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Good Will to Men

Christmas comes but once a year but that once is a glad season to us all. No matter what our nationality, no matter how cross-grained our nature, he is indeed a hardhearted man who does not thaw out at the yuletide.

How much more should the Christmas time appeal to us Catholics. To us it commemorates again the advent upon earth of the Christ, the Savior of Mankind who left His starry home on high to take upon Him man's nature that the prophecies might be fulfilled and mankind inherit eternal life.

The Catholic should feel happy at this blessed season and should thank God for the blessing of faith. In keeping with the season the Catholic Journal this week presents its readers a special edition replete with articles appropriate to the season and it trusts its readers will find it to their liking.

Lesson Learned

Possibly the absentee landholders who control the Rochester Railway Company and divert Rochester dollars to their own pockets have learned a lesson during the last few weeks but we doubt it.

For a corporation that derives its being from the State of New York, that was presented the city streets wherewith to transact its business and relies upon the people of Rochester to fill its coffers, the VanderBorge requesting him to call on him bill syndicate real owners of the important business which turned out Rochester street system, is about to be none other than the turning as delightful a specimen of a grasping monopoly as history records.

It has grabbed all the city streets, it will not permit another company to compete with it yet it will not establish cross-town lines. It wants the right of way in the streets, yet it sets out to harass and worry the traveling public in every little, petty, mean, contemptible way that could be imagined.

Small wonder, then that the citizens of Rochester who had forced the arrogant Bell Telephone Company to its knees, rose in their might and set up such a mighty protest that the complacent Clevelandite, sent here by the absentee landlords as their taxgatherer, has been forced to back water lest his bosses might fire him as a scapegoat.

Mr. Cook may have learned that it is not politic to ignore any part of Rochester's citizenship but we have our doubts on that point. We fancy he is squealing now to save his own precious skin and will get back at us later on when we are lulled into security and are not looking.

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Generous. Rev. A. P. Doyle, of the Apostolic Mission House in Washington, was asked recently why Catholics were not as generous in support of missions as their non-Catholic brethren. He replied that Catholics already surpass non-Catholics in this respect. "Aside from the great and to the extent of thousands of dollars growing amounts annually contributed to missionary work as such," he said, "we must remember that the underground workings of the Catholics of the United States are educating one million and a quarter of children in their parochial schools. The average cost, including investments in buildings, etc., is \$15 per child, or \$18,750,000 in all. This means an annual contribution of \$360 from every Catholic family in the United States. And this is truly a mission contribution, for non-Catholic statesmen have frequently acknowledged that if Christianity is to be kept alive in America they must look to Catholic children educated in parochial schools to do it."

Grasping. Have these coal barons no limit to their grasping and avarice? Just read this dispatch from Shenandoah, Pa., dated December 8th: "The handsome Holy Family German Catholic Church, recently erected at a cost of \$75,000, is damaged by the settling of the surface, due to the robbing of the pillars in the underground workings of the Keh-Thomas Coal Company, of Philadelphia. The walls have pulled away from the foundation, which is rent by huge fissures and threatens to crumble, and the handsome mural paintings in the church are ruined. Other property in the immediate vicinity is also damaged by foundation walls crumbling from under the buildings."

Rev. Father Holtgreve, rector of the church, together with a committee, waited upon the officials of the colliery here to-day, and unless compensation is granted a suit for heavy damages will be instituted.

President Taft when he was an Ohio Judge speaking of the Catholics of the United States, said: "These Catholics, paying their proportion of the taxes, are constrained every year, on conscientious grounds, to yield to others their right to one-third of the school money, about \$200,000 a year. That is to say, these people are punished every year for believing as they do, to the extent of \$200,000, and to that extent those of us who send our children to these common schools become beneficiaries of Catholic money."

Restitution. We have all read of remarkable cases of restitution through the aid of the professional but in our opinion the following instance related by "America" is worthy of reproduction.

"A remarkable case of restitution of stolen money through the confessional took place recently in Trent, the capital of the Italian portion of South Tyrol, known as the Trentino and the meeting place of the famous Council of the sixteenth century. On August 30 last it was discovered that the sum of over 300,000 lire had been stolen from the Banca Cooperativa di Trent. In spite of rigid investigation and search by the police no trace could be found of the thieves, and the excitement was very intense as the incident was made capital of for political purposes. Employees of the bank had been imprisoned on suspicion but no evidence against them was forthcoming. A note from a well known historian, the Rev. Mari Morizzo, requesting him to call on him bill syndicate real owners of the important business which turned out Rochester street system, is about to be none other than the turning as delightful a specimen of a grasping monopoly as history records.

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Photographs. Lehnkering's Studio was crowded all last week. Everybody is after the beautiful \$3 photos he is making for \$5 per dozen. They surely are the finest photographs ever made for the money.

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Needed. It is refreshing to read that the legislators are really planning to get to work early in the session of the Legislature.

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Orderly procedure and a little work in the early days would obviate much of this. If Leaders Alldredge and Merritt can bring about a reform in legislative procedure they will earn the thanks of the taxpayers.

Says the Union and Times: "Among the contributing editors of the Christian Socialist we note the name of Prof. E. J. Ward, Rochester, N. Y. Prof. Ward is the chief social center propagator in our neighborhood city."

Not so long ago the Post Express hailed Ferrer as a martyr. Last week it called him an anarchist. Later and more detailed advice, what?

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