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## WHAT MONKS DONE.

LAZY, USELESS MONKS."

Monastic Orders Kept Alive the Spirit of Beligion, Learning and Civilization in the Dark Days of the Western Empire.

One of the most wonderful books in the world, a perfect treasury of his-"Annals of the Order of St. Benedict." The "Annals" is the last work of Jean Mabillon. He began it at the age of 70 years, published four volumes, com. pleted the fifth, and then entered into rest. And yet this huge work is only Britain. a small part of the works of Mabillon. He gave to the world fifteen folios, eight quartos, seven double duodeci-

of the state. bilities, obligations that may arise? In this sense they are not responsibilities st all. There can be no obligation not to fly from them. Suppose, moreover, that a man finds himself unable to face the prospect of future responsibilities. and avoids taking on himself burdens to which he does not feel himself called. Then, if the principle that charity begins at home is a sound one, his retirement from the world is in every way commendable. Man's first duty is to God. His next is to himself, and, lastly, to his neighbor, whom he must love as himself. To the objection that men cease to filled that object.

the height of Monte Casino he raised UNIQUE SOCIETY OF TOUNG LADIES the standard of religion and knowl-FEW FACTS IN BEGAED TO THE edge, and founded there an asylum of Whose Object is to Furnish a Barrier piety and genius. To that spot flocked the young and noble to be instructed in sacred and profane learning. Going forth they spread among those with

whom they came in contact the blessings they had received. It is not too much to say that the monks were the channels through which the dead civilization of Greece and Rome were diftorical information touching monastic fused throughout Europe and became and civil life during the period from the pioneers of Western Christendom. the foundation of Monte Cassino up to The great order which St. Banedict the end of the eleventh century, is the founded passed the Alps and spread eastward. northward and westward, regenerating and civilizing the Huns along the Danube, the fierce tribes that inhabited Gaul. the rude Swedes and Norwegians and the idulators of

The men who did these things were mos and twelve octavos, not to men. It must not be forgotten that the prestion a multitude of pamphlets and ervation of the Greek and Roman classics is entirely due to the monks.

subject further. There was a time nastic habit. They copied the Scripclass of intellects to discourse on the manuscrips transcription was the sole ture them as associations of fat and method. Nor was their activity con- adrift.

poetry of certain poets and the pictures ties of Europe. As editors they were body at the wedding.

Against Evil Associations and

Catholic

Conduct.

A society unique in its character, ends which it proposes to accomplish, is the Young Ladies' Society of St. Theress, attached to St. James church,

to make themselves comfortable. The the works of others. The works of the that the society discourages matri- so high.

CONCERNING BAGPIPES EMSPRCT YOUR PRIMARS The Irish Instrument is Dying But, But Ingratitude with which launs Reselv

the Scottinh PipesSurvive

Mis Sulf-Saurifies mand Willing

Longard.

The Irish jaunting car and the Irish hammek flourish nowhere outside the "A priost is not an angel." said a green Isle. Carolan, the last of the New Zealand priest at the close of a Iriah harpers, died back as far back sermon to a large congregation recent charity. The specific leg both interesting and charming in its as 1738. The race is as dead as the ly, "He is only a man; he is human, the following: membership and most excellent in the Irish elk or the diprotodon. And He has the faults of human nature. they are pretty solidly defunct in this but his life is given to you. His hand University of America at Washing year of grace. The Irish bagpipe is in the sunointed hand which gives D. C., stan endowment for the Calif following the Irish harp to the musty you the saoraments. If they have in Baltimore, which celebrated the realm, where old Time piles his lum- faults, leave their faults to God." twenty fifth anniversary of its organi- ber. The pity of it, too! For was it That, says an amiable and thoughtful testatriz, the zation recently. It pays sick, death not the sweetest of all the great pipe correspondent of a New Zealand paper. and marriage benefits, is composed family-Persian, Indian, Highland, is just what so many Catholic people vent of Marcy in the town of Personal its chief intent is to furnish a barrier Italian? Many of my readers may re-tuted that as George Ellot has and quest that the legany be distorted to against evil associations and conduct. member the merry old Irish piper they constantly fix their eyes upon the Sister Mary Joseph Paley, if the he The constitution places a limit to whose notes used for many a year bent mote upon the sun and not upon its

the time during which admission to time to the clikety clak of the train glorious radiance. We are all apt to The men who did these things were the society can be gained. When the that ran between Dublin and Kinge- take the self-morifice and willing serwomanhood, and her fifteenth birth- old wizard was an artist in his way. unthinking, upgrataful, gratuitous day has been reached, she becomes He made the most of the great com. way as that in which we scoept light eligible to membership, and from that pass of his instrument, of its sweet, and sir. Possibly it is in consequence minor treatises. A propos of these wonderful "An-nals" it is well to say a few words re-garding monasticism, medizval and these mon and that the greatest teach. A number of small begreate to the heritage, of the services of the number of small begreate to the number of small begreate to the heritage, of the services of the second the that we are no free with our criticism these mon and that the greatest teach. It is and so stingt with our criticism garding monasticism, medieval and Europe owe their establishment to modern, in the hope that some of our these men, and that the greatest teach-readers may be tempted to pursue the ers therein were the wearers of the mo-ried: when, by the rules of the associ-ried: when, by the rules of the associ-voiced entropy of the associried; when, by the rules of the associ- voiced, car-splitting, aggressive, air- new assails us and death faces us the When she takes that step the so- old Dublin Kingstown minstrel was call, knowing that the call will be dark days of monastic ignorance and means of multiplying books. And ciety has no further use for her. A one of the first of his race. The Caro-obeyed, Other friends may full us dark days of monastic ignorance and means of multiplying books. And superstition; to ignore the vast services when this process at last gave way to of the monastic orders to the cause of the art of printing they promptly of the monastic orders to the cause of adopted and encouraged the new she has been a member, and she is cut adopted and encouraged the new she has been a member, and she is cut

the Notornis Mantelli is in New Zea- which the urgent ring comes, it is anlazy drones whose chief aim in life was fined to merely copying or printing It is not to be supposed, however, land. Only-his living price is not awered. Truly, indeed, we cought to respect our priests.

only ideas a great many people have Monastery of St. Maur alone almost mony. On the contrary, the members But the Scottish bagpipe follows The order of Malchiedech, with the acter and magnificent scherers about monks are those cerived from equalled in their day the joint publi. units to give their fellow member. a the Scottish from China to Peru, and from which it couldred, which it couldred wherever in the world or at what ancient prejudices, confirmed by the cations of all the Protestant universi- handsome seud off and assist in a the Bluff to Frank Joseph Land. The carries with it the blue ribbon of all soever these appear, it must be flame of patriotism burns as brightly carthly dignitics, but it carries also news to learn that an arheninger of certain artists. And yet there is unrivalled, and the Benedictine edi- If the object of the society had been on the altar of Pat's heart as on To- with it a great dower of human lendi- comprehensive life of the line

at hand at least one book which tions of the Fathers have never been to look with disfavor on the marriage nal's. But Tonal has done waily new. When he done the garb of the mate of Africe has new the vindicates the glory and reputation of monastoism, Montalembert's "Monks of the West." tie, its history would prove that it had nore to preserve the coelumes, old supernatural knighthood the prior is day. But there is another point to which we wish to invite attention. The the case. At the time of its organiza-games of his native heath. And from the fair garden of human love. St. Joseph's floatery for Netro

TRACE CENT

The will of Miss Mary Baltimore, probated in the Ch court, leaves the bulk of here Ten thomeand dollars to the Cath chair, to preserve the Irish innernan which was that of the mother of t quest that the legacy be discorned by iving.

One thousand dollars to the o dial of the lown of Loughnes, Galway county, Ireland, to be used for a morial window in memory of the I rans of Gurtymadden.

A number of small bequeets to the residue of the state is lat to fit charge of the Xaverian Brothers. There is a chair of Clehie in Catholio. University endersed by Ansient Order of Hiberniane St Dr. Richard Hensbry is the pro in charge.

CARDINAL LAVIERIE.

To all who admire pobility of a

During the period which successfed the fall of the Western Empire and to St. Vincent's hespital, \$10,000 to mous Lobigh Valley coal. Best in during which Europe was in a state of St. John's seminary and \$5,000 to the would, and coats no more. J. M.

The monastic idea, to begin with, is criticised very freely to day. The facts are that men retired into menasteries for the purpose of preserving their this provision of the Rule has been the Rule has been the Rule has been the rule the the the the the bagpine survives, and you the the purpose of the purp souls undefiled from the allurements the source of numerous benefits to ag- its rolls. Of the original members land. For foreigners the music of the Obristian charity ene not be pessed lightly br. of the world, just as the prophet Elias riculture and commerce. They went only four remain, the others having Scottish bagpipe is an acquired taste, bodied in the primary commandment had upon it the canethon of retired from the moral corruption of to the mountain side and soon it was married or died or joined some one of Gilbert expresses the idea in this wise; of the positivist school; it live for suthorities, and efitted his generation to the banks of the Jor. clothed with orchards and vineyards. the orders.

dan. They sacrificed all that self-love They went to some noxious marsh and that self-love the marriage benefit, the hald dear, all that corrupt nature longs soon converted it into fair meadows. constitution provides that the young Silck a shean on his host wear in acte of Catholics can give to their protound respect and wide indulganes, in valued in the woods and bride to be's choice, if she choose a stripes. spirit of the gospel is wrong. But the soon rich felds bloomed in the midst husband from one of the other Catholatest objection is formulated as fol- of the dreary wild. The forests of lic parishes of the city or State, must lows: "We admit that it is good to re- Germany, the marshes of Brittany, the meet with the commendation of the tire into monasteries for the purpose desert places of Champagne, the fens spiritual director of the society, who you describe, but you must remember of the lague, the wastes of Bavaria, is the rector of St. James' church. that by so doing men escape human all were brought under cultivation by Similar to those who enter the marresponsibilities; that they cease to ful. the monks. They traveled in foreign riage state is the condition of those fill the purpose for which God has given countries and carried home with them who enter a convent. They receive Which sounds decidedly disconcitual them life." Napoleon I. had views of new plants and grains which they the same benefit and are no longer re- But then, it might be reasonably ar- way, complained the other day the same sort, He considered that judged to be useful. They built roads garded as members of the society. gued, the taste for most the world's monasticism is the enemy of modern and bridges - too many to enumerate During the past twenty-five years good things is acquired. Some of my society insanuch as the chief duty of -they founded cities and towns, they thirteen of the young women have readers may remember when they did the citizen is to raise up children for gave an impetus to the corn trade of selected the religious life. Certain not like Hielan' whusky, and when the Methodiata always me the defense of the state. Behind all Poland and the linen trade of Siberia; religious duties must be performed to the best Havana gave them qualine of own people in business." this lie wrong conceptions of life and they established harbors on the shores retain membership, and in general the conscience in the enigentrium. Curof the Baltic in the interests of com- maiden's conduct must be circumspect tom makes most things easy, some

The great objection to monasticism merce; they cared for the sick and in and correct. The society of young things pleasant. A friend of mine is the obligation of celibacy, and that firm, they built establishments corres men of careless or loose morals is pre- became accustomed to German sauer objection is urged against the secular wonding with our modern hospitals, bibited and long courtships are kraut, made on the Bhineland, tonpriesthood and all religious communi. and were skilled in the medical science frowned upon. After a young lady s fishby, billious looking vegetable ties to-day. Those who urge objections of their day, they did for the poor what has kept company with a young man that had seen hard times. And has of this sort completely ignore the ex the public poor houses are now doing for a reasonable length of time, and not a great German medical authority istence of such a thing as a divine vo-for the indigent. Perhaps they were no prospect of a wedding is in sight, declared that this wholesome dish is cation, on the subject of which the too generous, but the fact remains that she is admonished by her sisters of the precisely what gave the troops of the Founder of Christianity has spoken the dissolution of the monasteries in society. When this warning is re. Fatherland that marvelous marching plainly enough. As to the objection England brought the state face to face peated several times and she fails to capacity which did more to win the that the religious life is an evasion of with a new and ever-growing diffi- give him up, she is expelled by the war of 1870 than the actual clash of own people. buman responsibilities, it is hard to culty-that of providing for the poor. organization. There is, however, sel- lead and steel? The conquest was a lin the matter of suvenimes. for they advance is in the matter of suvenimes. for they advance is in the matter of suvenimes. see the force of it. What are the "re- These are some of the benefits that dom need for such a procedure. sponsibilities" in question? Are they the "lazy, useless" monks conferred The death, like the marriage bene than of arms. There is not a grain of wise and pound foolish. actual? If so, then the conduct of a on society in the monastic age. The fits, are the greater the longer the the absolute in a pound of taste. You In any town where a Catholic paper for with averlants man who leaves his wife and children memory of them is one that Catholics membership continues. A deputa will relish the Scottish bagpips when is published there is enough Catholic of her very in the memory of them is one that Catholics membership continues. to struggle for themselves while he re- ought to cherish despite the calumnies tion attends the funeral of each de- you understand its peculiar scale patronage alone to instain three or

Freeman's Journal. filed for probate.

Archbishop Corrigan is to receive \$200.000 under Mrs. Kelly's will, Sr. BERNARD ON CHURCH MUSIC. which says:

"It is my request and desire, however, that the said sum hereby be- let it be neither worldly nor too rade bracing men for a wild rush on amount east end of St. Patrick's cathedral en spirit. It should not contradict the admiration from the country that has Fifth avenue. This expression of my scuse of thy words, but rather enhance contrived to rate a so many of its atdesire, however, is not to be construed it. For it is no slight loss of spiritual tional characteristics through all the be useful by the fact of becoming in any way as limiting the ownership grace to be distracted from the profit lurid chances of so many computies of monks, the best answer is to point to thereof. In the event that the Lady of the sense by the levity of the chant; storm and shine. From, the New the works of utility which monks have Chapel shall have been built at the and to have our attention drawn to a Zealand Tablet promoted wherever they went. And if usefulness alone is the object of our cess of building at said time, than, and be thinking of what is sung." in that ov ent. this bequest shill be veid.

chaos, St. Benedict came forward to the Tabernacle flocisty of the Convent Reddington, 99 West Main stream that and arrest the progress of social ruin. On of the Secred Heart.

ehiels.

But he cannot assume an affection for instead of cold nom apprediation and tions, arduous and Latok pipes," dippant criticism And he sings of one Clongolketty

Angus McClan : WHAT A OATMOLEC BURINESS MAN "All day and all night he delighted the

With sniggering plbrochs and figgety

Ontholics netlike the Methodists ? Now with the men they know. That's the way of the world.

feat of legs (I mean no pun) rather instance, some in business are penny those truthe white

to struggle for themselves while he re-tires to a life of prayer, study and se-crusion, is neither rational nor salu-tary. Are they contingent responsi-men are not always enterprising to many one line and ignorant generation. The sick benefits are (which approaches A with the sevenths four flour \$3,512.17, and a balance remains in free, open air, and when you enter enough to use the column of the The will of Margaret Kelly, widow the treasury of over \$500. The dues into the spirit of the "warblers" or Catholic paper which would serve as a late will of banker Eugene Kelly, has been are one dollar and a half a year. - grace netes which the players' fingers' wookly rounder to the Catholie new min toss into the stmosphere like rollicking sommunity as to where they are and the South what they are solling. little imps to caper and skip and our around the fixed notes of the sir. The

so dense. One of these really said te bagpipe is an instrument for the wild The Citizen when renewing an advermountain and rocky Glen. Its piero-"Let thy chant be full of gravity ; ing melody finds its function in lisement:

Would just as soon takedown my queathed and any increase by interest and poor: let it be sweet yet without ing cannoz or leveled bayonets. But sign as stop that advertisement. Nour shall be used in and toward the con-struction of a chapel to be called and known as the Lady Chapel, at the viste sadness, and calm thy angry Scottish bagpipe, one cannot withhold columns."-The Citizen.

Ninety Zox Cont

form of humor, and this causes a ver days. Survice risks of diseases. The reason why formation as Hood's Carseparille carse when all agent, or o others fail is found in the flot that it well Agents effectually expels the humor! Scrofule. Main sizes sale require, both and all eruptions are permanently cured oy this great medi-

Hoed's Pills are the best family e thartie and liver tente. Comile, n

"A Sassenach chief may be bouily built, others," Altruism oan go as further, interest and sympathy of man He may purchase a sporran, a boanet and In common gratitude the least that What this poble abardism

ings in lands scross the same ha been seized by the public mi as a consequence, maky have a up in ignorance of hotable with contemporaments history be regretted, for it is a first A business man, a Catholic by the are impressed and moved by closent to us "sepadally w "I don's get the trade of Onthelice." influenced people of high They go alsowhere. Why are not the ourselves. It is not fur

the Methodists slways patronise their St. Augustine's snor We don't want Catholics to be nar-row or sectarian about their patronage. Ho a narrative whom po of this life, a manter in

They will go where they can get the is is advances." best treatment. Other things being equal they are apt to perfer their as-quaintances in business they deal was inished life with nurune which the

Some Catholic business men are not better beeness Cordi Well may we say that enterprising. They are not affable. lived. He will They do not size opposiunities to membrance and is the make themselves known among their noble priests, his deversit

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Other Catholics in busines are not

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There Are Others