Hon. Herbert Samuel should make a pronouncement before leaving Canada. At the Capital before the Canadian Club Mr. Samuel discussed the Home a contract that had yet some years to Rule Bill in some detail. Humorously he called attention to a fact, an outstanding fact, but one withal too often forgotten or ignored:

"With regard to Ulster the first thing to understand about the Ulster problem is that it is not an Ulster problem. Ulster sends 35 nembers to the House of Commons. who, above all, reflect the opinion of the people on Home Rule. Of these 35, 18 are in favor of Home Rule."

Another important fact to which he called attention was that, leaving out the Irish members altogether. and counting only those from England, Scotland and Wales, there is a majority of sixty members Westminster in favor of Home Rule. The Mail and Empire report describes Mr. Samuel as a fluent and incisive speaker who was listened to throughout with the closest attention; "and while he was making his peroration with all the emphasis at his command on the Home Rule question, the stillness was almost dramatic."

"We believe," concluded Mr Samuel, in ringing tones, "that our general policy, apart from details, commands the approval of the dominions in the Empire and the Government of the United Kingdom annot and will not abandon its pro posal for establishing self-governnent in Ireland."

The most absolutely plain spoken and uncompromising declaration was made by the Right Hon. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, in an address to his constituents at Dundee, Scotland:

"I turn to Ireland. Our policy, under the leadership of the Premier towards Ireland, is clear and unswerv

"We intend to create and set up an

Imperial Parliament, with a respon sible Executive, for the conduct of purely Irish affairs. We are absolutely entitled to do this, and to do , without delays. In the lifetime of the present House of Commons we are entitled to use the machinery of the Parliament Act for that purpose which was indeed one of th and explicit purposes of the Parlia-

He held that the two elections in 1910, with the fully expressed intention of passing a Home Rule measure, gave the government the fullest authority to act; " and we intend to act on that mandate, simply, fearlessly, and to the utmost of our just power."

" From that course no abuse, no reproaches, no cajolery, no violence, ought to turn us during the next two years; that is to say, before the Home Rule Bill can be fully operative

I have not the slightest doubt about the power of the governmen to carry this policy through. I have doubt of their intention to carry it through. I have no doubt about their right to do so. Still less have I any doubt about the power of the State, as the State, apart from Liberal and Conservative politics, to maintain itself and to maintain law and to put down disorder, by whomsoever it is hreatened or fomented."

Then the British statesman gave the seditious Orange agitator the British Government's answer direct and unequivocal. It is wholesome reading after the columns of Orange bluster with which we have recently been regaled:

" Home Rule has been at last carried to the threshold of complete achievement, and if that is to be nullifled by Orange violence by the minority, having the lawless audacity pose a bully's veto, more arbitrary than the veto of the Crown which has been abolished these 300 years, then. if such things could happen, constitional and Parliamentary action and patient and law-abiding agitation for the redress of grievances will in every part of the Empire and throughout the civilized world be discredited. and dark and furious methods of lawless violence will receive supreme and devastating vindication. Against such a peril, against such outrage ous pretences, the government will e prepared to take all necessary appropriate measures.

Then he added

"The claim of Northeast Ulster for pecial consideration is a claim which advanced with sincerity and not as a wrecking manoeuvre cannot be ignored without full consideration by any Government dependent upon the present House of Commons. Home Rule Bill is not unalterable out must be altered by consent."

This is taken by our frantic friend Windermere to mean that the Gov ernment is willing to exclude Northeast Ulster from the scope of the Home Rule Bill. Sanely read, the paragraph means nothing of the sort. Mr. Churchill, speaking for the Government, makes it clear to the people of the United Kingdom and to the world, that the Govern ment is entirely willing to make any reasonable concessions in order to reach a settlement by consent.

It is now Ulster's move. If Carson offers nothing but the bully's veto for consideration, then the odium of rejecting all offers of conciliation rests on him and the irreconcilables he represents.

It was a good tactical move on the part of the Government. It was good statesmanship. It was good politics. It was in no sense a betrayal of his Irish colleagues. Redmond himself said there was no concession shor of abandoning the principle of the Bill that he was not prepared to make in order that Irish self govern ment should be made acceptable to all Irishmen. Such concessions can never include the dismemberment of Ireland. Ireland could no more consider the exclusion of Northeast Ulster and Belfast, than Canada could consider the exclusion of Quebec, with Canada's chief port of entry, Montreal.

It is now up to Mr. Carson and his Unionist sympathizers to formulate their demands, to advance with sincerity, and not as a wrecking manoeuvre, any and every reasonable claim on behalf of special consideration for Northeast Ulster. The Government and the House of Commons are willing to give them full and serious consideration with a view to settlement by consent. Settlement by consent, if possible, is ardently desired by all who are not blind partisans loath to abandon their wrecking manoeuvre. We can well believe it is the desire of the King.

If the champions of special consideration for Ulster are sincere, settlement by consent is possible. If irreconcilable wreckers, on them must rest the responsibility and odium of making settlement by consent impossible. They must now speak or forever hold their peace.

What the government will do, the event of no sincere proposition on behalf of Ulster, is answered by His Majesty's Ministers in a tone and in terms that leave no room for misunderstanding.

DIVORCE AND RACE SUICIDE The report of the Secretary of tate for Ohio gives statistics of divorce in that State that are almost incredible.

The Kansas City Times has the following summary of the report:

" More than one out of every eight narriages in Ohio finds its sequel in he divorce court. Last year 43,357 brides vowed eternal love and obedience at the altar. To-day 5,724 of them are divorcees. And that is not the worst of it either. In addition to the six thousand divorces granted more than eight thousand more couples tried to get decrees failed, chiefly because of refusal of courts to grant them.

The above figures show that while more than one divorce is granted for each eight marriages, the total number of divorces sought is one out of every three marriages."

Significant also is the fact that the number of marriages last year was only 43,357 as compared with over 46,000 in 1908.

If the United States gives the nost impressive object lessons in divorce, France, decadent and dying and at war with the Church, furnishes not less eloquent statistics in the matter of race spicide. During the whole of the nine teenth century the birth rate declined every ten years with mathe matical regularity. From 1800 to 1810 there were 32.3 births for every thousand inhabitants; in the second decade 31.6; in the third 30.8; in the fourth 29.; in the Afth 27.4; in the sixth 26.2; in the seventh 26.1; in the eighth 25.5; in the ninth 23.2; in the tenth 22.2. In 1910 the number sank to 19.7 and in 1911 18.7. Dr. Bertillon pessimistically asserts that "the decreasing progression will continue until the complete extinction of the race."

In England and Wales the Registrar-General's report shows that in 1911 the birth-rate was the lowest on record. In 1876 there were 36.3 births for every thousand inhabitants: in 1911 the number had fallen to 24.4. and provisional figures for 1912 indicate a further decrease of 0.6 per thousand. The English birth-rate is, therefore, now about what the foregoing figures show for France in the lecade between 1880-1890.

The decrease from 1881 to 1891 was 34 per cent. In other words, if there had been no decrease in the birth rate during the past 30 years, the number of children born in England and Wales in 191I would have been 1.273,698 instead of 843,585.

These figures are their own com nent. It will be noticed that just as

crease in the number of births. Furthermore, those districts of France which remained steadfast in the faith are those which show the highest birth-rate. On the continued success of the present religious revival depends not only the fate of the Church in France, but the

very existence of the French nation. An esteemed correspondent refers to species of race suicide amongst the Irish Catholics of Canada that deserves serious attention. While it may be less repulsive than the callous selfishness, of which the appalling figures above quoted tell the sordid story, it nevertheless is sufficiently similar in results to receive careful consideration. In a subsequent issue we shall discuss the question.

THE CATHOLIC IDEAL

In the matter of education we have noted time and again that thinking men of all denominations and of none bear testimony to the wisdom of the Catholic Church. The recent Anglican Synod in Toronto, attended by an archbishop, seven bishops, sixty clerical and forty-five lay delegates, declared the following to be one of the outstanding objects of the synod : "To emphasize the fact that chil-

dren cannot be trained in public schools unless upon a foundation of morality and religion. Our Anglican friends are generally long on resolutions and short on

practical measures. However, this time they seem to have made some approach to action :

"A report by Archdeacon Ingles. Toronto, recommended the appointment of a representative committee on religious instruction in schools with power to act for the synod during the next few years, the committee to be empowered to confer with other communions with a view to the adoption of recommendations

to be made the Minister of Education regarding desired changes. Arch-deacon Ingles considered the present regulations inadequate and impractic

Mr. Blake held "that the 400,000 Public school children were entitled to the great treasure of minds stored with inspirational treats." In other words, we suppose, they should read the Bible at school.

'The trouble is," continued Mr Blake, "that the 8,000 teachers would first have to be taught how to give religious instruction.'

Note how lightly he passes from the Bible to religious instruction. He is right. You cannot teach the Bible without teaching religion. What sort of religion shall it be? Each one of the 8,000 teachers must make her own selections from the Bible and each must put her own inter pretation on the passages selected Otherwise the Bible will be entirely different from everything else on the school curriculum; it will be read but not explained, not discussed, not taught.

You can't eat your cake and keep You can't have undenomina. tional schools with denominational teachers teaching denomina tional religion. To teach unde nominational religion is merely to instil indifferentism into the chil-

Archdeacon Ingles considers the present regulations with regard to religious teaching inadequate and impracticable.

Mr. Blake, on the contrary, thinks the regulations give the clergy great privileges. But he sympathizes with any boy who had to remain for half an hour's religious teaching while other boys were at play.

The present regulations do give the clergy great privileges unquestionably; but how many clergymen avail themselves of these privileges Apparently the sympathy of the clergy would go out to the minister giving half an hour's religious in struction while others were enjoying themselves elsewhere, rather than the boys who had forego a half hour's play for the sake of religious instruction. At any rate not one in a hundred of them have honestly tried out the present regulations. Is it just to pronounce them inadequate and im practicable without a trial?

There will be time enough, however, before they have taught the teachers how to teach, and after that the important matter of what to teach, for the average man to decide whether his sympathy will go to the boys, the clergy or the teachers.

What a change has come over the spirit of our dreams of secular education freed from all sectarianism. The biggest sect today is that which regards all sects with indifference France has fallen away from the True they give a languid adherence Church and the practise of religion to non-sectarian Christianity and a the figures show a proportionate de- modified approval to Christian ethical standards-especially for chil dren. Shall this sect determine the character of the non-sectarian religious teaching in the public schools

THE STORY OF ULSTER

S. S. McClure, the owner of Mc-Clure's magazine, publishes in its October number an autobiography. We give below an extract from the dition of Ireland:

"I was born in Ireland fifty six years ago. Antrim, the north-east county of the Province of Ulster, was my native county. My mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Gaston. Her people were descende from a French Huguenot family that came to Ireland after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, and they still bore their French surname. My father's people, the McClures, were from Galloway, Scotland. The family had come across the North Channel settled in Ulster. After the battle of the Boyne, as for hundreds of years before, it was a common thing for the Protestant kings of England to make large grants of Irish land to Protest-Scotland. Ulster, lying across a narrow strip of water from the Scottish coast, was given over to colonists from the Lowlands until half her population was foreign. The injustice of this system of colonization, together with the flerce retaliation of the Irish, brought about the long list of reciprocal atrocities which are at the root of the Irish question today.

It will thus be seen that for the patrimony. For centuries the coun- in being Protestant and Catholic

try has been governed by and for the special benefit of these foreigners.

A MANLY UTTERANCE

It would be well were more of our Canadian dailies to follow the ex ample of the St. John Telegraph and take a manly stand upon the Ulster disturbance. Too many of them remain practically silent, afraid that an expression of honest opinion would have some effect on the political weathervane. It is unlovely and un Canadian to permit the influence of a politico religious organization to retard or guide expressions of opinion upon a great public question. The Telegraph says:

" The Carsonite movement, which has about captured the Unionist leaders, involves statesmen whose names at least would probably be writ in water, but before it is ended t may well fulfill Gladstone's prediction and rescue some of these men rom a more or less innocent historical obscurity to a disgraceful pre eminence. Mr. Gladstone anticipat for men of the Carson type not only the momentary notoriety but a sort of eternity of infamy. Mr. Law is going to speak on the platform with Sir Edward Carson in the later autumn. He hopes something will turn up from disorder, and he will ven ture timorously for a while in the work of sowing sedition in the hope that later he may glean a few stray ears from this or that corner of the electoral field. He may change his mind before going the full length, for a sort of haziness of purpose hangs about the Tory policy. the leaders were always in a state of nervous perplexity and indecision.

> LABOR UNREST-AND A PROPHECY

We have repeatedly stated in these columns, what is a self-evident fact, that after the passing of the Home Rule Bill old party lines will be obliterated in Ireland, and new forces and new movements in the body politic will give rise to new parties and new affiliations. The terms ' Nationalist " and "Unionist " will cease to have any significance, as the success that is sure to crown the work of a native parliament disarms. prejudice and gradually wins universal allegiance. The Ireland of the future will divide on new political issues. The thorny subject of education may, in the course of time. supply the line of demarcation, but we are inclined to think that the issue in an Irish-ruled Ireland will be mainly economic. The owners of the soil, and we look to the latest Land Act to transfer every inch of the land of Ireland to the people, will form the Conservative party. The industrial workers of the north and the other important manufacturing centres will constitute the progressive party. The farmer from Antrim and the farmer from Cork will find that their lines run parallel, whereas the Belfast factory hand will make common platform with his brother from Limerick.

The present labor trouble in Dub-

lin gives point to our argument.

Capital and Labor are as bitterly divided as Nationalist and Unionist in the early days of the Home Rule struggle. All the old landmarks are absent from the quarrel. Mr. Murphy, who is fighting the battle for the capitalists, a Nationalist, and owner of one introduction which will serve to of the most influential Nationalist throw much light on the present con. papers in Ireland. On the other side is James Larkin, also a Nationalist, but much more of a Socialist. The future," says the Manchester Guardian, "is likely to be concerned more with what he stands for than with any of the matters about which guarantees' have been inserted in the Home Rule Bill. The movement that he leads cuts right across old party lines in Ireland. If a native Irish Executive were in existence to day in Dublin, it would about two hundred years ago and have to deal with Mr. Larkin and his movement, and in the present critical situation it could scarcely avoid a conflict with large numbers of the former supporters of the Naant colonists from England and tionalist party, while if it endeavored to moderate the zealotry of the lookers out it would estrange the more conservative elements of that party and drive them to seek new affiliations. Whatever its policy, the consequence would be a dissolution of the old parties and a recrystallization, not upon religious or racial or national, but upon economic and social lines. The Dublin conditions most part the inhabitants of North | themselves reveal the forces that will East Ulster have little claim to be be active in the Ireland of the future. called Irish in the true sense. From making and unmaking political parthe beginning to our day they have ties, quite regardless of those politibeen but a foreign garrison in the cal boundaries upon the permanent country-the descendants of those and unchangeable character of which who in the long ago by brute force so much Unionist prophesying is robbed the real Irish people of their based." When a native Parliament is

workers in Belfast, should they they throw bolts at all, will throw them, not at each other, but at the common enemy. In a normal lreland religion will play but little part in purely political and economic issues. And the men who pretend to believe the contrary are but making a last desperate effort to perpetuate present conditions at the expense of

the many in the interests of the few And now for the prophecy. A little better than a year ago, in writing his "Miriam Lucas," Canon Sheehan, the gifted Irish novelist, described present - day conditions in industrial Ireland with the fore-knowledge of a seer. Whole chapters from his book read like the press despatches of today. "Miriam Lucas" was adversely criticized. A waste of time and talent some called it. We said then and for this we were publicly thanked by Canon Sheehan - that the author had a message for the Irish people. He saw the insidious advance Socialism was making amongst the Catholic workers of Catholic Ireland. "Miriam Lucas was the danger signal. Many, wise in their own conceit, only smiled incredulously. But the Canon has been vindicated. The red flag of Socialism has been flaunted within a stone's throw of the Catholic Cathedral, and men have been done to death in the streets of Dublin that Syndicalism might rule.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

THAT THE fraud and duplicity of Presbyterian dealings with the Ruthenians of Canada do not meet with the approval of the rank and file of that persuasion, is evident from a letter in a late issue of the denominational weekly, The Presbyterian. "As I understand it," writes a Mr. A. E. Robertson from Chatham, N. B., "we have a number of Ruthenian priests in different parts of Canada ministering to their people, the services being practically Roman Catholic, Mass, candles and banners being used. We are in formed that this is the only way in which these people can be reached. Why must this be?" And he concludes: "If these Ruthenian priests are giving their people what are practically Roman Catholic services, why is the Presbyterian church sustaining them?" A good many Presbyterians with old-fashioned ideas of honesty and decency are asking that question. Their church holds itself up as one pledged to high ideals. Curious, isn't it, how in the craze for proselytism, it has succeeded in reducing fraud and duplicity to an exact science.

or is about to be erected, in the little | Dominions—an exile which he village of Pitthem, in Belgium, to shared with his august master, commemorate one of the most re- Pius VI. It is noteworthy that, as markable of missionary careers. Father Ferdinand Verbiest, a Jesuit, went out to China in 1657. Finding him to be a very skilful mathematician, the Chinese Government attached him to the Office of Longtitudes at Pekin. There he studied the Tartar language and translated Euclid's elements. He constructed some remarkable astronomical instruments which won for him the admiration of native savants. These instruments were still in use until the time of the Boxer rebellion when, with other objects of value, they were "looted" and carried off to Berlin. Father Verbiest, like so many Catholic missionaries, combined scientific skill with humble piety. He did much for the establishment of Christianity in China, and left behind him a blessed mem ory which remains, it is said, to this day. With such a concrete example before us the fruitfulness of Catholic Foreign Missions need not be hard to understand.

OUR READERS will, we trust, pardon us a further reference to Cardinal Beatoun, whose life as reviewed by a writer in the Tablet, formed the subject of a paragraph or two in last issue. The Tablet's article is headed, "The One Scottish Cardinal," and in the course of it he is again referred to as the only Scot who has worn the sacred purple. This, as we shall proceed to show, requires some qualification, for, while putting aside "Cardinal" Wardlaw, Bishop of Glasgow, at the close of the fourteenth century, as the creation of the first thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, of the anti-popes, and therefore not, more than to any other class or body strictly speaking, entitled to be so of men in the Kingdom. . . . designated, there is at least one other We have seen how the Bishop of of a resident priest are favorably sithistorical figure who may claim the Moray proved himself a prince among honor. We may indeed say two; for parriots, how by example and by exit should not be forgotten that the hortation he encouraged his flock to

Stuarts," Henry Benedict, Cardinal Duke of York, was not only by right of succession the legitimate sovereign of Great Britain and Ireland, but that, while through a long succession of foreign alliances, the pure Scots blood that flowed in his veins had become somewhat diluted, yet that it flowed there is indisputable.

IT WAS not, however, Cardinal Stuart (or Cardinal York, as he is usually designated), that we had in mind, but Charles, Cardinal Erskine, of the famous Mar family, which figures so conspicuously in Scottish history. Erskine, it is true, was not born in Scotland, and his mother was an Italian, (of the noble family of Gigli of Anagni), but than his father, Colin Erskine, who had gone into exile because of his unselfish adherence to the Jacobite cause, no truer son of Scotland had ever drawn breath, nor one who in these later times had suffered more or sacrificed more for his birthright. The son of such a father, then, even had he never seen his ancestral country, is surely entitled to rank as a trueblooded Scotsmen with the proudest lord of a Perthshire manor, or the most thorough going upholder of his country's traditions.

CHARLES ERSKINE, though a Cardinal and a canon of St. Peter's, was not a priest. This is perhaps somewhat unusual in our day, though, as late as the Pontificate of Pius IX, Cardi nal Antonelli, his great Minister, was in the same cate gory. Erskine was by education and profession a Roman advocate, but so conspicuous were his services to the Holy See in that capacity, that the Pontiff called him to his immediate counsel, made him his pro-auditor, a Promoter of the Faith, and Consistorial Advocate. His nomination as a Canon of St. Peter's took place the same time. A year later he received Minor Orders at the hands of Cardinal York, and a little later sub deaconship. This is as far as he went in the matter of orders, though few Roman prelates of his day were more intimately em ployed in ecclesiastical affairs.

LATER IN life, as Cardinal Deacon. Erskine became Protector of the Church in Scotland, and also of the Scots College, Rome. He is chiefly remembered in English history as Envoy of the Holy See to the Court of George III. His elevation to the Sacred College took place in 1803, and his death, in Paris, where he had resided for some time, almost in poverty, in 1811. This sojourn in Paris was due to his exile from Rome owing to the troubled A MONUMENT has just been erected, state of affairs in the Papal from his native land out of fidelity to principle and to the fortunes of his rightful sovereign, so also the son was destined to die in exile for similar reasons. That the latter had no misgivings as to his nationality is Buchan, who, in the correspondence in which they were engaged, had put it to his option to write in either Latin or Italian. "Considering myself as Scotch," he wrote, "I would regard it as disgraceful in one to light he is surely entitled to rank with his great predecessor, Beatoun,

as a Scottish Cardinal. WHILE ON Scottish affairs we may revert to another recent testimony, from a non Catholic quarter, to the far-seeing wisdom and patriotism of the ecclesiastical leaders of the coun try in Catholic times. The writer of and Byways of Highland History,' has this to say of them in connection with the struggle for independence : The Scottish clergy had, from the very beginning of the War of Inde. of our children." pendence in 1296, been enthusiastic time and again into flame, the spirit that Scotland owed her independence to the Catholic clergy of the

continued in the field, and how he re- | has sponded to every call, to any effort, however desperate, which was aimed against the hated domination of England." Once more: "By following to the end the difficult and hazardous way on which they had embarked ten years before Bruce was crowned at Scone, they (the clergy) won through to the goal of their desirea Church, a throne, and a kingdom each free of English domination.

A TESTIMONY such as this is of deep significance. No means were neglected by the first "Reformers." to delude the people into the idea that the Church had no thought but for her own aggrandizement. For four long centuries has that lying tradition held sway. Now, however, those whose province it is to uncover the real facts of history are coming to realize the truth about pre-Reformation times. Little by little the overlaying mass of falsehood and treachery is being removed, and the Church of that period; in Scotland as well as in England, stands forth as the beacon light of true patriotism, the upholder of the rights of the people, and her clergy as the friends and fathers of the poor. It remained for the fanatical crew of "Reformers" to set the new fashion of bartering their country for filthy lucre.

THE LEAKAGE

To the Editor of the CATHOLIC RECORD Sir,-the Fortnightly Review (U. S.) guage is responsible for the fact that Catholics of North America are fewer by several millions than they should be by natural increase and by immigration. Possibly its editor holds that if German had been the dominant language of the United States and Canada, no such leakage would have taken place. "Columba" sides with him in part, but substitutes literature for language, assuming, I suppose, that English literature cts people in America to a degree not known or experienced in Ireland There has been no conspicuous leak age in Ireland through English liter ature, and to say that their descend ants in America lost the faith in many cases by reason of a language which they brought with them seems been the languages of paganism for centuries before the time of St. Paul; but we powhere find him advising Christian Jews to cultivate national language as a guardian of their faith. On the contrary he advices them strongly and repeatedly to cultivate that attitude of mind which enables one to say: "There is neither Jew, nor Gentile; there is neither Greek nor Scythian." umba" is much nearer the truth

when he adds: Priests were few. The Irish Church had its work cut out for it at home. The stream of foreign missionaries from its shores had not yet begun. And so these exiles from Erin went unshepherded. the faith themselves, but their childrifted away, entered into marriages, and soon were to be found at the Methodist meeting house. And so to day we find bearers of grand old Catholic names belonging to every possible denomination and

This is true and well expressed. seen from his reply to the Earl of The only reason why I wish to supplement it is that what happened in the United States half a century ago and more is happening to day in Can-ada, west of Lake Superior, on a smaller scale,-not through lack of priests nor because the priests are of this or that nationality; but because our people scatter unguided and settle make use of any other language but too often in the midst of non-Cathothat of our own country." In such a lic neighbors. It is difficult for us the east to realize the effect of this, because we do not realize the size of that part of Canada, or the impossibility of any number of priests attending effectively to the spiritual needs of people scattered promiscuously over so vast a territory. To say that the Irish came irst to America unshepherded is not the full explanation. The unguided scattering of them over a vas country must be taken into account. have in mind two small groups of an interesting series of papers in the Inverness Courier. "Highways Eastern Canada about a century ago. They found themselves surrounded by non Catholics. In the case of one group the parents said to one another: "There is no danger of us losing the faith : but what will become properties and moved to a part of the country where Catholics were, and supporters of Scottish freedom, and, more than any other section of the remained. All the descendants of community, had kept alive and fanned the former group are now Catholics, time and again into flame, the spirit and all the descendants of the latter of resistance to England." Or, again: are Protessants. be found in more than one province are Protestants. Similar facts may "It is indeed not too much to say of Canada, and there are thousands of Catholic parents in Western Canada now whose descendants will be non-Catholics fifty years hence. It is not a question of having to go eight or ten miles to a church. People who are within that distance uated. But when a few Catholic families, or a single family, are so isolated that their children grow up with out ever seeing a Catholic church picus and amiable "last of the rebel, how, when all seemed lost, he age is almost inevitable. Leakage

many causes, but isolation is the chief cause in the case of Canadians. What can be For one thing, we can warn Catholics at home that if they go West they are bound to seek settlement in places where their children will have a fair chance of preserving the faith. For another thing, we iastical geography of the West, and be in a position to answer when asked about conditions in given places. In the third place-but then, what is the use of enumerating remedies which are not likely to be

applied? past, there is an element of importance not taken into account in the calculations usually given. Anyone who takes note of the extraordinary number of old bachelors and old maids in our English speaking Catholic groups throughout the country, especially in rural districts, will readily see that our natural increase of population must be subnormal An elderly man has, let us say, five hundred acres of land and one son. The son wishes to marry and have a home of his own. The father refuses to divide the farm or in any way belo the son to marry. The sor either stays on the farm and becomes an old bachelor or goes out West, or perhaps goes to a neighboring city to become a manual laborer. This sort of thing is going on all over the country. The natural increase as sumed in calculations of leakage is too large, leading to a false conclu-

For the CATHOLIC RECORD IN MEMORIAM

CANON SHEEHAN By Rev. D. A. Casev, (Columba

Canon Sheehan is dead. The blinds are drawn in the quiet house in Doneraile that millions of admirers had learned to regard as a shrine. The well-loved books, companions of many a lonely hour, are never again to know the touch of the hand that is cold in death. The great heart is silent. The pen is laid aside forever. The mighty intellect will answer no more to the prompt

Outside the autumn leaves litter the gravelled walks that had so often answered to his footstep. The birds sing to. He who loved them hears instead the music of angelic choirs. The flowers to which he had whis pered so many beautiful thoughtsthat had known his secret sorrows and his surpassing joys-they, too are dead. One feels that it is better They would not want to witthus. ness his passing.

In Mary's Rosary month he died And as we looked down upon the dead face we know that is what he would have wished. For as he was Irish in everything, he was Irish also countrymen and women have loved her from the beginning. And al though fame was his such as has no been vouchsafed to any Irish priest of his generation, we who knew him are confident that he valued one Rosary chaplet more than all the wreaths an admiring world showered upon him. He had written well of Mary. He had served her long. It meet, then, that in her month of the Rosary she should take him to herself, and introduce him

Canon Sheehan is dead, and to day Ireland is mourning her greatest son It may be that in the stress of great political issues she may have ap peared to some not to have given him that meed of reverence that was so all that, in her heart of hearts, she loved him. And he gave her back love for love. Faith and Fatherland were the twin passions of his life. To them he consecrated his every thought, his every gift. And what a splendid heritage has he not be-queathed her? It is too soon to easure the grandeur of his gift to Irish and Catholic letters. We must leave it to posterity to pronounce the verdict, but we have little doubt that it will be a generous one. He sought no worldly praise—indeed he shrank from it. He wrote because there was that within him that would not be denied because he had a message for his beloved Irish people and for the world at large. He could preach to his congregation in the little village church, but he was truly Catholic in this that he regarded the world as his parish. His voice could reach but a few. He could touch thousands with his pen. He believed in the written word, and nence he wrote. He knew that many would misinterpret his motive-that much unjust criticism would be passed upon him, but that way lay the path of duty, and he never hesitated about the choice. It was only the other day that he wrote to "You are right in thinking that the profession of letters is a thank-less one; and what is most strange is, that our Catholic papers and magazines are constantly clamoring for Catholic writers, and then holding their very best authors up to scorn. But I have a conviction that any writer who is conscious of having something to say to the world and has the gift of literary expression must utter the word that is in him, regardless of its consequences to himself. I do not know of any writer who has passed through life anscathed. There always will many small natures, whose delight is lestruction." Canon Sheehan had 'something to say to the world." and

he said it "regardless of the consequences to himself." And now the

critics will cover his dead face with wreaths. It has been ever thus. is only when the angel of death has removed the veil that we see our prophets in their proper perspective. It was our privilege to receive a personal letter of appreciation for our review of his last published book, "Miriam Lucas." And we then expressed the hope that it might be our pleasing duty to review many more volumes from that holy place of Irish and Catholic letters—the quiet study at Doneraile. And now to think that the gifted pen is laid aside forever! With sorrow as for a be-

oved friend we mourn his passing. Peace to his ashes Canon Patrick Arthur Sheehan, D. D., P. P., was born at Mallow, Co. Cork, in 1852. He received his early education at the well-known Irish Ireland College of St. Colman's Fernoy, and was ordained to the priest hood at Maynooth College in 1875. He served two years on the English mission in Devonshire, where his preaching and personality made him at once remarked and appreciated, although no hint was then given of his future career in literature. Subsequently he was curate at Queens town and Mallow, becoming parish priest of Doneraile in 1895. He was installed Canon of the Chapter of Cloyne in 1903, and received the degree of D. D. from Leo 13th, who also sent him a medal in recognition of the service rendered religion by his the service rendered religion by his writings. His published works include "Geoffrey Austin," "The Triumph of Failure," "My New Curate," "Luke Delmege," "Cithara Curate," "Luke Delmege,
Curate," "The Spoiled Priest," "The
Meg," "The Spoiled Priest," "The
Lost Angel of a Ruined Para"Under the dise," "Lisheen," "Under the Cedars and Stars," "The Blindness of Dr. Gray," "Glenanaar,"
"Parergra," "The Queen's Fillet." "The Intellectuals," "Early Essay and Lectures," and "Miriam Lucas. Early Essays Among his papers is the manuscript of a new novel of Irish rural life, The Graves at Kilmorna," Of his Triumph of Failure," Dr. William Barry, himself a distinguished author-priest writes: "The other day I opened Father Sheehan's volume. I read and read, and was de lighted. He had written a story. but he was preaching a crusade man. English, secular and sacred with flashes and gleams, undoubted ly of genius; in a language always touching, often exquisite; and deeper than all these fine qualities which become an eloquent style was the austere, kindly, imaginative mood. Celtic and none other, that had seemed to be falling out of a world not worthy of it. It is a trumpet call to our people." The author himself says of two of his books There are in both books many ancillary and collatteral issues, but the teaching of "My New Curate is the 'per crucem ad lucem,' the per aspera ad adstra 'of Catholic truth : and the central idea of "Luke Delmege" is the doctrine of vicar ious atonement, which is the great dogma of Christianity.

the sad news of his death, we paid our tribute to Canon Sheehan as an nterpreter of the Irish mind Amongst the many who have writ-en of Ireland and her people, Canon Sheehan stands in a class apart. He is of their very own kindly Irish of the Irish" able to enter into their every feeling, sounding the uttermost depths of their rts. Others saw but the husk Canon Sheehan looked deep down so could not understand them, even if they would. Canon Sheehan was one with them in everything. His hid his head and was ashamed. faith was their faith ; his inspiration was theirs. An author must have genius, but he must also have the know whereof he writes. And no Irish writer of this or any other age has been so eminently endowed with anxious multitudes now keep watch This it is that explains the wonderful charm of the Canon's books. Lever and Lover and Carleton gave us caricatures of Irish life. Canon Sheehan gave us portraits true to life—living pictures, as it were. And it is because of this that he has won all our hearts. We have seen Ireland traduced in the name of literature. We have grown hot with indignation at disgusting caricatures abelled 'art.' We longed for the coming of a real artist who would expose these monstrosities for the impostures that they were. And then one day we stumbled upon "My New Curate" and we knew that we had stumbled upon the one man who was qualified to give expression to the Gaelic soul. * * * The world read and was delighted. A new star nad arisen in the literary firmament and Catholic Ireland was vindicated

Writing last week, ere yet the

wires had flashed across the waters

In his priest studies we see the gifted author at his best. Even a superficial acquaintance with them places it beyond the possibility of doubt that he has enriched most loveable priestly characters pen of writer has ever portrayed. How many millions of readers have laughed and fraternized with "The Inseperables?" How many have knelt in spirit above the rough flag-"Luke Delmege" in the little chapel of Rossmore? And which of us all And so requiescat. but felt better after a little talk with dear old "Daddy Sheehan has done " Daddy Dan?" Canon much to break

ing heart of Ireland. As Moore's Melodies were sung in select drawing rooms where otherwise to men-tion the "mere Irish" would be considered vulgar, so "Daddy Dan" and "Luke Delmege" and "Father Tim" and "Dr. Gray" have been entertained by people who would not as much as notice a mere priest in the flesh.

But if the priest in literature the Canon's peculiar field, he has a scarcely less remarkable claim to recognition for the splendid pictures of Irish family life he has given us. Let us quote one or two examples. Here is his description of that grand old Irish custom of the family Rosary. "A whole family, three generations of them, were gathered into the father's bedroom. They were saying their night prayers before grandmother was reciting the first decade of the Rosary as we entered. We knelt. When she had finished she looked around and said go on.' Alice was a tiny tot of seven summers. She promptly took up the recitation, repeated the form of as found in Catholic prayer books, and slowly and sweet. y gave out the decade to the end. The grandmother looked around again and called out, 'Go on Willie. Willie was the father, a gray-haired man of fifty seven. In the mother's imagination he was still but the child she had carried in her arms half a century ago. Willie finished, and the aged mistress of ceremonies called out, now a grandchild, now the mother, until all was ended. Then the children kissed 'good-night' and departed. Very realistic is this picture of the village children going to confession: "There in my armchair I sit, with the old cloak wrapped around me that sheltered me many a night on the mountain. And there the little children come not a bit shy or afraid of old " Daddy Dan." They pick their way across the new carpet with a certain feeling of awkwardness, as if there were some pins and needles somewhere, but when they arrive at safe anchorage, they put their dirty, clasped fingers on my old cassock, toss the hair from a free press if nobody will read? Let their eyes and look me straight in us explain. In the old days almost the face, whilst they tell their little story to me and to God. They are together could set up a daily newsnow well trained in the exact form of confession. Father Letheby has drilled them well. But, dear me, what white souls they are? Poverty and purity have worked hand hand to make them angelic, and their faces are transfigured by the light that shines within. And their attenuated bodies show clearly the burning lamp of holiness and faith, as a light shines soft and clear through the opal shades of porcelain and sevres. And the little naidens always say 'tank fadder,' when they receive their boys say enance; and the right.' I sometimes expect to hear old fellow' added." One more exquisite picture—this time the death-bed of Mrs. Delmege. "Mrs. Delmege lay upon her death bed. The physicians had been called in and had shaken their heads. This mors, said one to the other. And those around the poor patient understood. And she also understood.

"Than' God' she said. 'He has given me a long and a happy life; and now He calls me to Himself. Welcome be His holy will. But I'm sorry for Mike. He'll be lonesome But I'm glad it isn't I am over his

"Luke came over to Lisnalee. and asked, with faltering voice, how into their very soul. Others were she was, she only took his hand, his priestly hand, and kissed it passionately. Then she spoke of the King of Terrors with such disdain that he

"What should I be afraid of?' she their inspiration; his outlook in life cried. 'Sure 'tis as natural to die as to live; and what is it but goin' to Sure I have had all I wanted in this life. Me daughter in the convent, and me son; here she kissed Luke's hand again, at the altar of God. What more would any woman

want? 'An' I mind the time,' she continued after a pause, 'when you, Father Luke, wor only a weeshy boy in me arms; and such a rogue as you wor too. Father Dempsy that was here before Father Pat, God be good to him, and to all our good priests, used to have the greatest fun wid you. And wan dey, when you caught his big, bony finger in your little weeshy fingers, and wouldn't let him go, he said, 'Mrs. Delmege, we'll make a bishop of this fellow.' I'd be satisfied, sez I, if the Lord would only make him a priest.' An' sure I got me wish. an' what more could mother's heart desire ?"

weeping, 'and we'll have many a pleasant day again in Lisnalee."

"No.' she said. 'The death is on how many Masses now, Father Luke, will you say for me whin I'm gone?'

We might quote whole columns like this, but space forbids it. We have quoted enough to show the exquisite beauty of Canon Sheehan's writings. It only remains for us to ask the charity of your prayers for Catholic literature with some of the this beloved Soggarth Aroon who sleeps his last sleep beneath the soft, grey Irish sky. Let us keep his memory green as the shamrocks above his new-made grave, and in the way of all ways that he would have us remember him by bringing the message of his books home to those who are as yet ignorant of it.

Every really able man, if you talk down the walls of prejudice by giving us these delightful creations of his facile pen straight from the living the short of what it should be.

A PRIEST'S ADVICE

Recently an eloquent priest said in his sermon: "if you have but one nickel to divide between the church collection and your Catholic paper,

give it to the paper."

Now, this was solid, praiseworthy advice. The Church needs money, but under the present condition of things the Catholic newspaper needs more. The Catholic paper can do a missionary work-thr times as great as that of any band of missionaries. It can go into remote places where there is no Catholic Church, and where perhaps no Cath olic priest has ever been. It often supplies the place of Sunday school and church service. It can keep Catholicity alive, where otherwise it would have been dead a long time ago. It is a light in the wilderness and a safeguard in the fastnesses of the mountains, where the population is sparse and the erection of a church would be impossible. It can reach nooks and corners where the mission ary chapel on wheels cannot plow its

Something has been done, and is still being done occasionally to stimulate Catholics to the better support of the religious press. But it ought to be done incessantly. To make an increased circulation the propaganda must not cease. Pastors make it a frequent theme of their sermons. It is the Catholic newspaper that may reach the lost sheep the desert and bring him safely back to the fold. God bless the in creased circulation of the Catholic newspaper.-Buffalo Union and

NEWSPAPER PUBLISHING TO-DAY

"Like a lot of other platitudes, the o called liberty of the press has long been worn threadbare," says the "While we still have the liberty of publishing we have practically lost the right to a hearing. What is the use of free speech if no body will listen? What is the use of anyone who could get the materials paper or journal, and he was sure that people would read it. He could get out typographically as good a sheet as the rest of them, and his success or failure rested on his message and the way he put it. He was man speaking to men, and he sure of an audience. But of late years typography has ousted thought People to-day buy a paper for the the headlines, for the number of comic supplements, and for the weight of the wood pulp they can get for a nickle or a cent. Everyone knows that the nickel or a cent doesn't be gin to pay even for the printer's ink, and that the big Sunday sheet is really an elaborate dodger given away for the sake of the advertising The result is that newspaper publish ing has become a trust. Only a mil-lionare individual or a millionaire corporation can now afford to publish a daily newspaper. The people in their desire to get luxuries nothing have sold themselves as of old time the Roman citizens sold them selves for a dole of bread and a pass

THE SECRET

Quoting Protestant authorities as to the moral senect of Catholicity staff correspondent of the Catholic

Herald says Another Protestant contributes to 'Christian at Work,' the statement that 'while under the guidance of their priests Irish women as a class enjoy, and with justice, a reputation or respectability of conduct unsurpassed, if equalled, by any women in the world. 'Rome' as Mr. J. A. Froude declared that: 'Impurity was almost unknown in Ireland, and this absence of vulgar crime and this exceptional delicacy and modesty of character is due a their everlasting honor to the influence of the Catholic clergy.' morality is scarcely known among the Catholics,' writes Mr. Harold Begbie, in a chapter on Belfast. 'In Catholic Ireland,' he tells us, 'even among the most ignorant of the peasants, spiritual life is the supreme reality,' and he records the tribute paid by a Protestant business man in the South: 'In family life the Catho lics are superior to the Protestants The purity of their women is extra ordinary. The Catholics have the secret of the moral life."

By their fruits you shall know them. Another Protestant authority writes: "It is the general belief in Ireland, a belief expressed to him by trustworthy men in all parts of the country, Protestant as well as Catholic, that the singular purity of life among the people there is due to the practice of confession."

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THE TRUE FOLLOWER

Be followers of me, brethren." (Philip iii, 17.) In his epistle to the Philippines St. Paul exhorts them to lead better lives. He proposes his life as a Be followers of me," he says. Do not follow the teaching of false prophets. Do not follow those whose god is their appetite, whose end is destruction, who are continually seeking the good things of the world to their soul's detriment.

Many seek their happiness in the wealth, the honors, or the pleasures of the world. Do not imitate them but" be followers of me" says St. Paul, as I am of Christ Who is the way, the truth and the life-the way we must follow, the truth we must believe if we wish to attain a life of

everlasting happiness.
As is well known, St. Paul, who thus exhorts the early Christians to follow his example, was, before his conversion, a persecutor of the Church. It was after his miraculous conversion that He made this exhortation. If, as a Jew, he hated and persecuted the Church of Christ, he was honest in his convictions.

He does not wish the Christians to

imitate his deeds done before the gift of grace opened his eyes to the light of Divine truth. It is his life after his conversion, when a true Christian, a follower of Christ in deed and in word, that he wishes us to imitate. For Saul, the bitterest foe of Christ, became Paul, the zeal ous Apostle, the ardent disciple, and

the humble follower of the God-man. St. Paul's life is an inspiration. Travelling thousands of miles over land and sea under the most difficult circumstances, enduring trials and privations of a hundred different kinds, suffering shipwrecks, scou gings and imprisonment, he patiently endured all for Him Whose follower he was. Undaunted by trials, suffer ings and persecutions, he sowed the seed of the Gospel in Western Asia, in the islands of the Mediterranean, and in various parts of Europe.

His success was wonderful. He did more for the propagation of Christ's Church than any other man. Relying on the power of God, he wrought miracles of grace in the hardest hearts. Working principally among the Gentiles, their idols everywhere gave place to the Cross of the Crucified One.

Simple, sincere, earnest and zeal-ous, St. Paul had a great influence on everyone, even on the greatest and most learned. Hundreds moved by his words and example gave their

lives to further God's glory.

For God's sake Paul suffered everything. He denied himself, suffered willingly and made great sac rifices in order to lead souls to God. His life is a beautiful one for us to

The true follower will endeavor to imitate the life of St. Paul as he imitated the life of our Divine Model. The true follower will, in imita-

tion of St. Paul, be a zealous mem ber of God's Church. He will lead a good, upright, Christian life. will have charity towards all, malice towards none. At all times he will do his duty to God, to his country and to his fellow-man. He will be honest, honorable, upright, pure and temperate.

e true follower of Christ, having imitated St. Paul's beautiful Christian life, when his time comes to die can say with the Apostle: " have fought the good fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith. As to the rest, there is laid up for me a crown of justice, which the Lord, the just Judge, will render to me in that day." (II Timothy iv, 7. 8.)

TEMPERANCE

BEER AND LABOR

One of the most common customs among certain classes of laborers is the drinking of beer. During the noon hour the can of beer is passed from one man to another, it being regarded as an obligation to imbibe the beverage. To refuse invites ridicule and possibly a discharge from the ranks. The man must be strong indeed to endure the sneers of his fellows. It has also been taught incorrectly that it is a necessity to drink the beverage. It is a peculiar fact that one person may eat meat and another only vegetables, yet the two do not enter into unpleasant argument; but the advocate for beer will insist that all total abstainers are fanatics. The drinker is absolutely sure that he is right and will not tolerate any argument, no matter how reasonable. The condition of his mind is such that he maintains an attitude of contemptuous indifference to all opinions conflicting with his own. As the alcohol further affects his brain this indifference is increased, and his "hard luck" is considered to be due to all other causes and not to his self-indulgence. organic changes due to alcoholism are as permanent as those resulting from any other major disease.

The effect of beer upon the muscles is a brief stimulation of but a few minutes followed by a period of two or more hours of depression with loss of efficiency. Although the individ-ual commonly believes that he is accomplishing more work, actual measurements disprove this belief. No healthy muscle needs the momentary stimulation of alcohol; weak and exhausted ones need rest. The most effective means of restoration and exhausted ones need rest. The McTaggart, 155 King Street East, Toronto, Canada.

are early hours of retirement and a day of leisure once a week. Tests have been made repeatedly among soldiers and laborers, especially when the men were not aware of the experiments, and it has been conclusively shown that the use of alcohol in the smallest quantity is detrimen-tal to the physical endurance, whether it is in the tropical or arctic climates.

Many peculiar accidents are due to the stupefying effect of alcohol or some other narcotic. This especially true in relation to the positions of chauffeur, engineer, motorman, where the human agency is sometimes uncertain and may fail in crisis. The benumbing action of the upon the brain may not be detected, yet it is present, and the person is in an irresponsible condition. So serious is this condition that it is inadvisable to trust any drinker of alcoholics, even a moderate beer-drinker; for there is a great danger of his "slipping a cog" at an important moment and terrible disastrous resulting. The deleterious action of alcohol has been shown to exist for several days after a debauch during which time the individual is not in a normal or responsible con dition.

It is a mistake to suppose that all persons under the influence of liquor must stagger about the streets, or talk thickly, or have a dull expression of countenance. These symptoms may be absent, yet the brain can be subjected to detrimental influences which are not apparent to the drink er himself nor to the casual observer but they can be detected by psychological tests.—Dr. Lane.

PLACE WHERE PROHIBITION IS NOT NEEDED

When Father Holland, C. SS. R. arrived on board the "Meigle" in Port Saunders, N. F., to give a mission recently, he was accorded an enthusiastic reception at the wharf. At first," says the Newfoundland paper from which we take this "the passengers on the Meigle' were puzzled to see the disof bunting and the arches built along the way which he had to pass to the chapel or the residence of Mr. E. F. Goff, J. P. When he appeared on deck forty muskets thundered out a salute and the firing was kept up for some time, then a crowd of stalwart fishermen shouldered arms, formed a guard of honor, and accompanied the missionary to Mr. Goff's house whose guest he was during his stay. The people of the port regret his departure and hope to see him again at no distant date. Then the paper adds:

"Prohibition by law on the West Coast is now unnecessary as far as Catholics are concerned, every man in the congregation, as in the other places visited, having taken the pledge before the good priest left for the Southern Coast to continue the work which he is doing."

THE POWER OF THE PLEDGE The following story often told by Archbishop Ireland (as well as its sequel), we take from the Catholic

"Not long ago, I was strolling of summer evening along one of the streets in the uppertown of St. Paul. The figure of a friend of mine was seen, hammering a piece of wood in front of a new and neatly-built cot-I approached with the salute: tage. Well, Patrick, what are you doing here?' 'Industrying,' answered he 'putting some last touches to this house of mine. 'This house of yours,' I replied. 'Have you had the money to pay for this fine building?' 'This house of 'Yes, indeed,' he answered: 'this house is paid for, and so is the next house, mine also—one to live in, the other to be rented to some neighbor.' My wonder grew. 'Why, how is this, Patrick? I remember well when you had very little money.' 'So do I re-member,' replied Patrick, 'but I have found the money. You, Father Ireland, gave it to me.' Still more did my wonder grow. 'Come inside,' continued Patrick, and in an instant, following his quick pace, I was upstairs in Prtrick's bedroom, 'Look here,' he said: 'here is the deed of gift.' I looked: on the wall, above the bed, nicely framed, was the document: 'I promise to abstain, during my lifetime, from all intoxicating drinks-signed, Patrick --- Witnessed, John Ireland.' The mystery of the two houses, the property of Patrick, was explained. With gladsome hand I saluted him:

with warm heart I prayed for further success to the cause of total abstin-It appears, from a correspondent of the Catholic Bulletin, that this man who ascribed his success to the total abstinence pledge administered by Father Ireland, died the other day in

St. Paul. The correspondent writes:
"A faithful total abstainer Patrick Leo ever was, from the day, now forty-three years ago, when he gave his promise to Father Ireland, down to the moment when death bade him to another world. Whether the old paper is still extant, I do not know. If so, it is a sacred relic, telling of self-abnegation, of virtues nurtured by it, of peace and happiness begotten from it, along the years of nearly half-century.

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ARNOLD AND THE **JESUITS**

Some fifty years ago Mr. Matthew Arnold published a volume entitled "Schools and Universities on the and the tutoring as well as the class-Continent," in which that gifted writer gave a very comprehensive survey of higher and middle-class in struction in France and Germany. Mr. Arnold was at the time inspector of schools in England, and having been authorized by a Royal Commis sion to inquire into and report upon the state of primary and secondar education on the continent, the work above mentioned embodies, in part, the result of his investigations.

A precious volume, "A French ton," which first appeared in 1864 Eton," and was reprinted in 1892, discusses the same subject. From this keen and competent observer we learn much respecting secondary instruc-tion in France in the period at which he wrote, a most noteworthy feature being its incontestible superiority to the provision then existing in England for the intellectual training of the youth of the middle classes.

Amongst the non-official schools visited by Arnold were the college of the Dominicans at Soreze, then having at its head the famous Pere La cordaire, and the well known Jesuit institutions at Paris, one in the Rue des Postes and the other at Vaugirard to the irreparable loss of France, all three have disappeared with the expulsion of the religious orders. In cidentally it may be mentioned that Matthew Arnold stoutly and ably championed the claims of Ireland to a Catholic University, and that in a day when the cause thad few partizans, and still fewer advocates, amongst his co-religionist in Great

Britain.
The following is the English visitor's sympathetic notice of the Paris Jesuit schools:

"Two private establishments which I visited," says Mr. Arnold, "I will mention, because they both enjoy a high reputation. One is the school of Ste. Genevieve in the Rue des Postes, the other is the Jesuits school at Vaugirard. Like the school at Vaugirard, the school in the Rue des Postes is in the hands of more expensive than the Public schools, keep up a brisk competition ence sac day. The case with the school in the Rue des Canada.

Postes, which is a special prepara-tory school for the Polytechnic, Saint Cyr (the special military school,) the Naval school, and other Government establishments."

After giving some details as to the charges, Mr. Arnold goes on to say "A boy gets here a thorough mathematical training, but this school aims at uniting this training with a truly religious education. I found hundred boys here, with thirty five masters, half for superintend ence and half for teaching. It is, of course, to its superintendence that an establishment of this kind aims at giving a character entirely different to that of the superintendence in the establishmenes of the State. For special scientific training of their pupils these religious are free to use, and do use, along with duly qualified teachers of their own order, the best lay instructors of the capital, the same as the lycees them-selves employ. Their charges are high, and they can afford to provide thoroughly good teaching.

careful tests as to character and capacity, and they keep them for the first three months on probation; the seclusion is greater than in the lycees; the boys have 'leave out but once a month instead of once a fortnight; visits in the parlor are permitted only twice a week instead of every day. No wonder, then, that this abundance of care, concentration, and appliances bears fruit and that the candidates from the Rue des Postes are remarkably successful in examinations for the Government schools.

"I was particularly struck with the good appearance of the boys here. In the lycees I had been struck with their good manners, and the natural politeness they showed, down quite to the little boys, when tried by the unusual incident of the entrance of a stranger and a foreigner into their school room; I am sure in England there would have been much less rising and bowing, and much more staring and giggling; but here, besides having good manners, the boys certainly looked, I thought fresher and better than in the lycees. There are a great many of them the sons of the old noble families of France, amongst which, as is well known. Catholic sentiment is strong. They have probably had more advantages for their health and growth and good looks than the mass of the lycee boys, and the grounds and recreation of the school itself, though not without a general resemblance to those of a lycee, had something much more at tractive in them. The great religious house, with its large cool galleries looking on the convents and gardens of that old quarter of Paris, and the figures of the religious moving about, had certainly a repose and refresh ment for the spirits which in the great barrack-like machine of a lycee

wanting. "The same may be said of the Jesuits' school as Vaugirard. This chool is even more interesting than that of the Rue des Postes, being a complete school, while that is only set of scientific classes. At Vaugirard they go through the whole course, as in the lycees, from primary instruction to philosophie and mathematiques speciales. Here, too, as in the Rue des Postes, they are very successful in the examinations for the great Government schools; and for the same reasons. The boys are all boarders; the fees are high (about the same rate as in the Rue des lesson is very careful and good. The and as they work for love and for the good of the Order, of course, one great cause of expense in lay schools

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"The instruction at Vaugirard,

having the degree of bachelor or the Government Schools in view cannot but follow, in general, the same line as that of the lycees; the tutoring is the great difference. The house, class-room, and recreation arrangements have also a general similarity with those of the Public schools, but the sense of a more agreeable, happier and milder life than that of the lycee is felt at Vaugirard and more at Vaugirard than in the Res des Postes; for Vaugirard, though still Paris, is the very outskirts of Paris, and of the convent quarter of Paris-a region full of trees and The Jesuit school is at the gardens. extremity of Vaugirard and gets the

air of the country.
"In the Rue des Postes, too, the boys are older, and it is for the little boys that the cast-iron movement of the lycee appears most dismal, and the guidance of the ecclesiastica hand in bringing them up seems most protecting and natural. Something of the ecclesiastical shelter we are used to in the great school and universities in England; and, perhaps, it is on this account," concludes Mr. Arnold, "that in spite of all which is to be said against the Jesuits and their training I could not help feeling that the Vaugirard school was of all the schools I saw in France the one in which I would soonest have been a school boy." Freeman's Journal.

AMAZING PROCEEDINGS

They have an organization in London called the "Catholic League." composed of Protestants of the Church of England who claim that they are Catholics, and have services in their churches similar in all outward appearance to real Catholic service in real Catholic churches. In opposition to this sort of Protestantism Mr. J. A. Kensit, the well-known Protestant agitator and crusader against "Romanism" in Protestant churches, makes vigorous protest, not merely by words but occasionally in militant suffragette fashion y breaking up the obnoxious Romanist" services.

Recently Mr. Kensit wrote to the Protestant Bishop of London calling his attention to and describing a re markable program in a Protestant church in his diocese—St. Mary's Mission Church—under the auspices of the "Catholic League." Here is

part of the description: The evidence I now give relates to the evening of August 21st last, and shows that the following amazing proceedings took place at St. Mary's Church; Rosary of our Lady, congregational use of holy beads; procession with Mary image; Litany of our Lady; avowal of the Immacu late Conception; procession of the Host: Benediction and Exposition of the Sacrament; intercessions to the Host : worship of the Sacred Heart collects, hymns, and responses in

" As the members of the congrega tion entered the church they went to a holy water stoup and sprinkled their foreheads with holy water. The service, 'Rosary of our Lady,' was conducted by the priest in charge, who forthwith entered the pulpit with a chain of rosary beads. The congregation held out their rosaries, which were used at his direction. First the crucifix was kissed, and then as the heads were 'counted' a number of Our Fathers and 'Hail Marys' were said aloud. The chaplet of the 'Five Glorious Mysteries' of the Rosary were recited by Mr. Maltby (the 'priest in charge') exactly as in Roman Catholic churches, and to each the people responded the Roman Ave: 'Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us now and at the hour of our death-Amen.'

Mr. Kensit then goes on to describe the "amazing proceedings" in fur-ther detail, and he concludes by calling on the Bishop to "take proceed ings in the Ecclesiastical Courts against the perpetrator of this 'defiant lawlessness.

The Bishop may "take proceedings' and Mr. Maltby may be removed or expelled from St. Mary's, but the "Catholic League" may still remain and claim and exercise the right as to religion which they hold on the Protestant principle of "private judg-ment." Or many, if not all of them may do better-they may join the

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true Catholic League, where they will be free to precise the good Catholic practices they manifestly believe in and are attached to.-Freeman's Journal.

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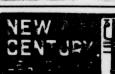


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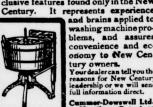
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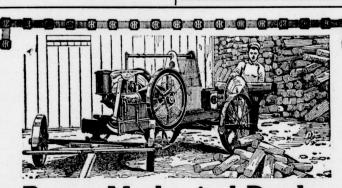


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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

KEEP YOUR WORD

Sentiment is the corner-stone of human relations. It sways public opinion, it dominates busine and trade, it places individuals in high position and pulls down those guilty of double dealing. It is the fashion with some people to consider different classes of business in blocks and the men concerned in these as automatons, but experience shows that the individuals at the head of establishments, like those who work for them, are very human, like you and me. They are moved by the same sympathies, have the same scorn for disnonesty and meanness, and prefer to associate and to do business with people of whom they need not be continually suspicious. Even rogue and the rascal honor honesty though they do not practice it and would give half their ill gotten gains if by so doing they could achieve a standing as upright business men.

Every day there is growing in the community a larger measure of respect for those who keep their word. Disclosures in the business world, in that domain of politics that adjoins business, in the large corporations and between man and man, make it plain that broken promises and a scuttling for legal quibbles spell ruin and disgrace in the end. few decades ago success was a magic word. If achieved, methods seemed to make little difference. There was indeed a certain admiration for what and appreciated the value of one -to speak plainly-was mere trick-But the recent years have witnessed many houses of cards topple to ruin, and names once used to our little world brighter and happier.

conjure with execrated. It is increasingly evident that in large business as in small, between companies as between individuals, between corporations and the government as between the small merchant and the authorities of his town or city, there -fulfilis but one safe line of action ment of given promises and honest obedience to the law. However you are placed, as employer or employee, as leader or follower, as office-holder or voter, there is but one safe and honorable rule, not only for success ful achievement, but also self respect and standing among your fellows, and that is: Keep your word.—Pilot. STANDING OR BEING HELD UP

To a young man looking for a "pull," Mr. Herbert Kaufman makes these remarks:

Idler prefers to believe that his associates have gained promotion because of a "drag," with the boss, rather than face the truth that he is slipshod and lazy and unambitious. You can get anywhere and any

thing if you're right and bright. You can be as much and have as your faculties can command.

There's always a chance for those who know themselves-but the idiot who considers the desire to have synonymous with the strength to

hold, is hopeless.

Intervention is unnecessary for the able and wasted upon the inept. You can lead a fool to opportunity

but you can't make him think. long as miners become cabinet officers—as long as newsboys hecome senators—so long as foundlings be-come governors—so long as train pecome Edisons-so long as farmer boys become Marshall Fields -so long as 90 per cent. of the dominating personalities in law, in med icine, in commerce, in journalism, in capital of hope and a heritage of faith—so long as the control of the country's affairs-industrial, professional, and political—is held by poor men's sons who asked no more than an honest chance and made their way and themselves by unflagging reliance in their own futures and unwavering adherence to that confi-dence—whoever wheedles and fawns

for more than a fair show is a booby. Influence is a crutch. Sound men neither need it nor heed it. They're strong enough to stand alone and on

A rich father can only support an incapable son. He can't sustain him where his own efficiency won't retain

There are never enough first class performers for the needs of the unirerse-but there's always an over supply of misfits and second raters. The world is on a ceaseless hunt

for bigger and braver and brighter If you're endowed with compelling

attributes, you can't dodge recogni-tion—but if you're puffed and swollen with vanity, we're bound to get your real weight when you do step on the scales of comparison.

Incompetents are generally egotists and likely to superestimate their

attainments. They so far exaggerate the worth of their work that the unbiased valuation of the market is bound to seem unjust. The most insufferable being under

the stars is a failure with the delu-sion that society is engaged in a general conspiracy to defraud him of recognition.

Dauber whines for intercession with an art director, and thereby brands himself as an illustrator whose pictures have already been re

jected on their own merits.

Dr. Bluff complains that "all the first class practice of the town is controlled by cliques," and immediately establishes himself as a physician whose conceit blinds him to the real ization of his shortcomings .- Catho lic Columbian.

WALKING

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sleep, increased circulation and a new supply of nerve force. Try it for six months, take a dose every day, pay for it on the installment plan, follow the winding and see where it All of the inventions of our modern

industrial life seem to have a tendency to reduce physical exertion, from the sulky rake in the farmer's field, the machine for washing dishes or churning butter, to the automobile that carries the business man to his office. Efficiency indeed, but effi-ciency at the cost of man's muscular Time savers—health losers

If you want an all round good ex ercise, walk, walk at a pretty brisk gait, walk a good distance, walk regularly. Keep your head up. Breathe through your nose. Take deep long breaths. Keep a-going. Walk!

THE FOOD OF THE MIND

The mind feeds upon what it thinks about just as our bodies feed upon whatever is taken into them. Impure food will poison the body, so will impure thoughts poison the mind.—Catholic Columbian. ONLY A SMILE

How many of us, I wonder, realize the true worth of a smile? Do we ever stop to consider the beautiful smile of love, of hope, of sympathy or encouragement, we would frown and grumble less, and try to make Our intentions are good, but we fail to understand the importance of a

creature. We give alms, perhaps, according to our means, but as for smiles and pleasant words, well, the poor need food and clothing, and do not appre ciate sentiment, we think. What an erroneous impression! To feed the body and starve the soul hungering for the light and warmth a genial smile could give!"-Denver Register.

little affection in the life of a fellow

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

THE HOLY HOUR

"I sing at the Holy Hour," said Mary Bradley, in excuse for leaving a little Protestent neighbor.
"The Holy Hours!" repeated Jessie

" What is that ?" Why, it's just the Holy Hour," Mary answered, a trifle confused. We sing and say prayers, and med-

itate, and have benediction."

The answer did not satisfy Jessie. She liked to get at the root of things, much as your ideas can demand and so she asked another question: "Did your priest start it?"

No indeed, it began ever so long ago. It—it—" she stammered, and then spoke up bravely, "I'm ashamed, Jessie, but I really don't know how it began. I must find out, and then I

will tell you. Now, young people, Uncle Jack fears that some of you are not any better instructed than Mary on the devotion of the Holy Hour, even though, like her, you may sing at the

exercises. Father McDonnell, S. J., who has written so much about the Sacred Heart, tells the story of the Holy Hour in his latest book, giving the points briefly. If Mary and her friends formed a little reading circle and finance, in politics, began life with a read a chapter occasionally from

a question put by a Protestant.

The Holy Hour was instituted by
Our Lord Himself. He revealed to Blessed Margaret Mary Alacoque His wish that she should rise every Thursday night, and recite prayers and acts of adoration "in homage to Him in the extreme agony He suffered

on the night of His Passion." This revelation took place in 1673, and a year later her Divine Master appeared again to the holy woman, and telling her of the indifference of men to His love, asked her to make onement for their ingratitude, and to pray one hour with Him. The eligious sought her Superior, who doubted her story and refused her permission to do what had been asked of her. Margaret Mary became very ill, and doctors failing to cure her, the Superior bade her ask God to make her well, and told her that if her health was restored she would be allowed to practice her desires regarding First Friday Communion and the Holy Hour. "I was immediately restored to health," says Margaret Mary, but the practice of her special devotion was not allowed to continue uninterrupted until her Superior



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learned from experience that it was not well to inferfere with the per-formance of the exercises. From that time forward she was left quite free to practice the devotion, and it is said that her great zeal caused her to promote the practice in her own com-munity and among all others whom

she could influence.

After the death of this holy religious the devotion lay dormant, or hid den in the hearts of a few. "Yet," says Father McDonnell, "it was but gathering strength to come forth vested in a splendor and attractiveness that at once secured for it a foremost place among the practices of devotion to the Sacred Heart!

Father de la Columbiere was the first great apostle-after Blessed Margaret Mary—of devotion to the Sacred Heart, and it was a brotherreligious of his who was the instrument of God's Providence in making known to the world the devotion of the Holy Hour. When in 1828, the Jesuits came back to their home in Paray-le-Monial, from which the Revolution had driven them, the Super ior of the house was Father Debrosse A strong impulse urged the Father to make the Holy Honr in the very spot where Blessed Margaret Mary had made it, a century and a half before. He had been in the habit of making it once a year, on the night of Holy Thursday; he now began to make it on the eve of each First Friday. One night in May, as he knelt before the tabernacle, a voice bade him spread the devotion abroad. A confraternity of the Holy Hour was begun with the approval of Pope Pius VIII. who granted a plenary Indulgence to the members every time they made the Holy Hour. The next year the Indulgence was extended to the entire diocese of Autun; and a year later, under Pope Gregory XVI., the Confraternity and its privileges became

world wide. There is much more to learn about the Holy Hour but Uncle Jack has told you enough for this time. Perhaps you will tell him about the Holy Hour in your parish. And here are some lines that Mary and her friends in the choir may have said many times without thinking that their hymns and prayers are comforting to the dear Sacred Heart in the Holy

AN HOUR WITH THEE

My heart is tired, so tired to night, How endless seems the strife Day after day the restlessness

Of all this weary life! come to lay my burden down, That so oppresseth me.
And shutting all the world without,

To spend an hour with Thee dear Lord, To spend an hour with." -Sacred Heart Review.

AN IRISH SHRINE

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, STA-TIONS AND HOLY WELL, IN CLEENISH (By Francis Joseph Bigger, M. R. l. A.)

Quite recently I visited the old church at Holywell (Belcoo) in company with Mrs. Green, the eminent Irish historian. We were charmed with the place and its plainly evident associations. Clearly could we read and trace its old story and its many sacred traditions from the evidences still left. Here were the old pagan stones of pre-Christian origin; here the Holy Well, still a wonder and a sacred thing, with its great volume of water flowing free. volume of water Above all, perhaps, the little early church pleased us most, with its deeply splayed east window, many ville American. And newspaper work ambries and heavy, almost cyclopean is a poor place for a man who has masonry. Before Planter or even lost his faith in higher things. He Norman times, Irish hands had built this church in the Irish way a thousand years ago. What scenes had these old stones witnessed? What prayers and devotions had arisen from this sanctuary? One of the oldest and, to an antiquary, in many respects a deeply interesting relic of the past, apart even from its more valuable sacred associations. Here it stands, as we saw it, with the traces of pious feet on the sod still resh from the recent patron, the many little offerings waving in the breeze at the altar window, where holy candle often flickered centuries ago on either side of Holy Rood. Frees are now breaking down the masonry, ivy is splitting up the walls and cleaving out the stones; in a few years, what is now left standing will most surely be found, some morning,

a crumbling mass of masonry amongst the surrounding graves. A little care, a few pounds expended some skill at such preservative work, and a rescue can yet be effected and a calamity averted. Will those now responsible not do something, and that quickly? If such a treasure was in my parish here, I would never rest until I had this work as the coming generations, who will ever blame us if we do not preserve such a gem as this, which has come down to us as a national jewel to be

treasured and respected. Space would not permit me to tell of the many lessons we could read at Holywell—one was too evident not to be plainly seen. The old road winding down to the Holy Well and around its margin and across the stream, and then through the little meadow to the graveyard, and down to the big stone in the hollow. The stations near the church and the tale of the pillar stone carried away to be broken up. Vandal minds and destructive hands planned and laid the new roads right through the sacred spot, breaking up the old paths and dividing the stations, injuring the well, just as they wish to break the old faith and the ancient rites.

could believe. I read many books of many religions but could not find

and become a Catholic priest.'
"'What?" I cried, 'become a Cath-

taught to scorn?'
"But the answer came again and

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A few yards of diversion would have made an even better road and, at the same time, saved the site as a whole, but those in authority in years gone by were as void of reverence as of respect for the feelings and beliefs of others. Surely, now, however, a better era is dawning, and the church of the Holy Well, the church of St. Patrick, will yet be saved as the most sacred and lovely thing in all the parish of Cleenish.

WHAT THE CHURCH DID FOR ONE CONVERT

Many of our readers either know or have read of Rev. John Handly, C. S. P., one of the most forceful mission-ary preachers in the great Paulist Order, and will be interested in his own personal account of his conversion, recently published in the San Francisco Monitor. What God did for Father Handly, He will do for others who as earnestly seek Divine guidance. Here is Father Handly's

I was reared in the Presbyterian faith and was taught that the Cathoic faith was the worst of beliefs. As I grew older I believed that it was my mission to convert every one that I could. So I became active in Church work, was a Sunday school teacher and did all that I could for the Church.

Then one day I read a book which seemed to prove that the divinity of Christ was a myth. I sought my University professor and talked with him, only to find that he was convinced that the story I told him was true. When I left him I no longer believed in my Saviour. Shortly after this, I left the university and engaged in newspaper work.

"I became a reporter on the Nashis expected, and what is more, he is privileged, to go into all kinds of places and see all kinds of sights, he is behind the scenes of everything, he is the maker of public opinion. It is he who stands back of the curtain and sees the manikins of humanity dance to his whim as he pulls the strings of report and sways them as he will. He sees the sordid side of everything. He soon loses respect for every high office and officer, because he becomes familar with them. Into such an environment I, who had lost my faith was thrown. When I began work on the American, I was very young and I suppose that I was what cherubic looking. They somewhat cherubic looking. They said, 'Handly, you aren't tough enough for us.' Three years later they said to me, 'Handly, go down stairs and get your pay. You're too tough for

"And from there I went to other places. An argument with a scien tist convinced me that there was not only no divinity in Christ, but that there was no God. For a few days I walked on air, for I believed that man was the highest development that could be obtained and that his will was the height of everything. And done. Surely we should think of those who built this Church, as well no God, if there was no after life, no God, if there was no after life, what was the use of struggling through our existence on earth? I became uncomfortable. I decided that I must believe in something at d that I must find a religion that I

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satisfaction.
"Finally one day I went out on a mountain side and prayed aloud to God that I wanted to give myself to That I wanted to work for Him and devote my entire life to His work. And then came the answer as clear as though a voice had spoken: 'Go

olic priest? I affiliate myself with the faith that I have always been

again, 'Go and become a Catholic

I went to a little priest that I knew and asked that he instruct me in the faith. I told him that I wanted to become a Catholic and go into the priesthood. But for four months he kept me clamoring to enter the Church. Finally a Paulist missionary came to the city and I was sent to him. The missionary finally told me that because I closely resembled a boyethat he once loved, but who had died in his arms, he would send me to the Superior of the Paulists at

Washington.
"So to Washington, I went. There, after a great deal of pleading, I was placed in a college where everything was bare and cold, and study and work was hard. But I did not mind at last I had found peace. I studied long and hard and finally was admitted into the Order and have conducted missions in all parts of the I found the greatest peace in the Church. I found I was near God, so much nearer than I had ever found myself in any other faith. That was what the Catholic Church did

Father Handly is now the assistant at St. Austin's Church, Austin, Texas, where he is in charge of the Newman Club at the State University.

PROTESTANTIZING CATHOLIC BOOKS

Making over Catholic books to suit Protestant readers is a bit of disingenuousness (to put it mildly) of which not a few of our separated brethren are guilty. A correspon-dent of the Living Church (Protestant Episcopalian) manfully protests against a suggestion made book reviewer of that publication concerning the translation of Pere Huguet's "Guide to Holiness." reviewer in his notice of the book had asked: "Why could not the translator have given us what we need and left out distinctly Roman thought?' Whereupon the protesting correspondent (himself a Protestant) writes have always felt that kind of a translation (if translation it would be called) to be particularly objection-

And, going on, he refers to a case of nistranslation, particularly glaring, which the Review has mentioned be

fore. He says : Unfortunately, owing to the zealous expurgatorial efforts of transla-tors, it is difficult to obtain a proper ranslation of Thomas a Kempis Imitation of Christ." One may ick up in almost any bookstore Protestantized" edition of this work, carefully purged of an objectionable phrases. One "translator" has even gone so far as to omit altogether Book IV. on the Holy Communion, on the ground, as he states, that it does not agree with the theological teaching of the other books, and therefore must be the work of some

other hand." This is another sort of "poisoning the wells" that is extremely un-fair and pernicious. But to the "higher critical" faculty of our non-Catholic friends nothing seems sacred Long ago they began editing Catholic teaching out of the Bible. After that, changing St. Thomas a Kempis must seem a small matter enough. We may add that it is not so difficult, after all, to find correct translations of the "Imitation." The Living Church's correspondent might easily of the obtain one at a Catholic bookstore. Sacred Heart Review.

ARCHBISHGP GLENNON AND SEX HYGIENE TEACHING

Archbishop Glennon of St. Louis, while in Milwaukee for the conven-tion of the American Federation of Catholic Societies, expressed himself as strongly opposed to the introduction in school curriculums of sex hygiene. He also commended the stand of Archbishop Messmer of Milwauke against the passage of the bill authorizing the sterilization of criminals and insafe persons.

"Morbidity, crudity and animality are the results of education of young people in sex hygiene, and the aim of the advocates of teaching this subject is not reached.

"You cannot cure a mental disease by physical methods. Impurity of the mind is not skin deep and cannot be remedied by the surgeon's lancet nor can impurity be grafted onto a child. The Catholic Church tries to accomplish this through its appeal to the soul, and for this reason I do not believe in teaching sex hygiene.

"Following the same idea the Catholic Church tries to lead its people away from temptations of the scarlet district by reaching the individual, instead of trying to legislate the immoral class of people out of existence. However, we are not against a moderate amount of legislation and the enforcement of laws now on the statute books."

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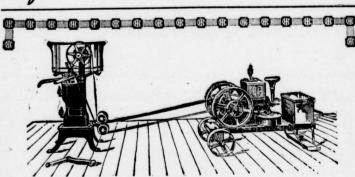
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It is humiliating to have to turn aside from the consideration of more serious matters to spend any time upon a sheet such as the one against which the Catholic authorities of New Jersey are reported as intending to take legal proceedings. But just as precautious must be taken against the spread of infectious diseases threatening the physical health, so safeguards must be adopted against moral filth that contaminates minds and souls. As we write we have before us a paper published in Jacksonville, Florida, entitled Dixie. The leading editorial is devoted to the anti Catholic rantings of a local preacher who derives his inspiration from the pages of the filthy sheet that foully maligns that Camden con-

It seems that the local preacher in question and the members of his congregation have been devoting themselves to defiling Jacksonville homes by sending into them moral poison. this work of polution, the editor of the Dixie says: "Brother Claude Jones has other members who distribute The Menace, a filthy sheet containing advertisements of such books as—(We refrain from advertising the foul book by mentioning its name. -Ed. F. J.), a story of a house of prostitution. The Menace is unfit to be in the hands of any boy or girl, and The Menace publishes the same sort of attacks that Claude Jones poured upon his audience last Sunday night. * * * I've investigated many of the charges made by The Menace and find them false. Therefore, I am not going to withhold my protestations against a preacher whose heart is so full of

solation in abuse. We have made this quotation for the purpose of bringing out the character of the constituency to which the Menace addresses itself. It is one in which dense ignorance and blind prejudice rule. It is held in contempt by educated non Catholics who know what part the Catholic Church enacts in this country in shaping the lives of millions of Ameri cans in accordance with principles of morality that constitute the surest foundation on which the safety of a Nation can repose.—Freeman's

prejudice and hate that he finds con-

CATHOLIC TRUTH SOC'Y ANNUAL MEETING

OPERATIONS OF THE PAST YEAR -LARGE DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE-PAPER BY MR. JUSTICE MEAGHER

The annual meeting of the Catholic Truth Society was held on Sunday, 5th, inst., in St. Mary's Parish Hall, Halifax, His Grace Archbishop McCarthy pre-siding. There was a good attendance of clergy and laity.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary showed the society to be in a flourishing condition. The re-ceipts for the third year of operation showed a total of \$1,081.34, made up as follows: Balance on hand from previous year; \$165.58; donations. \$374.00; sale of literature, \$490.38; profit on sale of papers, \$51.43. The payments were \$604.71 for literature, and \$44.38 for sundry expenses, eaving a balance on hand of

Fifteen thousand eight hundred and forty-nine copies of Catholic newspapers were distributed at the door during the year, and the sales of literature were constantly increasing, showing that the people were generally interested in the and desirous of educating themselves more thoroughly on points of doctrine, historical questions, etc.

On motion of Sir Malachy Daly, seconded by Mr. Justice Meagher, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Rev. Father Collins, who relinquishes his office of Secretary-treasurer on leaving Halifax to take charge of the parish at Windsor. The Archbishop, in putting the motion, spoke eulogistically of the work done by Father

Judge Meagher read a lengthy and interesting paper on the aims and objects of Catholic Truth Societies, showing the importance of the work and urging that the laity should avail themselves of the means offered for adding to their stock of knowl.

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edge and also that they should, in accordance with Catholic tradition, take a more active part in missionary work. It was decided to have the paper printed in pamphlet form.

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fruit that ever is void and Shall this be my prayer for you, dear

heart, as I kneel at the altar

Earth's honors and wealth and beauty rare-ah, what do they all availthe purple trappings of pomp and power but aching hearts

Friend? Shall I ask a part for you in the things that are de-

Would you build your throne in the hearts of men or the heart of a Little Child?

and over the waste of days, dear heart, there comes to my listening ear— the Voice that I loved in the

Golden Past-in accents loud and clear, The empty gifts of the changing hour are but for the worldly

Do but ask for me through the ages gray the light of a baby's eyes. the shadow love of the human

heart for ever craves for an infant reaches its tiny hands for toys that are new and

The idle laughter of yesterday gives place to the saddening tear. floral gifts of the birth hour gay look withered and old on the

Love's summer days at best are brief. The shadows grow apace. each brief moment a bleeding heart and the Memory of a Face.

The fairest works of our human hands shall fade with the fleeting

Eternal Faith and Eternal Love are the things that will last for

Aye, Eternal Faith and Eternal Love must be the final test. The Faith and the Love that a meaning give to Life's tempestuous

Eternal Faith and Eternal Lovetwin lamps to our feet of clay. May God's mercy grant that they the Dawning Day.

-Rev. D. A. CASEY, (COLUMBA.)

THE NEW PARISH PRIEST OF THESSALON

On the occasion of the departure of Rev. Thomas H. Trainor, his par-ishioners of Cache Bay showed him many tangible evidences of their es-teem. At a banquet tendered in the town hall an address was read and a purse of gold and gold headed cane presented. All the principal citizens of Cache Bay were present as well as many from outlying sections of Verner and Sturgeon Falls. On the Sunday following, this? being his farewell Sunday to his people, the words of the rev. father were touch-ing. He outlined what his good people had achieved since it was his happy lot to come among them eight years ago. The many good works began will stand a lasting monument to the zeal and energy of the rev. gentleman. The Ladies of Ste. Ann presented a purse while the children of the Separate school offered a magnificent dressing case. The rev. gentleman has with him the best wishes of his parishioners, and they pray God to bless him and his works in his new field as he has been blessed here.

Rev. Father Trainor is a native of Prince Edward Island, where his family still reside. He joined the Diocese of Sault Ste Marie ten years age. His first charge as pastor was Cache Bay, where church, presbytery, school, cemetery, etc., practically all school, cemetery, etc., practically all paid for, show forth the goodness of his people and the zeal of the priest. Father Trainor entered his new duties on Tuesday of this week at Thessalon, Ont., where the nature of the work will coincide with the zeal and courage of the incumbent.

Know your man before you let his opinions weigh much.

A VENERABLE ENGLISH PRIEST ONCE ON THE CANADIAN MISSIONS

We like at all times to follow the work and career of a laborer in the vineyard of the Master. When this work extends away beyond half a century the interest in the laborer intensifies and his manifold toil holds us as would a chapter in a stirring and beroic romance.

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It has been my pleasure and privilege recently to visit such a laborer, venerable with the years of his sacred ministry, thirty of which were spent in the Diocese of Kingston, Ontario, as parish priest of Trenton. Rev. Henry Brettargh is still well remembered not only by the people of Trenton but by the Catholic Church in Ontario. Most of his co-laborers in the vineyard of God who toiled with him in the Kingston diocese away back in the fifties, sixties and seventies of the last century now sleep the sleep of Eternal peace Mgr. Farrelly, Father Stafford-Father Quirk, Father O'Connor, Archbishop Gauthier, Bishop O'Brien Father Davis, these were some of Father Brettargh's contemporaries in the vineyard of Kingston. All are now dead save the good Prelate of Ottawa, and only Rev. Henry Bret-targh of Kendal, Westmoreland, is left, besides Archbishop Gauthier of Ottawa, to answer to the sacred roll

call of these distant days agone.

It was when Father Brettargh was parish priest of Trenton that I learned to know him as the teacher of his Separate School late in the seventies of the last century. His many friends in Trenton, his old parish-ioners, of whom he enquired most kindly, will, and do remember him, I am sure in those days as I do: An alert, cultured, scholarly priest, kindly, approachable, with a fine mingling in his nature and bearing, of the simplicity of a democrat joined to the "cachet" of an aristocrat.

Who, too, can forget his beautiful

sermons so full of logic and eloquence, which, by the way, he always read in a voice musical and distinct. I have often thought that if these finished and polished sermons of Father Brettargh's were published what a valuable volume they would make.

Father Brettargh is of Lancashire stock, being born in the town of Burnley in 1824. Father Brettargh, however, is of Celtic not Anglo-Saxon extraction, and this perhaps accounts for his deep sympathy for the Irish people in their long struugle for freedom. During the heyday of his priestly life in Trenton many an able and vigorous article he wrote in behalf of the Irish cause. So powerful an adversary was Father Brettargh with the pen that many a

great controversialist and publicist, such as the late Dr. Egerton Ryerson, Superintendent of Education for Ontario, acknowledged the weight of his blows. Even yet this venerable priest and scholar holds the Anglican vicarages in his neighborhood in a kind of vassalage through fear of his pen. It amused me, I must confess, very much when visiting him recently in his quaint manorlike ome near Kendal in Westmorland. England, to find him complaining that some of the Provincial papers refused to publish his trenchant letters criticizing the birth and character of the Anglican Church. I found it, however, easy to explain to him why his letters met with a denial of publication—they are so logical, trenchant and caustic that they invariably make his opponent ridicu-

Father Brettargh is a scholar of the old school, and that means thorough and solid education. He is a splendid Latin and French scholar and now, though sixty-five years have intervened since he pursued the study of French in Belgium, he reads and speaks it with the greatest facil-

Father Brettargh's early studies were chiefly made in that nursery of priestly scholarship-Ushaw College in Durham, which is the Alma Mater of His Eminence Cardinal Bourne. He had, if I mistake not, as classmate. the late Father Nugent, founder of the Catholic Times of Liverpool, of whom he speaks most affectionately.
This venerable priest, who will soon

be ninety years old, referred most feelingly to the days he spent in Frenton and to his fellow-laborers in the ministry, nearly all of whom sed away.

have long since passed away.

During the past thirty years Father Brettargh has been attached to the English diocese of Hexham and New Castle in England, having gone to England in 1883.

England in 1883.

His many Canadian friends will be pleased to learn that, despite his great years, Father Brettargh is still strong physically and intellectually, and in his beautiful little chapel, which is adjoining his home, he says daily Mass. "Doddin Green," where daily Mass. "Doddin Green," where this venerable priest of God lives, has a history reaching back to the Penal Days of England, and to day Father Brettargh will show you where some of his predecessors, when hunted and pursued by persecution, escaped through an opening in the

It was indeed a delightful visit to "Doddin Green," made doubly pleasant by the warm-hearted greet ing of this kind and venerable priest of God.

THOMAS O'HAGAN

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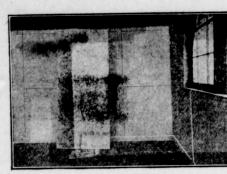
teaching Sisters," remarks the Pitts-burg Catholic "to instruct their pup-ils how to spell their Christian names. There is no St. Kathryn, and the "We would advise the excellent

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