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## CATHOLIC CHRONICLE

(11) XX

MARRYING A MERCHANT;

## pride punished.

What do gou think of Mr. Bradford? ? asked a young lady to her friend Josephine Alli. ${ }^{\text {son. }}$ 'I thiak he's nothing but a clerk,' was the liar tops of the head.

I I am sure I cannot see anything to sneer at in the condition of a clerk,' continued Josephine's
'Thes are well enough in therr place,' mas the reply. 'But 1 want to have
dersirappers running atter me.
' Well, there's Mr. Hambletori. He's not a clerk. What do you think of bum?
I I thins be's a mechanic, and that's a thound times worse! Marry a mechanic! lul sand times worse! Marry a mechanic!
bear my maden pame to the grave first! bear my marden dame to the grave first
"If he is a mechanic he is doing a good bus ness, and he is an inteligent wan.
'I don't care if he is. He needn't come alter me, $I$ can tell him. I am not going to lower mpself by any such connexion. ' In what class do gou expect to marry? 'ask ed the friend.
' Why, I expect to marry a merclant.
‘ Wouldón't a joung doctor do? - No.
: Why not?

- Because goung doctors, unless they whent fortunes, generally cut their garments out a very scant patlerns.

You look for the mosey, then?
'1 look to be well taken care of, and to be sustuined in good society, when I marry.'

Why not take a lawger, then?
' Because lbeg're ditto
'Or a minster $\hat{\text { ' }}$
Ditto. I're no notion of being compelled to cut and carre in order to make a small income last througk the year I'm not one that and nest year alter them to sutt the fashion buyiog a new brdy for an old skirt in the apring and new eleeves for that in the fall. No, noI'm not as economist, Mary, and would adrise all young fellows who expect an economi me, to steer clear of Josemhine Allison. ${ }^{\text {' Would you not be willing to share any lot } 10}$ we with the mad you relly lave
' $N \mathrm{No}, \mathrm{I}$ would not. When poverty comes in at the door, love, you know fles out of the win-
dow.' ' I do not know acy such thing, Josephine. In my opision, no change in external circumstances
can effect the love of a married pair, if that love can effect the love
be truls founded?

Why, reatly, Mary, I did not suspect you of a teadency to romance.
Josephne Allison was the daughter of a batter Who lad managed, by elase attention to business to rose a large familt, and lave a fem thousand of dollars left-say twenty thousand. This sum divided amongst his eight children, would not. of course, leave enher of them rery wealthy. Bnt as Mr. Allison was repured to be a rich man, his daugbters had plenty of beaux. And a the extent of their father's mealth, thep very naturaliy, over-estimated it, and, as naturallp naluralif, over-estimated it, and, as natu
over-estimated themselses in consequence.
Mr. Bradford, the goung man who had been Mr. Bradord, he goung man who had been
alluded to by Josephine in a tone of contempt, Was chuef clerk in a large mercantile house. Having met Miss Allison frequently in companp mechanacs, she found it impossibie, owing, as she alleged, to the loose morals ol societp, to avord coming soto unpleasant contact with themBradord felt bimself a good deal drawn towards her. He, therefore, sougbt her company, and endeavored to concilate ber favor, But her mauner ionards him was cold and reserved.This he at first thought might be natural to her, but, after a while, be observed that she could be courteous and affable, even on' a first introducton, to some, and as cold as an ceicle to others.
The reason of this be was unable to define $;$ but be very soon made up his mind; that he at least


#### Abstract

mould not attempt to cultrate the friendship


 one who seemed so evidently disinclined to reeyes ceased to be dazzled by the strnnger ligint, eges ceased to be dazzled by the strnnger ligit,he was enabled to see that which was far more interesting and attractive in the gentle. amiable, and accomplished Mary Grant. An affection deeper, purer, calmer, and far more ra-
tional, took possession of bis mand-an affection tional, took possession of his mund-an affection hat found a return to the gentle bosom of Mary. In the meantime, a Mr. Erskine, who bad jusi npened a retail dry-goods-store, became acquainted with Josephine, and forthwith made a bold assault upon the citidel of ber heart. He was a merchant, and, of course, all was right io te of the world, and was, therefore, not so much disposed to judge altogether by first appearances. But be was overruled by Mrs. Aldison, who wanted to be molber-in-law to a ' merchant,' as like distuguished undiriducl.

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Io dur ine M. Lis offer for e bach of and was accepted without an unnecessary delay. I wo months passed, furnished tis house, for whed. Mr. Erskine had furnisbed his house, for whict he bad engaged to
pay a high reat, in elegant style, for one who was not a rich man. Aod certainly be was on even if be were a 'merchant.' In conmencing business, he had not a single dollar in real capital. Several jobbing bouses had unted in furanshing bim with a faur stock of goods, because, as a clerk, be bad been active and sbrewd, and it was thought that he could not fail 10 do well, if prudent. In Mr. Alinson the thought that be had found his man, and in Josephnee, a girl who would make quite a sbowy wife. Under these riems and feelings he had married. And, with a viem to mislead as to bis real condition, be had furnished bis bouse at trice the expense required Erergthing went on 'seimmingly,' as they sap Josephue never got tired of looking at and admring her beautiful house and furniture; nor o reflecting urad her own elevated position. She vistred and rerisited visitors; went to partirs and gave partise, wilh an untiriog relish. Neper Everywbere she was received with attention, for was she not the wife of Mr. Erskine, 'merchant? - street?

Time passed on, and sundry square litile bits paper, handed to by a quiet matter-of-fact look ing incivididual, began to accumulate on a wire pont just over Mr, Erskioe's desk, starıog him in the face, whenever he looked up in a masing attitude, from morning untill bigbt, day afier day. Presently, two or three of these notices would be taken from the file every morning, and checks Glled up, covering the amount they called for, and all dispatched to the bank. But for everg one disposed of, two would come in th place: This continued until the en!are balance in the bank was drawn out.
'What must be cone now? the merchant asked of humself. 'Why 1 must bave an accommadation,' was the mental conclusion. 'Bul tant question,' he went on to asy. 'It's only be to come down on the old gentleman so soon Lat me see. There are Wison, and Jones, and Hambleton. Can't I venture to ask one of them? Ithiak so. These is Hambleton. He bas always sold ine as free as the air. No doubt he has perfect confidence; and now that I bave old Mr. Allison at my back, will go on
my paper at a rord. I will try bim first, anyow.' And, so saying, Erskine sought the store f Mr. Hambletoo.
'Good morning, Erskine!' sald that indiviwal, smiling, and extending bis band in a frank encourag.ng manner. 'What can I sell yo I don't know. What have gou that is new Come up stairs and see,' Mr. Hambleton eplied. And the two went up, and spent balf a bour in turnog over various kinds and atples 200ds. Atter buying several packagea which he did want, and as many more that
did, not want, Erskine sary, or thought that

HONTREAL, FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 1870.
'I shall want a httle business favor, I believe, Mr. Hambleton,' he said, with a coolness that d credit to bis sell control.
'Say on,' rephed Mr. Hambleton, with an acouraging smile, 'aoything that re can do for ou shall be most cheerful to me.
'In a word, thecis Mr. Hambletod, I mant good name on a note. Most of my first pay ments are now falling due, and you krow that it is imposable for a new begioner to meet everybing witbout a little help.

- Of course it is, but, I am sorry to tell jou hat it is entirely out of my power to aid you in hat way. Althougt dong business in my own name, I bave a partaer, and our contract is posi uve that deitber shall eadorse or give bis note wilhout the consent of the other.'


## amount, in my case?'

- No. I have treed
‘Do you thins Wilson would object to dain the favor $I$ ask of gou?" Erskiue inquired, mus. $\stackrel{\text { iogly. }}{4}$
I really cannot tell. 1 sbould think doubtful, however. Men in business are very eautious in regard to these matters. So many persons bave been ruined by endorsin
one likes to put his name to paper.?
' Some other way will open, then,' Erskine 1 ried, in a tone of assumed cheierfuloess. nust bave an indorser,' ie suld to himself, as walked towards bis store. But who shall I get ? But, if he enpbell-1 couid get bim, I suppose or him, and I don't want to have my name to ommon in the market. Besides, his is not the most substantial concera in the city.'
Annther examination of bis cash account, and an estimate of tis payment and probable recespt ior the next two months-during which tume hi more than erer, Two or three efforts more yere made to indorsement by a substantial house, but falling in this, he at last called upon Campbell.
'I want your aame on these noles,'
 presenting two bill drawn bp himseif in
- Cerlanoly! with the greatest of pleasure, ejoned Campbell, taking up a pen and placing is name, with a flourish, upon each of the notes As he handed them back to Erakine, be said, ' If
I can serve gou in this way at any tume, be sure can berve jou
- You are certainly very kinui,' Erskibe said.

During the morning, be bad bis two notes coaveged to the discount boxes of two differen banks, whose boards sat early on the succeeding

Campbell, he knew, was not esteemed ta be very sound. His paper was of lie quality aless strongly bolstered up. His sleep during bat nght was brief and troubled, for his pay ments on the neast day were heavy, for one of his business resources. At last it was ascer be otber discounted. The relief experienced from the proceeds of one note, was of so muct moment to hum, that he bore the disappointment of baving the other returned with quite a philoophic air. On the next day he succeeded in etting that one discounted also. He was now otes carried bim along in tis pasmeat in comfortabls. About a week aifer payment gutie comfortably. About a week after bis applicatio

' Oae good rurn, they say, deserves another, he sald, laughing, as he came to the desk wher Erskine mas sitting. ' You were so bind as 1 accept my indorsement a few daps ago, and now
I wish to return the favor, by askiog your name Irish to retura the favor, by asking your name this little bit of paper.
'Certaioly, certaialy! For how much is at? esponded Erskine.

- Oniy for fifteen huadred dollara.

The note wis, of course, iodorsed. As Erskine
thoug bt; at the thme be was writing his name:on
the back of the bill, that was ooly the beginoing
$f$ a dangerous kind of business. Before tbree bell to the amount of ten thousand for CampCampbell for him to the thousand dolars, and Campbell for bim to the amount of six Innusanc.
These operations bad the effect of making ErThese operations had the effect of makiog Er-
kine's business go on as smootbly as he could skine's business go on as smootbly as be could
wish, tor a tume. But bis billsfor furniture \&ce., wish, tor a thme. But bis billsfor furniture \&ce.,
now began to fall due, and be was agoun at bii nts' ends for the means hereby to meet bi ngagements. Borroming monep, to be re tarned in a lew days, bat been resorted to, and lound to be a verg troublesome and worrying busness. He had become iovolved is this to perplexing extent-borroming to-day to pay one riend and to.morrow to pay another, and on the ext day to meet a note.
It was tnwards the close of the first year of marriage, that Erskine found it mopossible in hw. Several of Campbell's notes wheb had fallen dae, that madividual had found himself un ble to lift. Of course Erskine bat to raise the mount to prevent bis own name trom being dishonored. His own accommodation paper the bank refused to renew, unless be would give hem some better indorser, But one day 10 ve himself presented itself, and that was to $R$ Mr. Allison. The time for making use of that long-contemplated resource bad now full come, and accordingly Erskine waited upon
father in-law, and made known bis wishes.

- That is a thing $I$ hare nerer in mp life aske
any man;' was tioe reply. 'I bave seen so raany mea rouned by indarsiug for others, that ave steadly persuted in netther asking no
- But I can assure gou, Mr. Allisnn, tha there is not the slightest danger in this case, arged Erskice.
ls pourname oa any one' paper?
This question Erstrine had expected, and be ade up bis mind to answer ' No,' and he did so Mr. Allison.


## - Fiow much money do gou want?

- My heariest payments tall due this month ad I must have at least six tho"sand dollars wore than $m y$ sale and collections will reaiz. Aftur that I sball be as easy as an old shoe? I don't thank any baok will do $m y$ note for arge a sum as six thousand dollars,'
'Oh, yes, they will But I did not think of fering a single cote of hat amoubl. If monid be betler to mike three notes of two thousand


## nks.

St:ll the ofd man besitated, and urged objec '10as ; but these were all met and set aside. At
last Er.kine's perseverance gained the pictorp oid be got nossession of gain Allisoo otes, to the amoust of six thousand dollars, the um for which be had asked. Tbese went brough the bunks as scon as offered.
Everything went on again, for a short time as.smooth as a summer sea; aud Erekine suf fered hunself once more to relapse into a false ecuritp. He purchased mare freely, and caraenced inviling some of the country merctants make bills wilb hims sulfering them to take ad a fmall adrance, at four and six moniths. While these thing pay nong oo, his wife was passibg the time in ple nogg oo, hiones of the hime in plea hich she was apuroching She felt more ad ore ' uphfied' every das, in consequen of postion in saciety, as the wife of a'mercbant ad bad eren ceased to remember some three or four of her goung freends who bat been so vul gar as to marry into the 'common berd' below
'It's really time that you were married,' sh sald to her friend, Mary Graut, about a gea after her own bappy escape from the delights o single blessed
will suit you.?

Do you, 10deed! Who's be ?
He's a young merchant, who has been in busidiass about a year.
Well, what is bis name?
Edmart Parkion.?
Mary shools her head.

Whr do shake your head, and look such deopposino?
Because Edmard Perkins is not exactiy the (for me, is he is a merchant.'
Why not?
He does not suit my fancy, Josepbine, and Whid not if be were the prince of nerchants,'
Who does suit your lancy then, Mary? For Who does suit yout lancy then, Mary? For sure I canaot tell.
'As we are on this subject, Josephne, I will ell you, more particularly, as one of mp errands re this morning was to inform you that I am be married in a couple of weeks.'
' Married! Why you take me all by eurprise. ad now that you bave told me that mucb, tell who the bappy fellow is.
His oame is Bradford. I suppose you koow
Mary, you candot be in earnest ${ }^{\text {Pr }}$ Mrs. Ernoe said, in a changod tone, and with a sobered countenance.

And why not, Jose phine?
Marry Mr. Bradford! Surely you cannot Marrest
Marry a clark! A mere nobody!
He is a man, and a gentleman!' was Marg's m and diguifed reply. 'And further Mrs. rikine as 1 bave just intimated, he come mp husband in two weekg. You will,
herefore see the propnety of chosing your words therefore see the propnet
rather more carefully.
-Certaıaly, Mary, and I must apologize, I uppose far my seeming rudeness. But; indeed; hat gou say paios me exceedingly. Surely you are not going to reduce yourself to the level of a man who is only a clerk. Don't jou see, that au will at ance lose your stallon in societp ${ }^{\text {s/2 }}$ - Most cheerfully will I give up any position I have held, to become the wife of the mat sult in this case.
' You will find pourself mistaken, then, $I$ can tell you,' Mrs. Erskine replied, drawing herself with a certan digotied air.
'I do not fear it. I know of no one who will hiok any the less of me.'
If they do not thant the less of you, Mary, thll you canaot be admutted, except alone, into goed enciety.'
'How do you mean alone?'
I mean withnut your husband




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MONTREAL, FBIDAY, JUNE 3, 1870 beclesiastioal oalendar.


nems of tee week
The nems of the raid upon Canada bad natur.
ally excted much iodignation in England. The ally excited much iodignation in England. The
Times whilst giviag the Presideat ample credi for bys efforts to enforce the municipal laws the States, and those bigher laws which are
binding on all cormunulies of men cla ming to be evivised, expresses its adienation at the object for which Canalian ard $U$. States' troips bave beether it is the totention of the Imperial Goreromment to undertake its due sbare of upboldiog the bonor of tis fag, and the protection of the the Altantic: or whother it proposes to leave then to themselves and thereby renounce all claims to their allegraace. Ar must an once mals coirses.
The Trsh Land Bill, s, we hope, by this trme before the House of Lords, where we also hope that it mat receive a farorable conssideraition. for repealing the Ecclesi
been read a second time.
Though the French Emperor bas obtained an immense mayority in the late appeal to the people, the posituo of his Goveroment seems by no
means secure. There is great discootent with the present order of things. From Rome there 13 notbing new to report. The great question of
Papal Iofalliblity will,tit is thougbt, be carried by
 Council and be publicicty anoounced on the Fesse f SS. Peter and Paul, the 29'h inst.
We bave devoted the greater portion of our the omisson of otber matter. Of course these reports must the recerved mith. catuon, as in the
exertement that prevals, false rumors easly ob exetrement that prevals, false rumors easly ob cious grain of truti from the mass of falsehood which it is too often burred. contrinues to improve. He A. Macdonald danger is over for the present.

## THE OOUNOLL.

(Frome the vatican.)
The world contioues to ask, as P.late asked able to answer the question, but the world, which does not care to know, mill not hearken to her Volce. It prefers to die in its error, and has fuil
liberty to co so. The decrees of the Vatcan Council, although they are decrees of the Holy Gbost, conveg no instruction to the world. Its thesma ; the arrogance of rationalism, and the dreary syatems of naturalism, are again conthema; ; because these old errors are revived no ur generation, and propagated io many lands, at hough we sta ind ia the himes of the paga sophist, and bad never heard of Hiw who is the
Way, the Truh, and the Life. Proteataotism be master suvention of the enemy of man, anid he chef dissolvent of Cbristian faith and unity, hear condacted millons beck to paganism.-

- derifore the Hoty Vatican Councel begios by condemning all the forms of unbelief characteris Io our age.
In the next General Congregation, the Sche Ma de Parvo Catechismo, as modifidd by the Commisssion de Disciplina, was to be finally dis several ieasiong, and forly. one Fathers have addressed the Council upon it, the adoption of this Christendom, cxanot be long delared.

was uade to the Councel of the immediate dis
cussion of the queston of Pontifical Inlallibility,
The forty--ieventh Creneral Congregation was held on the 29th of April. The Cardinal Archbishop of Bordeaur, Mgr. Donnet, Girst addressed the Council, and is sand to bave urged at the without delay, te the discussion of Pontifical Intallibility, for the good of the Church and the peace of the faituful. Upon this one of the
Cardinal Presidents rose, and nformed the Council tbat the Holy Father, toluapced by the mo the immediate introdaction of that important question.
It is
nurce of observation, and will bea ushop of Paris, in a circular to the clergy of bis as follows:-" The period of expectation canoo now be prolonged, and whatever the Council
may do or decide, fath teaches us that $2 t$ will e well done and well decided."
The forty-seventh Congregation resumed the fele read a paper for the Archbishop of Vienna and addresses were made by the
Guastalla, Saluzz, and Savanaah.
The forly-eighth General Congregation met on the 30th of A pril. The discussion of the Lillte Arignon, and the Bishups of Lucon, Parma. Autun, Mayence, Pirmouth, Chiton, Treves and Seckau. The rote mas to be taken on the
nauing dap, and the discusstion of the Schema de Summo Pontifice was to follow immediatly.

The Gazette de France, the most violent and unscrupulous of the liberal Catholic jourosls. be Bistop of Sasot Louts and the Archhishop of Cuncionati to Mgr. Dupaoloup. According to
his document, of which we bave no reason oubt the autbenticity, these two America Prelatea say: "We are far from desiring t
censure the motives mhich oductem or he northy and learned Archbibiop to publish is letter;" and they add: "We willongly coness that anoong the Prelates of the new Cburch The United States the great majority admin argue nay judge of the nature of therr argumenis from the fact that they seriously ask bow the Irioh, mod form the mass and the support of the Ca
holic Cburch in United State," will be per vaded to admit that Pope Adrian IV, who was an Englisbman, "was infallible in giving Ireland Heory II ?" They do not say which dogma Che fatth was defined by that act, probably the omission is to be regretted. Perbaps जe may add, mith due reapect for these excelleat Prelater, that the exultation with which all sucb rouments are recersed by the la miess and im Ous can hardl) recoll .ie of heir vearable colleagues has well ob rerogatives of the Roman Pontiff, and his words cannot be too often recalled:-" What kind of Ghrst the enemies of the name of Jesus Chrest ?"



 Now, Dearly Beloved Brethren, by asking and taining from the Holy Fatker leave to retar we have understood that we were not dispensed far as it depends upon, in the mork of the In the bistory of Councils there is an evident is the preponderating action of prayer. N: oubt, consideration and the most mature delle : for the promised assistance of the Holy Gbost does not exempt from labor, and does not on the contrary, it supposes and requires all these : and it is truly in Councils that these iwo greal things, we mean science and reason, maurfest themselves with most fecuadity and success. there science 19 always gnided by fatth; and reason always humbly subject to dupine authority, ror: but it is not less true to it from every above all, a mork of praper.
"Unless the Lord build the house, says the hopbel, they labor in valn that buid it. Unless keepeth it.". (Ps. 126.)
The edifice which th tha Falican labors to bulld at preseat, is the

Holy Temple of truth and justice, whach need,
the divine arechitect: the' city it Eeep, ni the city of God, ib
It is true that Jesus Christ has promised to be, all days, with his Church, even to the con ummation of the world, in order to defend agaiast all the attacks of hell, and to keep it for eres from all errors; and bis promises are tom but the certapty canot fail to be accomplisbed ance does not dispense the Church from the ne cessity of amploring it: no more than the assuraoce, given to the just and to slaners, never to from the obligation of havicg recourse to prayer od the virtue of the sacraments, which are the bundance and efficacy.
The pastors of the Cburch, gathered to ether in Council, do not cease to be, by them seives, men weak and uncertann to their though/s.
It is the grace of God that it belongs to en lighten their intellect, and to raise up their thoughts, their mords and therr judgraents to the
beight of the immutable and eteraal truth they must acknowledge and proclaim. It is prager and this it is easy to understand, when we pay attention to the manner in which ibe Council of
the Vatican plaees prayer at the bead of all its deliberations.
, behold all these briops assembled fice of judges and of doctors in the faith. Thes begra by fulfiliog the holy duty of prajer These ministers of the Lord, these successors of the study of (yod's boly law; they are men of hieb intellect, xed of labor, profound doctors. for whom sacred sciences bare no longer any
secrets, and to whom no human science is range: and nevertheless, when entering into to pray, and that they must, above all, be mer. of prayer.
After having each one in particular said his Mass, they all assist again, in the attitude of the
most profound recollection, at the boly sacritice with which each congregation opens ite labors there they impiore the light of the Holy Ghos they pras for the Uaiversal Cburct, that God may exalt it, and give it peace; thes pray for
the Sovereigo Pontiff, the common Father of Pastors and faltbrul, in order that the Lord may which He has confided to him of ruling the whole Church: and that all the blesing, ing the he gives to the children of God, may be ruaed by all uoge te . country, thich the bave not ceased to love, in devoting themseives, in particular manner, to the service of God and of His Church, finally, they pray, with special lervor, for their nsople from whom they are se f Jesuc Cbist confided to therr soliatud ho of which thyy must, one day, render an account the Sovereign Pastor of souls.
Yes, Dearly Beloved Brethren, the failhful of heir dioceses are ever present in their thought and in their prayers, and much more stlll tha esembere, there, at Rome and at the Counci were it is their holy mission to occupy themselves, in a higher degree, with the sairation of
their respective flacks. Dearly Beloved Brethren, you were therefore there present with us yes, you were there, in our mind and in ou
heart, at every instant of the day; but, abov
all, at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, which all, at the Holy Sacrifice of the Biass, which
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vinced that Jesus Christ is truly in their according to His promise, and that their pray er is truly the prayer of that Universal Church
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onored it by their science, and glorified it by
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Permit us to speak of it here : we heard it, fo Permit us to speak of it here: : we heard it, for the Council of the Vatican opened, under th
invocation of Mary Immaculate. It was nounced by the Holy Father himself. Hi sonorous and penetrating voice still rings in our
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prayer is when we have seen the $H_{0}$ a prayer is when we have seen the Holy Pontiff the world in concert with all the Bisho He then said, and all the Council repeated with
"Behold us here, 0 Lord Holy Ghost, hold us: It is true that the number and the
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lovest sovercign justice. May we not permit
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be misled by human influence, corrupted by
interest or by personal interest or by personal considerations: but
unite us effectively by the gift of Thy grace Thee, ind order that nothing many mayse one wit viate from that which in truth. Thus united
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Wasistave may have accomplished, with the ternal rerward. Amen grace,
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What a sublime and holy prayer, Dearly
Belored Brethren; all that could be desired and asked of God, by the Fathers of a
Ecumenical Council, is therein contained, an
most admirably expressed! Thus you see,
is therefore on God's grace, before all thing
that the Council intends to rely. It is on the
assistance of the Holy Ghost, whom it implore assistance of the Holy Ghost, whom it implores
with so much fervor and confidence, that it mith so much fervor and confidence, that it
reckons and rests. It is then this
prayers, which will give to its decisions and all its decrees their authority, their strength an
their infalibility. Yes, its judgments and it decrees will be truly the judgments and the
decrees of the Holy Ghost ; and, in proclaiming hem for the instruction and the salvation
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Hes, in the first Council of Jerusalem: "Th
Holy Ghost has judged with us, and we har " judrged rith him.
From what we hare just said of prayer in
Holy Council, it follows, Dearly Beloved Brethren, 10 that, although we may not longer he happiness to do during our sojourn at Roma it is nevertheless still in our power to assist in its labors and in the accomplishment of its work of regeneration, by praying according to that
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part thereof, and to be counted among its memto absent ourself, it is a duty for us to kee our colleagues who hare remained present, an to join incessantly our prayers to theirs, in or
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And this indeed we have not failed to do since,
our great sorrow we have seen ourself obli are formed beforelf God the firm ; resolution to this o, with all the fervor of which we are capable
ontil the end of this great Council.... Thence follows also, Dearly Beloved Brethren hat you can associate yourselves with the Fa work, by praying with us for them. Piety
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is which we have intended above oll to make Which we have intended above all to make you oral, and it is also by this that we shal Is it not for you indeed, Dearly Belored Brethren, as well as for all lour brethren in the neaical Council of the world, that the Ecu voked? Is it not about you and about your
spiritual welfare that the Fathers of the Coun spiritual welfare that the Fathers of the Coun-
cil are occupied? Is it not in view of applying themselves, as they do, in seeking
remedies for the evils which afflict the world gitate modern society, and cannot fail to caus so eternal loss of innumerable souls? Is it not oou and your children that they seek to preagainst so many errors and viees, which menace the repose and happines of families, as well as
tho. peace and safety of nations? They have therefore a claim upon your gratitude, your ssistance, and your pious cooperation, and Continuc then to pray for the Holy Council, hat you have already prayed according to that atention, and that you have not ceased to do so, youe tefore day our which we recommended it to Yes, pray.for the Council, and pray unceasingly
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