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OUR ARISTOCRACY

It is a long time since we played whist, but we believe we are right in saving that what the players counted by "honors" was counted by the number of "court cards," as they were called, which were dealt to them. So it is with the so-called honors in life ; they are dealt to us and are understood to be "court cards.

The king is the fountain of honors. and nasty, they flock to the counting-This man gets a step in the peerage, house of politics, where these depreciating distinctions are distributed. that man gets sworn of the Privy Honors are only clothes, and any one Council, another is made a baronet, and the small fry are made knights ; can wear them, those who go in these and these marks of distinction are supposed to be dealt out in the same are most out of character in their way that the cards were in what domino. the Scotch used to call the " Devil's Book.")

But, of course, we all know that person has laid the foundation stone this is not the fact. Honors come not by the chance of shuffling, but are earned or purchased-sometimes by political services, sometimes by money, down to what is known as the distinction is perhaps an aspect of party fund, and occasionally even by merit. Of course, if honors were never well bestowed, and never went to worthy recipients, then the whole bubble would burst; but these exceptional occasions, when honor and merit meet, keep up the belief in these distinctions, and keep the market brisk. But that the system is a rotten one few can doubt.

The honors which the State bestows are most eagerly sought by those whose deserts are the smallest, for it is clear that to make some men knights or baronets can only derogate from their reputations. On the the writer of " The Princess." other hand, such insignia are only valuable to those whose reputations that no real honor can be given by will be enhanced by them : and the the present day, for mere popularity distinction these bestow, of course, as often as not, although it preby that circumstance loses some of its value. Indeed, there is a constant and the blaze goes out as suddenly depreciation of this currency going as thorns under a pot. To think you on, and the face value of ribbons and stars declines not only in proportion to the number of honors bestowed, but also in relation to the unworthiness of the recipients. Up to this slow, discriminating centuries. We point we have been assuming that these honors are not in the nature of corruption, and we see that there is a tendency to the depreciation of all honors, for they are honors only to those they raise, and are not honors to those they lower. But honors are not only bestowed with indiscriminateness, as we have said, they are sometimes earned.

Owing to the party system of politics, there is war for the power and places which the State has to give away, and the warchests of the parties have to be filled, the sinews of war have to be provided. Some men may dip their hands in their pockets for love of the party to which they be-

an illustration of what takes place Testament : 'Let every soul be subject to the higher powers ; for there is no power but from God : and when we huckster honors, as being less invidious than a reference to our those that are are ordained of God. own times, when we have seen the Wherefore, be subject of necessity, not only for wrath, but also for conscience's sake. ed as a merit worthy of recognition "As you go to the front at the call by the Crown. It indicates, too, that of your country, you are 'casting the seeds' of sacrifice by every wayside ; honors are sold in a falling market, and that in time even high titles but 'coming, may you come, joyful, become quite cheap. But, at the same time, there is amongst the common people a craving for these baubles" to their names; and whilst they must be conscious that purchased honors soon become cheap

'fancy dresses " are often those who

But the truth would seem to be

tends to be Fame, misses its mark,

can make your vogue permanent by

dubbing the man a knight is foolish.

William Davenant, and is forgotten.

But there are several of our poet-

that supreme distinction is a mean-

ingless bauble, which has been given.

like praise, to those that need it most.

carrying your sheaves' as tokens of victory and pledges of a blessed and an abiding peace unto the nations of the earth. INTERESTING PHASE

OF IRISH QUESTION PROTESTANT REPUBLICANS

CARRY MEETING BY CHARLES N. WHEELER

Special Cable to The Chicago Tribune and The London Free Press

Dublin, May 16.—Whether loyalty to the King is a religious or a politi-That a mayor or alderman should cal question, whether the clergy who supported Washington in the Ameribecome a knight because a royal can Revolution were disloyal to the of a town-hall is a curious enough church, whether the Belgian clergy episode in the shower of largesse were disloyal to the church in opposing the kaiser, precipitated a heated debate at the meeting of Pro from a throne. That a successfulactor-manager should covet a like testant churchmen last night, finally disrupting the meeting. After it was decided by vote that

ordinary ambition, but that a similar it was a political question and that they could oppose conscription and distinction should be bestowed on a man who has made a reputation by still remain in the church, Right his pen or his brush-if it is not intended to keep up the value of the of Killaloe, and several loyalists honor which has been given to the withdrew, leaving the radicals in control. They rescinded the resolucontrol. mayor and the manager, in which tion passed on June 19 and deplored case it is no honor to the recipientthe Easter rising. it is a little difficult to understand.

PRIMATE'S VIEWS

Fancy knighting Shakespeare or Ben Coincidently Rev. Dr. Crozier, Anglican primate of Ireland, presid-Jonson ! Why, great men even shed the "Mr." and we never speak of ing at the general synod of the Ang-lican Church in Ireland, at Dublin, 'Mr. Robert Browning," or "Mr. William Wordsworth," but of "Brownpraised the loyal Irishmen who had offered their lives in war and de-plored the attitude of the anti-coning " and " Wordsworth :" and we never think of Lord Tennyson, but of scriptionists.

The meeting which was disrupted was the annual session of the Irish Guild, Church of Ireland, with Bishop Berry presiding. George Irvine, one of the rebels sentenced to peral servitude for his part at Easter, arising, moved rescinding the old resolution reading that many Protestant Irish Republicans who had refused allegiance to the King under the conscription menace would be driven from the church The real honors are not given by unless it was an announced prin-kings and cabinets, but only by the ciple that it was political and not a religious issue. Bishop Berry opposed this strong ly. He declared that if it was re know Dryden as Dryden: but Daven-

ant, the Court hanger on, was Sir scinded it would be impossible for him or for any other clergyman of the Church of Ireland to have any thing further to do with the guild. laureates who have proved that even

CATHOLIC SERVICE

There is no more excellent saying in A PROTESTANT RECOGNITION theory than "honors where honors Many ancient prejudices were are due ;" there is not a saying that roken down during the Knights of is so false in practice. Where they Columbus drive. Among the notable are due there is no necessity for them; speeches delivered by Protestants, attention deserves to be called in it is when they are not due that they particular to the words of John C. have a real value, and that is the Ten Eyck, one of the most prominent attorneys of Yonkers. He thus exreason that vitiates all these honors.

We have chosen this quotation as it is found in these words of the new ing that we can do, whatever our beliefs may be concerning their beliefs, bears comparison to the sacrifices that they are making for us. "It is no business of mine to chal-

lenge the most sacred convictions of those boys as they lie with broken bodies and anguished souls in pools of their own blood, shed for me and mine, but it is my business to see to it that all their demand is given to them. We Protestants are not blind enough not to know that the Catholic soldier whose conscience is at peace with God is a dauntless soldier, whose faith in the life after life is greater

than his fear of death." Though there still remain hearts dark and sinister enough to harbor envy and hatred against the great Church to whom we owe all that is noblest in our Christian civilization, yet we cannot fail to realize that there exists likewise a sincere and appreciation of the glorious deep work she has accomplished in the past and is performing to day in the service of mankind.—America.

SAUCE FOR THE GANDER

YOU CAN'T FOOL ALL THE ENGLISH ALL THE TIME The Times, Lond

It says much for the forbearance of the British people, and for their abhorrence of religious animosities, that so little protest should have been made against the latest action of the Roman Hierarchy in Ireland. There is no misunderstanding the tremendous gravity of the issue which they seem bent on raising. It goes far deeper than any mere question of the expediency of enforcing military service. It is nothing less than the old claim of a powerful religious organization to defy the law of the land in a matter which is not even remotely religious. Last Thursday the Roman Hierarchy met in conclave at Maynooth and adopted a statement which virtually placed them at the head of the anti-conscription move-They have already, therefore ment. given to that movement a great and inevitable stimulus. . . In throw-ing down a challenge to the Imperial Parliament the Roman Hierarchy have done far more than repeat their old, obscure intervention as individuals in the Home Rule controversy They have openly assumed the right to interfere as a Church in politics, and in so doing they have shaken to to its foundations the whole edifice of religious toleration in these islands.

THE STAR, LONDON

'All the mischief-makers are busy stoking the fires of revolt in Ireland. The palm for hypocrisy is the leading article in the Times on the action of the Roman Catholic Bishops in supporting the Anti-Conscription Coven-ant. . . On September 30th, 1912, the Times described at great length and without a suggestion against 'the claim of a powerful religious organization to defy the law of the land,' the religious services held at Ulster Hall and in the Cathedral at Belfast before the signing of the famous 'Ulster' Covenant to resist Home Rule, The reverent reporter thus described the scene in Ulster up a stirkingly worded prayer, suita-ble lessons selected for the day were to don the King's uniform.

FELLOW

An esteemed subscriber suggests that in view of the recent farmers' protest the reproduction of the following article from our columns would be of interest to our readers From THE CATHOLIC RECORD, June 30, 1917

As the debate and discussion of the momentous question of selective conscription go on in and out of Parliament there emerges a very clearly defined sense of injustice if compulsion is to be confined purely to military service. It has become a common place that modern war-

fare is not the work of armies alone, but involves the mobilization of all the resources, industrial, financial, commercial, of whole nations. Amongst them the man power at home in every walk of life not less than on the field of battle. While

the effort is voluntary, stimulated if you will by impassioned appeals to patriotism and duty, this phase of the question received only vague consideration. But when it is proposed to apply compulsion to one department of national war effort, military service in the field, while practically everything else is volun-tary, the vague sense of unfair discrimination is beginning to deepen into a keen sense of injustice. Furthermore, the fortunate worker in a munition factory who is earn

ing double, treble as much as ever earned before, is privileged to stay at home while his less fortunate brother is ordered to the trenches and given no choice in the matter. The farmer with two or three sons is engaged in an essential industry so he may, undisturbed, devote all his energies of getting rich and assuring himself and his family an independent position in life; while the town dweller who lives from hand to mouth must risk life and limb on the battlefield. Money and credit are as essential as soldiers. but money and credit are secured from those who make their patriotic duty a safe and profitable investment.

Hence the conviction is growing that the only fair and just measure of compulsion is compulsion all round. Munition workers are necessary, but it is by no means necessary that men of military age and fitness engaged in such work should escape military duty. Their places may be supplied by others militarily unfit, and by women. Farmers are en-gaged in a work absolutely indispensable, but the young farmer should not be a privileged person under

conscription. His place, too, can be supplied under a general scheme of compulsory mobilization of the man power of the whole country. It will be an extremely dangerous thing to other fellow. Already there dications of just such a Already there are incourse. English voters may be asked to force those French Canadian slackers to go to the front. Even in the House of Commons it has been pointed out that conscription will bear lightly on Quebec; for Quebec is almost ex-clusively an agricultural province, duty and the worker at munition-making and other essential industries Hall :- 'The Rev. S. P. Mitchell offered | may feel quite virtuous and safe in | Union and Times. compelling less fortunate workmen

vide all they need. If the sacrifice is great we still must make it, for nothis merely a philosophy, and your churches are dilettante clubs-cul-

ture clubs for companionship and entertainment in refined forms of pleasure—clubs that might just as well be put on a Mohammedan or a Jewish basis as on a New Testament basis. But Christ's Church is founded on a rock, and the gates of Hades —that is, of darkness and destruc-

tion—never shall prevail against it; and its perpetuity is in virtue of its belief in the Divine-Human Christ, born of a woman, who must neces-sarily be remembered while her Son and Savior is celebrated. More people now call Mary blessed than ever before. Forever is the term of her imperishable fame.'

THE GLORIOUS SIXTY-NINTH

We knew that the old Sixty-ninth would cover itself with glory. Every man in its ranks was cast in a heroic mold. From the gory field of battle news comes filtering back of the fearless fighting that has already won unbounded praise for this famous regiment. It is no small praise indeed that sixty-eight of its members have already been decor-ated with the French War Cross for conspicuous bravery on the field of battle

Writing from the trenches, Captain James A. McKenna, Jr., of Co. D. whose brother William is adjutant of the same regiment, describes several heroic exploits by soldiers of the Sixty-ninth. Continuing he says : With things of that sort happen ing daily the greatest feeling in the world has sprung up between the

French and Americans, and the French are loud in their praise our men. The most remarkable thing of all the fighting is that every American outfit goes into the first fight with the cool courage of veterans, and every day there is record-ed a fresh instance of Yankee pluck -that is not newspaper talk but cold The Americans are really won-

derful fighters; they are always doing the unexpected, always doing what the book says cannot be done always springing quick thinking quick shooting and slam-bang fight ing. If we get half a chance, and if the folks in America keep the sup-plies and the men coming over in load after load, we will beat the Germans as sure as fate-not in a min ute, but in the long run, where

straight gameness is the issue. "Some of our Irish friends in New York will be glad to know that although we have our share of killed and wounded, we have more than our share of crosses for bravery in action. My company has twelve and appeal for votes to conscript the in the regiment to date there are sixty-eight. The colonel was given one, and when I asked him why, he replied. 'That is because I have such a good regiment.' The old outfit is beating its Civil War record. You know what that means and you may pass the good word to the Friendly Sons." Let us hope that, when this cruel

and French Canadians marry young. war is over, bigotry will not delete The farmer may patriotically vote to compel the town dweller to do his ait did after the Civil War, the stirring story of the intrepid valor of this Catholic regiment. — Buffalo

CATHOLIC NOTES

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Under instructions issued by Secretary Daniels, chaplains on navy vessels will have charge of ships libraries, and will determine the character of the reading matter maintained in them.

Baltimore, April 30.—"Unity and not mere hope of success should inspire all," said Cardinal Gibbons today as he bought Liberty Bonds with \$5,500 given him by a stranger to establish a chair at the Catholic University.

It is expected that the sugar crop in the Philippines will be larger than ever before. In the last three years there has been a steady increase in the size of the crop, that of 1916 reaching the total of 390,000 metric tons.

The 165th infantry, formerly the 69th regiment of New York, now, in France is not to lose its identity as "The Fighting Sixty-Ninth." By permission of the war department the regiment will carry the green flag of Ireland to the battle front in France.

Edward Stettinius formerly of St. Louis, appointed second assistant secretary of war, a position recently created by Congress, is a Catholic, Mr. Stettinius studied in St. Louis University, St. Louis, which is conducted by the Jesuits

His Grace the Most Rev. John W. Shaw, D. D., Metropolitan and Arch-bishop of the Province of New Orleans, will formally take possession of his See on June 2, says the Morning Star. His Grace has notified the Administrator that he desires his coming to be marked with the utmost simplicity.

Gavrio Prinzip, who on June 28 1914, in Sarajevo, Bosnia, shot and killed Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir apparent to the Austrian-Hungarian throne, and his wife, has died in a fortress near Prague. The awful result of this double murder was the present War, which began in the following August.

News has been received from Bag dad that the famous Oriental library collected there by the Carmelite Fathers has been burned by the Turks. The library comprised more than 20,000 volumes on subjects connected with Mesopotamia, consisting in the main of French and Euglish, but also some Italian and German works and including very rare books

Major General James W. McAndrew, a graduate of St. Francis Xavier's High School, an institution con-ducted by the Jesuit Fathers in New York City, has been appointed Chief of Staff of the American Expedition ary Forces in France, and is to enter upon his duties immediately. In a letter to a New York City friend Major General McAndrew stated recently that he was proud that he was one of the 500 fighting alumni that St. Francis Xavier's school now has in the service of the United States.

The rapid growth of the Church in Montana is shown by the announce-ment of the annual visitation of the Great Falls diocese, by Rt. Rev. John J. Lenihan, D. D. This year he will administer the Sacrament of Con-firmation in and solemnly dedicate twenty new churches and missions on the Great Northern Railroad, also on the Soo line near the Canadian border.

The Newark, N. J., Cath nearing completion. It was started eighteen years ago, and the cost of work to date is \$2,000,000. Massive and magnificent in detail is the building. Its architectural and front elevation resembles that of the Rheims Cathedral and if the world-renowned edifice at Rheims were destroyed the Newark Cathe dral would be the only replica in existence.

long, but most men who find funds of contest seats for the party either expect to be recompensed for their trouble and outlay by some fat office or by some titular honor, and that again depreciates the currency and brings discredit on the system. That appeal to the soldiers and sailors of the United States to respect the brings discredit on the system. That shop for these distinctions, which were invested in the age of kings and aristocracies, seems ridiculous. But the practical matter is that the machine cannot be run without lubricating money, and therefore power must keep a shop for these honors.

In that very delightful "Travels Through France and Italy." which Nice it says : "Nice abounds with of the nation to the service of your noblesse, marquesses, counts and barons. Of these, three or four families are really respectable, the rest are novi homines sprung from is your example. He loved His the bourgeois, who have saved a little native land, for He sanctified it by money by their different occupations, and raised themselves to the rank of noblesse by purchase. One is des-cended from an avocat, another from the loved His people. Was it not to here that he first offered the price-here there is a second s an apothecary, a third from a retailer of wines, a fourth from a dealer in anchovies, and I am told there is actually a count in Villa-franca whose | cities of the Samaritans enter ve not. father sold macaroni in the streets. the house of Israel. A man in this country may buy a marquisate or a county for the value of three or four hundred pounds sterling, and the title follows the fief, but he may purchase lettres de noblesse for about thirty or forty guineas."

CARDINAL GIBBONS

MAKES APPEAL TO FORCES ON LAND AND SEA TO RESPECT SUPERIOR AUTHORITY

Baltimore, Md., May 9.- A stirring military authorities, to keep them-selves spiritually clean and to read the gospels whenever possible has been issued by Cardinal Gibbo The message will reach nearly all the men in uniform, for it is printed in the army and navy edition of the Testament, which is being issued under the patronage of the Catholic Hierarchy of this country.

The Cardinal's message in part is as follows :

"Called upon by the President as country, love for its soil and for its people must necessarily be the mainspring of all your military activities His His presence ; He consecrated it in His precious blood and He illustrated less blessings of His gospel ? Sending But go ye rather to the lost sheep of

PROMPT AND CHEERFUL OBEDIENCE

Respect for authority is the very essence of military life, and efficiency It is plain then that your first and most important duty is prompt and

attorneys of Yonkers. He tong of a sufficiency worded player by the day were to don the King's uniform. pressed his profound appreciation of the lessons selected for the day were to don the King's uniform. the Catholic Church and of the work read, and the sermon was preached by Dr. M'Kean, ex-Moderator of the by Dr. M'Kean, ex-Moderator of the cowardly. The whole question THESE PRACTICES "I have not been asked to help in this campaign by the Roman Catholic Church. I would have been proud had I been asked. The man does not live whose eloquence can express en a tithe of the service of the Church to the world and the civilization we enjoy. But even I can express my consciousness of some obli-gation to that Church which was the only Church of God when no other Church was in existence. It was that Church which preserved the Gospel during the early days of the Christian era. It was that Church which struggled for, maintained, de-fended and promulgated the principles of sound morals and human

culture. It was that Church which preserved the wisdom of the ancients, which otherwise would have been lost, which preserved the great manuscripts in the safe places of the monasteries and ecclesiastical temples of Europe. Describing then the eagerness with

which the Catholic Church in America has sent forth her sons to interpose their breasts between their country's safety and the threatening peril across the sea, he thus gave the reason why Protestants contributed to the War fund of the Knights of Columbus. aside from the fact that all alike are cordially welcomed in every K. of C. building at home or abroad : There can be no conscience so

accusing as the conscience of a non-Catholic who has permitted a Catholic boy to die without the last rites of his own Faith. We Protestants are not so blind as not to know that Catholics love their Faith above all other possessions ; therefore we Pro-

must give those Catholic

son having signed the Covenant, he should be squarely stood aside while Lord Londonderry people as a comprehensive measure vesting the Government with wide powers to mobilize the entire re-(him who left Prince Lichnowsky) dinner party early so as to avoid meeting Sir E. Grey !) the Moderator, sources of the nation and to exercise the Bishop of Down, and the Dean of Belfast took their turn. And ean of compulsion on those who stay at ' And home as well as on those chosen to all this seemed quite right and proper to the Times. The boot now happens authority over the incomes of the to be on the other foot-that's all." rich as over the lives of the poor.

TOILERS PRAY FOR SOLDIERS AS NOONDAY BELLS SOUND

Referring to the movement rapidly spreading throughout the country calling on the citizens to pause at the sound of the noonday bells and to pray for our soldiers and sailors and all others in the Government's service, the Right Reverend Bishop Mc Cort has said :

"I shall join very gladly in the prayers of the community at noon al service is justified. and, although we always have pray ers at noon in our churches, I bring this idea of praying for our President, for our young men in the service, for our Allies and for a just and lasting and glorious peace defin-itely before the Church. The bells of our churches will be rung at noon sounding the call to prayer. I think a brief, spontaneous prayer of the

heart will be about as effective a prayer as could be offered at the everen sonal character, but as Christ's Holy present time, when our hearts are with the boys at the front and we Mother. I will say for myself that have long ago learned to love and honor Mary. . . . Generations are daily asking God to take care of honor Mary. . . upon generations, until the last hour them and bring them home safely and to give us a speedy and splendid shall strike on the clock of time testants must give those Catholic boys in their hour of trial what they ask. No honest American can ques-tion that this is the only way to help those boys, and it is our duty to pro-

THESE PRACTICES put before the ROFESSOR SHAW (PROF. OF THEOLOGY

IN TAYLOR UNIVERSITY, INDIANA) "Men are still feeling the need of

an atonement of sin. I sat for three weeks with men in training in a great American concentration camp, men who had been in France in the thick of it and they told me of two things

This is the logical and necessary out-come of the principle involved, and the boys in the trenches want before they went "over the top." The one a courageous application of it will meet with greater popular favor and was to make a confession and the other was the Eucharist. Why are respect than any measure will re- Protestant soldiers, thousands of them, along with the Catholics, crowding the Mass? It is because

The tendency all too maifest to resent the matter of compulsory an atonement of their sins. It furnilitary service as affecting after all nishes them with the desired confessional that they cannot find in their own religion. I was brought up a 'Scotch Covenanter.' My very soul crying out against this thing and yet I find that it is the one exigent way of getting rid of that awful thought of dying with sin. The soldier must

have it. He wants to purge away the guilt of his soul. He must tell his sins to someone else. Yes, it is coming fast into evidence that it is essential that we must have a good, open confession. It has been our habit for the last century to deny sin. Since this war, however, there has been a wholesale demand of the need of the atonement of Jesus Christ. We have got to come back. Let us entreat and help our boys in khaki so that they may die with Jesus

heart.-Longfellow.

Wit is the god of moments, but genius is the god of ages. As the heart is, so is love

on their lips rather than curses."

London, April 18.-His Eminence Cardinal Lucon, the heroic Arch-bishop of Reims, has left Paris, where Why are he sojourned for a few days, and has gone to a chateau at Epernay lent him by Count Chandon, where he will work with his assistant Bishop and secretary in as close proximity to his stricken city as circumstances will allow. It is understood, how ever, that he will shortly back to Paris to receive from the French Academy the greatest tribute they can pay him. It is proposed to elect him to the vacant seat of the Count Albert de Mun, the great Cath olic leader.

The feast of St. John Baptist De La Salle, the founder of the Christian Brothers, was fittingly celebrated at the De La Salle College, Aurora, Ont. the Mother House of the Brothers of Ontario. The Chaplain, Rev. E. J. Hodgkinson, celebrated High Mass and Rev. Father O'Hara, C. SS, R., gave the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The boys' choir ren dered appropriate selections with with particularly fine effect at both serv-ices. Most of the Brothers of Toronto and a number of their friends were the guests of the College during the afternoon. In many of the city churches High Mass was celebrated in honor of the Teacher-Saint at which the teachers and pupils of the schools assisted.

EVERY GOOD PROTESTANT SHOULD HONOR CHRIST'S MOTHER

ceive whose narrow application seems to involve unfair discrimination. comparatively few is precisely the nost disquieting thing in the whole discussion. It is as despicable as it is dangerous, and abandons the only ground on which compulsory nation-

The Rev. Robert Court, D. D. (Presby,) Lowell, Mass. "Every good Protestant ought to her, not only for her per

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GERALD DE LACEYS DAUGHTER

AN HISTORICAL ROMANCE OF COLONIAL DAYS

BY ANNA T. SADLIEB BOOK II

CHAPTER VII.-CONTINUED

In her heart, too, was a harrow ing anxiety concerning her father. She rejoiced that he had not been at

the house when the constables had come to apprehend her, lest he should have been tempted to resist. But she feared now that, once he had been informed of her imminent danger, he might place himself in deadly peril by some attempt at rescue or some bold definitce of the and thus fall into the hands The of their unrelenting enemy. The appearance of Prosser Williams there meant ruin, entire and absolute. For should this court, which she was keen enough to see was divided against itself and in some sort halfearted, acquit her, it would be but to send her to that other tribunal in Manhattan, where more malignant foes would make her undoing certain. As it was, she turned with relief from the pale face and gleaming eyes present. of that member of Lord Bellom Household to the grim-faced select men, magistrates and ministers by whom she was confronted. There was something weird and uncanny in the whole scene. The pines and hemlocks without trembled and shivand ered in a mournful wind. The improvised courtroom was dimly lit by nine-knot torches, stuck in rude sconces. The pulpit, grotesquely magnified, loomed above the prisonhead, forbidding as though it grewsome showed a ghostly occupant. The gallery was filled with an excited throng of townspeople, who had fol-lowed the prisoner thither, and were stirred almost to frenzy by this towards the door, through which threatened recrudescence of the they were afraid to pass lest swarms witchcraft excitement.

While the most futile questions ing put, and a bewildering array of witnesses were being brought the constables shood in an anxious against her, the elder of the two group, and the first thought of Capmagistrates seemed to be disposed in her favor. Whether it was that he remembered the disapproval which had been meted out by same and un-hawk or the scalping knife; still less biassed men to those who presided at former trials, when the first madness had passed ; or whether he was merely impressed by the youthful loveliness of the prisoner, her quick wit and calm demeanor, he laid strong emphasis upon the fact that no evidence had been as yet adduced to prove bodily harm done to any of the witnesses by her contrivance.

At this there arose a tumult, and all seemed to be speaking together. Dignity and decorum were lost. One man cried out the prisoner should be put to the torture, since she refused to confess. Another suggested that the punishment meted out in the past to all accused of sorcery should bs recapitulated to inspire this reputed witch with salutary fear and Meanwhile, the central confusion. figure in that strange scene stood apparently unmoved, though the girl's heart quailed within her as she heard that wild uproar, the vile names she was called, the fierce muttering rising into shouts against her. Her deli cate and sensitive nature was deeply affected by the horrors of the scenes depicted, when, the judge having at obtained silence, the clerk read aloud the account of former trials, the imprisonment in dismal dungeons and the culminating tragedy on the bleak and dreary hill, which had been pered in her ear : to her an evil omen ever since her arrival in Salem. Her mind, however, rose into the region of prayer. All the faith and hope, every divine impulse of charity, which had conthanks with a certain exultation of she spirit worthy to follow this new way of the cross, and to ascend her Calvary. She rejoiced in the knowledge that her exile and that of her father, such privations and discomforts as they had since experienced, and her present sufferings as well as the grim possibilities of the future, could have been avoided had she renounced her faith and placed her abjuration in the hands of Lord Bellomont.

full of contempt and aversion. oppressed by that terrible stillness. Springing from his place in the ardor of his infatuation and in the height of his exultation at her humiliating of the night the secret which it did or his exuitation at her huminizing position, he took advantage of the uproar to advance towards her, though he had no definite idea as to what it would be wises to say. He had some vague intention of practising a deception and whispering that he had come thither with the intention of protecting her. But the lovely eyes of Evelyn measured him coldly from head to foot, as she said curtly:

Have you too been bewitched?". 'Yes, and by you," answered Prosser Williams, flushing from chin to

ehead at the contempt of her tone and his red hair seeming to gleam redder than ever in the light of the nine torches. 'Bélieve me, good sir," said Evelyn, mockingly, "that I have never troubled to cast a spell in your direc-

tion.'

With that she turned her back upon him. He controlled by an effort the furious rage which pos-sessed him, and trembling all over with passion returned to his place

ensued was broken by a sound suffi-ciently terrifying to drive all other matters from the minds of those

CHAPTER VIII THE RESCUE

This sound, the most appalling that could greet colonial ears, was the war whoop of Indian raiders, ringing through the outer darkness. It was a sound to strike terror to the bravest hearts, for the pioneer stories of Indian atrocities and of wholesale massacres, with all the stories of Indian atrocities grewsome details accompanying them, were still fresh in the people's minds. Men in the courtroom sprang to their feet in consternation; minds. women huddled together or hurried they were afraid to pass lest swarms

of Indians might be lurking in the darkness. Even the judges aban-doned their places; the clerk and tain Prosser Williams was as to how he might secure his personal safety. hawk or the scalping knife; still less did he desire to be carried away into captivity and furnish sport for the Indian lodges. Nor were there many seconds in which to deliberate. There was a blast of air coming in through the open door and a of feathered warriors, their faces thickly daubed with the ominous red that suggested they were upon the war path. The prisoner stood still, with hands bound at her back and now forgotten by the fiercest of the

witch-hunters. She was suddenly seized from behind by the strong arms of an Indian brave, and so ex cessive was her terror, so complete the surprise, that she was borne with scarce a struggle to the door. Mingled with her alarm was a curious relief that at least she would be freed from the devilish malice of Captain Prosser Williams. It darted through her brain that there might be some hope for her in her knowledge of various Indian dialects and in the fact that she was a member of one tribe and had made with it a

Silver Covenant of Friendship. The warrior mounted a horse which stood waiting, and lifted her by a swift movement to its back. It was only when they had gone some distance from the door that, to her intense astonishment, a voice whis-

Evelyn, my love, be not afraid." planned and carried out by the witch who took that means of disappear-ing. Vainly did the man most inter-Hops, joy, amazement succeeded who one another in swift succession ing. through her mind. Surely the grasp ested ested rage and storm, crying out against the escaped prisoner and rethrough her mind. Surely the grasp in which she was held was infinitely sciously or unconsciously shaped her life, came now to her aid. She gave asked a breathless question, and he Salem in particular by the snares of had been found answered without slackening rein, the Evil One, manifested in the spalls of sorcery. The Town Counwhilst behind them came the tramp of other horses and the confused sounds which showed that the town cil and the others were not at all inspired by these arguments to attempt the recapture of so dangerous a charwas awaking to the peril by which it was threatened. For the scene there acter as the sorceress. Angry as they might be at her disappearance, was an indescribable one. The tocand at the possibility that a trick, sin sounded the alarm and spread human or preternatural, had been played upon a grave and reverend terror amongst the inhabitants. Many stole forth from their houses to seek a hiding place they knew not assembly, they felt no particular anxiety to bring her back into their gigantic. where. Others barricaded them. selves within their dwellings, the men looking to their firelocks and midst. Surely it was better that she had gone before worse happened, if really she had been a witch with the women giving what assistance they could in these preparations for still power to spirit herself away. If she were not a witch, they were rid of defence. Pine-knot torches flashed here and there through the darkness, and sent their gleams over the the responsibility of condemning or acquitting her. At last, Captain Prosser Williams coldly flowing rivers, where the dry stalks of the lately beautiful water-lilies rested on the surface of the was compelled to reveal his own identity and to threaten them with water, symbolical of the fair lives the severe displeasure of Lord Bellothat had been wrecked and ruined mont for having permitted the escape of both father and daughter, who were fugitives from New York. He in that vicinity by false and idle superstitions. The heavy veil of blackness had fallen upon the woods described them as dangerous Papists, consorters with Jesuits and suborn-ers of the Indian tribes. He urged skirting the town, which to the minds of the terrified inhabitants urged seemed to be peopled with savages, upon them that, if they had for a eady to spring forth at a given sigmoment escaped an Indian foray, the nal and with tomahawk, torch and tribes now so peaceful would very possibly be incited against them, since such dangerous enemies of the scalping knife to make havoc in their paths. The trees nodded and whispered together, as if in consulta-King's Majesty and the Protestant religion were at large. It was by arguments such as these that the enraged and disappointed officer induced a sturdy band of Puritans to take horse and ride forth from the town in hot pursuit of the fugitives. But such haste as they made was not sufficient for Captain Prosser Williams, who feverishly spurred on, impelled by the double motive of love and revenge. Both standing and his initiation in England, could offer her a very desirable alliance. It was not, therefore, without design that, when mitted her to see him, only to

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not give. Once the stillness was broken by the nasal tones of an itinerant preacher, reciting aloud "rom the Psalms: "Fear and trembling have come

upon me, and darkness hath covered The fear of death hath fallen upon me. My heart is heavy within me. Have mercy, O Lord, have mercy upon me. For my soul trusteth in Thee.' that hour of universal terror. In perhaps in the ears of many sounded

the dying shrieks of .witches hanged upon the hill, and the groans of tor tured victims, seared with the brand ing iron, scourged and thrust forth into exile. Blood guiltiness was upon the town—a guilt which now might have to be explated, and which thus added to the general alarm The dawn was whitening the sky before relief came to the terrorstricken inhabitants. No adults in that town, it might be safely said, had slept that night, and with pale, haggard faces they looked out over the cold and silent rivers, upon the just as the magistrate called anew for order. The silence that again

deserted streets, where appeared no savage form, and upon the woods, where the trees whispered and nodded together harmlessly, with soft soothing murmurs and with no lurking painted foes.

ted.

Prosser Williams remained with a score or two of men in the securely barricaded meeting house, upon which a second attack was expected. He was the first to suspect that there

had been no Indian raid at all, or that, if so, it had been with the obect so readily effected of releasing Evelyn, who was known to be on friendly terms with the Indians. For by the time he had recovered from his first panic, he saw that she had disappeared, nor could any one tidings of her. With the give any arrival of the dawn men and women ame out, and shamefacedly confront. ed one another. Every one put uestions which none could answer But in the general sense of relief, curiosity and even hilarity began to began to prevail, at least as much hilarity as was consistent with the Puritan gloom, where mirth was regulated by statute. Captain Prosser Williams found himself almost alone in the mad rage which possessed him when he began to realize that a trick had een played, or that, at the very worst, the whooping savages had been merely friendly Indians, who intended no raid upon the town, but were merely anxious to deliver from ondage one whom they considered as their benefactress. The young officer, who was possessed of suff cient bravery to carry him with credit through the ordinary affairs of life, now felt ashamed of the coward. ice with which he had acted, and this shame added to his fury against

the authors of the rescue. As for the judges and the jury, the constables and the select men and the people of Salem at large, who had for the time being forgotten Mistress de Lacey and her affairs, their relief was so great that it was difficult to stir them into anger or into any species of activity. there were—and amongst them the elder of the two judges—who were glad to have the affair of the reputed witch taken out of their hands, for they felt that her trial and condem

nation could reflect but little credit upon themselves or upon the town, and that proof of actual ill-doing upon her part was wanting. There were others who believed that the whole scene in the courtroom was an illusion of the senses, specially

suers were upon the right track. When the cavalcade reached the deserted house of the de Laceys, the morning sun was shining full upon Prosser Williams had it examined only to find that Mr. de Lacey too was missing. Continuing their pur-suit along the turnpike road, which according to a number of witnesses,

had been taken by some sayages, the horsemen made their way by glade and forest until they finally came to a deserted and half-ruined dwelling to which the sunlight lent a certain glory. Something in the aspect of the spot suggested it as a possible halting-place. Descending from his

halting-place. Descending from his horse, Captain Williams nosed about the premises as a hunting dog might have done, but could find no trace of his quarry. With all his astuteness, this most determined of the pursuers never thought of disturbing the fallen leaves and twigs which cov-ered the well. There he would have found the cast-off disguises of the fugitives, and he could thus have convinced himself, as well as his nore or less reluctant companions, that neither witch nor Indian had been responsible for Mistress de

Lacey's disappearance; they been deceived by a simple trick. they had This latter aspect of the case had presented itself to his mind, but he ould not of course be certain, and he knew not whom to suspect. For how could word have been so quickly carried to New York of the suspic ions against the reputed witch and her arrest? He thought of Pieter Schuyler and others of the Van Cortlandt family as possible accessories to the plot, and he distrusted Captain Ferrers, though of late he had striven to convince himself that that officer was no longer interested in the fair outlaw.

TO BE CONTINUED

"HE IS MINE-AND I AM HIS"

"By gosh ! so them atrocities we heard tell of at home is true !"

Frank Turner had been out in not even learned the language of the renches, nor had he ever come across what was grown to be a he blurted out a request : and of all creeds in the French vil-them there necklaces ?" lages and countrysides-a crucifix. The life-sized figure of Christ banging upon the cross, stood untouche in a ruined village through which the war-weary troops were returning to their quarters, and Frank, in the fading light and half-dazed from fatigue, took the image for the reality

He thought it was a man hanging there, a martyr for his country, for if in his boyhood he had heard the Bible story of the Son of God hang. ing on the cross, a martyr for the whole world, he had forgotten it. Certainly he had never pictured the scene on Calvary as a reality like this. Amongst the ruined houses the

order to halt was given : the officer in charge saw that his men would not be able to get much further, and Frank. the guns of the Boche which yester-day played upon the streets and houses were silenced now, so they could stop there in safety. Frank Turner had been slightly wounded and he was weak from loss of blood as well as exhausted from want of the beads over the boy's head. Then, sleep, from the tension of seventeent hours in the trenches and from want 'He is mine and I am His,' 'He is mine and I am His,' sleep, from the tension of seventeen | taking the now empty mug, he turned

pierced, the side wounded, as the hopeless case, and within three Irish sergeant reminded him, for the sins of men, some vague far away sins of men, some vague far-away remembrance of occasional attendout"-yes, and quite blind ! In the hospital where he was taken the Rosary round his neck ance at a city church-just enough to qualify for the parish treat—came back to him and his comrade's voice made them ask if his disc. "Church supplied the gaps in these vagrant of England," or this Popish emblem

memories. stood for his belief. "It ain't nothing," was his lucid planation. "It ain't C. of E. nor I "The Son of God," he said, "our explanation. "It ain't C. of E. nor I ain't R. C. Only I asked for a cruci-Saviour and Redeemer," As he spoke, he pulled a string of beads from his pocket. "That's a fine one fix and they gave me this. That's all. Oh, nurse," he added, imploringyou have," he said, nodding towards the crucifix Frank held. "I've one ly clinging to the cool smooth dress that brushed his fingers, "will you of my own here, and though 'tis not the size of yours, 'tis me own to carry with me where I will. Many's give me a crucifix ? The nurse was taken aback at such a request, but quickly she bade him the time, when things has gone badly enough with me, I've held mine as you hold yourn there, and I looks at not to worry, for what he wanted he would get. And before evening it would get. And was in his hands. it, and says I, 'He is mine, an' I am His.' There's a power of comfort in He took it eagerly but gently reverently touching the outstretched them words, sonnie." Then, changing his tone and dropping his Rosar arms, the bowed head, crowned with thorns, the feet on which, with grow-ing delicacy of touch, he felt the nail back into his pocket, "Rest yourself a few minutes more if you like : but we've no orders to stop here, so now and even the wound the nail had nade. you're yourself, you'd best come along, and hold up, if you can, till we "That's Him," he said, with a sigh of satisfaction. "I'll never see noth-ing no more," he shuddered even now

get back to billets. He moved away, but for a moment at the horror of the thought. longer the English boy held the cross which fascinated him. "He's lucky, he's got one ! I wish I had. I anyways the last thing ever I saw was Him, and He hung on the cross for us." The nurse was kind but busy might take this. But no-'tisn't mine, and 'twould be pinching. I and when, lying there in darkness, the thought came to Frank Turner must leave it back where I took it. that some one must know how this thing came about, he waited for and maybe He will speak to some other Johnny just like He spoke to another visit from her to ask if she me." He held it a moment longer then hung it back on the wall. "He could tell him. "I've no time Turner," she said is mine-I am His," he murmured, awkwardly enough, for speaking of religion came to her no more easily perhaps not realizing more than that the words were comforting.

than it had done to Turner himself Staggering to his feet, although his head was strangely light, he was how things were different. The life

able to make his way out to where the Irish sergeant was waiting, and he had lived before he joined the army, was so far away, and the with his help painfully managed to reach his billet. His companion, remembrance of the crucifix so near. "It's all in the Bible, but it's seeing that by this time he was and I've no time. Next time the fairly exhausted, with rough kind-ness told the lad to turn in whilst he chaplain comes I'll ask him. got him a mug of the welcome bouil lon their temporary hostess provided next chaplain to come was not one belonging to the State religion, By this time the moment of expanstopped pityingly at the bedside of n in which he had mentioned the the lad-blind and suffering from France so short a time that he had cross of Christ was over, and it was shock. He had time, fortunately, with the Englishman's usual effort in and another soldier in the war peaking of anything religious that possessing a Key of Heaven, the chaplain read to Turner, listening

"Necklaces ?" The sergeant was at

a loss to understand, so the English oy muttered a further explanation of "them bead things," which cleared up his meaning. The sergeant shook his head.

'Ne'er a one but the one," he said

gone conclusion. He wanted th truth. "He is mine and I am His. But Rosary's the name, sonnie-not necklace. But wait, now-" he broke off, for an officer had entered Over and over again he had proved the truth of the sergeant's words the room and going to him the ser-geant spoke a few words. Frank Turner saw him put his hand in his concerning this ; when pain and fate and future darkness seemed unbear-able, they came back to him again tunic pocket and pull something out. and again. Jesus Christ was Frank and at the same time he noticed the Turner's and Frank Turner was Roman collar which denoted a chap Jesus Christ's, and, therefore, the lain, not an ordinary officer. He wa narrow way of truth was that along which he must follow Christ. evidently seeking some one in a hurry, for he went out again immedi ately. The Irishman returned to the chaplain. He asked question after question and believed every-

"You're in luck, lad." he said thing he was told. "Here's the Rosary beads-and the very last his Reverence has. Stow Baptism-had he ever been baptized? them over your head. Then Not to his knowledge. Confirmed? Certainly not. Was he a member of won't go lose them." And suiting the Church of England ? "I ain't nothing." he heard of Holy Communion, then he was, by desire at least, a Catholic. There were, of course, certain for

long over due. Yet when the others gladly fell at ease, he stumbled eagerly to the end of the string, but, malities to be gone through, and then the learning of the cate blindly on towards what he thought alas, it was only a rounded piece of blindly on towards what he thought was a tortured Frenchman. As he drew nearer he saw it was a thing of wood wrought by human hands. Close beside him a comrade, was for a ross and not for them-these necklace cos and not for them-was for a ross and not for them-these necklace cos and not for them-them the doubt of the head of t was no easy task to a perfectly un-trained mind, and to sightless eyes But when it was time for him to leave the hospital, then too, lit was indus. Cross of a salute, hand in the semblance of a salute, whilst in a low tone he made an exclamation that Turner understood: "The cross of Christ!" So it was a religious emblem ! A with Our Lady's heads about him, he

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eagerly, every word of the Gospel of St. John for Good Friday, the fourth

and shortest of the Evangelists

accounts of the Passion of Our Lord. Since the blind boy had learned

the rudiments of religion. one may

say, direct from Christ Himself, the

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"O Lord !" she said, "I give Thee thanks that Thou has thought me worthy, who have been so fond of pleasures and of the brighter orldl side of life.

Captain Prosser Williams, utterly unable to guess at such sentiments as these, sat gloating over the scene and at the terror, the humiliation and the degradation which that girl, so late the idol of a brilliant circle must be feeling. It is true he had it in mind that he would not permit matters to proceed to too great ex-tremities; that, once she was safely lodged in the Town Prison he would visit her, declaring that he meant to save her and that in the end, if it became necessary, he would claim her under the warrant formerly issued by the Government of Man hattan, and have her conveyed to that city, where she would be safer. tion

He hoped, in fact, that, once her Be noped, in face, that, once her spirit had been broken by the terror of her situation and all that sho would be called upon to endure, she would be willing to accept voluntarily a suitor who must be associated in her mind with all that was gay and pleas-ant, and who, through his official the invaders. Imagination ran riot. picturing the foe as creeping on insidiously and noiselessly until vanstanding and his influential connectherefore, without design that, when the tenult was at its height he per-mitted her to see him, only to encounter a cold and haughty stare

So it was a religious emblem ! A with Our Lady's beads about him, he

Popish idol. He had no religious feeling that he knew of, but this fell asleep. But not for many hours was he undisturbed. Before dawn the Boches were reported as having rething seemed to draw him to it. As he moved forward his foot caught in something and he fell to the ground. turned. Once more they were attack. In doing so his lately staunched wound broke out afresh and the shelter for many of the Allied troops. Frank Turner, to his delight was warm, soft trickle of blood made him sick and faint. The crucifix loomed, almost gigantic, above his headnosted at the half demolished shrine , but not forbidding, attract-er, and consoling. He closed where in the midst of crumbling ing rather, and consoling. masonry the crucifix was still unhis eyes, and all around him grew touched.

Time passed and still the English An hour later he came to himself boy stood before the cross in the place he had been left to guard, and line by line the singularly beautiful

in a dismantled room, where his comrades, seeing him fall, had carried him and laid him on the bed, Figure was graven on his mind. "He is mine and I am His !" And the lessons of faith and love of some one who had fled before the Boches. He- looked about him, vaguely, with, naturally, no remem-brance of how he came there. Then that fortunate children learn from their mother's knee seemed to pass Then straight from the wounded Heart of God the Son to the lonely heart of on the white wall, so close to him that he had only to stretch his hand out to touch it, was another, and this the English soldier.

The fury of the bombardment in-reased. Ever louder and louder, time a small representation of the crucifixion scene that had so struck creased. and touched him in the village street. the sound of the Allied guns out-"The cross of Christ!" Feebly he repeated the words, the last that he weighed the Germans, but at last there came what to Frank Turner had heard before he lost consciouswas a final crash.

ness; but the man who had spoken them, who had brought him in from It dashed him to the ground and the foot of the village shrine and laid him where he was, heard him and

for me.

The man's stripes proclaimed him a sergeant ; his tongue and the way. in which he mentioned the crucifly betrayed his nationality and his

and through all he kept his crucifix in his hands. The cross of Christ was his salvation, yes, and it was his wonder and his love.

Marvels are being done for the blind, and whatever is done for ing the village, which though so nearly reduced to ruins served as a him as coming from Jesus Christ. Wherever he goes, there will go with him his crucifix. The cross, seen for the first and last time within three days, will ever be to him, please God, "salvation, and life and consolation."-Alice Dease, in The Rosary Magazine.

THERE MUST BE A SUPREME ARBITER WITH MORAL FORCE

It was a sad day for the Christian nations and peoples of Europe when, through the Protestant revolt of the sixteenth century, they deprived them selves of the services of the Pope in helping to interpret and decide their international troubles.

With no impartial international in-terpreter of what is right or wrong, in their policies, modern nations travel the road of war covered by

left him senseless. Still the crucifix, millions of corpses in order to untouched, remained in the village, achieve their separate aims. That thoughtful men are beginning a second time, and now decisively, came over to his side. "Aye, lad," he said, "the cross of Christ that He died on for you and life, found the lad unconscious and following interview now going the

wounded with that most pitlless of wounds—loss of sight. When at length he came to himself at the of the Associated Press.—"I believe dressing station no one understood his first words : that Jerusalem after the war will be come the moral center for the

in which he mentioned the crucifix betrayed his nationality and his faith. Seeing that Frank held out his hand for the cross, he unhooked the last thing he had seen—the last the near east, in an interview here.





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But if this hope is to be realwhich talk of The Hague Conference, and yet we know that hitherto these conhave been, and may again in the future, just hypocritical conversations between lawyers, dip-lomats and soldiers preparing for fresh hostilities.

Moral force and physical must be at the disposal of whatever authority mankind desires to set up to shield the world from war. But the physical force of a league of nations ust be at the call of a moral force higher than The Hague. If you look to Jerusalem, are there not moral forces there stronger than any man could imagine ?"

Sir Mark Sykes diagnoses the world's trouble correctly, but the remedy he suggests is absurd. The "moral forces at Jerusalem," without an official and recognized interpreter of what is right or wrong in concrete instances, would leave the nations in the same muddle in which they are The anarchy of interpretations would lead to the same anarchy of application, i. e., War.—Rev. H. C. Hengell, in Our Sunday Visitor.

EVIL SPIRITS FIGHT FOR SOUL

CHURCH AND SCIENCE RENEW ANCIENT COMBAT AGAINST SPIRITISM

Michael Williams in New York Tribune

There is a vast increase in varied forms of occult and spiritualistic be lief and practices in Europe, and now the War has brought the same psychic wave rolling to our shores and threatening to inundate every and threatening to city and village in the country with its morbid flood.

Even before the outbreak of the War the vast growth of occultism, from scientific investigation of abnormal spiritistic phenomena down to the appalling cases of organized "devil worship" and Phallic worship in Europe, had attracted the anxious on of many observers of the breakdown of our modern civiliza

Pope Pius X., for example, consider ing the matter from the special view-point of the orthodox Christian Church, had been impelled to take measures to combat the new tend-ency. He sent Dr. J. Godfrey Rau pert, a member of the Psychical search Society and a professor at Oxford University, to Belgium to enlist Cardinal Mercier in the work or organizing an international society of scientists, clergymen and public ists for the purpose of investigating and fighting the new and ever-growing peril.

PSYCHICAL RESEARCH

Monsignor Robert Hugh Benson was also actively engaged in the work. Cardinal Mercier was deeply interested in Dr. Raupert's project nd the society would soon have been definitely launched, but just then the outbreak of war put a stop to every-thing. The deaths soon afterward of Pope Pius and of Monsignor Benson and the greater work which the Wa brought to Cardinal Mercier still further ruined Dr. Raupert's plan. All organized efforts along his partic ular line were impossible in Europe so he came to the United States where he is now lecturing on his subject.

Since that time the evil has as sumed such proportions that the Catholic Church in a decree of April 27, 1917, forbade any form of participation in spiritism to all Catholics The text of the decree runs as fol lows :

Question .- Whether it is allow. Question.—whener is is more that the source of the second second

of these so-called messages from the dead being of a kind or of a tendency truly to console the relatives of the would plead. Her husband could the print, due to the light streaming in through the open door of their souls." invent: there must be some force dead being of a kind or of a tendency and strength ?" the young woman truly to console the relatives of the would plead. Her husband could not help her. His position was made who claim for spiritism the validity of religion, they are in reality mani-feststions of an evil force—the work the supposed mother of his wife beof the devil. The spiritist, of course, cries out,

the devil is dead, is he not? Surely he died a long time sgo, so far as her house at midnight, frenzied, to ducated and progressive modern thought is concerned." To which Dr. Raupert and his confreres an-swer: -" Please examine the evi-dence. Putting theology aside, examine the spiritistic phenomena. You -logical treatment succeeded in partly will quickly become convinced that a transcendental intelligence is certainly manifesting itself through these phenomena, and you will also find out that this intelligence is a powerfully evil force."

DANGERS OF DABBLING IN SPIRITISM nevitably and frightfully follows all forms of spiritistic practices that the Catholic Church officially condemns such practices. And a very impor-tant section of modern science sup-mattee tant section of modern science sup-ports the Catholic Church in this view of the matter, however little it view of the matter, however little it sider all the facts. As William tude of the Church. This growing body of modern science affirms the evil of spiritism and gives warn-ing of the really terrible dangers which are consequent upon dabbl-ing in the ing in it.

The suggestions which reach the passive minds of the mediumistic or sensitive indus of the meditable of sensitive type of spiritistic students are of an enticingly liberal, "progres-sive " type. "What, after all, is morality ?!" "Is not morality often confounded with conventionality ?" "Should not each individual freely develop in the way best suited to its own inpate capacity for experience?" Were not certain instincts implant ed in us to be gratified ? Should not the higher, spiritual law of soulaffinity supersede, in advanced souls, the lower, purely human law of marrriage ?

So run the subtle suggestions which have made ruin of thousands

of human lives. Sir William Barrett, one of the most eminent of the scientists who have seriously investigated the subject. puts the case for the view held . Raupert in the following remarkable passage: For my own forth, of the various people to whom part, it seems not improbable that the bulk, if not the whole, of the sages come. This assumption falls physical manifestations witnessed in spiritual seance are the product of human like but not really human in-telligencies—good or bad daimonia vanced again and again that these telligencies—good or bad daimonia they may be—which aggregate round the medium, as a rule drawn from that particular plane of mental and moral development in the unseen which corresponds to the mental and moral development of the medium. truth in the view suggested above of a possible source of the purely phys-

ical manifestations, it seems to me that the Apostle Paul, in the Epistle to the Ephesians, points to a race of spiritual creatures similar to but of malignant type, when he speaks of beings not made of flesh and blood inhabiting the air around us and able injuriously to affect mankind. doubtless exist in the unseen; this, doubtless exist in the unseen; this, of course, is equally true if the phenomena are due to those who phenomena are due to those who is a superior condition cultivated by "But the condition cultivated by

have once lived upon the earth. In any case, granting the existence of a spiritual world, it is necessary to be disgusting travesty of this true apiritual world, it is necessary to be spiritual world, it is necessary to be on our guard against the invasion of our will by a lower order of intelli-the will of God. In the true mystic state consciousness remains intact, the highest and noblest powers of gence and morality. The danger state consciousness remains intact, lies, in my opinion, not only in the highest and noblest powers of loss of spiritual stamina, but in the the soul are called into operation, firmation, and they were the poorer,

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Catholic times.

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gan to suggest that he was not the real "affinity" which the starved soul quite shocked in his or her tenderest beliefs against this view of the mat-ter. Others smile at it and say,"But restoring her mental balance, but she is not yet wholly out of danger

guard to keep the evil forces at bay ANGERS OF DABBLING IN SPIRITISM It is because of the evil which science would term this and similar cases to be simply mental disturb readily explicable without calling in super-normal explanations but to those who have watched the matter from the inside, like Dr. James somewhere says, "Material medical science would explain what appened to Paul on the road to Tarsus by a discharging occipital lesion, and would dismiss as epilep-

tics half of the great mystics and saints of religion." Summing up the case against the spiritistic theory that the admitted preternatural phenomena are due to the souls of the dead; and still more strongly combating the spiritistic view that the communications from the dead prove, or tend to prove that spiritism is a higher form of religion than any heretofore discovered by or revealed to man, Dr. Raupert says Can we reasonably believe that our departed relations and friends will avail themselves of means so repul-

sive and so disastrous as are the spiritistic methods in order to furnish idence to the living of the fact that they still survive? Underlying all the spiritistic

messages is an assumption which these messages repeat and reiterate in a thousand forms, in a thousand subtle or downright fashions, suited to the varying intelligence, state of education, religious opinions, and so sages come. This assumption falls nothing short of the amazing claim that spiritism is the supreme form 'spirits' have come to disclose the real truth concerning the unseen world, independently of all theologies and thought forms of to day. But when we examine the teaching given in different countries, and through different mediums, we find no agree-

ment anywhere. "It must be remembered that there are two very different kinds of mental and spiritual passivity, or receptivity. All students of mysti-cism are aware of the fact that there is a state of quiet submission on the part of the individual soul to God which brings that soul into close contact with the Eternal Good. But this is not a weak, hypnotic attitude Good as well as mischievous agencies doubtless exist in the unseen ; this.

"If they take their stand upon the

lignity of man, whether rich or poor, we can show them how every human English files report the clos-ing address of the Rev. Dr. Cooper, Moderator of the Presby-terian Church, to the General Asseming, created by God and redeemed by Christ has a much greater dignity than they had dreamt of. If they claim for every human being a right to share in the fruits of the earth. bly at Edinburgh. It is indeed re-markable as showing that the tradia right to live a life worthy of a man, we endorse that claim with Divine tional detestation of everything Catholic which has litherto been characteristic of the Presbyterian sanctions. If they protest against industrial insecurity and the concentration of capital in a few hands, we Church is gradually giving way to point out how they are suffering from the blow aimed at the Catholic more correct appreciation of the predominant facts of Christianity. Church in the sixteenth century The Moderator modestly disclaimed the idea that the Church of Scotland If they have had a hard fight to es tablish the right of association in was the whole Church of God. He considered it, he said, to be a part of trade unions, it was because the Catholic voice was silenced in the the Catholic Church, possessing all the rights and owning the due subland. If their instinct for self-reali the rights and owning the due sub-ordination which the high and blesszation has been stirred, it is but the awakening of an instinct developed ed privilege involved. He spoke rather regretfully of the episcopacy among the people in Catholic days before our universities and secondas an ancient, widespread, and use ful custom, which had been ful custom, which had been church. But one of the most re-markable features of his address was that in which he traced luck the ary schools were diverted from their original purpose." Thus will their aspirations be

rightly directed by us, if we our-selves have fully mastered the social traditions and teachings of our that in which he traced back the principle institutions of his Church to Church and are able calmings of our the existing conditions and tend-Their hierarchy of Church encies.-America. courts," he said, "was not a thing of yesterday. Their provincial synods

THE CHURCH OF DEMOCRACY

Rev. Joseph Husslein, in Our Sunday Visitor

diocesan synods of pre-Reformation times. Their presbyteries, though erected only in 1582-21 years after Protestantism has invented a new erected only in 1852-21 years actor the Reformation, and nine years after the death of Knox-were based by Andrew Melville on the practice of Andrew Melville on the practice of cusation against the Pope and the nurch. It is begotten of the world hurch War and intended to make Catholi cism odious before the Allied nations the primitive Church, where leaders or colleges of seniors were constituted by representing the Church as the defender of autocracy and Protestant-ism as the champion of democracy. in cities and large places.' The kirk, session came to them from Geneva where Calvin took the hints for it from St. Augustine. Most important It is a woeful sophism, yet when skill ully worded it may readily deceive the masses. Gen

eral Assembly, if it could claim no It confuses the Papacy with auto Host Gensendonck," "Blind Ross," and "The Foor Nobleman."
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In strongest terms the Church re-udiates all right to any purely poli-There was a mine of devotional treasure in the Catholic past; and as Catholics they should feel themselver entitled to dig for it in other gold tical or temporal power over the Ha governments of the world. "The Almighty," says Pope Leo XIII., " has fields besides those of Scotland apportioned the charge of the human race between two powers, the eccles-They must, of course, remember that They must be careful not to dislodge iastical and the civil, the one being set over Divine, and the other over human things. Each in its kind is were more truly Catholic than those they supreme, each has fixed limits within avoid innovations that would hardly which it is contained " (Encyclical go with their sober usages. Still less dare they venture to bring in prac Immortale Dei,) There is no institution more demo

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tations of any kind, even where they have the appearance of propriety and piety, either by making inquiries of souls or spirits, or listening to their answers, or merely looking on-even evil spirits? The answer is in the negative, all round." So far as Dr. Raupert is concerned

-and this is the particular point of the present article-the reality of spiritistic phenomena is granted. While there is fraudulent trickery paseed off in the name of spiritism nevertheless Dr. Raupert and his school, among whom are many nonreligious writers and psychologists. admit that "materializations" of so-called "spirits" do take place, and that these are unexplained by any theory of fraud or delusion ; and that other phenomena, such as automatic writing, ouija board communications and the like, are amply proved facts. All that part of the spiritistic hypoth-esis is granted, but with the spiritistic theory or convinced belief rather that these materializations, these ouija board messages, these automatic writings and other forms of communicating with the invisible world are the work of the souls of the dead, Dr. Raupert and his col-leagues, together with a rapidly growing number of other non-religous observers, will have absolutely nothing to do.

They declare that so far no real evidence has been brought forward to prove the theory that the communicating intelligences are the disem-bodied souls of the dead. They admit that spirits exist; they admit that these spirits exist, they don't pay. Her broken rest undermined is going on. They are truly enchant, the phenomena; but they deny that her health. The habit became an any proof has been adduced sufficient obsession. She dreaded the fall of been cast. They are apt to attribute

health. just as, in another way, this may be terminates in the loss of co ness, with the after effect of an inimperiled by sensuality, opium or alcohol.'

se I have described,

And the late Dr. Isaac Funk the sensual passions and a loss of the sense warning : "It is a self-control which brings about, in under the tacit or express protest of intending to have nothing to do with evil spirits? The answer is in the "to think there are no evil spirits." He words, "to think there are no evil spirits." He words,

There are great hosts of them. They come at times without formal invitation of the medium or the circle, and control to the hurt of the members of the circle, and to the hurt of the medium."

When in New York not long ago r. Raupert renewed a long standing Dr. Raupert renewed a long standing acquaintance with a certain writer, one of the most promipent investigators of spiritism. The young and highly cultivated wife of this investigator had become fascinated by the subject which her husband studied with scientific detachment, and had tion, the cultivation and encourage quickly developed a marked degree ment of these dangerous forms of quickly developed a marked degree of psychic power. This power mani-fested itself in "automatic writing," which purported to emanate from her dead mother.

At first the young wife was deeply moved, and full of consolation to know, as she firmly believed that her mother was still near her, and taking the same warm, personal interest in all her actions as in life. But after a while alarming things developed. The tendency to automatic writing established itself as a habit that could not be controlled. The girl-wife would be awakened at night and wife would be awakened at night that forced by the irresistible impulse in her hand to sit up, shivering, and her write, write—sometimes for the write write and the solution of the solution the solution of the solution of the solution of the solution "The wifting of the solution of the solution of the solution the solution of the solution of the solution of the solution the solution of the solution of the solution of the solution the solution of the solution of the solution of the solution write write of the solution of the solution of the solution of the solution write write of the solution of the solution of the solution of the solution write write of the solution write of the solution of th

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SOCIAL ACTION

In his notable pastoral letter on social action the Cardinal Archcreased activity of the sense-life and bishop of Westminster calls attention to the magnificent opportunities

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moral helplessness. "Even if the merely material exopen to Catholics at the present moment. He speaks of a transformoment. He speaks of a transfor-mation that is certain to come, "a new planation of these states of passivity should be accepted, the dangers of order of things, new social conditions, new relations between the different yielding the consciousness to such sections into which society is divided." In this tremendous change, which will not be confined to England, the Church is more perfectly qualified than any other institution or factor desires which, on the evolutionary

hypothesis, are buried in the sub-consciousness of the race as it mounts upward from the primal slime. Therefore, either on the evo-lutionary or the Christian serveof America, that many of the utter-ances of modern "unrest" are merely lutionary or the Christian assumn an exaggerated and confused expres sion of Catholic principles. Ours is not the policy of despair, based upon mind passivity should be absolutely the overthrow and destruction of the existing relations of society, advoca-It is a significant but, seldom rec-

ognized fact that the cultivation of a dangerous mind passivity, in one form or another, is a universal ele-ment in all the modern occult move-ments. 'Going into the silence,' glady listen. The public attitude towards us, as the great Cardinal writes, is fast ceasing to be one of inments. 'Going into the silence,' 'emptying the mind of thought,' the seeking of the silence,' and so forth are all phrases which suggest prac-tices common to all forms of latter-day occultism. Spiritism is franker than the other forms in adopting phrases which when examined tell their own story. The word 'control,' for example, hears with it the idea of

operations are seldom aware of what is going on. They are truly enchant-

God, so complete an abrogation of all distinctions of race and sex and age and color as in her divinely-estab lished Sacrament of Penance, where Pope and peasant alike accuse them selves of their faults and promise to lead a new life of Divine love and

Christian brotherhood, Nowhere is this equality repeated so perfectly as in the Holy Eucharist.

Authority there must be within every organization, within the Government of the United States as well as within the Catholic Church. Hence the appointment of the Apostles by Christ and the supremacy given by Him to Peter; hence likewise His wish that His Church should con to play a leading part. He clearly points out, as has altinue as He had instituted it, and as it remains today, built upon that ready been maintained in the pages rock against which the gates of hell

can never prevail. There is no in-stitution upon earth that more perfectly accords with the spirit of de-mocracy; there is no institution which will contribute more power fully to make the world safe for democ racy and democracy safe for the world than this same Church of Christ with its Divine commission to ted by Socialism. We have on the contrary a doctrine of social recon-struction to which the world will teach His doctrines to all mankind.

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THE Y. M. C. A. AND CATHOLIC TAXES

The Y. M. C. A. is a Protestant our municipal bodies if a request so organization, many of whose activ. manifestly fair and reasonable would ities during the War have been not in this and every other case have of unquestionable benefit to our soldiers oversea. But it remains favorable consideration. More, we a Protestant organization which believe that the various deputations its Constitution excludes which are about to meet or have from full member. already met the county councils in Catholics ship, expressly disqualifies them for this matter would welcome the cooffice and debars them from voting operation of Catholics on the basis even for Protestant candidates for of proportionate division of the grant official position in the Association, between the Y. M. C. A. and the This invidious discrimination against C. A. H. If not then the Y. M. C. A. nurse and a very Catholics has not prevented the are unfortunate in the selection of Y. M. C. A. from posing as "non- their spokesmen. sectarian" and making no distinc- The Knights of Columbus who tion of persons or religions when placed their organization at the soliciting financial support. So long service of the Catholic Army Huts in as this support was voluntary it the splendidly successful campaign sufficed to point out that Catholics for funds last October might do worse

could not reasonably be expected to than take for their guidance the Irishcontribute to an organization which man's interpretation of the adage : interpreted the term "Christian" in "one good turn deserves another." such a sense as to exclude Catholics. They did one good turn in the afore-It is worth noting here that to our said ably conducted campaign ; if own knowledge when Protestant they appeared before every municisolicitors for Y. M. C. A. funds have pal body considering the making of a learned for the first time from Catho- grant to the Y. M. C. A. and presented lics solicited the foregoing facts with the claims of the C. A. H. they would regard to this "non-sectarian" organ- -in the Irishman's sense-be doing ization, they have admitted quite the other good turn. The Knights of frankly their chagrin at being placed Columbus by their widespread organin such a false and humiliating ization are perhaps in a better

position.

Now in all this we have no word of act in the name of Catholics fault to find with the Y. M. C. A. It where organized action is called is exclusively a Protestant organiza. for. The general recognition of this tion and as such has a perfect right fact gives them opportunities which to make such conditions as to member. they are shortsighted not to embrace. ship and government as will insure In the States as is well known they exclusive Protestant control. In are officially recognized by the Govtheir frequent campaigns for funds ernment in War activities as doing that Catholics are debarred from full doing for Protestants. subscriptions from Catholics.

While these campaigns for funds own name. were conducted on the basis of volun-

ious side as exclusively Catholic as taken a supplementary grant to the law. But the legal consequences, unselfish aims of the Allies tend to the Y. M. C. A. is exclusively Catholic Army Huts should be even though they involved a term the development of a spirit of loyalty, the Committee on Public Informa-Protestant. In the matter of sought; the amount to be deter- in jail and forced military service for the thinking man will conclude social, recreational and all kin- mined always by the proportion afterwards, are the least important that "the lady doth protest too Fights Germany," and is from the dred activities, which supplement Catholics bear to the whole populabut can never replace religion, the tion in the municipality concerned. they will have it flung in their faces Another evil effect of this unbridled C. A. H. is as broad as the Y. M. C. A. "All Soldiers Welcome " is on every address of the Overseas Secretary- only when they were kicked into it. conscience has become so dulled and "If democracy is conquered in this sheet of the C. A. H. stationery, over every hut, and is the motto which Huts MAJOR THE REV. JOHN J. O'GORMAN expresses the spirit in which this Catholic organization enters into Sec. Treas., Catholic Army Huts, Oxford Circus House,

friendly rivalry, or perhaps the better and truer term is cordial cooper ation, with the older Protestant organization. Only last week a deputation interviewed the members of a The Santa Fe Magazine, published county council to ask for a grant to in Chicago, contains a brief but the Y. M. C. A. War work; one of the pleasing reference to Miss Margaret spokesmen, a Protestant Army Chap-Helena Lunn, daughter of Mr. and lain, paid generous tribute to the Mrs. Wm. A. Lunn, of Dundas, Ont., work of the Catholic Army Huts. But-and it is a regrettable "but "no Catholics of that county were present to ask that any grant paid out of the taxes of Protestants and Catholics alike be divided proportionately to the Protestant and Catholic population of the county, between the Y. M. C. A. and the C. A. H. We greatly overestimate the sense of

cousin of Miss Lunn. In writing to justice and fair-play to be found in his soldier cousin, the editor asked him to get into touch with Miss Lunn, who was in the hospital where he had his headquarters. In met with instant and unanimously his reply, which is published in the magazine, and which was written but a few days before his death in Miss Lunn, savs : "I had known Miss Lunn, though not as your relation, and I at once informed her that you were a

common tie. She is a very efficient charming little girl whom everybody likes." A most pleasing and interesting tribute from a soldier and writer

> whose double distinction will ever remain enshrined in Canadian hearts. Miss Lunn is a graduate of St. Joseph's Academy and St. Michael's

London, England.

" IN FLANDERS FIELDS "

Hospital, Toronto. FARMERS AND CONSCRIPTION

With singular unanimity the farm-

the farming community on the same truth.

population. We do not feel called that everyone has a right to the upon to express any opinion on reputation that he enjoys, and that the merits of their presentation of it is a sin against justice and charity the case. But judging from the to unnecessarily deprive any one of election returns it is a safe inference his good name. This applies not that apart from the delegates from only to persons of supposed upright Quebec the thousands of farmers in character, but also to those who are Ottawa last week spoke for men who not held in such high esteem. The voted overwhelmingly in favor of latter may not with impunity be conscription for Canada. The robbed of whatever measure of good RECORD of June 30th, 1917, pointed standing they may possess in the their solicitors often do not know for Catholics what the Y. M. C. A. is out the danger and the meanness of community. Furthermore, this rule membership and office; when they But even though the K. of C. and other fellow. At the request of a very individuals but also public officers, appeals for votes to conscript the includes in its scope not only private find that out they are, in many cases other Catholic societies in Canada intelligent subscriber and esteemed from the mayor of the town to the

consideration. Years from now much."

It may be useful to give here the that they fought in the Great War crusade of slander is that the public of the pamphlet is in this sentence : Treasurer of the Catholic Army The vast majority of those who go even atrophied that it refuses to be war, all free peoples must either over come back again. They will shocked by the news of official dis- submit to Germany's domination or have a decisive voice in the control honesty or even grave crimes. Not else give up a part of their democof Canadian affairs for a generation so long ago a public scandal would racy in order to resist her. We must to come. Those who have to be have put a government out of office, fight Germany in Europe with help, rounded up by the police before and actually did cause here in Canada that we may not have to fight her going will be ashamed to look their the downfall of an administration. here in America without help." children yet unborn in the face when But now it would seem that political This is the fundamental reason for the Great War is, as it will be for a debauchery does not diminish in the the entry of the United States into generation to come, the absorbing least the prestige of a leader or his the War, and after all is said and party. Public dishonesty has become done, it sums up the reason for the Another query we answer here and so common, and accusations against War itself, and for the copious outask correspondents to consider it a public men are launched with such pouring of blood and treasure by

> What prompted the writing of this 191 . the service in which they will serve. is influenced by the spirit of the age who are evidently more loyal to unscrupulous a foe. Caesar than to God, were willing to accept Emancipation on the condi. land would have the right of veto in be it said to their credit, absolutely

What we have in mind are Cathonently fit them to be the best judges including the Germans." of the prudence and justice of a certain course of action. Merry descants at the expense of those who

charity. The Catholic cause would be very much strengthened if so many of those who pose as its champions were not warming themselves at the fires of their enemies.

THE GLEANER

NOTES AND COMMENTS

OF THE FOUR engine - room artificers on the Vindictive, at their own urgent request, during the perilous operation at Ostend, two bore the names Michael Carroll and A. Cavanagh. And notwithstanding the present state of affairs in Ireland a

THE LATEST publication issued by tion bears the title "Why America

pen of Professor J. S. P. Tatlock of

reply to letters we have received. indiscrimination that the people Great Britain, and France, and Italy, There is no shadow of dishonor or have ceased to pay any attention to and their dominions beyond seas, since that fatal fourth of August,

PROFESSOR TATLOCK outlines concisely and pointedly the events which led up to the declaration of War by ing the Washington Government. He Even this choice obviously does not in which he lives. We do not refer shows how President Wilson's whole to men like Lord Denbigh, whose efforts for three years were directed recent outburst has been a cause of towards keeping his country out of scandal to many. To those who the War, and that only when events know the history of a section of the made it impossible any longer to Catholic party in England, his attack disguise the real purpose of Germany upon the Irish Bishops and even the was this attitude departed from, and Holy See comes as no surprise. As the United States joined hands with far back as the days of O'Connell, the Allies in the determination to in the future of the War is being the ancestors of these same men, resist and overcome so merciless and

> CIVILIZATION AND the very spirit tion that the Privy Council of Eng- of freedom alike demanded such a termination to the long course of the appointment of Catholic bishops, remonstrances which Washington something that the Irish Catholics, had sent to Berlin. To repeat in substance Professor Tatlock's own summing up of the situation, Germany had sunk America's ships, had lic writers in Canada and the United drowned her citizens by the thou- In the air the Allies are showing States. The old cringing spirit, the sand, intrigued against their Governunhappy heritage of centuries of ment, and outraged their sentiments persecution and social ostracism, of right and humanity by her unshows itself even in some educated speakable outrages in Belgium and day recorded thirty seven. At the Irishmen. In a spirit of sycophancy, France, founded, as these outrages and in order to prove how up to date were, on deliberate principle and and broadminded they are, they do precept. "If we had not fought Gernot hesitate to give expression to many after her false and brutal flippant criticism of men whose conduct," he concludes, "we should scholarship and whose office emi- have been despised by all the world,

> > THE SCOPE of the Washington Committee on Information may be gathered from the catalogue of war publications issued under its auspices. They comprise 33 up to the present time, not including the Official Bulletin, which is issued daily, and sent free to all newspapers and postmasters. For the former the Bulletin is the basis upon which accurate information may be diffused and intelligent editorial comment built up, and for the latter it is the intention that bulletins should be displayed in postoffices for the benefit of the public. With but one or two exceptions all the publications may be had free for patches from Greece say the asking. Those for which a charge mobilization of her army is proceedis made are of considerable size and

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I used to read about it that one day I should stand and guard it. "The birthplace is marked by a

fourteen pointed silver star. the French government. sented by the French government. The stable is hung with lamps from Stanford University. The keynote all different countries, and they look of the pamphlet is in this sentence : beautiful; and, I might add, they are always alight. "The manger itself is cut in natural rock, but marble has been

put in to keep it in a good state of preservation."—St. Paul Bulletin.

ON THE BATTLE LINE

A RUSSIAN VICTORY of some import tance is officially announced by Con-stantinople in the statement that Bolshevik troops, reinforced from Turkestan and Astrakan, have recaptured the port of Baku, on the Caspian Sea, and are vigorously con-tinuing their attacks on the Turks. So long as they hold Baku there will be a considerable measure of protec-tion for Northern Persia, towards which the Germans have been casting envious eyes, and in which country they hope, with the assistance of the Turks, to create great trouble for Britain. It may be found later that the British have had a hand in assistthe Russians in this move. London recently announced that Persian tribesmen are organizing and giving the British forces in Mesopotamia some assistance, which will be of value in protecting General Marshall's right flank in the attempt to reach Mosul. With the tions in the Ukraine admittedly serious, according to Berlin, German complacency regarding Russia as a force that need not be reckoned with rudely shaken. It is not steadied any by the refusal of the Russian Ambassador to Berlin to fly any other but the red flag, or by the spec Aml any tacle that the German representa in Russia recently witnessed in Moscow of former German prisoners marching with units of the sian army under the red flag in a Labor Day celebration. ON THE WEST FRONT aerial activ

ity, coupled with the growing intenthe artillery duels, gives sity of warning of the coming big offensive that they are at present the masters They have brought down an unusu-ally large number of German planes same time they report a marked tendency on the part of the German flyers to offer fight. This is perhaps more significant than the known concentrations of men and guns on the German side of the line, indicating a determination to try to prevent the Allies getting information about German movements and a desire to secure some knowledge of the preparations of the British, French. American, Belgian, Italian Portuguese forces opposing and them. Reports of new airplanes built of steel which the Germans are testing come with stories that the Allies have a surprise in store in aerial warfare, and that it will be sprung with the opening of the offensive.

THE ITALIANS and French on the Albanian front have been attacking the Austrian positions north of the Devol River and southwest of Lake Ochrida. An Austrian official des-patch admits "an important gain of territory by the Allies near Korca The idea of the operation, if it is the beginning of a serious advance, is to turn the Austrian line to the north of Monastir and clear southwestern Macedonia of the enemy ing rapidly, and that before long she present state of affairs in Ireland a census of the Fleet as of the Army might produce a greater proportion way of educating the multiple to the arms on the side of the Allies. Venizelos has a difficult to imagine a more effective wrought a wonderful change in a difficult change in the side of the arms on the side of the arms on the side of the allies. Venizelos has a difficult to imagine a more effective a difficult change in the side of the arms on the sid

who is nursing in one of the hospitals in France. It is published in a discredit attaching to those who wait one or the other. letter from Lieut.-Col. (Dr.) John until they are called upon to serve. McCrae, of Guelph, who has written The only advantage in enlisting be- article is that this unChrist-like one of the most soul-stirring poems fore that time is that, if they have a spirit is manifesting itself more and of the war, "In Flanders Fields." The decided preference, they have an op- more among Catholic writers. This managing editor of the magazine is portunity of choosing that arm of is only another proof that every one Thomas H. MacRae, a cousin of Lieut.-Col. McCrae, whose wife is a

topic of conversation.

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rest entirely with them.

A GROWING EVIL While the War has called forth many examples of heroic charity. there is one form of that queen of the virtues which has evidently France, Col. McCrae, in referring to suffered an eclipse. That is charity

in the written and spoken word. Never before, in the memory of the oldest inhabitant, have so many attacks upon the character of individuals and institutions and nations, either in the press or from the platform or yea even from the pulpit,

been made as within the past few months. It is quite justifiable to arraign before the bar of public opinion a politician and a government if they have been recreant

to the trust imposed in them. It is also permissible, and even necessary as a matter of self defence, to lay bare a nation's faults if those faults

constitute a danger to the liberty or the morals or the very life of other ers of Canada have informed the peoples. But in all these cases not Government that they consider it only charity and justice, but even imprudent, impolitic, unjust and expediency, demand that the writer disastrous to extend conscription to or speaker keep within the bounds of

basis as it applies to the rest of the It is a principle of moral teaching

at least, quite frank in acknowledg. fail to act in the matter under coning that they have no right to expect sideration, Catholic taxpayers have in this issue. However the votes free to discuss the publicly known the right and the duty to act in their were secured-and the farmers now qualifications of a candidate for give striking evidence of the success office ; but neither during the cam-We know of only one county in of the appeals we then condemned- paign or after a man has entered tary giving-passing over for the which the Catholics presented their the Government has decided to upon the duties of his position is it moment an unfair form of compul- claim; and in that county the grant accept the verdict at the polls as right to reveal his secret faults or sion sometimes used to force Catho- of \$27,000 was divided pro rata, one giving them a mandate to enforce past lapses, provided they are not a quarter to the C. A. H., three quart-conscription without being bound by barrier to his fulfilling his new posed to give the little Island credit no ground for complaint existed ers to the Y. M. C. A. There is no the specious promises and tortuous duties. If the above, which comes other than the disingenuous sup- reason to think that Essex is the methods of the politicians; to take under the head of detraction is a sin pression of the fact that the Y. M. only county in Ontario where con- the verdict as though it were passed and often a grievous one, how much C. A. is exclusively Protestant, and siderations of justice and decency upon such a measure as we advo- more serious is the sin of calumny? the pretence-often the bold asser- would govern in such matters. We cated submitting to the people. There If there are circumstances which tion-that it is open to all and dis- know through correspondence that are few self-respecting Canadians forbid the telling of the truth about in some other counties Catholics | today who have not more respect for | people, what shall we say of the man When, however, it comes to muni- intend to place the matter squarely the Quebec farmers who honestly, or newspaper that strives, by malicipalities making grants out of the before their municipal representa. openly and vigorously opposed con- cious lies to rob individuals or taxes of Protestants and Catholics tives. In other places where they scription than they have for the nations of their good name?

refuse to countenance.

have laid down their lives in the defence of an ideal are scarcely suggestive of good taste or of Christian

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overseas are not solely religious but Y. M. C. A. grant.

position than other societies to

recognition to the Y. M. C. A. for the Despite the frothy and noisy few so the colors. They are bound to go; chaplains and soldiers for Mass and that it will need no pressing. If the dictates of common sense. oppose municipal grants in aid of ing our claim is when the request cluding the charge so freely made by which they supplement their are told happened in some cases, faith with them, has largely inreligious work. But there are other this request has been presented fluenced their action or inaction, organizations doing precisely the without consulting or even inform. But whencesoever they received such same work. The Catholic Army ing Catholics, then it is their right advice it is execuably bad advice. Huts is an association organized and and duty to see to it that before Those who refuse to respond to their incorporated to do for Catholic sol- final action is taken the just and country's call under the present law

alike to this Protestant organization have been asleep at the switch they farmers who voted therefor under A large section of the daily press there is real ground for protest. It have awakened sufficiently to do the impression that they themselves is too old and too hardened offender is true that the War activities of the some hole-in-corner complaining of would bear no part of the burden; in the matter of calumny to offer Y. M. C. A. amongst our soldiers the unfairness of being taxed for a and now whine when it touches anyhope of its immediate conversion. themselves. We have had several examples lately

extend to recreational and other The manly, straightforward and There is a word, however, that we that prove that it is deaf to appeals spheres which are of unquestioned self-respecting thing to do is to meet have to say to our young Catholic to a sense of justice and honor. If benefit to the men whether Catholic, the councils and present courteously farmers or farmers' sons. Conscription it were wise in its generation, how- able result that the information Protestant or agnostic. It is true, but firmly the Catholic claim for a tion is in force. Farmers' sons from ever, it would realize that it is not thus transmitted to the people at also, and Catholics owe grateful proportionate share of the grant. twenty to twenty-three are called to expedient to overtax the credulity of its readers. Constant slandering of fact, that they often placed every much in evidence recently we be- bound in honor, in duty and in con- the Church, its august head, its of authority. facility at the disposal of Catholic lieve where this claim is presented science; bound above all by ministers, and Catholic peoples is beginning to have a very different Confessions. So important, so necessary it should be pressed, and It has come to our knowl. effect from what the perpetrators of necessary do we consider this phase pressed vigorously. The time for edge that in a few places they have these calumnies intended. Many performed by the newspapers of of the work the Y. M. C. A. is doing complaint-even for more effective been misled into silly and unlawful are beginning to suspect that, as in that were there no other organiza- action-is when our just claim is passive resistance; they refuse to other matters it has been proven tions doing the same or similar work deliberately ignored or refused, present themselves when called, that the press has had ulterior THE CATHOLIC RECORD would not The most appropriate time for urg. Doubtless the farmers' agitation, in. motives, so it may be that this propaganda of abuse is only a blind to hide the recreational and social activities for a grant is being made. If, as we that the Government has broken the real truth which the very virulence of these attacks have induced honest people to seek for themselves. from the existence of a central and Charges against the enemy of mon- authoritative bureau of direction, strous depravity, based on no such as the Washington Committee, authentic evidence and magnified in and even at this advanced stage of cartoon and editorial comment, are the War regret that the Dominion diers what the Y. M. C. A. is doing reasonable claim of Catholics is are deserters. There is no possible acting on the public like an overdose should not have undertaken a simifor their Protestant comrades in placed before the council. In cases chance of their escaping the legal of stimulant. Neither does the repe-lar work may be deemed quite allowarms. The C. A. H. is on the relig. where final action has already been consequence of their defiance of the tition ad nauseam of the noble and able.

for.

THE THOROUGHNESS of American preparation for active warfare, and upon which it is embarked. the far-reaching character of the great Republic's propaganda of education towards making it, in the intelligent apprehension of its people, a real war for democracy may be seen in the work of the Committee on Public Information at Washington. We have not, nor have we had from the beginning, any such instituinteresting characters, with kindred tion in Canada. The work falling within the scope of such a Government committee has here been left

large has been unequally distributed and did much for the peasantry durand has not always borne the stamp IT WOULD BE difficult to overrate

Canada since the outbreak of hostilities-a work which in its general Egyptian home, Sheykh Obeyd. efficiency, we venture to say, has not been surpassed by any press in the world. But from the nature of cohesiveness which can come only

of Irish names than the world is dis. way of educating the public to the Greek sentiment during the past six needs of the hour, or of stimulating months.

HERR HAUSMAN'S statement in the patriotism, and enlisting the full co-Wurtemberg Diet that Germany must prepare for another winter of war is significant. The high hope of operation of the brawn and brain of the nation in the stupendous task March that a decision would reached as a result of the offensive A NOTABLE personality passed away then begun is no longer entertained by men in a position to know the facts, and they are naturally seeking recently in the death of Lady Anne Blunt, or Baroness Wentworth, to to eradicate from the public mind give her her more recent title. She the illusion they themselves created. was the daughter of the Earl of If the coming stroke fails, Germany Lovelace, and granddaughter of Lord Byron. Her marriage to Mr. Wilfrid

evidently proposes to return to de-fensive warfare on the West front in the hope of tiring out the Allies. Scawen Blunt united two most The Globe, May 18.

"IF AMERICANS KEEP COMING." tastes and interests. The wedded pair travelled for many years in the Chas. H. Grasty writes :

East and became fine Arabic scholars, three times a week to Gen. Foch's 'I met to-day an officer who goes and authorities on Eastern matters. headquarters and asked him about Like her husband too, Lady Blunt the prospects. He was smiling conwas a devoted champion of (reland fident.

When questioned about the French ing the dark eviction days. It is they hadn't been heavy. That is losses since March 21 he said that interesting to know that the Catholic posterity of Lord Byron (for the the French army remains at its strength and if the flow of American Baroness, like Mr. Blunt, was a troops direct to the front continues devout Catholic) is continued in an about Catholic) is continued in an only daughter, who succeeds also to the title. The Baroness died at her mean victory, for time fights with the Allies by reason of America's coming.

HALF MILLION FROM INDIA

Simla, India, May 16 .- As a result of the Delhi conference the provin-cial governments have held meetings unanimously reaffirming the resolution of loyalty and promising all possible aid.

The Government of India has is a great honor, I can tell you, that already decided to immediately re-I am guarding the birthplace and manger of Our Lord. It is a wonder-ful place and I never thought when bureas.

MANGER AT BETHLEHEM

BIRTHPLACE OF CHRIST MARKED BY SILVER STAR

From Bethlehem a youthful British soldier writes to a friend :

"I am on guard at present and it

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"CATHOLIC PARSONS BATTLE'S HEROES'

L .F. Happel, in America

"You are too good a fighter to be in the clergy. Let someone else do the sky-pilot work." This was the remark addressed to the Rev. William J. Farrell, recently curate of St. Bernard's Church, West Newton, Mass., now a chaplain with the Mass., now a chaptan forces, by American Expeditionary Forces, by high rank, when latter tendered the priest a fighting command. The offer was the result heroic conduct of Chaplain Farrell in the engagement at Seiche. prey, Saturday night and Sunday morning, April 20 and 21. Among the few details touching this battle, which gave America its first lengthy casualty list from France, particular mention was made of Father Far-rell's conduct. The chaplain went to the assistance of a battery after four American gunners had been and carried ammunition. keeping the gun in action all night ad finding, in the meantime, opportunity to discharge his priestly Later, though wour duties refused attention until he had first carried an injured lad to security this conduct, the press said, Father Farrell was officially cited for bravery and received the offer of a commission in the fighting line.

The same press dispatch men-tioned in the list of heroes of the same battle, the Rev. Osias J. Boucher, formerly assistant at St. Anthony's Church, West Bedford, Mass. : the Rev. John B. de Valles formerly assistant at St. John the Baptist Church, in the same city, previously mentioned in dispatches for his valorous conduct and later decorated with the Cross of War, and the Rev. Michael J. O'Connor, for merly of St. Francis de Sales Church, Roxbury, Boston, now chaplain of a Massachusetts infantry regiment attached to the famous Rainbow . This honor Division of guardsmen. roll of the American Catholic clergy comes from but a single, actually th serious, engagement of the American troops in France.

The night at Seicheprey had no dearth of heroes. The troops that fought there were mainly those whose appreciation of patriotic service was keenest and who had few ties of responsibilty that would hold a man back in the critical hour. For the most part they were men who leaped forward in response to the country's first call for defenders Why then, when heroes manned every gun and defended every shell did the news correspondent by all except the chaplains? hole. Possibly because the priest's duty. capably performed, is the more strik ing ; as perhaps, too, for some people,

the more surprising. Meager as are the details that are port of which is with us still. offered in the cabled report, there is one deduction that can be drawn with - absolute certainty. That commander who suggested that Father Farrell was too valiant to wear the Sacred Cross was not a Catholic. His attitude is typical of that displayed by a large element of the "sixties" were marching the streets of every city ready to be acthe non-Catholic world, since the days of August, 1914, when priests claimed valiant warriors. Pestilence followed war in Nashville, Tennessee. again entered the battlefield in one capacity or another. Had that com mander been a Catholic, Father Farrell's conduct would possibly have passed wholly unnoted; at best, The days were among the direst the Southland has ever known. The Bishop of Nashville was the late it might have been commented upon Mgr. P. A. Feehan, subsequently first as an instance when duty was well done and an expectation was fulfilled One thing is fact. No chapter of the War's record shows more glorious achievement than that which tells sounded a call to his priests to remain, every man at his post. They did. They anointed fevered brows the history of how the priesthood of did. Catholic Church behaved on the various battlefields of the world during these last four years. Catho-lics, of course, expected nothing else. The early message from the field of with certainty. Still, about much that is written oncerning the priest and his services in trenches and hospitals, there is a tone suggestive of surprise, as though the writer had witnessed a marvel, absolutely opposed to his previous conviction, and which he hastens to tell to what he fears will be a skeptical audience. Nowhere is this tone of amazement more pronounced than when it touches upon the French clergy. Two wholly satisfactory exsatisfactory explanations suggest themselves : First of all, the surprise is great because, plainly, her priesthood owed little to A world, fast returning to France. the old law of an eye for an eye, could not appreciate why the exiled clergy of France should leave the peace an security of foreign lands, hasten back to the shambles of Europe, and fight for a country that had persecuted them and persisted in that course even in the face of their loyalty. But if any one knew the pulse of France, it was her priesthood. The exiled clergy were well aware that the unsightly, they will meet the bronze Cross on repulsive eruption which was festering in Paris was only skin deep, and that the blood that coursed through the veins of France could be easily purged and made wholesome again. When the German invader crossed the frontier the priest did not return from a hundred lands of exile at the cry of alarm of a traitorous Caillaux or a persecuting Viviani, but in re-sponse to a message sent over the wires of love from the hearts of their own people, their former pupils, parishioners and penitents. There is yet another reason why the clergy of France are the most frequently mentioned of all heroes in the annals of the War. The anticlerical control of France put into the hands of the priest the rifle and bayonet instead of the sacred oils. Actually, this gave the priests a greater opportunity to distinguish often to be so in reality.—J. Howes.

themselves ; for the world will always see first the man who leaps forward determined to die rather than halt, while only second sight reveals the stretcher bearer who follows in his wake, facing the same rain of shells but merely giving succor to the wounded. This is why the heroism of the priesthood of France is touched

on by virtually all who have written the record of their experiences in dugouts and trenches and shell-hole These praises, too, the clergy of France deserve ; but not the suggestion of surprise that often lurks about the words that tell of their valor.

I wonder what those Catholic boys of Massachusetts, who fought at Seicheprey, thought of Fathers Farrell and Boucher, of Fathers de Valles and O'Connor ? Was there one of them who stumbled and fell, the most with the whole, firm flesh of the previous moment torn and bleeding. surprised when he opened his eyes to meet the bronze Cross on the khaki collar ? Rather, would he not have been surprised if his eyes had failed to see that Cross, knowing as he must that there was a Catholic chap ger lain attached to his battery or regipassing, will make another great throw to keep the forces of bigotry ment? When we have that all too rare thought of our own last hour, does not the picture that flashes through our mind invariably include

the purple-stoled priest with his hand raised in absolution ? Is it not an innate conviction with us that this grace shall be ours, provided our last breath is mercifully deferred till the nearest priest has time to hasten to rific If the lepers of Molakai had their

our side

words.

Damien, who was ready to enter and oligarchic regime,' etc. By the use of such unrestrained language, their living tomb, where death lingering, revolting, agonizing, but certain, awaited him, shall there be none of God's anointed mindful of the men who fall on the field of honor, though it be the most shell. spattered field of all Picardy ? wife, my children, are dearer

than life to me." Often are these words heard from the lips of husband and father, and history has given proof that they are not empty Yet, will a man who has closed his heart forever to the love of wife and child, as a sacrifice that would make him more perfect in a

higher calling, hesitate to give what is much less, his mortal life, in the many performance of the most sacred duty of his vocation ? The certainty that if circumstances make it at all possible for a priest to come to us when we are on the borderland of eternity, a priest will be at our side, is a con press. viction that is deeply engraved in our hearts. It was put there possibly by his pledge to us; a pledge ed by some indefinable, never theless positive, light in the clerical eye. More probably it was a per-sonal experience that gave birth to

the conviction; or the reading of some incident, the details of which we may have forgotten, but the pur-It may be that the mention of Nashville will stir the memory. It was half a century ago when the country was sated with sorrow, suf-Pope fering and death. Americans too had had their heroes. Men who had not flinched on the bloodiest fields of against British interests

in the National Review of last year.)

Archbishop of Chicago. When the plague fell on the city and all who inoffensive, bleeding Belgium-a decould, no matter what their respon-sibilities, fled to security, the Bishop His Holiness with respect to the un speakable horrors of the Congo. Nor are we ignorant of his de-

and yellow hands, brows and hands that it was death to touch. The only ill-timed 'peace proposals' and in the reward was the consciousness that congress another's hour of anguish had been But while the fag end of Orange-

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FOR CONVERTS

Fifteen years ago, when we began

inquiries and observations that 30,000

ook us to task, referring to us as "a

Meier in the subject. In reply to our

Diocesan Chanceries a request for

figures of converts actually received.

At first the response was anything

but a generous one; but every year since has shown a marked improve-

ment. The Catholic Directory for

1918 contains official figures from

nine Archdiocesan and seventy-one

Diocesan Chanceries, which having taken the trouble to count, we are

Here is the banner roll of converts

1.083:

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134;

1917; Baltimore 1,168; Boston,

3; Cincinnati, 594; Dubuque, Milwaukee, 525; New Orleans, New York, 1,997; Philadelphia,

request, Mr. Meier added to

year reconciled to the Church.

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ATTACK CARDINAL WORDS OF CARDINAL BOURNE URGING JUSTICE FOR ALL LEAD TO VICIOUS PAID ATTACK IN PUBLIC

PRESS (C. P. A. Service London, April 15, 1918.—It is sig-ificant that on the very morning

after Mr. D. Lloyd George had brought before the House of Commons proposals for extending com. pulsory military service to Ireland and a measure for Home Rule, to be passed at the earliest opportunity, the most extreme and factious section of Protestantism should publish in the principal daily papers, paid for at space rates, an attack on Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, and on the war policy of the Pope. It means, if anything, that the Protestant factionists are about to make another diversion in their anti-Irish campaign, and utterly disregardful of the hour of danthrough which the country is

and religious hatred alive. With a curious disregard for logic, these fanatics begin their attack the Cardinal with this statement :

"At a time when every patriotic citizen should study to avoid utterances likely to stir up class feeling, Cardinal Bourne describes the working classes in Great Britain as 'saced to the well being of a few under the dominion of a capitalist

Pentecostal fire in the Church has been quenched, and who would rather rave over the alleged "leakthe Cardinal lays himself open to the charge of adopting the policy of age" than to count our gains, at once Divide and Conquer' and of taking a step towards the fulfilment of Carhysterical optimist," a "juggler of dinal Manning's program to 'constatistics," and equally compliment quer and to rule an imperial race.' ary names. But we held our ground. What the Cardinal did do was to being supported by the Paulists. Later we interested Mr. Joseph H.

make an earnest and patriotic appeal to the nation to return to those principles of social reconstruction which the Catholic Church has so often and so consistently advocated. His Eminence's appeal won the support and admiration not only of his fellow Catholics in England, but of leaders of many leaders of public opinion among the non-Catholic bodies, not the least of whom was the Protest-ant Bishop of Birmingham, who made his agreement known through the medium of a statement to the

gratified to find that the number of non-Catholics received last year totaled 28,014. But in spite of all denials and all refutations, the extreme Protestants persist in the belief that the Pope and Catholics in general have a secret leaning towards the enemy. The manifesto continues :

We are not blind to the bias of the Vatican toward the enemy Central Powers (from whom it hopes for the restoration of its Temporal Sovereignty;) nor to the gratitude shown to the enemy for favors to come, as in the affair of Monsignor von Gerlach, Private Chamberlain to the

Further, there is no intrigue las. ' with which the Papacy has not been associated, either in Ireland, Quebec, the United States, Spain or Australia.' (This quotation is borrowed from an article, since exposed, that appeared

Englishmen, too, cannot forget the Pope's criminal silences over the violations and brutal treatment of reliction of moral duty matched only by the former 'impartiality' of

vices in the issue of insidious and claim for admission to the peace

CHRIST AND MARY

direction. But what thoughtful one has is that it is all too short, of the trenches, the roar of the burstperson can read the psalm and song of Mary without recognizing that she is the daughter of great genius? What majesty and dignity in the psalm! What splendor of imagery! What solve and the psalm and song the tragedy of Calvary. It was to be expected, therefore, that in due the traded of the psalm and song the tragedy of Calvary. It was to be expected, therefore, that in due the traded of the psalm and song the tragedy of Calvary. It was to be expected, therefore, that in due the traded of the psalm and song the tragedy of the psalm and song the tragedy of the psalm and song the tragedy of the psalm and t What a range of thought! From her lips through repetition, He had His first great spiritual traths! As

in her intellect, so in her character, she was the very apotheosis of womanhood. In her are found the century that this new feast was she was the very apotheosis of womanhood. In her are found the brought about. It was the day of St. Thomas, of St. Bonaventure, three characteristics that crown ideal womanhood. She represents meekness and tenderness. She repsaints whose names always con resents self-sacrifice and the loss of her own life. In that scene of the us whenever we mention Corpus Christi, so beautifully did they both write of the Bread of the Angels. It marriage in Cana, she bids the serdo whatever her Son com-while she slips unobserved was a day of ardent faith. And yet, with some faith had grown cold, so cold that they had to be compelled into the background. Her Son must increase and she must decrease. She fulfills the proverb, 'to live, to suffer, to be forgotten, is the woman's part.' But who shall measto come to the altar to receive the Bread of Life. The Church made law compelling her children under pain of excommunication to receive Holy Communication to receive Paschal season. ure the influence of Mary upon the Son whom she reared in the higher spiritual life? She dwells in His And then the Lord, as He has done

so often in His Church, chose a holy teachings as ripeness dwells in the woman to make known His desires In the year 1208 the Blessed Juliana of Liege was vouchsafed a vision, and as the result of that she was moved to plead that a day be set apart to be devoted entirely to the set lorious celebration of the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. In 1262 Pope a systematic study of the convert question we stated as a result of our Urban IV. issued a Bull instituting the feast of Corpus Christi on the Thursday after the octave of Pente American non-Catholics were every cost, though the feast did not come into operation until the year 1318. At once several pessimists who are, we think, of opinion that the

And what a feast it is! Simply to read the office of the Feast and its octave with its wealth of piety and poetry, poetry in which St. Thomas shows himself one of the greatest of sacred poets, is to feel the inspira tion of the day. Reading the Mass and office of the feast one can very well believe the story that St. Bona-venture who had also compiled an office for the feast, tore up his own manuscript after hearing that of Thomas, so hopeless did he consider his own efforts compared to the angelic outpourings of the other. nual questionaire sent to the various

But Corpus Christi is not a day of beautiful poetry alone; not a time merely for processions and external glory. The feast was instituted in order to warm the hearts of men. And there is one way, and one way only, to appreciate its real m eaning. that is by receiving on the day of the feast or during the octave as our thanksgiving for the institution of such a sublime day the Bread of Angels, which by the loving kindn Lord has become the daily bread of men.-Boston Pilot.

FORWARD IN DEATH

1,722; San Francisco, 513; Alexan dria, 63; Alton, 297; Altoona, 75 It was somewhere in France on the Baker City, 72; Belleville 136; Bis-marck, 89; Boise, 135; Brooklyn, 1,460; Burlington, 230; Cheyenne, frontier of civilization and the ram-parts of freedom. The French poilus were waiting for the order to attack. At his look out in the trenches, his 85: Cleveland, 921: Columbus, 570 eyes peering into the darkness, a French officer kept his watch. He Concordia, 301; Corpus Christi, 45 Covington, 154; Crookston, 80; Dal 270; Davenport, 202; Denver, Des Moines, 161; Detroit, 1,194; was not by profession a fighting man. When the bugles of war had sounded, he had left the seminary where he was preparing for the priesthood and Duluth, 118; Fall River, 152; Fargo, Wayne, 416; Galveston, 215; Grand Island, 88; Grand Rapids. answered the call which his invaded Green Bay, 314; Harrisburg, Hartford, 510; Helena, 148; Indianapolis, 474 : Lead, 165 : Leaven Jesuit's black robe for the blue uniworth, 260; Lincoln, 98; Little Rock, form of the soldiers of France. As a believe thousands, of our people Louisville, 293: Manchester Jesuit he had learned to obey. As an officer he knew how to command. 197; Mobile, 637; Los Angeles, 409; Nashville, 237; Natchez, 253; New-He had the love, the confidence of ark, 318; Ogdensburg, 250; Oklahoma, 255; Omaha, 274; Peoria, 561; Pitts his men. He was as gentle as he brave. burg, 818 ; Richmond, 463 ; Rochester had as yet been poured upon his 341; Rochfort, 140; St. Augustine, 126; St. Cloud, 161; St. Joseph, 250; hands, but the halo of the priesthood for which his soul longed, seemen to noticelebrate the Sacrifice of the Mass celebrate the Sacrifice of them of their to bis man or absolve them of their Salt Lake, 63; San Antonia. 222 Savannah, 186; Scranton, 264: Seattle, 292; Sioux City, 250; Sioux Falls, 219; Spokane, 129; Superior, 121; Toledo, 348; Trenton, 357; but every word he spoke, every gallant deed he performed flashed

that one has barely a moment to glor-ify the Eucharistic Lord, and then far to seek his model. He has it The sculptor need not go a his model. He has it in the figure of the Jesuit officer lying stiff and cold in death, his crucifix clasped in one hand and the other raised in its high gesture of comof France never had any other watchof France and liberty they have sounded that martial call. Religion and patriotism ! For these they have fought and bled and died. Their sacrifice has been a revelation, a lesson to the world. Before it we

feel humbled. In the presence of such heroism we realize how puny are our sacrifices. But that heroism thrills and exalte. There is a holy contagion in it for France and the world. Both instinctively admire

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF CANADA

BUILDING A MONUMENT (From a Layman's Address.)

People die and their monument are being built every day. It con-soles all of us to know that those we leave behind will, in some way, per petuate our memories. I do not think any earnest Christian, any sincere Catholic, could desire a nobler monument than a little mis sion church erected in some spiritually destitute community. Such a monument serves a double purpos It helps the living and keeps alive the memory of the dead. On its altar the priest will offer up the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; within its walls the lost sheep of the Church's fold will be gathered together. It may not grace some well kept burial. ground ; from an architectural stand point it may leave much to be desired, but who will say that it is not a more enduring memorial than the monuments and tombstones that now fill our Catholic cemeteries ?

will tell you just what such a little monument will do. First, and above all, it will be the means of identifying neglected Catholics with the Faith. The priest may not come P. J. O'Brien, St. John's, often, he may say Mass there once a month, or once every two months, or once every six months, but Church itself is an everlasting memorial of the Faith that has laste through the centuries. It reminds them of what they have been, and what they ought to be, and in this

way keeps them steadfast. It is more than forty years since I made my first journey to the West. I realized then that the great need of that vast territory was churches and priests. The territory was there. The people were boun come. If the Church could and to only keep pace with the growth of that territory, its future would be assured We who are present here know what her sons. He had exchanged a growth. We know, too, that during growth. We know, too, that during those forty years, hundreds, aye!] We know, too, that during been lost to the Faith merely for the lack of facilities. They settled in places into which a priest never Without church or came. priest No sacerdotal unction they drifted away, and we find old Catholic names, but the possessors of those names are now no longer

served only to keep the more zealous true to the Faith. The careless and

Similar monuments have been built under the auspices of the Catholic Extension Society in many places. All of them, we are assured. have been the means of bringing back a goodly number of people to the practice of their religion. They have been built in communities mand, his lips quivering with its have been built in communities heroic word, "Forward." The priests where the Faith was weak-where the people were few, and where they needed some incentive to stir them word. "Forward for Christ! For-ward for France." On a hundred battlefields, to thousands of defenders and the example of strangers, out of love for the Faith, interesting selves in a people's spiritual bel never fails to produce its effects. behalf.

If our Catholic dead, the world over, could speak and give utterance to their sentiments, much of the money now being spent for silent marble and voiceless granite would be devoted to charitable and mission

y purposes. I believe this monument idea will be productive of a vast amount of and will sooner or later follow the memorials to our deau, but he is the source of the in this spirit will bless the com-munity in which it is erected. It will stand for the Faith in Christ. It will stand for the Great Truths for which the Martyrs died. It will keep the spark of Faith alive in the heart of those who otherwise become per-verts and apostates. It is in itself a great charity to the dead. It is a spiritual almsdeed done in their ehalf. It is a charity at the same time which perpetrates itself. Count. less generations yet unborn will rise up and bless the memory of him or her whose monument is the little mission Catholic Church. A mission chapel costs only \$500.00.

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NEUVE CHAPELLE

(" Now totally destroyed save for a large crucifix still intact."-Atlantic Monthly, April 1918.)

Before me stretched a drear and shell-torn plain, Where battle's vengeful havoc late had made

A new and vast Golgotha; there grey Death had laid His hand of ice-on hearts whose

fight was vain! Where once from quiet roofs the

hearth-smoke rose. And children played and prattled in the street ;

Where days of calm found close in. slumber sweet-The war god shrieks-the tide of

carnage flows ! Yet there, where hail of fire and death had swept,

One object sacrosanct I now beheld. For lo, a crucifix which as of old Looked down-and o'er a blighted race still wept !

That brow-with anguish of the ages wrung, With torturing tiara, thorn-wove,

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eased and probably a soul saved that a duty had been well done and it is death faced. Death was met, too. Catholics are doing. Of the Catho-Mound upon mound was added to lics among the officers and men in the row in the Catholic cemetery. In all thirty-three of God's servants in the priesthood laid down their the performance of their lives in great duty, their duty to the dving. Such incidents as that just narra-ted, what are they to a world that expects a hero to scrape the skies expects a hero to scrape the sizes who won the Victoria Cross a lew in a battle plane? There were wholly lacking in plague-smitten Nashville the luring music of batteries and the onward spurring, is matched only by the bravery of soul gripping glamor that even a battlefield of today has. So a world, the priests. given to placing a higher value on the stage-setting than on the acting, passes by Bishop Feehan and his priests. Yet Catholics, when they eet this incident and a hundred like it, though they may only pause awarded the Military Cross for his distinguished services while under momentarily, yet they do pause long enough to draw from it another prop fire. Among the priests who have fallen in action lately is Father T. F. to support the conviction that leads the dying men in Flanders to open their eyes in the expectation that Duggan, and on March 25, while executing his priestly duties under the fire of the enemy, a London Servite,

the khaki collar. No, there is no Catholic who would the Rev. A. Bouchier, O. S. M., was severely wounded. Father Bouchier at all minimize the nobility of the chaplains' services at Seicheprey, or Cross, which he received for conis also the wearer of the Military on any other field where the Ameri. spicuous gallantry. can Expeditionary Forces will fight. Let that tale of heroism be told as often as there is an ear bent to hear CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN it, for the greater is the chance then that some small impression will be left on the indifferent mind of the world. But we Catholics when we Rev. Newton Dwight Hillis, in Brooklyn, Eagle. "On the side of the ethical and open our morning paper and read the black lettered head, "Catholic spiritual growth of Christ, His the black lettered head, "Catholic Parsons Battle's Heroes," do not know a moment's surprise. Truly, there is a thrill of satisfaction ; but

it is that of an expectation realized at the earliest possible moment.

ing. 159: Wi mington, 75; Winona, 250; No Carolina, 40. Grand total 28,014. interesting to note what the Chanceries failing to report are: Chicago, Oregon City, St. Louis, St. the regiments little is known just now, save when they come up for mention in the dispatches for exceptional bravery, or when they go down to death with imperishable

glory, as in the case of Corporal Woodcock, the Lancashire Catholic who won the Victoria Cross a few months ago, and fell in action on Wednesday in Holy Week. The bravery of the Catholic fighting men annually; and so we feel safe in set-ting down the number of conversions to the Church in this country last body lay on that blood-stained field, ear as over 30,000. In the great battles that are tak. It is a glorious record, and we ing place on the western front two Jesuit Fathers of the English province are reported missing, Father Joseph Woodlock and Father William freshing waterbrooks of the Univer-sal Sheepfold.—Catholic Columbian Fitzmaur ce, the latter of whom was

CORPUS CHRISTI

in his soldier's grave. Hand still raised in death he still faces the foe. Dead, he seems even now to fling out There is nothing quite so thrilling to the Catholic heart as the combin-ation of a rare June day and the pro-cession in honor of the Feast of Corhis battle cry : "Forward."

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Victorious France will build monuroyal coronation day. It was on Holy Thursday at the Last Supper Eucharistic King. But that was no will cross the fields of the Marne or And when the traveler in later days time for the glory of a coronation. the heights of Verdun a voice from Then the hearts of His followers the grave will seem to whisper in the heights of Verdun a voice from fied the sacrifices made. Were steeped in sadness. The trag-edy of the morrow came with its all engrossing affliction. When the ritual of the Church when the ritual of the Church

gathered up these wonderful days to meditate upon them, the Passion of dead.

the indifferent inevitably fell away. the lessons of faith, of duty and Those who valued their religion more North heroism into their souls.

than anything else, moved away from Calmly at his post the Jesuit offi-cer waited for orders. Down the such localities ; or, aided by men and women imbued with similar zeal, they Paul, Santa Fe, Albany, Buffalo, El line rang the command which the Paso, Erie, Great Falls, Kansas City, men of France ever welcome with a erected the pioneer churches of the Paso, Erie, Great Falls, Kansas Uity, La Crosse, Marquette, Portland, Providence, Sacramento, Springfield, German trenches, he leaped from his German trenches, he leaped from his men of France ever welcome with a Great West. We can lay it down as a general principle that wherever a Catholic

church was planted, a majority of the Catholics settled in the communmajority of the dioceses mentioned above each instant he fell shot through the ity were saved to the Faith. Where have from 200 to 400 converts heart, his face to the foe, his right there was no church erected a major ity were saved to the Faith. Where arm still raised in its sublime gesture of command. For a long time his ity of them fell away.

I am treating of matters with which nearly every one is familiar. and when the smoke of battle had disappeared and the French came to bury their heroic dead, they found noted the difficulty encountered in noted the difficulty encountered in It is a glorious record, and we should all be heartily grateful to God that so many wandering sheep have at last found their way to the redeath in its gesture of leadership be. and sacrifice. When his brothers in nem All along the great transconti and sacrifice. When his brothers in arms tried to lower that knightly nental lines of railway churches are springing up, but there are thousands arm for burial, they could not change of towns, villages and rural com munities without the necessar its sublime and martial attitude. In the necessary that attitude they buried the Jesuit facilities for Divine Worshin.

The non Catholics have built everywhere. Their extension societies have been in the field for almost half a century. They have aided the weak communities in the work of building churches, and they have helped at the same time to support

the clergyman who ministered in such places. The results of this kind of missionary work has evidently justi-

A leading Congregational divine his ears: Sta, viator, neroent cards. has made the statement and the in-"Pause, wayfarer, thou treadest on a the denomination's gain can be hero's grave." For the men who traced to its Church Extension has made the statement that all of Society. Every little church, estab-

spiritual growth of Christ, His mother, doubtless, was the first in-fluence and the greatest. For some reason, the intellectual strength of Mary has been overlooked. The Roman Catholic Church has, indeed, divided the honours of the Divine Roman Catholic Church has, indeed, moment given to the wonderthin hys-divided the honours of the Divine Son with His Mother. But for the protestant churches the pendulum has swung almost as far in the other

crowned, Those lips, whose living Word doth yet resound. That bleeding Heart of which the saints have sung.

The Sacred Slain there hangs outstretched in air, Those arms would fain yon battling

hosts enclose. He breathes, "Forgive them Father,"

o'er his foes-Calvary stands re - enacted Yea.

there ! -S. A. B.

FATHER FRASER'S CHINESE MISSION

Taichowfu, China, Nov. 26, 1915. Dear Readers of CATHOLIC RECORD That your charity towards my mis-sion is approved by the highest ecclesiastical authorities of Canada let me quote from a letter from His Excellence. The bast Base Excellency, The Most Rev. Peregring Excellency, The most new, Peregrina F. Stagni, O. S. M., D. D., Apostolic Delegate, Ottawa: "I have been watching with much interest the contributions to the Fund opened on behalf of your missions by the CATH. OLIC RECORD. The success has been very gratifying and shows the deep interest which our Catholic people take in the work of the missionary in foreign lands. . . I bless you most cordially and all your labors, as a pledge my earnest wishes for your greatest success in all your undertakings." I entreat you to continue the support of my struggling mission, assuring you a remembrance in my prayers and Masses.

Yours faithfully in Jesus and Mary J. M. FRASER.

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REV. F. P. HICKEY, O. S. B. TRINITY SUNDAY

THE POWER OF THE CROSS

"Going, therefore, teach ye all nations baptis ing them in the name of the Father, and of th Son, and of the Holy Ghost." (Matt xxviii, 19.)

Custom, my dear brethren, from times immemorial, custom, sanc-tioned and authorized by the Church, has united the names of the Blessed Trinity with the sign of the Holy Cross. The very naming the Blessed **Wei**nity is a profession of faith in the Mystery, the signing curselves with the cross is an acknowledgment of our Redemption. The revelation of the names of the Trinity, "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost," was made by the Son Himself. The Cross, hither-to a term of reproach, the accursed gibbet, was the instrument by which He redeemed the world, and with which He will come again to judge

The naming and signing—blessing ourselves, as it is commonly called— is an epitome of our religion. One God in three Persons; the Redemp. tion and the Judgment.

In the earliest ages of the Church, those under instruction were taught from the merciless din of the city there are places of retirement—ah how restful is the thought—seques about the cross before mention was made to them of the Blessed Sacra-Being questioned, 'Do you ment. believe in Christ?' He would an swer, 'I believe,' and signs himself monastic halls, one can live in quiet

swer, 'I believe,' and signs himself with the cross of Christ, carries it on his forehead, and is not ashamed of the cross of His Lord." (St. Augus-tine.) And with the appearance of the victory of Constantine and the free-dom of the Church, came the public honouring and veneration of the cross. The emperor decreed that never again was the cross to be the instrument of death : the cross to be the instrument of death; the cross that had brought life to the souls of men. dors, the small, bare rooms, and the That he might build a church, in which the cross should be venerated, his mother, St. Helena, though inmates ! I see them moving alertly leighty years of age, went to Jerusa lem to find it. Her searching was many duties, and in their recreationblessed by God, and miracles attest ed the genuine cross. A portion change of wholesome and elevating ed the genuine cross. A portion change of wholesome and elevating was left in Jerusalem, and the emrelic, and the Church of the Holy their souls or wearied their bodies, Cross was built by Constantine in always wearing an expression of benign contentment and repose.

The Church, in every blessing, in every Sacrament, in every Mass, makes use of the sacred sign of the two nuns, in veil and habit, quietly cross. The Holy Oils used in the administration of the Sacraments passed me by. are blessed with many signs of the Holy Cross. Holy Water, the Ashes, the Palms all are purified and sanctified by the cross, signed over them many times.

divine. Watch the number of times the Holy Cross is made during the Bap-tism of a child. Watch, and wonder, and have respect. And when we have confessed our sins, the priest gives us absolution, with the sign of the cross and in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. When you are married, the very ring is sanctified by the cross, and the mutual promise, for whilst your hands are joined, the cross seals the compact and blesses it. When we are dying, the Holy Oil is given us with the sign of the cross, on our eyes and ears and mouth and hands and feet, that God may pardon the sins we have committed. Over your

dead body, at your burial, the cross dead body, at your burnal, the cross will claim you as God's own. Your very grave is guarded by the Cross. But in the Sacrifice of the Mass you will see, in its fulness, the use

And we need not wonder whence its power. From the Redeemer, "be-cause by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world." It is the standard of our King. How zealous should we be to uphold the honor of the cross of Christ. By our piety, constant use of it, respect for it, let us preach its power and glory to the world. "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

HOW THE SIGHT OF CATHOLIC NUNS IMPRESSES HIM

BY MILTON MCGOVERN

Whenever I see them, two nuns, in eil and habit walking together, a "FRUIT-A-TIVES" Absolutely Prefeeling of peace, of calm, steals over vents This Dangerous Conditio

The chief cause of poor health is Whether it be in a busy bank, teem ing with people, at noon on a Satur day, that I see them, or on the public our neglect of the bowels. Waste matter, instead of passing from the lower intestine regularly every day, square, or on a street car, or in a merchant's shop, I invariably am better for the sight. Their presence is allowed to remain there, generating poisons which are absorbed by the recalls me from the troubled considblood.

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eration of petty work a day problems and earthly cares, and reminds me In other words, a person who is habitually constipated, is poisoning that all is not prosaic, humdrum, harsh and cold. I remember that far himself. We know now that Auto. intoxication, due to non-action of the bowels, is *directly responsible* for serious Kidney and Bladder Troubles; tered corners of this old world of ours where, in convent gardens and that it upsets the Stomach, causes Indigestion, Loss of Appetite and Sleeplessness; that chronic Rheumatism, Gout, Pain In The Back, are relieved as soon as the bowels become regular; and that Pimples, Rashes, Eczema and other Skin Affections lisappear when "Fruit-a-tives" are

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of that Pontiff that he threw himself at his feet, accompanied him to Rome, laid his armor and other rich presents on the altar of St. Peter's and humbly begged the Pope's and h pardon. "At a later period, when Rome was

again besieged by Rachis, king of the Lombards, Pope St. Zachary has-All these things I hear and see, in one fleeting, happy moment, when tened to the camp of the invader and pleaded with him to such purpose that Rachis not only raised the siege

Yes, down through the vistas of but laid down the crown and embraced with his wife and sons the the ages have walked these holy women, serene and beautiful, their eyes cast low in maiden modesty, religious state. Thus over and over in it was proved that the people and on their faces an impress of the of Italy had no better protector than the Pope.

THE INTERVENTION OF POPES

From the Light of Truth

"In order to realize the great achievements of the Vicars of Christ Christian principles inculcated, peace to be established or mainin their work for peace let us trans-fer ourselves back to the time when tained, or a war to be averted, there also we can trace the influence of the Pope, ever working, ever striving the greater part of Europe was as but one immense wilderness, a track for the good and welfare of all. When the Byzantines and Longobards had prepared for a great war, Pope less region, distinguished only for its

barbarity and savagery. "If Europe had at any time under-Gregory the Great, though loaded with various cares, did not hesitate gone a crucial test it was most assuredly during the Early Ages, a a moment to intercept their warperiod so well marked in history by like preparations and bring them to the migration of nations. With pagan Rome's fall Europe was left to terms of peace. "Owing to the Pope's repeated acts the mercy of fierce, uncivilized tribes. of friendly mediation between vari-ous nations there gradually arose peoples actuated by barbarous prin-ciples and ruled by brutal customs you will see, in its rainess, the use and veneration of the cross. Mass must be said facing a cross. The altar stone is marked by the cross, the vestment likewise. The very first words and action are the sign of the cross, and "In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The opening passage read from the Missal control of the cross is the state of the cross is a sanguinary kings, whose sole aim was the extirpation of their neighbors and the acquisition of their booty. Under such circumstances Europe was made a prolific hot-bed of strife and dissension, one great battlefield of blood. It seemed that booty. Under such circumstances Europe was made a prolific hot-bed of strife and dissension, one great battlefield of blood. It seemed that there was

THE CATHOLIC RECORD

doms into the family of Catholic nations. In a word, the Pope was the father, the judge, the arbitrator and peace-maker of all the Christian countries. The peace, however, that the him.

Roman Pontiffs had so solidly established during the Early Ages and had so energetically maintained throughout the Middle Ages, was destined to be swept away by the

immense subsequent upheavals that resulted from the great so-called Reformation. The introduction of Reformation. The introduction of society ?" Not churches, not new religions severed the ties of schools, not hospitals, he contends, **AUTO - INTOXICATION** riendship among governments, broke the great union of the Church **OR SELF-POISONING** and State, and plunged Europe into the mire of vice and the abyss of wars. Nation rose against nation, prince against prince, Protestant than by expediency, men who are against Catholic. Wars, strifes and guided by principle rather than by lissensions became the watchwords

> In this critical moment the Vicar of Christ again raised his voice and in the name of the Prince of Peace called upon all nations to forsake men of strong Christian faith, who war, to join in friendly negotiations, and to live in peace. Although the dreadful tempest gradually abated in fury, its results could never be un-

done; the co-operation of State and Church with its untold blessings was buried in the wake of the storm. Yet in spite of all the reverses, the Popes never ceased to labor for the good and welfare of all nations They advised and admonished the monarchs on important undertakings, warned rulers in times of im-

ading dangers, and above all strove to propagate friendly relations One of the latest examples of

this great zeal we find during the Pontificate of Leo XIII., who mediated between Germany and Spain in a dispute about the possession of the Caroline Islands, with such result that the quarrel was settled and the parties were reconciled. Thus we see that ever since the

Christ the Popes have proved to be its worthy heads, the defenders of justice, the upholders of right, the world's greatest peace advocates and the true Vicars of Christ, the Prince of Peace.

IT WAS "THE CALL OF GOD"

CARDINAL MANNING FIRST FELT A LEANING TOWARD THE FAITH IN A CHURCH IN ROME

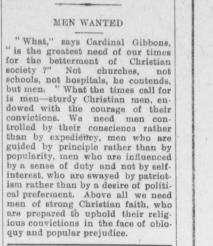
Says The Missionary : In a private onversation Cardinal Manning himself related the following :

"I was in Rome, visiting the museums, the churches, and viewed the city from all points. I had never "However great was the vigilance of the Popes in securing peace for the had the shadow of doubt as to the truth of Protestantism, and had not Romans, it was by no means confined to them, but extended to all without discrimination—both friends and the slightest notion of changing my religion. Nothing of all that I saw had made an impression upon me, enemies. Wherever justice had to be vindicated, wrong to be punished, and I was as far from Catholicism as I was at my departure from England.

"One morning I entered the Church of Saint Louis of France. The Blessed Sacrament was exposed at one of the altars, probably on There was account of a novena. nothing out of the ordinary: a few candles were burning, the priests vested only in their surplices, knelt in the sanctuary; and a few of the faithful were praying in the church.

"Nothing of the pomp of Saint Peter's was there; but it was God's time. I felt in my heart a mysterious emotion, partly illumination, partly attraction. For the first time in my life it appeared to me that truth might be here, and that possibly I might one day become a Catholic

"But I was not vet converted. It



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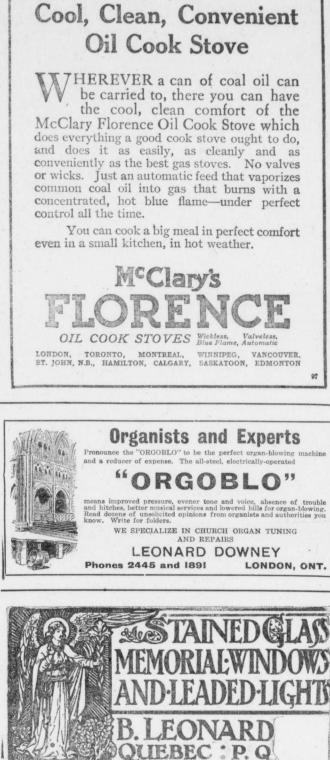
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sanctified by the cross. The Gospel begins with the cross signed on the book, the forehead, mouth, and breast of the priest. And the bread and the chalice after being offered are laid on the altar with a cross. At the Sanctus, "Blessed is He that cometh in the name af the Lord ;" how did He come? With the cross, and so it is made again. During the Canon of the Mass, time after time, both before and after the Consecration, as if the his exertions, no words can fally words were not sacred enough with-out it, the cross is signed as they are pronounced. Even with the Blessed Sacrament in his hand, the priest makes the cross over the Precious

Blood three times over on two occasions. And the Communion, his own and each of the faithful, is given with the sign of the cross. And the Mass ends with the Blessing

Let no one dare to think that this is idle repetition. The very sign of the cross is a power, a sanctifier, a safeguard to those, who have the faith and use it reverently. When should I end if I were to tell of the Saints, who had such faith in the cross that miracles innumerable have attested its power ?

The cross is given, too, as a safe-ard. "By the sign of the cross, O guard. "By the sign of the cross, O God, deliver us from our enemies" is the prayer of the Church. It is a safeguard to our soul, as a lightning conductor is to a building. The spite, the machinations of the devil are averted by the cross. Let us be constant in its use. Let us defend ourselves with it, signing our hearts with it, when tempted, and saying with St. Philip Neri : "Lord, let me not prove a traitor to Thee.'

The cross is given to us to sanctify us. Make it on awakening, before prayer, on entering a church, and it recalls you to yourself, and you give your heart to God. It dedicates all you do. It sets the seal upon all your actions, words, and sufferings; you do.

there was no power sufficiently strong to check the tide of barbarity. The Roman armies, once an insured of England. mountable bulwark for the barbarous tribes, had melted away long ago and the days of the Cæsars were passed. The future looked altogether gloomy. But at this terrible crisis the Pope, lations were again restored. "In this way of harmonizing the the father of all humanity, hastened to succor war-stricken Europe. What were his endeavors, how great discordant parties by mediation, the Roman Pontiffs continually exerted express

themselves in maintaining peace and in restoring amicable relations be-tween rulers. In such cases, how-The first marked achievement of the Pope during the Early Ages was his energetic protection of the Roman ever, if ordinary means of reconcilia tion had been exhausted, the Pope at first threatened with, and then propeople against whom all nations seemed to aim their blows. What nounced the ban of excommunica-tion. How much the Popes accom-What would have become of the helpless Romans, had not the Pope become their advocate, is not difficult to conplished for peace through the exer cise of this power cannot be over-estimated. The ban was a safeguard against both despotism and rebellion. It was looked upon as monstrous that jecture. But thanks to the zealous Pontiffs of that period, the Romans had but to look up to their spiritual father and he, moved by paternal love, would exert his influence to a king or prince excluded from the Church should rule over the Chris-tian people. Though sparingly inavert the danger. History is full of such examples. When Attila, who through his excessive cruelty flicted and only for serious transgre sions, it proved to be the most effect had earned for himself the title of of the 'Scourge of God,' was sweeptive means of curbing the passions of haughty rulers. It had its effect on the despotic John Lackland of Enging over Europe carrying terror and devastation wherever he went, and when he had already crossed the of Germany land and on the Emperor Henry IV.

when he had already crossed the Alps and was threatening the Romans with utter subjection, Pope St. Leo the Great met him at Mantau, and Attila, overawed by the appearance Attila, overawed by the appearance wronged and persecuted, the acknowledged arbitrator of kings purpose and returned to settle in Pannonia. That same Leo the Great, a few years later, again saved the and princes. The Papal laws were universally accepted as public laws. The kings and princes of their own Romans from slaughter by the bar-barous Vandals. accord sought the Papal confirma-tion of their laws, treaties, judicial "At another time during the Ponti-

ficate of St. Gregory II, Luitprand, a man of great ambition and daring sentences or revocations of the same The monarchs addressed the Pope as Rome and prepared to lay siege to the city. But when Gregory visited him in his camp, Luitprand was so their father and were addressed by

The quarrel was of a was still far from the truth. serious nature and would have re-sulted in a great war, but the Pope, by stepping between the kings as a mediator, negotiated a peace with such effect that not only was the imnot reject the call; but I prayed, I sought and studied with all the sincerity of which I was capable. Light increased from day to day, and grace accomplished the rest.' minent war averted but friendly re-

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SAINTS OF THE WEEK

suddenly interrupted his sermon to

MOTHER'S ALMANAC

I tell you when it comes to dates, My mother's just the boss She tells me all I want to know 'Thout ever gettin' cross.

You'd think she'd get mixed up sometimes-At school I know I do-'Bout Washington and Plymouth

Rock And 1492.

But mother says "The war with Spain Was fought in '98,

The year you all had chicken pox, Exceptin' Sister Kate."

"The Boer War in Africa-That was a dreadful thing— Began in '99 I know. For Jackwas born that spring."

"In '98 the Spanish ships Were sunk in Cuba channels, Twas summer, for you children had Just changed your winter flannels."

"In 1904, my dear, The Russians fought the Japs, That year was very cold, and you-Had chilblains and the chaps."

There's six of us, and we're mixed up With hist'ry just that way, Sometimes it's measles, croup or

mumps, But there's no date that ever stumps

My mother, night or day. BETWEEN FAILURE AND

SUCCESS

The line between failure and success is so fine that we scarcely know when we pass it—so fine that we are often on the line and do not know it. How many a man has thrown up his hands at a time when a little more effort, a little more patience would have achieved success. As the tide goes clear out, so it comes clear in. In business, sometimes, prospects may seem darkest when really they are on the turn. A little more per-sistence, a little more effort, and declare that there was among his hear-ers a young Franciscan who would what seemed hopeless failure may turn to glorious success. There is no failure except in no longer trying. There is no defeat except from within, no really insurmountable barrier save our own inherent weakness of purpose .- Catholic Colum bian.

BOYS THAT SUCCEED

'A new boy came into our office today," said a wholesale grocery merchant to his wife at the supper "He was hired by the firm at the request of the senior member, who thought the boy gave promise of good things. But I feel sure that the boy will be out of the office in less than a week."

'What makes you think so ?" inquired his wife. Because the very first thing that

he wanted to know was just exactly how much he was expected to do." Perhaps you will yet change your

mind about him.' Perhaps I shall," replied the merchant. "but I do not think so."

Three days later the business man said to his wife: "About that boy you remember I mentioned two or three days ago. Well, he is the best boy who ever entered the store."

"How did you find that out ?" "In the easiest way in the world. The first morning after the boy began to work he performed very faithfully and systematically the exact duties assigned to him, which he had been so careful to have explained to him. When he had 'Mr. —, I have finished all the work. Now what can I do ?'

life.

MAY 23.-ST. JULIA, VIRGIN, MARTYR

work. Now what can I do?' "I was a little surprised, but I gave him a little job of work and forgot all about him until he came into my room with the question: 'What next?' That settled it for me. He next?' That settled it for me entered

grasp and it has eluded us. We are Gorgon carried on her body; but in filled with despair and discourage-ment and it is then a little imp 763 Desiderius, King of Lombardy, removed her relics to Brescia, where her memory is celebrated with great whispers to us that we might as well devotion. It is unhappily so easy to quit. It

MAY 25.-ST. GREGORY VII. so often takes the highest kind of courage to stay, and we wonder sadly if it is all worth while—if the greater Gregory VII., by name Hildebrand, was born in Tuscany, about the year 1013. He was educated in Rome. effort will amount to anything. We're sure that we are not on the From thence he went to France, and became a monk at Cluny. After-wards he returned to Rome, and for right track-that we have made a serious mistake—that this is not our line of work. We are confident that wards he returned to Rome, and for many years filled high trusts of the Holy See. Three great evils then afflicted the Church: simony, con-cubinage, and the custom of receiv-ing investiture from lay hands. Against these three corruptions Gregory never ceased to contend. As legate of Victor II. he held a Conncil at Lynos where simony was Failure has marked us for her own. Is this the time to quit ? Never This is the time to cling tighter than ever, to work harder, to believe more, and by sheer personal force, by the spirit that must animate all of us who do anything well, push the load to the brow of the hill. Another Council at Lyons, where simony was condemned. He was elected Pope in hour on the problem plus the work that has gone before will bring the 1078, and at once called upon the pastors of the Catholic world to lay down their lives rather than betray right solution. Another effort with stronger determination will bring to a successful conclusion the work of the laws of God to the will of princes. Rome was in rebellion through the to be without "punch," the song that seemed to be without "punch," the song that we felt was without appeal, the plans that seemed to fall in unity and effect. Just that little bit more

Don't be a quitter. But take a firmer grasp on your work, realizing that when you have almost reached the top is just the time for you to stand by. It is the time for you to reap the benefits of all the hard work that has gone before. Most of Gregory excommunicated the em-peror. His subjects turned against him, and at last he sought absolus have only ourselves to blame if we become distinct failures and one of the most potent reasons is the ease with which we quit—because we haven't the sand to stand by.— OUR BOYS AND GIRLS SHORT SKETCH OF LIVES OF ne was dying, he said, i have loved the lates of the Southern Sens, an work have been invisited on her is south, therefore gathered around the alters of Mary memory. The fairest and brightest is her who had already reached and offering her the soulful tribute gems have lent their light to her beights of sanctity.—Buffalo the row is the God their love. Saint and sinner, is tately shrines, and art has stolen the Union and Times. MAY 20.-ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA In 1408 St. Vincent Ferrer once has given the Gentiles for an inherit-

and the uttermost ends of the earth for thy possession.'

MAY 26 .- ST. PHILIP NERI

be one day a greater preacher than himself, and would be set before him in honor by the Church. This un-Philip was one of the noble line of Saints raised up by God in the six-teenth century to console and bless His Church. After a childhood of known friar was Bernardine. Of noble birth, he had spent his youth angelic beauty the Holy Spirit drew him away from Florence, the place in works of mercy, and had then entered religion. Owing to a de-fective utterance, his success as a of his birth, showed him the world that he might freely renounce it, led him to Rome, modelled him in mind and heart and will, and then, as by a preacher at first seemed doubtful but, by the prayers of Our Lady, this obstacle was miraculously removed, second Pentecost, came down in vis-ible form and filled his soul with and Bernardine began an apostolate which lasted thirty eight years. By light and peace and joy. He would have gone to India, but God reserved his burning words and by the power of the Holy Name of Jesus which he him for Rome. There he went on simply from day to day, drawing displayed on a tablet at the end of his sermons, he obtained miraculous con-versions, and reformed the greater souls to Jasus, exercising them in mortification and charity, and bind-ing them together by cheerful devopart of Italy. But this success had to be exalted by the cross. The Saint was denounced as a heretic and tions; thus, unconsciously to him-self, under the hands of Mary, as he his devotion as idolatrous. After many trials he lived to see his insaid, the Oratory grew up, and all Rome was pervaded and transformed by its spirit. His life was a continnocence proved, and a lasting memorial of his work established in a church. The Feast of the Holy Name uous miracle, his habitual state an ecstasy. He read the hearts of men, foretold their future, knew their commemorates at once his sufferings and his triumph. He died on Ascen-sion Eve, 1444, while his brethren eternal destiny. His touch gave health of body ; his very look calmed were chanting the antiphon, "Father, I have manifested Thy Name to men." souls in trouble and drove away temptations. He was gay, genial, St. Bernardine, when a youth, undertook the charge of a holy old woman and irresistibly winning; neither insult nor wrong could dim the brightness of his joy. a relation of his, who had been left destitute. She was blind and bedridden, and during her long illness could Philip lived in an atmosphere of sunshine and gladness which brightonly utter the Holy Name. The Saint watched over her till she died, and thus learned the devotion of his

ened all who came near him. When I met him in the street," says 'he would pat my cheek and one. Well, how is Don Pellegrino? 88V St. Julia was a noble virgin of and leave me so full of joy that I could not tell which way I was going." Others said that when he playfully pulled their bair or their ears, their hearts would bound with

LADY Yesterday morning a little child, clad in spotless white and girdled with blue, timidly approached an altar of Our Lady and laid at her feet the first fragrant tribute of spring. The flowers were white like the inno-cence of the child and sweet like that artless act of devotion. There, be-fore that simple shrine, with her little hands clasped in prayer, the

THE MONTH OF OUR

to assist at the Holy Sacrifica. This tender and touching incident is indicative of what is happening the wide world over during this beautiful month that is dedicated to the Mother of God. The whole Cath-Rome was in rebellion through the ambition of the Cenci. Gregory ex-communicated them. They laid hands on him at Christmas during divine mission, there during this the midnight Mass, wounded him, and cast him into prison. The fol-lowing day he was rescued by the people. Next arcse his conflict with Henry IV., Emperor of Germany. This is dagain by her memory. Spring is Immarch, after openly relapsing into simony, pretended to depose the pope. Gregory excommunicated the em-beauty. In the teeming cities the temples of her Son are vocal with her praises, and from the bleak hill sides tion of Gregory at Canossa. But he did not persevere. He set up an an-tipope, and besieged Gregory in the castle of St. Angelo. The aged pon-tif was obliged to flee, and on May castle of St. Angelo. The aged pon-tiff was obliged to flee, and on May 25, 1085, about the seventy-second tions of her litany. Wherever our year of life and the twelfth year of his pontificate, Gregory entered into his rest. His last words were full of hardy mountaineer amid the northa divine wisdom and patience. As erg pines to the swarthy natives of he was dying, he said, "I have loved the isles of the Southern Seas, all



prince and pauper, learned and un- fairest dyes of the sunset to try to ettered contend in the holy rivalry of devotion to her. And devotion to Mary has accomof devotion to her. And devotion to Mary has accom-

panied the triumphant march of the and has tipped with lyric beauty the Church adown the centuries. Her pens of our greatest poets. spirit dwelt with the early Christians But it is only in the hearts of her in the Catacombs where her image, so lovingly limned on the Travertine children that Mary's lovely image can adequately be drawn. Her purity is reflected in the lives of those who It was she who raised the prostrate form of womanhood from the mire of the world without incurring contamination. To millions of chaste souls, whether in the peace of the cloister or in the busy haunts of men, Mary is the model and inspiration; carnal slavery into which paganism had cast it. It was from her that had cast it. It was from here that Dominick got the potent prayer that crushed the Albigensian heresy; and it was her power that checked the Moslem hordes at Lepanto before they could ravage the fertile plains of Europe. She has ever been with the missionaries in their arduous of Europe. She has ever been with the missionaries in their arduous work of evangelizing the world, her inspiring name giving force to their words and strength to their spirit. who have stained the robe of in cence in the seductive ways of need suffer no discouragement. them hopefully remember that, though our Divine Lord left His Bl cence in the seductive ways of life though our Divine Lord left His Bless

And the wealth and genius of the world have been lavished on her St. John, there was a Magdalen be-

Silence kept in a spirit of devotion brings great solace to the suffering souls. There are few who do not sin by the tongue, and purgatory is filled with souls who suffer for having given that member too much liberty.

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was the first boy that ever entered she found a happiness and comfort our office who was willing and volun. which the world could not have to him. I predict a successful career employed in her master's business for that boy as a business man."-St. Paul Bulletin.

THE QUITTER

How we all despise him-whether it is as a lad in a game or in the bigger game of life. It doesn't matter in our judgment of him whether he is following inherited instincts and feels that he simply can't stand up and take what's coming to him and fight back, or whether he has failed in building himself strong enough to make the best of reverses. We scorn him on general principles. We seem to feel that cowardly spirit showing through all he does, and the fact that a blow puts him down and out and he leaves the field is enough for us.

authority over her was too weak to prevail with her to renounce her religion, but that he found He outrages all our principles of living—this man who is a quitter. In boyhood days he maybe is a big brawny chap looking well able to do up the whole crowd, but someway the little plucky fellows get the best of him and later in life in all he attempts he shows the same lack of grit. We always feel that he would win if he would only stick, but he doesn't give himself a chance and we mark him off our list. To all of us and in everything we do there come moments of intense He outrages all our principles of

do there come moments of intense discouragement—when the special made answer that she was as free as and intact right into extreme old age. discouragement—when the special made answer that she was as free as thing we are working on simply will she desired to be as long as she was special and intact right into extreme old age. When all this had been emphatically stated to be too much for us; per-haps it is later in life and an impor-tant piece of work refuses obstinate-ty to develop as we know it should. We have worked weary hours—we have such such such as special to be too much for us; per-haps it is later in life and an impor-tant piece of work refuses obstinate-to be hanged on a cross till she ex-to be hanged on a cross till she ex-ning and an anounce-to the share day such as a special state and under the special state and intact right into extreme old age. When all this had been emphatically stated there. came the announfoe-ment of his conversion to Rome. It caused great astonialment, and a number of causes were assigned. "But they could not very well," slily remarked Lord Brampton, "attribute to be famped on a cross till she ex-niced and resolute and month of the slee of the failing intellectual power or sen-tite." have had success almost within our pired. Certain monks of the isle of ility.'

Marcio Altieri felt such overjoy. flowing gladness in his presence that he said Philip's room was a paradise on earth. Fabrizio de Massimi would go in sadness or perplexity and stand at Philip's door; he said it employed in her master's business was enough to see him, to be near was devoted to prayer and reading him. And long after his death it was enough for many, when troubbooks of piety. Her master, who was charmed with her fidelity and led, to go into his room to find their other virtues, thought proper to carry her with him on one of his voyages hearts lightened and gladdened. He inspired a boundless confidence and to Gaul. Having reached the northern part of Corsica, he cast anchor and went on shore to join th and went on shore to join the pagans of the place in an idolatrous festival. Julia was left at some dis-tance, because she would not be disfiled by the superstitious ceremonies which she openly reviled. Felix, the governor of the island, who was a bigoted pagan, asked who this woman was who dared to insult the gods. Eusebius informed him that she was a Christian, and that all his

love, and was the common refuge and consoler of all. A gentle jest would convey his rebukes and veil his miracle. The highest honors sought him out, but he put them from him. He died in his eightieth year, A. D., 1595, and bears the grand title of Apoetle of Rome.

OLD EXCUSE WOULDN'T WORK

Godfrey Raupert tells in The Ligourian an interesting anecdote of the late Lord Brampton, a dis-

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WARNS AGAINST REVOLUTION

BISHOP CARROLL VOICES THE DANGERS THAT THREATEN MODERN SOCIETY

The Right Rev. Bishop John P. Carroll of Helena, Montana, deliv-ered a striking sermon at the consecration of Bishop Gorman of Boise City at Dubuque, Iowa, May 1, on the part the Church must play in directing social reform instead of the revolution which threatens to dynamite the Carroll said in part: "Never did the world need more

has pushed into prominence prob-lems which have been agitating the minds of thinking men for generations. Chief among these is the prob-lem of capital and labor. The strong governments of the world have not stituted for women. No wonder Leo XIII. could say in 1891 that 'a small number of very rich men had only conscripted men for their arma-ments, but they have enlisted the been able to lay upon the teeming masses of the laboring poor a yoke co-operation of labor and capital, and mobilized all the resources of their respective nations. A high sense of little better than slavery itself.' patriotism, nowhere more visible than in America, has with unparalled generosity furnished food, money and service for the common cause. Sabotage, which a little while ago darkened the horizon, has dis-appeared, the apostles of discontent have been silenced and the great labor unions have pledged them-selves to discountenance strikes for the period of the War in all work needed by their governments.

TRUCE OF LABOR AND CAPITAL

"But the question is being asked on all sides, 'What will happen when the War is over ?' Millions of fighting men will be returned to civil life. Millions now employed in munition factories, in mines and shipyards will no longer be needed by the Govern-ment. What effect will the sudden release of this immense multitude of workers have on the economic life of the world? Owing to the general olic Church. depletion of wealth, which the pro-traction of the gigantic struggle will entail, how can adequate employ-ment be furnished? Above all, will the workers who have helped the government in its hour of need and the soldiers who have risked their lives on the field of battle be willing to accept pre-war conditions? Leaders of both capital and labor and nomic writers everywhere say they will not.

We have seen the demands of the soldiers and peasants in Russia and the resultant condition of that unhappy country. The labor plan-ning board of America has 'agreed on a basis of principles to govern the relation of capital and labor during the War.' And in Great effects. ted to the Government a 'program to be adopted after the War,' which involves the creation of 'a new sociaorder,' a 'new industrial civilization.'

MUST MEET SOCIALISTS

" " In the meantime Socialism continues to preach the doctrine that labor is the source of all wealth, and that, therefore, wages must be in-creased until labor obtains the pos-session of all wealth. It foments class hatred by attributing to capi-tal oll the arrivation of the source of the tal all the evils of the present social order—reckless profiteering, wage slavery, unlimited competition, monstrous social inequalities, intolerable living conditions, physical and moral degradation. It declares these evils to be irremediable under 'the capitalistic system 'and that, therefore, that system must be overthrown. It even goes so far as to say that the Church is the enemy of labor, that it is in league with capital to defraud labor of its just rewards, and defeat its laudable aspirations

of the system itself. It is due to the moral degeneracy consequent upon a decay of religious belief and to the degradation.' by the great industrial expansion of the last century. In the Middle offered by the Church and her Bish-Ages, when the Church held the world in the bonds of Christian unity, she established guilds for the various crafts, which insured the members justice and social recog-operative ownership, abolition of nition. The religious individual ism of the sixteenth century opened the way for social and economic in-dividualism. Then came the French Revolution with its hatred for all present social order when the tem-poral truce between labor and capi-tal is ended after the War. Bishop peared. Defenseless and alone, the workingman was left to the mercy of a new school of economics, which

WORK OF CATHOLIC LEADERS

operative ownership, abolition of reckless profiteering, the use of sur-plus wealth for the common good, the removal of saloons and brothels. freedom from Sunday work-these are some of the remedies the teach-States. Their cordial adoption will help to solve class hatred and to rethan at the present moment the saw in him only the physical energy store the spirit of justice and broth-steadying influence of the teaching body of the Church. The world war became a mere commodity and was bought on the market at the lowest tion may avert the impending social price. In the coal mines of Eng. revolution and secure the bloodless land, when men seemed to cost too adjustment of modern society for much, women were put in their which all men of good will hope and places, and finally children were sub- pray."—The Monitor.

OBITUARY

MRS. GEORGE O'BRIEN On the 27th ult. the angel of

Death entered the home of Mr. George O'Brien, 123 Strachan Ave., Toronto, and called away his wife, "In the meantime the Church did not relax her interest in the laboring man. From the very beginning of modern industrialism she has earnest-Maude Haffey, after one week's illness of pneumonia. Mrs. O'Brien was much beloved by espoused his cause. The great Von Ketteler, who led the social re-form movement in Germany, was her friends and neighbors alike for

her many estimable qualities of called 'the workingman's Bishon. mind and heart, and always had a "The London dock workers will never forget the friendly interest of cheerful word and a ready smile for all with whom she came in contact. Cardinal Manning, and we are all familiar with the efforts of Cardinal Her death leaves a sad vacancy in Gibbons on behalf of the Knights of Labor. It was their well known sympathy with the wage earner and their spirit of fair play to every in-terest involved that led to the selecceived the rites and consolations of tion of the late Archbishops Spaldthe Church which she loved, and ing and Quigley as arbitrators in two of the greatest strikes in our history. being surrounded by her husband and family she passed peacefully and and family she passed peacefully and happily away to the home of her Eternal Bliss. Her pall-bearers were her four cousins, Messrs. John Gunning, James Walsh, John Walsh, Organized labor today has no greater friends than the Bishops of the Cath-ORGANIZED LABOR RIGHT

sometimes seriously menaced, and even actually destroyed, the pros-The funeral, which was largely attended, took place from the family residence on Strachan Ave., to St. perity and peace of whole communities; that they have resorted to vio-Mary's Church; Rev. Father O'Brien celebrated the Mass. In the sanclence to enforce their demands ; that occasionally they have exhibited greater tyranny than that which they tuary were Rev. Father Dutton and Rev. Father Boylan, cousin of decondemned in capitalism. But such occurrences are rare and are not ceased.

The many floral and spiritual sanctioned by the great body of union offerings testify the high esteem in men. Organized labor should be judged as a whole. And, taken as a which the deceased lady was held. She leaves to mourn her loss her whole, its aim and purposes are laud-able, its methods are in the main husband and four small children, also her father, sister and three brothers, two of whom are on active justifiable, and the evils that flow from it are outweighed by its good

"To organized labor are due very Ingely the improved social conditions we behold to-day. The workingman is lifted up from the degradation into which unrestrained competition had flung him. He is no longer regarded R. I. P.

THE TABLET FUND

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FLOWER AND FRUIT OF KNIGHTHOOD

HOME BANK OF CANADA A society directly descended from the Pharisees published some months ago a series of stories attacking the moral character of our soldiers in France. Isolated instances of disorder were represented as character-istic, and certain forms of amusement which ordinary folk consider legit-imate means of recreation, were cited as indicating " a grave deter-ioration of moral fiber." Easily refuted by the testimony of unim-peachable witnesses, these lurid tales have long since lost, excep perhaps, among the Pharisaic follow except ing, even the small credence given them on their first appearance. From the very outset of the War, military officers, and chaplains alike, found in the general good behavior of our troops a source of gratitude and Two letters recently received American soldiers witness, hope. when taken in conjunction with thousands of similar missives, that the uniform and the new manner of

life, have strengthened, rather than weakened, the ties which bind our young men to home and to religion. The first of these letters reached

its destination only a few hours before a communication from the War Department, announcing the death of the writer in France, changed a

things that were good and pure, his parents, his brothers and sisters, his sweetheart, and all the old associa-tions that clustered about his home. Her deam where the bereaved family the home where the bereaved family mourn the loss of a fond wife and loving mother. During her illness be was attended by Rev. Fathers her mourn the loss of a fond wife and loving mother. During her illness her mourn the loss of a fond wife and her the slang phrases in which he speaks of his betrothed, "Say, how's my girl ? Isn't she some girl ?" and threb in sympathy with the tender-Every American will understand throb in sympathy with the tender-ness of the boy's love for his mother, "Be good to Mom, Bill," he writes. "I know you will. You've always been good to her. She always gave up everything for us, so be good to her, Bill, and I'll be home soon, and we'll all have fine times together." Equally appealing, and of a finer

temper, is a letter received from a young Sergeant, who had been sent to a training camp far from home : "Last Sunday I was able to go to Confession, hear Mass and receive Holy Communion. The facilities for the religious care of the boys are not many, but we try to make use of what we have. This War will bring back many a young fellow who has unfortunately strayed from the right track. It is indeed a beautiful sight to see so many hundreds of our young Catholics going to the altar to partake of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is a sermon in

itself, and it attests the faith of the men, a faith as strong, I truly believe, as virile, as sincere, as that of the early Christians them-selves. . . . My health keeps good, thank God, and I long for the good, thank God, and I long for the day when the word will come to move "over there." If you can, I wish you would drop in home, and give my tender love to Aunt Kate and Uncle

Ben.

"Remember me at the altar, Father that I may do my duty, without blemish, to my God and to my country."

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trines on which the Church has insisted for centuries—these are the ideas which are at the basis of the Miss whole labor movement. These are the ideas which have stirred it to action and crowned it with whatever If you would be good enough to in the columns of the RECORD I success it has so far achieved. If it adhere to these ideas during the War, would be very grateful. Respectfully yours, and if after the War it earnestly con tinue their advocacy, labor unionism may become the most effective agency in a world soon to be reconstructed to check the advance of Socialism THE WINTER KILLING AND and to secure the reforms, which humanity demands.

progress.

CONDITION OF FALL

REMEDY AT HAND

"The remedy then, for the social Ottawa, May 14, 1918. The Census and Statistics Office evils which the Church and her bishops and all right thinking men issued to day the following report on the area and condition of fall wheat : deplore just as heartily as do the laboring men themselves, does not lie in the destruction of the present The winter killing of fall wheat in Ontario is reported as especially severe. It is estimated to amount to social system. The way to clean a house is not to dynamite it. That 56 p. c., which reduces the acreage under this crop in Ontario from 630,was the way of the French Revolution. The same way is that of the American Revolution, which in prin-200 acres as sown last fall to 277,200 acres, the area to be harvested. This is the largest proportion of fall wheat winter-killed in Ontario and the lowect acreage left for harvesting ciple accepted the old order, purified it of tyranny and selfishness and adjusted it to new conditions.

since the records were begun in 1909. In Alberta the percentage winter-killed is estimated at 10 p. c. thus "To substitute for the present reducing to 55,260 acres the area of 61,400 acres sown last fall. For the whole of Canada the area sown, viz., 711,000 acres is reduced by 51 p. c. to 348,670 acres. The condition of fall wheat on April 30 is also the lowest when on April 30 is also the lowest on record, viz., 52 p. c. of the stand-ard for Ontario and 59 p. c., for all the fall wheat provinces. Converted into a standard of 100 as representing CAUSE OF PRESENT EVILS. "Let it be admitted that there are industrial system itself. But this is not the fault either of the Church or CAUSE OF PRESENT EVILS. The minu function and finitial verse, that spirit of freedom, which alone conduct to indicates of the nine years 1909 to 1917, the con-dignity and efficiency of human life. It would give over to the State the indicates of the individual and the family, and would introduce

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