An Interesting Story of a Conversion, the Besult of a Mission Presched to Our Separated Brethran-Gratifying Work Accomplished in Four Years.

In the Easter number of The Missionary the story it presents of the hopes and successes of the mission work to non-Catholics is very interesting. On the first page the Catholic Missionary Union makes a profession of its principles. It says that it believes that there is a briliant future before the Catholic Church in this country if we are true to our stand-

It believes that the progress of the Church in this country must be with equal step-all the dioceses advancing together. The stronger dioceses must await the advance of the weaker, and the weaker must avail themselves of the resources of the stronger.

It believes that the hope of the South and the West, from a social as well as from a religious point of view, lies in the development of the Catholic Church within their borders.

It believes that if a broad-gauged sympathy for the struggling Bishops and priests in the necessitous parts of the country were awakened among all the Catholic people the character of the Catholic religious life would be elevated and the zeal of the Catholic people for the progress of the Church would be quickened.

And then "it makes the statement that through this channel \$13,000 have been expended during the past four years During these years the work of conversions has gone forward by leaps and bounds. From the most unusual sources the announcement of conversions comes to us. By private letter it has just been announced that Dr. Mary J. Putnam, an eminent doctor in Boston, has come into the Church. It was the edifying deathbed resignation of her daughter that the first time compelled the study of the doctrines of the Church.

The man engaged in missionary work sees so much of the directly supernatural so many things that can be accounfed for only by the direct grace of God, that he grows, after a time, to expect God to work for him almost as he expects the regularity of natural law. It is the field of non-Catholic mission work which is particularly rich in such experiences for there, if one may say so, God's grace bhas a wider field in which to manifest itself.

A person intimately acquainted with this kind of work lately told the following story of a conversion which The Augustinian Fathers and Dominwell illustrates what was said above. In a certain Convent School there was a young girl, the daughter of well-todo Protestant parents, who had placed her there to receive an education. The girl had spent ten years in the convent and was beloved by all for her many natural attractions. In everything she showed herself amiable and compliant save in this: She never would go to the chapel or listen to any religious instruction, for she was a fierce and most bigoted Protestant. Nothing the good sisters could doand they tried everything-would change her mind in the least.

She refused to hear the Catholic faith spoken of, she refused even to state her objections to it, saying when any approach was made to religious conversation: "I will not -I tell you, I will not so much as hear a word on the matter. I know that I am right, and I know, moreover, that nothing which you can say, can possibly alter my opinion."

Of course, such bitter obstinacy was a great grief to the religious. Many time, on account of it, they had proposed sending the young woman away, vide. but always their hope and charity had prevailed—the hope that some day sometime-however far off, she might be willing to listen to them, and charity which prompted them not to willingly lose any possible chance of effecting a conversion.

At last the young woman's parents determined to take her to their home and bade her make all necessary preparations for removal. The Sisters felt very sad; she had been with them, as was said above, ten years, and notwithstanding all their efforts, she seemed to their eyes as far from the Church as ever.

They determined to make one last effort; to give themselves to prayer once more, and so they began a novena to the Blessed Virgin, which should of the lectures of a non-Catholic mission was to be given in the church, and they asked the girl as a great and final favor to attend. As this was the last time she promised, and, indeed, she went to the lecture, but it did not sion upon her.

The next morning one of the Sisters went to the girl's room. Imagine her surprise when the girl said that she had decided not to go home yet, but to wait and attend the other sermons of C. were established during the past amazed, and yet they hardly dared to where the order as an institution aphope; they continued their prayers, peared for the first time. The total

however, with redoubled fervor. be received as a postulant, and, as God vince of Quebec. had added the grace of vocation to her, she was professed and became a

Sara Bernhardt will sail for France several days in advance of her company, cancelling many social engagements, because she wishes to be present at the First Communion of her

CATHOLIC NOTES.

Madame Ursula Dignam, aged 81 died last Monday at Columbus, S. C She came from Ireland with Bishop England sixty years ago and had been a nun for fifty-seven years.

His Eminence, Cardinal Gibbons. has changed the date for the ceremony of conferring the red beretta upon Mgr. Martinelli, who has been elected to the cardinalate from May 11 to Wednesday, May &

The Apostolate Fathers of the Cleveland diocese are now giving missions in German. There is great future before this branch of the work. The Germans are falling away from Lutheranism. They still preserve the Church.

The new buildings for the new novitiate of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, will soon be in course of erection at Pocantico, N. Y. The largest second will be 60 feet by 100 feet, and there will be four buildings of similar size-50 feet by 100 feet.

The season for pilgrimages to the famous Shrine of st. Anne de Beaupre, in the Province of Quebec, will soon begin, and according to the expectations of railway men the coming season will be a record one. Last year the Quebec railway, by which the shrine is reached, carried over 500,000 pilgrims to St. Anne, and this year it is estimated that there will be an increase of over 40 per cent.

Four years ago the A. P. A.'s swept St. Louis. Last Tuesday that city elected practical Catholics to the offices of auditor, treasurer, register, marshal, president of the council and president of the board of assessors by an average majority of 10,000. We told them then that Catholics died' hard; now we can tell them that they die not at all.-Western Watchman.

"Judge Hanecy is disgusted with the Chicago and the whole world is disgusted with Judge Hanecy," says the Western Watchman of the defeated candidate in the Chicago mayorany contest. "There was really an Irishman named McGuire, or McIre, on the ship Columbus sailed on in his first voyage of discovery, and he was sailing master of the vessel. A great distance had been traveled, in what many people refuse to believe this: yet they will believe that a Hennessey of Tipperary came over in the May-chief and thought he would have some

THE HAVANA MISSION.

The four Dominican Sisters from Albany who are engaged in the educa- gerous rocks near the left shore. tion of colored orphans in Havana. have the same difficulty as the Dominican Fathers at Cienfuegos, in that circumstances compel them to turn away on an average of two children per day who desire to enter their school. The asylum has been filled almost from its opening, and the day school, which was soon after established, increases in popularity as it be-

comes better known.

Colored people are given the prefering for admission to the school proves he could see the guide and the canoe. cause there are colored children in all guide vainly striving to paddle off. In them they are in the majority.

tion with St. Augustine's chapel for poor Tom alone on the rock. English speaking people and conducting a free school of English, the two W. A. Jones and Rev. Edward Moynilfor the soldiers at Camp Columbia. Colonel Baldwin who is in command at the camp has always been very considerate in affording means for the men under him to enjoy the benefit of religious services.

CATHOLICS PERSECUTED.

The persecution of Catholics by the Protestants of New South Wales has been carried so far that Sydney's Catholic Press, utters the following stern warning: "We say that if this parture. The evening before the first persecution goes on we will not be re- ly sliding around into the current again. sponsible for the consequences. If we are denied fair play, if, in addition to our exclusion from public offices, in- rushing tide, throwing both arms sults are heaped upon everything we around, the log and lying face down hold dear and the rights of citizenship upon it. He pushed off, and as the curare even denied us in the courts of rent took up the log the mad ride beseem to make a great deal of impres- justice, the very foundations of society, gan. may be shaken.'

> THE WONDERFUL GROWTH OF THE K. OF C.

Seventy-eight new councils of the K. of the mission. The Sisters were year; some of these in territories gain in membership including both as-At the end of the mision, which she sociate and insurance members for the had attended with great interest, the last official year has been 12,108, over young woman announced that she was 1,000 a month. Seventy-two delegates he felt the log shooting swiftly into the ready to become a Catholic. It was elected to the national convention, and done: she was baptized at once, for all nearly every delegate was on hand to saw that here was the finger of God. represent the membership of the order. The young girl never left the Sisters They came from 25 states of the union, and never went home. She asked to the District of columbia, and the Pro-

> to die when one has during life hon- and a party of friends looking for Tom, ored and loved Mary.-B. Alph. Sal- and fortunately they reached him just' meron (on his deathbed).

place among the principal virtues St. Francis.

THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T

TOM'S WILD RIDE IN THE RAPIDS.

ĕ0**€**0\$0\$0\$0\$0\$0\$0\$0\$0\$0\$0\$ The tourists who visit the Premier rapids, in Canada, seldom fail to take a trip through them in the canoes of the Indian guides. The course is a mile in length, bristling with dangerous rocks. The sport of shooting the rapids, as can be imagined, is perilous as sides, he is too small." well as exciting.

Among those who engaged passage in the cances toward the close of a bruc basis of a supernatural religion and ing afternoon in early winter were can be readily brought to the Catholic Charles Knox, an American, and his nephew Tom. They were the last to start, each in a birch canoe, manned wasn't bigger than a pint of cider.' by dusky "Canucks," as the Indian guides are dubbed. Tom was greatly set to work. surprised to learn that these guides, building will be 60 feet by 200 feet, a almost without exception, are unable

Tom's uncle shot ahead, and his own guide steered with unerring skill among



the threatening rocks, cleverly avoiding the gaping whirlpools which swirled on either side. When a third of the seemed only a few seconds, Tom became possessed with a spirit of misfun with the guide. He gave the cance a sudden lurch, with the idea of scaring the native. By a miracle the craft speeding away to the untried and dan-

the surface, over which the water rushed madly. The sudden stop threw Tom from his position in the bow into the angry current. When he struck the lcy water, the shock was almost enough to overcome him, but he was a strong swimmer and managed to keep affoat despite the chill. He was swept along for some distance and finally ence in admission to the school, yet succeeded in stopping himself at a many white children have applied for large projecting rock, upon which he admission, and a few have been receiv- climbed. It was now almost dark, and This fact of white children apply- it was only by straining his eyes that nothing from a race standpoint, be- | which was still on the ledge, with the the public schools, and in some of a moment the current caught the canoe, and it was hurried into the stream. A surprise the Sisters have met with As it swept downward toward Tom he is to find that the children dislike hol- had a sudden impulse to jump for it, idays, and wish for longer hours of but it passed him with such speed as sudy than the school regulations pro- to give him no time to even make up his mind. The guide and canoe soon In addition to their work in connec- disappeared in the darkness, leaving

The sun had set behind a bank of clouds, and these were now overhead. Augustinian Fathers in Havana, Rev. A slow, drizzling rain began to fall, adding to Tom's discomfort, for he was lan now celebrate Mass each Sunday already drenched and shivering. The deafening roar of the rapids made it impossible to cry for help.

"How foolish it was," he thought to himself bitterly, "not to sit still and let the guide manage the boat in peace! I don't see how I'll ever get home again. I can't stay on this cold rock all

Tom was recalled from these thoughts by the sound of some object hitting against the rock. Looking down, he saw that a log about ten feet long had struck the rock and was slow-Almost without thinking. Tom climbed from the rock and sank into the

In and out among the rocks, over reefs and past yawning whirlpools the strange bark hurried on with lightning speed. Now and then it would strike with more or less violence against an obstruction, and Tom would get a hard knock and have trouble in keeping his none too secure position. How the rest of that course was covered Tom could never tell. Many times he gave himself up for lost, and he prayed as he had never prayed before. After awhile still water at the end of the rapids. The strain had been so great that the boy trembled like a leaf and lost consciousness. His hold on the log relaps-

ed, and he dropped into the water. The splash of his fall drew the attention of a small party paddling in a ca-0, my brethren, how sweet it is noe near by. This was Charles Knox in time.

In a few days he had entirely recov-A modest reserve is the surest pro- ered from the effects of his adventure, tection for purity and holds a high but he remained a more sober and wisHE WAS SMALL

The Story of a Little Boy Who We William and Faithful. The Sunday school evangelist tells the following interesting story:

A few years ago a large drug firm in New York city advertised for a boy. Next day the store was througed with applicants, among them a queer looking little fellow, accompanied by a woman, who proved to be his aunt, in lieu of faithless parents, by whom he had been abandoned. Looking at this waif the advertiser said:

"Can't take him; places all full. Be-

"I know he is small," said the wo man, "but he is willing and faithful." There was a twinkling in the boy's eyes which made the merchant think again. A partner in the firm volunteered the remark that he 'did not see what they wanted with such a boy; he But after consultation the boy was

A few days later a call was made on the boys in the store for some one to stay all night. The prompt response of the little fellow contrasted well with the reluctance of others. In the middle of the night the merchant looked in to see if all was right in the atore and presently discovered the youthful protege busy scissoring labels.

"What are you doing?" he said. "I did not tell you to work nights." "I know you did not tell me to, but I thought I might as well be doing some-

thing." In the morning the cashier got orders to "double that boy's wages, for he is

willing," 🦸 Only a few weeks elapsed before show of wild beasts passed through the street and, very naturally, all hands in the store rushed to witness the spectacle. A thief saw his opportunity and entered at the rear door to seize something, but in a twinkling found himself firmly clutched by the diminutive clerk aforesald and after a struggle was captured. Not only was Contractors Supplies, a fobbery prevented, but valuable articles taken from other stores were recovered. When asked why he staid behind to watch when all others quit their work, he replied:

"You told me never to leave the F. W. Palmer. store when others were absent, and I thought I'd stay.'

Orders were immediately given once more, "Double that boy's wages, for he is willing and faithful."

Today that boy is a member of the firm.—American Boy.

A Brave Horse.

An American has made a great deal did not overturn, the guide lost control of money by training two beautiful of it for a moment, and when he had white horses to dive into the water New righted it he found that he had been from a great height. He travels and exhibits his horses, and people gladit pay to see them. This is all very wonderful, but on Puget sound there is à After a few narrow escapes the canoe struck on a smooth ledge just beneath never was trained to do anything in his life, but who does just as wonderful things and thinks nothing of it.

Bony's owner is a rancher, who lives on one of the wooded islands where the boats stop once a week for vegetables to be taken to the city. The rancher can make more money by taking his own produce to the city and peddling it on the streets than by shipping it to the wholesale men, so he keeps his wagon in the city, and when the boats stop at his island he loads on Bony and or house 8 Thompson street, his vegetables. When the boat reaches the city dock, Bony shows of what he is made. While the gangplank is all right for the passengers and the vegetables, Bony cannot go ashore that way. He is led to the edge of the boat, his master speaks to him, and into the You will need something in the deep, cold water of Puget sound he line of plunges. He is entirely out of sight for so long'you begin to wonder if he will ever come up. But presently his head in a straight line for the shore. There he stands till his master comes up to him, hitches him to the cart, packs in his load and drives off to make his de-

Dolly's Toilet. Clementina Mabel Clare, Do not sniff or wriggle: If you do, I'll part your hair-Part it down the miggle! Do not sit upon your dress. Cos you're sure to spoil it; Do behave with properness When you're at your toilet!

Here's a tangle such as your Grandmamma would storm at. Call it hair, eh? Well, I'm sure, I should call it "doormat!"



You mustn't tease or joke too. Speak until they're spoke to.

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