





A GLIMPSE UP THE AGES.

ARCHBISHOP O'BRIEN, OF HALIFAX, MORALES ON HISTORICAL CHRISTMAS EVENTS. Chivalry has long been dead; enthusiasm is fast dying, and mirth is only a sickly shadow of its former unfeigned joyousness.

UTILITY HAS DESTROYED THE ROMANCE OF MOST DELLS and curling streams; a mechanical system of culture has filled the world with intellectual automatons who can grind out verses, or treatises, on any given subject, with lugubrious sameness.

with all its skeptical scholarship, there is one annual season of joy which it has been unable to kill. Christmas is still a word of power; it is still a name of hope; it is still a symbol of peace and good will.

and, therefore, no one was to lose his liberty. In 1216, Pope Honorius III. decreed that when Christmas fell on Friday, the usual abstinence should be dispensed with.

ON A CHRISTMAS DAY, THREE CENTURIES BEFORE CHARLEMAGNE, another historical event happened. It was Christmas Eve, in the old town of Rheims, France.

THE FIRST CHRISTIAN KING OF FRANCE. As they near the church, Clovis, the rude Saxon, seeing the glory of lights, and

hearing the solemn anthems which now break on their ears, trembleingly asks: "My Father, is this the kingdom you have promised me?"

THE GLORIES AND JOYS OF CHRISTMAS, and showed how natural it was that this festival should be kept on its right day by the Western Church, since the documents connected with the enrollment made by Augustus were preserved at Rome.

This is a beautiful idea, and one referred to by many early writers. Back still further in the ages, in the third century, Christians brought joy to the citizens of Nyssa and Gregory, their Bishop, thus spoke:

and beautifies the world. Crimes there ever have been; human tears have flowed and human hearts have ached; but there was always one season sacred to spiritual exultation.

ANOTHER FAILURE. Brooklyn Examiner. It would seem that the work started by Bishop Riley, the head of the so-called "Church of Jesus" of Mexico, is not prospering as that reverend gentleman had hoped it would.

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Reported for The Catholic Mirror. CULTURE AND CATHOLICITY.

FATHER RYAN'S ABLE ADDRESS ON THE TRUE PRINCIPLES OF LIBERAL EDUCATION.

The second lecture of the winter course at Loyola College was delivered last Monday night. The college hall has been tastefully decorated and refitted, and is now one of the prettiest in the city.

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all muscle, and to treat him as if he were is not to develop but to destroy what is noblest in his nature. There must be physical exercise for the healthful development of the body; but there must be mental, exercise, too, for the healthful development of the soul.

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WILL MARTIAL LAW SETTLE IRELAND?

Boston Pilot. History, not opinion, gives the answer. The following shocking announcement from London, following the malignant pronouncement of the Orange Society in Ireland, compels the consideration of both the Irish and English people.

From Strongbow in the 12th century to Cromwell in the 17th, England tried martial law in Ireland, and failed in all directions except in the harvest of rebellion and hatred.

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THE TRUE CHURCH AND THE SECTS.

CATHOLICITY INCREASES OVER TWO HUNDRED PER CENT. IN THIS COUNTRY SINCE 1850.

The rise and fall of religious creeds in the country is very interesting as showing the tendency of things with us. Since 1850 the Methodists have kept pace with the growth of population.

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THE CATHOLIC RECORD.

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS FOR EARLY MASSES By the Paulist Fathers.

Preached in their Church of St. Paul the Apostle, Fifty-ninth Street and Ninth Avenue, New York.

OCTAVE OF ST. JOHN. "One thing I have asked of the Lord, this will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life."

The practical Christian, dear brethren, is not the man who goes to Mass on Christmas Day or at Easter, who receives the Sacraments at the time of a mission or on his death-bed, and passes the remainder of his life in forgetfulness of his Creator.

How can you, day after day, add sin to sin? How can you wallow deeper and deeper in the mire? Have you a spark of honor left in your breast? Where is your manliness? Are you men at all?

How can you think upon yourselves, who are beset with the pitch of iniquity? You unclean of heart, you grovelers, behold yourselves! Look upon the fearful ruin you have brought upon your immortal souls!

Do you call yourselves Christians? Christians! You Christians! In what are you like Christ? What part have you in Him? Do you keep His law? Do you imitate His example?

Do you live by His divine life—have you His sanctifying grace? You are not worthy of the name. You are renegades—traitors to the King you promised at your baptism to serve, and have gone over to the camp of His enemy.

Praying and Begging. Catholic Columbian. Most persons, when they kneel down to pray, ask for something. They are always begging. They want this grace bestowed on them, that affliction removed from them, the other temporal good granted them.

APPROVED RECIPES.

CHOCOLATE PIE, CREAM AND FROSTING. One cup sugar, butter the size of an egg, one egg, one cup milk, one teaspoonful cream tartar, one-half teaspoonful soda.

CREAM TO PUT BETWEEN THE LAYERS. Not on the top—One-fourth cake of Baker's Chocolate grated fine, one-half cup milk, one cup sugar, one egg. Beat the chocolate, sugar and egg together, and pour into the boiling milk; boil till thick enough.

SOFT GINGER BREAD—One cup best New Orleans molasses, 1/2 cup hot water or coffee, 3 tablespoonfuls shortening, 1 1/2 cups flour, 1 teaspoonful each of ginger, cinnamon and soda.

CREAM PANCAKES—Take the yolks of two eggs, mix them with half a pint of good cream and two ounces of sugar; fry as thin as possible in lard, grate sugar over them and serve hot.

ESCALLOPED OYSTERS—Butter some scallop shells and line them with bread crumbs soaked in milk, drain the oysters and lay them in (four are enough for one shell), season with pepper and salt, cover with a thick layer of crumbs also soaked in milk, put tiny bits of butter on top, and bake on a quick oven fifteen minutes.

CHICKEN PIE—Take two full-grown chickens, joint them, and cut the backbone, &c., as small as convenient. Boil them with few slices of salt pork in water enough to cover them; let them boil quiet, then take out the breastbone.

CHOCOLATE CARAMELS—One cup each of white and brown sugar, two squares of Baker's chocolate, a piece of butter the size of an egg, and one scant half-cup of milk.

WHY JEWS LIVE SO LONG. The New England Medical Monthly comments very favorably on the proverbial long and healthful lives of the Jews.

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