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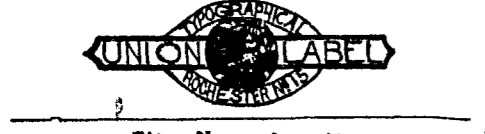
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The Catholic Journal is sold by the following newsdealers, and can be obtained of them Saturday mornings.

PROSCRIBED PRAYERS. There are any number of unauthorized prayers circulated throughout the country by unscrupulous persons who dispose of them to ignorant and unsuspecting persons for a small fee.

They are the following: 1. The litany of the Blessed Virgin of Sorrows, alleged to have been composed by Pius VII.

2. A salutation to Mary Mother of Sorrows, after the model of the Ave Maria.

3. The beads of the Crown of Thorns, so-called, each grain of which resembles the head of an animal, representing the birth of our Lord, between an ox and an ass.

4. A revelation alleged to have been made to St. Bernard, regarding the wound in the shoulder of our Lord.

5. The rosary of the merits of the Passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ.

6. The words supposed to have been uttered by the Blessed Virgin when she received in her arms her beloved Son.

7. A prayer to the Saviour of the world.

8. A prayer of Pope St. Gregory, written to St. John, at Rome, in letters of gold.

9. A prayer to the Holy Cross, to which is attached the promise of the deliverance of five souls from Purgatory if recited five times on Fridays.

10. A letter of Jesus Christ, on the drops of blood which He shed on the way to Calvary, said to have been found in the sepulchre of our Lord.

AN OPEN CONFESSION.

The Rev. Mr. Aked, of Liverpool, says the Glasgow Observer, is known as one of the foremost Protestant ministers on Mersey's side.

"In this country the Protestant Reformation in its outward and official acts grew out of the adulterous passion of a king for a pretty girl, and the whole course of the early stages of the movement, with its schisms, subterfuges, compromises and controversies might be traced to the fact that the origin of it was tainted."

Speaking on Queen Mary Mr Aked said "It was perfectly certain that justice had not been done to her by English or Protestant historians."

So much for the founder of Protestantism. Speaking of the religious change itself, Mr Aked said "In the matter of religion, it was not the nation that had swung from Protestantism to Roman Catholicism, and then back to Protestantism."

Rev. John A. Jayne, pastor of the Observatory Hill Christian church, North Side, Pittsburg, Pa. in his sermon, preached Sunday night November 26th, defended Admiral Dewey.

The new Superior-General of the Fathers of Mercy, Pere Baudvin, was sure of Sedan at the time that city was captured by the Germans in 1870, and some time after the capture he was arrested, tried and convicted on the charge of secreting French soldiers in the steeple of the church.

Right Reverend J. J. Gleason, Co-adjutor-Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas City, set the seal of disapproval on the charity ball, which it was proposed to hold in the Convention hall on Thanksgiving evening for the benefit of the Orphan Boys' home, and this event from which it was expected fully \$6,000 would be realized, was abandoned. Great preparations had been made for the event, and many tickets had been sold.

A Roman journal states that Mr. Martinelli, Delegate-Apostolic at Washington, has given news to Rome that the American pilgrims for the jubilee would be exceedingly numerous.

The Church of St. Stephen, East Twenty-eighth street, New York, will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on December 31. It is one of the oldest parishes in that part of the city.

The parish of St. Stephen has a membership of over 7,000, and the Sunday school is attended by about 4,000 children.

DONT AGREE WITH MR. NO.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, OVID N. Y., Dec. 3, '99.

Dear Sir: Will you kindly allow me the columns of your JOURNAL, to thank Hon. George E. Warner, for the valuable aid given us last year in opening our church fair.

I do not agree with Mr. Nolan, that it is necessary to notice the barking cur, that would attempt to tarnish his fair name by mentioning it for political effect with the same breath you do a vile creature, who courts newspaper notoriety.

No person would for a moment seriously listen to such talk. It pleased the writer who like such work, but like the dog barking at the moon, did not hurt the mayor.

By the way, while in Belleville, Canada, a short time ago, Mr. Falkner, a Protestant, and one of the most respected lawyers in Ontario, told me that bad and low as the Orangemen are considered generally, they refused at Belleville, to allow the Shepherd adventress to speak under their auspices, lest it would disgrace their order.

"The Jubilee Manual" is the title of a little book just issued by Pustet & Co. It contains prayers and pious exercises for private and public devotion during the jubilee year of 1900.

It is a shame that there should be any Catholics who are dishonest. They go to confession and never make their debts a matter of self accusation.

Many ignorant Catholics think they are entitled to all the credit they can get; that going into debt is just as honest as paying as you go; and as long as you do not get the goods on false pretenses, you are entitled to them, and if you cannot pay for them that constitutes the seller's risk.

Now, every instructed Catholic knows that to ask for credit when you have not a reasonable ground for believing that you can pay, is theft; nothing more and nothing less.

OUR NEW PREMIUM. We have secured for our premium for the Jubilee year, 1900, a religious article that should be used daily by every man, woman and child of the Catholic faith.

THE GOSPELS

Second Sunday of Advent—St. Matthew xi. 2-10.—At that time, "When John had heard in prison the works of Christ, sending two of his disciples, he said to Him: Art thou He that art to come, or do we look for another? And Jesus making answer said to them: Go and relate to John what you have heard and seen."

This gospel teaches us to be always zealous followers and disciples of Jesus Christ; to cause His holy name to be praised, by laboring constantly in His service; not to be subject as reeds to every wind of temptation; to flee from the luxuries of life and the pomps of this world; and to show forth in our own lives the life of Jesus Christ.

Weekly Church Calendar Sunday, Dec. 10—Second Sunday of Advent. Gospel—St. Matthew, xi. 2-10.—St. Melchisedech, virgin and martyr.

HOLY MEDALLIONS. There is an exhibition at our office a sample of a new idea in portrait miniature, which is so close an imitation to the original French porcelain miniature costing from \$25 to \$100 that they baffle the skilled expert.

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CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

What is Transpiring in the Different Fraternities

Siberian Rifles. The regular meeting held at headquarters on Tuesday evening was well attended. A marked improvement over some former meetings. Still there was a few absentees, and a mark of attention was paid them which they will hear of on their first appearance at headquarters.

Rochester Council No 178, Knights of Columbus have elected the following officers: Grand knight, J. Henry Howe, deputy grand knight, Ralph Bendon; treasurer, Emil J. Esser; financial secretary, M. D. Kavanaugh; recording secretary, John W. Downey; chancellor, James Kelly; warden, Charles M. Lane; inside guard, John Higgins; outside guard, Judge Kinney; lecturer, F. J. B. McCauley; advocate, William H. Driscoll; chaplain, Michael Lenahan; board of trustees, Peter A. Vay, James C. Connolly, William T. Bassett, Chas. J. Madden, Edward S. Gurry; delegates to State Convention, J. H. Howe, E. J. Ernst; alternates, C. R. Barnes, Dr. J. H. Finnessey.

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HISTORICAL

Horse railways were introduced into New York in 1851, upon Sixth avenue. They were introduced into Boston and Cambridge, March 26, 1856.

The first stage coach in England started in 1650. Its pace was about three miles per hour. The first stage coach in America started from No. 69 Ann (North) street, Boston, for Portsmouth, N. H., and occupied eighteen hours upon the journey.

Washington's steward once purchased the first shad of the season for the President's table, as he knew his master liked to eat shad. He placed it before Washington at table as an agreeable surprise.

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