CATHOLIC INTRNAT THE and nobody else is, or could be, the the Gospel will spread life anew in STEDS-ROSES-PLANTS. THE POPE'S LETTER the hearts of our corrupted society and visible head of His church. Some We have a large assortment of the Choicest ROSE BUSHES, 25c each, 5 for | CHANGE OF FAITH months ago I wrote to His Grace Archin its perishing sumbers. In what concerns us, Venerable Brebishop Corrigan, asking for an inter-1. 60, 43.00 per dozen. Barden and Earm Seeds, Seed Drills and Garden Tools. view. I explained to him my position, thren, in order to hasten the day of CONCLUSION Divine mercy we shall not fail in our my state of mind. ion Tools. Flower and Herb Seed, Insect and Bug Powders. Tomato and Cabbage Plants. Holly Hock and Chives Roots. GOME REASONS GIVEN FOR BECOMING duty to do everything to defend and With his natural kindness and fifter us, we never weary as often grace he met my difficulties and in- as the occasion presents itself to in-troduced me to Rev Father A. 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They are in (Washington's birthday( i, my wife Holy, Cathelic and A postolic Church. and five children, were received into efforts more efficaciously for the com-HARRY HARRISON immediate contact with the people. If full of the spirit of Jesus Christ and the church at the Paulist Fathers' mon good; that they may be more en-Among the most notable of recent church. On the 24th of March we Wholesale and Retail Dealer in lightened and that our adversaries keeping themselves above political Fishing Tackle and Sporting Goods conversions is that of Rudolf Clement were privately confirmed by His Grace may understand the injustice which passion, they unite their action with Altschul and his entire family, seven they commit in persecuting the most yours they will succeed with the bless-A full line of Guns, Revolvers, Rifles, Ammunition, Dog Collars and Cutlery. in the vestry of St. Patrick's Cathein all. For some years he exercised loving mother and the most faithful ing of God in accomplishing marvels. dral the ministry in the Protestant church Rochester, N. Y. "Almighty God and the Blessed Virpenefactress of humanity. By their word they will enlighten the Now at 113 State Street. and at the urgent request of the editor We would not wish that the rememmultitude; by their sweetness of mangin have been wonderfully good to me of the Missionary he present a short Rochester Phone 3796. brance of these afflictions should dimand mine. ners they will gain all hearts, and in account of his religious history. "I dare not contemplate what my inish in the souls of the faithful that succoring with charity their suffering Wall Paper! "I have been asked to define my reabrethren, they will help them little by feelings would have been if any memfull and entire confidence which they sons for entering the Catholic church ber of my family should have opposed ought to have in the Divine assistlittle to better the condition in which and I confess that the task is a most my desire to join the Catholic church. ance. For God, in his own hour and tuey are placed. 15 If you have never examined difficult one. There are certain ques-'As it is, we are all in the fold, in His mysterious ways, will bring The clergy will be firmly sustained tions which will not yield to human J. R. Brady's Wall Paper all happy. about a certain victory. As for us, no by the active and intelligent co-operaarguments. There are certain ques-"Rudolf Clement Altschul." matter how great the sadness which tion of all men of good will. Thus the TRIANGLE Do so this season. All 1902 goods tion which will not be subjugated to children who have tasted the sweetfilis our heart, we do not fear for the our reason. Yet the question, 'Why Silk, Burlap, Tapestry, Ingrain A Sod From Killarney. immortal destiny of the church. As ness of the Church will thank her for BUILDING are you a Catholic?" is put to me The cabin that sheltered the widow we have said in the beginning, perseit in a worthy way, viz., by gathering and papers as low as 22c a roll. by both sides. Catholics and Protestcution is its heritage, because in tryaround her to defend her honor and Had several neat, little rooms, ants alike desire me to explain why Painter and Decorater An American stove and some tables, her glory. All can contribute to this ing and in purifying its children, God I gave up my ministry and my proswork which will be so splendidly mer-Cane chairs and fine Irish brooms; thereby obtains for them greater and Rochester Phone 818. Stillson St. pects for the future and 'went over But all day long by the curtainless more precious advantages. And in peritorious for them; literary and learned to Rome.' But is it possible to state window mitting the Church to undergo these men, by defending her in books or in with mathematical exactness the She was happy to gossip and nod the dainly press which is such a powtrials He manifests the Divine as-JOHN M. REDDINGTON. reasons which will bring about such By a bit of her native Killarney, sistance which He bestows upon it, erly instrument now made use of by a change? Can we define the influences A box of its emerald sod. her enemies; fathers of families and 'or He provides new and unlooked for which will produce such a transformteachers, by giving a Christian educa-Lehigh Valley COAL means of assuring the support and the ation? In some cases the reasons are The nephew of Patrick her husband ievelopment of His work, wuile revealtion to children; magistrates and reppurely theological. Some men are resentatives of the people, by showing (Who slept with a cross at his ing the futility of the powers which actuated by exact logical deductions. themselves firm in the principles head), are leagued against it. Nineteen cen-Brighest, Cleanest, Best With others early associations induce which they defend as well as by the Brought it over the billowy ocean turies of a life passed in the midst of 99 West Main Street. Telep one 390 convictions, which sooner or later are integrity of their lives and in the Tied up in a kerchief of red; the ebb and flow of all human vicissibound to assert themselves. profession of their faith without any And it cheered her whenever the startudes teach us that the storms pass "My reasons were certainly not light vestige of human respect. Our age by without ever affecting the founda-ROCHESTER. purely theological. I have never tried SECURITY TRUST COMPANY, Lay soft over steeple and spire, exacts lofty ideals, generous designs, tions of the Church. We are able all to convince myself that one or the For then she was lonely for Patrick and the exact observance of the laws. the more to remain unshaken in this N. Y. other passage in Scripture favored With his paper and pipe by the fire. confidence, as the present time affords It is by a perfect submission to the Protestantism or vice-versa. 1 simply indications which forbid depression. directions of the Holy See that this took it for granted that Protestantism ABSOLUTE SAFETY. Is The Best Thing We Have to Offer Upon This Basis We Solicit Your Patronage. She counted the blades as they sprout-We cannot deny that the difficulties discipline will be strengthened, for it was right in every respect, that Home ed. that confront us are extraordinary and is the best means of causing to disapand Romanism were equally wrong, The accommodations we offer meet your requirements You are not already a customer, Then We Invite You to Become One And dreamed of a morning of old formidable, but there are also facts pear or at least of diminishing the evil and that my duty as a Protestant minwhich party opinions produce in fo-When her cheek was a match for the before our eyes which give evidence, ister demanded and justified such docmenting divisions; and it will assist roses at the same time, that God is fulfilltrine And her tresses a tangle of gold; us in uniting all our efforts for attaining His promises with admirable wis-"I took it for granted, not on account And she danced on the turf at Kiling that higher end, namely, the tridom and goodness. of being convinced of the correctness Surplus, \$303,600. Deposits, \$5,000,000. Capital, \$200,000. harney umph of Jesus Christ-and His Church. While so many powers conspire of my position, or because my inmost Barefoot in the daisies and dew, against the Church and while she is Such is the duty of Catholics. As for convictions dictated such a course; EDWARD HARRIS, President. ALEX. M. LINDSAY, Vice President. In time to the lark that was lilting her final triumph she depends upon progressing on her way deprived of but because I lacked the opportunity JAMES S. WATSON, Vice-President. JULIAS M. Wile, Manager. Aloft in the infinite blue, Him who watches with wisdom and of comparison, and because I lived all human help and assistance, is she love over his immaculate spouse, and FRANK M. ELLERY, Secretary. with and among people to whom the not in effect carrying on her gigantic The banks and the bogs of her girlof Whom it is written, "Jesus Christ, words Rome and Pope were abominawork in the world, and is she not exyesterday, to-day and forever." (Heb. hood tending her action in every clime and tions Were far over fathoms of foam, Eat What you like. We Digest it. Paines leley wafers. every nation? Expelled by Jesus xiii.. 8.) "Thus when I entered the Protest-But the box full of velvety grasses Christ, the prince of this world can It is therefore to Him that at this ant ministry, and was ordained in the Was a patch from the verdure of moment we should lift our hearts in lowest of low churches in England, I no longer exercise his proud dominion home; humble and ardent prayer, to Him who was ipso facto at war with everything as heretofore; and although doubtless And so when her toil-roughened finloving wih an infinite love our erring the efforts of Satan may cause us which even nearly smacked of Romangers humanity has wished to make Himself many a woe they will not achieve the ism, vestments and candles. I ad-Were folded forever at rest, an explatory victim by the sublimity object at which they aim. Already mired Kensit in his crusade against We planted the sod from Killarney of His martyrdom; to Him who seated a supernatural tranquility due to the the high church, and applauded his All dewy and green o'er her breast. Holy Ghost Who provides for the although unseen in the mystical bark courage of pulling the crucifix from |

arraign the Catholic church and to stigmatize her teachings as false and misleading. "Yet in spite of all this a sneaking, shamefaced liking for Rome and Romanism made itself feit as time

the altar of St. Paul's Cathedral. 1 considered it my bounden duty to

Father Lacombe, the veteran mis-

remarked this afternoon that this was a world of surprises and disappointments The good missionary WDA asked to illustrate. Very well. \* \* \* The other day there was a sale of unclaimed baggage at the Windsor street station. This is a heterogeneous collection of articles over which one might moralize a little, comprising, as they do, so many momentoes which once stood for love an. pride. The curious assemble to bid. There is the element of uncertainty. The trunks are sealed. . hey may contain much that is valuable; on the other hand, the contents may be quite worthless, and one may lose good money. The bidding is sometimes very spirited, for cupidity is aroused, and the idea of bargains is firmly fixed in the mind. A...er the sale a certain man came to see Father Lacombe He ...ad been to the sale. He had bought two trunks. In the first case the contents were worthless; in the second, he found a large number of beautiful vestments. which, he said, were no use at all to him. Would Father Lacombe buy them? The good missionary asked the man how much he wanted. The man settled upon a large sum. The priest shook his head. The man came down. He would take, at last, twentyfive collars. "But you only paid a trifie for the trunk." "Ah, well," said the man, "that is very true, but then I lost on the first lot. They were worthless." "But that is a bad reason for asking me twenty-five doilars for the vestments." The man was firm, and the missionary paid the twenty-five dollars, only to learn that those vestments had been made for his own use and that of the other clergy in the Northwest by the ladies of the congregation of Notre Dame, and that the trunk, instead of being forwarded to opposed by the unjust and unfriendly its destination, had remained at the station unclaimed.

An Odd Incident. sionary, says the "Montreal Witness,"

thurch and Who abides in it reigns not only in the souls of the faithful but also throughout Christianity; a tranquility whose serene development we witness everywhere, thanks to the union ever more and more close and ter for the cessation of the evils which affectionate with the Apostolic See; a are overwhelming society, for the rewhich is in marvelous contrast union with the agitation, the dissension and the continual unrest of the various sects which disturb the peace of socjety. quere exists also between bishops and clergy a union which is fruitful in numberless works of zeal and charity. It exists likewise between the clergy and laity who more closely knit together and more completely freed from human respect than ever before, are awakening to a new life and organizing with a generous emulation in defense of the sacred cause of religion. It is this union which we have so often recommended an. which we recommend again, which we bless that it may develop still more and may rise like an impregnable wall against the fierce violence of the enemies of God. There is nothing more natural than that like the branches which spring from the roots of thetree, these numberless associations which we see with joy flourish in our days in the bosom of the Church should arise, grow strong and multiply. There is no form of Christian piety which has been omitted whether there is a question of Jesus Christ himself, or His adorable mysteries, or His Divine Mother, or the saints whose wonderful virtues have illumined the world. Nor has any kind of charitable work been forgotten. On all sides there is a zealous endeavor to procure Christian instruction for youth; help for the sick; moral teaching for the people and assistance for the classes least favored in the goods of this world. With what remarkable rapidity this movement would propagate itself and what precious fruits it would bear if it were not efforts with which it finds itself so often in conflict. God, who gives to the Church such great vitality in civ...zed countries where it has been established for sc many centuries, consoles us besides with other hopes. These hopes we owe to the zeal of Catholic missionaries. Not permitting themselves to be discouraged by the pertis which they face; by the privations which tuey endure; by the sacrifices of every kind which they accept, their numbers are increasing and they are gaining whole countries to the Gospel and to civilization. Nothing can diminish their courage, although after the manner of their Divine master they receive only accusations and calumnies as the reward of their untiring labors. Thus our sorrows are tempered by the sweetest consolations, and in the midst of the struggles and the difficulties which are our portion we have wherewith to refresh our souls and to inspire us with hope. This ought to suggest useful and wise reflections to those who view the world wih intelligence, and who do not permit passions to blind them; for it proves that God has not made man independent in what regards the last end of life, and just as He has spoken to him in the past so He speaks again in our day by His Church which is visibly sustained by the Divine assistance and which shows clearly where salvation and truth can be found. Come what may, this eternal assistance will inspire our hearts with an incredible hope and persuade us that at the hour marked by Providence and in a future which is not remote, truth will scatter the mists in which men endeavor to shroud it and will shine forth more tralian priests is being considered at prilinantly than ever. The spirit of at Rome.

of His Church can alone still the tempest and command the waves to be calm and the furious winds to cease. Without doubt, Venerable Broth.on, you with us will ask this Divine Maspeal of all hostile laws: for the illum ination of those who more perhaps through ignorance than through malice, hate and persecute the religion of Jesus Christ; and also for the drawing together of all men of good will in close and holy union. May the triumph of truth and of justice be thus hastened in the world, and for the great family of men may better days dawn; days of transquillity and of peace. Meanwhile as a pledge of the most precious and Divine favor may the benediction which we give you with all our heart descend upon you and all the faithful committed to your care. Given at Rome, at St. Peter's, 19th March, 1902, in the twenty-fifth year of Our Pontificate.

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wore on; a liking which defied the rules and regulations of my church, a liking which I could not analyze, but which prompted my admiration where should denounce, which made me love and bless where I was supposed to curse

"I was born in Prague (Bohemia) one of the most ultra-Catholic cities in the world From childhood I associ ated with Catholics and while my home atmosphere was one of perfect religious indifference, I was neither encouraged nor forbidden to enter Catholic places of worship Well 1 remember how I used to steal into a church to hide behind the high, dark pews, watching with awe and wonder the priest at the altar, the figures and pictures of saints. How I used to envy the people and my schoolmates for being entitled to enjoy all these glories freely and openly, and how the fragrance of the incense had to me the flavor and the sweetness of the forbidden fruit! But tempus fugit. Soon school and boyhood days passed away: the family removed to Vienna, and in that gay city, among new surroundings and new aims, the impressions of church and altar and incense faded away like a mist. I was preparing for civil engineerings, traveling all over Europe and had to serve my regular term in the army.

"This passed, I went to England, married and settled down to the humdrum of life of the average man, without a special aim and without faith in anything but a well filled purse. But it should not remain thus. "One day I passed a building where

Gospel Meetings were held and enter ed. As the darky said: 'I got religion' there and then, or at least what i supposed to be 'religion,' and a short time after I decided to study for the ministry. In due season I was ordained and for some time acted as assistant to Bishop Richardson of the Reformed Episcopal church.

"Then the old restlessness came over me again, and for many years 1 traveled around lecturing and preaching. My travels extended to Southern Germany, Bavaria and Switzerland and there again I came into contact with Catholicism and Catholic priests. Once more the recollections of days gone by, the memories of boyhood became animated and the soft vibrations of chords long untouched, almost for gotten, made themselves felt and demanded recognition. In the first instance I was inclined to ascribe the sensation to a disordered mind. hoped and prayed that the sensation would pass by and leave me again in a proper 'Protestant' frame of mind. But it was not a passing sensation. It was not a momentary emotion. Deer down in the heart the still small voice was pleading day and night, demand ing recognition, refusing to be com forted with the old wornout phrases with the vain protests of a divided. shaky apostasy. I knew and I felt that I would have to make a clean breast of my doubts, and that i could not possibly go on in an unsettled state of mind, for I felt it would be to live a lie. Thus, on returning to the States, instead of arranging for lectures or . continuing my literary labors, I spent

satisfying knowledge that I was doing right, that the Catholic, and mone bur the Catholic church was the church of Catholic church was the church of Catholic church was the short 

"Curious sort of world, isn't it?" said the father, smilingly.

A score or more of Washington rashionable women turned out recently in white aprons to wait upon the 200 inmates of the Home for Old Men and Women, conducted by the Little Sisters of the Poor. The feast of St. Joseph is always celebrated in this manner in Washington, and this being a French institution, tounded by one of the former Ambassadors, it has always been the custom of the French Ambassador to attend ...e dinner. M. Cambon was prevented from doing this this year, but all of the members of the embasy were present, and Mme. de Margerie and Mme. Vignal, in their pretty white aprons, did honors

for him. Among the other society women who waited upon the old women and men, both white and black, were Mrs. Crackanthrope, of the British embassy; Mme. Garcia Morou, wife of the Argentine minister; Mrs. Corbin, wife of the adjutant-general of the army; Mrs. Henry May, Mrs. W. F. Byrnes, Mrs. James F. Barbour, Mrs. Anthony Gould, of New York; Mrs. Perin, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Carrollmeyer, Mrs. William S. Emory, Mrs. Atwell, the Misses Patten and the Misses

The Spanish Benedictines recently opened a college in a suburb of Manila which already has sixty boarding pupils and twice as many externs. It is stated that the better-off Filipines resolutely refuse to send their sons to the overanxious schools supplied by the government

LEO XIII.

A Story of Nordica. Liman Norton, (Nordica) was born and reared in Farmington, maine. She studied in Boston, sang in many of the Catholic church choirs (Mme. Nordica is a devout Catholic), and finally appeared as a Concert singer in New Nork with Gilmore's band. Under Gilmore's direction she made a tour of Europe, where, for the first time, foreigners realized that a nightingale could be heard in bleak prosaic New England. From Italian to French and German operas she glided with ease, establishing a new interpretation of "Elsa," "Brunhilde" and "Isolde." Her personification of Verus masterpiece, "Aida." has been unsurpassed in the world of music. Her position in the operatic world has been established now for years, and she reigns with queenly grace as the only supreme American prima donna.

One of Mme. Nordica's favorite concert numbers is the great dramatic aria from Ekel's Hungarian opera, "Lasles," in which the climax depicts the grief of a mother upon the loss of her child. One day while driving in the country, she was startled by a wall of anguish from a near-by cotbage. Jumping from her carriage she ran to the door, and found a young mother whose child had just died in her arms, giving way to the first passion of her woe. Mme. Nordica did what she could for the poor bereft mother, but she knew also that chance had placed in her grasp what she had tried so worked until she could perfectly imitate that frenzied cry. There was the camax, and all who have heard Nordica sing Ekel's aria know the effect is nothing less than electric.

Sunday Morning. I hear the bells ring out Across the silent squares; A holy calm has come Upon the world's affairs. The roar of yesterday-The fury of the fray-Is hushed and people's cares 'Are softly put away.

The distant bells ring out, I hear their cohoes die, And breathe the fragrance of The zephyre singing by. I know that men, somewhere, Fight on and sky and snare, But still I see the sky, And know that God is there. A --- S. E. Kiser.

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