

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS.

Fourth Sunday in Lent. THE LAST OF THE EYES.

Have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For the things that are done by them in secret, it is a shame even to speak of.

Some weeks ago, my dear brethren, we had occasion to speak of the horrible and filthy vice of impurity, which is every day dragging into hell thousands of souls with the mark of the cross of Christ on them...

Now, I hardly need to say that a city like this is full of these temptations coming through the eyes into the heart. The good and pure instinctively avoid them, and scarcely know that they exist...

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Now, what does our Lord say of those who thus put temptation in the way of the young and innocent? You all know His words: "He that shall scandalize one of these little ones who believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone should be hanged about his neck, and that he should be drowned in the depth of the sea."

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A LITTLE WHITE DRESS.

By MARY CATHERINE CROWLEY.

"Only three weeks more, Constance. Aren't you glad?" said Lillie to her little companion and neighbor as they hurried to school.

"Indeed I am. But it's so long in coming!" sighed Constance. "The days never seemed to go so slowly before."

"I have made a calendar, and every morning I cross off a date, there are already seven gone since the 1st of May," explained Lillie, with a satisfied air, as if she had discovered the secret of adding "speed to the wings of time."

What is a grand holiday that our young friends were anticipating so eagerly, or the summer vacation, now drawing near? One might suppose something of the kind. But not at all.

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THE LATE FATHER CASEY.

He was Widely Known and Much Esteemed by Men of all Sets—Villa Maria Academy—A Fortune for Church Uses.

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"My dear sir," asked the Baron, politely, "did you see anything else worthy of note on the island?"

"I observed," replied the young man, indignantly, "that it was fortunate enough to possess neither pigs nor Jews."

"Indeed!" said the Baron, blandly, not losing his temper in the least. "What do you say to accompanying me to that privileged spot?"

"That's all very well to say," answered Eugenia. "The nuns can enforce these rules in their boarding-schools, but hardly in a day-school like this."

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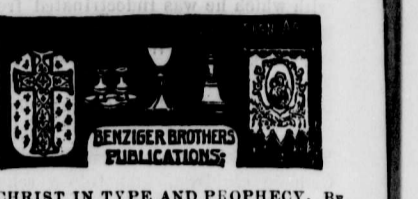
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