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## A Few Questions.

With no desire to throw cold water on the efforts of well-meaning citizens to provide Sunday afternoon amusement for the young people of the city, the Journal makes bold to ask a few questions which seem pertinent.

In view of the concession by all the advocates of the Sunday concert plan that Catholics attend Church regularly while the rest of the community do so at intermittent intervals or not at all, why not try the plan of opening non-Catholic churches every day in the year? Why close God's house in vacation season or at any hour in the day?

Why not peer under the surface and try to locate the real cause of the difficulty?

Why not plead with employers for a universal Saturday half holiday in the summer months and for Saturday closing at 6 o'clock in the retail stores during the rest of the year?

Why not urge upon the employers that, if only from a selfish, mercenary motive, decent treatment of their employees will aid in allaying discontent and in engendering belief in Christianity as a vital, everyday force?

Why not labor with the city authorities to replace the Central library which was abolished at the behest of owners and promoters of paid circulating libraries?

If it be true, as alleged by Mr. Ailing, that vice and lawlessness flourish unrebuked on Sunday, why not demand that the authorities enforce the law rigidly? If they fail to respond, then petition the governor to remove the unresponsive authorities?

If owners of property rent their property for illegal purposes, or permit it to be so used, why not call upon the district attorney to indict such persons? And if he neglects to do his sworn duty call upon the governor to remove him.

If the excise law is violated in Rochester then the citizens themselves are somewhat to blame, because the legislature of 1905 amended the Raines' law so that any property owner may invoke the aid of the courts to have a liquor tax certificate revoked. A certificate so revoked cannot be re-issued to the original holder, a member of his family or any one acting as his agent unless the owners of adjoining property agree. In the event of conviction for keeping a disorderly house a new license cannot be obtained at such premises for the period of one year. To be sure, such proceedings would cost money, but one or two convictions would spur the authorities on to do their duty as nothing else would. And would not the moral effect be worth all the money spent?

By all means, let us do all in our power to encourage, uplift and educate the masses. At the same time, let us not sanction, tacitly, violations of the law by sanctioning counter attractions.

May we repeat, with emphasis: Parents do not permit your children to read a book, nor even those labeled "boys' and girls' fiction," until you have perused them. Church members, which is good authority, in the Book of "Unfair

## Common Sense.

While Rev. Dr. A. S. Crapsey may not be "sound" on all religious questions, he is possessed of common sense. At the "conference of churches" held recently in Rochester, President Strong of the Theological Seminary advocated "religious teaching" in the public schools—"not denominational religion, but three religious doctrines which are common to all: the existence of God, the immortality of man and human accountability."

Dr. Crapsey regretted that he was unable to agree with Dr. Strong for these reasons:

"You must recognize the fact that the separation of Church and State in this country is more apparent than real. We have had a religious test in regard to office holding in this country from the beginning. It has been and it is now a part of the unwritten law that the highest office of the land shall not come into the possession of a man who has not embraced one of the evangelical faiths. It has hitherto been impossible for a Roman Catholic, a Jew or a pronounced agnostic to be elected to the office of president of the United States. This established religion of this country is the evangelical religion.

"Dr. Strong sets forth three religious doctrines, the supremacy of God, the immortality of man and future accountability. The remedy is impracticable and inadequate. The three principles announced are without ethical language, and are believed in more strongly by the Mohammedan and the orthodox Greek Catholic than by the evangelical, and yet the former murder the Armenians and the latter massacre the Jews. The gentlemen of vast wealth who have been criticised most severely during this conference are all earnest believers in these principles, and if you pick out the one man in America who most strongly believes in those principles you will find that he is the master of the Standard Oil."

## Catholic Activity.

One needs only to scan the news columns of the daily and Catholic press to realize that the Catholic part of Rochester's public does not find its sole recreation in looking for showy attractions and card parties. Young men's societies, young ladies sodalities, organizations of every character announce lecture courses and other attractions of more or less literary character.

Ladies and societies, sewing guilds, St. Vincent de Paul conferences, Holy Name Societies and the federation of German Catholic societies, testify to interest in charity and of a desire to better the community at large.

These are healthy signs. They demonstrate that we are taking our place in the body politic, that we are not to be classed with the drones in the hive of public progress, but that we are a vital force in the betterment of the community.

## Increase Catholic View

School Commissioner George M. Forbes, in an address to his Bible class in Park Avenue Baptist Church last Sunday endorsed directly the Catholic position on "inspiration" as contrasted with that held by such Protestants as still believe in "inspiration". He said: "The Catholic view of inspiration is the only logically consistent one. The Protestant view, by cutting off the divine intervention at the close of the apostolic period, leaves the door open for a large admixture of human error. This can enter through corruptions of the text, in the formation of the canon, and pre-eminently and overwhelmingly in the work of interpretation and translation.

"The Protestants in their doctrines of the right of private interpretation virtually contradict the doctrine of inspiration, for the right of private interpretation implies the possibility of difference of interpretation and so virtually denies that inspiration furnishes any infallible certainty of the truth.

Balfour and Chamberlain are at loggerheads. Irishmen will not shed tears.

## No Alliance

Editor Catholic Journal: Your editorial entitled "Present and Past" is, to put it mildly, ridiculous and decidedly of the yellow, jingo variety, and must be offensive to most of your sensible and conservative readers.

In the first place, it is not the U. S. Government which is entertaining Prince Louis, but the American sailors, who are simply returning the hospitality shown them by the British when visiting England and it is not costing the American tax payers one cent.

In the second place, although an alliance between Great Britain and the U. S. Government is extremely unlikely, an understanding between these two governments is looked upon by the wisest and greatest statesmen of to-day as the greatest security for the peace of the world. The inference that England is a "European Monarchy" which represents the meanest sort of tyranny is scandalous and absolutely untrue. The fact is that the English government is as free as any in the world, and their political, judicial system is far less corrupt, especially in Municipal politics. In the third place, the visit of the British Admiral to America in 1814, etc., is an affair that took place nearly 100 years ago and the English government and people of the present day can hardly be held responsible for the acts of their ancestors. Then, let me ask, why do you delight in misrepresenting a people who extend complete religious freedom to Catholics, who are only too glad to be friendly and who entertain the highest opinion of our president and people?

The writer is not an Englishman, but has spent some years in that country.

Joseph A. Gabe

Evidently, Mr. Gabe misinterprets our meaning. With the desire of "statesmen," to promote universal peace we are in hearty accord but past experience should warn us to beware of the politicians of Downing street. Even so eminent an English statesman as Gladstone aided and abetted the Confederacy in 1861 and 1865. Why repudiate France and Russia who aided us in our dark days to form an alliance with our ancient enemy?

Washington's advice to steer clear of entangling alliances and to cultivate friendship with all nations holds good yet. Incidentally, did England manifest such an over-whelming desire to cultivate our friendship until after the Spanish-American war had made us a world-power?

No objection would have been made to American sailors entertaining an English admiral, but because the admiral was a prince, the anglo-manics insisted upon a splurge so lavish that we are informed, the sailors could not afford to foot the bill and Congress will be asked for an appropriation to help out.

According to Mr. Gabe England does not practise "meanest tyranny." Let us see. In our opinion a government which taxes Irish Catholics to build Episcopalian churches and then through official channels tries to convey the impression that Irish poverty is due to their generous contributions for Catholic churches is uncomfortably near the practice of "meanest tyranny". But this is not all. Read England's colonial history. Every page reeks with tales of petty tyranny and perfidy to vanquished foes. English diplomacy has ever been synonymous with trickery. Indeed, that has been the essence of English statesmanship. Until England gives Irish Catholics equal rights with their Episcopalian brethren, for whose support they are mulcted, no claim of "complete religious freedom for Catholics" can be urged successfully.

While recent disclosures of political corruption in this country have brought shame to Americans, England has no room to brag. Not so long ago an investigation revealed the fact that all the relatives of Joseph Chamberlain who so desired were holding government jobs while the head of the family did not consider it beneath his dignity to accept contracts for the government of which he was a member. Indeed, Joseph might be listed in the "McCurdy family class."

One venal judge does not set the standard for the entire judiciary of the Empire State or the United States. Neither does the fact that Justice moves slowly, at times, brand

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