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No thought of his Masonic friends was there! Fortunately, a priest was near at hand and consciousness was vouchsafed for making confession and of making peace with God. Recovery was not vouchsafed and he died at peace with his Creator. He was buried in a Catholic Church and his family were spared the sad spectacle of his dying and being buried as he had lived.

This incident should be a warning to all of us not to postpone the all-important question of the soul's welfare until the last moment.

It should also be a danger signal to the Masonic fraternity. It should refuse to accept Catholics to membership. No practical Catholic can be a good Mason. If he lives up to his Masonic obligation he must forfeit, perforce, his communion in the Catholic Church. If he ever has entered, any of its portals.

The incident in question is not an isolated one. Nine times out of ten if consciousness is vouchsafed at time of death, the pseudo-Catholic and Mason always deserts the Masonic fraternity, comes back to the faith of his fathers and dies a Catholic. In a sense, the Masonic fraternity is made a fool of. It is used as a stepping-stone to business and political and social success for this world but, at the last, Masonry is thrown overboard in a desperate effort to square accounts for eternity.

Masons have had sufficient warning, at least in Rochester, that they should steadily and studiously refuse to admit one who calls himself a Catholic to membership. He does not enter Masonry gladly and willingly. His entrance is with a string attached, a mental reservation to work the order for all material benefit

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WHAT HE WANTED. A certain officer of the Royal Horse Artillery having his battery divided into half batteries which were garri- soned over 40 miles apart by road, applied that he might have an allowance granted him for an extra charger, it being his duty to frequently visit both portions. The war office ruled that this allowance was inadmissible, saying "Measured by the ordinary map, as the crow flies, the distance is found to be only 33 1/2 miles."

For a time the officer was non- pleased but an idea struck him and he seized his pen and wrote: "There would appear to be some misunderstanding regarding my application. I am asking for an allowance for an additional charger not an additional horse. I do not ride a crow. He got it. London Tit-Bits

Mennonites' Founder. The Mennonites take their name from Menno Simons, born in Witmar, Holland, in 1494. He entered the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church, renounced it, and was baptized in 1535. In the course of the following year he was ordained a minister of the Gospel. He was then known as the "Dutchman of Wadestadt" (the Dutchman of the West).

Some Advice. The following was sent by a young man to his son in regard to many things: "My dear son, I write to you to tell you a pair of old-time shoes that you may have a new pair made of them. Also some new socks which you may knit by cutting down some of your mother's socks. I'll send you a few dollars' worth of money to spend it wisely. I have kept back half and only sent the other half and I am well except your sister Annie has got the measles. I think we'll spread among the girls if you had not had them before and he is the only one left. I hope you are well and do honor to my teachings. If you do not you are an ass and your mother and my mother are your affectionate parents."

Sociable Spiders. Our native spiders are notable for their extreme unsociability. Of those which are spinners each one constructs its web apart from those of its kind and those which hunt pursue their prey alone. In other countries, however, there are spiders which live in communities and one such a native of Mexico is described by M. L. Duguet. It is known as the mosquito and makes a single nest in oaks and other trees. Here the spiders live gregariously and along with them in the nest is found a minute beetle and another species of spider. The beetle is said to act as scavenger. Parts of the nest of the mosquitoes are being used in the houses during the wet season to get rid of the flies.

The First Language. No one of the existing languages has any legitimate claim to be considered the original of the family of languages standing to the other as Latin for instance stands to Italian and French. Of an original primitive language of mankind the most patient research has found no trace. All of them, Assyrian, Phoenician, Hebrew, Arabic are sister languages pointing back to an earlier parent language, which has long disappeared. Since the historical period man has done little in the way of the absolute creation of language. The work had already been accomplished ages before the birth of written inscriptions.

Witchcraft. The number who perished in the period of the witchcraft delusion will never be known. In every country, through fifteen centuries, the superstition went on piling up its victims. In Geneva 500 were executed in three months, 7,000 were burned at Treves 600 by a single bishop of Bamberg and 800 in a single year at Wurtzburg. At Toulouse 400 perished at one execution. A Judge at Renny boasted that he had put to death 800 witches in sixteen years. A thousand were executed in a single year in the province of Como. "Witches" were executed in Spain. It was 1780.

Great Writer's Prayer. The service of the day is over, and the hour come to rest. We resign into Thy hands our sleeping bodies, our cold hearts and open doors. Give us to awake with smiles, give us to labor smiling. As the sun returns in the east, so let our patience be renewed with dawn, as the sun lightens the world, so let our loving kindness make bright this house of our habitation. Robert Louis Stevenson.

Praises American Women. Alfred East says that American women, like American machines, need but little man power. The American woman, he says, is the most charming woman in the world, therefore she is the most charming. Our excellent educational system, he thinks, is responsible for the fact that American women are such "good fellows."

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Advertisement for Washburn Credit Clothing Co. listing various clothing items: "Men's, Youths' and Boys' Suits, Raincoats, Hats and Shoes; Ladies' and Misses' Suits, Waists, Skirts, Coats, Jackets, Shoes and Millinery." It also mentions "Souvenirs for All Visitors" and "Entire First Floor, Elevator at Entrance Look for Big Electric Sign 'Credit'"

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