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IN ALL THINGS CHARITY

Students of international law may go on quoting statutes from Justinian to Maine, but what are meant by the just rights of nationalities" the ordinary layman will never discover-Are our statesmen of various camps agreed upon first principles of public morality such as are likely to command general assent? There is little indication of fundamental agreement in their party manifestos. Let us hope that what Tennyson styled 'the common sense of most," in spired by a conviction that the world crisis demands measureless sacrifice, will triumph over pride and selfish greed when the anticipated League of Nations takes such matters in hand.

We do not find in Kipling's works

in Hall Caine's romances, or even in Robert Louis Stevenson's tales and essays a mood of neutrality in their estimates of national character. Indeed some of the greatest writers - Dr. Johnston, Kingsley, Carlyle Swinburne, to go no further-had fine old crusted prejudices that colored their views concerning the religion and morals and ideals of the nations around. Who could have foreseen that this outbreak of repressed forces would fling such diverse people into each other's arms under the compulsion of interests held in common for the time being? of Sir Walter Scott's readers shed their native likes and dislikes be. cause they appreciate the romantic element which invests the various have made my choice, and here characters with a potent charm. As stand. for Ireland and her chronic troubles it is only necessary to refer to the lamentable history of England's confused dealings with the warm-hearted and unfortunate race who inhabit its to the testimony even of her enemies most inhospitable provinces in explanation of a state of feeling which only an influence more subtle than nationality can ever transform into contentment. However opinions may differ, the phrase "union of hearts." derided as though it involved a transonly ideal that promises hopeful conditions for the future of that distress-

exalt our own class and type, remembering that in these larger affairs also the law of charity should prevail. Which breed can afford to despise another? Has not each its We may, one supposes, still retain a natural distinctiveness in costume. mental habit, and general outlook. while genially regarding special peculiarities which are attributable to historical and climatic influences. The State has much to learn and teach in this respect. The gay and irresponsible Irishman, the hardfisted Scot, the wily Welshman, and the pig-headed John Bull have too long strutted behind the footlights. Not from Shakespeare or Molière or Schiller have such grotesque caricatures come; rather are they the offspring of popular ignor ance and prejudice. Even Charles Lamb's "Imperfect Sympathies" belong to a loose habit of over estimating the near and familiar. Surely the essence of nationality must consist in a worthy pride in ancestral achievement, a love of the qualities which make a people truly great, self-esteem borne upward on wings of laudable desire, not in material force, provocative and demoralising.

Some day, perhaps nearer than our faithless hearts allow, new and fresher meanings will shine forth from the old familiar words, the everlasting doors will open, the power and the glory, the victory and the into court? God forbid! majesty will crown worthier lives

Idea, unimaginable potencies will disclose themselves, moulding humanity to a nobler pattern, which shall be the harbinger of a destiny more glorious than the visions of prophets and saints have foretold.

CARDINAL O'CONNELL'S APPEAL

THE WAR JUSTIFIED ONLY BY UNIVERSAL APPLICATION OF PRINCIPLES

THIS WAY ONLY LIE JUSTICE AND

One of the greatest and most en thusiastic mass meetings ever wit-nessed in New-York City was held in the interests of Irish freedom at Madison Square Garden. Over 25, 000 persons convened to give expression of their love for Erin and at the same time to welcome Boston's illustrious Prelate, who was the principal speaker in this monster

When His Eminence rose, the great building echoed and reechoed with the mighty outburst of enthusiastic applause. For several minutes he was unable to proceed.

ADDRESS OF CARDINAL

In finally yielding to the repeated urgent invitations of your Committee to be present here at this significant meeting tonight, I have listened to the voice of duty alone.

As the case was presented to became clear to my mind that to stay away would be tantamount to the evasion of a grave obligation to my faith, my country and my race. When the voice of that sacred

trinity of motives calls no man with It were folly to pretend that the bulk a Christian conscience can refuse to rise and follow it no matter what the cost or the sacrifice. I had to choose between conven-

ience, conventionality and duty. I

The Irish people through all the painful vicissitudes of their history have been faithful, as no other people in all the world, to the Christian faith. The most Christian country in all the world today, according is Ireland.

FAITH OF CHILDREN OF ERIN

When her children, fleeing from an intolerable condition of servitude under a foreign domination hateful to the proud spirit of all freeman, came in pitiable exile to these shores derided as though it involved a transparent absurdity, still embodies the them the noblest virtures of Christian souls. Where even today would matter in the whole English speak ul country.

Let us curb our disposition to ing world, England included—but for the fidelity, the great hearted-

ness, the unquenchable devotion of the children of Erin? Is it possible that any of us bish ops or priests of America could ever be guilty of forgetting that to the heroic generosity of the Irish we owe own use and function? The foes of such glorious monuments to faith today may, as aforetime, be the of this wonderful city, dedicated to neighbours of tomorrow. Why Ireland's patron Saint and erected poison the springs of nationality with by the sacrifices of his faithful sons calculated scorn? After all, human and daughters? What is true of nature is not radically different in America's greatest city is equally its elemental traits. Rulers have a true of thousands and thousands of day of reckoning in front of them. humbler fanes in humbler communi

ties all over the land active when there is at stake the welfare of the people to whom we owe our very daily bread and the roof that shelters us?

There is no legitimate length, no limit within Christian law, to and every prelate and priest of America should not be glad and happy to go when the cry of the long suffering children of the Gael comes to us, and when as now, ba-foce the tribunal of the whole world the sacred cause of justice to be given a public hearing.

HEEL OF FOREIGN DESPOT It is because the people of Ireland have solemnly kept their sacred word. given to their Apostle to be faithful to eter's successor as they would be faithful to Christ, that they have felt the heel of a foreign despot mercilessly grinding them down into the very dust of humiliation. Yes let us she permitted even come say it frankly and openly for it is her into forgetting it. the truth, it is the fidelty of Ireland to all she holds most sacred which has been the chief cause of her offending

Are we whose very lives are dedicated to the eternal principle for which Ire-land has become a martyr among the nations, so bitten by mere worldly interests as to be mute in this day when all the world of national wrongs and of brutal might is summoned

In God's name let us now speak

unchangeable, have been so completely and entirely transformed that almost nothing remains of them to remind us of what once stood as firm as Gibraltar.

It is as the elemental forces suddenly asserted themselves and had completely overrun the earth. The kaleidoscope of the world has been shaken and the bits of colored glass in the child's toy have rushed into new combinations which puzzle the eyes of our brain. One after another thrones have been overturned and Empires have fallen. Disorder has broken loose upon the earth, and unless some power greater than the forces of anarchy prevails, all Europe -all the world -will be shaken to the foundations of civilization.

A GREAT DELUSION The great war is over now, but he who fancies that because the great war is over universal peace will appear on schedule time has a great disillusion ahead of him. No, unless now that the war is over, justice begins her rightful reign over the whole earth, there may be a momentary lull, but enduring peace will not be attained. It was for justice that humanity fought, and humanity will still be ready to go on with even fiercer wars until justice holds full sway.

Be not deceived by false prophets. Diplomacy which failed so utterly to preserve the peace of the world will not succeed alone in bringing it back.

Underneath the smooth and cool phrases and barren formulas of a diplomacy which has forgotten its own purposes, we can even now hear the mysterious stirring of elemental forces striving urgently to burst through the cryptic formularies of a decadent system, striving to get into articulate speech what suffering humanity wants to say, striving with the impatience of agonizing multi-tudes to stop the babble of bribed officialdom that honest men may be heard, striving to articulate in all the dialects of the world the word, which heeded, will help the staggering earth to recover itself, unheeded, will plunge the whole tottering world into universal anarchy.

THEATRE OF MIGHTY CHANGES

America is far away from the real eatre of mighty changes. But even America will not easily escape a movement so universal as now is visible on every horizon. What is that movement? It is the pent up longing in the hearts of a dozen nations for the right to rule them-

The doom of autocracy has already sounded. The silent millions of Russia, patient for centuries, have rush adly into the vortex of revolution. Even in Germany, which seemed so content with itself, a new force is pushing out the older forms.

Obviously, therefore, we are at the end of a period, and a new one is beginning. Is it strange that when Poland and Serbia and the Czechs and the Slovaks and the Serbs and the Ul-ainians are clamoring for national rights and national recognition that Ireland for full seven centuries dominated by foreign rule acquired only by force and even today exercised by force, should now more than ever call treasures stolen from her, and rein state her in full possession of her land the very principle of self-detercomplete liberty?

If in the blaze which the great war of the human race beheld as with a Can any of us among the Church's new light their claim to separate con-leaders ever remain silent and inpeople of Ireland, too, had even a clearer and a stronger vision of their age long inheritance?

ISELAND AS A NATION

Ireland's position as a nation, is nothing new which the war has just succeeded in creating. Never, since the day her crown was stolen, has she ceased to claim it back. In every century for seven hundred years by protest, by appeal, by parliament, by arms when other means seemed fu-tile, but in any event, by one means or another, as she found it in her power to use them, Ireland has never failed to keep alive her own sense of distinct nationhood and impress it as palpably as conditions would allow, upon a listening world. As a rofoundly Christian nation, she has clung to the law of God in all these demonstrations of her loyalty to her-self. Rarely, very rarely indeed, has she permitted even cruelty to goad

But ever and always every method she adopted, every leader who spoke her cause, every victory won, every defeat suffered, every weapon used, every strategy designed, ever and ever, and ever, the sameul timate pur pose is clearly visible, and that pur pose is the vindication of Ireland's right to government only by consent

of the governed. That is the principle which ulti mately won America's freedom; and it is because America understands that principle, that Ireland today re-

are now to be repudiated and their RIGHT ALONE SHOULD RULE

Let them beware in time who en courage by their actions and words today before the court of the world such dangerous conclusions as these.
Is it really true that the blood of millions has been shed that right alone should rule the world, and that the monster of brute force, might,

which in many places besides Ger-many has dominated the fate of mil-lions of human beings, should be deposed forever? Is that really true?
Is the law of justice to be honestly applied to all, or is it to be still merely a cloak to hide indefensible, selfish purposes and to be dispensed ad Pilot. libitum as governments have the brute power to observe or ignore it as

Was the great war a conflict for true freedom under right for all alike or was it a grim hoax played upon theingenuous by the shrewd manipu-lators of clever phrases? These are all the questions which any man in the streets who has ears

can hear today. The world of hon est, trustful men is waiting for the answer, and woe to the world if that answer be not honest, frank and

Surely since the peace of the world depends upon the answer it is the solemn duty of all of us, especially of those of us whose duty it is to hold up before all alike the great principles of Christian morality by which alone mankind can live, to speak out fearlessly and clearly, lest being found faithless in such a world crisis, we forfeit forever our right to be listened to by honest men.

If faith is to survive this hour of the universal groping and striving, the men of faith must speak. If they are silent now, then whose the blame if all faith perishes from the earth? Is that then, the real meaning of Malachy's dread prophecyreligio depopulata "?

DEEPEST PURPOSE OF THE MEETING The deepest purpose of this meeting is that faith may prevail—faith in governments, faith in rulers and congresses, and all that set of divine principles and influences and human agencies by which the world is held

This War, we were told again and again by all those responsible for the conduct of the War, was for justice to all, for the inviolable rights of small nations, for the inalignable right, in-herent in every nation of self-determination.

The purpose of this meeting to night is very specific. The War can be justified only by the universal application of those principles. Let that application begin with Ireland. Ireland is the oldest nation and the longest sufferer. If these prin-

ciples are not applied in her case, no matter what else may be done there will be no complete justice, genuine sincerity believable, and the war not bringing justice will not bring peace.

Who was it who by the enunciation of these great principles united the peoples of the whole suffering earth? was our own President-once Wilson of America, now Wilson of the world. Tomorrow he lands at upon the world, but most of all upon
America, as the bountiful mother of
true freedom, to help her regain the

with his three thousand Irish troops mination, which today Ireland demands, and which we of America, in accordance with the principles enunciated by our President, today by every legiti mate and lawful and Christian means to aid Ireland to obtain. For Ireland equally with America fought in this conflict for right.

America has fought in this War not for selfish aims. She has given her best blood, her hardest toil and her enormous wealth and in return gets not one foot of soil, not a single material gain. She has a right to demand that for which alone she has made such tremendous sacrifices-

THE TEST OF SINCERITY

Let the test of sincerity be Ireland. Then we will be convinced that truth still lives.

Ireland must be allowed to tell the

world freely what she wants, how she wishes to be governed. Speak up Ireland; make the world hear you Wake up England, for the world i watching you! May God grant that the voice of Ireland be heard and that at last peace entering Europe through Ire-

land's freedom, bring even to England its blessings and its fruits. I firmly believe that the day that England honestly faces her full duty to Ireland and fulfills it faithfully, God will bless her as she has not known His blessings for many centur-

For as with the individual soul.

so with the soul of a nation-a clear

conscience is the only door to happi-We want this honest and frank expression of our principles, the prin-

When those men in whose hands now rests the fate of all freeman arise, with their work for the welfare of the world completed, may one of go to France and nurse tubercular of the world completed, may one of the very first articles of that treaty of peace for all the world read; "We meant what we said—Ireland, like every other nation, must be free—one united Ireland, indivisible, un

separated now and forever."

And the children of the Gael, scattered over all the earth, will hear that soul stirring message and then moved by a common impulse, they will turn their faces toward Erin, lift up their hand to Heaven, and at that moment of Ireland's triumph Deum that ever arose to God.—Boston

THE ULSTER SEATS

JOINT APPEAL BY BISHOPS SUGGESTING SETTLEMENT The Lord Mayor of Dublin has re-

sived the following communication November 26, 1918.

Dear Lord Mayor,—After considering the ecclesiastical business for which they were assembled on the 6th inst. at Armagh, under the presidency of His Eminence Cardinal Logue, the Bishops of the Northern Province, in view of the General Election, gave anxious consideration to the sad prospect for Ulster and for Ireland which political divisions among our people so dangerously open up. We felt we ought not to separate at such a momentous crisis without making a definite sugges-tion to save the situation at least in its most threatening aspects. The Lord Mayor of Dublin is the first citizen of our country, and more than once he has shown how well he can discharge heavy responsibilities that have developed on him in that capacity. We therefore request him to take in hand and have settled the greatest difficulty the election presents. That difficulty concerns the representation of Nationalist seats in Ulster which, by reason of a contest between men on the popular side, are likely to pass to the Union-ist minority. Be these seats eight or ten in number we propose that the Lord Mayor, in conjunction with Mr. Dillion and Mr. de Valera or in his absence, Mr. John M'Neill, should divide the representation of these seats. The question of a mem-ber or two gained to either side should count for little in face of the object in view. We suggest an equal division. But the full Nationalist strength should support the adopted candidate in each constituency. We request the Lord Mayor to convene the gentlemen we have named for a day not later than next Saturday, and to have this letter published on receipt, in the metropolitan and provincial press. We have stated what we consider vital in regard to Ulster. We earnestly trust that a like provision may be much more widely applied, especially where the need is similar—Michael Card inal Logue, Patrick O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe; Laurence Gaughran, Bishop of Meath : Charles M'Hugh, Bishop of Derry; Patrick M'Kenna, Bishop of Clogher: Patrick Finegan, Bishop of Kilmore; Joseph MacRory, Bishop of Down and Connor; Ed

the civil Province of Ulster. MR. DILLON ACCEPTS

The Lord Mayor of Dublin, who the crib of Bethlehem and rehearses arrived home at an early yesterday morning, gave the following letter for publication:
My dear Lord Mayor,—Having

ward Mulhern, Bishop of Dromore. His Lordship the Bishop of Ardagh does not sign, as not belonging to

carefully read the letter of the north. ern Bishops, I have no hesitation in saying that I cordially accept your invitation to meet Mr. De Valera. or failing him, Mr. McNeill, in conference on the lines suggested in their Lordships' letter. I may add that I heartily agree with the wish expressed in the letter of the Bishops of Ulster that the plan of settle-ment suggested by them regarding the Ulster seats should be extended to the rest of Ireland, and that Ireland may be rescued from a number of bitter contests between National ists, which, if they are persevered in, must inflict terrible, if not fatal, injury on the Nationalist cause. Yours Sincerely.

GAVE TWELVE SONS

When the time comes to call the roll of those who have done dis-tinguished service, in the cause of liberty, keep a lookout for the name kind to know the one true God, a laymen who repair to the Apostolic of Mrs. Catherine Isabelle O'Brien, of God existing from eternity unto Lower Buckete Road, four miles eternity, a God who created all their charitable mission. Up to the present something like 450,000 letters New York, also formerly of Oklasuperintending providence watches have been received at the Vatican homa City, and Russett, Okla. Mrs.
O'Brien has contributed twelve sons to war service. Having done that much, you might think she had earned the right to sit back and rest

POPE ENJOINS PRAYERS

FOR A LASTING PEACE

DIVINE GUIDANCE FOR THE PEACE CONFERENCE TO BE IMPLORED BY CATHOLICS THROUGHOUT THE

Pope Benedict has addressed an encyclical letter to the Catholic Episcopate throughout the whole world, exhorting the Hierarchy to offer universal public prayers so that Providence may guide the members of the approaching Peace Conference and give the world peace founded on true principles of Christian justice and love among men. The letter bears the date of December 1st. It says:

"That which the entire world so long sighed for, that which Christian implored with fervent prayers, and that which we, interpreting the common grief, urged with paternal heart for the good of all, has in a neart for the good of all, has in a moment come to pass as the last booming of the guns is silenced. Peace has not yet solemnly ended the war, but an armistice has meanwhile suspended the slaughter and devastation by land, sea and air, happily opening the way for peace."

The Holy Father attributes the end of the War "to Him who governs all events, Who, moved to pity by the persevering prayers of the good, con-ceded at last that humanity might honor of Cardinal Mercier of Bel-

recover finally from so many griefs."

The Pope rejoices at the impres-

Almighty that the great gift granted us shall have its crowning, that the delegates of the various nations to meet in solemn congress shall give the world a just and lasting peace. Such grave and complex decisions will have to be taken as no human assembly ever took before. There fore words are wanting to express how greatly the delegates need to be divinely enlightened so as to be able to accomplish their mission.

"Their decisions in the highest degree will affect the interest and good of all humanity. Thus, Catholics who favor order and progress must invoke the divine assistance upon those participating in the Peace Conference. We desire this duty to Conference. We desire this be recalled to all Catholics."

The Holy Father ends by urging the Episcopacy of the world to implore the Almighty by means of ublic prayers in each parish to shed His light upon the congress and enable it to secure a true peace founded upon the Christian principle decisions of the congress everywhere accepted and loyally executed by Catholics with a view to perpetuat ing order, tranquillity and concord in the world.—Buffalo Echo.

> THE CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

rostrates itself in adoration around hour in accents of love a history which ollow- precedes all time and will endore

throughout eternity. If asked to explain the rapturous influence which controls us we have no other words than the evangel of joy which the angel gave unto earth, "For this

The blessings resulting from our Christian civilization are poured out so regularly and abundantly on the intellectual, moral and social world. like the sunlight and the air of heaven and the fruits of the earth. that they have ceased to excite any surprise except to those who visit lands where the religion of Christ is bility. Jonkheer Ruijs de Berren

Men worshipped the sun and moon and stars of heaven. They wor-shipped everything except God only, shipped everything except God only, to whom alone divine homage is due. Christ, the light of the World, proclaimed unto all men in its fulness that been shown in the results of the the truth which had hitherto been work done by the small army of hidden in Judea. He taught man- priests (regular and diccesan) and

majesty will crown worthier lives with a reflected radiance from the Fount of all goodness. Life itself will take on a new dignity, for, ceasing to be the sport of abused privilege, and revealing its essential one-lege, and revealing its essential one-lege, and revealing its essential one-lege in the clear light of the Divine

CATHOLIC NOTES

Another award has gone to a Cath olic Canadian Chaptain; Captain (Rev.) W. L. Murray of Pembroke diocese has been awarded a Bar to his Military Cross.

Chicago leads all other cities in the number of churches dedicated to the Blessed Virgin-43. New York

Alaska has a Catholic population of 11,500, all of whom are converts or descendants of converts. The

Jesuits have charge of the missions The Archdiocese of Chicago has already given thirty-four priests for chaplain service in the Army and

Navy. Rev. John F. Swift is the third priest of the Archdiocese of Balti-

more to take up American foreign missionary work by joining the Maryknoll society. It must have been an inspiring sight to see 5,000 Catholic boys in Camp Meade take a vow of clean and rever

ent speech. They had just received Holy Communion. The church erected by general subcriptions in Rome in 1911, to commemorate the sixteenth century of Constantine's victory over Maxentius, was consecrated recently by the

Archbishop of Palicia. The Postoffice Department has authorized a change in the name of the town of Germantown, Kansas, to Mercier. The citizens, mostly German nativity or extraction, re-cently petitioned the Department for

gium. The first known Bishop of Verdun, sive demonstration of piety that has occurred throughout the Catholic world, and continues:

"There remains now to implore the "There remains now to implore the Almight that the transport of the state square-towered edifice. Verdun is

now in a state of desolation. Over 1,400 negro soldiers, mostly Catholics, recently left Camp Shelby, Miss., for service abroad. The Cath under the shade of trees, and on the following morning at a field Mass gave them Holy Communion.

The Anglican bishop of Exeter, England, said the other day that in his opinion the man who best used the war was Cardinal Mercier, who took it with its devastating effects and turned it into a great engine for

Christianity. American Bishops are excused from making their "ad limina" visits in 1919. They must make them, however, in 1920 if conditions permit; if, not, they can wait till 1924. But they must send their re-

ports to the Holy See. Just now there is being shown in can imagine no film which would of justice. The Pope on his part will use all the influence of his Apostolic pictures of Cardinal Wiseman's great ministry, it is added, to have the story of the early centuries. story of the early centuries. 'Fabiola' was recently exhibited before the College of Cardinals, who came at the invitation of Cardinal Gasquet, the learned English Bene-

In connection with the Bristol celebrations of Independence Day, there is one noteworthy link between the Catholics of that English city and their American co-religionists.
As Canon Lee pointed out in his Today the whole Christian world rostrates itself in adoration around was the Vicar-Apostolic of the western district, Rt. Rev. Charles Walms. ey, whose body now rests at Downside Abbey, who consecrated America's first Bishop, Dr. Carroll, of Baltimore, at Lulworth Castle, on August 15, 1790

the angel gave unto earth, "For this day is born unto you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."

The black of the Courant of Hermite and Jonkheer Ruijs de Berrenbrouck ister in Limburg since 1893. 1888 to 1891 he was Minister of Jus tice. Following the recent general election the Queen requested Rt. Rev. Mgr. Nolens to form a nev government, Mgr. Nolens, however, asked to be relieved of the responsi Before the advent of Christ the whole world, with the exception of the secluded Roman province of Palestine, was buried in idolatry.

Men worshipped the sun and worshipped the sun and

As three and a half years have

A DAUGHTER OF THE SIERRA

BY CHRISTIAN REID

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CHAPTER X .- CONTINUED

"Tho worst!" Mackenzie indig-antly exclaimed. "You are either nantly exclaimed. "You are either going straight up or straight down all the time—or at least most of the time, — climbing over great rocks, where the mules have to put their feet together and jump like cats; and where, if they should miss, there's a thousand or two feet of fall waiting for you. You skirt precipices that might make the head of a goat swim; and you sleep out in the woods, with the lively prospects that a mountain tiger may kill one of your animals

'All of which sounds perfectly de lightful," Miss Rivers declared. I am afraid you exaggerate. The mail is brought with great regularity over these mountains, and one never hears of the carrier or his mule falling over the precipice or suffering death from a mountain tiger. And all the shop-keepers in Topia get their goods by the same route."

Do you suppose that if a mule Thornton asked. "The arrieros shrug their shoulders, pick up the fragments of the pack and go on.

And to diversify the way pleas-ly," Armistead chimed in, "one comes every few miles upon a cross, or group of crosses, erected by the side of the road to show where travel lers have been waylaid and killed."

The crosses need not frighten you Miss Rivers," said Lloyd, quietly. They were put up a long time ago when there were many robbers among these wild heights. But all at an end now. The robbers have either been shot or have adopted afer modes of livelihood, and travelling in the Sierra is at present perfectly safe.'

That's true as a general rule, Thornton assented. But if I had an enemy I shouldn't particularly care to meet him in the Sierra. have heard of a few fresh crosses being put up even in my time."
"You've also heard of the speedy

punishment of the murderers," ob-

Generally, yes. The rurales catch them and the government promptly shoots them. But I don't can you do anything so—treacherfeel that, personally, that would afford me much gratification after I "Treacherous!" Armistead was "Thorses" had been bowled over on some of surprised and wounded. Not even the pious custom of putting up a cross where I

none of us, have any enemies."

"It's very good of you to be sure," said Thornton; "but, unfortunately that is a thing of which one can never be quite certain. We gringos this - military stratagem ?" manners, or distressing lack of man- disgust, are unconscious of it."

Armistead moved uncomfortably. I fully agree with Miss Rivers,' he said, "that is an unnecessary dis-There are many occasions in life in which a man must make guage better than I do. I am hoping enemies; but he can't fail to do his duty on that account, or-think of | mend a man to me."

"Not even though ne knew that too."
ross in the Sierra would be the too."
"My dear Miss Rivers!" Armis
"My dear Miss Rivers!" Armis handful of papers! My prophetic "You do me great injustice if you soul told me that there would be writing to do to-night for to morrow's them. But I am like a soldier, you

— we have some reports to make out," observed Mr. Rivers as he drew near. "Lloyd, I should like a few "I am afraid you will never make" vords with you about these mineral districts. The company is agitating the question of a railway again."

Armistead looked after the others

as they moved toward the office across the patio; and then, his gaze return ing to Miss Rivers, as he looked at the charming picture which she made, seated under the swinging Moorish lamp, he was conscious again of that sense of his exceeding good fortune which he had expressed to Lloyd. For surely it was wonderful luck to find this beautiful, brilliant girl, a product and part of his own world, here in these remote wilds, ready to give him an attention which he knew that he could hardly have hoped for had he met her in the scenes amid which she usually moved. He leaned forward. It was impossible not to express what he you my felt so strongly.

"I have had many lucky happenings in my life," he said; "but never one, I think, quite so lucky as the pleasure of finding you in Topia at this time. It quite repays me for the hardships and disagreeables of coming here."

you think you will have your party in readiness to go and take the mine by surprise?"

"That is impossible to say, because the party must consist of men who can be relied on and I don't clearly see how I am to find these without Lloyd's aid. It is very annoying that

this time. It dutte repays me for the hardships and disagreeables of coming here."
"You are very kind," Isabel answered lightly — for nothing in the way of masculine ardor, however
"You can't expect everyone to be

way of masculine ardor, however unexpected, even surprised or discomposed her,—" but I don't think that one needs to be repaid for coming to this delightful country." observed Miss Rivers, sweetly. "Yonder comes Mr. Lloyd now. Perhaps you don't want to now. Perhaps you don't want to

Mr. Trafford's daughter; although one should not be surprised at any result of divorce in California. Would you mind telling me how the

strange-here." When a beautiful woman, with the most fascinating smile and liquid eyes of softest hazel, says, "would you misd telling me?" the result in the case of most men is a foregone conclusion. It was so with Armisstead in this case. Beguiled by an interest which he mistook for sympathy, and pleased to gratify Miss Rivers, while at the same time gratifying himself by talking of his own affairs—to many people the most in-teresting possible topic,—he related the whole story of the Trafford marriage, of the manner in which the Mexican wife was divorced, of the claiming of the Santa Cruz Mine, and of the determination of mother and daughter to hold it.

"Then that, of course, will end the matter," said Isabel, when he reached this point. "Of course Mr. Traford can't think of forcing them to give it up.

Armistead shrugged his shoulders. Trafford is not a man who gives up anything," he said; " and you see the mine is his."

" You mean—legally ?"

" Legally, of course. There's no other way of owning property.' There is such a thing as moral

There is such a thing as moral right, you know."

"Perhaps so, but moral rights which are not recognized by the law don't amount to anything." Then he will try to obtain the

There is not a doubt of his obtaining it. I have been to Durango to consult lawyers and judges, and they all say his title is good. We have only to take possession."

By force ?" force if necessary. I have a letter from Trafford to day telling me to go ahead and do whatever is

'It seems incredible! And-what

are you going to do?"
"Well, I don't mind telling you that I have hit upon a plan which I hope will avoid trouble and litigation. I shall take a number of men, together with some officers of the law, go quietly out to Santa Crux and take possession of the mine before they can make any resistance. After that it will be impossible for them to

regain possession of it."
"Oh!' Miss Rivers sank back in

nothing in the least treacherous about such a procedure. It's done had been killed would in such case every day in Colorado and our other "Why should we talk of these notice that the mine is ours, they things!" Isabel protested. "Mr. refuse to surrender it, so we shall Lloyd says that there are no bandits simply go and take it; and to do so in the Sierra now, and I am sure we, in the form of a surprise is merely a military stratagem."
"I see!" Miss Rivers' tone indi-

cated that she saw a good deal-"And will Mr. Lloyd assist you in

No!" Armistead replied with gust, "Lloyd is a fool. Because ners, in dealing with the people, we his sympathies are with the women sometimes make enemies when we in the case, he refuses to assist me in any way, and has inconvenienced me greatly by this attitude. I have come to Topia now to try and find some one to take his place-some one who knows the country and lan that Mr. Rivers may be able to recom-

"I think - I hope that papa's "I think — I hope that papa's "Not even though he knew that a sympathies are with the women,

esult," Thornton agreed lightly. "My dear Miss Rivers!" Armis-But here comes the Gerente with a tead was earnestly remonstrant. acting under orders. And sym-You boys must come to the office pathies haven't really anything to I have a sketch-book."

me understand it either."
"Oh, one expects a charming woman to be—er— guided by her heart rather than her head! It's very disagreeable to me, I assure you, to have to carry out Mr. Trafford's instructions; but I have no alternative she comes to speak for herself."

Lloyd looked up quickly. It was it wouldn't help the Calderons And it wouldn't help the Calderons if I refused to do so; for some one indeed Isabel Rivers coming between else would be sent to take possession of the mine.'

I quite understand that, and I am sure you must be sorry to have to do such an odious thing," said Miss Rivers, magnanimously. "If I Miss Rivers, magnanimously. "If I didn't have some head as well as heart, I might detest you for it." she said. istead dir

"That would be terrible. You ouldn't be so unjust."
"I think I could be, but I won't; I will try to be reasonable and give you my sympathies, too. When do you think you will have your party

CHAPTER XI IM THE PLAZA

It was Sunday morning, and Topia wore its most festal air; not only because of the brilliant sunshine and crystal atmosphere, which lent something of that aspect even to the towering, rock faced heights, but because the streets were filled with men who, having been paid off the night before, were now industriously spending their money in the tiendas, and consuming mescal in such liberal quantities as would have seemed But the disorder of Topia was never sogreat that the policeman of the mu-nicipality was not able to deal with The right of a man to drink was fully recognized; and when he pecame reduced either to insensibility, to a maudlin condition of nois iness, or to a desire to fight all his friends and acquaintances, those friends were prompt to carry him away to a place of seclusion. These scenes, moreover, occurred only in the afternoon and evening. At ten 'clock in the morning the future porrachos were still in a state of sobriety, filling the shops, the side-walks and the plaza with their clean white cotton garments and red

At this time also the better class were very much in evidence; and those who may fancy that Topia does not possess a better class should go there and sit in the plaza on a Sun day morning, in order to be convinced to the contrary. A place where for many years money has poured out of the earth in a constant streamlike water out of a fountain, must have its plutocrats, and pluto crats as we know, are speed and easily converted aristocrats. Among the well-dressed and perfectly mannered men who appear on the streets of this old robber stronghold of the Sierra there are some who are descended from its original inhabitants; others are strangers, and many are for-eigners. There is a picturesque mingling of nationalities to be seen

in the plaza of Topia.

While the church bell is ringing out its call to Mass, the air is frag rant with roses, and graceful, darkeyed woman are coming in all diections, with prayer books and beads in their hands and folding-stools hanging on their arms. In an American town of the same class one knows what one would probably find in the feminine element,-what lack of taste in dress, what love of crude and violent color, what hopeless vulgarity of appearance and manners. But these women might be princesses as they glide along, clothed in fabrics, wrapped in silken and lace draperies, with dignity in their bearing, and much delicate loveliness in the faces under the fringed parasols. They were just now passing in num bers toward the open door of the church; for the second call had big drops that slowly fall f ended, and at the third Mass would pale face on her thin hands. begin. A group of young men-chiefly Caridad employees,—seated on a bench in the sunshine, found it necessary to rise to their feet every few minutes and uncover in response to a smile, a flash of eyes and teeth anda musical "Beunos dias, senores! It was in an interval of this perform. ance that Thornton turned to Lloyd,

who was one of the group. I had almost forgotten that I have a message for you," he said A party are going out this after noon to eat tamales at the San ito Mine, and you and Armistead are invited to join us."

Who are 'us?" Lloyd inquired carelessly.

Oh, all the elite of Topia, I be The San Benito belongs to the richest man here, you know— Don Luis Gonzales. There will be music and dancing, and Miss Rivers told me to see that you bring your sketch-book." "How does Miss Rivers know that

"I told her that there was an

"What was the good of yarning about me so absurdly? Miss Rivers can make more satisfactory pictures with her camera than I can with a

the rose-hedges, transformed into a high-born Spanish maiden by the black lace mantilla thrown over her was the interpretation of father's "Give auntie your hand. R sunny hair. She paused, smiling, as the men rose. 'I am glad to see you. Mr. Lloyd.'

the picnic afterward? you have been invited." Thornton was just saving some

thing about it, 'Lioya to the I am rather an unsociable person, and I'm afraid that going out to the San Benito to eat tameles doesn't appeal to me very strongly."

How differently everything had turned out! Paul had settled in a turned out! Pa

"Oh, but it should appeal to you as something immensely picturesque!" she said. "You simply must go. I am sure it will be delightful. And be certain to bring your sketchall of you to dinner. Hasta luego!"

extremely interested in the trip you have made to the Calderon hacienda. I was so pleased with Dona Victoria."

"I suppose you know who she is?"

"Yes: papa told me. I was very much surprised to hear that she is " she assured him.

"I suppose you know who she is and women were hastily pouring from all sides; while Thornton laughed at the expression of Lloyd's face.

"Viva la reima!" he said. "It would take a bold man to disobey to find the commands. We'll I'll see you later. Now I must put in an appass to the assured him.

and I think she probably looks upon me with a more favorable eye if she has seen me leaning in the doorway during Mass. It shows that I have mind free from prejudice and per

haps—under certain circumstances
—open to influence, Come, Mac!"
Mackenzie—a Catholic by inheritance, being a Scotchman of High-land ancestry—rose, together with two or three Mexicans who also formed part of the occupants of the bench, and moved toward the already overflowing door of the church which opened on the plaza. Lloyd sat still in the sunshine a little longer; and then, as the sound of the organ came out to him, he also rose and walked round to the door which opened on the street, where the crowd was less. the street, where the crowd Here, leaning like Thornton against the side of the doorway, he looked over a scene familiar to all sojourners in Mexico-a compact mass of people filling the church (a nave without aisles) from wall to wall; the women kneeling on the brick floor, the men mostly standing until the solemn part of the Mass. At the farther end of the vista candles were gleaming on an altar, before which a priest was slowly moving to and fro. Lloyd had but a vague idea of what was pro-Lloyd had gressing there, but the scene appealed to some instinct of his nature he hardly understood-it was, in fact, the instinct of worship, the deep seated human need to turn to some thing higher than itself-while a certain fineness of mental and spirit-ual fibre, together with a fair amount of culture, enabled him to feel and in a measure enjoy the antiquity and poetry of the mysterious rite.

TO BE CONTINUED

TWO CHRISTMAS EVES

By F. M. Lyndon in the Christian Family It was Christmas eve. A cold wind swept through the streets of the small western city and shook the leafless branches of the trees that stood in front of the high dark house near the church. There was a light the first floor. The room was comfortably warm.

Before the stove on a low stool sits a woman. Her back is turned to the fire, her arms are crossed over her breast, and her head is drooping. On the round table in the center of the room stands a Christmas tree hung with glittering pearls and silvery threads, but all these things look as though they had served the same

A few minutes ago she has lit the tree and the little flames gently flicker up and down on the red, yel-low and blue candles, a faint odor of pine and wax permeates the room. but the cowering woman does not notice it. Her head droops deeper and the light from the Christmas tree flits over her blonds locks and white neck, but does not strike the big drops that slowly fall from her She weeps-and it is Christmas

From the church tower the bells

begin to ring, at first only a few notes, some high, some low, inharmonious, but soon the three bells join in one grand chorus, which floats over the houses of the city, and far out over the dark plains, carrying a message of peace into nousands of homes and hearts.

The girl hears the bells and sobs.

To her these Christmas bells do not bring peace and comfort, they only awaken sad memories in her heart. Thus it has been for many years She remembers it all so well. now fifteen years, that she, just twenty years old, stood in this same room, before the glittering Christmas tree with her father and mother brother and sister. And her heart was thrilled with joy and her eyes showed an unwonted lustre, for at her side stood the friend of her ition. like happy children they looked at artist spoiled when you became a mining engineer and prospector."

"When the tree and the presents under it, and dreamed of golden days to come. and dreamed of golden days to come.

He had just confessed his love, he wish to excuse myself." had kissed her rosy lips, and assured her that his heart belonged to her alone, and soon he would come and take her to their new home and they

would never have to part again. Father and mother were satisfied. She had seen how mother had secretly motioned to father, and how he had answered with a smile. They were a beautiful couple and seemed

smile Paul was the son of their neighbor and had been her protector as far child she said. "Won't you and Mr. Arm-istead dine with us today, and go to to look for a practice, which would enable him to build his own home. thing about it," Lloyd replied. "But How beautiful had the life at his side

book: Mr. Thornton tells me you draw admirably—ah, there is the third call for Mass! I shall expect been home for a short visit and told been home for a short visit and told all of you to dinner. Hasta luego!" her that a great future was evidently She passed on toward the open door of the church, into which men now and then, but his letters had gradually become more scarce and more cool, and finally a last letter from him had destroyed all her hopes. They probably had taken friendship for love, he wrote, but

In conclusion he asked her for a noticed that his eyes rested sadly on friendly remembrance.

That was the end of her beautiful

Christmas dream. No, she had not been mistaken in her affection, but she had the same dear faithful eyes, he had disappointed her, and she had the same pure open forehead with never been entirely cured of this disappointment.

By and by she learned the cause. Another woman had won him, one of those bewitching beauties, who with their charms so easily capture the little pause, then he began again: heart of a man. Was he happy? Her brother had told her that his marriage had not brought him real peace and happiness, that he bore in silence but with infinite regret the chain he had forged himself. However she knew her brother was angry with the friend who had robbed his sister of her expected happiness and she did not fully believe his words.

In a dark corner of her soul a feel ing of satisfaction over his misfor tune would stir now and then, but she would not nourish it. She prayed that God would give him all the happiness that had been denied

other. Brother and sister had married and were far away, her parents had died, and she, Margaret, was all alone in the lonesome house. She could not bring herself to quit it, no Why carry her silent sorrow to others? Sorrow had become so familiar a guest with her that she her. It was always with her and she did not care to expose it to the gaze of the noisy crowd. Every Christmas eve she fixed up

a tree, also after father and mother had died, and always decorated it with the same tinsel, which had enchanted her eye, when hand in hand with him she had stood in its light. Only once she had omitted it. She wanted to try to tear the memory of that day out of her heart but that had made matters worse. Tearless she had sat the entire evening in the corner by the stove and her heart had threatened to burst from the pressure that weighed it down like a

heavy piece of ice.

In the glow of the Christmas candles she could cry, and her sorrow gleamed in happy anticipation. seemed to melt like snow before the sun, and she was able to bear it again in quiet resignation.

Thus again she cried now, her

tears flowed unceasingly.

Suddenly the door bell rang and the shrill sound made the weeping the shrill sound and pressed a kiss on it. old hired woman slowly went to the door and opened it. She heard how the sonorous voice of a man asked a question, how the woman had closed the door. The steps came nearer. Margaret sprang up, wiped the tears from her eyes and cheeks and looked expectantly at the door. An inexplicable feeling of anxiety came over plicable feeling of anxiety came over he murmured. "Oh, Margaret, what her as she waited; she could harnly a fool I have been. Should it be breathe. There was a knock and then entered a man in a traveling

suit, who led a little girl of about six years by the hand. A half smothered scream escaped from Margaret's lips, she seemed to faint and closing her eyes grasped jubilant heart. stood he for whom she had wept, the man who had been her joy and had

become her sorrow.
"Good evening, Margaret," he said
in a low voice. He had seen her sudden terror and was confused. O papa, a Christmas tree,

Christmas tree," exclaimed the child and, letting her father's hand go, approached the table.

"How pretty! I wish I could stay the birth of Abraham, two thousand At the sound of the child's cheerful voice Margaret opened her eyes. What had the little one said? She

tried to gather her thoughts. She was as yet not able to speak a word, sixty-fifth week, according to the her limbs trembled and she stared at prophecy of Daniel; in the one hunthe man as though he were an appar-He took another step toward her.
"Can you pardon me, Margaret?"

he said in the same low voice.

covered her face with both hands and sobbed aloud.

ful coming, having been conceived of the Holy Ghost, and nine months

the child. The physician stood in painful em-

barrassment and did not know what to say. The child in unconcealed Give auntie your hand, Elsie," he

had shortly before passed his last hand, while holding on to her medical examination and was about father's coat with the other. She seemed uncertain what reception she Margaret let her hands sink. Be

with big doubting eyes. Sudden ly she drew the child to her heart

would love me."

Margaret smiled, and the physician Margaret smiled, and the physician of God's majesty, the Lion of the passed his hand over his forehead tribe of Juda, the Root of David,

with a great petition."
"Oh, but sit down, Paul," the girl

Her features showed the traces of so often charmed him in days gone by.

With a sigh he sat down near her.

"Perhaps you will understand, Margaret, why I choose Christmas eve for the day on which to come to

you. You know that about a year ago I lost my wife?" Margaret nodded and bent her face to the child, who trustingly leaned against her knees. He con

'Of my children only this one re

mains. Elsie is a dear and good child, but she needs a mother. I cannot attend to her education as I should because my work does not leave me time for it. I have no relatives to whom I could intrust her. There is a sister of my wife's but—well, you may understand, if I say no more. But it grieves my heart to think she would have to grow up without a mother's loving care, and so I thought," here his voice trembled a little, "I should bring matter how urgently brother and the child to you and ask you to take sister invited her to come to them. her mother's place. I know how her mother's place. I know how good you are and how much you always loved children. Could make up your mind to make would have missed it, if it had left great sacrifice for me? I would be very grateful to you. I have not deserved any favor," he added in a low voice, "but perhaps you pity the child and take her, she needs love so

much.' He was silent and waited for a answer.

The girl's head had dropped still more and tears glistened in her eyes; again she drew the little one to her and kissed her tenderly on her fore Would you like to stay with me

Elsie?" she now asked. Oh, yes, because you are nice to me and do not scold me like Hannab." Hannah was the doctor's

Paul breathed easier, and his eyes "I will keep her," said Margaret, and hope that the little one will soon get used to her new surroundings." With these words she looked up and shook hands with the friend inge.

The girl blushed deeply and hastily withdrew her hand. Thanks, thanks, Margaret,"

whispered warmly. that I would not come in vain. She looked at him. In her eyes shone the old love. "Thank God, it is not too late yet." he murmured.

possible that I could be happy once In answer the girl took up the little girl, and stepped over to the Christmas tree and the man looked at her with glowing eves and a with glowing eyes and a

CHRISTMAS DAY

In the year from the creation of the world, when in the beginning thousand, one hundred and ninety nine; from the flood, two thousand, nine hundred and fifty-seven; from and fifteen; from Moses and the com-ing of the Israelites out of Egypt one thousand, five hundred and ten; from the anointing of King David, one thousand and thirty two : in the dred and ninety-fourth Olympiad in the year seven hundred and fifty Rome; in the forty-second year of the empire of Octavian Augustus. when the whole world was at peace, in the sixth age of the world, Jesus At these words the girl felt as Christ, eternal God, and the Son of though a heavy burden were taken the Eternal Father, and the solo of the control of the Eternal Father, desirous to from her breast, she sank on a chair, sanctify the world by His most merci-"Paps, why does auntie cry?" said having elapsed since His conception, is born in Bethlehem of Juda, having become man of the Virgin Mary Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

Thus, in solemn chant rising with each note to a plane of higher joyousness, is the Church annound said after a while and shoved the to the world the consummation of the hopes of the old Testament. Timidly Elsie extended her little Thus does she enshrine in language of unparalleled simplicity the fears of our first parents, the protection of the chosen people, the founding of the Royal line, the sighs of the Prophets, the unspoken and unhoped for destinies of Greece and Rome, fore her stood the child with out-fore her stood the child with out-stretched hand and looked at her Trinity with the human nature that d kissed her.
"So you love me anyway?" asked of the daughters of God, the virgin far off city. His friendly manners, his skill and conscientiousness, had quickly won a large practice and quickly won a large practi much."
"Oh, how nice; papa said you visible God, the Brilliancy of the Eternal Light, the unspotted Mirror and pressed his lips together.

"Pardon, Margaret," he said after a short pause, "that I break into your quiet home like this, but I come the Prince of the kings of the earth, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the would take a bold man to disobey to her commands. We'll I'll see you later. Now I must put in an appear. ance at church. No, I'm not a Catholic; but Miss Rivers is, you know;

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This is what some people are pleased to call the Papacy. The Catholic Church, to be sure, can be no democracy in the ordinary sense. In the natural order which concerns the present world, human reason is nain guide and capable of fran ing the conditions that make for earthly happiness. One of these con-ditions is the form of government under which they desire to live. It was never meant that men should abdicate their right of choosing in these matters or could forfeit it be authority in civil affairs rests primarily and inalienably with the people. A king no more rules by the grace of God than a president. In the exercise of their authority both have divine sanction; in entering upon their authority both are dependent on human conventions.

The Church, on the contrary, is of the supernatural order and concerned with the happiness of men in the hearafter. What the conditions of that happiness are, and by what means it is to be achieved, depends entirely on the will of God made manifest to us in His revela-tion. If, according to divine revelation, the Church is among the means of salvation, we must accept it, and accept it not as we would have it but such as God gave it to us. In other words, while all human institutions are subject to the will of man, the church, provided it be a divine institution, conforts us as a fact of the supernatural order over which

Now we Catholics believe that the Church is a divine institution, established by Christ to continue His mission to the world. To it He entrusted His teaching authority and His sanctifying power. "All power is given to me in heaven and in earth. Going therefore, teach ye all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and behold I am with you all days even to the consummation of the world." (Matthew 28: 18:20.) These words were spoken, in the first instance, to the Apostles, but that they referred also to their successors is made evident by the final clause, "I am with you to the consummation of the world."
And the successors of the Apostles are the Bishops of the Church. From other passages of the New Testament we learn that St. Peter had a position of pre-eminence among the other Apostles. On him Christ built His Church, to him He gave the keys of the kingdom of heaven, him he commissioned to strengthen His brethren. to him he entrusted the feeding of of His lambs and his sheep. Accordingly we hold that the successor of Peter in the See of Rome has a similar pre eminence among the successors of the other Apostles, among the Bishops of the Church. To set the Bishops of the Church. aside the authority of the Pope and the Bishops would be to forego the benefit of that assistance in learning His gospel which Christ has guaranteed to His appointed teachers, even

For Catholics, then, who hold this faith, it is impossible to discover any despotism in the authority of the Pope. For despotism means essenunlawful power, power exer cised for the oppression of clavish subjects, whereas the Pope's authority has divine sanction and its exercise is welcomed as a blessing by those who bow to it. Accordingly the attitude of Catholics towards the Pope is one of love and devotion. To them he is the Holy Father, the Vicar of Christ, the supreme guardian of their faith. If they do occasionfeel his ruling hand they submit with the same spirit of loyalty with which we all submit to the civil government. For our spiritual wel-

our temporal welfare.
But suppose a Catholic would come to change his mind about the divine endorsement of his Church's authority-what then? Why, in that case,

ot a despotism ! This consideration settles any about the authority of the Pope. Should they ever come to recognize him as the Vicar of Christ, divinely aided to convey the correct meaning of Christianity to all inquirers, they would, no doubt, be anxious to listen to what he had to say. But until then he is no more to them than the Catholics.

Nor is the Papacy a menace to free governments. For the Church is absolutely indifferent as to what absolutely indifferent as to what government any people may choose to live under. Give her freedom and she will prosper. And to prosper in her case means to save the largest thou, and it shall be well with thee." number of souls. Other ambitions she has none. Her sphere is the spiritual realm. Hence there never come only grew with the years, and can be a clash between allegiance to we may be sure that the reliance on the Church and allegiance to one's Providence which Our Lord taught

sympathy of the common people, of sider the lilies of the field how they the poor, the afflicted, and trodden, because of the comforts she has to offer them. Solomon in all his glory was arrayed While fostering every legitimate as one of these. Be not solicitous, aspiration for better conditions therefore, saying, what shall we eat among the masses, the Church knows or what shall we drink or wherewith how to bridge over the unavoidable shall we be clothed? Your father chasms of disappointment with knowth that you have need of all contentment. This is why the instigators of social revolt find but scanty the Kingdom of God and His justice hearing among her members. If we are not mistaken the Church will prove, at the present crucial turning-simple and how sublime is this teachpoint of the world's history, not 'a remnant of despotism, but a rampart against the despotism of lawless Bolshevism.—The Guardian.

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DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FAMILY

The little home at Nazareth has been the spot to which Christian families have in all ages turned for inspiration and strength, for the virtues which should be practiced in every Christian home. One need only mention a few of them: mutual affection, meekness, love of peace, resignation in trial, love of retirement, trust in Providence, fear of God,—all domestic virtues which should find scope for their fullest development among those who have as sumed home responsibilities. When parents and children are united by the bonds of tender love as the members of the Holy Family were united, they may hope to share the blessings which Heaven showered down on Nazareth. This does not necessarily mean that they shall be exempt from all crosses and trials—few families escape those things here below; but it means that strength and patience to bear their crosses joyfully will be given them by a bountiful God.

After the example of Nazareth.

Christian homes are the soil wherein

the most fundamental of domestic virtues, the love of God, should blossom into fruits of salvation.

Joseph and his holy spouse, Mary, showed that they loved God and wished to fulfil His laws the day they journeyed to Bethlehem to obey the edict of Cæsar Augustus. In the Roman Emperor was centered the authority which came from the Source of all authority and the holy couple knew that in obeying the law of the land they were obeying God. The journey on foot was long and painful and their cruel reception at Bethlehem only added to their distress; but they knew full well that inconvenience and suffering are often signs of God's love for His creatures, and they accepted the rebuff with sublime meekness and resignation. How many fathers and mothers there are nowadays who might find in this them to undergo suffering and fatigue unto the consummation of the world. Church are made to be obeyed. Assistance at Mass on Sundays holydays may sometimes entail infast and the Easter duty, and the infinite value to the sacrifices the Holy Family had to undergo. What a consoling thing it would be to see Catholice taking this view of the ups and downs that are inevitable in life submission, necessary to the flowering fare demands sacrifices from us as and downs that the there accordingly.

Another virtue which shone in the Holy Family was its ceaseless activity; Nazareth was the home of labor he can go his own way. The Pope has neither policemen nor penitentiaries. His sway is founded not on coercion but on the faith and love of his Immaculate Spouse managed his willing spiritual children.

Another reason why the Papacy is not a despotism!

the interior affairs of the little bo see hold. Artists love to portray Mary seated beside her spinning-wheel, and there is no reason for doubting at non-Catholics may have that they are faithful interpreters of the early traditions of Nazareth. The Child Jesus, on His side, helped both Joseph and Mary in their daily toil; and yet we may be convinced that the activities all three had to put forth to gain their daily bread did not interfere with their prayers and devotions and their union with special teachings of Baptists or Methodists or Presbyterians are to us every duty in its due time, was un doubtedly the principle on which was based the internal economy of

Poverty and labor were their lot country. The two jurisdictions are distinct and separate. The most loyal patriotism is not only compatible with but the natural flower and fruit of Catholicism.

The most later in His sermon on the Mount was first practised in all fulness in Nazareth. "I say to you, be not solicitous for your life what you shall eat, nor for your body what

the afflicted, and down grow: they labor not, neither do because of the spiritual they spin, but I say to you not even ing which was first put in practice at Nazareth! How noble a lesson for families in an age when the very word Providence would seem to be without definite meaning, merely hazy, far-away sound!
Other virtues which shed an in-

comparable luster on Nazareth, and which make the Holy Family who dwelt there a model for Christian families, were the virtues of meek-ness and love of peace. The incident of the finding of Our Lord in the aple will illustrate what we mean. All three had gone to Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish festival, and having fulfilled this obligation Joseph and Mary were already some distance on the homeward jonrney when they perceived that the Child Jesus was not with them. The discovery must have startled them, and carelessness might have been attributed to some one; but the Gospel story does not tell us that any mutual reproaches were uttered. Joseph and Mary sorrowed and sympathized with each other; or as a pious author affirmed, "they consoled each other." What a lesson there is in these few words for parents! Bearing with mutual sympathy and resignation the burens that are the appanage of married life is the only way to meet them in a Christian home. Making a virtue out of necessity; profiting by every-day trials, misfortune, in ess, death; bending the head in humble submis sion to God's decrees: here is th secret to happiness that only those Christian families possess who are imbued with the spirit of Nazareth.

And when, after three days' search the Child Jesus was found disputing with the doctors in the temple, how gentle were the words of Mary to Him, though her heart had been bleeding. "Son, why hast thou done so to us? Behold thy father and I have sought Thee sorrowing." The power of meekness was never more fully illustrated than on that occasion. It was eloquent enough to draw the Saviour away from "His Father's business" in the temple and back to Nazareth, where for over a score of years, from youth to manhood, he lived uninterruptedly, "advancing in age and wisdom and grace with God and men." Obedience was for the Child Jesus the path to wisdom and happiness, as it will undoubtedly be for all children who are taught to follow in His footsteps.

Were is asked whether there be any special reason why the example of Nazareth and the virtues practised there should now be placed before simple incident a world of sound teaching. The State may not oblige ative. The sorrowful spectacle that ative. The sorrowful spectacle that a bankrupt civilization presents in in order to obey its laws, but at least inmates of Christian homes should sion on Christian families through see in the journey to Bethlehem an out the world. Happily the Euro-admonision that the laws of the pean war is ended, but during its four years' course it has broken up innumerable homes; and, what perhaps is almost as bad, it has taken convenience and fatigue, but this from their firesides hundreds of law as well as the laws of Lenten thousands of fathers of families who had to leave behind them children other obligations that the Catholic bereft of energetic leadership which Church imposes on parents, children should awe them and direct them in and subordinates, find therein a sanction. If we meditate on the life led at Nazareth it will not require intentions, and for all their authorany stretch of imagination to realize ity, only too often fail. Is it not in that the love of God ennobled the great part to the lack of paternal mutual love which reigned there, control that the increase of juvenile made His service easy, and gave an warm affection, coupled with filial submission, necessary to the flowering of character in children ceases to exist, the selfish human element in them soon asserts itself and easily finds an outlet. Once emancipation from parental control has been attained, that half-natural, half supernatural instinct known as the family spirit disappears, or at least it receives a setback the sad results of which will be felt in the future gen-

erations. And yet the antidote should be forthcoming from somewhere. Where shall we go for inspiration if not to Nazareth where union and love and submission were practised in such a lofty degree? To what better school shall we go to be taught the true family spirit than the school of Nazareth, where Jesus, Mary and Joseph will be our instructors? Christian homes should study the virtues of the holiest family that ever lived on this carrie. lived on this earth. Let them culti-vate a devotion to the members who composed it, seek their intercession daily, ary to imitate them in the daily actions of their lives. If our Chris tian families show their good will in doing this, their Eternal Father will give them the grace and strength to live as they should live in order that their lives on earth may be a fitting preparation for their home in heaven.

E. J. DEVINE, S. J.

WHY A PRIEST IS CALLED " FATHER "

rather by a word that is akin to our "reverend." The French use the words "cure" or "abbe." There is however, an eminently pertinent foundation for the custom of saying "Father" to a priest.

"Father" to a priest.

The word "father" means "author of life." The priest is the author of the spiritual life of the faithful. With the waters of baptism he infuses the life of grace into the soul. If man has lost this grace by mortal sin, the priest revives it by absolution in the Sacrament of Penance. Furthermore, he takes a fatherly interest in all those entrusted to his care. The parish is but a least of the same of the s terest in all those entrusted to his care. The parish is but a large family, and as a father is the natural lly, and as a father is the natural head of a family, it is but natural that the head of the parish chould be called "Father." We call Washing-ton the "Father of his Country."

The reason for this is plain. Similarly members of religious Orders were won't to call their founders by the title of "Pater," or "Father," just as founders of Orders for women were called "Mother." Gradually the title of "Pater" in religious Orders was applied to those nat were ordained, to distinguish them from such as were still aspir-ing to the priesthood and whose title "Frater " or "Brother." - Catho lic Columbian.

THE CHRISTMAS CRADLE

Tis Christmas Eve; and so to-night The Christmas candle let us light. For, those who kept the faith of old
This custom quaint were wont to

hold; And who are we aside to cast The Christian customs of the past ? Then let us gather one and all And light the Christmas taper tall; And, as it starlike shines afar, 'Twill mind us of that other Star That shone when first the Holy

Child

Looked up in Mary's face and smiled. So, let it burn, a symbol bright Of faith and love, this blessed night. And as we watch it, let us pray

To Him newborn on Christmas Day, That we and ours may ever keep Within our hearts secure and deep The faith our fathers hither brought, The faith for which our fathers fought;
The faith that was our mothers'

price,
The faith for which our martyrs died.

Yea, be it ours to hold unspoiled The heritage for which they toiled. Nor let us have the hardihood To flout this ancient Christmas good, Whereby our hearts each year recall The birth of Christ, who lights us all.

A CHRISTMAS HYMN

O heart of mine ! lift up blue eyes Of perfect form, of face divine—And see who in you manger lies! It is the Christ Child, heart of mine

O dearest, holiest Christ Child, spread Within this heart of mine thy bed; Then shall my breast forever be A chamber consecrate to thee!

Beat high today, O heart of mine, And tell, O lips, what joys are thine; For with your help shall I prolong Old Bethlehem's sweetest cradle song.

Glory to God, whom this dear Child Hath by His coming reconciled, And whose redeeming love again Brings peace on earth, good will to

WAR SAVED WORLD FROM ITSELF

"This War arrived just in time to save the world, including the British Isles and the United States, from itself," said Raymond Blathwate of

English people," he continued. "The The people have been put to a cruci-ble test and have come out glorified. The people have devoloped a personal consciousness. They have felt the need of a deep religion and they will.

find it. "The keynote of this deep, true religi us stirring is life after death. That is what has come into the hearts of the people of England out of the fires of the suffering, sacrifice and death through which they have passed. The women of England have left their homes to sacrifice health. "The keynote of this deep, true left their homes to sacrifice health, strength and energy in war work. Women who never worked in the past, left their homes daily for munition factories. There are 6,000,000 of working women in England to-

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human life and of those things which entails suffering. The mystery of

ONE CATHOLIC'S READY ANSWER

An incident in connection with the Rosary is related about the late Father Maturin. Some years before he became a Catholic, his duty as an Episcopalian clergyman took him to a hospital in Philadelphia one morn-ing. Walking through the surgical ward his attention was attracted by the luminous expression on the face of an aged Irishwoman, who was thanking the nurse for giving her a Rosary. The visitor paused by the bed, and taking a bead between his fingers, asked: "What do you say on this ?"

"I says the Hail Mary, sir," replied the owner of the beads.
"You Catholics think everything of the Hail Mary, don't you?" he asked. Yes, sir and so did the Angel Gabriel," put in the quick-witted and devout nurse. Questions and answers followed briskly, and the learned clergyman admitted that the two simple, unpretentious women had given him a truer and deeper concepon of the mystery of the Incarnation than he had ever had before.

The narrator of the incident asks:
Were these simple women God's instruments to lighten the darkness of the great scholar and prepare him to receive the greatest of all graces, the priceless gift of faith? Did he compare the knowledge, wisdom, and understanding of the faithful women -free gift of the Holy Ghosthis learning so laboriously attained

PRAY DURING SCOURGE

BLESSED SACRAMENT CARRIED IN

STREETS DURING EPIDEMIC Catholic Montreal, Canada, forced by the influenza to close its churches like most other cities of the United States and Canada, adopted a unique method of bringing God's blessing to

the people.

At the command oi Archbishop
Bruchesi, the great Bourdon of Notre Dame Church pealed forth, and every parish priest entered the sanctuary to celebrate Mass for his people, while in every household the people gathered to pray. Then the priests walked or rode through the streets with the Blessed Sacrament, and blessed the people as the latter came to the doors, many of them carrying lighted tapers. Large numbers of pedestrians dropped to their knees the Blessed Sacrament went by. Archbishop Bruchesi himself was among the priests who participated in the outdoor ceremonies.—Catholic Bulletin.

ONLY SAYING HIS BEADS

Speaking of Cardinal Mercier, his atter fearlessness, and his provoking meekness, Monsignor De Wiart, Belgian envoy, told the following story to a New York audience: The German Governor in Brussels, von Bissing, shortly before his death, sent for the Cardinal and ordered him to sit down in front of his desk. He then proceeded to read all the trumped-up charges against the Cardinal, who sat nite calm the whole time, his lips moving, but uttering no word. At last von Bissing could stand it no longer, and burst out: "What have you to and burst out: "What have you to answer to all these accusations?" "Oh! nothing," replied the Cardinal,

SENSIBLE MOTHERS

GIRLS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO CONFIDE IN MOTHER Surely it is a mother's fault if she

does not enjoy an ideal companion

teseif," said Raymond Blathwate of England, in an address on "The War's Effect on English Character."
"The War has worked a marked them welcome guests at her "The War has worked a marked change upon the character of the her plans, her hopes and failures, and attitude of the people toward the popular form of religion is changing and sympathetically, not describing and sympathetically, not describing them as silly, nor looking as if they bored her.
Happy that girl who can go to her

mother with even foolish, girlish secrets—not to be laughed at, nor to be scolded, but to be told gently and lovingly what is wise, and sensible.
Happy, indeed, is that mother who

HABIT Whenever habit makes you a slave,

War and its near-death work have of the senses. Look around you and opened the minds and the hearts of see how the disorder of the senses their English brothers. The code of honor among the women is high.

the tree industries of the senses may enslave you. Concupiscence of the eye to possess; concupiscence of the eye to possess; concupiscence of the senses honor among the women is high.

"The War has brought, about a reincarnation of our ideals and has given us more of a sense of values of human life and of those things which suffering comes in here. Our own penitential life, united with the infinite merits of our Blessed Resolicious for your life what you shall eat, nor for your body what for rist of Catholicism.

From all this it appears that a world made safe for democracy need have no fears of the Catholic Church. In a very practical sense the Catholic Church is a most democratic institution on earth. She has the special The good which a holy, self-sacrideemer will wipe out the blackness ficing man does in life is scattered of sin. A man who knows and bahere and there in little fragments of lieves these things is a Christian. A

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THE OLD YEAR AND THE NEW date in history; for in this year friendship are not one-sided but ended the greatest military struggle mutual. that ever engaged the human race. From this struggle a mighty empire. deifying its might and its mission. of happy new years. dreaming of world - domination. emerged in ruins. With luciferian pride, fostered for generations by the homage of a half-pagan world scholarship, it conceived the idea and purpose of substituting its Kultur for the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ; now in satanic ugliness it feels the contempt and loathing of Christendom. Its creator, Bismarck, inaugurated German imperial unification by

a bitter warfare on the Catholic Church - the Kulturkampf. Then Bismarck was the Protestant Hero as Frederick the Great, ruthless William's ruthless ancestor, was some generations before. Without armies. without navies, without the sympathy or moral support of those who later knew German Kultur for what it is, nay in spite of their moral support of Prussian tyranny, the Catholic Church fought Garman Kultur single - handed and won

The German Empire not only in its very birth was anti-Catholic, but its very conception of the State was irreconcilably antagonistic to Catholic principles. Bismarck knew this and anti Catholic sentiment was pro-German for this reason. Even so late as 1914 by the statesmen and the churchmen of Ulster, where antidemocratic principles and anti-Catholic sentiment go hand in hand, Germany was bailed as the great Protestant Empire and the Kaiser as the great Protestant Prince who should save Protestant Ulster from the dom-

another of her long series of battles

for human liberty.

ination of "Rome." past. Yes the Catholic Church lives, and will outlive every empire and republic, every merely human society, for it is the Church of the living God, founded by His Eternal Son, guided by His Holy Spirit, and possesses forever the promise of Him who makes use of the weak things of this world to confound the strong that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

It may be, too, that the year 1918 will be known throughout history not alone for the victorious closing of the Great War but also as the date of the beginning of a war more who found an asylum in Canada have hideous, more prolonged, and fraught with even graver issues, the war of Bolshevism against law, order and all rightful authority. Here again challenged the Globe "to give a single the Catholic Church must play its instance of anything which would phere into the open air of truth. God-given part. Here may be her substantiate its 'undoubted fact.' " crowning struggle for human liberty.

To all its readers the CATHOLIC wishes for a Happy New Year.

If we forgot until too late the usual manliness to withdraw it. Merry Christmas greeting blame the | Later, on the floor of the House of | the extent and more radically still as of Christmastide.

letters show; sometime we hope to be able to answer each one individually, in the meantime let us assure each and every one that the intimate feeling of cordial friendship is reciprocated.

We live in an un-Catholic (when not anti-Catholic) atmosphere and is written by Protestants or agnostics; our intercourse in daily life, the current ideas and ideals, ethical standards individual and social, are all non-Catholic when not positively anti-Catholic. Yet the law of compensation holds good. As the tree exposed to the full force of the winds strikes deeper its supporting roots, so does our Catholicity become sturdier, more vigorous and better informed in weathering the storms of hostile environment. But if this is so, the need of the Catholic paper | France. in the Catholic home becomes obviously imperative. We need you; you need us. May the incoming new year bring to the CATHOLIC RECORD and its readers a continuance and increase of the wonderful success of The old year is dying; before the the past. We have much, very much, RECORD reaches its readers again it to thank you for, dear, loyal, Cathowill have gone to join the ghosts of lic friends; we shall always endeaall the dead years since time began. vor to be worthy of that loyal friend-But 1918 will live forever as a great ship and mindful that the duties of

> Again and from our heart of hearts we wish you each and all the happiest

NEWTON WESLEY ROWELL'S "SUBSTANTIAL" SIDE-STEPPING

The Hon. Mr. Rowell, speaking at Bowmanville on Dec. 17th, is thus reported in the Free Press:

Considerable of Mr. Rowell's speech was devoted to a reply to Henri Bourassa's demand in Le Devoir that Mr. Rowell should apologize for 'the calumnious statements made at North Bay nearly a year ago on the

French speaking clergy of Canada."
Mr. Rowell said in part: The substance of my statement about the French-speaking clergy in Quebec was that the majority of them were supporters of Mr. Bourassa in his attitude on the War, and that in the course they were pursuing they were undermining Canada's strength in the struggle. I thought so then; I think so now.

Mr. Rowell's thoughts past and present about "the majority of the French-speaking clergy in Quebec' are interesting but inconclusive.

Mr. Rowell at North Bay in the very speech to which he himself was fore the principle of self-government from the Irish press : referring made the charge which he of which we are the ardent advocates reiterates, but as quoted and endorsed and champions must reluctantly and editorially by the Globe, he made, also, a further specific charge:

"In this attitude," added Mr. Rowell, "they were undoubtedly en-couraged and abetted by the members of the religious orders from France, who found an asylum in Canada and used that asylum to undermine Canada's strength in the struggle. It is a misfortune that they did not follow the example of the priests of the Catholic Church in France, who threw themselves into the struggle The Catholic Church lives, the of their people to preserve their national existence, and by their cour-German Empire is a thing of the age and sacrifice won for themselves gether naked and unashamed. a new place in the hearts of the

rench people. Promptly the same day that the papers carried Mr. Rowell's speech we wrote in the CATHOLIC RECORD :

forward a shadow of proof for this assertion with regard to the members of religious orders from France."

That the Globe considered this specific charge of Mr. Rowell's important is evidenced by this editorial comment and endorsation :

'We may regret, as Mr. Rowell does, the does, the undoubted fact that members of religious orders from France that asylum to undermine Canada's strength in the struggle."

The CATHOLIC RECORD promptly

Neither the Globe nor Mr. Rowell ever attempted to substantiate their alist, the Unionist, and Sinn Fein. if we do not return to Parliament a of this article. RECORD extends its cordial good monstrous charge; neither the As Sinn Fein and the Nationalist Globe nor Mr. Rowell ever had the

weather man who allowed this great Commons, the Hon. Chas. Murphy to the methods of attaining it, the feast to steal on us in unseasonable answered this charge categorically. older Nationalist party has come to weather. A merry time for the rest He took up the several religious be known as the Constitutional party. orders in Canada, one by one, which In addition to the claim of Ireland's The RECORD and its readers are received members from France. He right to complete independence Sinn bound together by the ties of Catho- showed that every single one of these | Fein holds that Constitutionalism in lic Unity; in a very real sense, to members of military age and fitness Ireland has been shown to be a side. Rather it is, I think, his duty, use the language of Holv Writ. our threw himself into the struggle to mockery and a sham. Since Carson while freely expressing his own souls are knit together. Then there preserve the national existence of in the name of Protestant Ascendis also a very human friendship in France and by their courage and ency, backed by the ruling classes of our relationship. We feel that we sacrifice won a place in the heroic are admitted to the closest intimacy records of the Great War to which no Ireland the Sinn Fein party are that no bitterness will be infreduced. in many thousands of Catholic other body of clergymen, Protestantor willing to let it stay dead, and let homes, and as we enter friend greets | Catholic, in Canada would dare to those who killed it take the confriend. That that feeling is very aspire. Scores of them died on the sequences. They consequently re-

proofs order by order, name by name.

No more glorious record is con War in which heroism was a com. monplace in the day's work.

And yet the Honorable Newton Wesley Rowell is not ashamed to environment. Most of what we read leave unretracted his foul charge against these heroic men "who by themselves a new place in the hearts all other hearts not corroded by senseless bigotry.

> Mr. Rowell's charge was specific it is not included in "the substance' which he reiterated at Bowmanville Well, at any rate he had not the shamelessness to repeat his specific charge of monstrous abuse of hospitality against the religious from

He may have "thought so then : he does not "think so now."

Yet he has not the moral courage to confess himself mistaken; he has foul wrong done; he has not that in justified the great War is applied in him which would make an honorable pagan feel unclean unless he retracted, ave and paid deserved tribute to those whom he had slandered.

And the Honorable Newton Wesley Rowell is the new type of Christian statesman.

IN ONE OF ITS PROTEAN FORMS

On the front page of the London Advertiser of December 17th (evening edition) is a villainous looking portrait under the caption "Ireland's Real Ruler"; underneath runs this legend:

"Cardinal Logue, the Irish prelate, whose word is law in Ireland, outside of Ulster. So great is his power that the Nationalists have abandoned constituencies at his order to the

statement in a despatch from Bel. was an Ulsterman, does not and fast : "It is reported here that Car- never did represent an Ulster condinal Logue and Archbishop Walsh stituency. And St. John Ervine has fourteen years ago to give any supboth supported Sinn Fein." The held the mirror up to Carson in his port to the Irish Party because of "a impression sought to be created is delightfully frank "Life" of that disastrous change of policy, a change

We have here in one of the most And as is generally the case the and the Bishop of Limerick. shameless bearing of false witness regretfully be denied to this priestridden country. It serves the purpose also of justifying and deepening the superstitious fear, always either where "Rome" is strong civil and religious liberty has but a tenuous and precarious existence. Thus we make the inconsistency between our profession and our practice appear less poignantly revolting to honest men; our Pharisaism, covered with the rags of this calumny, is not alto-

What are the facts? Do they audacious statement that Cardinal Logue is the real ruler of Ireland. "We challenge Mr. Rowell to bring that his word is law in Ireland outside of Ulster, that his power is so great that Nationalists at his order have abandoned constituencies to their bitter political opponents, Sinn outside help. Fein? Every statement, every implication and every insinuation in the short paragraph quoted is shamelessly made out of whole cloth with here and there some shreds of truth mendaciously interwoven after the manner indicated by Tennyson: "A lie that is part truth is ever the blackest of lies."

Let us get out of this fetid atmos-

In the recent elections in Ireland there were three parties, the Nationparties both stand for Irish Self. Government though differing as to general on the part of our readers battlefield. This record Mr. Murphy pudiate the farce of Constitutionalism,

thousands of cordial and intimate substantiated with incontrovertible and refuse to recognize the right of determine her own form of govern-England to govern Ireland by sending representatives to Westminster. They elect members of Parliament tained in all the heroic annals of a pledged to remain away from Parliament. Now we believe that in consideration of the fact that there is going to be a new political England in which Tory junkers, "titled harridans," Carson, and Carsonism, will find short shrift that Constitutionaltheir courage and sacrifice won for ism is well worth reviving. But that is a matter which pertains to the of the French people;" aye and in people of Ireland to judge; if they are mistaken it is not the first political mistake made in or out of Ireland. Their right to choose their own political course is unquestion- next five years are not pitched quite able. As for their claim that Ireland should be an independent republic that, those in touch with their difficult to understand how any man leaders assure us, is a strategical can derive any satisfaction from the position which they would willingly give up for Dominion Home Rule within the Empire. The Carsonites stand for Protestant Ascendancy, the subversion of the Constitution and attention I waste on them the better armed rebellion against the King and for myself and for the office which I not the sense of justice to repair a Parliament if the principle which

> any measure to Ireland. In passing it may be remarked that the Irish Constitutional Party appears to have gone the way of all political parties with a long tenure of power. It got out of touch with the people it represented, and its political machine like political machines has brought in the past many subeverywhere, repressed independent stantial benefits to the Irish ne thought and initiative in order to secure faithful, not to say servile, party allegiance. It is only fair to say that in North East Ulster there Government of our own. In regard are signs of revolt against similar to the policy adopted on the other but worse political conditions amongst the Carsonite rank and file. ticable George Russell and St. John Ervine definite results and that if persisted and others like them, Ulster Pro-testants to the manner born, may be testants to the manner born, may be taken as harbingers of a better and of choosing between these two policies saner era there. Certainly they have rests now with the electors. a better right to speak for Ulster hope that they will make the choice than Carson who is not and never with calm foresight and wisdom." And all the papers contained this than Carson who is not and never political leader.

Now what stand did the Irish bishinsidious of all its protean shapes ops take in all this political ferment? anti Catholic calumny pandering to Two of the twenty nine were frankly ingrained anti Catholic prejudice. Sinn Fein-the Bishop of Killalce

We shall let some of the others serves a political purpose. Ireland speak for themselves by extracts policy " of recent years : is under the heel of "Rome," there- from their public utterances taken

BISHOP O'DONNELL of Raphos writes thus : "Some years ago there was a great

Parliamentary Party backed by a vigorous Organization in Ireland. Now the strength of that Party is paralyzed; the Organization dormantly or actively present, that supporting it has largely disappsared.

"Even when dissension and want of sufficient touch with the electorate enfeebled its efforts, the Irish Party was still able to do useful work Ireland. Though operating at Westminster, its purpose there was to claim rights, not to ask favours.

Ireland's own, just as the Organization and man power at home were her own. That programme rested tify the impression sought to be created? Do they bear out the road to track me a self-respecting on a self-respecting on a self-respecting on the representative of the Prince of Peace, and seen, however, whether Toronto can far removed from national abasement she is advised to concentrate her reliance on an appeal for

might reasonably expect that we would do our part by having a power ful Irish Party to push on the Irish gaze of the world, while the Conference was in session.

". . . I have given the spare energies of all my life to the service of Ireland, and I would not be true to advise our people to return to Parliament for work there a strong array of the very best men they can find.

powerful Party to uphold our case at Westminster, with the help of Labor, and to enlist the support and pressure on our behalf of the Irish people in America and the Colonies." ARCHBISHOP GILMARTIN of Tuam, writing on the situation, says . my view that when our Catholic people are divided among themselves on a question of pure political, a Nationalists. And "outside of Ulster" that a nation cannot govern itself pastor of souls should not take an opinion, to bring about unity, and, if this cannot be done, to counsel tolerinto the present contest. There are good Irishmen and good Catholics on both sides who are in different ways working for the same end—namely, power whose word is law "outside ments mentioned. In a certain hierarchial organization cast on Bib-the right of Ireland as a nation to of Ulster" and at whose "order' Canadian city a promoter of the lical and Oriental lines." Powerful

ment. There will be always honest differences of opinion as to the best eans to obtain this end. As regards immediate issue-which abstention or non-abstention from Parliament—speaking for myself, I prefer the older policy because it seems the safer."

BISHOP FOLEY of Kildare and Leighlin, after urging that candidates should be men "of high character, political capacity, knowledge and

experience," goes on to say : "I have no faith in Sinn Feinism a a policy, nor in abstention from Parliament as a means of political salvation, but my expectations from attendance in Parliament during the so high as are those of others, and from all that I have read and heard sort of political polemics in which rival parties have engaged. Such polemics I have found stale and un profitable and devoid of all attraction, Hence I feel that the less time or have been appointed to fill."

The Bishop of Ossory, the Most

Rev. Dr. Brownrigg, says "Having given the policies claims of the rival parties the best and fairest consideration I could, I have arrived at the conclusion that the policy which stands for the traditional and constitutional principle is the only safe one for the country now or in the future. That policy I believe that it is capable, if it gets fair play, of bringing us many more benefits, including what is the supreme ambition of Irishmen—a side, I will not permit myself to say more than that I consider it imprac-

ARCHBISHOP WALSH, of Dublin, writes that he ceased thirteen or that I felt convinced could not fail to bring about the deplorable results we now see around us in Ireland." And, deploring the probable loss of several seats to the anti-Irish Carsonite faction, His Grace thus caustically refers to the "disastrous

"If leaders prove obstructive in this matter, has the public spirit of the country been so deadened by the leading-string policy of the past that ent crisis of acting for themselves?

the intervention of Cardinal Logue. enable them to enter the celestial Carsonism is in a minority in the kingdom, and once more God con- didate for Mayor for 1919 who by dividing the Nationalist vote threat- no man among them knows the faith O'Neill has made for himself an enviened to hand over eight Ulster Home of his brother. Forgetful of the able record as alderman and control-Rule seats to the Carsonites. The warnings of the past and of the ler. His energy and initiative, com. Democratic Unionists and the Re- lessons that the last four years bined with a same and balanced actionary Unionists closed their should have taught the world, we judgment, have approved him to "The Parliamentary instrument was divided ranks in anticipation of this again find men so confounded in business men generally, and in any delectable triumph which would give mind that they are attempting to other city in Canada under like contheir representatives 25 of the 33 or establish world peace without the ditions his election would be a road to freedom. But now Ireland is

Several attempts to reach an agree to lay the foundation of a new and sufficiently emancipate itself from saked to abandon the one effective weapon she can fashion and wield at ment amongst the Nationalists and better social order with other sancthed its description. Several attempts to reach an agree-to lay the foundation of a new and sufficiently emancipate itself from the element which has controlled its a time when her need for it is greater | Sinn Feiners having proved abortive | tion than that of the Decalogue. than ever before; and in a way not the Cardinal together with all the We all remember the question in chief magistrate. other bishops of Ulster addressed a the Catechism "To what two comletter to the Lord Mayor of Dublin | mandments may the ten be reduced?" asking him to arrange with the lead. If we examine the matter we will "One should think that any friendly ers of the rival Nationalist parties to find that the two mentioned by our its pastor one designating himself a members of the Peace Conference divide the seats equally—four to each philosopher friend cover the ground "Bishop," whose propaganda has party. Dillon at once publicly ac pretty well. A pure generation is a been carried forward chiefly from cepted and later the Sinn Fein lead reverent generation and will honor theatre platforms. According to this demand in Parliament under the ers acquiesced. Thus Carsonism is and revere God, and will respect and worthy, the Church of Latter Day still confined to its North East corner obey His representatives in the home Saints embodied in itself all that is of Ulster.

> consequent on this commonsense arrangement, all find their expression

"Cardinal Logue, Ireland's real Ruler, the Irish prelate whose word is

abandoned constituencies to the

Nationalists gave up constituencies to Sinn Fein.

How flimsy is the pretext for saying the Cardinal "supported Sinn Fein" may be seen by the fact that Bishop O'Donnell of Raphoe also signed the same letter.

less distortion of the truth is an admission of weakness in the cause inference. it seeks to subserve, and an acknowledgment of the strength of the cause it seeks to weaken. It is the impregnable strength of this cause of justice and right that compels its enemies to resort to the poison gas of downright misrepresentation and lying innuendo.

We enjoy very much the visits of a certain gentleman to our sanctum, for the reason that he belongs to that very rare species whose ideas are not may have enjoyed the holiday-i ready made. He is no modernist: in fact he has a perfect loathing for modern ideas and ideals. To the question if he had read a recent publication he replied that he confined his reading to the works of authors who were dead, and who consequently could not change their minds. We were tempted to suggest that perhaps some of them had changed ences of a medium, we abruptly changed the subject. "What do you think," said we, "of this social reconstruction movement?" With a gesture of disgust he replied, "If people would reconstruct itself."

that, subjectively speaking, among liberty." many of our modern reformers it would have the charm of novelty. Unmindful of the Psalmists' admonition that unless the Lord build the house they labor in vain who build sixteenth century men attempted to ultaneously. Here we have the whole reason for erect a spiritual tower that would

It is equally true that Sinn Fein eighth and tenth commandment.

'Lacordaire laid down the principle Cardinal Logue and the northern politically if its individual citizens Luther some centuries ago. bishops did not interfere at all, do not govern themselves in the inti-Elsewhere we publish the letter in macy of their own thoughts and defull. It will be seen that the kindly, sires. The trouble with many of our Smith, head of the Mormon sect, and gentle, lovable old Irish priest who is reformers is that they undertake to nephew of its founder, has called Cardinal and Archbishop of Armagh | reform the world before they reform | attention anew to the tenets of that is not quite truthfully represented themselves. Two striking instances singular organization which the either by the hideous portrait of an of this occurred recently that bear Boston Transcript rather gratuitouseyeless black man, or as the sinister respectively on the two command- ly characterizes as "a powerful power whose word is law "outside ments mentioned. In a certain hierarchial organization cast on Bib-

Social Service League, who was busying himself with the establishment of a new branch, dwelt in one of his addresses upon the evil of child murder. A lawyer replied, pointing out that the speaker had omitted to nention another great evil whereby The cause which requires such thousands of potential children were press agency is not one that rests on murdered by Malthusian practice. decent foundations. Such shame- Straightway the uplifter fell into a passion. He who runs may draw the

The other incident, or series of incidents, is the handing over of the Protestant pulpit to politicians, some of whom unctuously speak of the necessity of a spirit of religious tolerance and justice and honesty in the work of reconstruction, while they themselves stand condemned by all who know the truth of politica DICTUMS OF A PHILOSOPHER | treachery, of fostering racial

religious strife, and of stealing the neighbor's good name and refusin to make restitution. The minister has lasted for some of them since the signing of the armistice—but do they not realize that they are cutting the ground from under their own feet and incidentally admitting that their churches are not able to cope with the present emergency ?

Our friend was right. Society must be reconstructed from the bottom upwards. A superstructure their minds, but fearing that this of gilded platitudes will not withmight lead to a discussion of Conan stand the wind and waves if the Doyle and Sir Oliver Lodge's alleged foundation is rotten. Luther, when communications with the spirit world, he witnessed the results of his teachand being rather chary of that topic ing, wished to restore the Conever since we listened to the experi- fessional. He saw that if the Commandments were ignored and that if there was no restraint upon the individual conscience there would be no peace for the nation. But it was too late. The evil has run its course till would only keep the sixth and it has turned the world into a seventh commandments, the world shambles. The only remedy is to have recourse to that Tribunal of Someone may say that this idea is Mercy which, in the words of Cardinal not very original, that it is older Gibbons, is "one of the most powerful than the Church itself; but those levers ever designed by a merciful who have been reading the social God to raise men out of the mire of uplift programmes, as set forth in sin, and one of the greatest bulwarks the newspapers, will have to admit of national peace and individual

THE GLEANER

NOTES AND COMMENTS

THE BULLETIN of the Canada Food it, men have been always trying to Board urges that the housewives of get to heaven on a structure of their the Dominion follow the lead of their own designing. Shortly after crea- sisters abroad and buy the less extion's dawn the descendants of Noe pensive, and, in this country, hitherto undertook to erect a tower that little used cuts of meat. The advice would pierce the skies, but God con- is pertinent and timely. But, what founded them and confused their about the coy ways of the middleman? the people are incapable even in the speech so that no one knew the Let the consumer buy, and at the tongue of his brother. Again in the same time watch the prices rise sim-

TORONTO IS to have a Catholic canprovince of Ulster. Sinn Fein and founded them and today, in the general consent is far and away the the Constitutional candidates by midst of the multiplicity of beliefs, best man in sight. Controller so long to elect a Catholic as its

THERE IS, it seems, a Mormon church in Toronto which has had as and in the larger societies of Church | true and elevating in religious teach Malice, malevolence, the part. and State, thus observing the first ing, and had a special mission to lead truth that is ever the blackest of lies, four commandments of the Decalogue the world out of darkness into the that service, as I see it, if I did not dishonesty, and the disappointment together with the sixth and ninth. marvellous light of Salt Lake City. Moreover, pure men and women, We say "had" advicedly, for now honoring as they do their own bodies there is a rift in the lute, and the We are not doing our part in the statement quoted at the head as the temples of the Holy Ghost, said exponent of Joseph Smith's will hold human life sacred, especi- teachings has parted company with ally in the person of the innocent his erstwhile brethren and ended by and unprotected. They will not hurling anathema at the whole insti-Ruler, the Irish prelate whose word is law outside of Ulster. So great is his power that the Nationalists have steal either in act or desire his another little sect of his own. The abandoned constituencies at his neighbor's goods or his neighbor's outfit is of course beneath contempt, good name, will keep the seventh, and we notice the episode merely as illustrating once more the ordinary course of the religious philosophy enunciated by one Doctor Martin

THE RECENT death of Joseph F.

it indeed has been, and, if we may us to the heart of things as they are the choir and where the stalls had fall in 1917 to 1,059. So in thirty accept such testimony, within well defined limits is still, but to call it Biblical" in any proper understanding of the term is an outrage alike upon reason and common sense.

NOTWITHSTANDING disclaimers by certain of its more recent "prophets' and advocates. Polygamy has ever been the principal tenet of the Mormon creed, and while the laws of every civilized country have made the open practice of that outrage upon womanhood impossible, it is regarded by advanced Mormons as "in abeyance" only. Of the new Head it is stated "he represents the modern thought of Mormonism, which is to conform to the requirements of the law, but to stand up in the meeting for all the original tenets of the church." "In abeyance" nevertheless polygamy is likely to remainunless, with the increasing facilities for divorce, (which, notwithstanding the mantle of legality is after all in its results but successive polygamy), the bars should be lowered and the Mormon practice be enticed into the open again.

MEANWHILE it is of some moment to us as Catholics to know that. while the Mormon propaganda has been unceasingly carried on in foothold in any Catholic country, and the Mass, as were also many of the and women's voices rose shrill above few, if any of its dupes are of Catholic antecedents. The question of was crowded with the members of polygamy aside, individual Catholics, the Metropolitan Chapter, the Chapwhatever their moral shortcomings, are not usually caught up by mushroom sects, or by ebullitions of religious fanaticism such as come to the surface from time to time in non-Catholic countries. Lose faith in the supernatural they may, and, alas, sometimes do, but the early training of even such as these is ordinarily proof against sickly fanaticism of the sort alluded to. Mormonism, for example, has never been able to strike root in Ireland or in French Canada.

"W. H. K." IN the London Tablet. has been casting about for allusions to aircraft among our modern poets. Someone suggested that such references might be found even in the Holy Scriptures, but this, thinks the writer in question, is extremely doubtful. Shakespeare, however, is Fear not, O land, be glad and rejoice, rather better fishing ground, and of one passage in particular it may be predicated that the word of Avan had in Antony and Cleopatra, Act IV.,

THE FOLLOWING tribute to Philip Gibbs, admittedly the first of War correspondents, bears reproducing. It is from a correspondent of the New York Times : Gibbs, it may not be amiss to add, is Catholic in creed as well as in temperament, in vision and in human sympathy :

"There may have been times in the history of journalism when readers have had the luxury of truly great literature in their daily press. I am sure the present generation has had none such until the advent of Philip Gibbs. The inexhaustible fertility amazing inspiration of wonderful man, with heart and brain pressed to the very bosom of poor, battered France and Flanders, re-cording for the world, in a beautifully lucid, simple style—simple with all the glorious simplicity of absolute genius-all the horror and all the glory that have been this Armageddon, is one of the outstanding features of the War. As a lover of true literature, the writer has infallibly turned daily to the Philip Gibbs column of The Times, always sure of a treat to sheer beauty and unexampled workmanship, combined with an amazing close up of the great things that stir and mind. We naturally expect that art, literature, life itself, will react to the tremendous influ ence of the World War, but it is the opinion of the writer that some of the has seen the light in the very travail of all the glorious damnation of the last four years. The days ahead will

-Philip Gibbs. That the Gibbs correspondence is the finest thing The At Tournai the people turned out Times or any other journal has ever in their crowds to welcome the entry secured is the sincere opinion of a of the victorious troops. Mr. Philip discriminating and grateful reader."

CATHOLIC NEWS ITEMS

THANKSGIVING SERVICES Catholic War News Service

During the week following the gning of the armistice the churches of the European countries have been crowded by vast throngs offering their thanksgivings that the terrible scourge of War has at last come to an end. A solemn thanksgiving was an end. A solemn thanksgiving was celebrated by the Italians in the Italian church at Hatton Gordon, London, when Bishop Butt sang Pontifical Mass, which was attended by the Italian Ambassador and suite. The bugles of the Italian Grenadiers were sounded at the Elevation.

One of the most impressive cele was the High Mass of Thanksgiving that was celebrated in Westminster Cathedral in the presence of the Cardinal Archbishop. Like so many functions that have taken place in the Cathedral during the past years. the Mass was of the nature of an official and diplomatic function. Bishop Butt was the celebrant, and the Car. dinal assisted in cappa magna. King George was not present, but was represented by Lord Somorley-ton. In the seat of honour was the French Ambassador, M. Cambon, dean of the ambassadorial corps in London, and with him were the Europe and even in certain parts of Italian, Belgian, Spanish, Brazilian Canada for many years, and, un. and Chilean Ambassadors, with the happily, with some degree of success, it has never been able to obtain a british and Allied were present at and clashed out for the joy of peace,

Catholic peers and peeresses. lains of the Cathedral College, and orders in England, with the excep-Allied nations the motet, Justorum animse in manu Dei sunt, was sung after the Offertory, and after the Last Gospel the Cardinal intoned the published prayer Domine salvum fac regem

strum Georgium Two days after this solemn event a Te Deum was sung in the Cathedral in celebration of the Patronal Feast of the King of Belgians. The Car-dinal Archbishop, who was present at the throne in cappa magna, preached to a vast congregation on the text:

"And I will remove far off from you the northern enemy; and I will drive him into a land unpassable and desert, with his face towards the east sea and his hinder part towards the utmost sea; and his stench shall ascend and his rottenness shall go

predicated that the and of Avon had dramatic unexpectedness, with what something like the mode a aeroplane precision of retribution, has the hand directly in view. This passage occurs of the Eternal Justice been in those days made manifest! The King of the Belgians ascends once more to Scene X:

Antony. Their preparation is by sea;

Antony. Their preparation is by sea;

We please them not by land. Scarus. For both, my lord. Antony. I would they'd fight there, or in the air;

We'd fight there, or.

Diligent search migh bring forth other allusions of the kind. What field of human endeavor is beyond the vision of the Bard?

The Belgians ascends once more to the Elivate and inviolate and urgent necessity.

Sisted on has been that of absolute and urgent necessity.

However, it is only natural that social betterment and relieve the them at home, eager to seek, in a prospect and that social betterment of them at home, eagerly run after the things which appeal to the dangers t now stands forth as never before in the eyes of the whole world, a united people, in the fullest sense a nation, compacted and welded together by the very life blood of her children, of her sons, and of her daughters too.

These years of tragedy have set Bel.

Protestants. But the only reason the why we have sent such people away has been either that they were not entirely destitute, or else that we had nothing left to give to them.

"Our accounts show that the number of destitute people assisted is less noteworthy that the great stands of people were on the sent. At fourteen or fifteen years of Jemappes, quite a fair sized town by another chaplain, perhaps his senior and sometimes through a bit of luck why we have sent such people away has been either that they were not entirely destitute, or else that we had nothing left to give to them.

"Our accounts show that the number of destitute people assisted is less noteworthy that the great sent. At fourteen or fifteen years of Jemappes, quite a fair sized town by another chaplain, perhaps his senior maidens, neither Catholic nor Proportions, yet destined to be in a few years the backbone of a so called the way. We travelled on the main maidens, neither Catholic nor Proportions, yet destined to be in a few years the backbone of a so called the complete of the whole which was convictions, yet destined to be in a few years the backbone of a so called the complete of the way. We travelled on the main convictions, yet destined to be in a few years the backbone of a so called the complete of the whole when the way. We travelled to the way. We travelled to the way. The way of the way and the way was an another chaplain may get there and another chaplain may get These years of tragedy have set Belgium free from the awful poison of modern German thought and prin. number of members of each Chrisciples. Bitter experience has shown us how widespread and dangerous those teachings have become. Had they not been revealed in their true light by their systematic application in the present War, every nation would have been radically affected

by their malignant influence The sermon was followed by solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, given by Mgr. De Wachence Cardinal Mercier, Archbishon of

Malines IN ALSACE-LORRAINE The Cathedral of Thann in Alsace is once more in French possession, after forty years of German domination. The entry of the French troops into the town was celebrated with great joy by the people of Thann, the Marsh and on the uninjured steeple of the in prayer. Cathedral the Tricolour floated gaily. Three Chasseurs Alpins had succeeded in making the perilous climb, and astheflag of France broke out over the highest edifice of the reconquered territory the great crowd knelt in fervent thanksgiving. The more boisterous element was outside celebrating victory, but all the o'd people opinion of the writer that some of the miles around had gathered to ing significant figures were given, most remarkable writing of the epoch pray and to listen to the Cure, who, which the Augsberger Postseitung speaking now in patois, told how the God of Battles had blessed the arms of France and of her Allies because their cause was the cause of justice their cause w be pregnant days—pregnant with their cause was the cause of justice 50,000, and there were 2,023 births, tremendous things for all the days to come. The world has but one logical candidate for chronicler of these events—the man who can see and altar, so dense was the crowd of offi. 70,000, the births totalled 2,405. events—that who can see and research the service of the pent and intelligence. Cers and peasants and American solutions are the population as increased to 77,787, and the pent amodern magic carpet, carries transept and packed themselves in births, which in 1914 numbered 2,077, wounded men.

Gibbs, who was present on this great occasion, describes what hap-

'After the first soldier had come After the first soldier had come there came in a small patrol, while the enemy fired some shells into the town and killed some civilians, and after that other British soldiers and staff officers arrived, and today there came marching through long columns of troops, with their guns and field cookers and transport, and they had welcome of heroes, and liked it. with the laughter of British soldier for hero worship. That was just after the singing of the "Te Deum" in the Cathedral of Tournai, Romanesque building with four tall towers, raised when Richard Coeur Lion and the second Henry of England were living. Many people had gathered in its great nave and between its round-headed arches, and in the twilight of those grey old stones going up to the rich color of the painted windows of a high choir behind the altar, beyond a forest of tall piers and pointed arches, with Gothic sculpture. The scene reminded one of some Dutch painting of the Middle Ages toned down to a noble solemnity. The Bishop of Tournai was there on his throne, and after High Mass, when the "Te Deum" was sung, he came down the long nave in procession, with priests and acolytes bearing before him the ban-ner of Belgium. The organ pealed out the National Anthem of Brabanconne," and all the people sang it from full hearts, and the bishop, like many of his people, had tears in his eyes. Then cheers rose the deeper cheers of the men.'

A MISUNDERSTANDING CLEARED UP The Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem, Dr. Kennie MacInnes, has addressed representatives of all the religious a letter to the editor of the Irish Catholic in reply to the statement tion of the Carthusians. In com-memoration of the noble dead of the shown in the matter of relief in Palestine. The Bishop's letter reads as

> "In your issue of August 4th you published at the same time as a letter from Cardinal Logue an article which asserted that the Committee for the Relief of Syria and Palestine (which has for its object the providing of sustenance, as well as clothes and medical treatment for those who have been delivered from the tyranny of the Turk) has resorted to the methods of "proselytism," and that vomen and young girls were admitted to our workrooms only on condi-tion that they attended a Protestant

> ligious service. "I feel sure that you, as well as Cardinal Logue, will be glad to know that you have been entirely misin-formed on these two points, neither of which is accurate

'The Committee for the Relief of Syria and Palestine has been active in Palestine for the past eighteen months, and it has always distributed its grants without making any dis-tinction of sect or religious belief. Corps for two years and five months The only condition that has been insisted on has been that of absolute

ber of destitute people assisted is nearly proportionate with the total

A FOCH INCIDENT

Preaching in the Jesuit Church at Farm Street, London, Father Bamptop. S. J., related an incident concerning Marshal Foch which he heard from a French chaplain. On the eve of the great offensive the Marshal had called together the generals of divisions to explain his plans of the morrow. On taking leave of are 68 in number are Irish Canafor the morrow. On taking leave of them he said: "I have now done all dians. I can. I leave you to do the rest : now I beg to be left undisturbed for the next hour." Soon after an urgent nessage came through for the Gen-ralissimo. Marshal Foch could not be found at first, until the chaplain who knew the secret, conducted the messenger to a lonely chapel where the Marshal was found on his knees

DECLINING PROTESTANT BIRTHRATE Now that hostilities have ceased, one of the most serious problems that face the German people is the declining birth rate. At a meeting of the Protestant District Synod at Minden the question of the decline in the birth rate was raised, and the follow-

sears the population increased by about 30,000 but the births have fallen from 2,028 to 1 059.

" If we cannot successfully combat this menace to our national strength the mighty victories we have won cannot possibly save us from irre trievable ruin. It is an established fact that the desire for parentage first declined in the upper classes. and that the dread of children has now affected wide sections of other ranks. The mischief has spread

CATHOLIC CHAPLAINS CANADIAN CORPS

From a London Correspondent

When the armistice was signed and hostilities ceased on Nov. 11th, the Catholic chaplains of the Canadian Corps numbered 25, the largest number in any Corps of the British Armies. This is explained by the size of the Canadian Corps and by its large proportion of Catholic soldiers. How this number has grown will be this number has grown will be seen from the fact that the number of Catholic chaplains with the Corps on Nov. 11th, 1916, when it consisted as at present of four divisions was 14. Counting the Canadian Cavalry Brigade the number of Catholic chaplains two years ago was 15, and to-day 26. Of the 15 of two years ago all are still on duty overseas, 5, (Fathers Workman, M. C., Doyon, Tompkins, M. C., McQuillan and Daniel) being in England where exchaplains are required, and no less than 10 are still with the their Catholic charity. Corps.

This is a wonderful record for chaplains like regimental medical with an Intantry Brigade. He is the first and only chaplain of the P. P. C. L. I's and the only original chaplain of the 3rd. Division Other chaplains who have fulfilled the most difficult and dangerous of all tasks for a chaplain, that of an Infantry chaplain in the line, for over two years without interruption, having successfully dodged shells, gas and successfully dodged shells, gas and sickness, are Father Letang (Pembroke) Father Leckary (St. Jon) and Father MacDonnell, M. C., who shares with one Protestant chaplain the honor of being the only original give thought to the fact that chaplain of the 6th. Division.

The longest service in France, belongs to Major (Rev.) J. A. Fortier, D. M. I., M. C., who has been with the Cavalry and Artillery since May 1915. Other chaplaies who have put the Arabana with the Infantry Cod. They are virgin soil upon God. They are virgin soil upon the standard of the control of the cont Oblate of Mary Immaculate, who was of below twice wounded, Major (Rev) M. N. Dispensers of the mysteries of tour twice wounded, Major (Rev.) and once wounded, and Major (Rev.) Of these we dare not say, "What's the good!" for we see in them the limit of Christ and on their hearts. two being both from Antigonish. image of Christ and on their hearts gin to enumerate them. Suffice to Father Carleton (Ottawa) had been His superscription. They, too, are say will be some little time before with the Infantry and Artillery of the the bope of the future. to a day when the armistice was signed, and (Acting) Lt. Col. (Rev)
F. L. French, D. S. O., and Father de many cases. religiously uneducated, many cases. religiously uneducated, relieve the monotonic days of a new relieve the monotonic days of the ways of a new relieve the monotonic days of the ways of a new relieve the monotonic days of the ways of a new relieve the monotonic days of the ways of a new relieve the monotonic days of the ways of th less noteworthy that the great few years the back Scottish Catholic clan of the Mac-Christian society, Donalds characteristically enough

In view of the fact that the opinion note that the majority of the Cath olic cheplains of the Canadian Corps, as indeed the majority of the Cath-

NEW CATHOLIC ARMY HUT

From an army chaplain overseas we have this account of an important new work of the C. A. H.:

An important extension to the overseas activities of the Catholic Army Huts Campaign has been made at Buxton, Derby, England, where the Canadian Discharge Depotand special hospitals are situated. Under the direction of Captain, the

Rev. Ivor Daniel, O. M. I., (formerly chaplain of the London area, and first chaplain of the now well-known Catholic Army Club in Grosvenor Place) a fine "chapel and recreation hut" has been erected on an advan-tageous site in the centre of the town and therefore available for depot and hospital patients. The new hut resistance. "Education primarily which is one hundred feet long by nineteen wide, contains a chapel, properly fitted up with altar, confessional, etc., divided by movable partitions from the remainder of the hut which serves as a recreation propelly have a right by divine law to

The building is known as "Victory ance; Christian children are in no Hut," as it was in construction on the declaration of the Armistice. The chapal is therefore most appropriately dedicated to "Our Lady of Victories." ment than all secular instruction During the coming period of demobilhome to the Dominion. A number of Catholic ladies resident in the

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THE LITTLE ONES OF OUR FATHER

"What's the good trying to save

people against their will? They don't want to be practical Catholics; let them go! There is a tendency on the part of some really good Catholics to make a member of the Communion of use of the above uncharitable exclamations when they discuss the localism and parochialism the truths of our Holy Religion to wolf is destroying the lambs, can you the knowledge of some of our care-less and indifferent brethren. We and say: "Our Father?" less and indifferent brethren. We and say: feel that the words are uttered thoughtlessly and not in earnest. The only trouble, however, about this attitude is that a certain num-

the trials endured by self-sacri-ficing priests, try by this flimsy means to still the voice of conscience and restrain the natural impulses of No Catholic, worthy of the name, can convince himself that he

cast aside his Christian responsibiliofficers usually take only a turn at ties in this off-hand, unreasoning the Corps. Of the 10 chaplains still way. The Good Shepherd, the lost way. The Good Shepherd, the lost sheep on His shoulders, stands before with the Corps, Major (Rey) T. sheep on His shoulders, stands before McCarthy, M. C. (London, Ont.) has had the longest uninterrupted service un-Catholic mist from his soul. A moment's thought envisages Christ hanging on the Cross, paying with the blood of His Sacred Humanity the ransom for ungrateful men. The history of the Catholic Church convinces readily that Christ sent His Mrs. Hugh Holland, Douglas-Holy Spouse into the world to save sinners and not the just.

"What's the good !" "It is not our

Let this pass for the moment. But must take into our computation the The longest service in however, of the Catholic chaplains belongs to Major (Rev.) J. A. Fortier, least, have not wantonly cast aside the practice of our holy Faith. They have not implied willingly and numberless little children mixed up with the wandering flock. They, at in two years with the Infantry souls are as Angels in the sight of though interrupted by wounds or God. They are virgin soil upon sickness are Major (Rev) A. Madden, which the Holy Spirit has already D. S. O., M. C., like Father Fortier an rained His gifts in the lustral waters

thousands of souls precious in her offer us a glass of beer fo seems to prevail in some quarters sight. Like Rachel, she weeps and that Ireland got out of the War besighs over her loss and looks upon 'Vive les Canadiennes' and 'a Alfore it was over, it is interesting to her Lord to give her new consolations. bert." the missionary parts of Canada, she Three of us who were lucky does everything possible to give to her little ones a Catholic education. Good men and women see, in the tic groups of citizens. Every de-Catholic school and teacher, a need scription of liquor and eatable was as great, well nigh, as the church offered us, and one little seven year and priest. The priest recognizes the truth, that in the great district where he labours, in heat and cold and in journeying often, his efficiency and in journeying often, his efficiency enir. Our guns were placed in a place of the priest reduced to the priest recognizes. and in journeying often, his efficiency enir. Our guns were placed in a is reduced to the minimum if a Cathtion included in a Catholic school.

The fundamentals of Christian Society, authority, obedience and brotherhood, as taught by Jesus Christ, must be well laid in the youthful soul from the dawn of reason.

Let us wake up! Let us understand well that the war waged against Catholic schools is the result of false principles to which the Church has always offered a fierce resistance. "Education primarily collect the charge cases of collect the charge cases of collect the charge cases as except from the dawn of reason.

Let us wake up! Let us understand the collect the charge cases without being invited in for a cup of coffee or a glass of cognac. I never at each of the charge cases without being invited in for a cup of coffee or a glass of cognac. I never at each of the charge cases without being invited in for a cup of coffee or a glass of cognac. I never at each of the charge cases are considered in for a cup of coffee or a glass of cognac. I never at each of the charge cases are considered in for a cup of coffee or a glass of cognac. I never at each of the charge cases are cased from the charge case of cognac. also the schools, so also the children, days—souvenirs. By the way I mailed and the formation of national charthree parcels of them tonight by partitions from the remainder of the hut which serves as a recreation room comfortably fitted up for the convenience of war-worn and wounded men.

of God, "the children of Unristian letter until morning, when I will end close the receipts.

There was quite a little suppressed and supernatural right and duty to guard this inherit.

There was quite a little suppressed excitement when the Armistice was declared, but as no official announce.

McCall.

and may not be risked to obtain it.

ination it will be a God-send to the many thousand Canadian men who pass through the town on their way home to the Dominion. A number entry or in affluence, whether we are in povery or in the control of Catholic ladies, resident in the control of the catholic ladies are sentential. of Catholic ladies resident in the town will assist Father Daniel in the direction of the hut.

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We can do a great deal now to

counteract the inroads that are being made upon the faith of our poor Catholic brethren. If we save the children now, we have the future in the hollow of our hand. But sacrifices must be made, not once, but constantly, by members of the Catholic Church who are in a position to give of the means God has bestowed so freely on them. If you, who are able to support schools and religious teachers, refuse to sustain them, on whom does the burden fall? If you, I'm a Canadian and glad of it. difficulties encountered in bringing cesanism, and go to sleep while the

Kueeling before the Crib on Christ. mas morning make up your minds to do something substantial for the this attitude is that a certain number, knowing Western conditions and Schools may be built and aided and the sinless children of Mother Church saved in life and Eternity.

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ENTRY OF CANADIAN ARMY INTO MONS

A Friend, Mallerytown......

A Friend, Blackville..

(By Gunner Newman Mackintosh, Toront Mons, Belgium, Nov. 16, 1918. Now that the War is actually over

nd the censorship has been so relaxed that we can write of all past events, I find myself so surfeited with news, I hardly know where to commence. Will you forgive me for not telling you anything until I get home or at least very little? There are so many conflicting rumors as to our ultimate disposal, I cannot bewe reach Canada or even America The rescue of the young from though now the danger is entirely immirent danger depends in a great over I know you will have no more

Christian society.

It is no wonder the Church eagerly with beer, coffee, chocolate, cakes, has no less than four representatives insists on the necessity of religious among the Catholic chaplains of the Canadian Corps to-day.

insists on the necessity of religious and bread and butter. Women were education! Secular schools have pulling the infantry out of the ranks stolen from her thousands upon and ourselves from the saddle to her Lord to give her new consolations.

bert." Kisses were going in profuEven in poverty and distress, as in
sion, and our Major came in for his. Subscriber, Green Valley of civies helped us to get them in efforts. He well knows from experience that neither private zeal nor them did the firing. At least so the home education will suffice to supply joke is. We were given the best the Christian teaching and formastreets without being invited in for collect the charge cases as souven-"so irs. That is all one hears these registered post. I will not mail this

letter until morning, when I will en-

ments were made we could not realize that it was all over. I have not heard a gun fire since then. It seems so very odd.

In this part of the country I have een many convents and institutes of the Christian Brothers. There is a beautiful Ursuline Nunnery in Mons, and a Notre Dame convent in Jemap pes. As yet I have not seen

Now that we are in the country the Bosch evacuated but a few days ago, we spend mostly German money, as when leaving he took all the French currency and left his own. English, Canadian, French, Belgian and German money, that is to say: shil-lings, dollars, francs, and mark are now legal tender at the canteens. Just imagine it! A mark is worth 1.25, though when leaving he 1.50 for each one he left. francs and centimes of course.

THE NEW YEAR

Singing, I hear the whole world sing Afar, anear, aloud, alow,
"What to us will the New Year bring"? Ah! would that each of us might

Is it not truth, as old as true? List! ye singers! the while ye sing; Each year bringeth to each of you What each of you would have her

bring. The year that cometh is a King,

With better gifts than the old year gave. If you place on his finger the holy

Of Prayer, the King becomes your REV. ABRAM J. RYAN.

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Dear Friends,-I came to Canada to seek vocations for the Chinese Missions which are greatly in need of priests. In my parish alone there are three cities and a thousand villages to be evangelized and only two priests. Since I arrived in Canada number of youths have expressed their desire to study for the Chinese mission but there are no funds to educate them. I appeal to your charity to assist in founding burees for the education of these and others who desire to become missionaries in China. Five thousand dollars will found a burse. The interest on this amount will support a student. When he is ordained and goes off to the mission another will be taken in and so on forever. All imbued with the Catholic spirit of propagating the Faith to the ends of the earth will, I am sure, contribute generously to

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kind than to learn to love and appreciate the beauty which can be seen daily. There are beautiful things everywhere. Some people see them, others do not-it is all a matter of education.

One thing that is a little hard to learn is this: That growing generally means outgrowing, a readiness to leave the old for the new, a pushing past that which, however needed at one time has now served its purpose. To be willing to let the old go; the

CHRISTMAS

THE DIVINE SOCIALIST "Of His fulness we all have received,

Socialism, my dear brethren, can never be satisfied and work out its end till the infinite joins hands with it and helps it—the infinite in means and in power: in means, because division, repeated division of wealth, will soon end anything except the infinite; and in power, that we may be made heirs and lawful possessors of what it grants us. Anything less than the infinite will not do. It would come to an end some time, and misery and want would reassert

My dear brethren, this is not all fanciful and imaginary, for Christmas tells us of the coming of such a One
—One that is infinite in means and
in power: "Christ Jesus, Who being the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but emptied Himself, being made in the likeness of men." (Phil. ii. 6, 7.)

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt amongst us" (John i. 14,) that He might join hands with us and help us in our yearnings and our wants. It is no myth or fable that the Son of God became man, was born of the Virgin Mary for our sakes and for our salvation. Born in Bethlehem one thousand nine hundred years ago. He was reered as a poor man's child at Nazareth, and then went about evangelizing and doing good, curing the sick, casting out evil spirits, and even raising the dead to life.

He had taught us how to live by the example of His own blameless, spot-less life, and then He distributed His infinite riches and merits amongst us, giving us all that we can need to live holy life here in this world, and to secure eternal life in the kingdom of His Father. You know how He did this. Man had lost through his own disobedience all the good that God had given him, and Christ purchased for us far more than we had lost. He purchased for us forgiveness, faith graces, heaven, at the price of His own most Precious Blood. Infinite in means and power though He was, He distributed all that He had

amongst us. Alas! how many of us have squandered what He gave us! We are poor and destitute, without the friendship and the grace of God, and we cry in our misery for relief Here is the wonderful part of the infinite. He had distributed all that He had amongst us at the Redemp them,
tion. Yes, and all men could have as
much as they would, and still the
infinite would not run short. So our
Lord and Saviour renews the distribution when ever we need it. Infinite in power, infinite in riches, there is And grace, beyond even an angel's always plenty for those who pray for hope, it. And to crown His bounty and goodness, He even distributes His own Body and Blood to be the first three bornes. and nourishment of our souls—free To have wept at Mary's side, and without cost, to all that approach To have lived as a child in h to receive It, as often as we wish, and the oftener we come the more pleased He is. Jesus Christ unites Himself with us. Then, indeed, we share the riches of the Infinite One. From that infinite source we pay the Almighty Father homage and adoration; we pay Him worthy thanks for all His nefits; we pay Him the price of our ransem to free us from our sins; we pay Him full value for all the graces that we need. Thus are the poor and the destitute raised up and enriched by their Saviour. This is the Divine Secialism of Jesus Christ.

Yet, as when He came on earth. He was not recognized—"He came of to have seen what we now adore, unto His own, and His own received And, though veiled to faithless sight Him net"—(John i, 11)—so now the greater part of the world know Him Jesus wore, not. They have forgotten that there is another world beyond this, another life that will last for ever. They are clamouring for riches and comfort and equality here, but never a thought for the world to come. The kingdom of heaven is offered them; they Jesus is with His children yet, answer by crying out for so much a For His word can never deceive; year. Far more than they are ask-ing for or draaming of has been done And worship and believe. for them, and they will not see it or receive it: like the Jews, who were always desiring and praying for the and when He came they

FIVE MINUTE SERMON we offer, so that we may be really one with Him—the same aims, objects, and interests. And we beg of Him to accept our grateful love for all that He has given us—not only for His mercies and graces and care of us, but for His own Blessed Body and Blood that have purified and nour-ished us so frequently. Oh, poor indeed we should be without Him, poor for your sakes; that through
His poverty you might be rich."

[2 Cor, viii, 9.]

[3 Ave faced the hard task set His by His Father without complaints or whimpering; resigned, because He acted on His knowledge that

A DESIRE

O, to have dwelt in Bethlehem When the star of the Lord shone bright! To have sheltered the holy wander-

ers On that blessed Christmas night; To have kissed the tender wayworn

feet Of the Mother undefiled, And, with reverent wonder and deep

delight, To have tendered the Holy Child! Hush! such glory was not for thee; But that care may still be thine; For are there not little ones still to

For the sake of the Child divine? Are there no wandering Pilgrims

now, To thy heart and thy home to take? And are there no mothers whose weary hearts You can comfort for Mary's sake?

O to have knelt at Jesus' feet, And to have learnt this heavenly lore!

To have listened the gentle lessons He taught On the mountain, and sea, and While the rich and the mighty knew

Him not, To have meekly done His will— Hush! for the worldly reject Him

You can serve and love Him still. Time cannot silence His mighty And though ages have fled away,

His gentle accents of love divine Speak to your soul today. O to have solaced the weeping one, Whom the righteous dared despise To have tenderly bound up her scat-

tered hair, And have dried her tearful eyes! Hush! there are broken hearts to soothe.

And penitent tears to dry, While Magdalen prays for you and

them, From her home in the starry sky.

way Of those faithful few forlorn!

To have lived as a child in her home and then In her loving care have died?

Hush! and with reverent sorrow Mary's great anguish share ; And learn, for the sake of her Son

Thy cross, like His, to bear. The sorrows that weigh on thy soul unite With those which thy Lord has

borne, And Mary will comfort thy dying hour, Nor leave thy soul forlorn.

CHRISTMAS

sins," we feel that He is the great Physician of the world for all ages Hence, those whom the war has affected in the most vulnerable spot—the heart—will find consolation,

first daughter of peace, in the Child whose words are full of life and promise. Suffering more than any one of us, He teaches us to be bray and resigned—brave, because H

Then, too, those who have felt the sharp lash of the influenza will turn to the Babe for help. He came to save the world from sin, which after all is the only real malady. By taking our infirmities on Himself on that first Christmas morn, He showed us how we can make everything con spire for the good of our soul, which ought to be first, foremost and constant concern of our lives. Christ-mas proves to us that Christ is still living in His Church, "going about doing good" as in His earthly days. But we must throw in our lot with Him if we want His help. He must be our Leader in the things we believe and in the things we do.-

LESSONS OF THE INFLUENZA

The Spanish influence, which took such a large toll of victims not only in our land but in practically every country of the world, was certainly permitted by Almighty God for some lreland. was precisely, but we are permitted to try to learn from the things around

Tarsus on the way to Damascus, we had to be struck down in order to see the workings of God above us. All punishments of God are medicinal— intended to cure us of spiritual maladies, and able, if rightly accepted to restore health to the soul. doubtedly, then, this epidemic, just as the war, has brought many a soul back to God from the unhealthy abodes in which it was content to

But there may be a deeper reason for this visitation. We all know with what assurance and self-sufficingness a great part of the medical profession has been insisting on the finality of science. These scientists assure us that there is nothing whatever within their own domain which can escape their microscopes and stethescopes. They deny the existence of the immortal soul because in they have never found any traces of may be good enough for the ignorant, but its postulates can never be Now it had been a common p

no two cases were just the same. Every kind of experiment was tried, about St. Paul's Protestant or

The result has been that many doctors have had their eyes opened to the fact that there is at least one Passing over the testimonies of thing about which they know German Lutherans because at this nothing. They may even begin to suspect that there may be a great

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very definite purpose. Of course, lacking divine revelation, we can never hope to know what this purpose influence does not remain and, if anything, as the years go by beco stronger and a greater force in the some would tell us that it was a scourge sent by God to punish a people that had turned from Him to follow its own desires. Like Saul of fluence for the future that such lives

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Order League."

ST. PAUL A CATHOLIC

It has ever been a subject of dispute between Catholics and Protest-ants whether the sacraments of the New Testament are to be considered as instruments or merely as symbols of grace. Catholics maintain that they are real instruments of grace as actions of Christ. In all the sacraments, Christ, according to Catholic conception, is the chief operator, con-tinuing through them the redemption of the world. When a priest baptizes, for instance, it is Christ their surgical operations they have never come across it. If God is everywhere, especially in the hearts of believers, why is it, they ask, that dues the cleansing and regeneration of the soul According to sentative; it is Christ who through the washing of the body pro-duces the cleaning and regeneration of the soul. No, no, religion is impossible—afarce, an imposition on our intellect. It initiation without any grace—pro-

Now it had been a common persua accepted by the learned scientific sion among Protestants that this world. Whilst such blasphemous talk was eing indulged in freely by the them as the champion of Protestant being indulged in freely by the medics the influenza broke over us, with its dire consequences. Every our separated brethren. But as a honest doctor was compelled to admit many other fond notions are under that he knew nothing about it—that no two cases were just the same.

many new serums were invented—
but the influenza tookitsown course!

For a corroboration of this state ment we quote some Protestant auth time they are not likely to have much weight with American readers, we select the following quotations from English scholars: Dr. Kirsopp Lake says in his work 'The Earlier Epistles of St. Paul (p. 385): 'Bartism is for St. Paul and his readers universally and unquestionably accepted as a 'mystery' or sagrament which works 'mystery' or sacrament which works LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE HEAD

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EMSTER OF STREET WHICH WHIC Massing, and when Hs came they crucified Him.

How much have we to thank God for, my dear brothero, that we have the faith and can recognize the Saviour when Hs can copyrize the Saviour when Hs can be seen of the Saviour when Hs can be seen that the fort seelesmen to treat the time of the Saviour when Hs can be seen that the fort seelesmen to treat the crust marks as glaid to give a welcome to our Lord. We know that all that happened at Hts Birth was for our sakes: the poverty, the homelessness, the distress, and anxiety seeking for a shelter of Joseph and Mary—and she brought forth and first born Son . . . and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for thems of the seek of the Hs can be seen the well as the seek of the Hs can be seen that the forth of the Hs can be seen that the forth of the Hs can be seen that the seek of the World and the pover the seek of the World and the world and the pover the seek the world and the pover the seek of the World and the pover the seek of the World and the seek of the World and the pover the seek of the World and the pover the seek of the World and the pover the seek of the World and the seek of the World and the world and the seek of the World and the world and the se manner in which St. Paul uses this fact as a basis for argument, as it it

eays: "Thinking men must choose between the rational critic and the Church. Protestant compromise is growing increasingly difficult. As regards the Sacraments and the New Testament, men may take both or neither, but not one. As regards our Lord, they may either accept Him or reject him. But if they accept Him they must submit to the Church He founded, believe her doctrine and live her life. And that doctrine and that life are now, as always, sacramental."-The Guard.

WILL SUCH BE THE CASE?

The spirit of triumph and thanks giving which has been voiced in every sanctuary of Christendom in the strains of the majestic Te Deum must have taken on a new note of ecstaey as that hymn was sung in the Cathedral at Brussels on the eleventh of the current month, notes the Catholic Advance.

"And in France," comments our contemporary, "when the greatest figure in French history, General Foch moves in slow dignity at the head of his staff towards the altar of Notre Dame, there will be no dry eyes in that ancient temple. Its arches re-echoed the Te Deum when Napoleon took the crown of France from the hands of Pope Pius to place on his own head the high reward of his victories; but General Foch wants no crown. Greater than Napoleon as a military commander, far greater as a man, he is entitled to all the love, all the honor, all the reward that the French people can give him. The most they can do, the least they will do,—for the French are too noble for ingratitude —will be to proclaim their hero President of the Republic of France." It remains to be seen whether the voice of those in France who are not ungrateful, will be heard in

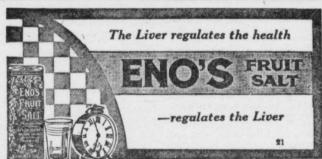
wanced critic that St. Paul's Sacramentalism was due to the influence of Mystery Religion upon him, or whether we hold to the view that it was inherent in the religion of Christ and the Apostles." In other words: for those who accept the whole New Testament as the word of God the Catholic belfef concerning the Sacraments is the only tenable of the Sacraments is the only tenable of the Sacraments is the cause for the French people to chant a lasting Te Daum, a hymn of perennial and grateful thanks-giving.—Catholic Transcript. whether we believe, with the ad- sufficient volume to accomplish such

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN SITUATION

The story of how Jerusalem was given over by the Arabs, not to General Allerby, but to two regimental cooks was told by Major Allen Burgoyne at a recent gathering of the Royal Photographic Society. It appears that the two men had been sent out to get salad for officers of their company, and that to these two British Tommies the Arabs came and, with wild gesticulations, handed there the keys of Jerusalem. The astonishment of the men add to the comedy of a situation worthy of Gilbert and Sullivan. One of the cooks asked what he was supposed to do with the "blinkin' city."

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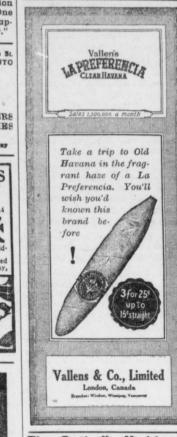
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CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

PEACE ON EARTH

Come wealth or want, come good or ill Let young and old accept their part, and bow before the the awful will, And bear it with an honest heart, Who misses or who wins the prize Go. lose or conquer as you can : But if you fail, or if you rise, Be each, pray God, a gentleman.

A gentleman, or old or young! (Bear kindly with my humble lays:) The sacred chorus first was sung Upon the first of Christmas days; The shepherds hear it overhead The joyful angels rais'd it then Glory to heaven on high, it said, And peace on earth to gentle men

My song, save this, is little worth : I lay the weary pen aside, And wish you health, and love, and

mirth, As fits the solemn Christmas-tide. As fits the holy Christmas birth, Be this, good friends, our carol still: Be peace on earth, be peace on earth, men of gentle will. -WILLIAM MAKEPEACE THACKERAY

YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFT

Your Christmas gift is ready and waiting for you. It is a richer and greater gift than you, in your wild-est flights of fancy, have ever conceived. It is the satisfaction of all desires, the source of all riches, the crown of all joy. When you possess this Gift there is nothing more that either man or God can give you. This Gift is waiting for you. pare your soul by a sorrowful con-fession. And then, on Christmas morning, kneel at the altar rail of your parish church. The priest and held him very close—"That will come and reverently bestow upon you your Christmas Gift. It is the Gift of Gifts—the Gift that makes Christmas Christmas .- The

SCHWAB'S VIEWS ON THRIFT

are hard to give up, it also is true that habits once acquired never forsake one.

A story is being told about Charles Schwab that illustrates this point. He was being pushed along the board walk in Atlantic City by a colored man. Suddenly they came across a penny lying on the boards The colored man saw it, too, but made no move toward getting it. Why don't you pick it up ?" Schwab exclatmed.

I didn't think it worth while. It is only a penny."

"My man, you must never talk that way," said the ship builder. Always look out for the pennies

and the dollars will come to you."
Thirftlessness does not consist altogether in waste on a large scale. Thrift consists mainly in looking after the little leaks. Schwab began life at a ridiculously small salary. It was not through saving and economy that he has been able to amass his millions. But it was because he was thrifty—because he understood the value of making the little things count—of stopping up the little wastes that he placed himself in a position to earn the largest salary ever paid any man in the world, and later to undertake one of the great. est patriotic tasks ever placed on the

who was not able to save money. With Hill this was the first test of a man's character. If he did not possess enough will nower to be a money would never be able to fight his way to the top.

OUR INFLUENCE

Two considerations should flow

1. A young man must be on his Joseph Carr, and Jock and even Tony guard about the example he gives—
to younger members of the family, to

Maggioni from around the corner
They're all there!" his business associates, to his chums, to the members of societies to which he belongs and to those he visits.

2. He should be particular about the company that he himself keeps. One bad apple in a barrel will rot the a parade was being formed.

One young man whose heart is are base, whose character is mean, goes about like a smallpox patient, scattering the germs of his disease among all those with whom he comes in contact. His influence is unwhole-some, and it can not be escaped by any one who comes in contact with

So that a young man who desires to keep of good repute will avoid with a horn left from lest Christmas him. The young man who has a care then came Jock and after him Billy. for himself will choose for his friends those whose minds are bright, whose conversation is clean, and whose conduct is virtuous, for their influence will buoy him onward and upward. He will have regard for bisown influence upon others and the influence

of others upon himself. What a responsibility is the influence that we exert every day on every person with whom we come in contact. For every person that we meet is more or less impressed with our behavior and our appearance, and every one who speaks to us feels an effect and forms an opinion from our manner, our tone, our words; and every one with whom we have deal "Yes, why ain't he ings judges of the merits of our actions, surmises our motives, and passes opinions on our honesty truthfulness, fairness, purity and same as me! A meri can boys! general qualities. We affect the All!" Tony's free hand expressed

Influence is a most mysterious thing; to be feared, that we may not

thing; to be feared, that we may not give scandal, and contribute to the ruin of soule: a thing to be desired, that we may lift up, and help our brother to live uprightly.

There are on record reports of instances in which a look of encouragement has made a boy an artist, a kind word has prevented soule in despair from compiting suicide.

from committing suicide.

These few instances are like a small spring to the ocean of influence which is in effect every day among the millions of people of the earth.

Words, looks, actions, create influ-nce. Influence is force for good or for evil, not only for today, but for years to come. Make your influence wholesome for those with whom you come in contact. - Catholic Columbian

OUR 'BOYS AND GIRLS.

THE NATIVITY Let my heart the cradle be Of thy bleak Nativity!
Tossed by wintry tempests wild
If it rock Thee, holy Child, Then, as grows the outer din. Greater peace shall reign within.

PEACE Billy's mother bent over his bed where only the top of two small ears visible above the snowy

"Billy! Billy!" she softly called. "Listen, Billy!" she softly called.
"Listen, Billy, to the whistles and the bells! Wake up and listen!" Her voice was drowned by a whistle that blew longer and louder than the

rest. Billy's eyes flew open, and he gazed about him in a bewildered way, then up at his mother's face.

means peace! It was dark in the room, but not too dark for Billy to see the glory in his mother's face. There were tears in her eyes, too, and Billy wondered at the tears when otherwise she look-

If it is true that thriftless ways went away. Tenderly had he brushed them away, and with tightened arms around her neck begged her not to worry. Didn't she have him? And hadn't he promised his father not to let his mother worry? How well he remembered his father's voice as they talked about his mother, and he told nim about the Big War and the reason for his going away! Presently his father had caught him in a grip that hurt, but for worlds he wouldn't cry out. He only tried harder to keep down the lump in his throat, and, after a long time, his father called him his "little captain" and left his | hadn't kept the promise to keep the

He believed he had been faithful to "worried" look away. But he never told his mother how he felt. It was that promise, for he had never found always, "It'll come tomorrow, mother tears in his mother's eyes after that. Ain't we praying to the Sacred And on the warm nights, with the air | Heart ?" heavy with the fragrance of the flowers from the garden, and the stars shining down, they would sit together in the big porch rocker, and always it was of "Daddy" that they talked. he had done his best to keep the promise he had made to his tather.

The fall and winter followed, then came another summer, lengthening into fall. It was then that Billy asked his mother if Thanksgiving would bring peace, but when she had smiled bis mother's face that day, though and said she did not know-then Christmas would bring it surely. The world at peace! And "Daddy" home by Christmas Eve! Billy had prayed it would be so. Many a red shoulders of one human being.

The late James J. Hill, who began life as a laborer in the Northwest light had he left before the Sauren light had he left before the light had he left bef peace had come. He need only wait for Christmas Eve and "Daddy."

The sound that the whistles made was dying now, the cries of the newsboys in the street sent Billy away followed her joy in the coming of from his mother's arms to the window. "Extra! Extra; Mother, do you

Billy drew the muelin curtain aside | Carr and Tony and the rest of them from a recognition of the tremendous for a better view of the sidewalk, power of influence.

"Good night!" he beamed. "There's

> And so they were. Every boy in the block had gathered on the sidewalk to take up the noise where the whistles and bells had left off. By the time Billy dressed and joined them ies. His heart sank lower and lower.

'Hey there, Billy Burch! called the boy who lived next door, "you got to corrupt, whose words are foul, whose have some thin' that'll make a big actions are vicious, whose principles noise if you want to march in this parade

Billy did not we!! to hear more. Inside the house he went, and presently came out again with two tin waiters

The parade started, growing in size as the boys marched down the street. as the boys marched down the street.

Tony, at the head, carried the flag, his soft brown Italian eyes dancing as he marched. Joseph Carr came next with a horn left from lest Christmas he mother's letter, after all—twest his mother's letter, after all—twest his mother's letter, after all—the with a horn left from lest Christmas. and last of all limped "Skinny" McKay, one thin hand holding tightly to his crutch, and in the other a bell uder than Joseph's horn or even

Billy's waiters. Hurrah! Hurrah for peace!" he ang, and the others took it up.
But half way down the block the rocession halted. Austin Hall had

fallen in line.
"You ain't in this, Jachens Gratz! "Why ain't 1?" demanded Jock.
"Cause you ain't; step out."

Joseph (arr got out of line. "Stay where you are, Jock. Why ain't Jock in this peace parade?" he 'Yes, why ain't he?" Billy threw

in. "He ain't one of us, that's why!" "Jock—he's one of us same as you : thoughts of others and influence their what his command of words could

Austin's lips were drawn in stuborn lines. "If Jock stays in, I go out. He **OUR CHIEF WORK**

ain't one of us. That's all!"

Joseph's eyes flashed belligerently.

us, same as me and you and Billy and the rest of 'em. I know what

you're drivin' at. The only thing German to Jock is his name. This is

a peace parade, and if you mean to

start somethin' you can just drop

Austin dropped out, and order once more restored the boys marched down to the corner. Back and forth they went. Slowly but surely the anger died out of Austin's face as he

looked on. He couldn't stand it any

longer; he must be a part of that

"Jock," he said, subdued and imble. "I was only foolin', Jock!"

But the noise was too loud for Jock

to hear. Serenely on he marched, and when they came back to where

Austin stood, the boy who had dropped out of the line made another

attempt to speak. This time it was

Joseph Carr who listened.
"I say, Joe, I never meant any.

Joseph grinned, his good humor

Thanksgiving slipped by, and when

Why couldn't Daddy have come

It was a question Billy often asked

of late, and every time his mother reminded him of how thankful they

had been on Thanksgiving Day to

know that the war was over, To keep his Father well and send him

safely back to them had been all that

that Thanksgiving morning after

Mass. One was to bring his "daddy'

"over there."
The days that followed hadn't

brought the usual letter to his mother.

every time the mail-man passed the

door Billy became alarmed. Reluc-tantly he would leave for school in

the mornings before the mail-man came, and on Saturdays he would

"Daddy's letter didn't come today other?" "No, son," was all she

would usually say. Something had come to his mother's face and stayed there, during the days that dragged

that would cause Billy's heart to sink

when he watched her. It was like he

Ain't we praying to the Sacred

smile would bring a corresponding smile to his mother's face, and it

would send Billy off to play believing

It was Christmas Eve-a strange

Christmas Eve for Billy. There was

she tried the best she could to keep

cheerful for Billy's sake. But the

mai!-man had passed that morning

with not as much as a glance at Billy's

front door. Had that last big firing

just before peace, taken Billy's father

away from them? Try as she would

could not keep the thought down.

She prayed as she began some small

prayed to the Sacred He artfor strength

to bear the disappointment that had

Billy stood at the front window

But Billy shook his head. Then the

"A special delivery, Billy," said the

Billy was not used to special deliver-

He could only stare at the man. What

if it was bad news that the letter

held? It was the promise he had made to his father that filled his

thought. She must not have that 'worried" look on Christmas morning

"Would-would you let me sign in-

He did not walt for the mail man's

answer, but started through the house

door-bell rang, and he flew to answer

mail-man. "Get your mother to the

door; she'll have to sign for it.

for him to break the seal.

her quickly to the door.

over the pages.

Bay?"

that afternoon, taking what interest he could in the ballgame that Joseph

were playing in the street.

preparations for Billy's Christmas-

His courageous, confident little

along and still the letter did not con

watch for his coming by the hour.

One, two, three weeks went by,

December came the days began to

home for Thanksgiving, mother

thing. Can I fall in ?"

"Can if you want to."
And Austin fell in line.

completely restored.

out.

"See here, Austin, Jock is one of

I know what

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started on my journey home. Some of the men who will leave the hos pital with me are awful wrecks, poor tellows—sad homecomings for those who wait for them. Many a night have I looked up at the stars, and every time I knew it was your prayers and Billy's that saved me from a like fate. War has it horrors, but it has

blessing is the faith that grows of prayer. So if all goes well, I shall be in old New York by Christmas Day—then home to you and Billy.'" Billy had not understood what "convalescent" meant, but he could have told you every word in the rest of the letter. His heart swelled with pride in the kind of soldier his father

it's blessings, too, and the biggest

was. And he was coming home Christmas Day Billy was jubilant.
"What did I tell you, mother?" he

she had as sed. But Billy had gone further than that. He had left two red lights before the Sacred Heart glowed. "Haven't we prayed to the Sacred Heart, and ain't this letter the answer?"
Billy touched with gentle fingers home on Christmas morning, and the other was for every child with a faththe closely written pages that had fallen into his mother's lap. His mother smiled through her tears at

Billy. And Billy watched the glory come back to her face. Yes, dear, it is the answer," and the crushed him to her heart.
Almost too much to have asked of the Sacred Heart—peace, with Daddy home for Christmas Day!"—Eleanor

Lloyd in Rosary Magazine.

THE PERILOUS OUIJA BOARD

REVIVAL OF PAGAN PRACTICE HAS RESULTED IN GREAT SPIRITUAL HARM

Sir J. Godfrey Raupert, K. S. G., is the authority among English-speaking people on Spiritism. His books are true antidotes against the dangerus practices, so alluring and deceiving to the unwary. The popular to of his writings make them accessible to all and their wide circulation is proof of their timeliness. Mr. Rauert has written an excellent monograph in the December Ecclesias tical Review, which deserves to be noticed and spread for the benefit of many. It deals with the ouija board which enjoys such great popularity. To many people it is a plaything, charged, however, with danger. board is extremely ancient and has been known in China for centuries.

The use of these similar forms are characteristic of ization. Younger people have taken to the use of this board as a means of popular entertainment. Its vicious character was not so clearly put as to strike home and make its use the sinful pastime it really is.

This class of experimenters is numerous, but there are agreat many who are convinced of the preternaturby means of the board. Both must be THE LAW OF LIFE AND LOVE warned by parents and confessors to discontinue the practice altogether. and intellectually worthless mes-sages. The third and most impelling reason is the physical, moral and mental effect on the experimenter.

These do not vary from the dire conditions found in professional mediums. This view is corroborated stead?" Billy faltered.

If he signed for the letter and read by competent medical authorities like Dr. Neward Cumington, who testifies it first, and the news was too bad he that "hundreds of persons become insane yearly by means of these experi of honor drove back the temptation.

It was his mother's letter, after all—
addressed to her. It wouldn't be right
the effect of some of the spiritistic manifestations. They would (then) be inclined to admit that there is a true "terror of the dark" and that there are "principalities and powers" with which we in cur ignorance trifle, in search of his mother and brought Open it quick, Mother!" when the mail-man had gone. "What does it without knowing and realizing the frightful consequences which may result upon this tampering with the His mother dropped down on a chair in the hall and broke the seal with nervous fingers. unseen world. Dr. Mercier of London, Dr. Viollet in France, the late Dr. Lapponi in Italy, have branded these practices as dangerous to mental and moral health. Mr. Raupert is to be "Oh, Billy!" The child and the letter were crushed in her arms. She let Billy go and her eyes flew thanked most heartily for this prac-"From Daddy! Listen to what it says: 'I am now convalescent, after being gassed, and a bone in my right author, "is not a step forward but a after the storm will come the step backward; it is a return to disarm shattered in the bargain. But it was worth while, dear, every min-ute of these weeks in the hospital. Our men fought gloriously in the last place they took. Now it is over; we have had our day, and by the time this reaches you I shall have the last place they foot. That beliefs and practices and additional dawn of our own Easter Day. That evidence of the fact that the world is once more relapsing into paganism."

—Buffalo Echo.

Intolly headers and out of the darkness toe radiant dawn of our own Easter Day. That evidence of the fact that the world is once more relapsing into paganism."

—Buffalo Echo.

THE WAR'S EFFECT

Speaking recently in Huntington Hall of "the war's effect on English character" Raymond Blathwayt, accredited by the British Foreign Office, stated that "a need for true, deep and real religion arises. And this need will be filled only by a new faith in mysticism. That is the main thing—a belief in the immortality of the soul, in life after

This is an admission of the passing of the state religion in England. It is a clear statement of fact regarding the church of Henry VIII. roof that this War has set the English people thinking and that as a result they are beginning to turn their eyes Romeward.

While tens of thousands meeting death on the battlefield, the religion of Henry was constantly tottering. The people were seeking some comfort amid their grief, and, turning to their state church, found none. That church had by degrees shorn them of all belief in Prayers for the dead were banished as useless. The true faith was regarded as a mere superstition.

But the War opened their eyes They now avow Anglicanism a nullity Its shallowness was unrecognized when fair days were at hand. But once disaster was laid on the nations and countless souls were called to their eternity, men began to think.

It is a matter of common knowledge that thousands edified and illumined by the fidelity of Catholics to their religion renounced their error and joined the Church. Before the wayside shrines in Europe these converts often knelt in times of danger and found the consolation that only the true religion can impart.

Returning to England they carried with them the devotions that they had practiced in France. The wayside shrine again came into its own in England, so that today these are common along the roadways. The Anglican church had ridiculed prayers for the dead. Now even the ministers of the Anglican church in response to the demands of their people have restored these.

Mr. Blathwayt cites" the need of a true, deep and real religion." This religin will not be the product of the War. It will not be one founded on merely human standards. The only religion that will satisfy the people is the one which they forsook for that of Henry.

Their yearning must eventually find the object of their aspirations. But never will it be found until the state religion becomes a dead letter and England embraces the early child of its affection, the Catholic Church.-Boston Pilot.

Out of the darkness rises the dawn.

Mr. Raupert gives three reasons: the and after the storm comes a great first being this, that the particular calm. We may not question the spirit who "talks" by way of the ouija board cannot be conclusively identified and proves, on close investigation our most loving Father whose heart to be an evil one, not at all the spirit is solicitous for us. He need not of a departed one. Secondly, they have fixed pain and the Cross as the give mostly frivolous, contradictory price of our salvation, nor have set our stumbling feet in hard ways and rugged paths. Yet so it has pleased Him. His only Son ate the bread of sorrow and drank the less of the chalice of pain. As His poet has said, we are born in others' pain and perish in our own, and over the brief span, mercifully brief, that stretches from the cradle to the grave, we pass, bearing our Cross. Whether we follow Christ trustingly, or hold back in doubt, the Cross is with us. The head may be crowned with gold or with thorns, the body clad in fine linen or loathsome rags, but on every shoulder, of prince or commoner noble or beggar, saint or sinner, rests the common burden of humanity, the Cross. But we are not as those without

hope. It is our faith that teaches us to bear the Cross, not dumbly as a hopeless burden, but to rejoice in it as the sign and pledge of eternal rest and happiness. If we sow in tears, we shall reap in joy. If we would bear the Cross worthily we must first pass through our agony in the garden tical and emicently necessary word on a real danger. The spread of this occult and nefarious "sciences" cannot be combated too earnestly. "Their revival in our time," concludes our the oppression of dark hours. But tinctly heathen and anti-Christian and out of the darkness the radian

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REV. PLACID DOYLE

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Father McQuaid writes : that fortified with Extreme Unction and the holy Viaticum, invoking the holy Names Father Placid "passed on to the only goal worth working for. He sacrificed his life by undertaking a work for the spiritual good of others; therein lies his glory as well as his

Father Placid (Herbart) Dovle was a native of Chatham, Ontario, Canada, where he was born January 26th. With his parents he attended St. Joseph's in charge of the Franciscan Fathers. In 1902 he came to Cincinnati to make his preparatory studies in our Seraphic Seminary, and on August 15th, the year of his graduation, entered the Order of Friars Minor at Mt. Airy, O., the place of the novitiate of the Cincinnati Province.

On June 16th, 1915, he was ordained a priest, and at once appointed to teach in the Seminary. Last year. July, 1917, he was transferred to his

There he met many Canadian boys, returned from the front, who told him of the sad need of priests in France, and he immediately resolved that his place was with the boys in war. Father Placid's letter of appli-cation to Father Provincial tells eloquently of the noble purpose that prompted this young priest to enlist for the military chaplaincy. "You know me, dear Father," he writes, "and will believe me, when I say that in this request I am not pro-moted by the desire to seek worldly glory and the estimation of men; but only the welfare of our boys at the front who are in such dire need spiritual assistance, and the greater glory of God and our Holy Church. It it so please God that I die in this vice, I am ready to make the sac-

May God, who has now brought sace to the world, give eternal rest

PTE, JOSEPH J. ROWLAND

Mrs. John Rowland, of Walton, received the following letter from Capt. Rev. W. L. Murray, chaplain. France, Nov. 13, 1918.

Mrs. John Rowland, Walton, Ont.: Dear Mrs. Rowland,-It is my sad duty to inform you that your son, Pte. J. J. Rowland, of the 47th, Can. Inf. Batt., has been killed in action on the first day of this month. He was buried by Father White in the village cemetery at Aulnoy, near the city of Valenciennes.

is certainly very sad that God should have taken your boy when the end was so near, however it will be a consolation for you to know that all the Catholics of the 47th, received the sacraments shortly Fr. Pischery officiating with burial in before going into action so that your boy would have been prepared for the end when it came.

Please accept my sincerest sympathy for one who gave up all even life itself in a just and noble cause which has at last triumphed.

I have already said Mass for the repose of his soul, nor shall I forget to pray for him in future when standing at God's Holy altar. May God give you consolation and grace in your hour of sorrow.

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> please don't look for its arrival before I remain very faithfully yours, A Priest Chaplain

> > MISS FRANCES CONNOR Waupun Democrat. Dec. 13

Waupun, Wis, has been called in the past week to surrender some of its best loved residents who fell victims to the epidemic of influenza. The dread disease entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Conner and broke their beautiful family circle by claiming their youngest daughter, Frances, who passed away Saturday, Dec. 7, at 11 a. m. after a brief illness. The young girl, just entering woman-hood, had only recovered since last April from an illness which had last-ed for seventeen months and which doubtless had left her little power of resistance when struck down by in-fluenza, although she had been smart and active the past summer.

Frances was born Aug. 23, 1900, at Kingston, Ontario, and was educated at St. Mary's convent, Peterboro, On-tario, until she came with her family to Waupun six years ago, when Mr. Connor became superintendent of the twine factory at the prison. She en tered high school here and graduated with honors with the class of 1916 as its youngest member, and was a great favorite with her classmates. She developed unusual talents in music and dramatic readings and possessed a personality that made her greatly

After graduation she entered the Ursuline College at Chatham, Ontario, and was taken ill there soon after and came home, arriving here New Year's Day, 1917. Through all her long sickness she showed her remarkable character by the courage and fortitude with which she bore her affliction, while the deep and abiding faith and joy of her religion peace to the world, give eternal rest to his priestly soul!—St. Anthony's On Friday she was much pleased at receiving a letter from her brother written the day of the signing of the

The surviving members of the family are her parents, four sisters, Sister St. Thomas of St. Angela's College at London, Ontario, Edith and Kathleen who are teaching in Western Canada, Winifred at home and one brother, Thomas, with the 10th Canadian Battalion in France. To them the deepest sympathy is extended and the assurance that alcomparatively brief, the little daughter made many friends who will treasure the memory of her bright sweet girlhood.

The funeral was held Tuesday at 9 o'clock from St. Joseph's Church, Rev.

DIED

MULTIGAN -At St. Boniface Hos pital, Winnipeg, Man., November 29, 1918, M. J. Mulligan, former resident of Osceola, Ont., aged forty-three years. May his soul rest in peace.

Troy.—On Sunday, December 8, 1918, Mr. John Troy, of the Township of Egremont, O. S. R. North, aged seventy-five years. May his soul rest in peace.

TWOHEY.—At Port Colborne, Ont., on Saturday, December 7, 1918, James Twohey, aged eighty-six years. May his soul rest in peace.

ROGERS.—After a short illness with pneumonia, Sergeant N. P. Rogers, aged twenty-three years, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rogers, 391 McLeod St., Ottawa, died at Kingston early Tuesday morning, October 15, 1918. May his soul rest in peace

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