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EDITOR OF CATHOLIC JOURNAL:

Dear Sir: I am completely disgusted with your position on the financial question. I supposed when I subscribed for the paper that it was to be a Catholic paper...

You mistake the temper of the people of the United States if you think that they will meekly submit to a British financial policy.

Yours respectfully, THOMAS WALSH.

Livonia, July 18, '96

Our correspondent accuses THE JOURNAL of seeking to perpetuate a British financial policy. We might remark in passing that it is the same system that is in vogue in Germany, in France, in Russia, and all the other countries in the Latin Union.

The point we wish to emphasize, however, is that THE JOURNAL is published, not as an organ of anti-British, anti-Irish, anti-Italian, anti-German, or anti-Spanish sentiment.

There are good points in all these peoples, even in England, and in her financial policy, and this paper does not propose to pose as an organ of sectionalism, although that is precisely what our correspondent apparently would have us do.

There are many of his countrymen who imagine that a Catholic paper is synonymous with an Irish and a British hating paper.

This is American; we are or should all be Americans. THE JOURNAL is a Catholic paper published in the interest of the Catholic church and of American institutions.

THE JOURNAL believes, as does every honest citizen, in an honest currency, for that is the very vital part of our government.

If our money is not good enough all the world over our national credit is impaired and our nation's honor stained.

THE JOURNAL cares not what standard prevails so long as every dollar of our currency is worth 100 cents all over the world.

If this can be brought about by a silver standard, well and good. If free silver cannot be guaranteed to do this, we do not want it.

There's our position in a nutshell. Is it a dishonest one? Is it in the interest

of the "Shylocks"? Perhaps, but it is equally in the interest of the farmer, the mechanic and the tradesman.

It may be that our correspondent imagines that when we use the words "sound money" or "honest money," we refer to the gold standard. If a gold standard means honest money, we are for it. If silver means honest money we are for it.

Our correspondent's point about interest rates is not well taken. If he has interest on mortgages to pay they will be payable whether free silver wins in November or not, and the legal rate of interest cannot be advanced. Again: If his mortgage is payable in gold, that cannot be charged by a free silver law, and the chances are that it will cost just as much in premiums for gold to pay interest as will balance the difference that free silver may yield in higher wages or increased price for farm products.

We argue, of course, on the assumption that our correspondent does not sympathize with the class who would abrogate all contracts and repudiate all debts. If he does we have no reply to make. The Chicago platform will do all that is ratified by the people. It will effectually put an end to borrowing money from foreign countries by simply wiping out and repudiating all money owed by the United States government to foreigners.

In conclusion, let us remind our correspondent that one subscriber does not support a newspaper; that if a newspaper pleased every one it would have a pretty wishy-washy editorial page, and that there are many persons in this diocese who think that the financial system he advocates would "pauperize every farmer and laborer and tradesman."

SIMPLY AN ALLEGORY.

The Michigan "Catholic" says: "There are some Catholics who, in the meaningless slang of the day, say: 'We have no use for a Catholic paper. We get everything just as good and as full about our religion in a good secular paper.'"

You say you do. Maybe you think it. If so we venture to rate your Catholicity as of little worth.

"The New York Sun is probably the best non-Catholic paper in the country. It tries, as far as its light guides it, to treat Catholic questions fairly. But it cannot take the place of the Catholic newspaper for the Catholics. In a recent issue we find, in reply to an enquirer who asked: 'Whom did Cain marry? Was it his sister? How could he do it, as we do not read of Adam and Eve's daughters?'"

The following answer was given: 'How do you know they had no daughters? The Bible doesn't say they had any daughters, neither does it say who the persons were whose vengeance Cain feared.'

The fact is, that Adam and Eve were no two persons in particular. "Adam" means simply "the ground" and "Eve" "life," and their story is simply an allegory, not a history."

"Probably this kind of thing is sufficiently Catholic and Christian for those Catholics 'who have no use for a Catholic paper, and who find everything just as good and as full about their religion in a good secular paper.' We pity their children!"

An English judge has decided that the bicycle is a vehicle, but a Scotch judge declares that it is no more a vehicle than skates.

It is interesting to see learned jurists at loggerheads on this momentous question, especially when the New York state legislature has decided that a bicycle is baggage.

It is awful to see one section of the country arrayed against the other. Concessions must be made on both sides or the consequences will be appalling.

It is high time the New York tenements should go.

"BISE" COXE DEAD.

THE JOURNAL desires to say naught but kind words of the dead, but it cannot refrain from recalling the fact that the late Rt. Rev. A. C. Coxe, Protestant Episcopal bishop of Western New York, was one of the bitterest enemies the Catholic church has ever had in this country. It is not probable that his attacks hurt the church in great measure. On the contrary, the very bitterness of his attacks drove persons away from his own denomination. Let us draw the mantle of charity, however, over the dead man's faults and hope that in the great hereafter he will find that mercy and charity he seemed to lack toward others.

The Catholic Summer Institute for teachers now in progress at Cathedral Hall is a timely and valuable innovation. Its usefulness cannot be over estimated, and it is probable that the example set by the diocese of Rochester will be emulated in other sees. Rochester is not churlish. She is perfectly willing to set the pace and to allow others to profit by her examples.

Says an exchange: "It is said that there is no possibility of preventing the ravages of the army worm. We should think that some means of stopping the destroyers when they are on the march might be devised. They move from field to field and from farm to farm in a solid body. It would seem as if fire might be used against them in some way, for it is said that they will neither stop nor turn aside from their line of march."

Nothing but politics is read in the papers these days, and precious dirty politics at that. It will be a happy day for most newspaper readers when we shall have presidential elections but once in six or eight years. This plan would have the disadvantage: If a bad man were in office or a poor national policy in vogue, it would not be possible to get rid of either for a long period.

Says the "Union and Advertiser": "A distinguished pugilist narrowly escaped being killed by a cable car the other day. Let the deadly cable car be no longer tolerated. The loss of ordinary citizens can be borne, but when it comes to killing our prize fighters it is time to protest."

A debt to a newspaper is as obligatory as any other ordinary indebtedness. A person who, having the means, refuses to pay, sins against the seventh commandment. Many dead-beat subscribers may close the door of heaven against themselves by taking a paper for years and then not paying for it. If you cannot pay the full amount, send part of it.

An exchange is authority for the statement that most of the defective eyesight of persons these days is caused by reading newspapers that have not been paid for.

Rev. Father Halpin, the noted Jesuit father from St. Francis Xavier's college, New York, uttered a great truth last Tuesday when he paraphrased an old saying into "Give me control of the teachers of the country and I will control the nation."

The Chicago "Record" says: "The Chicago city council chamber is one of those places where to call a man a liar is not necessarily to imply that any one has a serious intention of precipitating a fight." The place in question seems to be "neutral ground."

There will now be generous rivalry between the New York Central town of Depew, near Buffalo, and the Merchants Dispatch company's town of Despatch, near Penfield. Our sympathies are naturally with Despatch.

Under existing circumstances the New York state democrats will not be apt to make an issue of the Raines law.

It is now a question between populism and apaisism.

Bryan is not a moral coward. He is not afraid to avow his principles.

THE GOSPELS.

GOSPEL: St. Luke, ix., 41-47-- At that time: "When Jesus drew near, seeing the city, He wept over it, saying: 'If thou also hadst known, and that in this thy day, the things that are to thy peace; but now they are hidden from thy eyes. For the day shall come upon thee, and thy enemies shall compass thee about, they shall lay thee flat on every side and beat thee down to the ground, and thy children who are in thee, and thy shall not leave in thee a stone upon a stone, because thou hast not known the time of thy visitation. And entering into the temple, He began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought, saying to them: 'My house is the house of prayer; but you have made it a den of thieves. And He was teaching daily in the temple.'"

What are we to conclude from this? It is the greatest misfortune to close our ears to the voice of God when He comes to visit us with His grace. We should, therefore, profit by the call and invitation of the Lord while we have time, so that He may not abandon us as He did ungrateful Jerusalem.

Weekly Church Calendar. Sunday, July 26--Ninth Sunday after Pentecost. St. Anne, Mother of the B. V. M. Less. Prov. xxii, 10-31; Gosp. Matt. xli, 44-52; Last Gosp. Luke xii, 41-47. Monday, 27--St. Pantoleon, Martyr. Tuesday, 28--St. Nazarius and Companions, Martyrs. St. Innocent I., Pope and Martyr. Wednesday, 29--St. Martha, Virgin. Thursday, 30--Office of the Blessed Sacrament. SS. Abdon and Sennen, Martyrs. Friday, 31--St. Ignatius Loyola, Confessor.

WILL COME TO ROCHESTER. Priests of Syracuse Diocese to Hold Their Retreat at St. Bernard's Seminary.

The following letter has been sent to the priests of Syracuse diocese notifying them of the change of place for holding the annual retreat: SYRACUSE, July 15, 1896.

Rev. Dear Sir: The Bishop of Rochester has kindly placed his seminary at our disposal for the annual retreat of the clergy. This favor is indeed providential, considering our ill-prepared and dependent condition. The time arranged for the retreat to commence will be on Monday evening, August 24th prox. We will, of course, conform with the rules and customs that obtain at the seminary. As it's the custom there for retreats to close on Friday morning this will be for us one day shorter than usual. But you will be pleased to learn that our retreats will be what the name indicates--annual, not as heretofore, biennial. Priests who are engaged the year round in the exacting duties of caring for the spiritual welfare of the people will appreciate the blessed opportunity of a few days annually devoted to their own sanctification.

Apart from the uniform and universal discipline in this matter, there are not wanting warnings to remind us of its most serious and all-important nature. Hence, if sickness or other obstacle should prevent your attendance, you will please give me due notice, and I shall designate a time and place for a private retreat. Your obedient servant, P. A. LODDEN, Bishop of Syracuse. Rev. P. F. McEvoy, Chan. and Sec.

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Homes Wanted For Catholic and Protestant children. Board \$1 60 per week. Address Children's Aid Society, No. 90 Sophia street, Rochester, N. Y.

REPORTERS WANTED. If you do not see any news from your parish in THE JOURNAL, and would like to act as our special correspondent, write us in regard to the matter. We desire correspondents in all unrepresented parishes of the diocese. Address EDITOR CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

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SOCIETY NEWS CONTINUED.

Division No. 4, A. O. H., and the Daughters of Erin of Genesee held a very entertaining and instructive joint meeting Wednesday evening, July 22.

The meeting was opened in the usual way with prayer, after which Mr. McNamara of Mt. Morris entertained the members with his plough-tongue. Next came the usual business meeting, which was followed by literary exercises. The exercises consisted of an address of welcome by Miss Martha Manney. Following this was a recitation by Mrs. T. Mahoney, which was well rendered. Miss Mary Hackett's essay on "The Irish as a Nation," followed. This article showed deep thought and careful preparation. Mr. William Houston, president of the A. O. H., closed the literary exercises by an eloquent address on "The Irish Nationality." For variety the programme was interspersed with both vocal and instrumental music.

At the last regular meeting of Division No. 4, the following resolutions were adopted: Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His wisdom to remove from our midst a sister of Cornelius O'Brien, one of our members, therefore be it Resolved, That this Division extend to the family our heartfelt sympathy in their hour of bereavement to the loss of so estimable a young lady, and be it further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on our minutes, and a copy of the same be sent to the family and published in THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

M. O'CONNELL, JOHN CLOONEY, THOS. B. MOONEY, Committee.

C. M. E. A. Monday--58, 81, 93, 121. Tuesday--82.

D. O. F. E. Monday--1. Tuesday--7.

A. O. H. Tuesday--8.

TALKS WITHOUT A TONGUE. George Welch, a Florist, Recovers From a Remarkable Operation.

George Welch, a florist, living near Ramsey, N. J., is recovering from the effects of an operation which is looked upon by the medical fraternity as being remarkable. Because of a cancerous growth Welch was obliged to have his entire tongue removed, and although there is not a vestige of that organ left he is still able to converse almost as naturally as before the operation and still retains the sense of taste.

Welch is an inveterate smoker, especially while working in his greenhouses, and often would smoke a stamp of a cigar which he had laid down in the greenhouse a few days before. Several months ago he picked up part of a cigar and was about to light it when he felt a sharp sting on the tip of his tongue. Welch spat out what he thought was a small insect and finished his smoke.

In a few days his tongue began to swell, but he thought nothing of it, believing that the abnormal size of the organ was only temporary; but finally the pain became so great that he was obliged to consult a physician. Welch was attended by Dr. William Blendell of Paterson, who, discovering that the tongue had a cancerous growth, advised him to see Dr. Weir, the eminent New York specialist. Welch followed this advice and was told that to save his life his entire tongue must be removed. He consented to the operation and came through it most successfully. Even the New York physicians thought that Welch's speech would be greatly impaired and his taste entirely destroyed by the loss of the tongue, but fortunately the operation had neither of these effects. --New York Herald.

MAY BE ALABAMA. Secretary Herbert Will Name the Three New Battleships.

Secretary Herbert will name the three battleships, the contract for the construction of which he will sign in a few weeks, before he goes out of office. In naming the vessels before the work on them is scarcely commenced Secretary Herbert will follow a precedent of Secretary Tracy, who named vessels under similar circumstances. This proceeding is a great shock, of course, to old timers, who believe the selection of a name for a vessel should be deferred until the ship is ready for launching at least. The application of a definite name to a new ship makes it more convenient to designate the vessel than to depend upon the numerals which are given ships before they are named. The battleships authorized by the last naval appropriation act and which Mr. Herbert will name are known as Nos. 7, 8 and 9. They will be named, under the law, after the states of the Union. There is a possibility that Secretary Herbert will name one of the ships after his state, Alabama, although there is prejudice against that name. --Philadelphia Press.

Had No Food in 157 Days. Mrs. Henry Ingham, the Michigan fasting woman, on July 30 emerged from another trance, this being the third through which she has passed since she began fasting, 157 days having elapsed since she partook of nourishment in any form.

Mrs. Ingham declares that in her trance, which lasted since the morning of July 16, it was revealed to her that she was to be spared and that her life work was to be the discharge of a Christian duty, the consecration of her efforts to religious movements.

Our Agents.

Mr. C. A. Hudson will attend to our city collection. Mr. A. Herman will visit the following towns next week: Cayuga, Seneca Falls, Waterloo, Geneva.

OUR NEW PREMIUM.

THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL has decided to present each of its subscribers who pays his or her subscription in advance to our agent a handsome premium valued at 50 cents, consisting of a handsomely bound volume containing half-tone portraits of the Catholic churches of Rochester and their pastors, and pictures of the Rochester convents, hospitals and asylums.

THE NEW JOURNALISM.

All Chicago Invited to See Great Men Write Dispatches to Certain Papers. There never was a convention where there was such rivalry among the apostles of the "new journalism" to attract attention to themselves. The Sun has told of some of the schemes that have been resorted to. The latest one is said to be a huge sign which is now being painted. It is an invitation to the general public to come in and see the great journalists writing a piece for the paper. "Come one, come all, and see our 19 telegraph instruments in operation all at the same time." The fact that this sign was being painted and would be displayed reached the ears of one of the rival papers today. This paper has a galaxy of stars writing for it. The manager called his staff together and it was agreed that the two best known men on it should have desks in the show windows of the headquarters, beginning in the morning, and should write their pieces there in the presence of the crowd that would assemble on the sidewalk. The desks are to be labeled with the names of the writers.

This news in turn reached the headquarters of the other paper, and there was a consultation of the members of the staff of that paper. It was agreed that the situation was serious. It was not until a late hour that the idea suggested itself which, when carried out, will undoubtedly settle the hash of the other fellows. It is to secure a complete Roentgen apparatus, set it up on the show window, and turn the light on the head of the greatest member of the staff, who will be placed in the window at the desk to write his piece for the paper.

When this is done, the public will be treated to a view of the brain of the great man when it is in operation. It is believed by the members of the staff of this paper that the scheme puts them promptly in advance of all competition. The news of what is to be done has not yet reached the camp of the rival. It was given to The Sun reporter on condition that it should be printed only in New York. --New York Sun.

INDIANA'S NEW DRINK.

An Intoxicant Furnished by Mother Earth Herself. A well of peculiar formation has been discovered in Millbrook township, in the eastern part of Putnam county, Ind., on the farm of C. Broadhurst. It was bored last winter to the depth of nearly 100 feet. It filled with clear, cold water, and as it was not needed until lately it was not used.

Recently the well was tapped for domestic purposes, and the users noticed an exhilarating effect, like that produced by old wine, followed the use of the water. This is attested by several responsible persons, all of whom say that no evil effects follow the use of the water, like those following the use of beer or whiskey. There is known to be a hidden well somewhere in eastern Putnam county where a toper, it is said, threw a ten gallon keg of old apple brandy on swearing off. The keg was never dug out, and it was thought that possibly this liquor had been tapped in boring the well. An analysis, however, shows no trace of alcohol in the water.

The discovery of this nonalcoholic, jag producing without evil effect water is causing much interest, and the owner has a fortune if the well holds out. --Philadelphia Press.

GOULD WANTED HARMONY.

Altered the Water Tanks to Satisfy the Englishmen.

Howard Gould, who is living on his steam yacht on the Clyde, has given his version of the recent unpleasantness with English yachtsmen. He said: "A committee of yachtsmen was sent here awhile ago to examine my boat's water tanks. They chose the time for their visit while I was absent in London. Then they wanted to alter them, although they were precisely the same as they were last summer, when I raced 50 times. I wrote to them that I would make the alteration for the sake of harmony and for no other reason, which was perfectly true, for I did not wish to withdraw from all the contests and create ill feeling.

"Besides I wanted to show that the new rule of measurement did not turn out boats as seaworthy as those built under last year's rule. I am glad to say that the summary methods employed by certain members of the council have been severely condemned by a great many representative English yachtsmen. Nevertheless I notice I am getting criticised in various American newspapers because I continued to race after what had happened." --New York Journal.

The value of the fish taken during the past year at the whole of the fishing ports of the United Kingdom reached the unprecedented total of 7,200,000 pounds.