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## Unfair.

Probably, if they have not been around already, agents will be soliciting you to subscribe for a new history of the United States, published by John Morris & Co. of Philadelphia. You will be urged to buy on the plea that Henry Cabot Lodge, United States Senator from Massachusetts, is one of the editors and that the Ph. D. and LL. D. after his name insure that it is a great book.

Great book it may be, but Catholics should not put it in their libraries both because it is unfair to their co-religionists but also because it is untrustworthy in its data. In proof of its unfairness to Catholic explorers and discoverers, read what the Toledo "Catholic Record" has to say.

"The Rev. John Elliot is lauded as 'the most famous of all the workmen among the redmen' and 'the apostle to the Indians,' whereas the glorious martyrs and French missionaries, such as Jogues, Brebeuf, Lallemand, etc., are not even mentioned. Charles and John Wesley and George Whitefield must of course receive their due meed of praise, whilst of the great missionary and explorer Marquette, who has had a statue erected in his honor in the capitol at Washington, we are merely told that he was sent out by the Jesuits of France. Merely that, and nothing more is said of him in the text, except on the margin of a map of explorations.

"The glorious work of the French missionaries is merely hinted at a long and the ridiculous, aspersive remark, repeated three times in the first volume in stereotyped form, viz.: 'Along with every fur trader went a black-robed priest and while the one bartered with the dusky savage for his skins the other talked to him of salvation and grace.' This is all the authors seem to have gleaned from the seventy-six volumes of the Jesuit Relations published a few years ago by Burrows Bros., Cleveland, O."

When the agent for the Lodge-Morris history calls, just show him this clipping and then—show him the door.

## Hope of the Church.

Archbishop Ireland, in a recent sermon, hit the nail on the head squarely when he said to those who argue that sufficient instruction in religion can be given in Sunday school and by the parents at home, when he said:

"Nothing but the daily drill in the teachings of the faith, and the assiduous breathings of an atmosphere permeated with the spirit of faith will sink religion so deeply into the soul of the child that it must remain there through life unaltered and unwavering.

"To be a firm and uncompromising Catholic in the midst of prevailing scepticism and indifference, to retain the warmth and ardor of Catholic faith in the trying atmosphere of the irreligious world in which we live, requires the heroism of the martyr, the ardor and enthusiasm of the saint; and it is folly to think that the martyr and the saint are born of the perfunctory and superficial religious instruction which is usually vouchsafed by parent or priest outside the Catholic school."

The His Grace of St. Paul then sounds a note of warning to all Catholics and non-Catholics, who would exclude Religion from the school curriculum:

"We cannot but look with alarm on the future of religion in America, when we recall what a large fraction of children are excluded from Catholic schools, and how little is done for the religious instruction of such children. The losses to the faith will be immense unless much more is done for our little ones than is being actually done. Heretofore we have not been made to feel, as we feel to-day, how vitally important it is to attend to the religious instruction of our children. Heretofore Catholic parents have very largely in a strong sense been lulled to sleep by the false promises of the State and the

before exposed to the perils which now confront them.  
"Conditions and circumstances are altered; our plans and methods of work must be altered accordingly. If, in the past, we labored for our children and youth, we must, in the future, labor for them with energy and zeal increased a hundredfold. As never before, we must exhort parents to send their children to Catholic schools and colleges. The hope of the Catholic Church in America is in Catholic schools and colleges."

## Sweet Memories.

Memories, pleasant and sad, will cluster around the consecration of Monsignor John B. Morris when he is consecrated as Bishop of Little Rock, with right of succession, which will take place on next Monday, the feast of St. Barnabas, in the Cathedral of Little Rock.

After consecration Bishop Morris will administer Confirmation in the Cathedral. He wished to be consecrated there on that day because of the many sacred associations connected with the church and the date. His father and mother were married in that church and buried from it, he himself was baptized there, and since his ordination he served in the same church as a priest for thirteen years. He was ordained in Rome in the Basilica of St. John Lateran by Cardinal Parrochi on June 11, St. Barnabas Day, fourteen years ago.

Altogether, both the day and the church are sacred to the Bishop. It is a pleasant coincidence that he should be consecrated on that day in St. Mary's Cathedral.

## Co-Education.

Writing to the "New Era," of Lancaster, Pa., in condemnation of the action of the Board of Education in voting for co-education in the High School, Rev. Anthony Kaul writes as follows.

"The clergy of the Catholic Church know more about the dangers that beset youth and the means of minimizing them than other people, and they have always opposed co-education. The period of adolescence is the most important in our whole lives, as it is then that the character is formed for better or for worse. Temptations must then be avoided, and even social distractions shunned. Up to the end of the formative period of youth the business, and the sole business of young boys and girls is to acquire the domestic virtues, and these can be learned and practiced only in the home.

"Up to the 21st year the fewer girls a young man knows besides his sisters the better for his future. Up to the time when she reaches the age of womanhood the fewer young men the girl becomes acquainted with the better for her in after life. This coquetting in short clothes is all wrong. It is not love; it is not sociability, it is not healthy intercourse. It is playing with fire. It is playing hide-and-go-seek on the brink of sin. We know mothers, and very good women, who see no wrong in this. They were innocent and unsophisticated when they were girls, and they can't see how all the girls cannot do what they did without evil results."

## The Elks.

A correspondent writes to the "Catholic Universe" to know if it is allowed for a Catholic to become a member of the Elks.

The editor, Rev. William McMahon, makes this reply:  
"There are Catholics who are members of the Elks, but we are under the impression that they became members without investigation or consultation, or else the Elks have degenerated very greatly.

"In view of the present status of the Elks we give a negative answer to the above query. The order has a ritual, chaplain and a peculiar annual memorial service and has given exhibitions of a character that should bar any conscientious Catholic from entering or continuing as a member of the Elks."

Martin Maloney, who was honored by the Pope with the title of Marquis, has purchased, so it is announced, the high-class weekly, "Men and Women," of Cincinnati, which is in with the Journal as a clubbing proposition. He intends to increase the paper's circulation by \$100,000 and its circulation to 1,500,000. Mr. Maloney is a multi-millionaire, and therefore may be put down as having sufficient resources to finance the publication. It is to be hoped that its present high character will be maintained.

If Elbert Hubbard had followed the example of his last essay in all of his publications, the reading public would have been spared several reams of unspeakable nastiness. The latest product of the "Rocycroft Press" is entitled "An Essay on Silence," an exquisitely bound volume in which the pages are blank.

## Sacred Heart.

The month of June is dedicated by the Church to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

No greater devotion can be imagined than that to the heart of our Savior—He who left His starry home on high and came to this world of sorrow and trouble that we might inherit eternal life.

The "Catholic Universe" puts it well when it says: "It is because it is so direct an answer to human needs, because the earth is full of the weary, the hungry-hearted, the unsatisfied, that the comparatively new devotion to which the month of June is consecrated has so rapidly become the great devotion of the world. Only the Heart of God Himself can ever fill the hearts of a race whose very wanderings and rebellions and idolatries prove that it is forever seeking God and is forever dissatisfied without Him. It is so natural for man to worship God that only when he is on his knees may he be said to attain his full stature. It is when he ceases to expect earthly satisfaction that he begins to find how rich life is in those compensating glimpses of heaven which are the intimations of his immortality."

## Lesson For All.

The life and death of Dr. Louis A. Weigel points a lesson to all, inside and outside the Church. He was a man who had delved deep into the hidden mysteries of Science. His life was one long research, but not for the purpose of breaking down religion. He studied how to benefit humanity but never did he become a devotee of the purely materialistic. In one way it may be said that he gave his life in that study but through it all he never lost his faith in God and his friends have a hope beyond the grave.  
May God, in His mercy, grant him eternal rest.

## Editorial Notes.

The "Catholic Universe" pays this tribute to Bishop McQuaid's sermon at last week's Redemptorist celebration in North East, Pa. "The sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. Bishop McQuaid. He spoke with vigor, force and eloquence for forty-five minutes. The reader should know that his Lordship of Rochester, N. Y., is over four score years of age. He is very young for an old man—the old man eloquent. The Bishop sketched the history of the Redemptorists in the United States. He spoke of their part in the Christian education of the young, and showed how essentially important this duty is for the individual, the family, the state and the Church. Speaking of federation he said with power and conviction that the parish should be and must be the great factor in any potent federation."

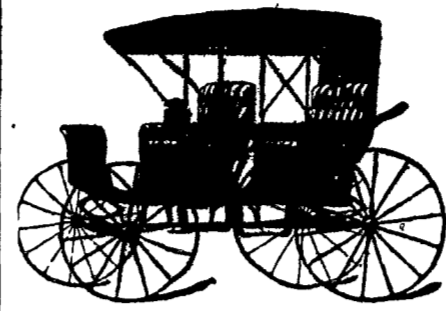
The Boston "Pilot" chides Catholics who make the sign of the Cross carelessly. "Just a little reflection on the depth and importance of that sign, its significance, its meaning and its symbolism ought, we think, to cause one forever after to make it with reverence, dignity and grace. The words which go with it, 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen,' tell us that haste and carelessness are insulting to the sacred titles so lightly taken."

Either the New York "Times" does not realize just what has happened in France, or it cannot resist a chance to have a fling at the Catholics. Just listen to this excerpt from a recent editorial: "The new law as to associations for worship does not go into full effect until December. If by that time the Church does not organize, as required, to use the property inventoried, the funds will be turned over to lay charities and most of the buildings will be appropriated to civil uses. That is an alternative that the Church will hardly invite." The "inventoried property" was literally stolen from the Church and then the congregations were invited to, practically, rent it back from the Government and the Government was to retain title and control. Is it to be wondered that the Church does not submit gracefully to the new order? In our opinion, Catholics in this country would not submit at all. Our French brethren do not appear to be made of as stern a material.

## Weekly Church Calendar

Sunday June 10—Gospel, St. Matt. xxviii 18-20—St. Margaret of Scotland, queen.  
Monday 11—St. Barnabas, apostle.  
Tuesday 12—St. John of San Fagondez, confessor.  
Wednesday 13—St. Anthony of Padua, confessor.  
Thursday 14—Corpus Christi.  
Friday 15—St. Vitus and Modestus, martyrs.  
Saturday 16—St. John Francis Regis.

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- Ten styles of water bottles, from \$2.85 to \$5.25 each.
- Nineteen styles and sizes of vases, from \$2 to \$13.50 each.
- Twenty two styles of bowls, from \$2.98 to \$15 each.
- Eight styles of pitchers, from \$5.50 to \$10.50 each.
- Fifteen styles of oil and vinegar cruets, from \$1 to \$3.50 each.

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- Twenty-five patterns of bread and butter plates, from \$3.50 to \$10 a dozen.
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- Hand painted plates, at \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2 each.
- Tea plates, at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each.
- Thirty-one patterns of chocolate pots, from \$1.75 to \$3.50 each.
- Sixteen styles of chocolate sets—chocolate pot and six cups— from \$4.50 to \$12.50 a set.
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