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TO PROSELYTE ITALIANS.

About a year since it will be remem-
bered that there was in this city an
Italian missionary (Mr. Luigi Angelini)
who represented himself to be a min-
ister of the Free Church of Italy. He
lectured in several Protestant churches
and was unopposed by not a few
Protestant clergymen. A number of
ladies shortly after formed what was
named the "Angelini" missionary
society. Wednesday the annual
meeting of that organization was held
in the Brick church. Mark carefully
what took place!

Rev. Alfred Hutton, D. D., of St.
Peter's Presbyterian church addressed
the meeting. After eulogizing Mr.
(Angelini) Mr. Hutton thus proceeded,
according to a report published in
the Morning Herald:

In the opinion of Mr. Hutton, however,
no other missionary work can be carried
on at so slight an expense. The ministers
of the Free church are nearly all former
priests of the Roman Catholic church, so that
they are thoroughly equipped. This does
away with the need of expensive theological
schools. They are already on the grounds.
This saves travelling expenses. They are
also able to maintain themselves at very
small cost. In this way great results are
brought about by the expenditure of but
little money. Mr. Hutton called attention
to the fact that the gospel already existed
in Italy, while it has but a feeble foothold
in such countries as India, and Japan.
On results desired by the Italian Protestants,
he said, was to effect a reformation in the
Roman Catholic church by surrounding it
with Protestant environments.

The italics in the above extract are
ours. It is no wonder the Free
church needs little money! They ac-
cept as ministers, as they say, former
priests of the Catholic church, whom
the Church has educated, but who
have become apostate renegades or
have been kicked out of their own
church. This is in accord with the
usual mode of procedure of the Pro-
testants. Against them are thor-
oughly equipped. This does away
with the need of expensive theological
schools. This statement is rather
illogical. These ministers have been
educated in the Roman Catholic f. ch., so
radically different from the Protestant,
that the latter must needs bend
all its efforts toward a futile attempt
to extirpate it. Still this theological
training is perfectly sufficient for, and
adapted to, the Free Protestant
church in Italy! This statement is
so ridiculous that we never expected
it of a man said to be so profoundly
educated as Mr. Hutton.

Mr. Hutton asserts that these min-
isters can maintain themselves at
very small cost. Don't doubt that in
the least. While we have no late
private advices from Crisp, still
judging from H. Macherone's latest
speech he would be pleased to ac-
cord assistance to any one who
would do anything towards weaken-
ing the Catholic church in Italy. Mr.
Hutton you are perfectly right in
minimizing that the Gospel exists in
Italy. It has existed there ever since
the illumination of the Christian era,
but not exactly as you would wish to
have it. But you are wrong in asserting
that the Gospel has but a feeble
hold in India or China. The truth,

as preached by noble and heroic mis-
sionaries of the Catholic church, has
obtained a "firm foothold" in the
countries named. The Protestants
are beginning to realize that while
they were sleeping we have been at
work.

In the last sentence Mr. Hutton
puts forth in a species; but false;
light the Protestant position on the
Catholic church in Italy. "Effect a
reformation" is good! The Protestants
are great reformers in the iron
judgment. The reformation is to
wish to accomplish in Italy is to
crush out the Catholic church by
drawing Protestant environments so
tightly around it that it will be stran-
gled. They are capable assistants of
the infamous Crisp, who would re-
duce the Pope to plain Bishop of
Rome, so that his Holiness would not

be able to raise his voice in protest
against the indignities and insults
offered the Vatican. Cannot the
Protestants see they are being used
as tools? Crisp has no respect for
them. He has been elected to the
highest office in the Sicilian Freemasons,
who have followed the example
of the Grand Orient of France and
eliminated the word "God" from their
ritual. If the Catholic church is ever
crushed out in Italy, these Free
church people will soon be floundering
in the mud of their own creation.
The only hope of religious freedom in
Italy, or in fact of the existence of
religion in Italy at all, depends upon
the continuance of the Pope in that
country, and the freer he is; the greater
progress will religion make.

In closing the Morning Herald's re-
port stated that the Italian school
started in this city a short time ago,
was in a flourishing condition. So
this is the philanthropic idea that dic-
tated these good ladies' concern for
the poor, ignorant Italian! To wean
him from his religion! What hypocrites!

BE CAREFUL:
People differ as to the propriety of
attending theatres. Some are so rigid
that they never attend a play. Others
hold that a play which tends to in-
struct or give a person an idea of how
things are done in parts of the world,
which he has no other means of ascer-
taining of which gives one a chance
of using his laudable powers, is not
only not harmful but sometimes bene-
ficial. The first named class, if they
conscientiously think a play will have
a demoralizing effect upon them, wa-
ll admire for upholding their convictions.

The second class, if they do not make
play-going a business to the detriment
of more solid pursuits, are conscientious
in their convictions.

There are plays and there are plays.
Some plays, in fact, far too many—
are thoroughly vicious and should not
be witnessed by any one who has a
particle of respect for himself. To the
latter class belongs a "show" that, as
the daily papers state, has been drawing
large audiences all the past week
in one of the theatres of the city and
which was heralded long before its
appearance by disgusting lithographs.
To the same class, although it ap-
pears at a more aristocratic house and
at higher prices, is a play that will be
in Rochester during the last half of
next week. We refer to "La Tosca."
Those who have read the novel know
something of the play. To those who
have not, we beg leave to state that
"La Tosca" is a vivid example of bas-
tical sensuality, from beginning to end.
Sensuality and vice form the ground-
work of the play; sensuality and vice
make up the plot; the climax is but the
effect of sensuality. In fact, sensu-
ality is not merely incidental to the
play, but forms the very foundation
upon which is built the structure of
vice and immorality. The first act is
supposed to represent a Catholic
chapel in which devotes are praying
at the shrine of one of the Saints. In
the same chapel, too, is laid the
groundwork for all the disgusting de-
velopments which follow. What a
mockery! What an insult to our
Holy Catholic Church! No Catholic
who has a iota of respect for his
church will be seen at a performance
of "La Tosca."

The JOURNAL extends its congrat-
ulations to O. F. Williams, the newly
appointed consul to Havre, France.
Consul Williams deserves the honor
from a Republican administration be-
cause his talents have always been at
the disposal of his party.

The Toronto Globe says: "Of course
we cannot safely reckon that there is any
humiliation to which Sir John Macdonald
and his colleagues will refuse to submit
Canada; at the instance of Downing street.
Equally, of course, the two great powers
would never think of making the Pope
their arbitrator without the consent or
instigation of Ottawa." The selection of
the Pope as an arbitrator has never been
seriously discussed by American news-
papers, because they regard the report about
his possible selection as an absurd news-
paper invention.—*Democrat and Chronicle*.

To be sure, the *Democrat* does not
seriously consider the possibility of
the Pope being asked to arbitrate in
the fisheries matter. It never con-
siders anything seriously, consequently
its opinion has little weight, es-
pecially in anything in which the
Catholic church is concerned.

But to consider this question seriously.
What better person could be selected
as arbiter? Who would be less
prejudiced? Who would have fewer
personal ends to further? As the
Apostle, more the pity, is a
spiritual, not a temporal, sovereign, he
would be more free and untrammeled
to decide the case upon its merits than
any commission from any nationality
in Europe. If a European arbiter is
to be selected, no fitter choice could
be made than Pope Leo XIII. To be
sure his Holiness has no need of the
honor, neither is it probable he would
accept the arduous task imposed, but
that is no argument against the fitness
of the choice.

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS.

Yesterday and to-day cannot well
be separated in the minds of Catho-
lics. Yesterday the gates of heaven
were opened to us and we saw the
Saints and Martyrs happy in the

redeeming love of the Savior of man-
kind; we saw the blessed Virgin Mary,
standing near her divine Son; we saw the gentle St. John and the
outspoken St. Peter; we saw the great Apostle Paul and all that long
list of holy ones who have left this
world of sin for a land where nothing
unholy can come.

To-day we turn towards the place
where our loved ones who have gone
on before, and are not cleansed from
the stain of sins committed in this
life, are waiting the time of their de-
liverance. They seem to ask us to
redouble our prayers in their behalf.
Let us not forget the duty we owe
our departed friends, for he who neg-
lects to say prayers for dead relatives
may lie be so neglected when he dies

time we arise until we retire. There is
no difficulty in prayer. Pray morning
and night and when temptations assail
you. What shall we pray for? You
know best. We shall never be without
temptation or a need for prayers until we
have left the world. You will find that
there is no happiness on earth save com-
muning with God and employing that
channel of communication—prayer.

AT ST. MARY'S.

Some Pertinent Remarks by Rev. J. P.
Stewart.

Last Sunday the 7 a. m. Mass at St.
Mary's was celebrated by Rev. J. P. Stewart;
the 8:30 a. m. Mass by Rev. Felix
O'Hanlon, and the 10:30 Mass by Rev.
M. J. Clune.

Rev. J. P. Stewart preached. Before
the sermon his reverence spoke a few
pointed words to the young people and to
parents. He said that if young people be-
haved properly on the streets no one
would think of making an improper re-
mark to them or offering an insult. To
parents, the speaker urged the importance
of paying careful attention to their chil-
dren, and made some pertinent remarks
upon the necessity of watching carefully
the children's progress at school and of
paying occasional visits there to encour-
age pupils, teachers and priests. He closed
by saying that if parents were indifferent
to their children's spiritual welfare, that
when infidelity was stamped and impressed
upon their brazen brow, the indifferent
parent would fully realize the curse God
had pronounced against such as they;
while, on the other hand, if they studied
their children's spiritual needs, they would
raise an effectual barrier against the tide
of infidelity now sweeping o'er the land.

In announcing the All Souls' services,
Father Stewart said those who did not
pray for their deceased relatives were in-
grates to the core, and that when the cold
clod had been thrown on their cold carcass
no one would say a prayer for them, be-
cause they were unmindful of the afflicted
in their own life.

In the course of his sermon Father
Stewart said: "There are gradations in
gospels we read: some touch our hearts
more intimately than others, but the one
of to-day seems particularly to do so.
This man's son was sick unto death;
Christ refused to go to him because He
said they would not believe save they saw
miracles."

"Prayer is the divine language of the
soul; the hope of the souls in Purgatory;
it is an elevation of the thoughts of the
soul to God. Prayer is the ladder that
reaches to heaven, the link that binds our
souls to eternal life, the means of stretch-
ing forth and taking the gifts of God.
Are there many that elevate their hearts?
How seldom is the soul raised to heaven!
Some ask how often and how long they
shall pray. Long prayers are not required
unless your own spiritual condition al-
lows you to remain in that ecstatic state
which makes your time of prayer a little
heaven upon earth. Should we always
pray? Yes, but not by long prayers and
many words. The best way is by offering
the works of the day to God, because
then we have before us our duty from the

time we arise until we retire. There is
no difficulty in prayer. Pray morning
and night and when temptations assail
you. What shall we pray for? You
know best. We shall never be without
temptation or a need for prayers until we
have left the world. You will find that
there is no happiness on earth save com-
muning with God and employing that
channel of communication—prayer.

St. Mary's Orphan Asylum

On the evening of November 6th,
the twenty-fifth anniversary of St.
Mary's Orphan Asylum will be ob-
served. A large number of invitations
have been sent out and an en-
joyable time is expected. Several
who were inmates of the asylum
twenty-five years since will be pres-
ent to witness the ceremony.

St. Mary's Orphan Asylum was
opened by Rt. Rev. Bishop Timon in the
year 1864, near St. Mary's church on
South street, in a house which is now
part of the convent of the Sisters of
Mercy. Nine sisters of the congre-
gation of the Sisters of St. Joseph
came to this city and took charge of
the asylum. Mother M. Stanislaus being
the first Superior. In 1868 a new site
was bought for the asylum in the

same year the institution was opened
on the present lot in the old building
on the corner of West Hyde and
Genesee streets. The old house being
too small to accommodate the orphans,
a new building was erected in 1871
which is the present asylum. It is of
stone, three stories high, with a base-
ment for kitchen, dining room, etc.

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CONTEMPORARY OPINIONS.

The CATHOLIC JOURNAL, published at
Rochester, N. Y., is the latest in the field of
Catholic publications; neat, bright and
ambitious.—*Catholic Standard*

We welcome with pleasure the first
number of a neatly printed weekly news-
paper, just started in Rochester, N. Y.
The CATHOLIC JOURNAL contains an epito-
me of all that is interesting to its readers
in current events, with able leaders and
spicy editorial paragraphs. Our newly
born contemporary has our best wishes
for its success.—*Irish Canadian*.

The CATHOLIC JOURNAL is the name of
a new weekly started this month at Roch-
ester. It is devoted especially to the
Catholic news of Rochester and the di-
ocese, and is evidently in the hands of able
editors.—*Review Times*.

The CATHOLIC JOURNAL, a new paper
just started in Rochester, comes to us
this week. It is a neat, well edited four
page paper, and gives promise of a useful
future. We wish it long life and prosper-
ity.—*Ogdensburg Courier*.

We are in receipt of the initial number
of a new aspirant for fame, another CATH-
OLIC JOURNAL, published at Rochester,
N. Y. Its first page is embellished with
a portrait of Bishop McQuaid. It will
be devoted to the interests of Catholic
matters in the diocese of Rochester.—*Catholic Journal of the New South*.

The Catholics of Rochester, N. Y., can
now boast of a diocesan paper, one that
starts out this month with promise of
success. The CATHOLIC JOURNAL is a
neatly printed, four-page weekly paper,
exceedingly newsy and well edited. From
what we know of the Catholic spirit of
Rochester, and the Knight has a number of
subscribers there, we believe the JOURNAL
will meet with much substantial encour-
agement. The wonder has been that the
Flower City has been so long without a
Catholic paper. We wish our young con-
frere the fullness of success.—*Catholic
Knight*.

BISHOPS MCQUAID'S WORK.

On Sunday morning last, the Rt.
Rev. Bishop administered the Holy
Sacrament of Confirmation to a class
of about forty. The Bishop was as-
sisted by the pastor, Rev. Augustine
O'Neil and Rev. E. J. Hanna, D. D.
Notwithstanding the inclemency of
the weather, a large number, both
Catholics and Protestants, were pres-
ent to witness the ceremony.

Last Sunday was the tenth anni-
versary of the dedication of the Church
of the Most Holy Redeemer. At the
same time the Feast of the Most Holy
Redeemer was observed. Solemn
high mass was celebrated at 10 a. m.
by Rev. Jacob Staub, assisted by
Rev. John Van Ness of the Cathedral
as deacon, Rev. Felix O'Hanlon, sub-
deacon, Rev. Fidelis Oberholzer, mas-
ter of ceremonies. Very Rev. Joseph
Wirth, C. S. R. of St. Joseph's
Church preached the sermon. His
text was: "Because with the Lord
there is abundant mercy and with
Him abundant redemption." Excel-
lent music was rendered by the choir,
a new mass being specially rehearsed
for the occasion. The sacred edifice
was filled to overflowing.

New Publications.

"Two Spiritual Retreats for Sisters,"
mentioned last week, is from Fr. Pustel
& Co., New York and Cincinnati.

Weekly Church Calendar.

SUNDAY, Nov. 3.—Twenty-first after Pen-
tecost. Gospel Matthew xviii, 23-35.
St. Malachy, Archbishop of Armagh.
MONDAY, 4.—St. Charles Borromeo, con-
fessor.

TUESDAY, 5.—St. Martinus.
WEDNESDAY, 6.—See of Baltimore found-
ed in 1789.

THURSDAY, 7.—St. Florentine.

FRIDAY, 8.—Octave of All Saints.

SATURDAY, 9.—St. Theodore, Martyr.