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## MEDDLESOME

Why is it that our non-Catholic friends take so much to heart the discrimination of the American Indians to adopt the Protestant religion? Why do they not own up that they are not successful in their proselytizing and turn their attention to the "heathen of the cities?"

There is an organization called the Indian Rights Association. It is a side partner in the Mahonk Lake conference mutual admiration society and here is its latest "resolve":

"This conference respectfully petitions Congress by legislation to pass upon the question whether any funds held in trust by the United States should be used for the support of any schools under denominational or ecclesiastical control. And the conference records its conviction that the decision repeatedly embodied in the legislation of Congress against the appropriation of any public funds for the support of such schools also be by law enforced against the use of Indian tribal funds of which the United States Government is the trustee."

"We recommend to the Secretary of the Interior and to Congress that such measures as are necessary be taken to make possible the admission of full-blood children of the so-called Five Civilized Tribes residing in the Indian Territory into the Government Indian schools of the country."  
"We believe that Congress at an early date should enact legislation requiring all Indian children of school age and in good health to attend such school."

"Fine business! The Government, after taking possession of the property of the Indians and deciding to hold its value in trust for these wards of the nation, must tell them how it is to be spent. If the Indians would decide to endow non-Catholic schools with their trust funds, not a word would be said by these bigots. But because the Indians choose to send their children to Catholic schools then the Government must intervene again and prevent the Indians from spending their own money as they like."

Then, to emphasize their failure to proselytize the bigots adopted this supplemental resolution: "The conference hereby resolves that a committee of five be appointed by the chair, with power to increase their own number, with authority to issue an address to the churches on the necessity of more Christian work among the Indians and in the Indian neighborhoods."

The Journal is confident that President Roosevelt will not be influenced by such twaddle.

## COWARDS ARRAIGNED.

Bishop Ludden of Syracuse has administered a sharp rebuke to those who would chloroform those who are affected with incurable diseases. "To wilfully take away human life, in its beginning, progress or ending, is murder and crime to heaven for vengeance," he says.

"The doctrine that human life is to be treated the same at that of pigs, puppies and pet cats will hardly prevail outside of the fanatical sentimental doctrinaires, skeptics, infidels, cowardly suicides and gamblers," the Bishop adds. "The time of suffering and sickness unto death is precious, and ought not to be wantonly abused or tampered with. Sufferings, when rightly borne, have their precious value and a purifying process that eliminates the dross and leaves the pure gold refined."

## RIGHT DISTINCTION.

There has been so much comment recently on the M. C. A. and whether it is desirable for Catholics to belong to an organization that the following question: "The M. C. A. should be read"

"The M. C. A. of late months the M. C. A. has been in all parts of the country from the Examiners of the M. C. A. of Ontario, the M. C. A. of the Young Men's Association. The M. C. A. should be read"

Catholic young men to keep out of. Briefly, the association founded by the late Sir George Williams is a distinctly non-Catholic organization, productive no doubt of excellent results among Protestant young men, but decidedly inimical, in its whole tone, atmosphere and influence, to the robust Catholicity by which the young men of our faith should be characterized. There are nowadays abundant Catholic associations for social, benevolent and even recreative purposes to gratify the legitimate aspirations of any member of the Church; and young members more especially should eschew Protestant societies."

## WAKING UP?

There are some signs that the legislators in Albany are waking up. The appropriation bills are progressing, the senate and assembly calendars contain a few local bills each day.

But much more could be done if the legislators would do a real week's work. It is the rule to meet on Monday evening, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for a half an hour or so. On Fridays the session is only a perfunctory one, while none is held on Saturdays. Why would it not be worth while to try one session the plan of holding daily sessions and hurrying up the public business? Legislators would learn that such course would prevent much public criticism.

It will not do to plead that much time is taken with committee work because everybody knows that none of the legislators can be found at the Capitol on Mondays or Saturdays and only a few for a very few moments on Fridays.

## FIVE MILLIONS SAVED.

State Commissioner of Education Andrew S. Draper reports 1,234,680 pupils registered in the public schools of the Empire State during the year just ended.

In the Catholic parochial schools there were registered 172,518 pupils. The entire amount of money expended by the State during 1905 for elementary schools was \$41,064,842.89.

According to these figures, as the "Catholic News" points out, it costs the State \$33.50 per annum to educate every child in the public elementary schools. The Catholic elementary schools, therefore, by educating, at the expense of Catholic parents, 172,518 children, save the taxpayers of New York State \$5,799,353 every year. But that does not represent all the saving to the State by Catholics. The cost and maintenance of our school buildings should be added.

## A BEAUTIFUL DEATH.

The following little account, given by the "Catholic Weekly," of London, Ont., will be read with interest by many and may also serve to encourage those who have to train the Catholic young:

"Archie Rowley, aged 6 years, attending St. John's Infants' School, Perth (Scotland), was removed to the infirmary on Friday, December 20th, to be operated upon for blood poisoning. While still under the influence of the chloroform, he joined his hands on his breast and sang very distinctly two verses of the hymn 'Sweet Heart of Jesus!' Then he continued repeating the 'Hail Mary' until he died at 2 p. m. on Saturday, 30th. His mother (a widow) was allowed to remain with the little sufferer, and so had the consolation of witnessing this beautiful death. The funeral took place at 2 p. m. on Tuesday, 2d instant. The Sisters, teachers and a great number of the school children assembled in the cemetery to meet the hearse at the gate, following the body to the grave, where they sang all the verses of 'Sweet Heart of Jesus.'"

King Edward always wishes to have at least one Catholic peer among his Lords-in-Waiting; and, owing to the recent change of government, Lord Camoys will now succeed Earl Denbigh. Lord Camoys is very young, being just 21 years old; but his family has been for years connected with the court. His grandmother, Lady Stonor, was Queen Alexandra's first Lady-in-Waiting; and his aunt, the Marquise d'Hotpoutte, is the Queen's intimate friend, while his uncle, the Hon. Harry Stonor, is King Edward's favorite equerry. It is stated that all are strict Catholics.

The National Chaplain of the Grand Army of the Republic for the first time in the history of the order is a Catholic priest. He is Rev. John F. Leary, rector of St. Michael's Church, in Chapman, Kan. He was elected chaplain-in-chief at the national encampment held last September. He was born in New York State in 1846. The war service of the chaplain was as a member of the Fifteenth New York Engineers. That was before he became a priest. He served in the Wilderness, at Spottsylvania and at Appomattox. Though he was wounded at Bermuda Hundred, he was able to get back to his regiment in time to be in at the finish at the Appomattox Court-house. He has been a priest for about a score of years and has made a reputation as a forceful, witty speaker.

"Church Progress" administers this page relative to Congressman Stephens:

There is a vast difference between government funds and funds held in trust by the government. The latter are not and never can become the property of the government by legal enactment, against the consent of the beneficiaries. That would be a betrayal of the trust. It would be legalized robbery. But that is the practical result of the bill introduced by Congressman Stephens. It would make Indian trust funds government funds, and as such sacred from appropriation for education in sectarian schools. There is certainly something radically wrong with the mental machinery of any man who insists that such a law would receive the sanction of any court in the country."

"Protestant ministers are adopting the trading stamp system. All that's lacking now is the free lunch counter" says the Chicago "New World."

"Like a great many Protestants," says the "Sacred Heart Review." "Farnell, we are told, never devoted much of his time to religious worship. While in prison at Kilmalmoy, he always refused the invitation of the Protestant chaplain, though he was on friendly terms with the Catholic clergyman, Canon Kennedy, who attended that institution. This is how William O'Brien (in his "Recollections") sums up the matter: 'On religious topics Farnell was at all times closely reserved, though never disrespectful. Catholicism was the only form of religion for which I ever knew him to betray any tenderness. Long afterward, when in the smoking room of the House of Commons, the two were reading of the execution of Brady and Kelly for the Phoenix Park murders, he remarked very gravely: 'The Catholic Church is the only one that can make a man die with any real hope.'"

The total Catholic population of the British Empire which is probably ten and a half millions, including 2,650,000 in British America, is more than two millions short of the Catholic population of the United States.

Rebuking the assertions often made that the great prominence and power of the Pope was attained by fraud or violence, the London "Saturday Review" (Protestant) says: "Gregory I marks, perhaps, the precise moment when the Church supplanted the empire, and the Pope succeeded Caesar. There was no unscrupulous and forcible encroachment, no violent rupture; but the care of a political and social ideal in the West passed away forever from the hands of a Byzantine sovereign. It was a bloodless and pacific revolution. It was no usurpation, but a heavy responsibility thrust upon the shoulders of the only competent and honest agent." And again, speaking of the temporal power which Gregory the Great wielded, the "Saturday Review" says that while to some it was the accursed tyranny of priests, "to the Roman or Italian, to the peasant or artisan of the opening seventh century, to the political philosopher of any epoch, if only he is honest, it was the sole hope for the reconstruction of the Western world."

"After all, very probably the Church will remain that which she always has been—the Church of the Poor," says the Syracuse "Catholic Sun." When she ceases to be, her real influence and influence will be minimized—in this country at least.

Sir Francis Burnand, who has retired from the editorship of the London "Punch," after forty years of service, is a Catholic.

**GALLERY OF THE KING**  
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These waists are made of crepe de chine, radium and taffeta in the latest lingerie effects. Those of crepe de chine are in short sleeve styles with cut-out insertions and Val lace. Yoke and fronts are of solid Val lace. In the back are rows of insertion. They are in light gray, light blue, white and pink. Those of taffeta and radium are in long and short sleeve styles with all-over insertion of Val lace. They are in white, light blue, pink and lavender.

Don't imagine that because you didn't come yesterday, the higher grades will be missing. One-half the original purchase was held in reserve for those who would respond to our evening advertisements. So to-day's offering contains the same proportion of the better grades as did that of yesterday.

## Bargains in "John S. Brown" Linens

Must seem strange, even to veteran shoppers, to see linens of the "John S. Brown" type on bargain tables. Such aristocrats are not often so humbled. But circumstances alter cases and exceptions prove the rule. For example:

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