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## OUR TWELFTH YEAR

With this issue THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL enters upon the twelfth year of its existence, and, while we consider that we have improved the paper during the past years still we shall continue to make improvements until we can truthfully say that THE JOURNAL is the best Catholic paper in the country for the subscription price. THE JOURNAL returns grateful thanks to all its friends and subscribers and hopes to further meet their hearty support.

### THE ROSARY.

The month of October is set apart by the Holy Mother church for devotion to the Holy Rosary. No more beautiful devotion could be practiced, and none is more generally neglected, especially by male Catholics. The young gentlemen growing up, think the Rosary was specially gotten up for woman's devotion, and that it is beneath the dignity of the male sex to say the beads. Not so. Men should pray as fervently as the women, and more so, because the women are so much better, as a rule. There are no more beautiful prayers than those embraced in the Rosary, and no man, young or old, should be ashamed to say them. As a matter of fact nothing looks nicer than to see a handsome, well-dressed man telling his beads. It shows he has faith. It shows that his Catholicity is more than skin deep. It shows that he has moral courage, it shows he has not forgotten how to pray.

To-morrow is the feast of the Holy Rosary. Those who receive Holy Communion in the proper spirit will receive a plenary indulgence.

### DEVOTION OF THE ANGELS.

During this month we celebrate the feast of the angel guardian; it has been considered so important that the whole month is set aside to the devotion of the angels says Rev. A. Lings in our monthly devotions.

Both in the Old and the New Testaments the Holy Scriptures teach us that the angels exist and protect us; many examples are cited and facts related, from which we may conclude that this is so. True, we do not see the angels, and rare are actual manifestations of their power, or their existence; hence some people deny that order of spirits.

But by a merciful dispensation of divine Providence, we know that the angels are active among us, that they shield us from evil, and draw heavenly favors upon us. They are ever ready to serve God; there are also spirits who care for each individual on earth—guardian angels.

Saurez is of opinion that Our Lord, in His adorable humanity, had a number of angels to wait on Him. Our guardian angel does his work not less effectively, for our Lord tells us to be in dread of scandalizing a child because of his angel who is always at his side.

The Church encourages us in this devotion, for in the breviary she has authorized a votive office in honor of these heavenly spirits, on every Monday when there is no special festival to be celebrated, so that we may be continually reminded of the great truth that our guardian angel is all ways at our side.

The conchainers strike is still unsettled, but if this hot weather continues we won't mind it.

### UNIVERSITY SETTLEMENTS.

The Assumptionists have an order of Sisters of whom friend and foe alike speak in words of unstinted praise. The work is something on the plan of "University Settlements," in which young men of good fortune and fine education deliberately choose to live among the slums and share with the most degraded and abandoned people both life and society. Their theory is that to elevate the masses you must go down and bring them up with you. You must show them the beauty and joy of decent living by living among them and partaking of their joys. Go into their tap-rooms and help clean them up. Go into their rendezvous and help purify the atmosphere. And all by kindly example, unaccompanied by any word of preaching. The Assumptionist Sisters are doing this and doing it most effectively. They rent rooms in the faubourgs or tought parts of Paris. They go around among the people, finding out who are in need and who are sick. They bring food and medicine and wait on the sick night and day. If the mother is too ill to perform her household duties they do them for her. They prepare the husband's meals; they wash the children and comb their hair, they clean up the house and wash the clothes of the family. Sometimes the surly husband regards their work as an intrusion and addresses them as Mademoiselles. But he is soon mollified and begins to call them Ma Sur. In this way they win over whole families, and the bonds thus formed are not soon relaxed. Young men in the army write back to the Sisters for books, medals and scapulars.

The Rev. W. J. Coleman, pastor of the Allegheny Reformed Presbyterian church, recently preached against secret societies. He said in part: "Secret societies are contrary to the law of love and self-denial. The main object of these societies is to secure exclusive privileges to their members. They admit those only who are able to earn their own living and pay their dues. They are for the brotherhood of man. There are more lodges than churches in this city. There are many more men than women in the lodges, and many more women than men in the churches. The presence of many men in the lodge may help to account for their absence from the church. The men who cultivate the lodge do not generally cultivate the prayer meeting. Secret societies are rivals to the church, offering a way of salvation that is not based on the merits of Christ and a life of godliness. They are unchristian in that while they recognize God do not recognize the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." That is true, every word of it. Masonry is not the God of Christianity. Whoever has penetrated to the highest degrees of Masonry knows that under various disguises, it worships nature and the passions.—Pittsburg Observer.

According to the book reviews, Marie Corelli's latest, "The Master Christian," is an unconcealed attack on the Catholic Church. It's about time that Marie took off the mask. She has as much warrant to pose as a Catholic as she has to assume that she writes English. As long as Marie is permitted the abandon of literary hysteria, with dashes, asterisks and exclamations to take the place of groans, tears and shrieks, she is in her element, which is not authorship, by any means. Evidently Catholics have not taken kindly to the Corelli mixture of superstitious mysticism and spiritism, bottled up in pantheism, and Marie takes her pen in hand to get even with those who decline to accept this book-shop Diana Vaughan at her own estimate. It took Corelli to make Judas Iscariot more sinned against than sinning and to herize Barabbas. The world didn't start right, according to the Corellian philosophy; but the "authoress" has not learned that when she sees things upside down it is only the result of a visual defect which, we fear, is beyond remedy. A little more ink and less vitriol might help Marie's standing as an "authoress," but when Marie gets among the authors, it will be time to put a tax on writers. What a heavenly spirit and what classic English are illustrated in the dedicatory inscription:

"To all the churches  
Who quarrel in  
The Name of Christ."

—Universe  
Right Rev. E. F. Prendergast, Philadelphia's auxiliary bishop, arrived from Europe in the Cymric recently.

Rev. A. P. Doyle, C. S. P., secretary of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, appeals for an increase of membership to 100,000 to begin the century with. A New World writer reckons that an increase of 19 members in each society will realize Father Doyle's hope.

### CATHOLIC CHARITY AT THE EXHIBITION.

The "Pavilion des Euvres Catholiques" at the Exhibition gives us some idea of what Catholic nuns and missionaries are doing in every part of the world. But there is another spot there that gives us similar and no less precious information. This is that small part of the great "Galerie des Machiees" which is given up to what is known as "Oeuvres d'Assistance." There figures tell us about how many lepers there are in the world, and about how many in each country. There we are confronted with facts which show what Catholic (and especially what French Catholic) charity is doing at home and abroad. There, too, we learn that France is richer in lepers than Great Britain, the latter country possessing but 106, while in Paris alone there are 120. We see marvels that the religious of Marie-Auxilatrice are doing in the way of housing and tending consumptive patients.

A very touching ceremony took place a few weeks ago in Madrid, the first mass of an ex-Spanish general, Father Raphael Lacaz. It is scarcely five years since Don Lacaz was one of the most brilliant young officers in the Spanish army, attached to the Queen Regent's military household and belonging to the general staff of the army. He was married to a beautiful wife and their union was blessed with two darling boys. Death snatched away the young wife and mother the very day he received his general's commission. Within a year the infant carried away his two children. He determined to become a priest, entered the Society of Jesus, and was ordained in July last.

A beautiful memorial tablet has been placed in the facade of the house in Ghent where Mgr Seghers, who met such a tragic death in Alaska, was born says the Catholic Columbian. The white marble slab bears an inscription in Flemish recording the date of his birth (1839) and date of the death (Nov. 27 1865), of the apostle and first martyr of Alaska. The Abbe De Baets, professor at the University of Louvain, has written a valuable biography of his saintly countryman.

The Marseilles Mission Board has received news of the massacre in South Youman of Bishop Fantosoli and Father Quirine. The eyes of the Bishop were gouged out and he was impaled on spears. The Chinese poured kerosene oil on Father Quirine, and setting it on fire burned him to death. One hundred orphans have disappeared from the orphanage.

### AMONG THE JESUITS.

Some Changes That Have Recently Occurred in the Society.  
Rev. Dennis Lynch, S. J., has been transferred from the Jesuits' mission at Jamaica, West Indies, to New York city, where he will be a valuable acquisition to the staff of The Messenger of the Sacred Heart. Father Lynch is expected in New York about the middle of September. He founded and edited the Catholic paper at Jamaica—Catholic Opinion. He is an alumnus of the American college, Rome, and before he entered the Society of Jesus was vicar-general of the Burlington, Vermont, diocese.

The cornerstone of the new building for the Jesuit novitiate at St. Andrew's-on-Hudson, near Hyde Park, will be blessed about the middle of September. Father Walsh, S. J., who is superintending the improvements on the grounds is very successful in transforming this beautiful woodland into ideal surroundings for the young men who will here by prayer and study, prepare for the solemn duties the Jesuit order requires.

A SUCCESSFUL COMPETITOR  
After a severe examination before the Texas school board at Austin, writes a correspondent of the Midland Review, Miss Bessie Crawford, a recent graduate of the Ursuline Academy at San Antonio, won a four years' certificate which entitles her to teach in any school in the State of Texas. Miss Crawford is a granddaughter of Edward Miles, one of the heroes of San Jacinto, and is beside a writer of some ability.

Walter Durm, S. J., son of the late Captain Drum, of Boston, has been placed in charge of the freshman class of Gonzaga College, Washington, D. C.

A MIRACULOUS CURE  
It is reported that Miss Margaret LeFebvre of Fall River has been cured by a miracle. For ten years she has been an invalid, incapable of doing any work whatever. She was scarcely able to walk, and almost as a last resort she concluded to make the pilgrimage to St. Anne de Beaupre. She left with the party, and claims that even before she reached the shrine she began to feel better. She returned home, where she is able to be about and do her household work. She considers that a miracle has been wrought in her case. She had spent a considerable amount of money in doctor's bills and medicines and received no perceptible benefit therefrom.

The Rev. Father Edward Downes, of New Haven, brother of Alfred Downes, Secretary to Mayor Van Wyck, has been appointed by Bishop Tierney of the diocese of Hartford as a missionary to non-Catholics throughout the State of Connecticut.

There are only two English speaking priests in Pekin; however, there are a number of Sisters of Charity from Ireland, one band of whom devote themselves to the care of lepers and friendless poor.

The annual reunion of the parishioners of St. Patrick's, Richmond, Staten Island, was held last Wednesday at New Dorp.

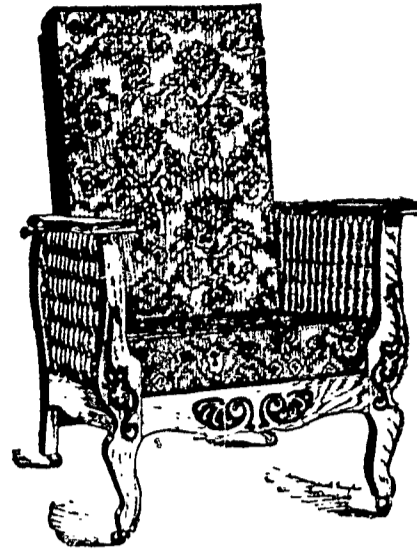
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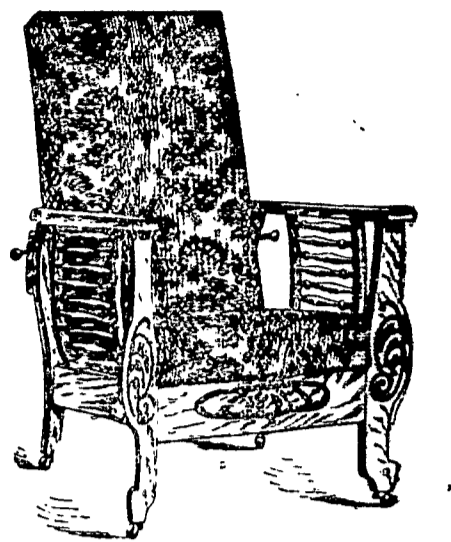
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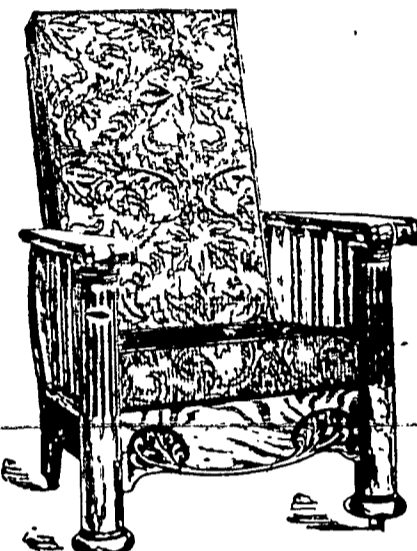
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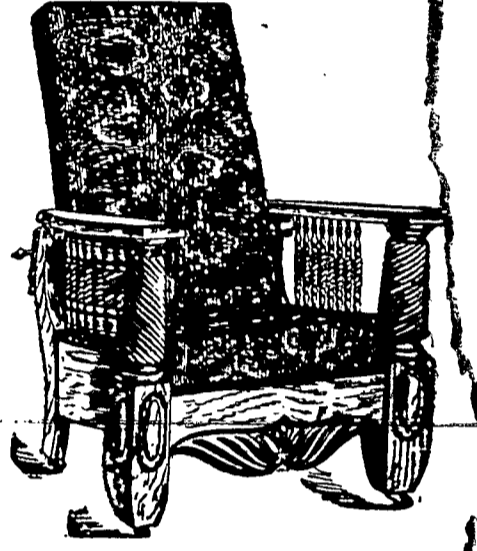
Another new idea is the reversible spring seat and back cushion, easy as a Turkish chair, \$3 extra.

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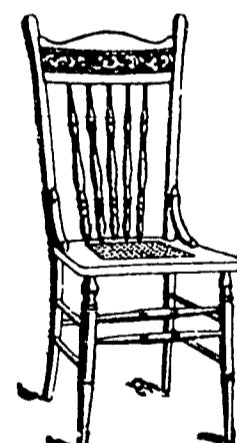
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### Catholic Home Annual.

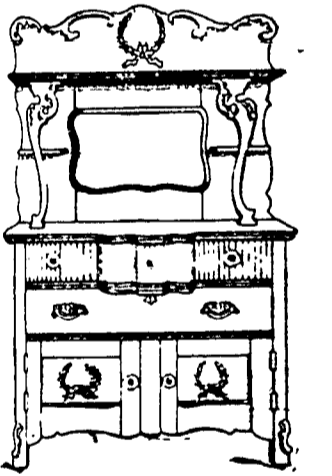
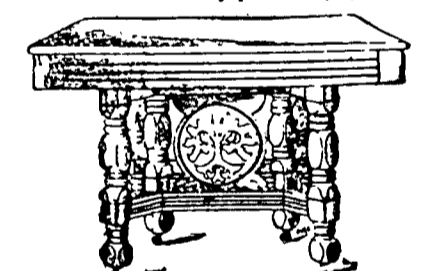
The Catholic Home Annual for 1901 has been issued by Benziger Brothers and contains its usual table of good things aside from the calendar giving the days of fasting and abstinence. The short stories by Maurice Francis Egan, Mary Catherine Crowley, Magdalen Rook, Marion Ames Taggart, Clara Mulholland, Comte De Villebois-Mareuil and other offers a literary treat which is extremely cheap at the price asked for the Annual.

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