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RESPECT FOR SUPERIORS.

In an article discussing various phases of the recent national calamity, Rev. Silliman Blagden, a well-known minister of Boston, complains that the young generation now springing up have lost that most desirable and commendable characteristic in the young especially, namely, proper respect for one's seniors and superiors.

"This is one commendable feature of the Catholic Church," he says; "It teaches its people, and especially the young, to be always and invariably respectful to all ministers, clergymen and priests, no matter whether they know them or not, and to take off their hats whenever they meet them; and to show proper courtesy and respect to the aged, their superiors and seniors."

"As an interesting and amusing illustration of this fact, the writer remembers, when some years ago in crossing the Boston Common one day, he suddenly heard the noisy prattle of some young boys approaching him from behind. Soon they came alongside of him; there were three of them, one, the oldest, apparently 7 years of age, was rolling a hoop, followed by two little tots, probably 4 and 5 years of age, running after the boy who was rolling the hoop. They appeared to be Italian children; and the writer supposed, of course, they must have been Catholics, for as soon as the large boy got alongside of the writer he looked up at him, and evidently thinking that the writer was a Catholic priest, he made a bow and took off his hat while still rolling his hoop, and immediately made motions for the other little tots to do the same thing; and though by this time they had passed me by several feet, still they made bows, and took off their hats from behind! This was very amusing, and also quite touching to the writer, because it showed that these children had been faithfully taught that most important lesson of showing proper respect, regard and courtesy to ministers and to their superiors and seniors. And it brought tears to the eyes of the writer, and moved him to pray for their parents, and for those children, and for their priest or minister, who educated them so well and faithfully."

There are seventy-two million cubic miles of water in the Atlantic; 141 million in the Pacific.

A VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

In this quiet evening hour
When the twilight shades appear,
When the Angel Gabriel's Ave
Fills the hearts of men with cheer,
Ere the last sweet tones forever
Fade away from mortal ear,
Come I to Thee, sweetest Jesus,
To Thy lowly dwelling here.

Here unto Thy presence holy,
Heart of Jesus, bring I Thee
All my little cares and troubles,
Knowing Thou wilt list to me.
For I have Thy promise sacred,
For I hear Thy word so blest—
"Come to Me all ye that labor
And by burdens are oppressed."

Then to pray for all my loved ones,
For the friends so dear to me,
And for those who, now unfaithful,
Walk in paths afar from Thee.
Sweetest Jesus, fast the moments
Pass into eternity.
"Bless us all" is my petition
As I say "Good-night" to Thee.

POPE'S AND CARDINALS.

The Number of Sovereign Pontiffs Canonized and Beatified—The Coming Consistory.

Of the 262 popes who preceded Leo XIII., 88 have been canonized or beatified. The first 56 pontiffs form an unbroken succession of saints, of whom 33 were martyrs. St. Denis, the 26th pope who died in 272, was the first sovereign pontiff who was not called upon to shed blood for the faith, but his five immediate successors laid down their lives for the faith. Thus, during the first five centuries from St. Peter to St. Felix IV. (530), the Church was governed by saints.

Unless some cardinal dies between this time (November 23) and the assembling of the Consistory usually held by the pope about Christmas time there will be only four red hats to be bestowed by His Holiness then. The Sacred college, when filled, consists of 70 cardinals, corresponding to the 70 disciples, divided among the three orders thus: six cardinal-bishops, 50 cardinal priests, and 14 cardinal-deacons. Seldom is the college filled, and when once its ranks are completed they do not remain so long. For most of the cardinals are old men when they receive the red hat and do not retain it. Since the election of Leo XIII., never before has the college had so many members as now. In 1892 it had but 50 members; in 1882 and again in 1889, it had 66 cardinals. In his reign of nearly 24 years Leo XIII. has created at least 139 cardinals, of whom nearly 80 have died. Only three of those who took part in his election still survive.

A COLORED MAN'S BEQUEST.

One of the largest bequests ever made by a colored man to a charitable or benevolent institution in the United States, was that in the will of the late Louis Dode, of \$30,000 for the establishment of free white and colored wards in St. Joseph's hospital, Baltimore. Dode was a respectable and benevolent man who inherited a comfortable fortune from his father, who, prior to the Civil War, was a fashionable tailor. His place of business being the corner of Broadway and

FIVE MINUTE SERMON.

SHORT INSTRUCTIONS ON THE GOSPEL BY A REVEREND FATHER.

Gospel—St. Matthew xxiv., 15-25. The abomination of desolation.

One object of this gospel was to advise Christ's followers among the Jews to escape the evils that were to come over Jerusalem, and the other was to warn Christians who will be living at the end of the world to prepare for the desolation that will precede His second coming, when He will come to judge the living and the dead.

In regard to Christians, Christ spoke of that abomination which will be caused by all sorts of crimes, and which, like a mighty torrent, will overflow the earth in the days of Antichrist, who will appear at the end of the world.

Christ counsels Christians to flee from the general corruption that will reign supreme with Antichrist, even at the cost of what was most dear to them on this earth, preferring to lose all things rather than lose their souls and forfeit the imperishable goods of heaven.

Considering how all the predictions in regard to Jerusalem were most minutely fulfilled, we understand why Jesus Christ said that heaven and earth shall pass away, but that His words shall not pass away. Moreover, let us learn to fear the dreadful punishments of the anger of God, to do penance for our sins, and to prepare ourselves for the day of judgment, of which the Gospel speaks, and which is explained on the first Sunday of Advent.

REV. DR. HENEERY.

EDITOR OF CATHOLIC JOURNAL:

Time and again, through the medium of your esteemed paper, I wrote in a praiseworthy manner of that noted professor of the Celtic language, the Rev. Dr. Heneery of the Catholic University at Washington. Just now there is much criticism in the Ancient Order of Hibernians as well as in the Gaelic League on the "non-re-appointment" of Rev. Dr. Heneery in the Celtic chair. For such an action on the part of the authorities of the university who have the matter in hand, there seems to be no clear nor absolute reason for the change. Undoubtedly the much regretted commotion had its birth in the snap judgment of some individuals who are Saxonomized in their way of thinking—if not, "red tape" must have its play within the walls of the university. Or it may be the Rev. Dr. is too radical an Irishman for the "policy worshippers," who seemingly are anxious for his removal. However, we trust the whole matter has been grossly exaggerated and that the proper and duly appointed authorities of the university will deliberate the case in a manner that will vindicate Rev. Dr. Heneery in his worth and usefulness in the Celtic chair. Moreover, the Rev. Dr. is acknowledged the peer of all Gaelic scholars of the day. Aye, he is the greatest Celtic philologist within the pale of the Catholic church. He is a true Irishman, full of worth and dignity, and an honor to the university. In conclusion let us trust Dr. Heneery will be reappointed with a force and a dignity that will disappoint those persons fraught with menace to the good old Irish race and manners. The Ancient Order of Hibernians generously donated \$50,000 for the Gaelic chair at the university, and they are worthy of deep consideration in the cause of Rev. Dr. Heneery.

HENRY O'CONNELL.

Watkins, N. Y., Nov. 18, '91.

A large number of noted Catholic prelates assembled in Washington on the 20th inst. to attend the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Catholic University. After most careful consideration the board unanimously declined to reappoint Dr. Heneery as associate professor in Gaelic. [EDITOR.]

SIX DAY EXCURSION TO NEW YORK

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